

Hillside News November 9, 2017

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IMPORTANT DATES



- 10** Schools Closed for Veterans' Day
- 22** Schools Closed for Professional Development
- 23-24** Schools Closed for Thanksgiving Recess
- 27** Schools Reopen



News from Dr. Maloney

This morning Mr. Ted Prorok, a Needham resident and veteran of the Vietnam War, visited Hillside School to lead us in the Pledge of Allegiance. He was met by the Hillside Student Council, whose members served as an Honor Guard. Following the pledge, the Honors Chorus sang the National Anthem. It was an honor to meet Mr. Prorok and we all thanked him for his service. This was part of the Needham Public Schools district-wide observance of Veterans Day.

We also want to thank the PTC and NEF for sponsoring the book sale and the visit by author Jerry Pallotta, a former Needham resident who spoke to parents and students on Wednesday evening. There was a lot of laughter as he shared photographs from his family and his research. He also met with students on Thursday to share his stories and his message to "work hard and be nice!"

I hope everyone has a wonderful long weekend! We look forward to welcoming your children back to Hillside on Monday morning.

Cheryl Maloney
"Substitute Principal"

PTC Hillside Hornet Buzz

Thank you to the Hillside community for donations of candy, supplies and money -- we were blown away by everyone's generosity. The Halloween candy was donated to several good causes! We sent a HUGE shipment of candy to Tyler Donovan's troop, along with many nice cards and letters from Hillside students that are sure to brighten their days. We had enough candy to also donate to Needham Community Council for putting together holiday bags, as well as Chestnut Dental for their charitable collection.

A BIG thank you to Sarah Burns, Joyce Song and Kara Brodsky for helping to deliver the candy to Needham locations. And a VERY SPECIAL THANK YOU to Mrs. Dangelo and her husband for using Mr. Dangelo's family shipping company for packaging and shipping candy to Tyler's troop! We are so appreciative!!!

Thank you to Jennifer Tufts and her Book Fair Committee: Jody Barnet, Clare Currie, Angela DePaul, Joanna Herrera,

Vanessa Jones, Seema Layne, Lisa Madkins, Helena Malczewska, Jaqueline O'Neill, Dana Sullivan and Heidi Wiesel for running such a wonderful and successful **Scholastic Book Fair** this year. Thank you also to all of the other parent volunteers that helped make the sale a big success!

Thank you to everyone who participated in Literacy Night on Wednesday - The children had a fabulous time with Jerry Pallotta. A big thank you to Liz Hitron for coordinating Literacy Night. Thank you to NEF for funding Jerry's full day visit to Hillside on Thursday and to NEF board members Seema Meloni and Sena Hsu for writing the grant that provided the funding to pay for Jerry Pallotta's visit to Hillside to work more closely with the students. Thank you also to all of the teachers and staff who did a tremendous amount of work to coordinate everything for this visit.

Order your Fall Hillside Spirit Wear Online NOW through **November 17th!!!** For the first time you can order and pay for all your spirit wear online, making it easier than ever to show your Hillside spirit and support the PTC!! We have some great new items as well as a few fan favorites, including a hoodie, cozy sweatpants, and the always popular pom pom hat. To order your spirit wear items, go to www.hillsidespirit.com. Contact sarah.y.nunes@gmail.com or caroline.rubin1@gmail.com with any questions. These items will be collectibles soon - don't miss out on the memories!

The **Hillside PTC's FIRST Poker Tournament** is **IN ONE WEEK** so purchase your tickets now (link below). Come play poker and/or just socialize **on Friday, November 17th at 8 p.m. at the Village Club** (83 Morton Street, Needham). The event is open to ALL Players of all skill levels. There is a \$50 entry fee to play and all proceeds benefit the Hillside PTC and **DON'T PLAY POKER?** We will have music and a cash bar so come and hang out (\$20 admission fee for non-poker players). Everyone who signs up will receive a \$10 Gift Card to Modell's Sporting Goods. This is a great event for an evening out, so lock in your babysitters and prepare to win big!!!

The tournament winner will receive \$300 in Amazon gift cards as well as a \$100 Jordan's Gift card. Second place finisher will win \$150 in Amazon gift cards and third place will win a \$100 Amazon Gift card. We will also have a special raffle to give one person a CHANCE to win \$2,500!!!

We are in need of players to make this work!!! To **PURCHASE TICKETS**, go to: www.cfapromo.com/hillside. Please see flyer at end of this newsletter for additional details. Any questions, please contact Eric Friedberg @ eric@cfapromo.com.

Message from Hillside Cares: The Hillside Lost & Found is overflowing! If your child is missing a jacket, sweatshirt, water bottle or lunch box, it's probably in the Lost & Found located in the hallway across from the cafeteria doors. Please encourage your child to look carefully through the racks and bins in the Lost & Found to retrieve lost items this week. **All unclaimed clothing will be donated to Circle of Hope on November 22nd.**

Upcoming Events

PLEASE JOIN US on Thursday, November 30th from 6.00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. for a holiday shopping event at the Needham Holiday Boutique at 1110 Great Plain Avenue, Needham. There will be a number of local businesses offering unique products at great deals, including Rock Paper Scissors, Stitched Needham, rebecca j, Perennial Designs, and others. Get some of your holiday shopping checked off your list while keeping your dollars local and catching up with other Hillside parents. The Hillside PTC will receive 10% of the proceeds from the evening's sales. See flyer at the end of this newsletter for additional details. We hope you will join us!

Mark your Calendar! Our next PTC Meeting is December 5th at 7:15 p.m. At this meeting we will vote on changes to our budget and hear from Mr. K. about the latest at Hillside (including the groundbreaking of the new Hillside school). Our School Committee Liaison, Andrea Longo Carter, will also come to the meeting to introduce herself, discuss the construction of the new school and answer any questions (either about the new school or current school).

FAMILY FUN NIGHT is December 8th from 6 p.m.- 8 p.m.!!! This is a night you do not want to miss. Come to Hillside for an evening of DJ dancing, games, crafts, prizes and FUN!! The cost of this event is \$5 per family (pay at the door that night). In addition, pizza, water and make-your-own sundaes will be available for purchase. Any questions, please contact Jody Barnett @ jodyskolnick@yahoo.com and Samara Helfman @ samara4@me.com.

Hillside and Community

The **Buzz Across America** initiative will continue until we make it across the country to California. As a reminder, each student can contribute miles to the journey by earning popsicle sticks one of two ways: (i) run laps around the Hillside field on Friday mornings at Morning Mingle and earn 1 popsicle stick for each lap; and/or (ii) walk/bike to school any day and earn 2 popsicle sticks. **In addition, we are in need of parent volunteers to help on Fridays at Morning Mingle. To volunteer, please sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0c4cacad22a5fa7-hornets>.** Any questions, please contact Seema Meloni @ seema.meloni@gmail.com.

Message from the Yearbook: If you've got great photos of school and community events or you and your friends just having fun, we'd like to see them. Our photographers can't be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have. Here is how you can submit photos online:

- Go to: <https://images.memoryebooks.com/login>
- If it does not automatically log you into the site, enter username: 409683606
- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload.
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Save Details".

It's that easy! Submit your photos today! Any questions, please contact Sam Shapiro @ samshap333@hotmail.com.

Other PTC Fundraisers

The Modell's Fundraiser is currently underway and runs **through November 16th!** Check out the Modell's coupon at the end of this newsletter and be sure to use it when you stock up on all of your fall and winter sports gear - you get 15% off. After \$500 in sales, 5% goes back to the Hillside PTC.

Amazon Smile: When you shop Amazon, be sure to shop via the Amazon Smile link and designate the Hillside Parent Teacher Council Trust as your charity of choice. Amazon will donate a portion of their proceeds back to the PTC every time you purchase eligible items. It takes very little effort, but the pay-off for the PTC is great!

Seeking Volunteers

The PTC depends very heavily on parent volunteerism. We are fortunate to have many very dedicated parents who step up each year to run committees, but we are always looking for more help! Below are some great volunteer opportunities we hope you will consider:

Seeking 1st Grade Cafeteria Volunteers: Parent volunteers help the students get through the lunch line more quickly so that they have ample time to eat and help the 1st graders learn to clean up before the next lunch shift comes in. You can sign-up for as many or as few days as you can offer. To sign up, either contact **Erin Ellis** at erinellis03@gmail.com or go to the Sign up Genius link: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/8050d4badaa22a31-first1>

To ensure you get all our future updates, please **LIKE us on Facebook (Hillside Elementary School PTC and register your information through our website www.HillsidePTC.org** so that you will receive our email blast.

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Representative Denise Garlick, Chair, Joint Committee on Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery, invites the Community to attend a presentation on the topic of Substance Use Prevention, Support and Recovery on November 13 from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm (see attached flyer).

Needham Community Council's Holiday Boutique

Shop for holiday decor and more at Needham Community Council's Holiday Boutique. The Boutique features new and

gently used Christmas and Hanukkah decor, collectibles, antiques, dishes, glassware and so much more. Located at Needham Community Council, [570 Hillside Ave](http://www.570HillsideAve.com), Wednesday, November 15 from 4-7pm; Thursday, November 16 from 10am - 2pm; and Friday, November 17 from 10am-2pm. All proceeds benefit community programs. Contact office@needhamcommunitycouncil.org for more information.

Needham Diversity Summit -- Saturday, November 18, 8:30-3:00, Pollard Middle School

The **Needham Diversity Initiative** is preparing for our 6th annual Diversity Summit, which will be held on Saturday, Nov. 18 at Pollard Middle School. This year, we are doing something especially appropriate for students ages 8+: an afternoon workshop focusing on Bystander Training, facilitated by True Story Theater. Join us for a day of workshops, music, spoken word and discussion as we explore and foster aspects of diversity. For more information and to register: www.needhamdiversity.org

The Sean D. Biggs Memorial Foundation is hosting the 5th **Annual BIGGSteps Toward Cancer Prevention** 5k on November 19th, 2017 at Broadmeadow Elementary. Runners and volunteers needed! Race contact is Dave Jilek: 617.275.6789, more information and race flyer at: www.biggesteps.org

Representative Denise C. Garlick

Chair, Joint Committee on Mental Health,
Substance Use and Recovery

invites the Community

Right Information ... The Right Time

Powerful stories of substance use prevention, support
and recovery linked to appropriate community supports
for all ages

NOVEMBER 13, 2017

7:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Needham Town Hall – Powers Hall

Introduction by

Commissioner Joan Mikula

Massachusetts Department of Mental Health

Followed by Panel Discussion

PANEL

Dr. Alan Stern

Needham Pediatrics and Physician for Needham Public Schools

Reverend Nick Morris-Kliment

Needham Interfaith Council

Katy Colthart, LICSW

Acting Director, Needham Youth Services

Larry Berkowitz, EhD

Director, Riverside Trauma Center

Jessica Moss, LICSW

Social Worker, Needham Council on Aging



8:30 pm - 9:00 pm

Community Resource Partners Fair



Hillside PTC First Annual



\$20

Entry Fee
for those
NOT playing
Poker

\$50

Entry Fee
for Poker

**Tons of
great
prizes!**

POKER TOURNAMENT

- Light Snacks
- Cash Bar
- Music/Dancing

Proceeds to benefit the Hillside PTC.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2017
8:00 pm

Minimum participation required,
Register Now:
www.cfapromo.com/hillside

This event is open to ALL and players of all skill levels and is sure to be a great time for anyone who attends.

First 100 people get a **\$10 Modells** gift card .
Poker Tournament Winner will win **\$300.00 in Amazon Gift Cards** and
2nd place wins a **\$100 Amazon Gift card!** Prizes for the final table.

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> Village Club | 83 Morton Street • Needham, MA 02494
Email eric@cfapromo.com with any questions.

School administrators, teachers, principal, etc. are not involved in this event

please join us
NOVEMBER 30TH
FROM 6 - 9:30PM

Hillside Holiday Shopping Event

hosted by:  rockpaperscissors

Featuring:

Beauty Counter | Harding Lane | Perennial Designs
rebeccah j | Rodan & Fields | Stella & Dot
Stitched Needham | Tina Labadini Designs | ...and more

10% of all sales from the night will go back to the school



Needham Holiday Boutique
Pop-Up Shop located at
1110 Great Plain Avenue, Needham

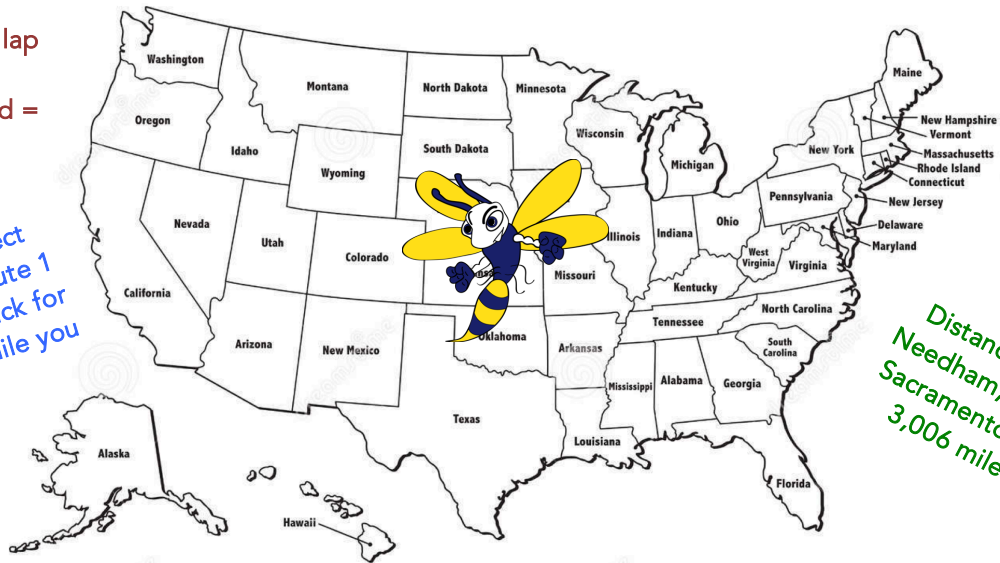
needham
holiday boutique



Hornets Buzz Across America

1 complete lap
around the
Hillside Field =
¼ mile

You can collect
and contribute 1
popsicle stick for
every ¼ mile you
run/walk.



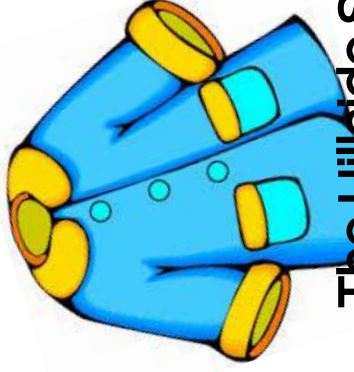
Distance from
Needham, MA to
Sacramento, CA:
3,006 miles!

This year, the Hillside Hornets are going to work together to buzz our way across America!!! We will watch the Hillside Hornet travel across the map that's in the Hillside lobby.

Contribute miles by earning popsicle sticks!!!

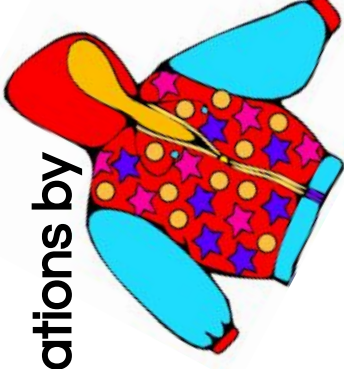
How to Participate:

- **Morning Mingle:** Run a lap around the Hillside field on Monday and Friday mornings at Morning Mingle. For every proper ¼ mile lap you complete, you can collect 1 popsicle stick and put it into the collection bucket.
- **Walk/Bike to School:** Earn 2 popsicle sticks for walking/biking to school. Add your popsicle sticks to the collection bucket in the front lobby.
- **BONUS STICKS:** If you participate in the Hillside Trick or Trot on October 29th, you can earn bonus sticks! You will get **10 popsicle sticks** for participation in the Monster Fun Run and **50 popsicle sticks** for participating in the 5K.



Coats for Kids Fundraiser 2017-2018

The Hillside School is participating in a fundraiser called, "Coats for Kids". We are collecting new or gently used coats in any size. All donations can be placed in a box located in the lobby. Please make all donations by January 7, 2018. Thank you in advance!



Hillside Elementary PTC

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Valid From: 10/20/2017 11/16/2017

