

Olney Elementary PTA Newsletter

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MARK THE DATES!

May 13	5th Grade Westward Ho!
May 23	Field Day, Grades 1-2
May 24	Field Day, Grades 3-5
May 24	Restaurant Night at the Green Turtle — OES vs Cashell ES
May 25	Volunteer Tea, 4 PM
May 20-22	Olney Days
May 30	NO SCHOOL—Memorial Day

OLNEY ES VS. CASHELL ES!!!

Are You up for The Challenge? We can do it!!!

Invite all your friends & family to join us for hearty American pub food, good time with friends & fundraising for the OES PTA!

When: Tuesday, May 24 all day long!!!

Where: The Greene Turtle of Olney 18101 Town Center Drive

Tell your server you are representing OES!!!

We will have a contest with Cashell ES. Both schools will split the 10% of net sales but the school with most sales will get an XTRA \$100!!! The proceeds will help support the many Olney Elementary PTA programs and activities. Thank you in advance for your support!!!

For more information, please contact Tsili Wolf at: tsili-wolf@yahoo.com.

The following OES PTA Chair positions, listed below, are available for next year. Many of these positions are now open because the previous chair-people will no longer have children attending Olney Elementary School next year. If you are interested in finding out more about the duties of the position, please feel free to email or call Nancy Hull, President, OES PTA at nehull@aol.com or 301-774-7831.

- ★ Restaurant Night Fund-raiser Chairperson
- ★ MCCPTA Representative
- ★ 5th Grade Memories Chairperson
- ★ Media Center Volunteer Coordinator

Field Days are coming!!!!

GRADES K-2 ON MON. 5/23

GRADES 3-5 ON TUES. 5/24

To volunteer at your child's Field Day, please return the Field Day volunteer form that came home this week ASAP. If you didn't get a form, e-mail Kristine Lev at KMLEV7@gmail.com. Ms. Morse would also like to thank everyone who volunteered to prepare Field Day cards and water balloons. She will be in touch when/if she needs your help.



STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK A HUGE SUCCESS!

As some of you know, OES celebrates Staff Appreciation Week as opposed to Teacher Appreciation Week. It takes every single one of the OES Staff to make things happen for our children. We would like to thank all of the parents that helped to make last week a huge success. Each day the staff was surprised with a special token of our appreciation and they greatly appreciated it.

A special shout out to RIO CAFÉ — Olney's newest restaurant that everyone must try. And our staff did try! RIO CAFE donated the entire lunch on Cinco de Mayo to our staff as well as provided each staff member with a free meal card. It was delicious. So the next time you are in there, don't forget to let them know how much we appreciate their kind donation to honor our awesome OES Staff. This couldn't have happened with Tsili Wolf's doing, so thank her too!

With all the leftover food from Cinco de Mayo we will be providing the staff with a quesadilla bar sometime in the next week or two, which is one more thing to show them we care.

Again thank you all so much for your help and contributions to the Staff Appreciation Week.

Sincerely,
Jennifer DeBalso and Andrea Rudolph
Co-Chairs OES PTA Staff Appreciation Committee

UPDATE- HELPING JAPAN HEAL & OTHER SERVICE PROJECT IDEAS

Once again the students, staff & parents at Olney Elementary School proved that "Olney Cares"! Thank you for your support and participation in our school efforts to support the **crisis relief in Japan**. Through "Jerseys for Japan Day", the "Japanese craft projects", and the construction of the "Cherry Trees of Hope" in our hallways, **we were able to raise \$1,500.00 dollars to send to the American Red Cross**. Way to go Olney Dragons—we are very proud of your kindness!

Please know we will be once again be holding 2 opportunities (2 days) to support the Olney Relay for Life event during recess time. You children will be invited to pay a dollar and complete a Mini Relay for Life during their recess time. Dates are being decided right now—stay tuned.

Also, Ms. Bombara is looking for creative ways that our school can reach out and help/support the devastating events happening in the Mississippi River Region. Please stop by or send in any ideas that you might have. Every idea is a good one!



Do You Have a Child with Attention Deficit Disorder?

Join Us at our Monthly Speaker Program Meetings at
Twinbrook Library: 7:15 – 9:15 p.m.

202 Meadow Hall Drive, Rockville, 240-777-0240
(in Twinbrook Shopping Center on Viers Mill Road
between Twinbrook Parkway and Route 28)



Mark your calendars!

May 26, 2011

Strategies to Handle the Hard-to-Manage Child

The presentation this month is designed to give parents hands-on tools that they can use with their hard-to-manage child. Dr. Georgia DeGangi will offer practical strategies that work at home, at school and in interactions with family members and peers. The treatment approaches that she teaches combine what she has learned from dialectical behavioral therapy, sensory integration therapy and dynamic relationship-based therapy. She will discuss strategies for working with children who are inattentive, hyperactive, anxious, overwhelmed and overstimulated to the child who is disruptive and oppositional. Dr. DeGangi will offer concrete advice to help regulate the irritable child with emphasis on the child learning ways to self-soothe.

Presenter: Dr. Georgia DeGangi

Georgia DeGangi, Ph.D., OTR, FAOTA is a clinical psychologist and an occupational therapist in private practice at ITS: PALSS (Integrated Therapy Services: Psychological and Learning Support Services, Inc.) in Kensington, MD. She has over 25 years experience working with infants, children and their families. She has extensive experience with diagnosis and treatment of a range of developmental, sensory, behavioral and emotional problems. Dr. DeGangi has conducted research for many years to examine the most effective ways of treating children as well as examining how problems in infancy related to self-regulation, sensory processing, attention and social interactions develop as children grow older.

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