Moore School Happenings

PTO Holiday Shop
The PTO sponsored its annual Holiday Shop again this year! Students were able to shop a wide variety of items for Holiday gifts for their family members. Created simply as a benefit for students, the PTO doesn’t use the Holiday Shop as a fundraiser. Each item costs only $1 and each student is able to purchase up to 10 items. Holiday Shop coordinator, Sharon DeWitt, had this to say, “It’s fantastic to hear the reasoning behind the presents they choose for their family members. All the students really put a lot of thought into choosing the right gift. It’s my favorite event to work at.”

Pet Food Drive
The Cub Scout Bear Den with Pack 120 in Candia are working on achieving their Pet Care Belt Loop and Pin. The boys organized a pet drive at Henry W. Moore School for two weeks and had great support from the community as they collected 105 items to be donated to the Bedford Animal Rescue League. Some of the items they collected were dog and cat food, cat litter, paper towels, dog and cat treats, leashes and collars. Thank you to all those who donated to the Cub Scout Pet Drive, it was very successful and all the items are greatly in need at the shelter.

Random Acts of Kindness
The Moore School was riddled with Random Acts of Kindness this month. While no one is certain just who was responsible, but rumored to be a sixth grade homeroom. Heads up pennies were found all over the school, doors were decorated and appreciation posters were made and hung in offices, baked goods and coffee were left in the teacher’s lounge, a wreath was secretly hung up in Mr. St. Cyr’s office, some staff found finger woven scarves left for them and Hershey kisses brightened more than one day. All of the acts contributed to a very joyful month!

Holiday Concerts
The Moore School Elementary Chorus, Middle School Chorus and Instrumental Ensemble performed a Holiday Concert at Lights on the Hill on Saturday, December 13th. Under the direction of our new music teacher, Rich Brown, event goers were treated to Christmas Carols and other songs as well as a score from Harry Potter. The chorus and ensembles also gave the students at the Moore School the same fantastic concert the day before vacation.

Holiday Story Night
The PTO sponsored a Holiday Story Night. Teachers and community members read books to kids. Many children wore the pajamas to the event. There were holiday cookies and crafts to do as well. It was a fantastic family event.

Hour of Code
The 2nd Annual Hour of Code took place, worldwide, from December 8 through December 14, 2014. The Henry W. Moore School participated again in this event hosted by Code.org! Previously, we joined over 15 million students from across the globe in December 2013 to experience the power of creative computational thinking and programming. That number has now grown to more than 40 million participants worldwide! This was an important opportunity, and we were excited to be participating again!

Sports
The Candia Moore School Lancers basketball teams were busy playing games this December. The teams got off to a slow start, but have won two games in a row, bringing the girls record to 3-3 and the boys record at 3-3. They have a tough schedule in January but hope to keep improving their game, support each other, and play hard. Our home games at played at the CYAA field
house. Check out our website for the game schedule. Signup for spring sports (baseball, softball, lacrosse, and track & field) have begun. Please contact Ms. Isham for additional information.

**Intramurals**
An after-school sports program for any students in grades 2-8, welcomes a new advisor, Mrs. Dina. Mrs. Dina replaced Nancy Maloney, who ran the program for several years. For the month of December, students enthusiastically participated in Badminton. In January students can play Floor Hockey on Monday afternoons. Jump rope will begin in February.

**Help Support the 5th grade Science Camp Trip**
Between now and 3/31/15 Lindy’s will donate 10% of each order** to the 5th grade science camp trip (every child will benefit). All you need is a special coupon (see our website for coupons, http://candia.sau15.net/). Simply present a coupon to the deli staff when ordering at the counter. The staff will staple the coupon to the bill and apply the 10% to our account. Check out their menu: http://www.lindysdeli.com/

** The 10% donations will apply only to what is ordered from the Lindy's counter. No store products or pre-made foods purchased will be part of the 10% donation calculation.

**2015 Washington, DC Candia Community Woman’s Club Scholarship**
Every year the Club generously offers scholarships to 8th graders attending the Washington DC trip. They will award up to $400 to essay contest winners. The final amount to be awarded will be determined by the scholarship selection committee. Previous awards have ranged from $100 - $400. The deadline for the essay contest is February 6, 2015. For more information and an application please see: http://www.candiawomansgroup.org/events/dc_scholarship.html. Students and parents may also contact Mr. Pritchard, school’s social studies teacher at jpritchard@sau15.net.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**
PTO After school craft - Tuesday, 1/27 and Wednesday, 1/28
Whole School Meeting - Thursday, 1/29 at 10:30 am
Student Council Semi-Formal Dance - Friday, 2/6