



# OES PRESS

January 8, 2010

## Mark Your Calendar

- **Monday, January 11**  
7pm Board of Education meeting
- **Tuesday, January 12**  
7pm PTO meeting at DA
- **Thursday, January 14**  
Market Day orders due
- **Friday, January 15**  
Popcorn sold at lunch
- **Monday, January 18**  
No Students – Professional Development
- **Tuesday, January 19**  
No Students – Professional Development
- **Thursday, January 21**  
5-6pm Market Day pick up
- **Friday, January 22**  
Grade 5 Spelling Bee  
7pm PTO Bingo Night at OES
- **Monday, January 25**  
7pm Board of Education meeting
- **Friday, January 29**  
No Students – Professional Development
- **Monday, February 1**  
3<sup>rd</sup> quarter begins
- **Tuesday, February 2**  
4pm Super Singers practice resumes
- **Thursday, February 4**  
8am Student Council meeting
- **Friday, February 5**  
Bagels sales before school



## Teacher of the Year Nominations

Please nominate your favorite teacher for the Oakland County Teacher of the Year! Simply go to the link provided below and fill out an electronic survey to submit a nomination. We need all nominations by February 1<sup>st</sup>. One outstanding teacher will be selected to represent our school in a district-wide and then county-wide recognition program. We know they all deserve this recognition!  
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/oesteacheroftheyear>



January marks the annual observance of School Board Recognition Month. We would like to salute our School Board

members for the countless hours they devote to helping ensure the best education for our youngsters.

Members of the Oxford Board include:

Colleen Schultz, President  
Carol Mitchell, Secretary  
Doug Myer, Treasurer  
Bill Keenist, Trustee  
Robert Martin, Trustee  
Kim Shumaker, Trustee  
Mary Stein, Trustee

The Board Members will be honored at a dinner prior to the January 25<sup>th</sup> Board of Education meeting. We thank you, Board Members, for your tireless work on behalf of all Oxford Community Schools' staff and students.

## Student Council Giving Tree and Food Drive

We would like to thank the many friends of Oxford Elementary who supported our Giving Tree this holiday season. Mittens, scarves, hats, coats, blankets, games, and books are an example of the generosity of our OES families. These items were collected and given to The Baldwin Center in Pontiac for distribution! FISH would also like to thank all those who contributed to the Holiday Food Drive. They were able to help countless families in the Oxford and Lake Orion area have a better holiday season!



## Student Council Talent Show

The OES Annual Student Council Talent Show is scheduled for Friday, April 16,

2010 in the OHS Auditorium. Official sign up and auditions will be in March. Students who want to sing need to use a piano accompaniment, karaoke version or background music. Singing along with a CD will not be allowed. Students can only participate in one act no longer than 2-3 minutes long. See Mrs. Harvell or Ms. Huss if you would like to participate.

## Congratulations Super Singers!

Our Super Singers, under the direction of Mrs. Mueller, presented a wonderful holiday concert on Wednesday, December 18th. The hard work from all of their practicing paid off! Their voices really got everyone into the spirit of the holiday season. Great Job Super Singers!

## Yearbook Photos

Anyone with yearbook photos, please email to [daoesyearbook@yahoo.com](mailto:daoesyearbook@yahoo.com). Remember to label pictures with teacher name, grade, event, etc.



## Fund Run Winners

Congratulations to the following students who were the top sellers in their class for the Fund Run:

Mrs. Rushlow - Keelin Jakey  
Mr. Stremersch - Brandon Groedl  
Mrs. Dorman - Gavin Watson  
Mrs. C. Williams - Chase Jackson  
Mrs. Bartlo - Jason Gamalski

Ms. S. Williams - Jacob Donovan  
Mrs. Kmiec - Haley Kopitzki  
Mrs. Kraniak - Ian Lamphear  
Mrs. Hart - Lindsey Mullen  
Mrs. Johnston - Joshua Senger

Mr. Robydek - Andrew Pezolt Top Student at OES!  
Mrs. Powers - Marisa Bourn  
Mrs. Rhoades - Anthony Arata  
Mrs. Boris - Hatty Cornell

## OES To Go Paperless!

OES has a New Year's resolution in place for 2010. We will be attempting to go paperless in January. All correspondence between school, students and parents will be done electronically, with the exception of report cards. As a result, students Friday folders should be a little lighter! Our goal is to have 100% participation in the Wildcat Alert system. This free service enables parents to receive district and school communications electronically. To subscribe, go to: <http://mailout.oxfordschools.org/> to sign up.





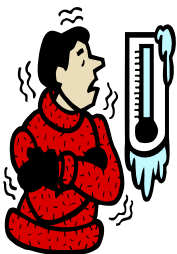
## Student of the Month

OES is participating in the Student of the Month Recognition Program offered by Congressman Mike Rogers. Certificates for December awarded for "Uses Good Manners" are:

Paige Hodder - Mrs. Bartlo  
Jillian Beall - Mrs. Dorman  
Mason Upham - Mrs. Rushlow  
Brandon Groedl - Mr. Stremersch  
Hannah Couture - Mrs. C. Williams  
Adam Gillespie - Mrs. Hart  
Devon Bonner - Mrs. Johnston  
Dakota Blaylock - Mrs. Kmiec  
Grace Koster - Mrs. Kraniak  
Elle Wright - Ms. S. Williams  
Rachel Kady - Mrs. Boris  
Brooke Viviano - Mrs. Powers  
Ashley Prusa - Mrs. Rhoades  
Andrew Daily - Mr. Robydek

To honor these students, a Student of the Month breakfast with Mr. Brown will be held on Wednesday, January 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:15am in the cafeteria. Invitations were sent home on Thursday, January 7<sup>th</sup>.

## Outdoor Recess



Recess is an important time for our students. We will be outdoors unless it is raining or the wind-chill factor is below 10 degrees. We ask that you make sure that your child is prepared to go outside for recess.

Students need snow pants and boots to be allowed to play off the black top. Only students who have a doctor's note will be allowed to stay in during the recess period.

## A Leap of Faith by Lauren Chapman (Mrs. Rhoades – 5<sup>th</sup> grade)

A Leap of Faith (ALOF) is a charity that supports those in need in Michigan and West Virginia. ALOF will donate one dollar per recycled ink cartridge. The money buys food and clothes for the homeless. Please help by bringing in your empty ink cartridges and putting them in the green box located in the office.



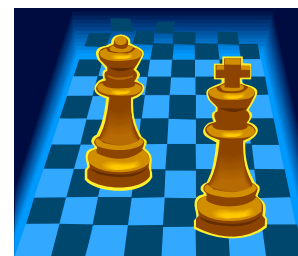
## School Closing Information

The winter season is now upon us. When there is a weather advisory please make sure to watch the local T.V. stations for school closings. You may also call the district hotline, 248-969-5070, for information. The decision to close schools is typically made by 5:00 a.m.

Please remember that the district covers approximately 96 square miles, and there are many secondary roads that are not paved. Snow and ice make these roads especially treacherous.

Be advised that once school is in session, it would be extremely rare for the district to close school in the middle of the day.

## Oxford Public Library Drop-in Chess Club



The Oxford Public Library is offering a Drop-in Chess Club for children ages 7 and up. Please bring your own chess set or use one of ours and start up a game with someone. Help will be available if you want to learn to play! The club will meet on the following Wednesdays each month from 6:30-8:00pm – Jan. 20, Feb. 3, Feb. 17, Mar. 3 and Mar. 17. Come and join the fun!



MIChild is a health insurance program. It is for uninsured children of Michigan's working families. MIChild services are provided by many HMOs and other health care plans throughout Michigan. Call 1-888-988-6300 for more information.

Go to the link below to apply online:

[http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/1,1607,7-132-2943\\_4845\\_4931---,00.html](http://www.michigan.gov/mdch/1,1607,7-132-2943_4845_4931---,00.html)

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