

Goshen Parent Community (GPC) Meeting Minutes – January 6, 2017

Attendees: Jeanne Czubaroff, Diane Damadio, Botoe Darwin, Kim Hynes, Mimi Ackers

1. Staff Appreciation Day will be Jan 17th

GPC will create & provide gift bags to all staff members (~30). **Volunteers please drop off items the week of Jan 9-13th – at the School office.** Jeanne & Kim H. will assemble gift bags on Jan 17th at 9am and then distribute – **All parents are welcome to donate additional items and help Jeanne & Kim.**

Kim Hynes – Fruit & chocolate bars

Diane Damadio – Smarties & note

Dana Kelly – Homemade muffins

Jeanne – yogurt, spoons, gift bags

Botoe – Bags of snacks/chips

Erin Robins – Water bottles

Cathy – Healthy snacks

2. Upcoming Restaurant Night:

- Late January/early February – Panera Bread or Pour House. **More details to come!**
- A big thank you to **Kim Quereau** for coordinating the November Restaurant Night at SNAP Pizza and all the families who joined us! The GPC received \$285.53 from this event.

3. Valentine's Dance Party - Sponsored by the Goshen Parent Community

When: **Friday, February 10, 5-7pm**

Where: **Goshen Friends School – Grange**

Teacher Deirdra will provide music. **More details to come!**

Next Steps: Jeanne C and Cathy Beck to discuss, identify items for a sign up genius:

Decorations (balloons, etc), variety of baked goods, Philly pretzels, waters

Will need volunteers to decorate, and provide giveaways (balloons, silly headbands, etc)

4. Parent's Night Out? – Coming Soon in February. **More details to come!**

5. Scripts (Gift Cards) Update: A big thank you to **Gina Hart** for coordinating! With two rounds – we raised \$426.08.

6. Box Tops – In October, we raised \$82.50 through Box Tops collection. **Keep saving Box Tops for a final collection in the Spring! We are working on an incentive to increase this number.**

7. Spring Book Fair – Jeanne C. to speak with Wellington Books and re-opened Chester County Book Store – Still TBD, April?

- a. **Kim H** to also check out Wellington Books and obtain contact for Barnes & Noble
- b. Goal is to seek Teacher book wish lists in February

8. Mimi Ackers Updates – Volunteer Opportunities:

- GFS is hosting a **Diversity Workshop on Saturday, April 22nd, 2017** – We will need GFS Parents to help with various activities - serving lunch, setting up, help ushering children around. If you are interested in volunteering for this event, please contact Mimi Ackers.
- **International Week – April 24th-28th – Will need volunteers to help decorate on Sunday, April 23rd, GPC will provide funds.** This year's countries of study are **Brazil, Nepal and Switzerland.**
- **Get Going for Goshen 5K and Kids' Fun Run – Saturday, April 1st** – Starts on campus – will provide end of the run refreshments, will need volunteers
- **Preschool Open House, Saturday, May 6th 2017, 10am-Noon** – Looking for Preschool Parent Ambassadors, and help with crafts, bounce House, etc.

9. **Future GPC Meetings** will be Friday mornings at 9am in the Meeting House, please save the following dates and join us: Feb 3rd, March 3rd, April 7th, May 5th

All parents are welcome and encouraged to join these GPC meetings. Extended Care for younger siblings is available for no charge, if reserved in advance (extendedcare@goshenfriends.org). Meeting minutes will always be provided.

GPC Committee Contacts and Information

Co-Clerks: Jeanne Czubaroff, jeannekan@gmail.com; Cathy Beck, Cathybeck66@gmail.com

Treasurer: Ela Kaitz, Ela17@verizon.net

Recording Clerk: Diane Damadio, diane.damadio@gmail.com

GPC Fundraisers and Volunteer Coordinators:

- **Scripts “gift cards”:** Gina Hahm (hart.gina@gmail.com) – Raised \$426.08
- **Kid Stuff “Coupon Books”:** Katherine Baker (katherinebaker245@gmail.com) – Raised \$500
- **Restaurant Night:** Kim Quereau (kimberkbb@gmail.com); Goal is 3 nights/year, 1st was November 17th at SNAP Pizza; looking to set up 2 additional events in the Spring.
- **Box Tops:** Holly Anzuena (hanzuena@gmail.com); Please keep saving Box Tops at home!
- **Book Fair:** Jeanne Czubaroff (jeannekan@gmail.com) Date in the Spring and location - TBA

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

1. **Amazon Smile:** 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 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.**