The ViewPoint

Mount View Middle School

October 10, 2014

**Upcoming Dates**

**Spirit Days:**

**Monday, 10/13:  Crazy Hair Day**

**Tuesday, 10/14:  Pajama Day**

**Wednesday, 10/15:  Twin Day/Dynamic Duo Day**

**Thursday, 10/16:  School Spirit Day**

**October 14**

PTA Reflections Art Workshop 2:30-4:00pm

**October 17**

Schools Closed for Students

**November 3**

Schools Closed for Students

**November 4**

Schools and Offices Closed

**November 7**

Fall Falcon Fling – PTA Sponsored Dance 7:00-9:00pm

**Principal’s Corner**

**Did you know?**

Teens who eat dinner with their families fewer than three times a week are much more likely to use cigarettes, alcohol, and drugs than teens who have more frequent family dinners.

Children who don’t eat a balanced breakfast or lunch are more likely to be sick, absent, or late for school, and disruptive in class. Plus, they have more trouble concentrating.

**Coffee and Conversation**

With the Board of Education will be held:

Saturday, October 25, 2014, 9:30-11:00 a.m.

Clemens Crossing Elementary School Media Center

**Health Room Information**

We need 3 volunteers to help with vision and hearing screening on October 23 from 8am-12pm. Please contact the health room if interested (410)313-5550. Thank you.

**G/T Placement Reviews**  
  
The G/T Placement Committee will be meeting to recommend students for placement in G/T content classes.  If your child ***is not currently enrolled*** in a particular G/T content course, and you would like to request that he/she be considered for placement in that course, please e-mail Mrs. Mako at susan\_mako@hcpss.org by October 24th.   Thank you!

**Band News**

Congratulations to the following students who were chosen to participate in the Howard County Gifted and Talented Band. They were chosen from well over 300 students who auditioned September 30.  
Erin Ko  
Stephanie Choi  
Jiwoo Moon  
Stephanie Oh  
Hannah Kim  
Sasvi Kulasinghe  
Isaac Kim  
Eric Li  
Gabby Murphy  
Jon Bitterli  
Kevin Hermstein  
Isabel Lee  
Making alternate:  
Naomi Han  
Elisabeth Degenford   
Oliver Wu

**National Geographic Bee**

Mount View will hold the National Geographic Bee at 2:30 on December 10th in the cafeteria.  Study materials are available for check out in the media center.  Compete for prizes and a chance to represent Mount View at the state level.  See the PTA website for sign up info. Sign up deadline is midnight on December 8th.

**PTA Reflections Art Workshop**

Tuesday, October 14, 2014 - 2:30pm to 4:00pm

Teacher Advisor: Mrs. Bollard

Calling all writers, artists, dancers, photographers, filmmakers and composers!  The Reflections committee will hold a workshop October 14th from 2:30-4:00 in the media center to help you interpret this years theme, "The world would be a better place if..."  Come for inspiration or bring work in progress for advice.  Participation in Reflections can lead to awards at the county, state and national level.  Please see the PTA website for a permission slip and more information about Reflections.

**PTA News**

**Coat Drive!**Helping families in Howard County  
**Collection Ends**: Wednesday, October 24th

**Collecting New or Gently Used:** COATS - HATS - SCARVES - GLOVES  (*ALL SIZES*)  
Please make sure that your donations are clean, ready to wear, with no repairs, or items in pockets.  
Collection Bin is located on the bench in the front lobby.  
**Questions**? Contact **Chele Ruetsch** at [chelediello@yahoo.com](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=vTcQHkYmc0exZfa5NpnudrJVtBG1stEIH8uUN-3PudkRzuXPo1VBK9K4ASza9DUOfUxtRrrK6b0.&URL=mailto%3achelediello%40yahoo.com" \t "_blank) or **Theresa Yodzis** at [yodz@comcast.net](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=vTcQHkYmc0exZfa5NpnudrJVtBG1stEIH8uUN-3PudkRzuXPo1VBK9K4ASza9DUOfUxtRrrK6b0.&URL=mailto%3ayodz%40comcast.net" \t "_blank)

**Backpack Buddies Program - Who's up next?**

The following Falcon Time Classrooms are asked to bring in donations for our second collection:  
Randhawa, Bassolino & Palatella  
**DUE Thursday, October 16th!**  
To see a food list and/or to learn more about this program, visit: [http://mvmspta.yolasite.com/backpack-buddies.php](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=vTcQHkYmc0exZfa5NpnudrJVtBG1stEIH8uUN-3PudkRzuXPo1VBK9K4ASza9DUOfUxtRrrK6b0.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fmvmspta.yolasite.com%2fbackpack-buddies.php" \t "_blank)

WE NEED YOU!!!!!!!

Most, if not all, of us go to either Safeway, Giant, Harris Teeter, Martins or Target to shop on a regular basis.  Simply by shopping at these stores and by taking a few moments to register your rewards cards, you will be helping to support Mount View Middle School!  Each store is a little different in how they manage these programs.

Safeway (eScrip) - Register your card at [escrip.com](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=vTcQHkYmc0exZfa5NpnudrJVtBG1stEIH8uUN-3PudkRzuXPo1VBK9K4ASza9DUOfUxtRrrK6b0.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fescrip.com" \t "_blank), click on “1-SIGN UP”, enter you Club Card number.  If you participated in the past, renew your card by going on [http://www.escrip.com](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=vTcQHkYmc0exZfa5NpnudrJVtBG1stEIH8uUN-3PudkRzuXPo1VBK9K4ASza9DUOfUxtRrrK6b0.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.escrip.com" \t "_blank), click on “YES - RENEW!” and enter your phone number, email or Club Card number. The MVMS ID# is 6540358.  IN ORDER FOR YOUR SAFEWAY PURCHASES TO GENERATE CONTRIBUTIONS FOR OUR SCHOOL, **YOU MUST PAY BY DEBIT CARD, CHECK OR CASH**.

Giant A+ School Rewards Program - This rewards program is only from October 3, 2014 until March 19, 2015.  Register you BONUSCARD by going to [http://www.giantfood.com/aplus](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=vTcQHkYmc0exZfa5NpnudrJVtBG1stEIH8uUN-3PudkRzuXPo1VBK9K4ASza9DUOfUxtRrrK6b0.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.giantfood.com%2faplus" \t "_blank).  Our school’s Rewards ID # is 02996. MVMS will begin to earn cash from your purchases on October 3, 2014.

Target REDCARD -  Target will donate up to 1% of your REDCARD purchases to any school of your choice.  To register, go on the website: [http://www.target.com/redcard](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=vTcQHkYmc0exZfa5NpnudrJVtBG1stEIH8uUN-3PudkRzuXPo1VBK9K4ASza9DUOfUxtRrrK6b0.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.target.com%2fredcard" \t "_blank) and use the Mount View Middle School ID# is 58022.

Harris Teeter Together in Education(TIE) - This program runs from Aug. 1, 2014 - May 31, 2015.  The Mount View TIE Account # for MVMS is 2942.  You can either 1) Go on the website [http://www.harristeeter.com](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=vTcQHkYmc0exZfa5NpnudrJVtBG1stEIH8uUN-3PudkRzuXPo1VBK9K4ASza9DUOfUxtRrrK6b0.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.harristeeter.com" \t "_blank) and link your VIC card to MVMS #2942. 2) Next time you are shopping at Harris Teeter, ask the cashier to link your card to MVMS ID# is 2942.

Martins - Go to [http://www.martinsfoods.com/aplus](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=vTcQHkYmc0exZfa5NpnudrJVtBG1stEIH8uUN-3PudkRzuXPo1VBK9K4ASza9DUOfUxtRrrK6b0.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.martinsfoods.com%2faplus" \t "_blank) and register your BONUSCARD with Martins.  The MVMS ID# is 00219.

***MVMS Fall Fundraiser!!***

**Our fall fundraiser is going on NOW!!  This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and the prizes this year are AWESOME!!  Check out the NEW Southern Living cookie dough - it tastes amazing!**

**Important Info:**

**Sale runs from Oct. 3rd-Oct. 17th**

**Delivery will be Nov. 20th - plenty of time for the holidays!**

**Any questions please email [heather.costigan@gmail.com](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=vTcQHkYmc0exZfa5NpnudrJVtBG1stEIH8uUN-3PudkRzuXPo1VBK9K4ASza9DUOfUxtRrrK6b0.&URL=mailto%3aheather.costigan%40gmail.com" \t "_blank)**

**PTA Membership**

We know that you want the best for your children and being a PTA member can help you achieve that! Children learn more and have better lives when parents, school staff, students, and the community work together. PTA brings these groups together to share thoughts and ideas about programs and activities that benefit children. Our PTA provides information and resources that strengthen these relationships. Don't delay - *Join today!* **Use this link for a membership form**: [http://mvmspta.yolasite.com/resources/MVMS%20Membership%202013.pdf](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=ArdKeh0H3kqmo74cH3hKT62kHrTUm9EI_F3DNdLmMSrSrpULvdFQI9Ah7jGm02qwWkSIN_RzERM.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fmvmspta.yolasite.com%2fresources%2fMVMS%2520Membership%25202013.pdf" \t "_blank) Questions? Contact Loraine Miano-Fike at [mianofike@verizon.net](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=ArdKeh0H3kqmo74cH3hKT62kHrTUm9EI_F3DNdLmMSrSrpULvdFQI9Ah7jGm02qwWkSIN_RzERM.&URL=mailto%3amianofike%40verizon.net" \t "_blank)

[http://mvmspta.yolasite.com/resources/MVMS membership 2013.pdf](http://mvmspta.yolasite.com/resources/MVMS%20membership%202013.pdf)

**Hassle-Free Donations**

Hassle-Free Donations to the PTA are a great choice for those who are too busy or unable to participate  in the other fundraisers we will be offering throughout the school year.  The “[Hassle-Free](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=ArdKeh0H3kqmo74cH3hKT62kHrTUm9EI_F3DNdLmMSrSrpULvdFQI9Ah7jGm02qwWkSIN_RzERM.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fmvmspta.yolasite.com%2fresources%2fHassle-Free%2520Flier-1.pdf" \t "_blank)” donation will  be used to help support our PTA and the many programs and events that we sponsor.   Use this link for a Hassle-Free form: [http://mvmspta.yolasite.com/resources/Hassle-Free%20Flier-1.pdf](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=ArdKeh0H3kqmo74cH3hKT62kHrTUm9EI_F3DNdLmMSrSrpULvdFQI9Ah7jGm02qwWkSIN_RzERM.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fmvmspta.yolasite.com%2fresources%2fHassle-Free%2520Flier-1.pdf" \t "_blank) ***Donations can be made throughout the school year.***

**Box Tops at Mount View**

MVMS PTA will again be collecting Box Tops for Education to support our school.  If you saved Box Tops over the summer, please feel free to send them to school with your child to hand in to their Falcon Time teacher!

PTA appreciates you being on the lookout to cut out and save Box Tops & bonus coupons!  While you can send in your Box Tops at any time, we will have a special collection window at the end of October.  Look for more information shortly!

Please start saving your Box Tops now ….  It’s easy, it’s free, and it helps support Mount View Middle School!

**MRHS Mustang Stampede 5K and 1 Mile Pony Trot**

**Where:** Marriotts Ridge High School

**When:** Saturday, October 25  9:00 AM

**Cost:** $25 for 5K and $15 for 1 Mile

**Why:** All proceeds benefit the MRHS Boosters Club, which supports ALL student extracurricular activities, as well as school-wide initiatives, that enrich the high school experience for the entire student body.

**Get the FACS** -- *October is National Pizza Month!*

What’s a better way to celebrate the start of fall then by making America’s favorite *tween* food, PIZZA! The first United States pizzeria opened in 1905 in New York City, and this year alone, Americans are forecasted to eat an average of 46 slices per person! By making some healthy choices, pizza can easily incorporate all the food groups recommended by MyPlate. Students enrolled in **Family and Consumer Sciences (FACS)** learn how to alter popular recipes to make their favorite meals healthier. Below are some ways to use your creativity into making a healthier pizza:

1. Think outside the box- Use **whole grain** tortilla shells, English muffins or pita bread, or even a thin layer of portabella mushrooms, squash or zucchini as the crust for your pizza toppings.

2. Add fun and flavorful toppings- Adding pineapple slices, turkey pepperoni, sweet potatoes, spinach or even walnuts can add a fun twist to your meal as well as adding healthy nutrients. Don’t forget low-fat cheese and low sodium sauce!

Get more information on MyPlate by logging onto http://www.choosemyplate.gov/

**MVMS Website**

The MVMS website has a new look! Visit <http://mvms.hcpss.org> and bookmark for future reference.

Follow us on Twitter! @hcpss\_mvms

Community Information:

*The following announcements have been approved by the Public**Information Office for school newsletters and distribution. These events are neither**sponsored nor endorsed by the Howard County Public School System.*

**Residents for Responsible Development of Woodmont**  
Several hearings are scheduled to discuss the possible development of  
the former Woodmont Academy property on Rt. 144.  Currently a large  
religious group wants to build a school, worship center, and dormitories  
on the site.   The group "Residents for Responsible Development of  
Woodmont" ([www.rrdw.org](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=y_9Gy476rkSqTsmgRbJ0bAEXgZmCttEI94Vtf7Ngx_a6f-8jDx_RQx4Z8rHwMVJ073HgUa9LUk0.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.rrdw.org" \t "_blank)) is opposed to this development which would  
impact traffic, water, septic, and the Historic National Road status of  
Rt. 144.  They are hoping nearby residents will attend these hearings to  
show their support for keeping Rt. 144 more rural.   Board of Appeals  
hearings are scheduled for Oct. 16 (6:45pm), Oct. 23 (7pm), and Oct. 28  
(7pm) at the George Howard Building, 3430 Courthouse Drive, Ellicott City.

**Glenwood Library Teen Classes for October**  
  
**Dream Jars**, Friday, Oct 17 3-4pm

Celebrate **Teen Read Week** by discussing favorite books, characters, and authors that inspire you to reach for your dreams. Craft a personal dream jar filled with your hopes, wishes, and goals. Ages 11-17. Registration Required, supplies provided. [http://goo.gl/bvY0sZ](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=y_9Gy476rkSqTsmgRbJ0bAEXgZmCttEI94Vtf7Ngx_a6f-8jDx_RQx4Z8rHwMVJ073HgUa9LUk0.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fgoo.gl%2fbvY0sZ" \t "_blank)

**Teen Advisory Board**, Tuesday, Oct 14 3-4pm

Join the Teen Advisory Board at your branch to recommend books, music, and movies; develop and plan events for teens; and work with HCLS instructors on projects you create. Service learning hours available for some projects. Ages 11-17. No registration required.

**Knit 'N Chat Teen Knitting Group**, Tuesday, Oct 21 6:45 to 8:15 pm

Beginners and experts welcome! Spend time with other teen knitters and learn to make cool items. Supplies provided. Ages 11-17. No registration required.

**Horrific Snacks!** Saturday, Oct 25 1-2pm

Watch how to prepare gross and disgusting (but tasty!) snacks, then make your own. Recipes provided. Well & Wise event. Registration is required. Registration begins 10/11/14

[http://goo.gl/EkKgQv](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=y_9Gy476rkSqTsmgRbJ0bAEXgZmCttEI94Vtf7Ngx_a6f-8jDx_RQx4Z8rHwMVJ073HgUa9LUk0.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fgoo.gl%2fEkKgQv" \t "_blank)

**Maximize Your History Day Research** Wednesday, Oct 29 7-8pm

Assigned a National History Day project? Our research experts teach you their tips and tools. Meet history day judges, and learn strategies to locate sources. Ages 11-17, with parents. Registration is required. Registration begins 10/15/2014 [http://goo.gl/kS8mDX](https://mail.hcpss.org/owa/redir.aspx?C=y_9Gy476rkSqTsmgRbJ0bAEXgZmCttEI94Vtf7Ngx_a6f-8jDx_RQx4Z8rHwMVJ073HgUa9LUk0.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fgoo.gl%2fkS8mDX" \t "_blank)

A PTA Sponsored Back-to-School Dance

When: Friday, November 7th

Time: 7pm – 9pm

Tickets: $3

Casual Attire!

Students can purchase tickets during lunch periods on November 5th, 6th, and 7th. Tickets can also be purchased the evening of the dance. Parent or guardian must be present to purchase tickets at the door!

The Community Outreach Club will be collecting new and/or gently used books at the dance for Pre-School aged children.

Donations are appreciated.

**Back-to-School Dance - "Fall Falcon Fling"  
Date**: Friday, November 7, 2014  
**Time**: 7:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

**Cost**: $**3.00**

**Collection:**The Community Outreach Club is asking for donations of new and/or gently used books for Pre-School aged children.

Volunteers are needed to help with chaperone duties and ticket sales   
at the door on the night of the dance.  If you are available to volunteer, please

signup using the following link: [www.SignUpGenius.com/go/30E044AABAD29A31-fall1](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E044AABAD29A31-fall1)

**School Dance Guidelines:**

* Only MVMS students are allowed to attend the dance.
* Students are required to have their parents/guardians sign the ticket prior to the night of the dance including a phone number where the parent can be reached between 7-9 p.m.
* Tickets will be available the night of the dance at the door but parents must accompany child to ticket counter to purchase ticket.
* At the end of the dance, parents MUST ENTER THE BUILDING to pick up their child. For safety concerns, students cannot be released to the parking lot.
* It is the expectation that ALL students will be picked up by 9PM. Failure to do so may result in student being denied attendance at future activities.