



DOWNSVILLE TIGER TALES

MAY – JUNE 2016

From the Desk of the Principal!

Dear Downsville Families,

It's hard to believe we are coming to the closure of another year! As we say goodbye to our beloved 5th graders; we wish them success and all good fortune in their future!



Have a Good Summer!

- ▶ Continue reading this summer. Plan a weekly visit to your public library.
- ▶ Practice math skills during the summer. That will prevent a "backslide" in skills.
- ▶ If your child is participating in summer sports, be sure he or she takes frequent breaks to avoid getting overheated.
- ▶ Make sure your child stays well hydrated when playing outside in the heat.
- ▶ Don't forget the sunscreen!

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Attention all volunteers! Thank you for support throughout the year and please join us for our Volunteer Breakfast on our last day of school, June 2: 8:00-8:30 a.m. It's our small way of showing our appreciation to anyone who has volunteered their time, shared their talents and supported our school vision for all our learners.

Check our website calendar for many upcoming events and field trips. As always, please feel free to contact me with questions or concerns. Thank you for your partnership in your child's education and have a wonderful summer vacation!

P.S. We hope to see you August 27th for Downsville Day fun!

Best regards,
Mary Henry
Downsville Elementary Principal



Tiger PAW Award winners for the month of April were the following:

Kdg.- Via Payne
 1st- Mason Pfeilsticker
 2nd- Xaden Carlson
 3rd- Madysen Brown
 4th- Brooklyn Hoff
 5th- Kadence Keck



****REMINDER****
DOWNSVILLE ALL SCHOOL FIELD TRIP
JUNE 1, 2016



On Wednesday, June 1, our whole school will be taking a field trip sponsored by the PTC. Our students will be visiting Como Zoo in Minnesota. We intend to leave school at 9:00 AM and return approximately 3:00 PM.

All students must ride the bus to Como Zoo with their class and are allowed to ride home with parents if they have notified their student's teacher(s).

If possible we ask that students wear one of the following shirts: the NEW Downsville gray shirt, an orange, or a blue shirt, (our Downsville School colors). This is to help our students be easily identifiable.

This is a school field trip. Students are only to enjoy the exhibits that are free of charge at the zoo.



Chaperones are welcome. All chaperones must have a completed background check on file for this year. Chaperones assignments and information will be coming home soon!

We have limited seating on the buses so chaperones **will** need to drive themselves.

A lunch has been ordered for your child if you indicated that your student would be taking a school lunch.

It should be a fun filled day. Please remember to thank the PTC for their support!!



WRITTEN EXCUSE

We must have a written excuse from you when your child returns to school after an absence. This is a requirement from the state!! Thank you



**SPIRIT WEEK
DRESS-UP
THEME IDEAS**



Future events...

May 27th - Formal Dress Day

**Last Day of school...Crazy Hair
Day!!**



Important Up-Coming Dates:

- May** 23 Cubby's Night Fund Raiser
4:00 – 8:00 P.M .
- 24 4th – 5th Grade Field Trip
2 Bullfrog Fish Farm &
Styer Farm
- 25 5th Grade Track and Field Day
River Heights - 9:30 a.m.
- 26 RAIN DATED -5th Grade Track
and Field Day River - Heights
- 27 Kindergarten & 1st Grade
Field Trip – Dome Ranch
- 27 **** Formal Dress Day **!**
- 29 1st Annual Downsview
Community Museum -
Pancake Breakfast –
8:30- 11:30 A.M.
- 30 NO SCHOOL – Memorial Day!
- 31 5th Grade Recognition
Celebration! 5:00 –7:00 PM
- June** 1 All School Field Trip to
Como Park
- 2 Last Day of School!
Volunteer Breakfast
Awards
Mr. Bauer Memorial Walk
Picnic Lunch

**HAPPY
SUMMER
VACATION!**

Exciting Accomplishments at Downsville School



Downsville students are very proud of our Downsville School Mural made from all the “caps” they collected for many months!

GREAT JOB DOWNSVILLE!

We would like to recognize the wonderful UW Stout “Paint A.I.M.’s” artists who worked very diligently on Downsville School’s Mural!

Abigail Henderson & Grace Rogers pictured with Mrs. Henry.



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Science Olympiad

We had another fun year participating in the Elementary Science Olympiad!!
Special thanks go out to the parents, grandparents, and Dale for helping during practices. The following 4th and 5th Graders participated and received the awards in their events:

Cody Dahms
Jaylynn Cornellier
Brian Styer
Rosko Radle
Autumn Larrabee - 3rd place - Say It Again
Maddie Fick
Amber Remington
Deven Ayres - 2nd place - Barge Building
Macy Skillings
Dakaria Bundy
Mariyah Creaser

Luke Mahoney - 1st place Mystery Architecture
Brooklyn Hoff
Ava Arndt
Emily Zukowski - 3rd place - Say It Again
Harvest Johnson
Lydia Leach - 1st place Mystery Architecture
Bethany Bowman
Aiden Ayres - 2nd place - Barge Building
Janessa Fry
Lydia Long

Way to go!

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Savers!!



CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL "SAVERS".

This year students have raised a over \$800.00 for our school!

- Kwik trip – Milk Moola - \$211.40
- Empties for Cash (Ink cartridges) - \$37.35
- Box Tops for Education - \$ 552.90
- Our Family Labels - \$51.90
- We have 2,894 points with Labels for Education



Funds were used to make a partial payment for the Mabel Tainter Field trip "Main Street Math" that the entire school attended. Picture frames were purchased and mounted to display the previous oil prints of Downsview School. (These are now displayed in our hallway!) Pedometers were purchased to be used by students for and during physical education. Around \$500 was used to fund these purchases!

A big thank you to everyone that has helped us collect and in doing so helped our students and school!

A **"HUGE"** thank you to Carol Bakke who cuts, counts and mails in all our "Savers"!

Thank you, thank you, thank you!



Math-A-Thon Fundraiser!

The students at Downsville who participated in the Math-A-Thon raised around \$3200.00 dollars for the PTC fundraiser!! Way to go!!

Pictured below are the students who got **100%** on their Math-A-Thon test.



The top fundraising student in each class earned the opportunity to “Slime the Principal”!!

Shown here was the 5th grade winner dousing Mrs. Henry with his bucket of “slime”.



Student Council News



Wow! What a fantastic year of student council. We were busy, busy, busy.

We want to thank all the student council students for adding pieces of their leadership to Downsville School this year. A big thank you to their families too. We appreciate the school support.

Some activities that student council accomplished this year:

- Monthly dress up themes
- Homecoming Float & Spirit Week
- Fall Festival-DJ, classroom theme baskets, food, games
- 1st annual Spring plant sale
- Penny Wars-raising money for Stepping Stones and Christmas for Kids Families, shopping for families @ Wal-mart, presented at the District School Board Meeting
- Teacher Appreciation Week
- Leadership Brainstorming Activities

Attention all Downsville Students:

Be thinking over the summer if you would be interested in running for student council next school year. We will be looking for new members to lead our school for the 2016/2017 school year. Grades 2-5th will be eligible.

~Mrs. Gully & Mrs. Holcomb



Downsville Elementary Night At Cubby's Pizza!!

Monday, May 23rd

4~8 pm

Dine in or Take Out Sales

Phone: 715-664-8390

**Money raised is
being used to
purchase a new
school sign.**



1st Annual

DOWNSVILLE COMMUNITY MUSEUM PANCAKE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER



SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2016

8:30-11:30AM

**At the Museum on
County Rd C - in Downsville**

Buttermilk & Blueberry Pancakes, Sausage from
Springbrook Meats, Real Maple Syrup, Juice & Coffee

Rummage for a Reason!

On Saturday April 23rd an electrical fire left our house in ruins. Thankfully our family is safe and with help from our loved ones we are getting by. We are looking for help to rebuild our future.



Sale Date: Thursday-Sunday
June 16th-19th



Things We Need Include:

Rummage Sale and Craft Items

Baked Goods

Help With Sorting, Pricing and
Setting Up

An account for donations has been set up at WESTconsin Credit Union.
For more information, please call Tara or WESTconsin.

If you are interested in donating items or lending a helping hand please
contact:

Tara Wolfe (715) 308-5464 or Tina Swan (715) 309-8378

When Hard Times Happen



Sometimes things happen that are out of our control; being laid off from our job, car trouble, our refrigerator dying, or receiving a huge medical bill in the mail. Other times we may find ourselves in a situation where our family has no place to go.

When a family is facing homelessness, it can be an extremely scary and overwhelming experience. We may feel powerless over the situation when our family finds themselves living in a shelter (such as the Bridge to Hope or Stepping Stones), having to move into another family's home (double-up), living in a hotel, camper/campground, or in a car. Please know that you are not alone and there are resources available to help.

Upon notification to the school, your child will be provided free lunch until your family has secured housing. Your child also has the right to continue attending the same school, regardless of if your family is currently sheltered in a different part of town. The school district will work with you to ensure your child has a way to get to and from school.

The school district also employs a full-time school social worker, whose job is to partner with your family and help you navigate through this difficult time. The school social worker, Meghan Eisenbraun, may be reached by calling 715-232-1642 x 30110 or by emailing meghan_eisenbraun@msd.k12.wi.us.

In addition to school, there are many other community supports available. Agencies such as Stepping Stones and WestCAP work to help families find housing. A complete list of housing and shelter supports, is available on the Dunn County Community Resource Guide website at dunncounty.wix.com/resourceguide.

Making the Right Connections

Did you know there are agencies in our community whose main purpose is to help individuals and families through hard times?

Several agencies provide access to food, housing, employment, health care, parenting resources, veteran's services, volunteer opportunities, support groups, and many other needs to Dunn County residents. There are numerous resources available to the people in our community, but most of us do not know how to find what we need.

Did you know there is a community resource guide available online?

The Dunn County Community Resource Guide helps connect people to services that may help them meet their family's needs. The guide is located online and contains over 30 different service categories, such as clothing, dental, employment, food and nutrition, hospitals and clinics, housing and shelter, income-based services, medical and health care, mental health and counseling, parenting and family services, support groups, volunteer opportunities, and youth programming, just to name a few. Each category contains a printable list of programs and agencies available to help.

Dunn County Community Resource Guide

dunncounty.wix.com/resourceguide

*Assisting community members with limited resources,
as well as agencies that partner with these individuals,
in providing timely access to needed services.*

dunncocommunityresourceguide@gmail.com

Food Resources for Dunn County

Summer 2016

FREE SUMMER MEALS!

For all children under 18 years of age.

Breakfast 7:30-8:30 am Lunch 12:00-1:00 pm

River Heights: Monday-Friday June 13th to July 30th Friday bag lunch only 11:00-11:30 am. No meals July 4th. August 1st-19th Breakfast only.

High School: Monday-Thursday June 13th-30th, July 11th-14th, August 1st-19th.

This institution is an equal opportunity provider.

Farmer's Markets

Boyceville Farmer's Market

Andy Pafko Park
Hwy 170
Boyceville, WI 54725
June-October Mondays 2:00 pm- 6:00 pm.

Elk Mound Area Farmer's Market

E220 Menomonie St
Elk Mound, WI 54739
June-October Fridays 8:00 am – 6:00 pm.

Menomonie Farmer's Market

Dunn County Rec Park Fairgrounds
620 17th St SE
Menomonie, WI 54751
May to Mid-October Wednesdays 12:00 pm- 5:00 & Saturdays 8:00 am –1:00 pm.

FREE COMMUNITY MEALS

Thursday's Table

First Congregational Church
420 Wilson Ave
Menomonie, WI 54751
715-235-5838
Each Thursday 5pm - 6 pm

Tuesday's Table

St. Joseph's Church
910 Wilson Ave
Menomonie, WI 54751
715-232-4922
Each Tuesday 5pm - 6 pm

Project SAM: Free weekend meal program for youth. Distributed Thursdays during summer school. Each bag contains enough food for two breakfasts and two lunches for one child. Each child in the home is eligible. No distribution the weekend of July 4th. Contact 715-235-2920 or foodpantry@steppingstonesdc.org to register.

Dunn County Food Pantries

Caring Ministries Food Pantry

715 University Ave 715-704-6400
Colfax, WI 54730
Emergency food for residents in the Colfax postal code or school district. By appointment only.

Food Harvest Ministry

Boyceville Community Center 715-643-2350
500 Charlotte St
Boyceville, WI 54725
Third Thursday of the month from 9 am – 10:30 am. No questions asked. Bring your own bags or boxes.

Food Harvest Ministry

508 Hwy 12 W 715-665-2009
Knapp, WI 54749
Fifth Saturday of the month from 7:00 am -10:00 am. No questions asked. Bring your own bags or boxes

Knapp Community Projects Food Pantry

508 Hwy 12 W 715-665-2310
Knapp, WI 54749
Tuesdays & Thursdays from 2 pm – 4 pm. Allowed two visits monthly. You must apply in person at the pantry.

Ruby's Pantry at Shepherd of the Hill

207 University St Church: 715-879-5115
Elk Mound, WI 54739 Ruby's: 320-629-7400
Third Monday of the month. Registration at 4:30 pm, distribution at 5:30 pm. \$20 cash donation requested. No county restrictions; everyone is welcome. Bring boxes.

Shepherd of the Hill Food Pantry

207 University St 715-879-5115
Elk Mound, WI 54739
Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 am – noon & emergencies

Stepping Stones Food Pantry

1620 Stout Rd 715-235-2920
Menomonie, WI 54751
Mondays, Thursdays, & Fridays 11 am- 2 pm, Tuesdays & Wednesdays 11 am- 2 pm, & Saturdays from 10 am- noon. Photo ID, proof of residency (driver's license, utility bill, lease, etc.) & household's gross monthly income needed.

West CAP Food Pantry

823 Main St 715-977-1191
Boyceville, WI 54725
Thursdays from 3 pm – 7 pm & Fridays from 9 am – 1 pm.



United Way of Dunn County's



SPRING CARNIVAL

FREE

WHO? Dunn County Residents

WHAT? Dunn County Free Carnival

WHEN? June 8, 2016

TIME? 4:30 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

WHERE? Dunn County Fair Grounds

GAMES * FUN ACTIVITIES * CLOWNS * ENTERTAINMENT

DOOR PRIZES * FREE FOOD * MUSIC * POPCORN

COTTON CANDY * CARICATURISTS * 3M WIZARDS

**HORSE DRAWN CARRIAGE RIDES and HUMAN FOOSBALL
GAME (weather permitting)**

***** Learn about opportunities in your community*****

- All children are to be accompanied by an adult at all times.***
- For more information about this Free Carnival call 715.235.3800***
- Want to know more about United Way? Go to www.uwaydunn.org***