

October 22, 2009

Hardy Herald



CALENDAR

Oct. 21-27: Book Fair in Library

Oct. 27: Puppet Show, 6:30 p.m.

Nov. 3: Early Release – 12:30

See the full calendar on the Hardy website: www.HardySchool.com

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:
Safe@HardySchool.com

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

Help Write Another Chapter at the Hardy Library

Zeus is on the loose and living in New York City. Hades is hanging out in a Hollywood recording studio. Or so the story goes in Rick Reardon's adventurous series of Percy Jackson, a.k.a. Perseus, a boy who happens to also be an Olympic demigod.

"I get a lot of requests from students for Percy Jackson books," says Lory Nichols, Hardy's library assistant, "but unfortunately we don't have these books."

The Percy Jackson series, as well as the Diamond Brothers series written by Anthony Horowitz are favorites among kids and high on the student request list. Ms. Nichols would also like to build up Hardy's stock of audio recordings of books to complement a new listening center that was generously donated to the library by a Hardy family last year.

If you would like to be part of the effort to "grow" Hardy's library, please consider participating in the Another Chapter program. The program, started in 2007 by the PTO, creates a way for the Hardy community to donate library-quality books and to honor someone special—a teacher, child, or relative—with each donation. In the program's first year, families donated almost 150 books to the library.

Here is how the program works:

- Select a book from a wish list created by staff and students. (You can find the list at www.hardyschool.com/anotherchapter.html.)
- Download and fill out the **book purchase form** from the same site.
- Name the person whom you would like to honor with your donation. A letter will sent to that person in recognition of your donation and a bookplate with his or her name will be placed inside of the book.
- Place your check (made out to the Hardy PTO and marked "Another Chapter") and purchase form in an envelope marked "Another Chapter" and send it to school with your child.

"The look on the kids' faces when they see a new book is priceless," reports Ms. Nichols. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Margaret Muirhead at muirhead.reiss@rcn.com (or stop her in the playground after school).

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Read the Herald online: <http://www.HardySchool.com/herald.html>

The Hardy Herald is published every other week on Thursday, taking vacations into consideration. The deadline for submitting articles is Tuesday, two days before publication. The Herald will be distributed via Hardy Parents e-mail group AND available on the Hardy website.

Please submit your article in the text of an e-mail to: Herald@hardyschool.com If you don't get a reply that it's been received, please re-submit!

Next Deadline:
Tuesday, November 3

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday, Nov. 3:
EARLY RELEASE:
12:30 Dismissal

Wednesday, Nov. 11:
Veteran's Day: NO SCHOOL

Wednesday, Nov. 25:
EARLY RELEASE:
12:00 Dismissal

Nov. 26 & 27: NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving

Find the entire APS 2009/2010 school calendar at:
http://www.arlington.k12.ma.us/news/09-10schoolcalendar_direct.asp

Another Chapter for the Hardy Library (cont'd)

October's Library Wish List

Riordan, Rick	The Lightning Thief	\$15
Riordan, Rick	The Battle of the Labyrinth	\$15
Riordan, Rick	The Demigod Files	\$15
Riordan, Rick	The Last Olympian	\$15
Riordan, Rick	The Sea of Monsters	\$15
Riordan, Rick	The Titan's Curse	\$15
Horowitz, Anthony	Alex Rider, The Gadgets	\$15
Horowitz, Anthony	The Falcon's Malteser	\$13
Horowitz, Anthony	The Greek who Stole Christmas	\$13
Horowitz, Anthony	Public Enemy Number 2	\$13
Horowitz, Anthony	South by Southeast	\$12
Horowitz, Anthony	Three of Diamonds	\$13
Horowitz, Anthony	Stormbreaker	\$14

Sound recordings:

Fross, Kitty	All Around the World!	\$15
Lobel, Arnold	Frog and Toad All Year	\$15
MacAulay, Kelley	Reptiles of All Kinds	\$15
McBratney, Sam	You're All My Favorites	\$15
Rylant, Cynthia	Henry and Mudge and the Best Day of All	\$15

Enrichment Program

On Wednesday, October 7th, Hardy School students grades K-5 enjoyed a Latin Music performance by "Manquito."

The musicians presented a variety of music styles, introduced students to the instruments, and invited some to join the band on stage. For the final music number, the Hardy Gym transformed into a dance space when students—and teachers—enthusiastically danced to the music.

The students and teachers want to thank the PTO and all parents who, through their contributions, make such enrichment programs possible.

Frans Rijnbout, Co-Chair Enrichment Committee

Community News

Clothing drive for the GATEWAY FAMILY SHELTER

GENTLY WORN, CLEAN WARM CLOTHES NEEDED:
MITTENS, GLOVES, SCARVES, WINTER COATS, BOOTS,
SNOWPANTS,, HATS ETC.

Collection box will be in the main lobby

PLEASE HELP US SUPPORT THIS CAUSE.

ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE CALL KARYN WINTERS 617-733-4903

or e-mail

kawinters@msn.com



The Little Fox shop -supporting our community library!

The Little Fox is a volunteer run children's resale shop benefiting the Fox Library. Located inside the Fox Branch Library on the corner of Mass Ave and Cleveland St in East Arlington, The Little Fox is accessible by bus and has easy local parking. We have an amazing array of toys, books, games, and clothing for children ages birth through 14. We also carry all things baby related including strollers, carriers, baby gates and maternity wear. Our hours are Tues 9-12, Wed 2:30-7:30 and Thurs 9-12.

Help by donating:

Donations of quality goods (including infant equipment such as strollers, high chairs etc.) are accepted during business hours on Tuesday and Wednesday. We ask that all donations be in very good condition and clean and limited to 2 bags of clothes per drop-off and 2 boxes/bags of toys. For more donation guidelines please check our website.

Come shop:

Our racks are bursting at the seams! Come and help us make some space for more new clothes and holiday wear! Come check out our ever growing selection for older boys and girls (we have a large number of pants for boys size 10-14!!)

Or volunteer:

Volunteers are also needed!! Join our staff and get a 15% discount on everything in the store! Even one shift a month is extremely helpful and children are welcome to join you. If you are interested, fill out the New Volunteer Form under the "volunteer" section of our website.

For more information on donation guidelines, volunteering or what is in the shop this week, please check out our website: www.littlefoxshop.com



Community News – cont'd.

Light on the Horizon: The Future of Housing

Join Housing Corporation of Arlington (HCA) for our 2009 Annual Meeting with Professor Barry Bluestone!

Founding Director of the Kitty and Michael Dukakis Center for Urban & Regional Policy Dean, School of Urban Affairs & Public Policy, Northeastern University

Professor Bluestone will report on the latest analysis of housing data to look at where we are in the housing cycle now and where we expect to be through the next three years.

We will also be presenting our 2009 Deacon Frank Mandosa Community Service Award to Liz Jaramillo of the Friends of Gateway. In honor of Liz, please bring warm outdoor clothing to contribute to Friends of Gateway.

Tuesday, October 27, 2009
6:00 PM
Arlington Town Hall Auditorium
Light refreshments will be served.

Event is free and open to the public. Donations accepted and appreciated!

www.housingcorporarlington.org

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