



Spring Lake Park High School April 3, 2009

Panther Pulse



Note from the Principal

Spring is here and the end of the school year is around the corner. We do however have to keep in mind that it's not over yet. It's important that you continue to check up on your students' progress in their courses as we all want them to finish the year in a positive successful manner. Along with your child's academics, there are plenty of things happening at school such as state testing, spring sports, music concerts and theatrical performances. This makes for a very busy spring for some. It's also a good time to review a couple of our school expectations that seem to create some confusion. These are:

- Cell phones/ipods/etc (electronic devices): These are not permitted to be used during school hours.
- Student Dress: We expect that students dress is appropriate for a school setting. Please refer to the student manual (page 26).
- Check out the handbook on our website.

As a staff we want our building to be a respectful place that puts a priority on student learning. If we can limit our distractions from issues like those above with your assistance then we continue to do that.

Please do not hesitate to contact teachers, counselors or our office staff if we can be of assistance.

Thank you.

Frank Herman

Construction Update

The Spring Musical will be the Grand Opening of the Fine Arts Center. Be a part of the excitement. You can purchase your tickets by calling **Call 763-795-5929**.

The Contractors are moving West to East as more flooring is poured and more of the roofing is completed. Many rooms are being framed in, while a lot of electrical, plumbing, sprinklers and piping are moving along with the movement West.

Some of the outside walls are now complete and the plastic, and the scaffolding have been taken down and windows are being installed.

Exciting times at Panther High!

View project updates at:

<http://www.springlakeparkschools.org/news/bond.asp>

Versión española del Pulso de Escuela Secundaria de Spring Lake Park.

Usted puede ser recogido una copia del Pulse en la oficina central de Escuela Secundaria.

Athletics and Activities

Congratulations to Spring Lake Park High School teams:

Basketball - State

Swimmers and Divers - State

Nordic Skiing - State

Wrestling - State

Dance Team -State

Congratulations on a fine season!

For more information: www.springlakeparkschools.org/departments/



Counseling Office Update

For more information:

http://www.springlakeparkschools.org/schools/hs/hs_counseling.asp

April Testing Dates

- April 1-12th BST Math
- April 2 - 12th BST Reading
- April 3 - 12th BST Math Make-Up
- April 7 - 12th BST Writing
- April 8 - 12th BST Reading Make-UP
- April 13 - MCAII/MTELL (Window Opens)
- April 14 - 9 GRAD Writing, 10 MCA Reading 1&2, 11 MCA Math 1&2
- April 15 - 10 MCA Read 3&4, 11 MCA Math 3&4
- April 22 - Make-up 9 GRAD Writing, 10 MCA Read 1&2, 11 MCA Math 1&2
- April 23 - Make-up 10 MCA Read 3&4, 11 MCA Math 3&4
- April 27 - MCA11 (Science Window Open)

The Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) will have their State Meeting/Competition April 23rd-25th at the Sheraton Hotel in Bloomington. Bernice Reyes (12th grade) is a current state officer (Vice President of Community Service) and will preside over the meeting. Morgan Croft (10th grade) is running for a state officer position and Zach Barstow (10th grade) is competing for a Region 4 Officer position. The following students are competing at state. Those advancing from state as the top winner in their category will advance to nationals in Nashville, Tennessee in July.

9th Grade: Jake Russell, Ashley Murray and Rachel Eiler

10th grade - Zach Barstow, Katie Bassett, Bridget Birkholz, Leah Sylvester, Ariana Caldero, Morgan Croft, Bria Jones, Sydney Lener and Nima Odowa

11th Grade - Andrew Carlson

12th Grade - Bernice Reyes



Senior News and Updates

SENIORS: Cap and gown orders will now have to be done online at the Herff Jones website www.mygradshop.com.

Senior All Night Party

Car raffle information - The SANP Car is a 2005, 2 door Cobalt - in none other than "Panther Blue"

THANK YOU FRIENDLY CHEVROLET!!!!!!!

While aluminum prices are low - please continue to save your cans - every little bit helps! The cart is located in the parking lot on 81st and Able.

Please check out the SANP website below for up to the minute information.

<http://www.springlakeparkschools.org/schools/hs/>

Dates to Remember

April

- 13th PAC Meeting 7:00 Media Center
- 17th Region 5AA Choral Contest, Anoka
- 23rd Region 5AA Jazz Contest, Fridley
- 29th Spring Fling
- 29th Spring Musical-Bye Bye Birdie
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Yearbook

SPRING SUPPLEMENT: Due to construction and other unforeseen circumstances, our supplement has been delayed. We apologize for any inconvenience this may have caused. The yearbook staff would like to thank you for your patience.

2008 YEARBOOK: There are 40 books still available. If you would still like a copy, please contact Maria Ahrndt, or email mahrnd@district16.org.

2009 YEARBOOK: The deadline for ordering a yearbook is now over. A late charge of \$5 will be added. Please see Mrs. Ahrndt in room 50 to be placed on the waiting list.

Library Media Center News

The Real Men Read program has been part of the high school library focus on reading this year. A generous grant through the Panther Foundation made this program possible and all of our students and staff have benefited. Thirty-five Real Men in all, appear on posters in buildings throughout the district. The books featured in the posters were given to high school and middle school boys for their own collections. A few of the Real Men have led small book groups with boys. The program reached even further than the high school when middle school teachers decided to get involved. We have had student contests, book sales, giveaways, blogs, and author visits. The program received local and national media attention. Two of the articles can be found through the Real Men Read webpage; http://www.springlakeparkschools.org/schools/hs/hs_real_men_read_1.asp

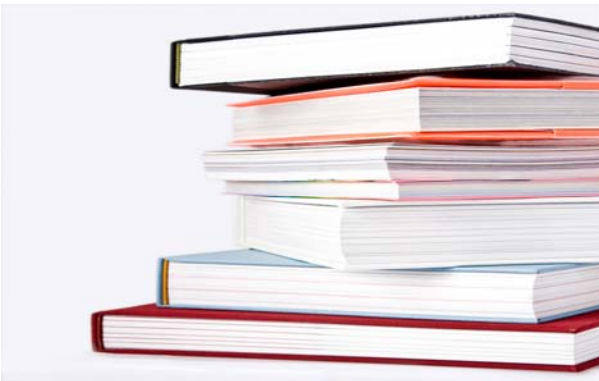
So far, the library has seen double the number of books checked out to boys. Overall, the Real Men Read program has been a great success and we owe it to all of those Real Men. Thanks guys!

In order to get students reading, we need to surround them with a wide variety of reading material. I like to put new books in the library every month if possible. This month we have entered an unusually large number of new books. To see the newest entries, check out the Animoto video: <http://animoto.com/play/AA0Ozy1edrWjmt0YYEwZXA>

See you next month! Until then, happy reading,

Tori Jensen

Library Media Teacher



Spring Lake Park High School

Theatre Department Presents



April 30, May 1, 2

7:30 PM

With a special matinee performance

on Saturday, May 2nd at 2:00 PM

Senior Citizen Performance

Wednesday, April 29

7:00 PM

Spring Lake Park High School

Fine Arts Center

Reserved Seating

\$10.00 for Adults

\$8.00 for Students

and Senior Citizens

Call 763-795-5929 for tickets

or purchase online at www.lsd16.org/departments/athletics_activities/drama.asp