



The Nutshell



August 31, 2009

Dates to Remember

Sep 7	Labor Day (No School)
Sep 10-13	Rodin at Bella Luce
Sep 12	Habitat Work Day
Sep 12	Family Picnic (5 p.m.)
Sep 16	Picture Day
Sep 25	Pizza Day

Annual School Picnic Set for Sept. 12th

The annual Family Picnic will be held **Saturday, Sep. 12th, at 5:00 p.m.** on the front lawn of NHA.

The purpose of the picnic is to bring NHA families together. There will be food, music, games and other activities to allow families to interact.

NHA will take care of the main dish and paper products. Parents will provide the sides and desserts. The following is a suggested list of what you can bring:

- Pre-K** 12 to 16 sandwich buns
- K** 12 to 16 sandwich buns
- 1st** veggies/dip or salad for 15 people
- 2nd** veggies/dip or salad for 15 people
- 3rd** fresh fruit for 15 people
- 4th** fresh fruit for 15 people
- 5th** desserts for 20 people
- 6th** drinks

The 6th Graders will sell soft drinks and bottled water, as well as baked goods which you can take home. A cooler of water will also be available free of charge.

Bring blankets and chairs for sitting on, and balls and outdoor games for the kids. There will of course be music and games, as usual, so be sure to wear comfortable clothes to "play" in and be prepared to have some fun!

Please park in the lot closest to the school. **Additional parking may be available at the indoor soccer arena.** Watch for signs when you arrive.

News and Notes . . .

. . . **When Arriving after 7:59** please remember you must park in the lot and come into the building to sign in before your child can go to class.

. . . **Trade-in Tuesday.** If you have an old license plate with the acorn logo come early for pick-up this Tuesday and we will meet you in the parking lot to trade it for a new one. If you don't have an old plate, come early anyways and we'll give you a new one.

. . . **Vote for NHA** in Christie Cookie's "Favorite Charity" contest. Go to this link <http://www.ilovechristiecookies.com/contest/form.asp> and vote once for each e-mail address you have. We could win up to \$10,000!

*** LUNCH DUTY ***

Each grade has been assigned a week to provide volunteers (2 per day) to serve lunch. Please note the open dates below and consider contacting the office if you can help fill them in. Feel free to sign up even if it is not the week for your child's grade.

- Sep 1** Need 1 (3rd Grade)
- Sep 2** Need 1 (3rd Grade)
- Sep 3** Need 2 (3rd Grade)
- Sep 4** Need 1 (3rd Grade)
- Sep 8** Need 1 (2nd Grade)
- Sep 9 **!!!FULL!!!**
- Sep 10 **!!!FULL!!!**
- Sep 11 **!!!FULL!!!**
- Sep 14 **!!!FULL!!!**
- Sep 15 **!!!FULL!!!**
- Sep 16 **!!!FULL!!!**
- Sep 17** Need 2 (1st Grade)
- Sep 18 **!!!FULL!!!**

Why Read the Nutshell ?

The Nutshell is the primary means for all important announcements at NHA. A printed copy is sent home with the oldest child in each family. It is also available on the website (www.nhafranklin.org).

If you have information or an idea for an article in a future issue, or if you would be willing to help gather information and write articles, please contact Pat Sauder at 595-0324 or psauder@nhafranklin.org.

Duck Race Ticket Sales: Which Grade Will Win?

The Duck Race ticket sales competition was officially kicked off at devotions on Friday. The rules are simple: the grade that sells the most tickets wins! There are weekly grade winners as well.

You can go door to door, or sign up to work a table on Saturdays at one of three locations around town (Puckett's, Merridee's, or Lowe's). Sign-up sheets are posted on the front door of the school.

Baby Girls Club Begins Wednesday Afternoons

It's that time again! BabyGirls Club will begin for grades K-8 on Wednesday, Sep 9th, from 3:30-5:30p.m. BGC uses the arts to encourage leadership, spark creative interest, build friendships, and provide a social outlet.

They are also looking for female volunteers to serve a few hours a week on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.

For more information about how to sign up for the Club or to volunteer, please contact Lasonya @ (615) 720-4819 or e-mail: lasonya@babygirlsclub.com. You can also visit their website: www.babygirlsclub.com.

The program meets at the "CLUBHOUSE", located at 251 2nd Ave. South, Suite 102.

Families Benefit from Free Bread at NHA

The Bread Ministry is back. Panera Bread has again agreed to let us take their extra loaves and other baked goods to give away at school.

The bread is available every Friday morning outside the office on a first come-first served basis. Please stop by and help yourself.

Rodin Art Exhibit to Benefit New Hope

September 9, 2009 promises to be the art event of the year. Rarely has such a collection of sculptures been offered by legendary artist Auguste Rodin outside of New York or Chicago. Twenty-three posthumously cast original bronze sculptures from the Masters Edition Collection will be on display and offered for sale at Bella Luce, the breathtaking, 12,000-square-foot Franklin estate home built by Jimmy and Rhonda Franks.

A private gala event will be held September 9th from 6-9 pm featuring the Rodin sculptures and works by 19 additional acclaimed artists and sculptors. The home and exhibition will be open for public viewing September 10-13 from 11 am-6 pm daily. Tickets are \$15 with proceeds benefiting New Hope Academy!

"The exhibit features some of Rodin's most famous works, such as The Age of Bronze and The Kiss. We believe that this is one of the most important and impressive exhibits of work by such major artists ever to be brought together for our local audience. This is a rare opportunity for private collectors," says John Davis of Dragon Fine Arts, a fine-art consulting firm, who, in association with Twenty 21 Collections/Gallery Rodin, is producing the exhibition.

Volunteers Needed for Rodin Art Exhibit

We need several volunteers to sit at a table and collect admission fees at the Rodin exhibit (see above article). If you can fill any of the following time slots, please contact Kathy Sauder (791-9792 or psauder@comcast.net).

Thu	Sep 10	2:15-6:00 pm
Fri	Sep 11	2:15-6:00 pm
Sat	Sep 12	10:30 am-1:30 pm 1:15 pm-4:00 pm
Sun	Sep 13	10:30 am-2:30 pm 2:15-6:00 pm

We also need 1 person to direct parking during the Sat/Sun shifts noted above. Please let Kathy know if you can assist with this too.

Davis approached custom home-builder Jimmy Franks, who had just completed Bella Luce, a Tuscan Villa on 30 acres in Williamson County now on the market, about hosting the exhibit. "When we saw Bella Luce we knew it was a homerun. Bella is magical, grand home, perfect for an exhibit of this magnitude. We are thrilled to be able to have such a luxurious space in which to show these great works. The opportunity to use this exhibition to help students at New Hope get the education they need is a wonderful reward for all our efforts."

For more information about the collection or the show, please contact John Davis at 615-593-0123 or visit www.dragonfinearts.com. For more information about Bella Luce please visit www.jimmyfrankshomes.com, or contact Sherry Stinson at 615-500-4645. The Bella Luce estate is located at 414 Lake Valley Drive, Franklin, TN 37069.

Choir and Percussion Groups Starting Up

Music is an important part of education at NHA. If your child loves music, there are some extra curricular classes offered to foster that love beyond what is offered in the school day. Watch for permission slips and be talking to your child to see if these classes are of interest and fit your family's schedule.

The first class is Percussion Ensemble – this is a percussion performance group for **4th - 6th grades** that is limited in size due to the number of instruments available. I have one class that is full already, - those students who **have already signed up** will begin meeting on Tuesday morning, Sep. 1st, at 7:15 a.m. in the music room. Mrs. Boone is looking at her schedule to see when she can meet with a second group, and will send home a note as soon as she can schedule in this second percussion class!

The second class is NHA Choir – this is a non-auditioned singing group offered to **3rd - 6th graders**. This year, it will meet **after school** on Mondays from 2:50 to 3:30 p.m. There is no size limit. If you

Student Prayer Warriors

Each student has been assigned a day to pray for our school. Of course we always encourage you to pray with your child, but please make extra effort to join your child in praying for NHA on their assigned day. The prayer warriors for September 1-14 are:

Sep 1	Addy Behan
Sep 2	Teagen Behan
Sep 3	Avery Bell
Sep 4	Chandler Bell
Sep 5	Tres Bell
Sep 6	Katherine Bellottie
Sep 7	Kara Blue
Sep 8	Preston Boyd
Sep 9	Gabriele Bradshaw
Sep 10	Jonathan Bradshaw
Sep 11	Stefani Bradshaw
Sep 12	Anya Brice
Sep 13	Tarriyanna Brooks
Sep 14	Caycee Brown

want your child to participate, but cannot pick them up at 3:30, remember that staying at ACORN is an option. Choir will begin meeting on Monday, Sep. 14th.

Mrs. Boone says, "thank you for allowing me to share the love of music with your children, and I hope you have the opportunity to see these groups perform sometime this year, and let them share THEIR love of music with you. I truly believe music is one of the many gifts God has given us - to enjoy, to share and to praise Him with!" Please contact her at (tboone@nhafranklin.org or 595-0324) if you have any questions.

Prayer Corner

Weekly parent prayer meetings for New Hope are held on Wednesdays from 2:00-3:00 p.m. in the prayer room in the NHA library.

Yanira Ocasio leads this prayer time. Anyone is welcome to come and pray for our students, faculty, and staff during that time.