

October 2011

The PTA Express

Cranberry Station Elementary School
<http://www.carrollk12.org/cse/pta>



October 5
PTA Meeting
6:30 – 7:30pm
CSE Cafeteria

October 14
Larry Sheets Players
Non-Profit Night
6:00 – 9:00pm



 **Market Day**
A fundraiser like no other...

Order Cut Off: 10/14
Pick Up: 10/20 at
7:00pm
CSE Cafeteria

October 20
Domino's Pizza
Doughraiser Night!



October 21
CSE Football Night
Winters Mill High School
Vs.
North Carroll High School



October 30
CSE Family Event
\$5 per person
Larry Sheets Players
4:00 – 6:00pm



November 3 – 11
Scholastic Book Fair



TO THE BOOK FAIR AND BEYOND! *Reading Is Out of This World!*



This November the media center will be home to our annual Book Fair fundraiser. Brochures will be sent home on November 1st and students will browse the book fair to create a wish list on November 3rd and 4th during assigned media center time.

FAMILY SHOPPING will

be available on Thursday, November 3rd from 12:30 to 3:30pm following early dismissal. We will also have family shopping on Wednesday, November 9th from 3:00 - 7:00pm. Students are invited to buy books from the fair during their scheduled Media class the week of November 7th

through November 11th. Teachers and staff will also post "Wish Lists" for classroom books which may be purchased and donated.

Questions? Please contact Mrs. Whitehead or Aimee Schultz.

mrwhite@carrollk12.org or aschult1@comcast.net

Character Building Club

Hooray! Character Building Club is a weekly after school Bible club for boys and girls! We hear Bible and Missionary stories, sing songs, play games, win prizes, have snack, special guests, and other fun activities. We meet after school until 4:15 PM. We will

meet in the Art room A1, on Tuesdays, **not** Mondays, beginning October 3, 2011. Students can join any time. Parent pick up is required. Green parent permission slips will be in the pamphlet holder at the school entrance. Parents should

also notify the school office that the child will be attending. For any questions, please call Ginny Firth at 410-751-7215.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

The PTA Birthday Book Team led by Bonnie Cheak has been busy distributing books, pencils and erasers to our August and September birthday children each morning. Over 74 of our CSE children have received their books. Thank you to Carroll County Dental Associates for their monetary donation towards the purchase of birthday books.

Remember to collect your Box Tops for Education. You can get coupons and enter contests to earn box tops www.boxtops4education.com then search for Cranberry Station and GO!

CSE Students see Snow White and the 3 Slobs

The first Cultural Arts Program presented by the PTA was "Snow White and the 3 Slobs" performed by the Carroll Community College theater team.

This is an original and humorous adaptation of the Snow White story. Snow White flees her vain and evil step-mother, the queen, into the woods where she takes refuge in the home of three slobs; Grouchy, Snively, and Slacker. She lives with these three slobs while avoiding the attempts of the queen to kill her. Snow White meets a lovely prince and helps

the slobs to learn a better way of living and treating people. Thank you to Kristy Fanning, Cultural Arts Committee chair for planning this event!

Pennies for Playgrounds

We are pursuing several grant opportunities to repair and upgrade our kindergarten and 1st – 5th playgrounds. I have applied for 2 American Idol type grants where the entry with the highest votes wins. I will be notified in mid-October if our entry has been selected for voting. Will your company contribute? We will recognize tax deductible donations of \$1000 or more on a plaque on the playground.

Thank you to

Wendy Donahue and
team for an
outstanding CSE

Cranberry Station
Elementary School PTA
is on Facebook!



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order?



www.flowerpowerfundraising.com

PTA MEMBERSHIP

We have over 115 paid memberships so far this year! THANK YOU! If you have not joined yet, please send your membership form and volunteer form along with the \$5.00 per person membership fee to school with your child in an envelope marked PTA. Forms are available on the CSE website by clicking on the PTA link, or in the office.

If you submitted a volunteer form, you will be contacted by committee chairpersons to check your availability to participate in the activities.

This is YOUR PTA. Any questions or feedback please contact Aimee Schultz at aschult1@comcast.net

CSE FAMILY NIGHTS IN OCTOBER

The PTA Social Committee chaired by Shannon Haines has coordinated two family events in October. Friday, October 21st is Cranberry Station Elementary School Night at the Winters Mill High School vs. North Carroll High School football game. We will have a pep rally 30 minutes before kickoff with the Winters Mill Cheerleaders. CSE students will be admitted free when accompanied by a paying adult (\$5.00 regular ticket). The PTA will provide CSE students with a voucher for admission.

Sunday, October 30th will be CSE Family Day at Larry Sheets Players Family Amusement Center from 4:00PM – 6:00PM. The PTA will pre-sell tickets to the event for \$5.00 per person. Admission includes 1one game of Glo-Golf and all you can play Laser Tag, Bumper Cars, Inflatables and Jungle Gym. Big screen TVs available for watching the Sunday football games, too!



You raised \$204.29 on our first Domino's Doughraiser Night! The class with most participants will be announced Friday 9/30. We had delays getting the forms back, but have a plan to fix that for next month. Results will be available 3 days.

OUR NOMINATION HAS BEEN ACCEPTED!!!!

The Clorox Power A Bright Future program lets schools win grants to support important student programs and educational experiences that helps kids thrive.



POWER A BRIGHT FUTURE



GRANTS FOR SCHOOL PROGRAMS

As you do your part at home, our faculty and staff members are doing their part every day to help give students an environment to play, create and explore. Earlier this year, Cranberry Station Elementary School was nominated for a *Power a Bright Future* grant from The Clorox Company in hopes of securing up to \$50,000 in funding for the Pennies for Playgrounds fund to repair and upgrade the kindergarten and first through fifth grade playgrounds.

After a competitive national nomination period, now is the time for our school community to show its support. Help Cranberry Station Elementary School win up to \$50,000 by casting votes starting **Oct. 24, 2011 through Dec. 9, 2011**. Adults and kids 13 and older can vote online at www.PowerABrightFuture.com for the program they believe is the most deserving of a grant. New this year to the *Power A Bright Future* program, neighbors, friends and family can now vote for their favorite school right from their phones via text message!

The program that receives the highest number of votes will be awarded the \$50,000 grand-prize grant, and the next top vote-getters in the *Play, Create and Explore* categories respectively will each be awarded a \$25,000 grant. A panel of Clorox judges will also select one additional lucky school to win a \$25,000 judge's choice grant. Visit

www.PowerABrightFuture.com for additional details and official rules. At the site click on The Nominees, choose "PLAY" category, enter Keyword "Cranberry" or search through Play entries. There are 140 entries accepted in this category so far. Every vote is needed!