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News, News, and MORE News!!

Welcome back from Spring Break! I trust everyone had a terrific time? I did get a report back from one family and you can read that **HERE**. The rest of you will not earn full credit on your point sheets this week! ☺ There has not been a dull moment this week as you will see below. I think this is one of the longest newsletters ever! What you won't read below is that we did have a fire drill this week on Wednesday and it was a short week (but you already know that). With that said and no further ado, I give you the MSA Weekly News!

We Got Accepted!

College Acceptances and Scholarships!

- **Logan Boylan** has received an academic scholarship to Appalachian State.
- **Sam Coil** has been accepted to Clemson University AND College of Charleston.
- **Jordan Demers** has been accepted to SCAD!
- **Rae Landon** has been accepted at Gainesville State College.
- **Evan Wahl** has been accepted to Oxford College of Emory, Furman University & Wake Forest University.



Also **Michael Palmer** (PU student) has been selected to participate in the Explorer Summer STEM Experience of NASA's Interdisciplinary National Science Program Incorporating Research and Education Experience (INSPIRE) Project. Who knows Michael may be MSA's first astronaut!

Congratulations to EVERYONE!

Sail Away on Spring Break!

MSA Sports Calendar
The most current information when it comes to MSA Sports Schedules

MSA Home Page
Find everything you need to find about MSA is here

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Maria Pena and **Eric Siegel** figured out that they were going on Spring Break together, by accident! It seems that both families scheduled a wonderful western Caribbean cruise for 5 nights on the very same ship, at the same time! The ship stopped in the ports of Cozumel and Belize. Maria and Eric had a blast together the whole time and their families have become friends. Hope you had a terrific Spring Break as well! (Picture and information supplied by Brooke Pena, Middle Parent) *Pictured: Maria Pena and Eric Siegel with the Royal Caribbean Navigator of the Seas.*

MSA Student Qualifies for Duke TIP



Charlie Levy has qualified for the Duke University Talent Identification Program (Duke TIP) and has advanced to the State Recognition level. Duke TIP is a global leader in identifying academically gifted students and providing them with innovative programming to support their development. Duke TIP, a non-profit educational organization, conducts two annual talent searches and offers summer programs, online courses, and independent learning resources. More Information about Duke TIP can be obtained [HERE](#). Congratulations Charlie for earning this honor and for all your hard work! (Susan Sanders, PU Principal) *Pictured: Susan Sanders and Charlie Levy*

Lights, Camera, Book Fair!



It's time to roll out the red carpet for the Mill Springs Academy Spring Book Fair! From April 20 to April 24 during the hours of 8:00am to 4:00pm in the Library Building. (Melissa Woolf, Library Parent)

Annual Spring Art Show



Put a big bright sticky note on your calendar for next Friday, April 24 AND Sunday, April 26. These are the two days of our HUGE Spring Musical and Art Exhibit held in the SAC. In the gym you will find the **Spring Art Show**. Brought to you by all students, Grades 1 – 12, this cornucopia of shape, design and color represents the best of their artistic creativity. Drawing, painting, graphic design, pottery and sculpture ... all there to tease your senses, to enlighten and inspire you. There will also be a sampling of art from some of our alumni that have gone on to be art students in the college world. We are thrilled to be able to share their creative gifts with you. The Spring Art Show opens at 6:30pm and the Musical will begin at 7:00pm, each night. Join us, you'll be glad you did! (Brian Buxton, Art Teacher)

Info Group for Siblings



Well you have to take it to find out!

Mill Springs Academy is forming an information group for siblings. We would like your input as a parent and as a sibling, The goal will be to assist siblings in understanding about ADHD and/or Learning Disabilities. **HERE** is a link to a survey, so we can better serve our population. Thanks in advance for your cooperation. (from **Greg Bodeep**)

Rocket Launch Successful!



Last week the members of the ACE class met Mr. Jorge Blanco on the Kenimer Track and Clanin Field to launch the 4-foot high rocket they designed using RockSim software for the Team America Rocketry Challenge (TARC). Students from other classes also came down to watch the launch. TARC challenges students to design, launch and monitor a rocket carrying a raw egg to precisely 750 feet for 45 seconds and returns it intact. The closer to those two specs, the better score the team earns. The top 100 team scores qualify to the next level of competition, held near Washington, DC in May.

Mr. Blanco is the father of Joe, a student in the PU last year, and a member of the Southern Area Rocketry (SOAR) group (www.soarrocketry.org). SOAR commonly holds rocket launches on MSA fields, weather permitting, on the last Saturday of the month. Spectators are welcome. Jorge has been very generous with his assistance to the ACE class on this project. (Susan Sanders, PU Principal)

Ladies Tea Party!



The ladies of Communication Arts enjoyed a ladies tea at “Tea Leaves & Thyme” in Woodstock on Wednesday. They munched on quiche, scones with lemon curd & clotted cream, tea sandwiches, cheese straws and of course, tea. Morgan Taylor (Middle) and Erin Horst joined the girls of CA as they will be students here in the fall semester. While the girls chatted and sipped tea from china cups, the boys of CA did the “male” thing and had a cookout. (Kay Morrison, Principal) *Pictured: Emma Kirkner, Alexandra Lopez-Mail, Rebecca Ascher.*

Free Money!



Please remember to use your Publix and Kroger cards when shopping at either store so you know that Mill Springs Academy will benefit from all of your purchases. If you do not have a Publix or Kroger card please contact Susan Cohen, PVA’s Free Money Chairperson at sscohen@bellsouth.net and she will make sure you get these. (Michelle Bergeson, PVA President)

Come-From-Behind Victory!!



After a two week layoff defending champion Mill Springs spotted Brandon Hall a seven run lead in the first inning, then rallied for a 14 to 8 league win! **Brogan Guyton** shook off a shaky start that saw opposing runners cross home plate seven times. The sophomore right-hander settled down and held the Panthers to one run and one hit over the final six innings. Meanwhile, the Green Machine brushed off the rust and caught fire. The MSA Nine scored 11 runs in their first three at bats silencing the BH supporters. Captain **Mason Pritchard** ripped a double and two singles and **Max Holt** delivered two booming triples, driving in three runs. Seventh grader, **Addison Reed**, also hit a run scoring triple. **Jake Kamrass** laced a double; both **Jack Trantham** and **Bryan Lynn** added key singles in the twelve hit attack. The Mustangs moved back into first place with the victory!

Join us on Saturday morning at 11:00am as we entertain Chrysalis on our field.

News from your PVA!



The end of the school year is fast approaching. Letters for the end-of-school year gift collection for the teachers and staff members will be mailed out next week. Please consider donating any amount you feel comfortable. All of the money donated will be divided among all of the staff equally. Let's show the staff at Mill Springs how much we appreciate them! (Michelle Bergeson, PVA President)

Mill Springs Players Present . . .



The production of "*Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dream Coat*". The saga of *Joseph* and his coat of many colors comes to vibrant life in this delightful musical parable. Joseph, his father's favorite son, is a boy blessed with prophetic dreams. When he is sold into slavery by his jealous brothers and taken to Egypt, Joseph endures a series of adventures in which his spirit and humanity are continually challenged. Set to an engaging cornucopia of musical styles, from country-western and calypso to bubble-gum pop and rock 'n' roll, this Old Testament tale emerges both timely and timeless. Performance on Friday, April 24 and Sunday, April 26 at 7:00pm on both nights. Tickets are \$10 general admission and \$8 students. Come one, come all to support this cast of 40 talented students! You'll have a blast!! (from Lynn Stallings)

Is Your School Cool , or What?

Congratulations to all and thanks for all the wonderful emails. CBS contacted me a few days ago to tell me that they have chosen Mill Springs Academy as the

Grand Finale Cool School of the Year for 2008-2009!

They will be here on Tuesday, May 5 to film activities on campus and then they will return at 5:00AM on Friday, May 8 for a LIVE broadcast. We will send more information as it becomes available. (from Victoria Jones, PreUpper)



Winners of the Coke Sale!

Thanks to everyone who sold Cokes for the Coke Sale this year! We had a total of 76 people who raised approximately \$3,400 for the Athletic Department in the Booster Club Coke Sale.



Each winning student received \$50.00, and the winners by School are:

Lower – Brett Parks
Middle – Matthew Shaffer
PreUpper – Shivani Patel
CommArts – Erin Kennedy
Upper – Max Holt

Great job and thanks again! (Jennifer Kramer, PreUpper)

Golf Team 3-0 for Season!



The MSA Mustang Golfers played in their third match of the season on Thursday and defeated Hidden Lake Academy for their third victory. HLA only had two golfers to play today, so it was a 2 on 2 shootout. Austin Coleman was the top scorer, defeating their top golfer by 7 strokes with steady play and good putting. Next week we are playing matches on Monday against Brandon Hall, Tuesday against The Howard School and then the AAC final tournament on Thursday so we have a long and exciting week ahead of us. Thank you for your support! (Matthew McConnell, Coach)

Tee-Off for Technology



Don't Forget!!

"Tee-Off for Technology"

Annual Golf Tournament

Tuesday, April 28, 2009

Rivermont Golf & Country Club

Sign Up Soon!
Spaces are limited

Register [HERE](#)

Or email [Jennifer Kramer](#)

Phone 770-360-1336 Fax 770-360-1341

Rising 6th Graders **MUST** be Immunized!

All Children entering 6th grade are required to meet the following requirements:

- Have two (2) doses of Measles vaccine, two (2) doses of Mumps vaccine, and one (1) dose of Rubella vaccine or laboratory proof of immunity against Measles, Mumps or Rubella.
- Have two (2) doses of Varicella (chicken pox) vaccine or documentation of disease or laboratory proof of immunity. At the time your child entered school only one (1) dose of this vaccine was required.
- Contact your health care provider to receive any needed vaccinations and to obtain the Georgia Certificate of Immunization (Form 3231)



The Bulletin Board

If the school had a bulletin board, here is what you would find on it:

Kickin' It Magazine is ready and waiting to be read, check out the latest edition [HERE](#) Issue 81! This is the Upper School Student created publication – you won't want to miss a page!

Fri, Apr 17 – Financial Aid Application **Deadline**

Sat, Apr 18 – **Prom** – Atlanta National Club

Mon, Apr 20 - **Spring Book Fair** begins – through Friday

Wed, Apr 22 – Earth Day

Wed, Apr 22 – Public **Open House** – SAC – Do you know someone that may have a need for your wonderful school? Invite them to the Open House!

Fri, Apr 24 – **Spring Musical Performance & Art Exhibit** – SAC – doors open at 6:30pm, Musical begins at 7:00pm

Sun, Apr 26 – **Spring Musical Performance & Art Exhibit** – SAC – second opportunity – doors open at 6:30pm, Musical begins at 7:00pm

Mon, Apr 27 – 8:15am – **PVA Meeting** – CA Great Room

Tue, Apr 28 – Tee Off for Technology **Golf Tournament** @ Rivermont Golf & Country Club



Cares and Concerns of our Community

Please keep the following from our Community in your thoughts and prayers.



The Brown Family

The Magwitz Family

The Robinson Family

Please **email me** at any time with individuals you would like to include on our list as their needs arise. For privacy, I will only list names and claim ignorance if you ask me for details.

Character Quote of the Week



**The true happiness consists
not in the multitude of
friends, but in their worth
and choice.**

- Ben Johnson



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