

# BLACKWELL BANNER

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Be Respectful, Be Responsible, Be Safe

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Blackwell – partnership between school and family to create lifetime learners

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

MON. FEB. 6	TUES. FEB. 7	WEDS. FEB. 8	THURS. FEB. 9	FRI. FEB. 10
	EARLY CHILDHOOD NON-ATTENDANCE DAY  MARKET DAY PICK- UP 2 TO 3 PM- GYM  PTA MEETING 7PM - LOUNGE	½ DAY TEACHER IN-SERVICE  NO EC OR KDG CLASSES  11:40 AM DISMISSAL GRADES 1 – 6	HOT LUNCH  GEMS CLUB ROOM 209 3 TO 4 PM	
MON. FEB. 13	TUES. FEB. 14	WEDS. FEB. 15	THURS. FEB. 16	FRI. FEB. 17
	DISTRICT 54 BLOOD DRIVE	SCHOOL STORE	BIRTHDAY BOOKS  ROOM 114 – SCHAUMBURG LIBRARY TRIP 9:15 - 10:45 AM  GEMS CLUB ROOM 209 3 TO 4 PM	ICE CREAM DAY  TALENT SHOW PERMISSION SLIPS DUE



# PTA PAWS

Good Afternoon Blackwell. There is so much fun stuff coming up!

Our biggest event of the year is coming up – The FUN FAIR. Our Fun Fair team is still looking for help to set up and clean up. But more importantly, they need help DURING the event. If you are able to devote any time, please contact our Fun Fair Committee. If you have teenage siblings who would love to lend a hand for the community service hours, they are welcome to help us as well.

This week is our PTA Meeting. Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup> in the Teacher’s Lounge at 7pm. This is an important meeting because we will be appointing our Nominating Committee. This committee works to fill spaces that are vacant within our PTA Board.

And enjoy 6 more weeks of winter. However, at this rate, is that so bad? Did you know that this was the 126<sup>th</sup> year that we have relied on Punxsutawney Phil to predict the end of winter?

The PTA wants to thank you for your continued support.

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## **Is My Child Too Sick To Go To School?**

A common dilemma that parents face is “**when should I keep my child home from school?**” It’s not easy as parents more and more today are juggling the responsibilities of family and work. Here are some guidelines to follow.

### **Know the difference between a cold and the flu:**

- Flu is a serious illness and symptoms include fever, chills, cough, sore throat, headache, or muscle aches. With the flu, symptoms come on very quickly. It is advised to contact the doctor if these symptoms are present.
- Symptoms of a common cold include stuffy nose, sneezing, sore throat, and hacking cough. Often, cold symptoms come on gradually. Although the common cold is usually not serious, if symptoms are severe, it is a good idea to keep your child home to rest, rather than spread the cold to other children at school.

### **Keep your child home from school if:**

- He has a **fever**. This means a temperature 100 degrees or higher.
- She has **vomited**. Keep your child home until they are able to tolerate solid foods.
- He has **diarrhea**. Encourage good hand washing to prevent the spread to other family members.
- She is **coughing frequently** or having any sort of breathing trouble.
- He has a **rash** that is spreading. Check with your child’s doctor to see if it is contagious before sending your child back to school.

In order to help prevent the spread of illness in school, **students with a fever 100 degrees or more may not return to school until they are fever free for 24 hrs** without the use of fever reducing medications such as acetaminophen or ibuprofen.

Your child’s School Nurse is available every day and will be happy to answer any questions you may have. They are committed to working in partnership with parents to promote student health.

# CAUSE and Effect: You Give. PEOPLE LIVE.

## Schaumburg School District Office BLOOD DRIVE

Tuesday, FEBRUARY 14 - 1:30 PM - 7:00 PM  
Located in the Upstairs Conference Room  
at 524 E Schaumburg

To make your appointment, go to [www.heartlandbc.org](http://www.heartlandbc.org)  
and click in the box "Now Available"  
~OR~ contact your PTA Representative.

For further information,  
contact Heather Collier at 708-951-4118.

Please eat a healthy meal and drink  
plenty of fluids prior to donating!

**PHOTO ID REQUIRED**

## Give Blood.

Donate blood at the  
location listed above  
to receive an exclusive  
T-Shirt as a way of  
saying "thank you"  
for your life-saving  
blood donation.



 **Heartland  
Blood Centers**  
Your community blood service since 1943  
1-800-786-4483  
[www.heartlandbc.org](http://www.heartlandbc.org)

follow  
US ON:





## **Navigating Community Resources**

- *Has your child been diagnosed as being on the Autism Spectrum or as having a Developmental Delay?*
  
- *Do you find yourself confused about how to locate the essential community services, or even how to identify the services that your child or adolescent needs?*

If you answered "yes" to these questions, please join us as we explore the following areas:

- Community Resources- what is available
- First steps in connecting to resources
- Services available with private or public insurance
- Supports available to the family (siblings and parents)
- The effect of the diagnosis on the family
- *How* to talk to your child and *when* to talk to your child (or others in their lives) about the diagnosis
- Any other questions you may have...

**Date: Thursday, February 9, 2012**

**Time: 7:00-8:00 pm**

**Place: District Office (524 E. Schaumburg Rd.)**

**Presenter: Brianne Lukowski, Psy.D., Clinical Navigator,  
Autism Spectrum and Developmental Resource  
Center, Alexian Brothers Hospital Network**

Interested? Please sign up by e-mail at [SPU@sd54.org](mailto:SPU@sd54.org) or contact Meg Kwak at (847)357-5534.

**Free childcare will be provided and a gift card drawing held!  
This presentation will be presented in English**



## ***Schaumburg CAN support families making healthy choices***

A group of Schaumburg organizations called Schaumburg CAN (Children – Activity – Nutrition) have teamed up to support families making healthy choices.

Its mission is to align the community around opportunities that build a foundation of healthy activity and nutrition for our children.

The Schaumburg CAN consortium includes the Campanelli YMCA, Alexian Brothers Hospital Network, Schaumburg Park District, School District 54, Village of Schaumburg, the District 54 PTA Council, Harper College, Schaumburg Township and the Children's Home and Aid Society.

Childhood obesity is a national epidemic and data from Schaumburg Township mirrors national numbers.

During the 2010-11 school year, 28 percent of District 54 kindergarten students (361 students) were overweight, based on BMI (Body Mass Index) numbers provided by doctors on the health forms submitted to the schools. A BMI at or above the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile is considered overweight. During the same year, 38 percent (499 students) in sixth grade were overweight, based on the same health form data.

The organizations are committed to finding positive solutions to support and encourage those who live and work in Schaumburg to increase activity levels and improve nutrition.

YMCA of the USA, the national resource office for the nation's 2,687 YMCAs, selected Schaumburg as one of 16 communities in Illinois, Michigan and Ohio to build a statewide network for reducing childhood obesity through its Activate America: Statewide Pioneering Healthier Communities (PHC) initiative. The Campanelli YMCA applied for this program and was selected after a competitive review process.

**Valentine's Day Special Ice Cream Treat Day - Tuesday, February 14th**

**Featuring Culver's Concrete Mixers!**

**\$2.50 Each**

**THIS IS A ONE-DAY ONLY SPECIAL TREAT FOR YOUR SWEETIES!**

Must be pre-ordered

Special Treats will **NOT** be available for purchase on February 14<sup>th</sup>

**ALL PAYMENTS MUST BE RECEIVED BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 10<sup>th</sup>**

Cash or Check (make checks payable to Blackwell School)

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Special Valentine's Day Ice Cream Treat Day: Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

Child 1: \_\_\_\_\_ Room # \_\_\_\_\_

Culver's 8 oz. vanilla custard concrete mixer with: \$2.50

Oreo \_\_\_\_\_ M & M \_\_\_\_\_ Sprinkles \_\_\_\_\_

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Special Valentine's Day Ice Cream Treat Day: Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

Child 2: \_\_\_\_\_ Room # \_\_\_\_\_

Culver's 8 oz. vanilla custard concrete mixer with: \$2.50

Oreo \_\_\_\_\_ M & M \_\_\_\_\_ Sprinkles \_\_\_\_\_

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Special Valentine's Day Ice Cream Treat Day: Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>

Child 3: \_\_\_\_\_ Room # \_\_\_\_\_

Culver's 8 oz. vanilla custard concrete mixer with: \$2.50

Oreo \_\_\_\_\_ M & M \_\_\_\_\_ Sprinkles \_\_\_\_\_

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Child 4: \_\_\_\_\_ Room # \_\_\_\_\_

Culver's 8 oz. vanilla custard concrete mixer with: \$2.50

Oreo \_\_\_\_\_ M & M \_\_\_\_\_ Sprinkles \_\_\_\_\_

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**PAYMENTS DUE BY FEBRUARY 10TH**

**TOTAL PAYMENT = \_\_\_\_\_**

This is a fundraiser for the 6<sup>th</sup> grade end of the year family dinner. Thank you for your support. Questions? Call Linda Schoefnacker 847/490-9031 or [lschoefer@yahoo.com](mailto:lschoefer@yahoo.com)

# FUN FAIR CUPCAKE WALK!

We are asking for donations for the popular Cake Walk at the Fun Fair. Sweets can be baked at home or store bought. If you would like to donate cookies, cupcakes, cake pops, donuts or brownies, please send 4 to 6 items per disposable plate. All plates should be wrapped and ready to hand out as Cake Walk prizes!!

Please remember : **NO NUTS or nut based products** are to be in any of the treats. All items must be dropped off at Blackwell on February 24th between 8:30 and 3:30.

If you would like to donate, please return this form in your Family Folder. Thank You!

Questions? Please contact Kim Lilley at [kimlilley@att.net](mailto:kimlilley@att.net)

## YES, I WILL DONATE TO THE CAKE WALK!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Classroom: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

## FUN FAIR FOOD DRIVE EARN FREE TICKETS FOR THE FAIR!

This year, Blackwell students have an opportunity to **earn two free tickets** to the Fun Fair by bringing in a donation for the District 54 Food Bank.

**The grade levels will also be competing to win an additional five free tickets.** For all donations turned into their classroom between February 13th and 24th, each child will receive two tickets for use at the fun fair. Please note there is a maximum of two tickets regardless of the number of items donated per child.

Diapers and wipes are desperately needed items and donation of these items will count as "double" for the classroom competition. Teachers will provide the children with their two free tickets on the 24th and the winning grade level will be announced the morning of the Fun Fair. Food bins will be set up to collect additional donations the night of the Fun Fair, however donations received that evening will not be eligible for free tickets.

Donations can be sent with your child anytime between February 13th and 24th.

# FUN FAIR TICKET PRE-SALE

**SKIP THE LINE AND GO STRAIGHT TO THE FUN!**

Receive one free ticket for every 10 tickets bought in advance!

All ticket orders must be received by February 15th.

Tickets are used to purchase food & beverages and for games & activities.

Each game will require 1 to 4 tickets. Tickets are 25 cents each.

**Pre-sale tickets are available for pick up at the Fun Fair.**

Please return this form in your child's family folder **no later than February 15th.**

Checks should be made payable to "Blackwell PTA".



Have you read the Banner? If so, raise a paw and let us know. The first 5 people to respond to DRChmielewski@aol.com will win 20 free Fun Fair tickets!" We'll announce the winners on the Broadcast.



Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Childs Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Classroom: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Select the number of pre-sale tickets you wish to purchase below and return in your family folder with payment by February 15th.

20 tickets @ \$ 5.00 (plus 2 free)

40 tickets @ \$10.00 (plus 4 free)

60 tickets @ \$15.00 (plus 6 free)

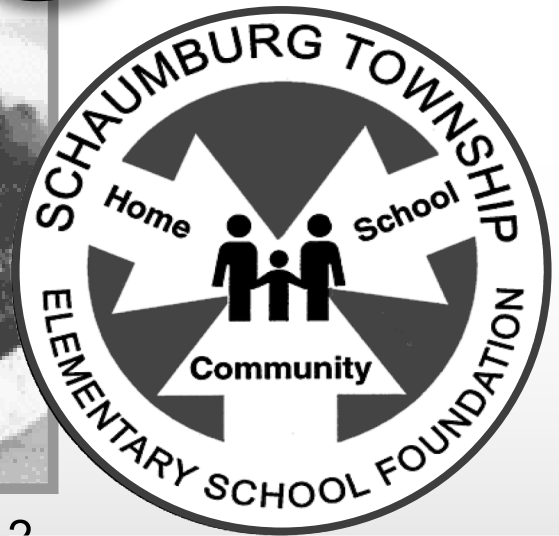
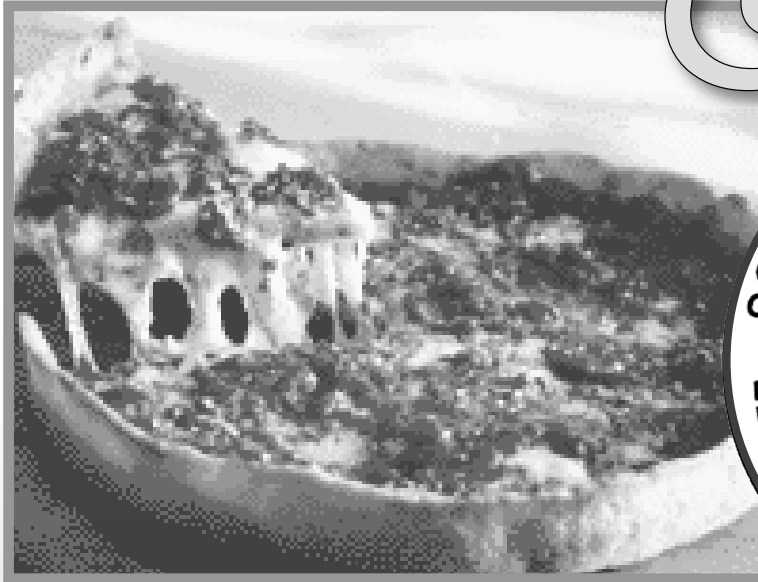
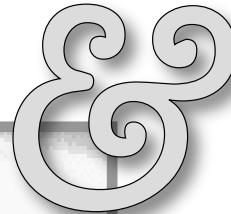
80 tickets @ \$20.00 (plus 8 free)

100 tickets @ \$25.00 (plus 10 free)

120 tickets @ \$30.00 (plus 12 free)

# FUNDRAISING EVENT

**Lou Malnati's®**  
PIZZERIA



**Date:** Wednesday, February 8, 2012

**Times:** Schaumburg - 11:00 am - 10:00 pm  
Barrington Road - 4:00-10:00 pm

**Locations: SCHAUMBURG**

1 S. Roselle Road ■ 847.985.1525

DINE-IN, CARRYOUT AND DELIVERY

**BARRINGTON ROAD**

357 S. Barrington Road ■ 847.524.1900

CARRYOUT AND DELIVERY

## **FOR QUESTIONS:**

Please contact Sophia Grassa - found54@sbcglobal.net

Lou Malnati's will donate 20% of total sales to Schaumburg Township Elementary School Foundation (20% based on *pre-tax purchase, excluding alcohol*) from orders received *WITH THIS FLYER* on 02.08.12.

***This flyer must accompany order/payment.***

***For orders of 15 people or more, please call Catering at 847.562.1918.***

★ PLEASE MENTION FUNDRAISER EVENT WHEN PLACING ORDER.

★ OFFER VALID ONLY AT THE DATE AND LOCATIONS LISTED ABOVE.