# Volves News The Maupreas School Monthly News Letter

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### LOOKING FORWARD TO

#### December 5:

- Math 161 Final December 9:
- Christmas Café and Program @ 5:00 PM

#### December 11

**DARE** Graduation @1:00PM

#### December 12

Student of the Year Portfolios are Due

#### **December 12 - 17**

Middle & High School Finals

#### December 13

- National ACT Exam December 15 - 19
- Red Ribbon Week

#### December 18

- Spirit Day
- Pep Rally
- Sr. Beta Fees Due December 19:
- End of First Semester
- Last Day to Preorder Yearbook

#### December 20-January 11:

Christmas Holiday



#### **HOMECOMING 2014**



On November 14<sup>th</sup>. MHS celebrated their homecoming, with the presentation of the homecoming court at the 9:00 am pep rally, and then again at 6:00 pm in the MHS gvmnasium before

ballgames. Reigning Queens Angel Marotte, Baylee Balfantz, and Hannah Vicknair returned to help crown the new winners.

Nominees in the elementary and middle school division included the following couples: Eli Miller and Kendyl Ortego, Bentley Balfantz and Kori Shirey, John Rodriguez and Rylie Inzinna, Kaleb Lachney and Hailey Williams, Blayson Helg and Kayee Winkle, Boston Balfantz and Destiny Campo, Piersten Sturges and Victoria Shaffer, Presten Sturges and Denae Clark, Bryce Felps and Hailey Harden, Cole Bovia and Chole Wilkinson, Hunter Dupuy and Keegan Marchand, Grant Meadows and Emma Gautreau, and Tyler Anderson and Madison Picou. Elementary Queen was the beautiful Miss Hailey Williams and Middle School Queen was the beautiful Miss Denae Clark.

### TEACHER OF THE YEAR



Congratulations to Ms. Megan Pinion who was selected as Teacher of the Year of Maurepas School. Thank you for your dedication to your students and all the work and time you give to our school.

Frederic Ledent

The high school nominees were escorted by their fathers, step-fathers, grandfathers, and classmates. High School Court Representatives were: 9th Grade (Laigen Loupe), 10th Grade (Faith



Blount), 11<sup>th</sup> Grade (Josie Carroll), 12<sup>th</sup> Grade (Star Diaz), Cheerleaders (Amanda Walker), 4-H (Sarah Hess), Beta (Alexis Ferguson), FFA (Clare Gaudin), FCS (Julia Ernest), PAC (Deasha Ricks), Basketball (Adellia Motichek), and the Library Club (Courtney Fontenot).

ketball teams won their games against Grand Isle as well. The Homecoming celebration continued with a dance on Saturday night for the students. Overall, it was a great week-

**High School Winners:** 

Duchess – Adellia Motichek **Princess – Josie Carroll Oueen - Julia Ernest** 

To help with the exciting hype of the night, both of the basend. Congratulations to all of the winners and court members, and to the boys and girls Wolves' basketball teams.

Jeanne Mavers

### The mission of Maurepas School is to help all students learn and grow, and give their best each day.

### "CAFÉ HEAUX! HEAUX! HEAUX!" AND A SHOW!



Fifth grade students will continue the tradition of hosting their Christmas Café on the night of December 9. But this year is going to be different. You will come to "Café Heaux! Heaux! Heaux!" and a show. While the fifth graders will serve you with foods and drink, the elementary and the PAC (Performing Arts Club) students will entertain you with a Christmas program.

The purpose of this charity event is to collect funds to buy Christmas presents for the children of less fortunate families in our community. All money raised that night will go to this

cause. We started this tradition in 2005 and this year marks the tenth café hosted by 5th graders. Every year, students surpass their goal. The first year, students collected \$177.85. Last year students collected \$1,507.31 in one night. With that money, our school was able to provide presents for 18 children.

Of course, this year we expect to do better, and we hope that the new format will attract even more costumers. The goal for this year is to pass \$1,600.00. Here are the opening hours:

5:00 pm - Opening the doors of "Café Heaux! Heaux! Heaux!"

5:30 pm - "Caroling" by K-2<sup>nd</sup> grade

6:15 pm - "Arf on the Housetop" by the 3rd and 4th grades

6:55 pm - "Charles Dickens' Christmas Carol" by PAC

8:00 pm - Closing the Doors

Students will not waiter tables during performances.

Also, throughout the night, you will be able to admire art pieces from our junior high and high school students and ornaments made by our elementary students. All of them will be for sale for a donation to the "Café Heaux! Heaux! Heaux!"

December 9, 2014, from 5:00 PM to 8:00 PM, Maurepas School Auditorium. Admission is \$2:00 per adult, free for students and toddlers. Free admissions to parents who will donate food, drinks, and/or supplies to the café.

Frederic Ledent

#### CHARARCTER DAY



On October 31<sup>st</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> grade students participated in Fall Festival activities. They enjoyed playing games, receiving prizes & candy, and decorating cupcakes!

A huge Thank You to the seniors and the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade Students that helped make this day a success.

5<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students each received a pass for free admission to a home game and one concession item valued up to \$1.00. They also had the opportunity to participate in the costume contest.

## Congratulations to the winners: (Individuals)

1<sup>st</sup> Place — Brice Felps,

2<sup>nd</sup> Place — Samuel Forbes,

3<sup>rd</sup> Place — Dakota Guitreau.

### (Groups)

1<sup>st</sup> Place — The Wizard of Oz,

2<sup>nd</sup> Place — The Benchwarmers.

3<sup>rd</sup> Place — The Little Pigs & the Big Bad Wolf.

Danna Lee

### **CLASS OF 2015**

Please start bringing in baby pictures for the senior slide show to Mrs. Jeanne Mayers. The holidays are a great time to pull out those old boxes of pictures and take a trip down memory lane!

Jeanne Mayers

# SENIOR BETA CLUB HELPS RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE CHARITIES

The **Senior Beta Club** is collecting miniature toiletry items or cash donations for the Ronald McDonald House Charities during the month of December. The homeroom that collects the most items/money will receive free basketball game passes! RMHC is a non-profit organization that houses families near hospitals while their sick children are receiving treatment. Read more about RMHC at <a href="http://www.rmhc.org">http://www.rmhc.org</a>.

Melissa Wempren

# YEAR BOOK; DON'T MISS OUT ON THE MEMORIES!

First, Walsworth did print several overrun copies, so we do have a few extra copies of the 2013-2014 yearbooks that are available for the cost of \$55. See Mrs. Lori Hess if you are interested. Several people still have balances and a second reminder notice will be sent.

We will begin taking early bird orders for the 2014-2015 yearbooks from December 1st through December 19th. Cost of books ordered at this time will be \$50. Only a \$10 deposit will be due at this time. Ordering before December 19th locks your order in at the \$50 price. The remaining balance can be paid at a later date. A second, final round of orders will be done in the spring and books will cost \$55 during that ordering period. If extra books are available in the fall when the books are delivered, they will be sold for \$60.

Be on the lookout for the order forms which will be on purple colored paper!

Lori Hess

# STUDENTS' ACHIEVEMNENTS

- Congratulations to Megan Alexis, Nathan Bush, Jackie Cooper, Jordynn Delatte, Gabby Thornton who have received their CPR Certification.
- Congratulations to the Maurepas Cross Country team for a successful season and for "toughing it out" at the State Cross Country Championship in Natchitoches, La. Running 3 Miles in 39 Degree weather with wind speeds of 15/20 mph proves just how dedicated this young team really is!!! Thank you also to the parents who have traveled with us and provided transportation and care to our team members this season!

#### SENIORS AND 2ND GRADERS ARE PEN PALS



The Second grade class had an amazing opportunity this year to become Pen Pals with our Senior Class of 2015.

The Friendly Letters between the second grade classes will provide a window into the Senior class families and lifestyles. The second grade classes idolize the senior class as individual role models. For instance, if one student holds the door

for another student, my class will automatically display the same characteristic traits as they did. As we plan and write each batch of Friendly Letters, I will supervise the content and editing of the letters and provide directions as to what would be suitable topics to include which will help all students involved learn from experience. In class we use the teaching process called 4-Square writing method, this graphic organizer helps students learn a numerical format while composing their thoughts. Our first letter contained 1-Prompt about Their favorite things to do which contained 5 paragraphs using 5-7 sentences in each paragraph. 1paragraph for the Introduction, 3-body paragraphs that contained a main idea for each paragraph and a closing paragraph restating their main idea topics.

Pen Pal letters provide an avenue to create better writers via an authentic audience. My students know that not only is someone actually going to read their letter, but also respond to it. This encourages students to write with meaning, to write with a sense of purpose. As the year progresses, there is always a vast improvement in their writing...

Brittney Williams

### **CANNED FOOD DRIVE**

Our FFA, 4H, BETA, and Jr BETA clubs are conducting a canned food drive to help those in need for the coming Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Please send non-perishable items to school during November and December to help our children learn the valuable lessons of being good citizens and community service organizations.

To boost interest and participation in the food drive this year's food drive is themed "The Hunger Games." Each grade and club is assigned to donate their canned good to a specific district, and the district raises the most canned goods will win a pizza party. The donated food will be placed on the small stage in the auditorium; the stage will be sectioned off for each district.

Sarah H., President of 4-H.

### COLLECTIBLES!

Please collect and send to the school library the following items:

Community Coffee Labels



**Box Tops for Education** 



Thanks to Mrs. L. Hess & Mrs. B. Williams for the pictures.



MAUREPAS SHOOL — HOME OF THE WOLVES										
Maurepas High School Basketball Schedule						Maurepas Junior High				
	Opponent	Place	Time		Basketball Schedule					
	First Baptist Christian	Away	6:00	VG, VB	12/1-6	<b>8<sup>th</sup> grade</b> Tourna- ment	@North Corbin			
	Springfield	Away	6:00	VG	12/8	Springfield	@HOME			
.3	Livingston Parish Tournament	Away	TBA	VG, VB	1		(8 <sup>th</sup> GRADE			

12/15-18

Tournament

VG

VB

NIGHT)

@Holden

TBA

TBA

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Date

12/9-12/13

12/18-12/20

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Walker Tournament

**Runnels Tournament** 

12/2 12/4

December 2014											
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday					
	1	2	3	4	5 Math 161 Final	6					
7	8	9 Christmas Café and Program at 5:00 PM	10	11 DARE Graduation at 1:00PM	12 - Jr. High/High school Finals - Students of the Year Portfolios Due	13 National ACT Exam					
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		Red	d Ribbon W	eek	ter Ends						
21	22 Christmas Holiday	23 Christmas Holiday	24 Christmas Holiday	25 Christmas Holiday	26 Christmas Holiday	27					
28	29 Christmas Holiday	30 Christmas Holiday	31 Christmas Holiday	Livingston Parish Public Schools adheres to the equal opportunity provisions of federal and civil rights laws, and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin, religion, age, sex, sexual orientation, marital status, or disability. The Title IX Coordinator is Rick Wentzel, Assistant Superintendent, P.O. Box 1130, Livingston, La; phone (225)686-7044; email Rick.Wentzel@LPSB.org							