

## EEE HOTLINE

October 31, 2010

Happy Halloween! Thank you to all the girls who got fitted for shoes this past week. We got everyone. This is meeting week...Thursday, November 4 at 7pm in the EHS library.

I heard midnight bingo was a blast. Sorry I had to miss it. Great job!!

Don't forget to get out there and sell those butterbraids and personalized pans. Orders are due this Thursday at the booster meeting. Remember to sell Preview Show ads – 100% of this goes to your child's account. These are also due this week at the booster meeting.

EEE is raffling off an iPad at the Holiday Preview Show. Tickets are 1 - \$5 or 5 - \$20. 100% of this goes to your child's account also. Contact Cindy See if you need tickets to sell.

### Goals

As of November 1, you should have at least \$1800 in your child's account or have been working bingo. That is half way to last year's goal. Obviously we have not set a goal amount yet but you are expected to work Majestic Bingo or make cash payments each month, \$300.

There are still some of you who are lagging behind. Make sure you get signed up for bingos, participate in each and every fundraiser or make cash payments. Monies raised help to pay for costumes, hotels, buses, choreographers, music, etc. We must all pay to play.

**Any cash payments can be mailed to Kirk Myers.**

If you have any questions regarding your account, you can contact Judy Sawyer. Fundraisers are very important to raising the money for your child's goal for the year.

Those parents paying cash should have paid \$1800 by November 1. If you are not making cash payments on a monthly basis you should be signed up for a bingo shift. If you are not signed up for bingo, contact Gary Sawyer.

### Majestic Bingo

This is a **Week 1** so it is time for **Team 1** to work. **We need full shifts and half-shift.** Please contact Gary Sawyer if you'd like to work.

Please arrive at the Majestic Hall no later than **4:15 pm**. If you need a sub or cannot work due to illness or injury, please contact Gary Sawyer or Jeff Burnham.

If you have not signed up for a bingo shift then you must do so, you can contact either Gary or Jeff to do this. There are shifts available for all weeks. This is how you fundraise your child's goal; you must sign up for a bingo week! If you plan to pay cash you must contact Judy Sawyer and let her know.

## **Scott**

Preview show auditions are this Tuesday and Thursday 4-5pm and Sunday 1-3pm. Just show up and audition with a memorized song and wear what you think you might wear for the performance.

Regular rehearsals this week:

### **Singer/dancers –**

Tuesday - 6-9 pm. Men arrive at 5pm to set up risers and review songs and choreography. Normal rehearsal begins at 6pm.

Thursday - 6-9pm.

### **Combo – Tuesday and Thursday 7-9pm**

### **No tech crew this week**

## **Linda McEchran rehearsal week**

Singer/dancer - Tuesday – all 5-9pm, Wednesday – all 6-8pm, Thursday – all 9am-5pm (lunch will be provided)

Combo – Tuesday 7-9pm, Thursday 12-5pm (lunch provided)

Tech crew – Thursday 12:30-5 (lunch provided)

**Be on call for costume fittings and such!!**

## **ADDED ALL-DAY rehearsal**

There will be a rehearsal from 9 AM- 6 PM on Saturday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. This will be a dress rehearsal as costumes should be ready.

## **Judy Mason Thanksgiving Basket Project**

This project supplies 4000 Thanksgiving suppers for those in need in Macon County. We will once again be participating in this endeavor. It is located on West Eldorado behind Janes Cleaners. Sunday, November 21 at 4pm we (students and parents) will assemble boxes, along with many other community members. Please be checking your mail for further information regarding this project. Boxes will be distributed on November 22. A bonus, your child receives community service hours for this project so please encourage them to come.

## **Elite Energy/Classics/Sound Check/ Expressions Show Choir Workshop**

We have once again been invited to participate in this amazing workshop. The Buffalo Grove Expressions will be joining us this year (as well as the usual Wheaton-Warrenville Classics and Waubonsie Valley Sound Check). We will leave on Friday, December 3rd at noon and return around midnight/1a.m. on Saturday night. We will again be doing home-stays with the kids from these three groups. Parents are invited to come along, although you will have to reserve a

hotel. We will perform to an open audience Saturday night (time TBA) at Wheaton-Warrenville South High School.

### **Competition Preview Show**

We will once again be having our Annual show at EHS on December 11 (7pm) and 12 (2pm). Elite Energy's stage rehearsal time is Saturday, December 11 at 11am. More info to come.....

### **Tentative Competition Schedule**

Here is a tentative competition schedule:

Jan 22 – Mt Zion

Feb 5 – Danville

Feb 19 – Belmont University, Nashville, TN

March 12 – Wheaton-Warrenville

This is only tentative as we still do not have a combo secured. At this point we have not scheduled a spring trip as we are still working to raise money and find a competition. Please know that NONE of us are dragging our feet. We have been trying to recruit student combo members so that we could actually compete for the combo award. Since this has not happened, we have to hire a professional band. I am in the process of hiring band members and they are checking available dates. This is a LONG process so please be patient. It is holding up pretty much everything, including our final budget.

### **Fundraisers**

Cindy Wakeland has been working very hard to get us the best quality fundraisers available. We are currently participating in the following fundraisers.

#### **Butterbraids/Cookies**

This is a fundraiser we have participated in for several years. We will continue the tradition. This sale takes place October 7-November 4. Delivery will be Weds, November 10 and pick up will be the same night at Cindy Wakeland's house after 6pm.

If each student sells just 10 items our group can make a profit of \$2500. Please get out there and sell, sell, sell.

#### **That's My Pan**

This is a fundraiser features engraved pans with covers and a variety of other kitchen and useful household items that can also be engraved for a personal touch. We must have 25 orders to place our first order; afterwards we can place an order with only 8 items. Profit varies on this fundraiser. If we have enough orders we will place one by our next booster meeting, November 4<sup>th</sup>. All orders must be placed by December 8 to be here in time for Christmas!!!

### **Holiday Preview Show**

Preview show planning is in full swing. Samantha Smith is chairing this committee. We will be needing help from everyone to make this a success. We need help with decorating, refreshments, sound and lighting,

seating, ticket sales, advertising and publicity, ushering, etc. If you think you could help out in these areas, please contact Samantha. Preview show will be Saturday, Dec 11 at 7pm and Sunday, Dec 12 at 2pm.

### **Holiday Preview Book**

Here's a great way to add to your student's account -- sell ads in our annual Holiday Preview Book. This book will be used as the program for the Holiday Preview show and also Senior Spotlight. Better yet, 100% of the revenue from ad sales goes directly into your student account. Attached to the Hotline is all of the information you will need. Note that there is a protected ad list. These are ads that were sold by students last year and those students get first shot at re-selling those ads. The list will be protected for two weeks, until Oct. 21. There is also a list of ads from last year's program that are not protected -- these ads were sold by students who are no longer with EEE. Parents or families can also purchase ads to congratulate and encourage their student. The deadline for ad sales is Nov. 4. Attached to this Hotline is the protected ad list, advertisers from last year who are "unprotected", guidelines for selling ads and the ad contract. Let's make this preview book the best ever and remember, 100% of ad sales go directly into your student's account. If you have questions, call Samantha Smith.

If you have any questions or comments regarding anything in the hotline feel free to contact Amy Dobrinick.