



# Heards Ferry Herald

▼ A weekly publication of the news and events of Heards Ferry Elementary School ▼

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## Happy Halloween From the PTA!

We hope everyone has an exciting and safe weekend. Below are a few safety reminders from the National PTA web site...

**Select Halloween Costumes Carefully** - As we get ready for a fun night of trick-or-treating, here are some tips for selecting the safest Halloween costumes:

- Billowing Halloween costumes and lit Jack-'o-lanterns are not always compatible. If you buy costumes, look for ones labeled as "flame resistant." If you make your own, don't use tissue paper, paper towels, or gauze since these materials can easily catch fire.
- Select light colored garments, if possible, that will be visible to motorists.
- Make sure costumes are short enough so they don't drag on the ground or cause your child to trip and fall.
- Don't overlook shoes. Mom's high heels may look great but may be too wobbly for kids to wear.
- Some costume accessories can cause eye injuries and are best left at home. Avoid dangerous accessories such as sharp or pointed swords, scepters, canes or knives; all should be made of a soft, flexible material. Accessories such as scarves and hats should fit and be tied properly to avoid obstructing your child's eyes.
- If your child wears a mask, make sure it doesn't block his vision. It should be secure and he should be able to breathe through it easily. If your child uses makeup instead of a mask, make sure it's labeled as FDA-approved.

\*Reminder\*

Our next PTA meeting is  
Wednesday, Nov.4th 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.  
Join us and be the first to receive your **school directory!**

Amy Kilgore

Megan Grout

### **New Articles**

#### **Sally Foster Orders Arrive Next Week!!!**

Non-internet Sally Foster orders will be delivered to HFE on Wednesday morning, November 4th. Small orders will be sent home with children but please plan to come in & pick up large orders from 11:30 to 2:30. Questions: Margaret Brown Abbott [brownabbott@mindspring.com](mailto:brownabbott@mindspring.com)  
770-390-3099

#### **A big thank you to all the boys and parents of Cub Scout Dens 8 and 10.**

The Book Fair Dinner and Bake sale raised over \$600 for our Media Center. Thank you to all the families who pre-ordered dinners and bought our baked goods. Our extra baked goods were taken to the local Fire Station and shared with the Heards Ferry office and custodial staff.

Who knew Cub Scouts could bake!

#### **AR Parent Volunteer Meeting**

There will be an AR parent volunteer meeting on Monday, November 2nd at 9:30 in the band room. Please email Erica Ross if you are coming. [Eneross@bellsouth.net](mailto:Eneross@bellsouth.net)

## Advertise in the Heards Ferry Yearbook

Surprise your 5th grader with a congratulatory ad. Promote your business to a great audience. Thank your teacher or scout leader. Whatever the reasons, you know your ad will be read time and again. Advertise in the Heards Ferry Elementary 2009-10 yearbook for \$50-150. Reservation and payment must be made by Dec. 18. Contact Katy Griggs at [kgriggs@comcast.net](mailto:kgriggs@comcast.net) for more details.

### Don't Miss Out!

Last year's yearbook sold out! If you haven't ordered this year's yearbook, contact Katy Griggs at [kgriggs@comcast.net](mailto:kgriggs@comcast.net). Order deadline is Dec. 18.

## HANDS ON HEARDS FERRY DAY-NOVEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> 1:00-5:00

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are getting close to our Hands On Heards Ferry day of sprucing up the school on November 8 starting at 1 and ending at 5. Come for the entire time, come for a short time, we can use everyone that can get there. Bring your favorite gardening equipment, your gloves and your family. There are already some great projects we have planned for the afternoon. We have the 5th grade Girl Scouts painting our railings in the front and the back. We have our younger Cub Scouts painting the recycling bin. There are a lot of other projects we have need of "ownership." Our big effort is to augment / fix the border of the Gymnasium playground. We are looking at fixing the hole under the tire swing, along with staining the frame. Also, general cleaning up, spreading mulch and planting flowers is on the agenda. A post hole digger and the labor to dig two nice holes to put up a sign and the experience of using Sakrete would be helpful. Any groups in the school that wish to take ownership of any of these projects, please contact Jim Derrick at [jim@jimderrick.com](mailto:jim@jimderrick.com) or Paul Krause at [p.krause@mindspring.com](mailto:p.krause@mindspring.com).

## Riverwood International Charter School Presents The Yellow Boat November 4, 5, and 6

The Drama 3 class of Riverwood International Charter School will produce the one-act play, The Yellow Boat by David Saar. The show opens November 4th at 7pm and runs through November 6th in preparation for the one-act play festival on November 7. The play will be held at Riverwood International Charter School Auditorium. Price of admission is \$5.00 for students and \$10.00 for adults.

The Yellow Boat is based on the true story of David and Sonja Saar's son Benjamin, who was born with congenital hemophilia, and died in 1987 at the age of 8 of AIDS-related complications. This story is a glorious affirmation of a child's life, and the strength and courage of all children. In a poignant and symbolic way, The Yellow Boat deals with the sensitive subject matter of pediatric AIDS and may not be suitable for children under 7.

### Partner Update

Eads & Heald Investment Counsel, a Heards Ferry partner, is offering a unique community service to HFES families. Eads & Heald Investment Counsel is making itself available in one hour increments for **complimentary investment reviews** – no fees, no catches, no follow-up contact from us unless you so desire.

Do you understand how current market events will impact your long-term investment strategy? If you are in a position where you would like to **ask questions, hear opinions or simply kick things around** in these unsettled times, we encourage you take advantage of us. We will place our expertise at your disposal, and **you can direct the discussion** with your concerns and questions.

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Reminders

**Riverwood Christmas Tree Lot Opens Day after Thanksgiving**

The Riverwood International Charter School baseball team will kick off its annual Christmas tree sale the day after Thanksgiving, November 27, at the school's campus at 5900 Heards Drive, 30328. The Riverwood Tree Lot will be open on November 27 from 9 to 7; Monday through Friday from 4 to 7 pm; Saturdays 9 – 6 pm and Sundays noon – 6, through December 13.

Riverwood coach Mike Santoro and several fathers of players in the baseball program will make the trip to Boone, North Carolina the weekend of November 20-21 to cut the trees and bring them back to Atlanta. Players and parents will then unload the trees the evening of the 21st and prepare the tree lot for the annual sale starting on Friday November 27th.

TreeSaleRiv photo caption: Riverwood baseball players Sammy Altman, Blake Fortune and Will Sheppard prepare for customers for their fresh cut Christmas trees, beginning the day after Thanksgiving.

**PLEASE SAVE THE DATE MONDAY NOV 2, 2009 TO VOTE FOR STEPHEN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

STEPHEN ROBT EWING II (SON OF STEVE AND TERRI EWING) OF ATLANTA GA. HAS BEEN CHOSEN TO BE ONE OF THE SEMI-FINALISTS ON NBC'S THE TODAY SHOW WITH MATT LAUER AND MEREDITH VIERA!!!!!!!!!! STEPHEN SUBMITTED A 60 SECOND REPORTING SPOT TO COMPETE WITH 20,000 KIDS FROM ALL OVER THE COUNTRY TO BE THE NEXT "KID REPORTER OF THE DAY", AND WAS AWARDED A SEMIFINALIST POSITION FOR AN OUTSTANDING WEATHER REPORTING SPOT ON THE RECENT "ATLANTA FLOODING!"

ON NOVEMBER 2 HE IS BEING FLOWN TO NYC TO MEET THE TODAY SHOW HOSTS.. MATT LAUER & MEREDITH VIERRA. WHILE AT THE NBC TODAY SHOW STUDIO, HE WILL BE INTERVIEWING AND SHOW CASTING HIS 60 REPORTING SPOT VIA LIVE TV!!!!!! HE WILL NEED EVERYONES VOTE TO BECOME THE GRAND PRIZE WINNER. SO PLEASE TUNE IN ON MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2009 BETWEEN 9:00AM AND 9:30AM TO WATCH HIM LIVE AS HE GIVES HIS INTERVIEW AND SHOWS OFF HIS 60 SECOND REPORTING SPOT. **VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE ONLY ON MONDAY NOVEMBER 2, AND TUESDAY NOVEMBER 3 TILL 5PM ONLY! PLEASE VOTE FOR STEPHEN EWING!**

WE ARE SO PROUD OF STEPHEN! HE IS ALREADY A WINNER, BUT HE WOULD LOVE TO SPEND THE DAY DOING "REAL REPORTING" WITH THE PROFESSIONALS. HE WILL ALSO GET A FREE TRIP ALONG THE DISNEY CRUISE LINES AS WELL FROM NBC. SO, PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE FORWARD THIS EMAIL AND TELL ALL YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS! SPREAD THE WORD!!!!

STEPHEN NEEDS YOUR VOTE!! GO TO [WWW.TODAY.MSNBC.COM](http://WWW.TODAY.MSNBC.COM) AND CLICK ON "VOTE FOR TODAYS KID REPORTER"

THANKS SO MUCH!  
TERRI & STEVE EWING (ON BEHALF OF STEPHEN)

<b>Dates to Remember</b>	
<b>November</b>	
11/4	PTA meeting-9:30
11/4	Picture Make-Up Day
11/5	Principal's Coffee-Stated of the School
11/6	School Council-8:00
11/8	Hands On Heards Ferry
11/11	Thanksgiving Lunch-Prek, 1, and 2
11/12	Thanksgiving Lunch-K, 3, 4, and 5
11/18	Early Release Day- <b>11:15 Dismissal</b>
11/19	Fall Musical-7:00 pm
11/25-11/27	Thanksgiving Vacation- <b>No School</b>
11/30	<b>School</b>

The breakfast and lunch menus for the month are posted on the Heards website / School Information page and can be found on the FCBOE Nutrition website [http://www.fultonschools.org/dept/schoolnutrition/menu\\_cal.shtml](http://www.fultonschools.org/dept/schoolnutrition/menu_cal.shtml)

***Please note that the menu is subject to change***

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**To submit articles for the newsletter**

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