

Calendar

Monday, Oct. 31	Piano Lessons- Community Ed.	4:00-7:00	Room 5
Tuesday, Nov. 1	Highlands Choir	8:30-9:15	Room 10/11
	PTO Executive Meeting	2:15-4:00	Conference Room
	Real World Spanish - Community Ed	3:55-4:55	Room 28
	Science Comes Alive – Community Ed	3:55-4:55	Room 3
Wednesday, Nov. 2	Double Dutch - Community Ed.	6:30-7:15 PM	Gym
	Lego X	3:55-5:10	Room 9
Thursday, Nov. 3	Chess Club	4:00-5:00	Room 4
PICTURE RE-TAKES	Clay Play-Community Ed	3:55-4:55	Room 28
	Chinese- Community Ed	3:55-4:55	Room 3
Friday, Nov. 4	Young Rembrandts-Community Ed	3:55-4:55	Room 28

Field Trips - No field trips this week

LINKS

[School Age Parenting Classes](#)

[PCN Speaker Forum](#)

[Flu Shot Clinic](#)

Notes from the Principal

10/28/11

Helping our children develop in a positive and healthy manner is an important goal of the Highlands community. Part of healthy development includes learning lifeskills. Lifeskills are skills and attitudes that are helpful throughout life. Susan Kovalik presents a list of life skills in her book ITI the Model: Integrated Thematic Instruction. The following is her list:

Integrity: To act according to a sense of what is right and wrong

Initiative: To do something because it needs to be done

Flexibility: To be willing to alter plans when necessary

Perseverance: To keep at it

Organization: To plan, arrange and implement in an orderly way; to keep things orderly and ready to use

Sense of Humor: To laugh and be playful without harming others

Effort: To do your best

Common Sense: To use good judgment

Problem-solving: To create solutions in difficult situations and everyday problems

Responsibility: To respond when appropriate, to be accountable for your actions

Patience: To wait calmly for someone or something

Friendship: To make and keep a friend through mutual trust and caring

Curiosity: A desire to investigate and seek understanding of one's world

Cooperation: To work together toward a common goal of purpose

Caring: To feel and show concern for others

Courage: To act according to one's beliefs

Pride: Satisfaction from doing your personal best

Resourcefulness: To respond to challenges in creative ways

Children learn lifeskills both at home and at school. In the main hallway at Highlands you can see posters of students and staff from Highlands living the life skills. Lifeskills can be taught through modeling and by discussing behavior and beliefs. Learning Lifeskills will benefit our children throughout their lives.

Peter Hodne

Just **7** days to go until we **Rock the Club**

The bands will be rockin' with our **Highlands Dads** and **Mr. Hodne!!**

!!!ONE NITE ONLY!!!



We are still in need of **donations** BIG and small (sports tkts, electronics, gifts cards - dining, grocery, services) and also **WINE** for our Wine Raffle. Go to the Great Gathering website for details:

<https://sites.google.com/site/highlandsgreatgathering/>

****We WILL still take ticket orders... drop your ticket form and \$\$ off in the school office ASAP so you don't miss out on GG3!!****

??? Karalyn Smith or Lisa Freeburg

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Innisbrook orders are ready for pick up! Please pick up your Innisbrook orders on **Tuesday, November 8 @ 3:00-5:00** in the front hallway (no need to bring paperwork or order forms). Thank you again for your support of Highlands – you helped raise nearly \$4,000 to benefit our school!

Edina Parent Communication Network NEWS!
PCN NATIONAL SPEAKER FORUM moves to NOVEMBER 14th

Parenting with Love & Leadership: Equipped, but NOT Entitled

John Rosemond

New Date: Monday, November 14th at 7p.m.

New Location: Colonial Church, Edina

Tickets: \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door

www.edinapcn.com

In today's child-centered culture, are parents **equipping children** for the real world? Or are good intentions creating **entitled kids**?

John Rosemond makes the case that today's well-meaning parents do too much for their kids and try too hard to be well-liked. How do we break the cycle of doing for our kids what they need to learn to do for themselves? In a thought-provoking presentation, Rosemond will share his strategies for **parenting with the essential ingredients of Love and Leadership** in ways that help children grow into responsible, compassionate adults.

John Rosemond is a family psychologist, best-selling author and nationally syndicated parenting columnist in more than 200 newspapers. To learn more and purchase tickets, visit the Edina Parent Communication Network's website at www.edinapcn.com.

Technology & Referendum Open House

Technology Open House

Join us for a hands-on look at how Edina students are using technology in the classroom.

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Technology Integration Specialists will guide you through the new digital toolkit being used for 21st century learning.

[Technology Open House Flyer](#)

- October 29, 9:00 - 11:00 a.m., ECC 351

For more info go to: www.edina.k12.mn.us

Trivia Corner

The largest stained-glass window in the world is at Kennedy International Airport in New York City. It can be seen on the American Airlines terminal building and measures 300 feet long by 23 feet high.

When astronauts first shaved in space, their weightless whiskers floated up to the ceiling. A special razor had to be developed which drew the whiskers in like a vacuum cleaner.

A dolphin can remember a specific tone far better than can a human.

On this Day in

1955 - A kid from Lubbock, Texas opened for Marty Robbins and Elvis Presley. The audience included young Scott Davis who would later become a superstar called Mac Davis. Buddy Holly was the kid who opened the concert.

*"The tragedy of life doesn't lie in not reaching your goal. The tragedy lies in having no goal to reach."
- Benjamin Mays*