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**RAMSEY MIDDLE SCHOOL**

**MARCH 27, 2015**

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS AND UPCOMING EVENTS**

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### **AN ADVENTURE TO TARGET FIELD | PTA**

Join us as we attend a Twins game together! Ramsey Middle School has arranged for you to purchase discounted tickets for our students and family members.

Tickets are limited, so orders will be processed on a first come, first-served basis only. Submissions that aren't successful will be returned to you, along with your check.

To participate, please click [here](#) or copy and paste the following URL address into a web browser to download the order form:

[http://rms.mpls.k12.mn.us/an\\_adventure\\_to\\_target\\_fi  
eld](http://rms.mpls.k12.mn.us/an_adventure_to_target_field). Print it, fill it out, and have your student return it to their teacher along with the total amount due.

Orders and payment must be returned no later than Tuesday, April 7.

Thank you! We look forward to seeing you at the game!

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Friday, March 27-  
Friday, April 3**  
Spring Recess

**Monday, April 6**  
Fourth Quarter Begins

**Tuesday, April 7**  
An Adventure to Target Field  
Order Forms Due

**Wednesday, April 8**  
Plant Sale Order Forms Due

**Saturday, April 11**  
Walk! Bike! Fun! Volunteer Training

**Sunday, April 12**  
Battle of the Bands

**Monday, April 13**  
Community Education  
Spring Session Classes Begin

**Saturday, April 18**  
Somali Tea and Culture  
Ramsey Rendezvous Event

## PLANT SALE | PTA

Spring has sprung, and it's time to start planning your garden! Ramsey Middle School is once again participating in a plant sale through Gerten's. This is a great fundraiser for our PTA. Encourage family, friends and neighbors to support our school and receive some beautiful plants for their gardens.

Click [here](#) or copy and paste the following URL address into a web browser to download the order form and the brochure with photos of all the plants available:  
[http://rms.mpls.k12.mn.us/plant\\_sale\\_fundraiser](http://rms.mpls.k12.mn.us/plant_sale_fundraiser).

The order forms and money, cash, or checks made out 'Ramsey PTA' are due Wednesday, April 8. Your students can drop them off in the main office. You will need a separate order form for each order. Extra paper forms are available in the office.

Plants will be available for pick up Monday, May 18 from 3:00 PM-6:00 PM.

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## COMMUNITY EDUCATION AT RAMSEY MIDDLE SCHOOL

Community Education Spring Session classes start the week of April 13 and run through Thursday, May 14. Registration for Spring session begins Monday, March 16; registration forms for Spring session are now available in the Community Education office or can be downloaded by clicking [here](#) or by copying and pasting the following URL address into a web browser:  
<http://youth.mpls.k12.mn.us/ramsey.html>

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## MUSICAL THEATRE CABARET!

Join Mrs. Wender and Ms. Kochanowski after school Mondays, Tuesdays, and Wednesdays from 3:40 PM-5:40 PM starting Monday, April 13. Students will learn four big group numbers from musicals like "Kiss Me Kate" and "Newsies" and perform them as part of the Creative Cabaret at Ramsey on Thursday, May 7 and Friday, May 8. Participants will also have the opportunity to audition to perform smaller group numbers as part of the Cabaret.

Registration forms went home with students in advisory and are available in the Community Education office or can be downloaded by clicking [here](#) or by copying and pasting the following URL address into a web browser: <http://youth.mpls.k12.mn.us/ramsey.html>

Forms and \$35 participation fee are due on Wednesday, March 25; scholarships are available to students who need one. Call 612.668.3450 for more information.

## RAMSEY RENDEZVOUS | PTA

Ramsey parents: Check out our two new Ramsey Rendezvous events! The first is a Somali Tea and Culture event on Saturday, April 18. You don't want to miss this opportunity to learn more about Somali culture and savor some tasty treats.

Next up, escape to a Fantasy Island-themed party on Sunday, June 28, where you'll mix, mingle, eat, drink and enjoy the musical offerings of Ramsey's very own Mr. Nelson and his band.

Check out all of our Ramsey Rendezvous offerings and get your tickets by clicking [here](#), or by copying and pasting the following URL address into a web browser:

<https://sites.google.com/site/ramseyptafundraising/ramsey-rendezvous>

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## SUMMER STEM (GEMS AND GISE) ACADEMIES

The Pillsbury K-8 Summer STEM Academy (GEMS and GISE at Pillsbury School) will be held Monday, June 15th - Thursday, July 23. The Augsburg 4-8 Summer STEM Academy (GEMS and GISE at Augsburg College) will be held Monday, August 3 - Friday, August 14.

To learn more about the details of these academies and to download an application click [here](#), or copy and paste the following URL address into a web browser:

[http://summerschool.mpls.k12.mn.us/gems\\_gise\\_stem\\_2](http://summerschool.mpls.k12.mn.us/gems_gise_stem_2)

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## WALK! BIKE! FUN!

In May, students in Physical Education will be participating in the Walk! Bike! Fun! curriculum. We will be seeking volunteers to bike along with us, as we practice our skills developed in the curriculum. There is an optional course being offered to anyone interested in volunteering. Please see below for more information on the course:

BikeMN is organizing and presenting a Walk! Bike! Fun! volunteer training, which will include information on how to assist teachers who are implementing Walk! Bike! Fun!, the concepts and skills taught in the curriculum, a review on mapping routes, and group riding techniques.

This training includes classroom activities and hands-on outdoor activities. The Walk! Bike! Fun! volunteer training will be held at Whittier School on Saturday, April 11 from 9:00 AM - 11:30 AM. There is no cost for the training, but you must register and classes can fill up quickly.

Parents, school volunteers, support staff, law enforcement, senior citizens, bike clubs - anyone is invited to become a WBF volunteer. If you have questions about the curriculum or the volunteer training, please contact Michelle Breidenbach (BikeMN Safe Routes to School Education Coordinator) by emailing [michelle@bikemn.org](mailto:michelle@bikemn.org) at by calling 507.430.2280.

## WALK! BIKE! FUN! (CONTINUED)

For more information (including information about registration) click [here](#), or copy and paste the following URL address into a web browser: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/walk-bike-fun-volunteer-training-minneapolis-tickets-16042670058>

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## YEARBOOKS NOW ON SALE | PTA

Ramsey Middle School yearbooks for the 2014-2015 school year are now on sale! Paper order forms will be sent home with students the week of March 15, but for easy online ordering, click [here](#) or copy and paste the following URL address into a web browser:

[http://link.entourageyearbooks.com/YBStore/YearbookStoreMain.asp?yearbook\\_id=15693](http://link.entourageyearbooks.com/YBStore/YearbookStoreMain.asp?yearbook_id=15693)

If you have photos of any school activities from the 2014-2015 school year, please send them to [yearbookramsey@gmail.com](mailto:yearbookramsey@gmail.com), and please be sure to identify the event(s).

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## VOLUNTEER(S) NEEDED FOR THE ROLE OF SPIRIT WEAR COORDINATOR | PTA

The PTA is still looking for one or two individuals to take on the task of Spirit Wear Coordinator for next school year. This would involve ordering spirit wear and setting sale dates at school events. Contact Jan Sadusky at [rmsspiritwear@hotmail.com](mailto:rmsspiritwear@hotmail.com) or at 612.240.9874 for more information.

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## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE 8TH GRADE CEREMONY | PTA

Plans are underway to celebrate our 8th graders. A dance and celebration ceremony are being planned for the end of the year. Volunteer needs can be found by clicking [here](#), or by copying and pasting the following URL address into a web browser:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0544abaa2aaafe3-8thgrade>