

## Goshen Parent Community (GPC) Meeting Minutes – April 7, 2017

**Attendees:** Diane Damadio, Jennifer Salvo, Erin Voshell, Liz Koshgerian, Cathy Beck, Erin Robins, Jeanne Czubaroff, Elizabeth Greenspan, Mimi Ackers

### \*\*\*Volunteer Opportunities \*\*\* Agenda Item #1-3

- 1. Diversity Workshop on Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2017** – If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Mimi Ackers. Help is needed with various activities - serving lunch, setting up, help ushering children around.
- 2. International Week, Decorating Volunteers:**
  - Seeking parent decorating volunteers on **Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2- 5pm** in the Lower School
  - This decorating is a SURPRISE to the students, kicking off the week
  - We need parent volunteers from each class to pre-make and hang decorations. The theme is the Mountains in each country. Parents will need to collaborate beforehand.
  - Sign up through Sign up Genius link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f084faeaf2fa0f85-international>
  - **Even if you are not available Sunday, you can help by pre-making decorations, please coordinate with Door Decorating Leaders.**
  - Parents can contact Mimi Ackers if they need supplies, such as Butcher paper, large roll paper, glue, etc.

DOOR ASSIGNMENTS (3 Parents for each country):

- Nepal K/1<sup>st</sup> - ??
- Switzerland 2/3<sup>rd</sup> - Mimi A.,
- Brazil 4/5 – Cathy B.
- Preschool (as many as we can get)

- 3. Goshen Parent Community Next Year – Calling All Parents!** Have you wanted to get more involved with the activities here at Goshen Friends School? Please consider a volunteer position for the 2017-2018 school year. Below are descriptions of positions and those who have already volunteered for next year. Thank you!!  
**Positions highlighted in Yellow may still be Open for 2017-2018!**

### GPC Volunteer Coordinator Positions & Fundraising Activities:

- **Co-Clerks:** Coordinate GPC-sponsored events & facilitate monthly meetings (Jeanne Czubaroff)
- **Treasurer:** Collect annual dues, fundraising \$, issue checks for GPC expenses (Liz Koshgerian)
- **Recording Clerk:** Attend monthly GPC minutes, record & distribute GPC minutes to Class Representatives (Erin Robins)
- **Scripts “gift cards”:** Coordinate 2-4 sales a year – create a flyer, collect \$, place order, deliver gift cards
- **Kid Stuff “Coupon Books”:** Coordinate distribution of books via backpack, collect \$ for Treasurer, order additional books, if requested. This is just a Fall event.
- **Restaurant Nights:** Plan 2-5 events/year, coordinate date & payment with restaurant, create & distribute flyer, report on attendance and fundraising amount (Kim Quereau)
- **Box Tops:** Collect Box Tops 2-3/year, count & send into Box Tops for payment
- **Book Fair:** Coordinate event with host location, collect book, plan event night
- **Community Service: (NEW!)** Kaelyn Barr will lead this effort to organize community service events. Ideas: collecting cans for the local food bank, filling stockings at the holidays, taking over the Martin Luther King Jr service project.
- **Website (GPC portion):** Jeanne C will work to update GPC descriptions and information

Even if you don't take on a position or lead an activity, there are plenty of opportunities to support our parent community, please join us! We look forward to seeing many of you in late August at our GPC kick off meeting. Please contact Jeanne Czubaroff or Mimi Ackers for more information.

**4. GPC Next Year:**

- **Harvest Fair-** Budgeted approximately \$2000.00
- **GPC Welcome Letter:** Last month, our group discussed creating a welcome letter to be sent over the summer to introduce various GPC events, invite to the GPC Family picnic in August, suggest collecting BoxTops over the summer and consider signing up to be a class GPC representative at August meeting. Jeanne and Mimi working on this letter.

**5. 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Class Trip**

Funds raised at this year's Valentine's Dance will go towards a Day trip for the current 4<sup>th</sup> grade class most likely to Philadelphia/D.C.

**6. Parent's Night Out** – was well attended with about 24 children

Thank you to Teachers Patrice, Lori, Carolyn and Carolyn's daughter, Alexia for giving up your night!

**7. Goshen Book Fair:**

- The Barnes and Noble Book fair had approximately \$2000 in store sales
- Goshen Friends will receive a check for \$346.77 from Barnes & Noble
- Approximately 30 books were purchased for teachers
- We will table where this money will go until the fall. One suggestion was having Preschool teachers make written requests for something they need for their new classrooms. We believe there is approximately \$1500 put aside for card catalog.
- We raised \$150 from Buddy's Burgers

Thank you to all the families and guest readers who supported this fun event! Especially the day after a snowstorm!

**8. Restaurant Nights:**

- **Last Night – Panera Bread** – well attended
- **Future location** – Iron Hill, May 10th

**9. Box Tops Collection** – Last week each Preschool and Lower School class received mini pretzels or box of rivets as a thank you from the GPC for their Box Top contributions.

**10. Scripts (Gift Cards):**

We will wait until Fall to do another round.

**11. Future GPC Meetings:**

- May 11th: Our final GPC meeting of the school year will be at Jeanne Czubaroff's house, 6:30pm. It will be Mexican themed and a Sign-Up Genius will be circulated.
- Late August/September Meeting at Goshen Park

## GPC Committee Contacts and Information

**Co-Clerks:** Jeanne Czubaroff, [jeannekan@gmail.com](mailto:jeannekan@gmail.com); Cathy Beck, [Cathybeck66@gmail.com](mailto:Cathybeck66@gmail.com)

**Treasurer:** Ela Kaitz, [Ela17@verizon.net](mailto:Ela17@verizon.net)

**Recording Clerk:** Diane Damadio, [diane.damadio@gmail.com](mailto:diane.damadio@gmail.com)

### **GPC Fundraisers and Volunteer Coordinators:**

- **Scripts “gift cards”:** Gina Hahm ([hart.gina@gmail.com](mailto:hart.gina@gmail.com)) – Fall/Winter orders raised \$426.08; planning another collection mid-April
- **Kid Stuff “Coupon Books”:** Katherine Baker ([katherinebaker245@gmail.com](mailto:katherinebaker245@gmail.com)) – Raised \$500
- **Restaurant Night:** Kim Quereau ([kimberkkb@gmail.com](mailto:kimberkkb@gmail.com)); Goal is 3 nights/year, 1<sup>st</sup> was November 17<sup>th</sup> at SNAP Pizza; 2<sup>nd</sup> was Feb 21<sup>st</sup> at the Pour House in Exton, next will be over the Book Fair WEEK, March 10-16<sup>th</sup> at Buddy’s Burgers
- **Box Tops:** Holly Anzuena ([hanzuena@gmail.com](mailto:hanzuena@gmail.com)); Please keep saving Box Tops for next year!
- **Book Fair:** Jeanne Czubaroff ([jeannekan@gmail.com](mailto:jeannekan@gmail.com)) March 14<sup>th</sup> 5-7pm at Barnes and Noble in Exton

### **Three Ways to automatically donate to Goshen Friends School when you Shop!**

1. **Amazon Smile:** [www.Smile.Amazon.com](http://www.Smile.Amazon.com) – Follow the quick steps to select Goshen Friends as your charity. Only purchases at smile.amazon.com, (not www.amazon.com or the mobile app,) support a charity. Look for the AmazonSmile badge in [Your Orders](#) to see which of your orders have supported charity.
  2. **Giant A+ Rewards Program:** Did you know that you can designate Goshen Friends School to receive a cash donation every time you shop at your local Giant food store?
    - a. **Please register your BONUSCARD and select Goshen Friends:** <http://giantfood.com/savings-and-rewards/rewards-program/aplus/>
    - b. If you registered GFS last year, you do not need to re-register.
  3. **Target’s “Take Charge of Education” program:** Did you know that you can designate Goshen Friends School to receive 1% of your total purchase when you shop at your local Target store? If you have any of the Target credit cards, please consider going to [www.Target.com/tcoe](http://www.Target.com/tcoe) to sign up and select Goshen Friends as your school. (Please note a news article published this week, 9/14/16, stated this will be the last year for this program.)
    - Program officially ends on May 14, 2016
    - Redcard holders can still sign up for the program or change their designated school until the last day
    - Schools can continue to sign up for the program through Jan. 30, 2016
    - Schools will receive a final check by July 1, 2016
    - Target will send a final grant to schools by July 1 to help in the 2016-2017 school year
    - Read the article here: <http://www.startribune.com/target-will-end-school-charity-program-shift-giving-focus-to-wellness/327423181/>
- **Parents if you are aware of other opportunities to support our school and activities, please share information to someone on the GPC Committee, thank you.**