



Say good-
bye to our
5th Grade
Huskies...



AND HELLO
TO OUR NEW
LARSON
REBELS!



Good
Luck and
we will
miss you!



Sanjana A.
Kylie B.
Conner B.
Tristan B.
Brendan B.
Keegan B.
Cody C.
Clay C.
Brianna C.
Emily C.

Jared C.
Christopher C.
Nicholas C.
Jennifer D.
Sabrina D.
Abigail D.
Grace F.
Arthur G.
Joshua G.
Maxwell G.

Christina G.
Makenna G.
Emma H.
Jená H.
Inis I.
David K.
Amanda K.
Cody L.
Miguel L.
Amber Joan (A.J) Laurain

Laurie L.
Denny L.
Blake M.
Jacob M.
Emily M.
Murati M.
Carlin M.
Amanda M.
Tajah M.
Jeremy M.

Hannah M.
Dominika O.
Nathan O.
Kriti P.
Regan P.
Julian P.
Dana P.
Sanhari R.
Gage R.
Alexina S.

Nickolas S.
Emma S.
Aaron S.
Marissa T.
Kayla T.
Jeffrey T.
Brianna T.
Parker W.
Ne'anya Z.
Victoria Z.



WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15TH

☀ 7:00 pm PTO Meeting

THURSDAY, JUNE 16TH

- ☀ 8:00 Mrs. Hartley's Donuts with Dads
- ☀ 9:00 Kindergarten performs on stage/party to follow
- ☀ 2:00-3:30 pm Mrs. Cowgers End of Year Party
- ☀ 5:00-7:30 Family Picnic

FRIDAY JUNE 17TH

- Half Day - No AM Kindergarten
- ☀ 10:00 Mrs. Newingham/Gordon End of Year Party
- ☀ 11:45-12:30 5th Gr. Jr. Great Books (LGI)

MONDAY, JUNE 20TH

Half Day - AM Kindergarten Attends
END OF SCHOOL YEAR

HAPPY SUMMER

FROM THE PRINCIPAL:

Wow! Where has the year gone? It seems like only yesterday we were welcoming "Back to School" all our smiling Hill students eager to start a new year! It certainly has been a productive, wonderful year! We contribute the year's huge success to our awesome Hill parents who are "Filling Buckets" daily in our school.

We would like to thank and recognize the many ways our parents give to our school, especially our hard-working P.T.O. The gifts of time, talent and dedication to make Hill School the "Best place to learn" is greatly appreciated. We would like to recognize the following P.T. O. Officers and Chair People for the many gifts this year:

PTO OFFICERS

- PRESIDENT:** Karen Purrenhage
- VICE-PRESIDENT(S):** Debbie Ballios/Danielle Buser
- RECORDING SECRETARY:** Kelly Jones
- CORRESPONDING SECRETARY** Porsche Page
- TREASURER:** Jeni McClain
- TEACHER REPRESENTATIVE:** Sher Butzine

PTO CHAIRPERSONS:

- ART SMARTS:** Amanda Venerable
- BUNNY FACE PAINTING:** Lisa Chow
- BLOOD DRIVE/CPR:** Karen Purrenhage/
Heather Plastow
- CLINIC:** Kara Freeman
- DISABILITY WORKSHOP (4th grade):** Madonna Klippstein
- FAMILY GAME NIGHT:** Mia Shaffer
- FAMILY PICNIC:** Debbie Ballios/
Carol Haggarty
- FIFTH GRADE CELEBRATION:** Stacey Bettelon
- HISTORIAN:** Danielle Clippard
- HOLIDAY SHOPPE:** Stacey Capitanio
- HOSPITALITY:** Anna Colletti
- HUSKY DADS:** Paul Pocol
- JR. GREAT BOOKS:** Laura Livingston
- MEMBERSHIP/NOMINATION:** Stacey Bettelon
- MOVIE NIGHT:** P.J. Laurain
- ROOM PARENT:** Karen Purrenhage/
Lisa Kort/Amy Koontz
- SAFE HOMES REPRESENTATIVE:** Kelly Jones
- SCHOOL BOARD LIAISON:** Jagdish Karira
- SCHOOL PICTURES:** Kim Leonard
- SCHOOL SIGN:** Kathy Voyt
- STUDENT DIRECTORY:** Anna Colletti/
Danielle Clippard
- *TALENT SHOW:** ~~~ vacant ~~~
- TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK:** Debbie Ballios/Danielle Buser/Danielle Clippard
- WEBSITE:** Rebecca Marshall
- YEARBOOK:** Danielle Clippard

WAYS AND MEANS:

- BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION:** Claudia Endres
- CAMPBELLS SOUP LABELS:** Anna Colletti
- MARKET DAY:** Anna Colletti
- SCRIP:** Amanda Venerable
- T-SHIRT/SWEATSHIRT SALE:** AnnMarie Devito
- TYSON PROJECT A+** Lori Weiner

UpHill



Notes from the Principal....(continued)

We also want to recognize the parents who have volunteered to support our school and P.T.O. functions. This would be our room parents, Market Day helpers, clinic volunteers, Disability Workshop volunteers, library aides, classroom helpers, Jr. Great Books volunteers, fund-raising supporters, and many more. It would be impossible to list all of the volunteers, but please let it be known we do appreciate each and every "gift" you have given to our school.

HAVE A SAFE, ENJOYABLE SUMMER VACATION

We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give.... Winston Churchill

Janice Brzezinski

NOTES FROM THE OFFICE:

MEDICATION PICK UP

Please make sure to stop by the office to collect your child's medication before the school year ends. All medications that have not been picked up by a parent by June 20, 2011 will be destroyed. Please remember that, prior to the start of school year, you will want to have your physician complete an "Authorization for Medication" form and provide the school with the appropriate medication in the original prescription bottle or package. Inhalers used for asthma may be kept on the child's person, provided a form is completed indicating such use. Children may not bring any medication to school, including over-the-counter cough medicine, etc., without an "Authorization for Medication" form on file.



LUNCH ACCOUNTS



Please check to see that your child has a positive balance on his/her lunch account. With the end of the school year approaching, students will no longer be permitted to maintain a negative balance when purchasing a hot lunch. Children with negative or zero balance will have to purchase a cheese bagel with milk and juice if they choose to buy. If necessary, please send cash in an envelope marked with their name or a check made out to "TSD Food Service" to replenish their account. Any leftover money that is not used this year will follow your child to the next grade, including middle school. In addition, if you plan to enroll in the Free & Reduced lunch program for the 2011-12 school year, those forms may be picked up in the office in August. Please turn these in as soon as possible, so that approval may be received before hot lunches begin. Any charges made before approval is received will be your responsibility.

SUPPLY LISTS



Supply lists should be available on our Hill website as of the last day of school.



ATTENTION 5TH GRADERS GOING TO 6TH GRADE:

When your 5th grade child enters middle school this fall, he or she will need proof/documentation that the following immunizations are complete and up-to-date. DTP/Td (Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus), OPV/IPV (Polio), HBV/HEP-B (Hepatitis B), MMR (Measles, Mumps, Rubella), and VAR (Varicella shot or history of chickenpox disease). If your child needs any of these immunizations, please go to your health care provider or the Oakland County Health Division.



Volunteer Background Checks for Next Year...

As you know, the Troy Police Department has advised a new Volunteer Background Check policy be implemented. Effective September 2011, Volunteer Background checks will be required on all Troy School District volunteers. Being a new district wide policy, it will be advantageous for Hill to get as many volunteer forms processed as soon as possible. If you have already completed the Background form for next year, we thank you. If you have not, we ask that all parents who know they will be volunteering at any parents who think that they might volunteer at complete this form. The form is attached in this newsletter.

Thank you!



Summer Office Hours

We will be out of the office for the summer from Thursday, June 30, through Monday, August 8. Families with registration and immunization information may bring those items to school after August 9, but prior to the start of school on September 6, please.

The "back to school" letters, indicating your child(ren)'s new teacher for the 2011/2012 school year, will be mailed to your home during the last week of August.

LOST and FOUND



PLEASE be sure to check the "lost & found" before the end of School. Check the hooks in the vestibule by the cafeteria for clothing items and the box in the office for any lost treasures that would fit into a shoe box. Any unclaimed clothing will be donated to a local charity at the end of June.

Moving this Summer

Are you moving this summer or do you have a student not returning to Hill for the 2011/2012 school year? Please make sure that you notify the Hill Office at 248-823-3500 if your child will not be attending Hill School in the fall. After June 29, please leave a message at 248-823-3505.



Report Cards

Final report cards for the 2010/2011 school year will be mailed to all student's homes on Wednesday, June 22. Student supply lists, specific to each grade level will be available on our Hill website.





A huge 'THANK YOU' to Anna Colletti, a key player in our Market Day fundraiser program. This year the program raised over \$2000!

Market Day money is used to provide funds for school improvement. Areas range from registration fees for conferences, training at Oakland Intermediate School District, support of student activities, etc.

Our dedicated volunteers this year include: Dave Aud, Laura Calkins, Claudia Endres and Debbie Ballios.

Many thanks go out to Mrs. Green and Mrs. Harris in the cafeteria. They do a great job in preparing all of the school lunches and many staff salads everyday. We are lucky to have them to keep everything running smoothly!



The Hill Staff

Without volunteers, our school couldn't "improve".

SAFETY PATROL & SERVICE SQUAD



We would like to thank our hardworking Safety Patrol & Service Squad for a job well done! These students have been faithfully providing service since September, in all weather conditions. The Hill community feels safer with their presence each morning and each afternoon.

THANKS, NOON-AIDES!

A very special "Thank You" goes to our wonderful noon-aides. These people have had the responsibility of supervising the students in the cafeteria and on the playground during the lunch hour this year. We appreciate your dedication and the kindness you shared with our Hill children.

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| Dorothy Ford (Head) | Danielle Buser |
| Crystal Demattei | John Grayson |
| Jan Kingrey | Ryan Kingrey |
| Glenda Moore | Nichole Moore |

Thank you!!!

KUDOS A giant thank you to Mike Davidson from Jet's Pizza on Rochester Rd., to Julie Tafa from Jet's Pizza on Dequindre Rd., and to Danny DeWolf from The Gathering Place for their generous donations of pizza to our students that have supported students in Special Education all year through the Circle of Friends. It is truly amazing during these difficult economic times that these businesses have donated so generously to Hill Elementary Students. Please remember to patronize these pizza places this summer and thank them for their continued support.

Sher Butzine
School Social Worker



Thanks Clinic Volunteers!

We would like to extend a very special thanks to everyone who volunteered their time in the clinic this year during lunchtime. Thank you for taking care of our children when they needed your special attention and a little TLC! Thank you Mrs. Freeman for helping to keep us in ice bags ☺

Reminder: Half Day dismissal is 12:28 pm



PTO open positions 2011-2012

We are looking good! However, the following (6) positions remain open on the PTO board for the 2011-2012 school year. We are looking for “new” people to get involved – please ask your spouse or a friend to partner with you. [We especially need someone to chair the first day coffee.](#)

Contact Stacey Bettelon (248) 619-9117 or boysrus@wideopenwest.com with questions or interest in a position.

OFFICERS:

Corresponding Secretary: a BIG thanks goes out to **Kim Doyle** for stepping up and chairing this position!

Treasurer: a BIG thanks goes out to **Michelle Ketterman** for stepping up and chairing this position!

CHAIRPERSONS:

Clinic: Responsible for recruiting and training volunteers to supervise the clinic during lunch hours. Makes monthly calls or calendar to remind all volunteers the schedule for the following month. Recruits additional volunteers throughout the year as needed. Advises office staff of needed supplies.

Family Picnic: Organizes and schedules the end-of-the-year picnic. Uses PTO funds to buy food and supplies. Schedules activities, creates and distributes flyers to publicize and coordinates volunteers. Works with Treasurer for deposits and payments.

Fifth Grade Celebration: Coordinates end-of-the-year celebration for outgoing 5th graders. Sets up meetings with 5th grade parents, accepts volunteers for sub-committee chair positions and coordinates planned activities with parents/teachers/staff.

First Day Coffee: Organizes committee to set-up, provide refreshments/snacks and clean-up for the "First Day Coffee" at PTO expense.

Junior Great Books: Coordinates Junior Great Book discussion groups for grades 2nd through 5th. Recruits and prepares parent volunteers to lead groups of about 6 students that meet weekly during lunch in the months of Jan-Mar. Schedules meetings, acquires and prepares student materials, and handles program communications (e.g. enrolling students, informing parents and teachers).

Talent Show: Secures venue for the show and recruits committee to help. Publicizes event. Recruits performers and works with tech personnel to inform them of our needs. Determines performance order and informs performers of any information they might need to know. Oversees the night's performance.



HAVE A FUN SUMMER!

WE'D LIKE TO THANK ALL OF OUR WONDERFUL HILL STUDENTS AND PARENTS FOR HELPING TO MAKE THIS A GREAT SCHOOL YEAR. THE HILL STAFF WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OF YOU A SAFE AND RELAXING SUMMER VACATION. WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU IN SEPTEMBER FOR ANOTHER EXCITING YEAR!

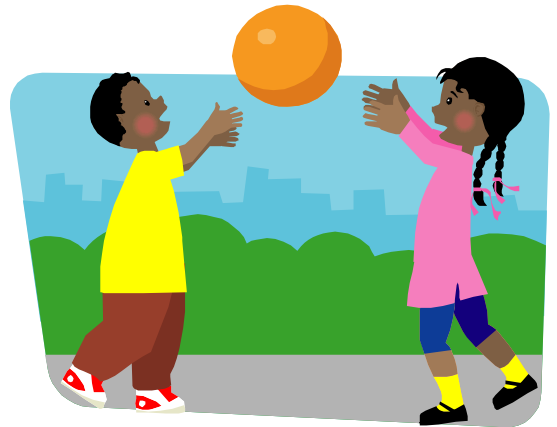
Janice Brzezinski

UPCOMING EVENTS:

- 6/16: Family Picnic
- 6/16: Kindergarten performance
- 6/17: K-12 Half Day-No AM Kindergarten
- 6/20: K-12 Half Day AM Kindergarten
- Last Day of School! Happy Summer!
- 6/22 Report Cards mailed home

2011-2012 CALENDAR IMPORTANT DATES:

- 9/6: School begins - $\frac{1}{2}$ day
- 9/7: Full day school
- Winter Break: 12/19-1/2
- Mid-winter Break: 2/20-2/21
- Spring Break: 4/2 - 4/6
- Last Day: 6/15 Half Day



Hill Goes Green



Mining and transporting raw materials for glass produces about 385 pounds of waste for every ton of glass that is made. If recycled glass is substituted for half of the raw materials, the waste is cut by more than 80%



**157 PAIRS
OF SHOES**
were collected for
Reuse-A-Shoe

Thanks to all who
participated!

Remember to save your
used shoes over the summer.
The next collection
will be in October.



How does our garden grow? With your help, of course!

It's summer time! And while we go on vacation, the weeds will grow. So, we are again asking for volunteer families to weed the school front gardens during the summer. If you can help, please call the main office or send Donna an e-mail (dshoemaker@troy.k12.mi.us) telling her what week you will be responsible for. Thanks!



Purchase with Purpose

JULY SALE

Internet Orders: 7/14 by 10pm
Pick Up Date: 7/20 4-5pm @ Troy High

Please go to www.marketday.com to place your order

Summer Bonus

1) **Free** Beach Bag : Free with purchase of **3** items on last page of catalog



[Click here to see July Sale Order Guide:](#)

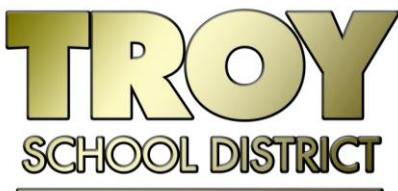
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ARTS • ATHLETICS • ACADEMICS

Thanks to all the families and students who took the time to clip and save their Campbell's Labels! With your help we were able to submit over **3,000** label points. These points will go a long way in providing much needed equipment and supplies for our school. Way to Go Huskies!

The winning classroom who turned in the most points and earned the ice cream party is: Miss Waters with **1,112** points! Congratulations and great job.



Barbara A. Fowler, Ph.D.
Superintendent of Schools

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Troy, Michigan 48098-4777
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jkeeling2@troy.k12.mi.us

Janet L. Keeling
Assistant Superintendent
Elementary Instruction

Dear Volunteers:

The Troy School District values the people who volunteer in our classrooms and schools. You provide critical support that enhances the learning and success of our students. The district appreciates your desire to share your time and talents with its students.

The School Safety Initiative, signed into law, requires districts to obtain criminal history checks for all employees. We also run criminal checks on volunteers who interact with students or assist in schools, any time school is in session. Once cleared by our Human Resource Department, you will be permitted to volunteer in this capacity at any level (elementary, middle or high school) for one school year; therefore, be sure to list all of the schools your child(ren) attend on the form below.

Please return the completed form to your building principal. **All information will be treated confidentially and will be used only for the purposes stated above.** To safeguard the information you are providing, please return this form (*entire page please*) directly to the school office. Please note that a parent signature is required for volunteers under the age of 18.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact your building principal.

Sincerely,

Janet L. Keeling
Assistant Superintendent-Elementary Instruction

**Please do not tear off information
below - submit entire page when complete.**

VOLUNTEER BACKGROUND CHECK FORM (Please complete the information below for the parent volunteer)

As a prospective volunteer of the Troy School District, I understand that it is the school district's procedure to secure Criminal Conviction History information as part of their screening process using the information provided below:

Please Print

Elementary SCHOOL: _____ **Middle SCHOOL:** _____ **High SCHOOL:** _____

Parent/Volunteer Name: _____
Last First Middle

Previous Last Name(s): _____ **Daytime Number:** _____

Race*: _____ **Sex:** _____ **Date of Birth:** _____ **Student name(s):** _____

*(Race options: White, Black, Asian or Pacific Islander, American Indian or Alaskan Native, or Other)

Have you pled no contest to, or been convicted of, a misdemeanor/felony or are misdemeanor/felony charges currently pending against you?

_____ **YES** _____ **NO**

If yes, please describe the nature of the offense(s) including dates. _____

Student Signature (if volunteer is under age 18): _____ **Date:** _____

Parent Signature: _____ **Date:** _____



ADVENTURE ISLAND

Larson Middle School

August 15 – August 19, 2011
9:00 a.m. – 12 noon



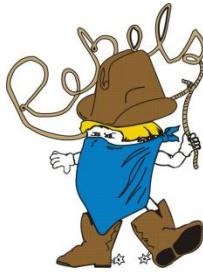
Help your child succeed at Larson Middle School
Enroll in Adventure Island today!

For students entering 6th grade at Larson Middle School in September 2011

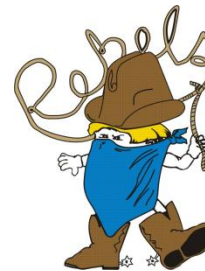
Skills for Middle School:

Organization
Time Management
Teamwork
Responsibility
Communication

Adventure Island is a week-long experience intended to enhance the transition into middle school for upcoming sixth grade students. Through a variety of activities students will become more comfortable at Larson Middle School. They will learn how to open their lockers and navigate the halls successfully. Students will also have a chance to make new friends through team building activities. Participants will also explore strategies for success in core academic areas.



Larson Middle School
2222 E. Long Lake Road
Troy, MI 48085
248-823-4800



Contact Information:

For specific course information please contact:

- Mark Hayes mhayes2@troy.k12.mi.us or
- Carol Rexer crexer2@troy.k12.mi.us

For registration information, please contact:

- Cheryl Moder cmoder2@troy.k12.mi.us
248-823-4805

Adventure Island Student Registration Form attached

Please return this form to Larson Middle School, 2222 E. Long Lake Road, Troy, MI 48085



Adventure Island Larson Middle School



Student Registration Form

Course Dates: August 15 – August 29, 2011, 9:00 am. – 12 noon

Registration Deadline: June 20, 2011

Tuition: \$60.00

Location: Larson Middle School, 2222 E. Long Lake Road, Troy, MI 48085
248-823-4800

_____ Female/Male
Last Name Legal First Name (circle one)

_____ City State Zip Code
Address

Elementary School Attended

_____ Home Phone Number Work Phone Number Cell Phone Number
Parent/Guardian- 1st Contact

_____ Home Phone Number Work Phone Number Cell Phone Number
Parent/Guardian- 2nd Contact

I understand that student rules and expectations for Adventure Island are the same as for any school day. The Troy School District Code of Conduct is available on the district website at <http://www.troy.k12.mi.us/about/codeofconduct.pdf>.

Parent Signature

Student Signature

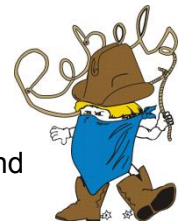
Does your child have any special needs that we should know about?

Tuition: \$60.00

In order to pay please follow the directions below:

Go to www.troy.k12.mi.us

Click on the Payschools link, login, go to Larson then find Larson Adventure Island



Please return this form to Larson Middle School, 2222 E. Long Lake Road, Troy, MI 48085