



October 2013

Fall 2013

## From the Principal's Office



Happy Fall,

What a fun school carnival we had! Thank you to our PTA and especially to Nanette Hallam and Treasa Wilkinson, our Carnival Chairs. One mother

commented,

*Thanks so much for the wonderful carnival! This is our first year at Northridge and we were so impressed with the line-up we invited my sister and her husband to join us for the fun event. We came at 4:30, didn't leave until after 7, and had not a minute of down-time. One of my daughters declared it was "the best day of her life". Thank you so much for all the effort!*

I even enjoyed being duct taped to the wall, anything for a good cause, right! We appreciate the efforts of so many and for your support in coming to the carnival.

I want to encourage parents to sign up for our conferences, which will be on October 2 and 3. If you have not made an appointment you may call the office and we will be happy to schedule a time for you. It is important for parents to be involved and connected with their children through parent teacher conferences. It is a great time to check in and see what is happening. Our book fair will also be going on next week. We appreciate your support.

**Thank you for your support of the "KeepnTrack" program.** We appreciate your patience as we

learn together. I appreciate those who take the time to get their badge when coming to help at the school, this helps to keep our school safe. You may submit your application at home online at, [northridge.keepntrack.com/apply](http://northridge.keepntrack.com/apply).

Safety Week will be October 7-9, with our **"Walk to School Day" on Wednesday October 9<sup>th</sup>**. We encourage parents to walk to school on that day as a family to find the safest route to the school. Please discuss walking and biking safety with your child(ren).

Our Halloween Parade will be on Thursday October 31, at 1:00 pm. All students will be sitting outside their classrooms to enjoy the parade. The parade route will go clockwise around the main hallways and then through the small gym and the gym. We encourage all parents to be in either gym to view the parade.

Included at the end of the newsletter is a **barcode to link your Smith's card to Northridge Elementary**. This is an easy way to earn money. We received a check for \$200 this year. It **doesn't cost you anything. We appreciate you** signing up to help raise additional funds for Northridge. Thank you for your continued support of Northridge Elementary. We have the greatest students, parents and staff!



## Calendar Items

October 2-3 Parent Teacher Conferences  
October 2-5 Book Fair  
October 7-9 Safety Week  
October 9 Walk to School Day  
October 10,11 & 14 Fall Break  
October 18 Reflections Entries Due  
October 21-25 Red Ribbon Week  
October 24 Picture Retakes  
October 31 Halloween Parade 1:00 p.m.

## PTA President's Message



Thank you all for making this year's Carnival such a success. Your attendance, donations, planning, and staffing made our Carnival great. We are very grateful for the many Northridge families that are involved. Your contribution to Carnival helps Northridge PTA provide programs and activities for the student throughout out the year. Thank you.

Speaking of activities, there are several over the next few weeks. This week, please plan to attend Parent Teacher Conferences (10/2-3) and stop by the Book Fair with your kids. Next week, will include Safety Week (10/7-9), International Walk to School Day (10/9), and Fall Break. Once we come back, Red Ribbon Week (10/21-25) and Picture Retakes (10/24) will wrap up October. Each Friday is Spirit Day so remember to show your Northridge Spirit by wearing your school shirt.

Libby Lewis

# Thank You!

Thank you for helping make the Northridge Carnival a success! The Northridge community is amazing. We received many generous donations from candy, baked goods, silent auction items, business donations and very creatively decorated pop bottles! We so appreciate the many hours that volunteers gave to organize and run the stations! A huge thank you to Mindy Stailey who organized and headed up the food in the cafeteria! Thank you to everyone who came out and enjoyed the carnival with their families.

The "Highest Achiever Class" and winner of the pizza party went to Ms. Iman's class. The "Best Builder Class" and winner of the donut party went to Mrs. Smith's PM class.

Nanette Hallam & Treasa Wilkinson

Co-Carnival Chairs



Northridge's Fall Book Fair will be here this week along with Parent Teacher Conferences. It's a great time to get a new book to read to support Northridge, get the newest novel or check out an older story you've been waiting to read. We'll have a stock of the latest stories as well as the classics. Stop by our book fair during any of the following times:

Monday Sept. 30 - 8:30am-2pm  
Tuesday Oct. 1 - 8:30am-4pm  
Wednesday Oct. 2 - 11:30am-7pm  
Thursday Oct. 3 - 11:30am-7pm  
Friday Oct. 4 - 11:30am-4pm

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## Reflections Program Dreams of More Entries



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If your student likes to draw or build or make up dances, Reflections is a chance for them to express themselves and there is a category just for them! This year's Reflections Program

Theme, "Believe, Dream, Inspire" encourages students to tap their imaginations for visions of what could be in the categories of visual arts, photography, film production, literature, musical composition, choreography, and 3-dimensional art.

Reflections entries are due on or before Friday, October 18 for judging.

Winners will be named at an awards ceremony on November 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the large gym. First, second and third place winners will be recognized and entries that receive the 1st place honor at Northridge will be submitted to the Council competition. Winners at the council level will continue on to the Region, then State and potentially national level as well. Some things to remember:

Students are limited to one entry per category; however, students are welcome to enter more than one category.

Students should have received a flyer with the categories and general rules for each category.

Additional forms and the detailed rules for each category are available in the hall outside the office or at <http://www.utahpta.org/reflections>.

Each category has a unique set of rules that need to be read and closely followed. Entries that have not followed the rules will not be able to advance regardless of their artistic merit, and will not be forwarded to the judges. Entries submitted early will be checked following submission guidelines.

If you have questions about reflections:

[reflections@nmmaxwell.com](mailto:reflections@nmmaxwell.com)

## BYU Fans Win the Box Tops Battle

Our BYU vs. U of U Box Tops contest went well we had over 120



students participate and several thousand Box Tops submitted. I still haven't finished counting! Our Ute fans won the football game this time, but our Cougar fans won the Box Tops contest by a landslide.

Keep collecting those Box Tops and turn them into the office any time you want. My deadline to turn them is November 1, so watch for a collection sheet in October to get them to the collection office so they will write Northridge a check before the end of 2013. Thank you for all your help!

## Red Ribbon Week Celebrations October 21-25

**Monday** is **RED RALLY DAY**. Wear as much red as you can! Classes with the most red will get a small prize.

**Tuesday** is **DRUG FREE FROM HEAD TO TOE**. Wear a hat and crazy socks.

**Wednesday** is **FOLLOW YOUR DREAMS. DON'T DO DRUGS**. Wear your pajamas.

**Thursday** is **TEAM UP AGAINST DRUGS**. Wear a team jersey or Northridge shirt. We will have an AWESOME assembly put on by BYU.

**Friday** is **A HEALTHY ME IS DRUG FREE. RUN AWAY FROM DRUGS**. Join us for running club during lunch and we will "run away from drugs."

