



Hardy Happenings

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MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Mon., Dec. 15th
Giving Tree Gifts-
Gift Wrapping
9:00 a.m. Conf. Rm.

**Mon., Dec. 22th-
Fri., Jan. 2nd**
Winter Break

Mon., Jan. 5th
School Resumes

Happy Holidays!



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Our Website:
[teacherweb.com/MI/
HardyElementary
South Lyon/PTO](http://teacherweb.com/MI/HardyElementarySouthLyon/PTO)

- **Hardy Giving Tree:** Thank you to all of our wonderful families who took ornaments off of the Hardy Giving Tree to help provide a warm and wonderful Christmas to (10) Hardy families including (26) children. Your amazing generosity and support for our Hardy families is what this season is all about. Please remember to drop off your unwrapped gifts *and ornament* by Wednesday, December 10th to the office.
- **Staff Lunch Staff Lunch Thank You :** Thank you to all the parents who donated items or helped with the Staff Lunch on Tuesday and Thursday. There was a great amount of food that the staff was able to enjoy before conferences and during any breaks they may have had.
- **Staff Appreciation Events :** A special thank you to Jeni Hubenschmidt who plans all of our staff appreciation events throughout the year. She does an amazing job of making our staff feel our appreciation for all of the wonderful things they do for our children each year.

Calling all Elves Please join us as we wrap the gifts from the Hardy Giving Tree on Monday, December 15th at 9am in the conference room.

Menchie's Frozen Yogurt Day
Friday, December 12 th
11 am - 10 pm
48001 Grand River Novi



- **Scholastic Book Fair:** Many thanks to the McKay family for organizing a fantastic Scholastic Book Fair again. We also had lots of awesome volunteers to help set up/tear down the fair, restock books, help the children shop, and run the cash registers. We appreciate all of the valuable time that you gave to this book fair, we cannot run events such as this without all of your help! We had over \$7000 in sales and the proceeds will go to the Hardy Media Center to purchase new books for our children to enjoy!
- **Easy Ways to Support Hardy Elementary :** Look into these easy ways to help support Hardy on an on-going basis through places you already shop or with things you already purchase
 - **Scrips:** is a passive fundraising tool...it takes your EVERYDAY purchases and turns them into **CASH** for **HARDY!** How does it work: Using Scrips extensive list of Retailers, Restaurants, Grocers, AND Hotels you buy gift cards and use them just like a gift card...EACH and every company listed provides a percentage of the value of the card which is then automatically deposited into the Hardy Elementary account (**just for writing a check to Scrip!!!**) <https://www.shopwithscrip.com/>
 - **Box Tops for Education**—clip from products, drop off in box in main lobby

CONTINUED: Easy Ways to Support Hardy Elementary

- ***Ink Cartridge/Cell Phone Recycling***—drop off in box inside media center
 - ***Meijer Community Rewards***—link your Meijer credit card, sign up in store or at www.meijer.com/rewards
 - ***Target REDcards***—Target donate up to 1% of your REDcard purchases at Target stores in the U.S. and at Target.com. For more information go to <http://www.target.com/redcard/main>. link your Target REDcard, sign up in store or at www.target.com
 - ***UPromise***—go to upromise.com , school program
 - ***GoodSearch & GoodShop***—go to goodsearch.com whenever you need a search engine or to shop online, link your cause to Sharon J. Hardy Elementary first
 - ***Gordon Food Service-Fun Funds*** is a convenient year-round rebate program. Purchases made by organization members count toward the rebate.
 - ***Kroger Community Rewards***—link your Kroger Plus Card, www.kroger.com
- **Spelling Bee Chairperson:** Works in conjunction with PTO and Hardy staff to plan, organize and run the annual Spelling Bee for the school. Includes promoting, setting up, scheduling volunteers and teachers, and cleaning up. There is a manual containing “How To” information assembled by prior Chairpersons to make this easy to coordinate , plan and hold the event.
 - **Hardy Happenings Publisher** : Types up the newsletter for distribution to all Hardy families via email the first Friday of each month week and paper copy where specified. Works under the direction of the PTO President and Principal. Reach out to teachers and staff to let them how and when to submit information for inclusion in the Happenings. Job can be done completely from home by computer with Microsoft Publisher, or you can use a computer in the school library. Great job for someone who has younger children at home during the day. Excellent proofreading skills and/or writing/editing/publishing experience are helpful.
 - **School Weather, Recess & Outdoor Play:** It is Hardy’s practice to monitor the temperature and conditions prior to sending the children out for recess. Generally speaking this occurs when the temperature/wind chill is approaching Zero. Please send your child to school with a warm coat, hat, gloves, boots and snow pants so that he/she is prepared for outdoor play every day!
 - **School Closing Information:** You can access current school closing updates at www.cancellations.com . Sign up to receive email notifications regarding your school and district, if desired.
- ◆ **Upcoming PTO Meetings : PLEASE JOIN US!**
 - ◆ Wednesday, January 7th - 7pm
 - ◆ Friday, February 6st - Noon
 - ◆ Wednesday, March 4th - 7pm
 - ◆ Friday, April 17th - 2pm
 - ◆ Wednesday, May 6th - 7pm
 - ◆ Friday, June 5th - Noon

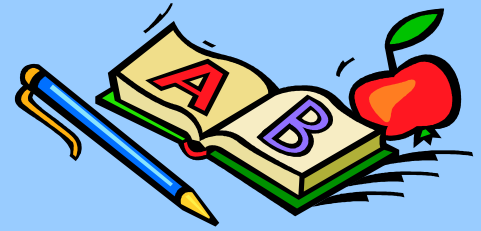
“T.E.A.M.”
Together
Everyone
Achieves
More

*“Please join us!
Any and all ideas, are welcomed
and greatly appreciated. “*

*“Together we can accomplishment
more at making
children our priority.”*

HELP WANTED ~ Volunteers

Supporting the educational process at Hardy Elementary School



In preparation for the 2015-2015 school year, we are looking for volunteer (s) to fill the following Volunteer position vacancy. If you are interested in the position, please feel free to contact the Cheers Coordinator, April Rohde at 248.320.8912 or april-rohde@yahoo.com or any PTO Board member for information on what the position entails. Should you choose to take this position, you will have the opportunity to meet the present chairperson to learn the position responsibilities and 'shadow' them for the remainder of this school year.

Open Positions Include:

- ◆ **CHEERS COORDINATOR:** "CHEERS" South Lyon schools use this acronym to describe Parent Volunteers, so you may hear the term "CHEERS Volunteers" or "CHEERS Coordinator" around school. **CHEERS (Citizens Helping Educators Encourage Responsible Students)** : C.H.E.E.R.S. is a volunteer group within the South Lyon school district. Their goals are to:
 - Increase parent, citizen and student involvement to improve the quality of education
 - Increase volunteerism at the middle school and senior high school.
 - Increase volunteer opportunities at the elementary schools.
 - Provide community volunteer opportunities.



Hardy's CHEERS Coordinator is the person who makes sure that we have enough volunteers to work at events and to help out with regular tasks around the school, and that each class has a "room parent" to assist the teacher with planning events for each individual classroom. This person will also have the opportunity to attend monthly district meetings and meet other South Lyon elementary school coordinators.



- ◆ **Lost and Found:** Please look through the items on the table outside the main office for things that may belong to your child. Also, it is very important to label items with your child's name—especially coats, snow pants, mittens, hats, scarves, boots, and lunchboxes— to ensure that they get returned to you if lost.
- ◆ **2014-2015 South Lyon Community School District Calendar:** http://www.slcs.us/2014_2015_Calendar.pdf

