



# Potomac Elementary School

Friday, May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**"Potomac School equips each student for his/her future within a culture of excellence that values the small community experience."**

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## Menu May 7<sup>th</sup> – May 11<sup>th</sup>

**Mon-** Taco Salad, Corn, Mandarin Oranges, Trail Mix, Muffin, Milk

**Tue-** Sliced Ham, Rice, Peas, Pears, Strawberries, Roll, Milk

**Wed-** Sliced Ham, Rice, Peas, Pears, Strawberries, Roll, Milk

**Thurs-** Turkey Noodle Casserole, Green Beans, Orange Slice, Cranberries, Roll, Milk

**Fri** – Hamburger Gravy, Mashed Potatoes, Cooked Carrots, Applesauce, Biscuit, Milk  
(Lunch bills are to be paid ahead.)

## Events Calendar

5-8 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> Grades Go to Wildlife Film Festival

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5-11 Staff Bake Sale

5-11 Shakespeare in the Schools

5-17 Early Out

5-18 Bike-a-thon

5-21 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Trip to Lubrecht

5-23 Swan Release

5-24 AR BBQ

5-25 Travelers' Rest All School Field Trip

5-28 No School - Memorial Day

5-30 Field Day

6-1 Last Day of School

6-1 Graduation

8-4 Pioneer Festival

***School Board meetings are on the second Monday of each month at 7pm.***

## Don't forget to pre order "Yearbooks"

### Bike-a-Thon

On May 18<sup>th</sup> we are holding a Bike-a-Thon fundraiser to help pay for special events for our students. Please watch for sponsor sheets coming around with students. Also be aware of bicycle traffic around the school on that day.



## Potomac U Night

May 17<sup>th</sup> - Diane Woodard will teach the basics of handheld devices for parents and students.

## PTC

Have you thanked a teacher lately?

May 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> is Teacher Appreciation Week. To honor our teachers and thank them for their commitment to our children, a luncheon is being provided on Thursday, May 10<sup>th</sup>. The menu will have a "Cinco de Mayo" theme and the following items are needed:

~Drinks ~Shredded Cheese ~10 inch Flour Tortillas (Costco size pack) ~Shredded Lettuce ~Salsa ~Diced Tomatoes ~Tortilla Chips ~Sour Cream ~Fruit Plate ~Vegetable Plate

Donations of the above items would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Amy Vann at 244-2080 if you are willing to contribute any of the listed items for the Teacher Appreciation Luncheon.

Thank you!

## Pioneer Festival

August 4<sup>th</sup> @ The Potomac School and CCenter. **Volunteers needed!** Please call the school if you are willing to help out in any of the following areas: Horseshoe Competition, Parade, Fly Fishing, Children's Art and Activities, Archery, and Roping.

## Head Lice Prevention

Frequent combing and brushing, keeping hair short or up in braids, and using hair gel, [tea tree](#) oil and hair spray can all help prevent infestation. Vacuuming, washing bedding frequently, and laundering outer garments can help as well. Do not share combs, brushes or hats, and talk to young children about things they should avoid sharing and why.

## Alpine Artisans Scholarships

Alpine Artisans of Seeley Lake is proud to sponsor youth grants again this year. K-12 students in the Blackfoot and Seeley Swan Valleys may apply for funds to pay for summer: art, music, drama, or dance

lessons or summer camps. Paperwork can be picked up at the school office.

### **Scholarship Essay Contest**

Win a **free week in the woods** with students 14-18 from across the state learning about forestry, wildlife, soils, geology, range & hydrology. Enjoy activities like archery, muzzle loading, sapphire panning and rafting on the Alberton Gorge. The Montana Natural Resources Youth Camp takes place July 15-20, 2012 at Lubrecht Forest in the beautiful Blackfoot Valley. Eligibility: the scholarship is for a first time camper that lives in the Blackfoot Valley and will have completed 8<sup>th</sup> grade. All lodging, meals & activities will be provided for **ONE** contest winner.



To learn more about the camp, visit <http://www.mnryc.com> or call the Camp Director, Martin Twer at 243-2775

### **ESSAY QUESTION:**

What does it mean to be a steward of the land?

Provide examples.

Can you also be a steward of your local community?

Please explain.

**500 words, typed and submitted to Mrs. Davis at Potomac School by Monday, May 21, 2012. Please include your name, age, and contact information.**

This contest is sponsored by the Blackfoot Home and Community Club, a service organization in Potomac helping meet the needs of the local community. We currently have over 24 members engaged in activities such as the Harvest Dinner and the annual Blackfoot River Clean Up.



### **Boys and Girls Club Summer Camp**

We have applications for Boys and Girls Club. Consider applying for an Alpine Artisan grant for this.

### **Basketball Camp**

Drummond Basketball Camp applications are now available in the office.

### **Volleyball Camp**

We have registration forms for High School Volleyball Camp for any interested 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

### **Hellgate High School Open Gym**

There is open gym for volleyball for all 8<sup>th</sup> grade girls every Monday from 5:30-7:30 at the lower gym.

## **Community News**

- C Center Board meetings 1<sup>st</sup> Monday's @ 7:30pm.
- Red Cross Blood Drive June 14<sup>th</sup>

### **Open Gym - Basketball - Sundays 7:30 pm MOR Missoula Organization of Realtors**

The above named organization sends out gift cards at Christmas time to help with student's basic needs. We have forwarded these on to families in our valley. There will be a fundraising golf tournament for this cause on June 21<sup>st</sup> at Canyon River Golf Club. Registration forms can be picked up at the school.

### **Missoula County Land Stewardship Award**

Missoula County is now accepting nominations for the [2012 Land Stewardship Award](#). This annual award recognizes dedicated landowners and residents who are practicing good land and water stewardship in Missoula County.

In 2011, Missoula County presented the first annual Land Stewardship Award to Ralph and Bruce Thisted to honor the stewardship ethic practiced on their family ranch in the Nine Mile Valley. The Thisted's land stewardship practices and the Stewardship Award were highlighted in the Missoulian and KECI. The Stewardship Award Selection Committee looks forward to hearing about other landowners and residents in Missoula County who are doing great work on the land. Information about the program and the 2012 Land Stewardship Award Flier and questionnaire can be found at the Rural Initiatives' [website](#)

Please contact the Rural Initiatives office 258-3432 if you have questions.

## **Dollars for Duke**

***Fundraiser for  
Duke Whipple***

***to help offset costs of  
cancer treatments.***

- ***May 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:00pm***
- ***Potomac Community Center***
- ***Spaghetti Dinner / Silent  
Auction / Live Auction***

***To donate auction items, call  
Corry 244-3672, Heather 531-  
7630,***

***Ty 531-6495 or  
Jenn 546-4777.***

***An account has also been set up  
at Two Rivers Bank.***