

Friday Note 2/10/2017

The 2017 Youth Cheer Camp practice will be held at the Washington School on Friday, February 17th immediately after school until 4:30 pm. The form for sign-up is included with this Friday Note and has more information about the event. The form will also be available on our web site and our Facebook page.



On Monday, February 13th and Tuesday, February 14th during lunch time/recess, the Washington School PTO will be selling something special for students to purchase for the loved ones in their lives as a Valentine's Day gift. The cost is \$1 for each item and will come with a small paper card or valentine from your child. There is no limit to the number of items they can purchase although there will only be 150 of the items available for sale. They will all be the same thing but come in different colors. We apologize if this is a little vague, but we know that the kids like to surprise their loved ones and WE don't want to ruin that surprise.



The students at AD Johnston Jr./Sr. High School will be celebrating Winter Carnival next week. They will have different activities every day. The students/school and the Booster Club are also including the community in several different celebrations. On Thursday, February 16th, the Speedgirls Basketball Team has a home game against Ontonagon. The JV game starts at 5:00 pm and the Varsity at 6:20 pm. On Friday, February 17th, the Speedboys Basketball Team has a home game against Dollar Bay which starts at 5:00 and 6:30 pm. All Senior Citizens (ages 55+) who attend any of the games will receive a free bag of popcorn, courtesy of the Booster Club. Also, families attending the games will be admitted for a special price of \$5 per family. At the Speedboys game, any student (grade K-12) who donates an item for the school such as facial tissue, hand sanitizer, pencils, glue sticks, etc. will be admitted for free. At half time of the Speedboys Varsity game on Friday, there will be a "Hoops at the Half" contest. Students can buy tickets for a chance to take part in a free throw contest. The cost of the tickets is: Grades 6 and under- 25¢ (will shoot from the free throw line - 1 attempt), Grades 7 & 8- 50¢ (will shoot from the 3 point line - 1 attempt), and 9th Grade and up- \$1 per ticket (will shoot from half court - 3 attempts). One male and one female will be picked from all applicants in each age level. There will be Dilly Bars for consolation prizes for each person and there are prizes for the winner in each level.

Don't forget about the "Snowman Contest" being held by Mrs. Hellman. It looks like there is some snow on the way. Just bring picture of your snowman to school and give it to Mrs. Hellman to be entered. The winner will be announced at "Wellness Night" in March.

"Jump Rope for Heart" is coming to our school again this year. This will be Washington Elementary School's 20th year for participation. We are proud to partner with American Heart Association in fighting heart disease and stroke. Students will jump rope the week of February 13, 2017 during their PE classes. During this program your kids will learn about their heart and how to develop healthy habits and have the opportunity to



raise funds. We want our kids and our community to take action to prevent heart disease TODAY! Go online at: www.heart.org/jump to get started early. Envelopes will also be sent home with your child on February 10, 2017 for contributions if you do not have access to a computer.

The Parent/Teacher Conferences listed on the district calendar for February 15th are evening conferences for A.D. Johnston students ONLY and there is NOT an early dismissal that day.

The Bessemer 4th of July Committee is looking for a volunteer coordinator for the Hometown Run. The ideal person does not have to be a runner, but does have to have good organizational skills. Please contact Linda Nelson at 906-364-0154 if you are interested in this position.

Youth Bowling is starting this Saturday at Larry's Lucky Strikes in Ironwood. Bowling is every Saturday from 9-11 a.m. and the cost is \$9 per week. For more information, please call 906-932-4132.



U.P. Kids and Big Brothers Big Sisters will be holding their annual Bowl for Kids' Sake on Saturday, February 25, 2017 at Larry's Lucky Strikes. Teams are still needed. More information is available at bbbs@upkids.com or by calling 906-932-8463. You may also register at www.upkids.com. If you are not able to join a team, please consider making a donation to one of the teams participating. The money really does go to a good cause.

The Michigan State University Extension will be offering free "Cooking for Families" classes. It is a 6 week class designed to help participants learn the basics of planning, shopping, and cooling delicious healthy meals and snacks for you and your family. The classes will be from 4:30-5:30 pm on Wednesday(s) March 22, 29, April 5, 12, 19, and 26 at the Community Action Dining Room located at 100 S. Mill St. in Bessemer. Classes are free, but registration is required. For more information, contact Megan Martell, MSU Extension Instructor at mmartell@anr.msu.edu or 906-663-4045 Ext 621.

There will be no school for students in the Bessemer Area Schools on Monday, February 20th in observance of President's Day.

