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Enhancing Educational Excellence

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Message from the Presidents...

We are excited to share with you the Milltown Education Foundation's first quarterly newsletter. We hope you find this information helpful and we welcome any suggestions and ideas to help us to raise funds so that we can continue to enhance the educational excellence in the Milltown school district. We wish you a safe and happy holiday season!

*Regards,
Beverly Broderick and Pam Strahm*

Calendar Events

November

24-26 Pie Sales & Distribution
30 HIGH FIVE winner drawn for NJ NETS game

December

4 Applebee's Dine Out
5 NJ NETS game 7:30pm
18 TGI Fridays Dine Out Night (North Brunswick)

January

13 Arthur's Steak House Dine Out
20 Arthur's Steak House Dine Out
22 TGI Fridays (North Brunswick)
27 Arthur's Steak House Dine Out

Current News

The MEF has awarded Mrs. Gerhart (4th Grade Teacher) a mini-grant for a program called "**Hands at Work**". This instructional writing program will enhance individual writing skills by learning the components of each type of writing.

Our Fall Clothing drive collected over \$800.00 – **Thank You!**

Once again we will be hosting our **Thanksgiving Pie Sale** with "Hand-crafted" Pies from Shanahan's Bakery. Look for more info in your child's backpack or contact Lisa Soga at 732-249-3364.

The SUPER FOR A DAY winners Halle Feeney 5P and Evan Scarduffa 2P had a fun day with Dr. Madison.

On Going Projects

Walk of the Knight providing a Pathway to Excellence

This is a great way to honor our children who have worked so hard! You can also honor an event, your family name, a deceased loved one, etc. You can order on line at www.brickrus.com/order/milltowneducationfoundation. The bricks are going to be sold indefinitely and will be installed once the renovations are completed at Joyce Kilmer School.

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Future

TICKETS STILL AVAILABLE! NJ NETS Fundraiser Night - Nets vs. Minnesota. 10 Lucky Winners will be drawn from the paid in full tickets sales to HIGH FIVE the players on the court! (Contact Jennifer @201-806-7284 for tickets)

Educational Tips

Preparing Ahead for Exams - Sleep and nutrition are important factors in keeping your mind and body alert. Avoid things like junk food and caffeine in the days prior to the test day. Budget your time, make sure you have sufficient time to study so that you are well prepared for the test. A noisy empty stomach can distract you from concentrating on the test.

The Best Education Money Can Buy

In order to compete globally in a technologically challenging and complex world, we look to our schools to maintain and increase the quality of education. Charitable giving has long been the domain of private schools and colleges. More and more public schools have created foundations to help maintain and increase the quality of education. It doesn't take a million dollar endowment to be successful (although we'll take it). A few hundred dollars in a classroom can go along way to inspire innovation and enhance educational opportunity.

An educational foundation has the power to change the educational climate in a community. It can change teachers by encouraging excellence and rewarding creativity. It can change an administration by giving them access to segments of the community rarely available to them. It can change a community by giving back a sense of pride and ownership in our schools. It can change the students by giving them new opportunities and more exciting learning experiences.

The Milltown Education Foundation exist to help supplement, augment, and complement programs and activities provided by the school district. Education is a labor intensive venture. Most of the school district budget goes to salaries and benefits. The foundation helps supplement that portion of the budget that is discretionary spending. If we can help pay for Smart Boards or Video Microscopes, we will bring learning in Milltown into the 21st century.

Please help us in this endeavor by making a cash contribution of \$25.00 to the Milltown Education Foundation P .O. Box 734, Milltown NJ 08850

The Milltown Education Foundation is welcoming anyone whom is interested in assisting in the development of our future leaders.

For more information, please contact the Milltown Education Foundation at 732-214-2365 x8 or on line at MilltownEducationFoundation@live.com.