

REACH

A Creative Arts Magnet Program
Brook Haven Middle School, Sebastopol, California

Monday, November 11, 2007

A Weekly Newsletter from the REACH Parent Foundation

It's time to pay your November pledge!

Calling Parent Volunteers...

Please consider stepping up for one of these if you haven't yet found a way to contribute. We need every parent to participate in some way!

- Noon Library Duty – Tuesdays, 12:50-1:14
- Noon Yard Duty: Tuesdays (12:34-1:14) – Need 2 parents; Wednesdays (11:55-12:35) – Need 1 parent, Thursdays (12:34-1:14) – Two parents needed.
- Scrip Coordinator
- Volunteer Coordinator
- Pre-Algebra Support – 8th grade Math with Steph, 1st period Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs.
- Equipment Needs
- Sixth grades need a big TV or an extra VCR/DVD player. Does anyone have these things cluttering up their garage that they would like to donate?

E-Scrip Sign-ups

Talk about easy! Just go to www.escrip.com and follow the directions to sign up. I was able to sign up within 5 minutes! If everyone takes 5 minutes to sign up, then our budget concerns will be a thing of the past. There is also a link to purchase gift cards. I am going to do all of my Christmas shopping using these cards, it is so easy to do, and I will spend the money on gifts anyway. — *Kathleen Tuttle*

Public Relations Meeting Changed

In order to not conflict with the important Monday Parent meeting, the Public Relations meeting has been rescheduled for Tuesday, Nov. 6, at 6:30 pm in the Brook Haven library. The purpose of this meeting is to focus on the enrollment process and advertising for the program, which need to be ready to go by the end of December. We need parents with graphic skills, writing skills, and general interest in how the process works to attract students and families who will support the mission and vision of this program.

– *Nancy Higham*

Guys and Dolls...and other dramatic happenings!

Several REACH students (Tesheia, Alice, Rachel, Lance, Jack, and Arielle) have been working hard for the past few months preparing for the Sonoma County Repertory Theater's Young Actors Conservatory production of *Guys and Dolls Junior*.

One of Broadway's most hilarious shows, *Guys and Dolls* has been described as the perfect musical comedy. Primarily based on Damon Runyon's short story, *The Idyll of Miss Sarah Brown*, which describes the unlikely romance between a pure at heart urban



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Mark Your Calendar

Tuesday, Nov. 6
1:30 release for teacher conferences

Tues. Nov. 6
6:30 PR meeting
Brook Haven library
Please RSVP to Nancy nhigham@sonic.net if you can make it.

Wed. Nov. 7
Parent chat led by Laura Goldenberg 8:00 a.m.
In Rm. 9 - ask any questions

Wed. Nov. 7
RPF Board mtg 6:30
Brook Haven library

Mon. Nov. 11
School holiday

Thurs. Nov. 15
Parent Meeting
Brook Haven library
6:30 pm

Mon. Nov. 19
4/5 Field Trip to Kule Loklo at Pt. Reyes. Please contact Stacy Low if you can drive. (823-2915 or email slow@sbcglobal.net)

Wed. Nov. 21
Thanksgiving Holiday begins



missionary and a slick Broadway gambler. The show's second romantic storyline involves Nathan Detroit and Miss Adelaide, who have been engaged for fourteen years. Nathan organizes the "oldest established, permanent floating crap game in New York", and Adelaide is the main attraction at the Hot Box nightclub.

With such classic Broadway show tunes as "Luck be a Lady Tonight" and "Sit Down You're Rocking the Boat", *Guys and Dolls Jr.* promises a fabulous evening of entertainment.

The young actors are in their final weeks of rehearsals and the excitement is mounting! "We have been working really hard and I think everything is going to pay off. I think the choreography is really good and the show will be great! Everyone should come see it!" (Alice Doyle)

Performances are at the Sebastopol Community Center Youth Annex, November 9th at 7pm, 11th at 6pm, 16th and 17th at 7pm, and 18th at 6pm. For tickets, call Lisa Doyle, 823-5034 or marchant63@hotmail.com

Here are a few other upcoming youth drama performances, all featuring REACH alumni.

"Lysistrata" (PG13) a Greek comedy presented by the Analy Arts Department. November 9,10,15,16,17 at 7:30, 11th at 2:30. Call 824-2360 for tickets or go to www.analy.org/theater/lysistrata for more information.

"Hamlet"— presented by Sonoma Academy at Carston Cabaret, Wells Fargo Center. November 16, 17th at 7pm, 18th at 2 p.m. For tickets and more information, contact Emily Doyle, 823-5034 or edwazhere@hotmail.com

"Annie" presented by Roustabout Theater Company at Carston Cabaret, Wells Fargo Center. December 8th at 8pm, 9th at 3 p.m. and 7p.m. For tickets and information, go to www.roustabout-theater.org

The Green Zone



In light of REACH's intent to 'Go Green' this year, this new column will attempt to present news and ideas pertaining to all things Green! Please feel free to send suggestions or contributions to dianabadger@mcn.org.

Coming up this weekend, Nov. 9-11, at the San Francisco Concourse Exhibition Center is the Green Festival, www.greenfestivals.org, purportedly a remarkable event, one of four around the country (the others are in Seattle, Chicago, and Washington on different dates) each year. I haven't yet made it to this festival, but I'd like to!

I did get to go to the fabulous, and related, Bioneers Conference just a couple of weeks ago, so I feel I did my part. Check out their website, www.bioneers.org, to order inexpensive CD's of the talks that took place, or just browse around. It was inspiring, with focus on topics such as The Council of 13 Indigenous Grandmothers from around the world, the state of the world's oceans, the emerging importance of the feminine, and many other fabulous speakers and presentations.

But back to the Green Festivals: A friend in a class I'm taking has a booth there for her Green Body-Care products. In addition to the huge array of booths, music, and abundant networking, there will be many renowned speakers on board, including Deepak Chopra, Paul Stamets (the mushroom/mycelia evangelist), Fritjof Capra, Gary Zukav (anyone remember The Dancing Wu Li Masters?), and Paul Hawken, who's just out with a new book about the burgeoning environmental and cultural sustainability movements taking place worldwide. Some of the topics covered include 'The Solar Future', 'Green Technologies', and 'Greening Your Home Naturally' —*Diana Badger*

Chess Anyone?

Lance would like to advertise for anyone who would enjoy playing chess to please call 827-3042.

Where it's cool to throw things in class...

