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3RD ANNUAL WALKATHON A TREMENDOUS SUCCESS!



Dear Oscar Mayer Friends and Families,

Congratulations on the tremendous success of our 3rd Annual Walkathon! We blew our goal of \$50,000 out of the water, and currently stand at almost **\$62,000!! AMAZING!!** We know that we are unable to thank every person individually for everything they did to make the day an unbelievable success, but we want to make sure you know that this day could not have happened without ALL of YOU!!!

Congratulations to Principal Katie and all of the OM teachers and staff for showing our school in the



absolute best possible light to our guest of honor, CPS CEO, Mr. Ron Huberman! How appropriate that our school is in great shape, even in these tumultuous times of deep CPS budget cuts. We know that this did not happen without extraordinary effort. Thank

you Katie for preserving the efforts of everyone at our school: students, teachers, parents and community alike. We hope everyone will take the time to express their gratitude for what she has helped accomplish.

We also really need to acknowledge all of the amazingly generous corporate sponsors who donated money, products, services and time. Our corporate donations accounted for almost \$35,000!! We need to show these businesses the positive financial impact that the Oscar Mayer community can make!! **We implore you to visit each of these businesses AT LEAST ONCE, to thank them for their support of our school, and to offer our patronage to them as well.** It goes without saying that if we rally around these businesses, it will be all the easier to go back to them and ask for their continued support year after year. Please take the time to thank the corporate sponsors whenever you can.



JOE KALLAS, KATIE KONIECZNY, RON HUBERMAN

Have a fantastic summer, and thank you again for making Oscar Mayer the wonderful school it is today.

Sincerely,
Alice Singer, Farah Denahan & Maureen Riordan
Walkathon Chairs

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The following students were selected as **Students of the Month for April:**

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ROOM 102	LUKE LINEBAUGH, ARIANNA TZAKIS
ROOM 104	JEREMIAH SCOTT
ROOM 105	AIDEN CHOSLOSKY, NOLA SCHUETZE
ROOM 106	SAM MORE, AVERY GORK
ROOM 107	EVERETT BROSTEDT, TOVA KAPLAN, OSCAR STENNES
ROOM 108	GABY HOLDEN, GRACE HUGHES
ROOM 109	YAILEEN GUTIERREZ, DAVID MUCHOW
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Let's give all these students a round of applause for being such superb role models for their classrooms!

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SUMMER FESTIVALS

Sheffield Neighborhood Association and Wrightwood Neighbors Association are both very supportive of Oscar Mayer. In fact, the SNA most recently donated \$2,500 as a 2010 Walkathon Triathlon Sponsor and WNA has historically donated \$15,000 to our school. We receive money from their summer festivals and they have asked us for volunteers. Please help if you can. Here is the volunteer information:

- Sheffield Garden Walk and Festival – July 17 and 18 – please fill out the volunteer tab and select “Kid’s Corner” at www.sheffeldgardenwalk.com
- Taste of Lincoln Avenue – July 24 & 25 (Fullerton to Wrightwood), please fill out the Taste Volunteer Form at www.wrightwoodneighbors.org or call Ron Hansen at 773-477-4455



KIDS CAN EARN A FREE BOOK FROM BORDERS

Borders summer reading program, Double-Dog Dare, will give kids a free book if they read ten. If you're 12 or under, you're in!

- Read 10 books—any ones you like!
- Download and print the Double-Dog Dare form
- List the books you've read on the form
- Bring your completed form to any Borders store for your free book.

Spread the word to every kid! It's Borders way of encouraging a love of reading throughout the year – even during summer vacation!

For more information and to download the form, please visit: www.borders.com/online/store/Media-View_doubledogdare?cmpid=SA_20100513_V2

FRIENDS OF MAYER SUMMER MEETINGS

Wednesday, June 16 at 6:00

Tuesday, July 20 at 6:30

Wednesday, August 25 at 6:30

The location is to be decided; an email will be sent via Friends of Mayer once the location is confirmed. Meeting locations will also be posted on the Friends of Mayer website, so be sure to check in the next couple of weeks.

GIRL SCOUTS '10 – '11

Great news - **Girl Scouts is returning to Oscar Mayer Magnet School in the fall!** And this time we'll have programs for all grades. Our plan is to have a troop at every level – Daisies (for girls in kindergarten and 1st grade), Brownies (for 2nd and 3rd graders), Juniors (for 4th and 5th graders) and Cadettes (for grades 6, 7 and 8).

Norah O'Brien has volunteered to lead the Daisy troop, a team of parents: Maria Amoruso, Tammy Bamlett Sherman, Nancy Bason and Liz Rosenberg will be leading the Brownies; Stephani Kuehn and Sarah Liebman will be in charge of the Juniors; and Cheryl Bane will be leading the troop for Cadettes.

Cheryl would love to have a co-leader to join her and we also need other volunteers. We hope some parents, OM staff and community members out there will raise their hands to say "yes, we're ecstatic to see Girl Scouts offered at Oscar Mayer Magnet, and we'd love to help out"! If that's you, please contact Maureen Riordan at mrsriordan@yahoo.com

For those of you who are unfamiliar with Girl Scouts, it is a wonderful organization that provides opportunities for girls to develop friendships, learn about themselves, acquire new skills, and help those around them. More information can be found at <http://www.girlscoutsgcnwi.org/>

More information will be coming as plans are finalized, but Daisies and Cadettes are planning on meeting after school on Wednesdays for the upcoming school year from 3:00 to 4:00 or 4:30 pm.

There's an opportunity for girls who are interested in joining Girl Scouts in the fall to register now (before June 30th) and receive the first item for their sashes/ vests – an early registration patch. So if you know your girl wants to be in Girl Scouts next year, sign her up now! Again, contact Maureen Riordan and she'll be able to point you in the right direction.

If you're interested in volunteering with the Cadette troop, or if your daughter would like to join the Cadettes, please contact Cheryl Bane at cheryl444@gmail.com

WELLNESS AND SUSTAINABILITY UPDATE

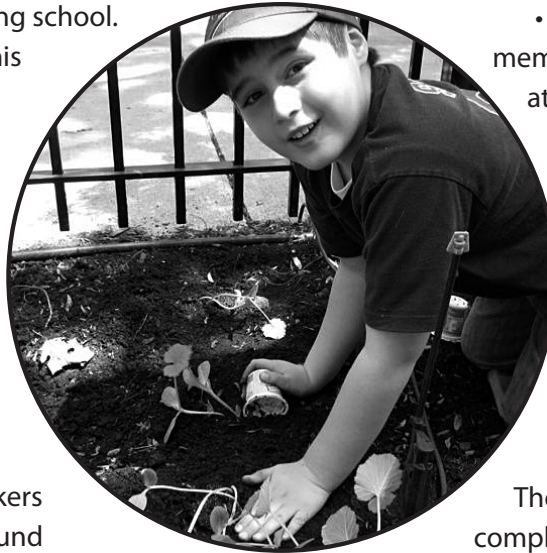
Congratulations to the Mayer community for your overwhelming support and encouragement with all of the Wellness and Sustainability programs we have in place here at our amazing school. Here is a recap of your efforts this year:

- Over 200 pounds of batteries were diverted from landfills and recycled properly
- Raised \$150 for our school by recycling ink cartridges, juice pouches and cell phones
- Donated over 50 pairs of sneakers to be recycled into soft playground materials
- Harvested our first batch of lunchroom compost



to use in our Montessori Garden

- 22 classrooms started seeds for the Garden Project



- Awarded a \$250 gardening grant from Annie's Organics.

- Green Thumb Garden Club members cooked and successfully ate swiss chard and mix green salad with vegetables. Many asked for seconds.

- Beautiful tapestry made of recycled materials on display at Lincoln Park Whole Foods (thank you Catherine Lapping!!)

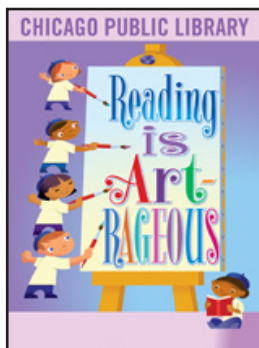
These are just a few of your accomplishments and we look forward to expanding the WST programs to include healthy lunches, one-note home per family and a school-wide paper recycling program to be spearheaded by our 8th grade students.

Congratulations Mayer for making wise and healthy life choices!

Submitted by JANAN ASFOUR and ANASTASIA HINCHSLIFF.



READING IS ART-RAGEOUS: SUMMER READING PROGRAM



Chicago Public Library Summer Reading Program (June 14 – August 7, 2010)

Join the Chicago Public Library's reading program this summer in any of their locations, including all the neighborhood libraries and the Thomas Hughes Children's Library. Children up to the age of fourteen are invited to celebrate art in our everyday lives this summer.

Picture book readers and pre-readers who complete twenty-five picture books will earn a Very Important Reader's t-shirt. Children who read chapter books will earn a t-shirt when they complete ten chapter books. Weekly book raffles, author visits, performers and presenters are just some of the activities that are featured throughout the summer in this drop-in program that helps motivate kids to read for fun.

For more information contact your local library or call Children and Young Adult Services at (312) 747-4780.

FREE SUMMER BOWLING FOR KIDS

This summer, kids can enjoy two free games of bowling all summer long. Yes, it's true!

www.kidsbowlfree.com offers free bowling passes to kids at selected bowling alleys across the country.

The Bane family decided to give this offer a try.

The first step was to pick a bowling alley. We choose Waveland Bowl, 3700 N Western Ave, Chicago, IL 60618 (www.wavelandbowl.com).

We signed up our two kids for free, although we could have signed up as many as 6 kids age 15 and under. The pass is effective from 5/1/2010 through 9/1/2010. (Darn, we should have signed up sooner! Something to keep in mind for next year.)

We also decided to spring for the optional \$25 adult summer pass. You can include up to 4 adults with this pass, and we assumed this would pay for itself after just a few games, especially if and when we include another adult couple.

Now, the pass only covers the actual bowling games – 2 games per day. Shoes (\$3 per pair at Waveland) and snacks are extra.

The free passes are emailed to you each week, plus, www.kidsbowlfree.com allows you to print them out from the website at any time.

We test-drove the passes on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31st. Sure enough, Brad, Cheryl, Quincy and Julian each received two free games of bowling. We paid the \$3 each for shoes and had a fun family time for a few hours for just \$12. Well, that was until we bought some nachos, popcorn, cheese sticks and other goodies. Tip: Go bowling after you've had a full meal.

Submitted by CHERYL BANE

CONGRATULATIONS MAY STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

The following students were selected as **Students of the Month for May:**

ROOM 101	SOPHIA BUSHELL, JOSHUA WILLIAMS
ROOM 102	JORDAN COLBERT-JONES, ELIZABETH WELLS
ROOM 104	WILLY HURT
ROOM 105	KIRTANA ROMFH, JADEN MARSHALL
ROOM 106	SHAVAREN WILLIAMS, JOE O'TOOLE
ROOM 107	CHARLOTTE OCHSTEIN, SOPHIA WAGNER
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ROOM 109	JACK HARRIES, RUBY SHAFFER
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ROOM 202	GAVIN ROSE, EDY GOMEZ
ROOM 203	ALEX BETTS
ROOM 204	JAKARI NORWOOD
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ROOM 214	CAIRO BENITEZ
ROOM 221	ASHLEY TAYLOR
ROOM 223	CHRISTIAN LEBRON
ROOM 225	MARCO AQUINAGA
ROOM 226	MAURICE COLTER

Let's give all these students a round of applause for being such superb role models for their classrooms!

If you have ideas for articles, comments or questions please email me at: debbie_hilander@yahoo.com (parent newsletter editor) with OM Newsletter in the subject line.