

# Hawk Talk

*The Official Newsletter of Hayfield Elementary School PTA*

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## A Message From the President

*While it is February one can taste the full joys of anticipation. Spring stands at the gate with her finger on the latch. -Patience Strong*

Starting this short month off with a bang, aren't we?

The I ((LOVE)) Hayfield, PTA Membership Drive kicked off on the 1st, with Family BINGO Night and Raffle following quick on its heels - tomorrow, Friday the 9th.

Lindsey Olson, our Vice President and Membership Chair, is taking the month of February to reach out to our Hayfield Elementary families and share the benefits of membership in our PTA with I ((LOVE)) Hayfield. Your membership shows your dedication to, and appreciation of, our School and Community. JOIN; partner with us in doing GOOD!

Our BINGO Night Chair, Maria Evans, has done wonderful work putting together the many baskets for raffle – we are very grateful to all the local businesses and community members who donated goods and services to be used in building these baskets - it's going to be great fun; I look forward to seeing you, there!

Looking to March, you'll see information regarding Whoo's Reading coming home. Pam Fine and Flor Philips, of Ways and Means, are gearing up and nearly ready to launch the Read-a-thon – one of our most engaging, and well loved, PTA sponsored programs. The Spring Session of Enrichment Matters will also begin in March – registration opening on March 1st – with scholarships available for qualified students. Details and information regarding these programs and events will be going home in your child's Thursday Folder.

The next PTA meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 6th; we encourage you to join us and welcome your participation! As always, the news and information you need can be found on our site: [www.hayfieldespta.org](http://www.hayfieldespta.org). There, you will also find links to the school's Facebook page and Twitter account; PTA meeting minutes, and past issues of Hawk Talk – be informed and stay connected!

Wishing you good health and patience – Spring stands at the gate!

Warm Regards,  
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# I ((LOVE)) Hayfield!



Hayfield  
PTA Membership  
Drive

**It's not too late to join the Hayfield Elementary PTA!!**

**What does my PTA membership support?**

The PTA provides a variety of enrichment opportunities for students including funding for field trips, assemblies, and after-school activities to name just a few. In addition, the PTA

- ✓ Provides agendas for all students
- ✓ Helps with replenishing classroom libraries
- ✓ Supports technology upgrades and improvements
- ✓ Off-sets the cost of field trips
- ✓ And much more!

**What Perks do I get as a member?**

- ✓ Free raffle ticket for Bingo night
- ✓ Free school directory
- ✓ **Discounts at popular attractions like Great Wolf Lodge, Williamsburg and more!**
- ✓ Discounts at retailers like BOXED, Hertz, Sylvan Learning and more!

For additional information on discounts visit [www.pta.org](http://www.pta.org) and click on "Why PTA?" Then click "Member Benefits".

**What is the cost?**

An annual PTA family membership is \$15 and goes to supporting all that the PTA does for our school. This year, we are thrilled to offer you the opportunity to sign up online!

**So how do I join?**

**Join online** at [member.pta.org](http://member.pta.org). To join online, access [member.pta.org](http://member.pta.org). Create an account and then follow the prompts to locate Hayfield Elementary School.

***Thank you for supporting I LOVE Hayfield, PTA Membership Drive!***





# Library Volunteers Needed!

Mrs. Ergler, the HES Librarian, is in search of volunteers to help during the school-day. Go to <https://sites.google.com/view/hes-pta-library-committee/home>, click on 'Library Volunteers' and you will be taken to the signup.

Responsibilities include re-shelving books and possibly assisting with book check-in/out. The schedule consists of 2-hour blocks and ideally volunteers will come weekly, every other week or once a month. Volunteer slots are marked as either Orange or Blue Week. Most teachers are scheduled to the library at specific times every week or bi-weekly for lessons and check-out. If you are interested in volunteering during your student's lesson time you can verify the week, day and time slot through the link posted in the signup description.

Make sure you bring a valid photo ID when you check in at the front office. Mrs. Ergler is looking forward to working with you!

Thank you,  
Patti Mosko - Library Committee

## Spiritwear SALE During BINGO Night!



The next chance to shop for spiritwear items will be at bingo Feb 9<sup>th</sup>. Show your **LOVE** for Hayfield by purchasing headbands, bows, footballs, car magnets, water bottles, and more! Select sizes of short sleeve youth t-shirts will also be available.

Questions? Contact Katie Jarvis and Jessica Santos at [hayfieldespta.spiritwear@gmail.com](mailto:hayfieldespta.spiritwear@gmail.com)



# Online Read-A-Thon is Coming!

## Hayfield Elementary PTA Online Read-A-Thon is Coming! March 1<sup>st</sup> – April 6<sup>th</sup> 2018

Read Books... Log Online... Get Sponsors... Raise Money!



Children choose whatever they want to read.



Children log their reading on their secure profiles.



Parents invite sponsors via email, text, and social media.



Your school keeps 80% of funds raised!

### Let's read and get sponsors so our Owlavatars look like these...



### More info in 3/1 Thursday Folders!

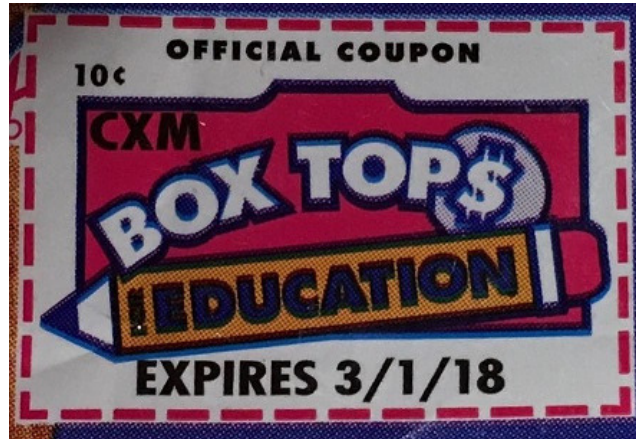
Join the fun by signing on at  
[www.whooosreading.org](http://www.whooosreading.org)!

Questions? Contact us at  
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# Box Tops For Education by February 15!

Please send in your collected Box Tops for Education by February 15. We're preparing and counting the Box Tops for our Spring submission. Thanks to your fall contributions, HES received over \$1,100 from Box Tops so far this school year! Remember to keep clipping all year round!



## Remember to use your Certifikid discount code!

Check out [www.CertifiKid.com](http://www.CertifiKid.com), and use promo code HAYFIELD for \$5 off \$30+ and HES will earn \$5 also. If the "HAYFIELD" promo code is used just five more times, HES will receive the first check from CertifiKid. Please share with friends and family! This promotion ends June 15, 2018.

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## Do you shop on Amazon?

Remember to use Hayfield Elementary's AmazonSmile page every time you shop on Amazon!  
<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/51-0167294>

For more information, check out <https://www.hayfieldespta.org/rewards>.

Questions? Contact Becca Bagley and Rachel Margolis at [hesrewardprograms@gmail.com](mailto:hesrewardprograms@gmail.com).

# Green Patch!

Happy February Hayfield Families!

We have a few exciting updates for you in and around Hayfield elementary!

**TREES!** We are in the final rounds of the approval process to plant three large trees on the Southwest end of the school. While trees have long been recognized for their ability to help clean the air, reduce energy needs, and raise property values, trees are also an incredible resource in reducing rain water (or stormwater) pollution.

**Native plant learning garden!** The girl scouts are still in the throes of creating a native plant area in our interior courtyard. We are looking forward to the project and will keep you posted as we progress!

**Salad Science!** Hayfield is excited to announce the return of our 2nd grade Salad Science program, a project-based learning experience that has our kids planting, growing and eating their school-grown lettuce! Stay tuned for more updates!

**Volunteer Opportunity!** Are you interested in an Earth Day project? Join a local clean-up or better yet, become a site leader for Alice Ferguson Foundation's (AFF) 30th annual Potomac River Watershed Clean-up and lead your own site clean-up around Hayfield!!!! Site leader training will be held from 10:30 – 12noon on Feb. 10th at the City of Fairfax Regional Library. Space is limited and RSVP is required. Sign up today by calling 301-292-5665 or EMAIL: (put site leader training in subject line) [potomaccleanup@gerfusionfoundation.org](mailto:potomaccleanup@gerfusionfoundation.org)

To learn more visit:

<http://fergusonfoundation.org/trash-free-potomac-watershed-initiative/potomac-river-watershed-cleanup/>

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