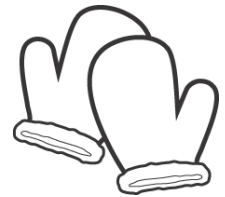




# SPA NEWS



January 18, 2012

## OPEN HOUSE

Our Open House is scheduled for Saturday morning, February 11. Information is being sent to all local churches and to inquirers. Please come and bring a friend!

## FLYERS AVAILABLE

Alison Sano has designed some eye-catching posters for you to put up in your local stores – Stewart's, grocery stores, libraries, etc. Yes, we did get a new student a few years back who first learned about us from a poster in a library advertising our open house!! We'll be happy to send one or more home for you to hang in the community.

## SNOW CLOSING/ DELAY

Thank you all for paying close attention to the internet/ TV with last week's delay. When Ballston Spa district schools are closed or delayed, we do the same. Our preschool and half-day kindergarten are cancelled when there is a two-hour delay. Once kindergarten is full day (January 30) they WILL have school when there is a delay.

## IT'S SNOW PANTS TIME!

Yes, it's cold outside, but the children still go out for recess or gym nearly every day. Please be sure your child has a coat, hat, gloves/mittens, snow pants, and boots (if necessary), daily.

## LUNCH

Lunch Thursday is pizza and our servers are Kristy Bednarek and Todd Fisher. Next Tuesday is ziti and salad, and our servers are Melissa Etlinger and Sandy Akin.

## SCRIP

The next scrip order is due Wednesday, February 8.

## MISSIONS

January is our Missions Month, and each class is studying some aspect of missions. Several classes have something to present in chapel in the next few weeks; please join us:

Thursday, January 19 – K  
Friday, January 20 – 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Tuesday, January 24 – 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>  
Wednesday, January 25 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade  
Thursday, January 26 – 1<sup>st</sup>  
Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> & Offering

Heidi York spoke in chapel today about her family's previous experience in Honduras and their plans to return this summer. Please ask your children what they learned, and encourage them to do some extra chores at home to support this ministry. The offering will be received during worship on Friday, January 27. Thank you for your support as we teach children about this crucial aspect of God's Kingdom.

## DISABILITIES AWARENESS

Programs on Disabilities Awareness will be presented this week and next in several grades. We are thankful for this resource provided by the NYS Office for People With Developmental Disabilities.

## P4 QUESTIONS

- What can you measure around the house? Is it long/ short, big/ small?
- How can you use music to praise God?

## KINDERGARTEN QUESTIONS

- Ask your child to retell the story The Mitten.
- Ask your child about geo-boards.

## COURAGEOUS

The movie Courageous will be shown at Alliance Church, 257 Rowland Street, this Saturday, January 21st at 6 pm. The caption above the movie is "Honor begins at home." RSVP to Suzanne Kent at [sskent6@aol.com](mailto:sskent6@aol.com) or to the church 885-6524. The church website is [www.ballstonspachurch.com](http://www.ballstonspachurch.com). There will be popcorn, brownies, and drinks served.

## PRAYER

Thursday mornings at 9 am a group prays for the school at Alliance Church on Rowland Street. Anyone who would like to join in prayer is invited.

## STEERING COMMITTEE

A meeting is planned for next Monday, January 23 at 8:45. You are welcome to join us to serve, brainstorm, or just fellowship!

## ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

We still have some books for sale in the office for \$30 each and at this point, it's straight profit! Let us know if you can sell another.

## CLOTHING NEED

A single mom is in need of size 1-2 boy clothes and size 7-8 girl clothes. Contact DelSignores at 742-9924 for details.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

January 21 – 10 – noon Preschool Fair at Saratoga Library  
23 – 8:45 Steering Committee Meeting  
27 – 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Dinosaur Day  
30 – Full Day Kindergarten begins ☺  
February  
7 – Pastor Appreciation Day  
11 – 10:00 – noon - Open House !!

## AUCTION NEWS ----->

# Think Big Think Big Think Big

We are thinking big and we are asking you to do the same. Do you have or know of anyone who may have access to a vacation spot that could be auctioned off at our annual silent auction? If so, contact Kristy Bednarek [davekrisb13@gmail.com](mailto:davekrisb13@gmail.com) or Michelle Elder [elderm@lkgeorge.org](mailto:elderm@lkgeorge.org).

## Announcing a School Wide Competition

Who: You

What: Help us earn a no-dress-code day for staff and students in a school wide competition.

When: During the next 3 weeks: January 17-January 31st

How: Bring in any new item to add to our auction basket. For each item brought in, a brick will be added to our wall poster outside the main office. Once the bricks are all stacked on the poster, the students and staff will earn a no-dress-code day!!

Why: The auction committee needs your help and we thought this to be a manageable way to make some baskets.

Theme Basket: Family Game Night

Bring in any new board game, card game or anything relating to a family game night and help us create our first auction basket. Many games are on sale or clearance after the holidays and this may be a great time to pick one up.

Mark your calendars: The official date for the auction is May 11<sup>th</sup>.