



# Glencairn Parent-Teacher Organization

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## January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2018 Newsletter

Dear Glencairn Families,

### **Taste of Glencairn is Almost Here!**

Taste of Glencairn is an opportunity to sample food from all over our Glencairn world. Though it is not necessary, families have an opportunity to bring a dish to share from their country of origin or culture. Please sign up below if you are bringing a dish or turn in the paper form at school. Paper goods will be supplied but please remember to bring serving utensils if needed. The event will be on **Wednesday February 7<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:30pm** (snow date if needed will be February 8<sup>th</sup>). Come hungry!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c4ca8ac2da6fc1-taste1>



### **Special Persons' Tea**

Glencairn will celebrate **Special Person's Day on February 14<sup>th</sup>**. Students will invite **ONE relative or friend** to attend a concert in the gym and then a tea in the lunchroom. We need volunteers to provide healthy nut-free snacks for the tea. We could also use some help setting up, cleaning up, and serving. This event will take the place of most classroom parties although many classes will still exchange Valentine's cards. Please sign up to bring an item on the link below. Food can be brought to the lunch room by 9:45am on the 14<sup>th</sup> (non-perishables can be dropped off in the office on the 13<sup>th</sup>): <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080a4da8ae2aa7fb6-special>.

### **Glencairn Community Forum**

**Please join us on February 13<sup>th</sup> for a Community Forum to learn more about the construction of our new building and our temporary move to Red Cedar Elementary.**

The time of this forum will be announced soon. The PTO will be offering childcare in the lunch room for a limited number of students. Reservations will be required so we can ensure that there is a safe child/caregiver ratio. To request childcare please email [karinpolischuk@hotmail.com](mailto:karinpolischuk@hotmail.com). Please note that although this forum is open to the community and we encourage the community to attend, the childcare it is only open to Glencairn Elementary families since it is being provided by the PTO.

## Bus Transportation

We apologize that the bus did not pick up at the Spartan Village Community Center for Math Night. We have learned that due to the closure of community center this bus stop has been discontinued. **The pickup for Taste of Glencairn and any other evening events will be at 1645, near the big bike racks.** Please help spread the word!

## Books, Books, Books!

- The spring book fair is coming soon! During the first week of March, you can stop by the school and shop. The book fair helps us raise funds for Ms. Mikko-Eicher in the Library and the teachers can also fill out wish lists for books.
- The 4<sup>th</sup> grade will be hosting Book Bingo on March 2<sup>nd</sup> and will be looking for gently used book donations. Please begin to keep a lookout for books your family would like to move on to a new home.



## January 9<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes

Minutes from the January 9<sup>th</sup> PTO meeting have been posted on the PTO Facebook page and also on our Website: <http://elps.k12.mi.us/our-schools/glencairn-elementary-school/parentsstudents/glencairn-school-association/meeting-minutes/>.

## February 13<sup>th</sup> PTO Meeting Canceled

Due to the Glencairn Community Forum, we have decided to cancel our February 13<sup>th</sup> PTO meeting. The next meeting is scheduled for March 13<sup>th</sup>.



## Many Thanks!

Thank you to all who attended Math Night! It was great to see so many kids having so much fun while learning. A huge thank you to Ashley Ahlin, Outreach Coordinator for MSU Mathematics, the dozens of volunteer MSU students, and our own parent volunteers for making this night a success!

## Reminder...

Just a reminder to anyone who has donated to the PTO this year, especially during the Fun Run, that your donations are tax deductible.



## Wrapping it up...Mark Your Calendars!

February 7<sup>th</sup> 6:00-7:30 p.m. – Taste of Glencairn

February 13<sup>th</sup> – PTO Meeting in Glencairn Library **Canceled**

February 13<sup>th</sup> – Glencairn Community Forum (time to be announced)

February 14<sup>th</sup> – Special Person's Tea

10:00-11:00 a.m. K-2<sup>nd</sup>

1:15-2:15 p.m. 3<sup>rd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup>

February 19<sup>th</sup> – No School – Presidents' Day

March 2<sup>nd</sup> – Book Bingo

March 13<sup>th</sup> – PTO Meeting in Glencairn Library

6:30 p.m. Social Time

7:00-8:00 p.m. Meeting

May 10<sup>th</sup> – Festival of Cultures (at the High School)

## Who We Are

The Glencairn Parent Teacher Organization exists to support the school and teachers, raising money through fundraisers such as the Fun Run, Popcorn Fridays and more. We want to share your ideas and energy to help make the school better.

## PTO Officers and Chairs

Feel free to contact us anytime:

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