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WHY SHOULD I JOIN THE MS/HS PTO?

◆ More Needs, Fewer Resources, But Plenty of Parents

Education has had a few rough years, it seems. More and more states are cutting back on state-based aid to public schools, while asking either local taxpayers or parents to pick up the tab. Now more than ever, schools have a dire need for donations, volunteer work, and any sort of unique assistance that parents can give.

◆ Kids are Proud of Their Involved Parents

Ignoring that awkward teenage phase when most kids pretend they simply don't have parents, the truth is that most kids are proud to see their parents volunteer in the school and have some level of involvement with their teachers and others. Children like to know that they're valued, and that their parents care about what's going on even when they're not home.

◆ Socializing With Other Parents is a Real Benefit

Every parent has probably had a moment of active parenting when they wonder, "Is it just me?" The same can be said of homework assignments that seem impossible for both parents and students, or teachers that parents don't seem to understand. Socializing with other parents in the district via PTO involvement helps parents overcome these questions and concerns, and lets them relate to others who either share their concerns or have a reassuring answer to share.

FIRST MEETING OF THE SCHOOL YEAR

Thursday, October 2nd

High School Library, 7:00 PM



Senior
Rock
Photo
October 17
9:00AM





Having Computer Issues? Put in a Work Order at
<http://helpspot.nmps.k12.mi.us>

DESTINATION IMAGINATION

DI Start-Up/Parent Night

made with sparklee.com

September 19th, Flex Center 7:00 PM

WHERE IS THE COUNSELOR'S CORNER?

<http://norsecounselor.weebly.com>

READ EARLY & READ OFTEN!

Allison Keessen

Children's Program Leader

Muskegon Area District Library

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FAMILIES AND STUDENTS OF ALL AGES JOIN THE GLOBAL CARDBOARD CHALLENGE;

A MAKE @MADL LIBRARY EVENT

WHERE: The Muskegon Area District Library North Muskegon Walker Branch, 1522 Ruddiman Drive,

231-744-6080

WHEN: Saturday 9/20, NOON-2PM

WHAT: Simply bring your imagination. The Library will supply cardboard of all shapes and sizes, and other creative supplies for you to invent and create whatever you like! Don't miss this opportunity to work together with friends and family, use valuable skills and be a part of a global celebration of imagination and creativity. For more information about the origins of the Global Cardboard Challenge, visit imagination.is/our-projects/cardboard-challenge/ and watch Caine's Arcade and Caine's Arcade 2: From a Movie to a Movement on YouTube.\

CONTEST OPPORTUNITY: If you choose to make a Boxtroll while your there, you can enter a picture of your creation in a global contest to win an Apple iMac, an iPad Air, Microsoft Office, The Print Shop and Kid Pix softwares, a \$500 DiscoveryStore.com gift card, and a \$1000 Michaels Arts & Crafts gift card.

http://imagination.is/2014/09/the-boxtrols-team-up-with-imagination-for-the-global-cardboard-challenge/#.VBr_5fldVRo

read! Anytime.
Anywhere.
Anyhow.



The North Muskegon Athletic Boosters would like to invite you to participate in an awesome opportunity to support North Muskegon's student athletes – the **NORSE VICTORY CLUB**.

With today's very tight school budgets, the Booster Club's support of our athletic teams is more critical than ever. Through the generous support of our community, the Boosters have assisted NM student athletes in many ways, such as new uniforms, funding athletic trainers, concussion testing software, tournament travel expenses and purchasing the latest safety equipment --just to name a few.

The **NORSE VICTORY CLUB** (formerly the 300 Club) is a great way for parents, community members, and alumni to support North Muskegon athletics and receive some fun rewards at the same time. Remember, the more members we have, the more we can support the student athletes – so **PASS THE WORD!**

Membership is \$50.00 per year and includes:

- Choice of Special Logoed Membership Gift – Dri-Fit Shirt, Personal Cooler, or Hot/Cold Travel Cup
- Official "Victory Club" Window Decal
- Chance to Win \$100 each Month (September through May)
- Recognition in the NM Fall Sports Program
- Pride in Supporting the Great Tradition of Norsemen Athletics!

Please send in your membership fee today and join us in this great opportunity to support our athletes!!

Detach here

Name _____ Email Address _____

(Email will be our preferred method of communication in the future.)

Street _____ Phone # _____

City/Zip _____

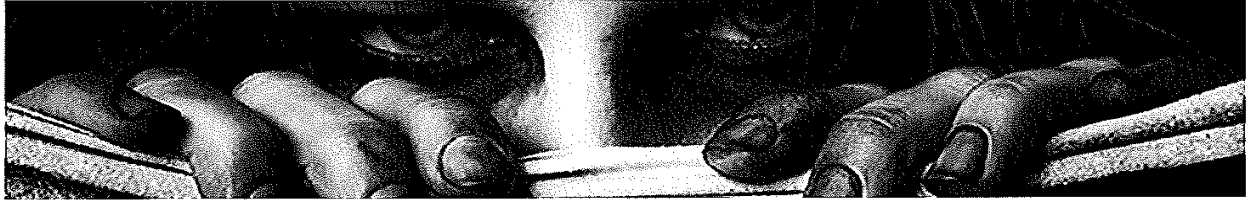
Gift Choice (circle one): Hot/Cold Travel Cup Soft-sided Personal Cooler Dri Fit S/S T-Shirt SM MD LG XL 2XL

(Check) If you'd like to donate without a gift _____

Please make checks payable to North Muskegon Athletic Booster Club (NMABC)

Membership forms and payment can be mailed or dropped off:

c/o Becky Fairfield
813 Moulton Ave
N Muskegon, MI 49445



2014 Knowsmoke Zombie Walk

Calling all the Zombies

Join us to promote a **Smoke-Free Generation!**

When: Saturday October 25, 2014

Check In: LC Walker Annex, 955 Fourth St., Muskegon, MI 49440

Event Schedule: 11:00 a.m. Check-in

12:30 p.m. Start Walk

1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Knowsmoke Activities at the Farmer's Market

Come Dressed as a **ZOMBIE** and Enter to Win Prize \$
First 100 Students to register will get a T-Shirt!

To **REGISTER** go to <http://2014knowsmokezombiewalk.eventbrite.com> or **SCAN** the QR code below

Have questions contact Cyndi Powers at 231-672-3211



Activities will include:

Knowsmoke Family Fun Family Activities

Prize Money for the Worst-Dressed Zombie

Free Healthy Snacks and Recipes provided by The Eat Healthy Muskegon Food Cart

Music and Entertainment by DJ Wingman from 105.3 HOT FM-GR's Hottest Hits

knowsmoke
Muskegon County Tobacco Reduction Coalition

North Muskegon Middle/High School

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We are on the web!

www.nmps.k12.mi.us

Tradition of Excellence

The beautiful community of North Muskegon has a long tradition of providing excellent education for its children. The belief that education is the major foundation for the future strength of our country and the cornerstone for individual success is the basis for our pursuit of academic excellence.

IMPORTANT DATES!



- September 19th—DI Start-Up/Parent Night (Flex Center, 7:00PM)
- October 2nd—1st MS/HS PTO Meeting (HS Library, 7:00 PM)
- October 13th - 17th - Homecoming Week
- December 17th - 19th - 1st Term Exams
- December 23rd -January 4th - Holiday Break
- February 13th - 16th Mid-Winter Break
- February 25th - 26th - Winter Conferences
- April 3rd - 10th - Spring Break
- April 22nd - 24th - Winter Term Exams
- May 22nd - Graduation
- June 2nd - 4th - Spring Term Exams