

Genesee Joint School District #282

December 2009 Newsletter



Sharing Tree

The Sharing Tree is a project sponsored by the Genesee Education Association, with the intent of providing gifts to Genesee children when money may be a little tight during the holidays. The Sharing Tree is on display in the Palouse Empire Mall and will be up until December 15. Tags for children in our community are placed on the tree throughout this time. Please support children in our community by choosing a tag and buying a gift. **Tags for children in Genesee are red.** If you have questions, know of families who might benefit from this project, or would like to donate items for families in our community please contact Donna Wommack at school, 285-1162 or at home, 882-6825. Thank you for your generous support of this project!

Lunch Menu and Activity Calendars

Please refer to the school district's website for the following:

- Lunch Menu is available at www.sd282.org/foodservices
- Activity Calendar is available at www.sd282.org/calendars
- Detailed Sports calendar is available at www.highschoolsports.net
- Whitepine League sports standings and results are available at www.geneseeidaho.com/wplsports

Community Calendars

Genesee BPA is once again putting together the Genesee Community Calendar. This calendar features a color photo of the class of 2010 and lists birthdays and anniversaries of community members. The calendar costs only \$7 and helps support the largest Business Professionals of America chapter north of Boise. If you would like to place an advertisement for your business in the newsletter, that costs just \$35. To order your calendar, contact Mr. Pete Crowley at the high school (285-1162 or pcrowley@sd282.org).

Ho, Ho, Ho! Holiday Food Bank Drive

With the holidays fast approaching, families are making plans for gathering and celebrating. Please help all our families have the ability to celebrate by donating food to our local food bank! Christmas baskets are prepared for families in our community - and the food bank needs our help to fill those baskets.

When you are shopping for the holidays, please include groceries for the food bank. Donations are gladly accepted anytime - there are boxes located in each elementary classroom and the office is willing to accept donations. Please send a non-perishable food item to school with your child - thank you!

Direct Math & Direct Writing Assessments in December

The Idaho State Department of Education is preparing to assess the math skills and writing abilities of our students in grades 4-9. All students in grades 5, 7 and 9 will take the Direct Writing Assessment (DWA) on Tuesday, December 1st. All students in grades 4, 6 and 8 will take the Direct Math Assessment (DMA) on Wednesday, December 2nd. These assessments are given to all students in these grades on the same day statewide; no make up opportunity is provided for students who miss the assessment. Please make every effort to have your student(s) in attendance on these dates so they may participate.

SAFE AND SOBER GRADUATION COMMITTEE

The GHS Class of 2010 Safe and Sober Graduation Committee is off to a great start!

We are committed to providing a safe activity for our children again this year that will provide lasting memories for years to come. The donations we receive will enable 100% of our seniors to participate in this important tradition. The seniors will be participating in a variety of recreational activities under strict adult supervision.

We are seeking donations of cash or a prize of your choosing. Any help you can provide will be greatly appreciated. Your donation can be mailed to Sober Graduation Committee, c/o Donna Womack, Genesee School, PO Box 98, Genesee, ID 83832 or you can call Tish Ghigleri at 208-285-1141 or Mary Jenkins at 208-301-3501 in Genesee. Please call if your donation is an item that needs to be picked up and we will make arrangements. Thank you for your help!

LUCKY DAWG RAFFLE!

The GHS Class of 2010 Safe and Sober Graduation Committee is sponsoring a raffle with cash prizes of \$1500, \$1000, and \$500! Tickets are available from all senior parents, and are available from parents at all home athletic events. Get your tickets now! Tickets will be sold for \$10 each and make great stocking stuffers!

College Financial Aid Workshop - January 6th

Genesee School will host a college financial aid workshop on Wednesday, January 6th 2010. It will take place in the multi-purpose room from 7:00 until approximately 8:00pm. The information presented will be relevant for students/families planning to enroll in any post-secondary school that offers financial aid. Topics to be discussed will cover grants, work study, scholarships, and loans. The workshop will also include a how-to presentation on completing the FAFSA form (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). I strongly encourage any high school senior (and their parents) who plans to apply for aid to enroll in a college certificate or degree program to attend this workshop.

Any family planning to complete the FAFSA form should try to do so online. Part of that process requires having a PIN number that serves as an electronic signature; one PIN for the student and one for a parent. Parents who have previously received a FAFSA PIN for another of their children can use the same PIN. Students and parents can apply for a federal PIN number at www.pin.ed.gov/ The PIN application process takes just a couple of minutes. You will need your social security number to complete the application.

Whitepine League Sports Standings and Results

The Genesee Business Education program is maintaining a website dedicated to Whitepine League standings and results. To see where the Bulldogs and all of the other Whitepine League teams stand, visit www.geneseeidaho.com/wplsports.



Genesee Recreation Basketball

2010

November 23, 2009

Dear Parents:

It's back! Genesee community members are continuing to provide a free and local recreation basketball league for our children. The purpose is to offer an opportunity for 1st grade through 6th grade children to play basketball. The primary goal is for the younger age children to get more experience, develop skills, play organized ball and most importantly have fun! A secondary goal is to get the varsity boys and girls basketball teams involved to assist as coaches, referees, and mentors to the younger community children. An added benefit is to reduce costs and decrease the amount of travel required to/from other communities to participate in sport activities.

The organization of teams will depend upon the number of participants. We are anticipating having three divisions: 1st & 2nd graders, 3rd & 4th graders, and 5th & 6th graders. All of the games will be on Saturday mornings in both of the Genesee School gyms on the following dates: January 16, January 23, January 30, February 6, February 13. Each game will consist of 15 minutes of practice and 45 minutes of play.

If you are interested in your son or daughter playing in the league, please return the attached form and liability waiver by Friday, December 18th, 2009 to the contacts listed below. The Genesee Recreation Basketball league is **FREE**. We will start forming teams and putting together the schedule with more information to be shared by January 2, 2010 by email (if one is provided) or by phone to reduce copy costs. If you have any questions please call Brian Pope at 285-1369 / briantami05@genesee-id.com or Rich Parkins at 285-1480 / theparkins@hughes.net. We had a fun and successful season last year and we anticipate that it will be as successful this year.

Thank you,
Brian Pope & Rich Parkins

-----Please detach and return-----

Genesee Recreation Basketball Form



2010

Student Name: _____ Grade: _____ Age: _____ Gender: M / F

Student's Shirt size: **Youth:** SM Med Lg XL or **Adult:** SM Med Lg XL

Parent (s) Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ email address: _____

WAIVER AND CONSENT FOR TREATMENT OF MINOR CHILD

I the adult, on behalf of myself and my child(ren) assume all risks and hazards reasonable related to the conduct of the program. I release and hold harmless Genesee Recreation Basketball, Genesee School, representatives and/or any volunteers from any and all injuries, damages, losses and suits arising out of or in connection with this program. I acknowledge that I have familiarized myself with the description of the activities, understanding the hazards and my child(ren)'s personal limitations, and knowingly assume all risks. As a parent/legal guardian of the named minor child, I also hereby give my consent for any emergency medical treatment from medical personnel in case of injury or illness while participating in this Program. I understand that, if possible, I will be immediately notified of any emergency, but this consent is intended to avoid undue delay and to assure prompt attention. I agree to accept financial responsibility for any medical expenses arising out of, or resulting from, such emergency. I agree that pictures taken during Program hours may be used for future promotional purposes and give my consent for their use without remuneration.

Parent Signature

Date

RETURN THIS FORM TO: Shannon Schacher at the school office or Brian Pope at 504 E Sunset Ave, Genesee ID 83832

1st – 6th Grade Basketball Clinic

This basketball clinic will be hosted by the high school boys and girls basketball coaches and teams.

When: Saturday, January 9th, 2009

Time: 8:00am-9:30am 1st & 2nd graders; 9:30am-11:00am 3rd & 4th graders; 11:00am-12:30pm 5th & 6th graders

Where: Genesee School Gym

Cost: \$10.00 per youth

Please return the form to Shannon Schacher at the school office by December 18th, 2009 with the checks made out to Genesee High School. All proceeds go to the boy and girl basketball teams. If you have any questions please contact Brian Pope at 285-1369 or briantami05@genesee-id.com as he is assisting in organizing this clinic.

-----Please detach and return to the school-----

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Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ email address: _____

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Parent Signature

Date

Please enclose \$10.00 if you would like your child to participate in this clinic.
Make checks payable to Genesee High School and return it to the school office.

44th Annual Firemen's Crab Feed

February 13th, 2010

3pm-7pm

Tickets will be sold door to door beginning January 1st and conclude January 25th.

After January 25th they will be available at the following businesses:

Hall's Corner Bar

Genesee City Hall

Points of View

Wells Fargo, Genesee Branch

PNW

Tickets are \$20 for adult (one whole crab, potato salad, beans, coleslaw, and beverage of choice)

\$10 for kids (1/2 crab and same sides)