

# MRCA Eagles Accents

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## **SERVE-A-THON 2011-2012 "BEING A GOOD NEIGHBOR"**

Thank you to all our students, families, and staff for your generous giving to our SERVE-A-Thon this year. The total raised to date is \$43,300.00. We are still accepting donations and remember, all donations to MRCA are tax deductible. A thank you letter will be sent to each donor confirming their contribution to MRCA.

Service projects are being scheduled and some of our middle school students will soon be helping some of our local agencies. As in years past our service projects will be extended throughout the school year to better meet the specific needs of many of the agencies we serve. If you should know of an agency that we can assist, please contact Cathy Ashmore in the MRCA main office. Watch Accents to follow our MRCA students as they serve in our community.

Listed below are the first two projects our students will be involved with:

The following is the first project our students will participate in during November:

| <u>DATE</u>                 | <u>GRADE</u>          | <u>AGENCY</u>  | <u>PROJECT</u>   |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| Tues. Nov. 29 <sup>th</sup> | 7th Grade             | New Miracle Hill Thrift Store<br>in Travelers Rest   | Sort & organize donated items                              |
|                             | 7th Grade             | Miracle Hill Children's Home<br><a href="http://www.miraclehill.org">www.miraclehill.org</a> | Sort & organize donated food items, yard work and cleaning |
| Tues. Dec. 6 <sup>th</sup>  | 6 <sup>th</sup> Grade | Salvation Army Toy Drive   | Sorting Christmas toys                                     |
| Wed. Dec. 7 <sup>th</sup>   | 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade | Salvation Army Toy Drive   | Sorting Christmas toys                                     |

Please do not hesitate to contact Cathy Ashmore if you know of any local agencies that could use our assistance throughout the school year.

## **MIRACLE HILL THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE CHAPEL**

You are invited to our special Thanksgiving chapel on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>. Again this year we focus on a deserving ministry that serves the entire Greenville community. As we have done in the past, students will be encouraged to bring food items for our **annual Miracle Hill Food Drive**. Students should bring their donations to Chapel with them. We will present them to Miracle Hill during this special Chapel. **Below are some of the items needed:**



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|--------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------------|
| Baby wash, wipes, towels | AA and AAA batteries      | Light bulbs                |
| Canned meats             | Canned fruits             | Canned vegetables          |
| Pastas and cereals       | Salt and pepper           | Sugar/brown sugar          |
| Towels and washcloths    | Socks, all sizes          | Mittens – children's sizes |
| Zip-lock bags            | Tall kitchen garbage bags | Aluminum foil              |
| Napkins and Paper towels | Toilet Paper and Kleenex  | Dish detergent             |
| Gloves - men/women       | Umbrellas                 | Lotions                    |
| Hair spray               | Toothpaste                |                            |

## MRCA ALUMNI NEWS

Last weekend several of our MRCA alumni were involved in their high school State Championship games:

The Eastside High School girls' Volleyball team won the AAA State Championship – MRCA Alumni Katie Henderson, Alex Kinzer, Anna Ashmore, Lindsay Shaw, and Emily Peery were on the winning team.

The Eastside High School girls' Cross Country team won the AAA state Championship – MRCA Alumni Caroline Duer, Lauren White, and Emily White were on the winning team.

The Eastside High School boys' Cross Country team placed 4<sup>th</sup> in the AAA State Championship – MRCA Alumni Nathan Fry and Stephen Henderson were on the team.

Congratulations to all our alumni for a job well done!



## YEAR BOOK ORDERS

Orders continue to be taken for our 2011-2012 MRCA Tapestry yearbook. Sales will continue through Wednesday, **November 16<sup>th</sup>**. The form is on our website under the Parent link, then the Weekly Newsletter link. Please read this information carefully and have all orders placed by **Wednesday, November 16<sup>th</sup>**. Please write separate checks if you have more than one child. All yearbook orders placed after November 16<sup>th</sup> MUST be placed online and will cost \$30.00 each. Should you have any questions regarding yearbooks, please contact Julie Bater, 268-2210.



## 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CHRISTMAS POINSETTIA SALE

Our 8<sup>th</sup> graders are selling Christmas poinsettias to raise money for their 8<sup>th</sup> grade trip. Sales began last Wednesday, and will run through Tuesday, November 29<sup>th</sup>. You may purchase the poinsettias in red or white, with 3 sizes available:

|                    |      |
|--------------------|------|
| 6.5" pot           | \$11 |
| 8" pot             | \$15 |
| 10" hanging basket | \$18 |

If you wish to purchase poinsettias and are not contacted by an 8<sup>th</sup> grade student by November 13<sup>th</sup>, please contact Elizabeth Peery at 444-8454, or [e\\_peery@charter.net](mailto:e_peery@charter.net). Flowers will be delivered Wednesday, December 7<sup>th</sup> and may be picked up from 12:00 Noon - 4:00 p.m. on the elementary side of the building

. This is a great way to support our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students!



## PUZZLES NEEDED FOR THE LIBRARY

The MRCA library would like to have some gently used jig-saw puzzles for a small table in the library. Donated puzzles need to be **100 pieces or less** to fit on the table. If you can help with this request, please send your puzzles to Frances Carnell in the Library.



## NOVEMBER @ A GLANCE

- Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> Miracle Hill Food Drive Chapel
- Nov. 23<sup>rd</sup> EARLY DISMISSAL DAY
- Nov. 24<sup>th</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> Thanksgiving Holiday
- Nov. 28<sup>th</sup> Skate Night @ RollerSports



*Praise the Lord.  
Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good;  
His love endures forever.*

*Psalm 106:1*



## SPORTS CLUB

Handball had a great week. Any questions should be directed to the Athletic Office at 268-2210, x333.



## BASKETBALL NEWS

The MRCA basketball regular season begins Monday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, against the Greenville Hurricanes at Pleasant Grove Baptist Church. The girls play at 4:00 p.m.; the boys play at 5:00 p.m. Admission to all regular games this season is \$3/adults, \$2/students. Make your plans now to come out and support the Eagles!

## REC SOCCER

All REC soccer players from this fall season can wear their soccer uniforms and medals to school next **Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>**!

## SPIRIT WEAR

All the spirit wear orders were filled and delivered on Wednesday! If you have any problems with your order, please phone Andrea Wilder at ext.333. As well, with the large number of orders placed this year (310), **please be sure you put your student's name in their shirt or sweatshirt!** Thanks to everyone for their participation this year! If you missed this opportunity to order this MRCA spirit wear, the Athletic Department is taking "orders" for a possible reorder (depending on interest) of the spirit wear in January. Contact Andrea Wilder, x333, if you would be interested in placing an order in January.

## DRINK POUCH BRIGADE

Last year MRCA signed up to be a part of the TerraCycle Drink Pouch Brigade and kept over 6,500 drink pouches out of our landfills. This year we are continuing to collect empty drink pouches and recycle them back to TerraCycle.



### HERE'S HOW YOU CAN HELP

- Collect juice pouches at home
- Bring/send your collections into the MRCA Lunchroom
- Remind your children to place their juice pouches in the designated bin in the lunchroom
  - For each item collected, we earn 2 points (or \$.02)
    - Points are redeemable for the following:
      - Planting Trees
      - Feeding the Hungry
    - Providing clean water to global communities
    - Cash to a non-profit or charity of our choice

TerraCycle will accept any brand of drink pouches. However, **they do not accept juice boxes!** There will be no designated collection dates similar to Boxtops for Education. You may send in drink pouches as often as you like. If you have any questions about this effort, please contact Tamara Merrill at 244-4398 or [tamara.merrill@gmail.com](mailto:tamara.merrill@gmail.com).

