

June 10, 2009

# Hardy Herald

## CALENDAR

**June 12:** Field Day

**June 16:** BBQ

**June 18:** 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
Graduation

**June 22:** LAST day of  
school/Step-Up Day

## IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

**Deborah D'Amico**  
Principal  
**Linda Garrity,**  
Secretary  
781-316-3782

**Claire Lewkowicz,**  
Nurse  
781-316-3788

**Todd Morse, HASP**  
781-316-3734

**Safe Arrivals**  
Call 781-316-3780 or  
e-mail:  
[kmerta@arlington.k12.ma.us](mailto:kmerta@arlington.k12.ma.us)  
[lgarrity@arlington.k12.ma.us](mailto:lgarrity@arlington.k12.ma.us)

*to report your child's  
absence, tardiness or  
dismissals before 8:30  
a.m.*

## PTO News

### PTO Members, 2009-2010 School Year

Below are the names of the PTO Board for 2009/2010 school year. Thank you to all those new and returning volunteers for their time serving the PTO and the school. And thanks to those outgoing board members from 2008/2009. Please chat with any of these board members about PTO activities you can participate in, or want to recommend. Better yet, come to the PTO meetings next year. They are open to ALL members of the community, not just board members! Look for the schedule at the beginning of the school year. It's your school, your children and your PTO!

Ned Hall -- Co-President  
Sarah Kelly -- Co-President  
Betsey Crimmins -- Co-Vice President  
Donna Vanderlinden -- Co-Vice-President  
Janet Flaherty -- Co-Treasurer  
Janet Peluso -- Co-Treasurer  
Cristiana de Carvalho -- Co-Membership Secretary  
Kim Bradley -- Co-Membership Secretary  
Lisa Healion -- Recording Secretary  
Heather Smith -- Corresponding Secretary

### Members at Large:

Seth Berger  
Jackie Burgess  
Lynne Cogswell  
Suma Greenwald  
Kerry Irons  
Kate Kapstad  
Sonia Lackey  
Sandra Miller  
Margaret Moody  
Ellen Paras  
Michelle Tirone  
Bruce Wells  
Karyn Winters

**Come join us as we bid a fond farewell  
and heartfelt thank you to our retiring  
Hardy School teachers: Nancy Kearney,  
Richard and Marilyn Sullivan.**

**When: Wednesday, June 17, from 2:45  
p.m. - 4:15 p.m.**

**Where: Hardy School Cafetorium**

The Herald is published every other week on Thursday, taking vacations into consideration. The deadline for submitting articles is Tuesday, two days before publication. The next issue will be in September!

Please submit your article in the text of an e-mail to: [hardyherald@arlington.k12.ma.us](mailto:hardyherald@arlington.k12.ma.us)  
If you don't get a reply that it's been received, please re-submit!

### IMPORTANT DATES

**Monday, June 22<sup>nd</sup>** -  
180th School Day **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**  
[\*Note change due to TWO Snow Day]

Opening day for the 2009-2010 school year will be Thursday, September 10th for grades 1-12 and Monday, September 14th for kindergarten.

Find the entire 2009/2010 school calendar at:  
[http://www.arlington.k12.ma.us/news/09-10schoolcalendar\\_redirect.asp](http://www.arlington.k12.ma.us/news/09-10schoolcalendar_redirect.asp)

## Box Tops 4 Education

The Hardy community gathered more than 8400 box tops over the past year for a total of \$849! We exceeded our goal of \$750 for this school year. Please **hold onto your Box Tops** over the summer to submit them in the fall.

The following box top contributors won the opportunity to receive either (1) 2 weeks of free **martial arts instruction** at the Mind Body Systems Training Center in Arlington center (it's really fun for children or adults!) or (2) 2 hours of **design/organizational advice** to take place in your home by professional designer/organizer Karen Dorfman of Third Eye Designs.

- (1) **Charlotte Bell** in Ms Doherty/DeFrancisco's 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class
- (2) **Kyle Rashankish** in Ms Pierce's 1<sup>st</sup> grade class
- (3) **Kevin Hickey** in Ms Harrington's 4<sup>th</sup> grade class
- (4) **Connor Wells** in Ms. Morello's 5<sup>th</sup> grade class

For any questions, please contact Box Top Coordinator Debbie Barnes at [debbiefnp@gmail.com](mailto:debbiefnp@gmail.com).

## Arlington-Teosinte Sister City Project

Learn More about Arlington's Sister City in El Salvador

As you may know, this year the Arlington-Teosinte Sister City Project and the Brackett School together piloted a fourth grade curriculum about life in Teosinte. Teosinte is a village in rural El Salvador that has been Arlington's sister city for 21 years. The curriculum includes an "imaginary trip to Teosinte" presented by Arlington-Teosinte Sister City Project volunteers, a lesson on "knowing your audience"/cultural awareness, and a letter exchange between fourth graders and kids in Teosinte. Arlington High School Spanish students participate by translating the letters.

The curriculum has been a great success, and next year it will be part of the Social Studies and English Language Arts curriculum in all of Arlington's fourth grades. The third week in June, the Arlington-Teosinte Sister City Project will hold a meeting for parents who are interested in volunteering to support and enhance the curriculum at Hardy and the other elementary schools next year. Volunteer opportunities include helping with the classroom presentations, planning a mini-fiesta in the classrooms to celebrate when students receive their letters from Teosinte, or many other options. The time commitment is very flexible.

Please contact Heather Smith at [harchersmith@yahoo.com](mailto:harchersmith@yahoo.com) or 781-643-7393 if you are interested.

### Hardy International Recipe Collection

I am sorry to report that we did not receive enough recipes to compile a recipe collection. But it's never too late. If you have a recipe, please send it along and perhaps something will come together over the summer or next year. Please send your recipe in electronic format to [harchersmith@yahoo.com](mailto:harchersmith@yahoo.com). If you would like to help compile the recipe collection, send a recipe or if you have any questions, please contact Heather Smith at [harchersmith@yahoo.com](mailto:harchersmith@yahoo.com) or 781-643-7393.

### Menotomy Beer & Wine

Please continue during the summer to purchase your wine and beer at Menotomy Beer & Wine on Broadway, where we had our Wine-tasting "party" last month. When buying wine just mention you are a Hardy School parent and the school will receive 5% of all purchases quarterly.

Thank you for frequenting the store and mentioning you're a member of the wine club. Have a great summer,

Cristiana Navarro de Carvalho.

### Community News

The Little Fox is a non-profit children's resale shop that supports the Fox Library.

We would like to stay open at least 2 days a week this summer and we need help from new volunteers to do this! Many of our current volunteers are taking extended vacations. We offer a 15% VOLUNTEER DISCOUNT and a very CHILD FRIENDLY WORKPLACE :) If you can work once a month for at least 1 1/2 hours, we would love to have you join our team! For more information, please visit the volunteer page on our website. There's a link to a new volunteer form, fill it out and we'll contact you for training: <http://www.littlefoxshop.com/volunteers>.

We also updated our donation standards. If you have yard sale or rummage sale leftovers (especially large group ones), please take the time to read the updated standards at: <http://www.littlefoxshop.com/donations>

Thank you,  
AMY & SUSAN  
The Little Fox



The Arlington Soccer Club announces registration for the Fall 2009 soccer season. All current and new players are encouraged to register now for the Fall season. Registration runs through June 15th. All players who register on time will be guaranteed a spot on a team. If you register after the June 15th deadline there will be a late fee and you will be placed on a waiting list. Please register on time!

All Arlington residents who are attending kindergarten through 8th grade, or students enrolled in an Arlington School (K through 8th) are eligible to play with the Arlington Soccer Club.

Please visit our website for additional details or to complete your registration online: [www.arlingtonsoccerclub.com](http://www.arlingtonsoccerclub.com).

*Have a Fun and Safe Summer!*



*Congratulations to the Fifth Grade graduates!*

