

# HAWK talk

HIGHLAND OAKS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

January 13, 2010

## Upcoming Events at Highland Oaks

- Jan. 11-22 Can You Help Food Drive
- Jan. 18 No School – Martin Luther King Holiday
- Jan. 19 PTSA Meeting – 8:45 am MPR
- Jan. 21 Family Reading Night – Library  
Developing Young Capable People,  
Parenting Series, 7-9pm MPR



"SAVE THE DATE!"

**FAMILY READING NIGHT IS 6 PM THURSDAY, JAN. 21**

Hey, kids! Get ready to hear wild and funny **TALES OF ADVENTURE** read by some of your favorite teachers at Family Reading Night, which will run from **6 to 7 PM on Thursday, Jan. 21**, in the library. You can make a craft, take an AR test, explore the library and maybe even win a prize. Details in next week's Hawk Talk. Questions: Clark Stevens and Karen Wada 626-355-7869 or [kjwada@netscape.net](mailto:kjwada@netscape.net).



## **GOT EXTRA ART SUPPLIES?**

Parents, please clean out your closets and help us with our next craft project. We're looking for glue sticks, kid-friendly scissors, cotton balls, fabric scraps, construction paper, markers, cardboard, foam shapes, stickers, stamps and ink pads, feathers, spangles or anything else that might adorn a paper-bag puppet. A donations box is in the HOPTSA room (next to the office). Thanks!



## HOPTSA President Posting

Congratulations to the Highland Oaks winners of the Arcadia Council PTA Reflections Competition (see article in this Hawk Talk for details). It made me very proud to see them receive their awards last Wednesday. And a special congratulations to **Katherine Shu and Ashley Lin**, whose entries went on to win first place at the District PTA competition! Their work will move on to compete at the state level. I wish you the best of luck Katherine and Ashley!

To all the students who participated in the Reflections competition, I commend you for your creativity and hard work. You are all winners to me!

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## Scrip of the Week

Kentucky Fried Chicken (**KFC**)  
Offered in increments of **\$5.00**  
**9%** of your purchase comes back to Highland Oaks! See Mrs. Barrett in the office to purchase SCRIP.

## **Hawk Walk has been rescheduled for Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>!**

The Hawk Walk will not be taking place on January 20<sup>th</sup> but has been rescheduled for Wednesday, February 3<sup>rd</sup>. Pledge envelopes will be coming home soon!

Please email [cathycuellar@msn.com](mailto:cathycuellar@msn.com) or call (626) 836-2980 if you can help or if you'd like more information.

## A Roaring Round of Applause for our *Reflections* Winners



We are happy to announce that **all** of our students who earned first place in the *Reflections* program at our school level were also honored with 1st, 2nd or 3rd place distinctions at the council level. Our students' work was judged/compared to other kids in their same age division from other schools in our district such as Holly Avenue, Camino Grove Elementary, etc. Below is a list of the distinctions our talented students received at the *Reflections* Council Awards Ceremony on January 7th at the Arcadia Library:

- **Katherine Shu** 1st place in the Intermediate division (3rd -5th) for **DANCE**.
- **Alisa Jiang** 2nd place in the Primary division (K-2nd) for **LITERATURE**.
- **Serena Huang** 3rd place in the Intermediate division (3rd -5th) for **LITERATURE**.
- **Ashley Lin** 1st place in the Primary division (K-2nd) for **MUSIC COMPOSITION**.
- **Sunay Poole** 3rd place in the Intermediate division (3rd -5th) for **MUSIC COMPOSITION**.
- **Megan Colton** 1st place in the Primary division (K-2nd) for **PHOTOGRAPHY**.
- **Myron Mageswaran** 3rd place in the Intermediate division (3rd -5th) for **PHOTOGRAPHY**.
- **Morgan Yazdi** 3rd place in the Intermediate division (3rd -5th) for **VISUAL ARTS**.

**Katherine Shu** and **Ashley Lin's** 1st place honors at the council level, qualified their work to advance to the district/regional level. Their work was judged against other students' work from local communities such as San Marino, Burbank, W. Covina, etc. They both received 1st place and will be honored at the *Reflections* District Awards Ceremony on the 13th at the Arcadia Masonic Temple. Their work has advanced to the state-level competition!!! **Please wish them luck and please congratulate any Reflections winners you may know.**

Winners will also be acknowledged at our upcoming flagpole ceremony on Monday, January 25th and there will be a celebration of the creative talents of all participants during lunch recess later that day.

Information for submitting work for next year's theme, **Together We Can** may be found at <http://www.capta.org/sections/programs/reflections.cfm>.

Sincere thanks to all the parents and teachers who encouraged their kids/students to participate. Thanks to all the students for submitting such compelling work-- you are all so talented!!!

Laura Davidson and Sonia Anand, Reflections chairs



### Can You Help? De-Clutter your Bathroom Drawers!



Ever notice that your bathroom drawers may be overflowing with all the toothbrushes your dentist gave you and the trial-size shampoos and soaps you got from your vacation getaways? If they are more than you can possibly use why not donate them to the Can You Help? Food and Essential Items Collection Drive. There are boxes in front of the MPR this week and next from 8:15 a.m. -3:15 p.m. where you can place these and other essential items like water bottles, granola bars, Kleenex and hand sanitizer. There will also be boxes for the peel-top chili with meat and peel-top ravioli with meat. Questions? please contact me at [lauradavidson2000@yahoo.com](mailto:lauradavidson2000@yahoo.com) - THANKS!