



Principal's Pen

Dear Parents,

We're very blessed to have a supportive group of parents and community members. Our parents and partners have donated classroom supplies, volunteered to chaperone trips and plan school functions, and provided food for staff meetings and lunches. A big thank you to Ron Smith from Victorian Garden in Hendersonville who landscaped the front of the elementary wing. It looks great!

Some important dates for high school students and their parents are coming up: If you did not attend the February 21 meeting about block scheduling, please come to the make up meeting on March 6 at 4:30. Later that evening at 6:00 PM, all parents of current 10th and 11th grade students are invited to a meeting about dual enrollment with Volunteer State Community College. Mrs. Cooper will be at both meetings to discuss your high schooler's class schedule. Latin, Spanish, and French students will be tested during the month of March, and there are three remaining college trips for our juniors this month.

We appreciate all you do!

Sincerely,
Brad Schreiner

Spotlight on MHMS Staff

Melissa Perry

teaches Algebra II and Pre Calculus. She received her B.S. degree in Secondary Education Mathematics from Tennessee Tech University in 1992. She began her career in Sumner County at Portland High School where she taught a variety of advanced math courses.

After teaching in Portland for 8 years, Mrs. Perry took time off to stay home with her two sons, Cade and Benjamin. Cade is in the first grade at Merrol Hyde Magnet School. Her husband Randy is a civil engineer and owner of Perry Engineering. They reside in Hendersonville and are active members of First Baptist Church.

Mrs. Perry enjoys exercising, scrapbooking, and spending time with her family.



“Night of Stars” Coffee House

Saturday, March 11 5:30—10:00 pm
Featuring the talents of MHMS students



Elementary school students perform 5:30 - 7:30pm.
Middle School/High School students perform 8:00 - 10:00pm.
A variety of desserts along with coffee or hot chocolate will be served.

Admission is \$10 per person and tickets will be sold in advance.
Ticket forms will be sent home the first week of March.

PTO General Membership Meeting

Tuesday, March 7th, 6:30 p.m.

Featuring the Kindergarten singing “The Presidents Song” &
Community-wide Seminar (see attached)

Next Scheduled PTO Meeting: Tuesday, April 4th

“Read Across America Day” March 2nd

MHMS elementary students will celebrate national "Read Across America Day" on Thursday, March 2nd, in honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday, as part of the National Education Association efforts to promote reading. Students are invited to dress as their favorite Dr. Seuss character. Guest readers will visit K-5 classrooms and read a Dr. Seuss book. A special "birthday cake" will be served to all students during their regular lunch period. If you would like to volunteer on "Read Across America Day", contact elementary library co-chair Monica Wessel, 308-6750.

Scrip Gift Cards Available

For a complete list of Scrip Card Retailers visit
www.glscrip.com

For more information, contact Beth Welch @ 822-9360

\$\$\$ PTO Parent Donations due

Second semester pledges
are due by

March 1st

Checks should be made payable to

MHMS PTO

Thank you
for your
on-going support!

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MHMS Seeks Bands for Battle of the Bands

Saturday, May 13th @ MHMS

Contest open to all bands (all styles)
in the Nashville area ranging from
middle school to college age

Grand Prize

Recording Session @ Dark Horse Studio

Sam Ash Gift Certificates

All proceeds to benefit the

Instrumental Music Department

For an application call 615/264-3809

or email kmedica@bellsouth.net



The British are Coming! The British are Coming!



Attention all adults and students. On May 12th, Hendersonville "Relay for Life" will be held from 7 pm to 7am. The National Honor Society along with Serteen will be heading up our school's participation. Our theme this year will be "All about Britain." For those who do not know, "Relay for Life" is a fundraising event sponsored by the American Cancer Society. In order to make a large donation towards this cause, National Honor Society is asking everyone to participate. We will be holding several fundraising events, one of which is the sale of suns and moons in honor or in memory of someone who has been touched by cancer.

Please help MHMS by participating in this event.

Come dressed in your best Britain wear and let's make this a memorable night. For more information contact Mrs. Melissa Perry.



Parent-to-Parent Even the BEATLES needed a little "HELP"

By Mark A. Noble

I wanted to help out too. So when I heard about the Grant writing team—I was in.....FREE MONEY, why not! Whoooooaa writing a grant proposal is like getting a Masters in money squeezing, and when all is said and done...it's a hope and a prayer... and maybe we get some money! Then it hit me, all this stuff and a world to sell it to...EBAY!!!

I contacted Melissa Trotter at the **Pony Mailbox & Business Center, 242 West Main St. in Hendersonville, 822-4700**. We worked out a WIN-WIN-WIN for all of us. They will drastically reduce their normal fees to help us raise money for our school programs and educational aids...SWEET!!!

Do you have Stuff? OOOOOHHHH YEEAAA BABY! You pick which piece of your past, which still has some value to the rest of the world, and just drop it by Pony Mailbox//XpressList. Fill out a quick form and they will do all the work and mail the check, to you the customer, once the transaction is finalized. It will include a closing statement, which will outline the final sales price, the transaction fee (PayPal), listing fee (eBay) and the discounted XpressList commission. The checks will be made payable to: Merrol Hyde Magnet School and will have "DONATION" in the memo line. Drop it by the school and tell them where you want the funds directed : MUSIC, SCIENCE, GENERAL, or anything on the list. Its just that Ebay...I mean Easy.

Got some buried treasure in the basement that you would like to get rid of (\$50 minimum value per item)....and HELP our school raise donations thru EBAY? Go to <http://stores.ebay.com/XpressList> or call **Pony Mailbox & Business Center, 242 West Main St. in Hendersonville, 822-4700** and get all the details. More room at the house, quick funds for the school and our kids exact area of interest and only a few minutes from our busy lives...Not bad...Lets make this a big hit for MHMS.



Mid-State Swim Meet Held

The 2006 Mid-State Regional Meet included 836 swimmers from the area and was a success for MHMS coached by Erin Stocco. The meet was held on Friday, February 10, 2006. MHMS swimmers Andri Alexandrou, Catharine Hooks, and Courtnie Williamson had good times. Taylor Miley won a 7th place with a 59.77 in the 100 yards Backstroke and 6th place with a 51.03 in the 100 yards Freestyle. Taylor went on to compete at the State Competition on February 25th. This is the second year for the Merrol Hyde swim team.

Cheer Clinic Scheduled

Middle school and high school cheerleaders will host a "Cheer Clinic" for girls ages 5-12 on Saturday, April 8th.

- ◆ Session 1 is from 9:00 - 11:30 am.
 - ◆ Session 2 is from noon - 2:30 pm.
- Different material will be taught at each session. The cost is \$15.00 for one session and \$25.00 for both. Each participant receives a MHMS Cheer Clinic t-shirt if registered by March 15th. For more information visit our website at

<http://mhm.summerschools.org/athleticscheerleading.htm>



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Keep using the Amazon.com link on the MHMS web site for your online shopping. MHMS Athletic Booster Club receives 3-10% of the amount of the purchase.

Latin Tournament Successes

MHMS Latin students performed excellently at the Mid-State Latin Tournament at Hume Fogg on Tuesday, February, 7th. The students tripled the numbers of awards won last year, with a total of 25 ribbons.

Winners from Latin I were:

Clayton Hurdle—5th place Level I Grammar; 1st place in Derivatives
 Jessica Hall—2nd place in Derivatives;
 Jessica Hall, Melanie Freeman, Katie McVey—2nd place in Group Costume
 Sharon Choi— 4th place in Essay
 Joey Meyer—2nd place in Roman History
 Houston McClure, Logan McClure, Kurtis Mackendree, Evan King, and Yooson Chi tied for 5th place in Derivatives

The winners from Latin II were:

Justin Ostrander—4th place in Mythology; 5th place in Sculpture
 Sarah Musgrave—4th place in Roman History; 2nd place in Grammar
 Jake Jones—5th place in Grammar
 Carly Smith—3rd place in Pastels & Colored Pencil Art
 Donnie Pickel—4th in Derivatives
 Hannah Marsh—3rd in Roman History
 Brittany Webster—4th in Roman History

The winners from Latin III were:

BJ Lewis—4th in Mythological Costume
 Sarah Drayton—5th in Derivatives
 Raquel Pointer—2nd in Derivatives
 Alaina Kiskaddon—4th in Roman Life

Congratulations to all of these hard working students. Miss Stocco is proud.



Calling All Dancers!

MHMS will have its first Dance Team for the 2006-2007 School Year. Clinic will be held April 4-6 and try-outs will be April 7 and open to all rising 7-12 graders. A physical form must be on file before the clinic (available in the office). The Dance Team will perform at some home football games and basketball games as well as participating in competitions. Please email Ms. Lancaster with any questions

lancasterl@k12tn.net



Cheerleading Try-outs

High school and middle school cheerleading try-outs will be held Friday, March 24. Starting Mon., March 20 through Thurs., March 23 clinics will be held after school from 3:30 - 5:00 for candidates to learn the cheer, chant, and dance required for try-outs.