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MCAS Communicator

an e-newsletter for the staff of the Michigan City Area Schools

October 11, 2013 - "EXTRA"

(Please post for/share with those employees who do not check email!)

There's lots going on this month! A few reminders that couldn't wait until our November edition....

CPR Training for Teachers

Only three people have signed up for the CPR training for teachers in need of license renewal on Thursday, [October 17th](#). We must have a minimum of five to offer the class. Please contact Linda Bechinski at lbechinski@mcas.k12.in.us **asap** if you are interested in attending. The training will take place at Mullen and will begin promptly at 3:30 p.m. The fee is \$35 cash (please bring exact change) or check (payable to Opportunity Enterprises).

Flu Shot Reminder

Working Well will be giving flu shots at MCHS in the teachers lounge on [October 29](#) from 2:30 until 4:00 p.m. Cost is \$21, payable by cash or check. (Please note they do not bill insurance.) Staff and family members are welcome. Please sign up ahead of time with your building nurse if possible; Working Well would like to know how many staff to expect.

Barbara A. Carmen Grants for Teachers

Online applications are now available for the Barbara A. Carmen Teacher Grants (for K-8) No more paper applications! Teachers may access the online application at the Unity Foundation's website by following this link:
<https://www.scholarselect.com/scholarships/11747-2013-2014-barbara-a-carmen-memorial-endowment-fund-grants-for-teachers>
Applications must be submitted online by Thursday, [October 31](#).

Job & Opportunity Fair Postponed

The Jobs & Opportunities Fair scheduled at A. K. Smith on Oct. 21 has been postponed due to the Federal Government shutdown situation. (This event is sponsored by Congressman Pete Visclosky.) Stay tuned for updates!

Lights On After School

Safe Harbor invites you to attend its annual Lights On After School celebration [next Thursday, October 17th](#) at Lake Hills, from 6:00 -7:30pm. This is open to all staff, families, and students -- there will be activities, exhibits and FUN! Lights On After School is a national celebration held each October to emphasize the importance of after-school programming. For more info, contact Vera Gaston at ext. 8747 or download a flyer here: <http://educatemc.net/cms/lib5/IN01001792/Centricity/Domain/4/Lights%20On%20celebration%20flyer.pdf>

STAND UP! Change Teen Statistics

Safe Harbor and the Open Door Health Center are sponsoring a performance called "STAND UP! Change Teen Statistics" on Tuesday, [October 29](#), from 5:30-8:00 p.m. in the MCHS Auditorium. This is a theater performance based on interviews with teens that delivers powerful and shocking statistics in a teen-friendly format that young audiences can relate to. A panel of experts will be on hand for a discussion following the presentation. (Note: Students under 16 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian due to some language and adult situations in the show.)

<http://educatemc.net/cms/lib5/IN01001792/Centricity/Domain/4/STAND%20Parent%20Flyer%202.pdf>

Craft Show

The Michigan City High School Parent Network will hold its annual Holiday Art and Craft show on [Saturday, November 9](#), from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. in the High School Cafeteria. Admission is free, and a variety of items will be available, including lunch and a bake sale. Booths are available for \$25. For vendor information, contact Sandi Staback at [\(219\) 814-3534](tel:2198143534) or email irishscout1999@yahoo.com - or follow this link:

<http://educatemc.net/site/Default.aspx?PageID=2&PageType=17&DomainID=4&ModuleInstanceID=1&EventDateID=9953>

Car Wash Results

On behalf of all the families and programs that benefit from United Way funding, **thank you very much** for your support of the 3rd Annual MCAS United Way Car Wash! We worked hard, had fun, and enjoyed the last of the tasty roasted sweet corn of the season! Special thanks to MCK Car-Wash, Apex Auto Care, and Captain Ed and his crew for helping us this year and joining in on the fun. We raised \$2,231, exceeding our expectations and MORE THAN DOUBLING last year's total of \$1,076. And we did EVEN MORE, pushing the MCPD to work extra hard to raise \$3,928. Along with the Fire Department's \$785, Michigan City raised a whopping **\$6,944** for United Way of LaPorte County.