



The Eagle Weekly

What Parents Need To Know Right Now!

November 6, 2007

Simpson Middle School

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Dates to Remember

Thursday, November 8: School Council 4:30 pm

Sunday, November 11: Simpson Birthday Celebration

Thursday, November 15: PTSA Meeting 6:30; Chorus Concert 7 pm

Character Word for the Week: Citizenship — Respectful devotion or allegiance to one's country and/or school. **Democracy** — Individual, responsible participation in decision making; government by the people.

Yearbooks are on Sale Now! Yearbooks are on sale now until November 16th. The cost is \$35. Order forms can be printed from the PTSA website.

Shredder needed—Can you help? The Guidance and Special Education Offices have shared a paper shredder for many years. This strip shredder has served us well, but has seen better days. You can imagine the amount of confidential paper that we have in these two offices, not to mention the paper from all the other staff members who utilize this shredder. In our efforts to keep students' personal information out of the trash, we are on a quest for a new shredder. If any of you work in an office that might surplus a shredder or in any way have access to get us a paper shredder, we would be most grateful for any donation. The more powerful and industrial the shredder, the better service it can provide to us. Please contact Mrs. Carmichael, School Clerk or Mrs. Chanin, Guidance Counselor to make arrangements for us to receive such a donation. Thank you so much!

Come visit the Simpson Spirit Store. We have all the school supplies you need, plus we are restocked on Sharpies, Gel Pens and Soffee Shorts....lots of sizes and colors! Coming soon.....long sleeved t-shirts, fleece vests, and more! **We are open every morning from 8:45 - 9:15.**

We just became Partners with Johnny's Pizza at Trickum and 92! The third Tuesday of every month starting in November thru May will be Simpson Night. On these nights the school will receive 10% of the sales when the cashier is told the sale is for Simpson. **See you November 20th!**

Parent/Family Involvement invites you to Dickerson Middle School: Session begins promptly at 11:15 and is focused toward adults. Please park across Woodlawn in the JFBC lot

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and enter the school through the door to the left of the main door, by the Chorus Room. Please contact Sharon Hanna at SharonHanna55@yahoo.com with any questions. See you there!

- **Friday, November 9, 2007, 11:15am-12:15pm: Take Off the Blinders and Help Your Child Say "No" to Drugs and Alcohol** Jeff Inman, Coordinator for Cobb County Schools Prevention & Intervention

Sprayberry Jr. Jacket 13U Baseball is holding tryouts for their spring team on **November 10th and 11th** from 2:00 – 5:00 on the Shaw Park Pony field. You must be 13 or under as of April 30, 2008. For more information contact Coach Garrison at 404-285-0597 or Coach Cargle at 678-438-8899. Come on out and give it a try! Let's play ball!

Twenty Years of Excellence! 2007-08 is the twentieth school year that Simpson Middle School has been educating the young people of our community. In honor of our accomplishments, we will be celebrating with an anniversary event on Sunday, November 11, 2007 starting at 2:00 P.M. in our theater.

Driving Seminar The "Parents Deserve a Brake" seminar will feature touching videos, a proven 10-step plan, and an expert panel to answer your tough questions. The seminar is hosted by Walton High School, 1590 Bill Murdock Road, Marietta, on **Thursday, November 8th** at 7:00-9:00 p.m. Please feel free to bring your teen as this program provides a great opportunity to start dialogue with your teen regarding the risks and responsibilities of learning to drive. A light supper is provided by Chick-fil-A at 6:30 p.m.

Time for registration to begin for the spring season of boys and girls NCYL Titans Lacrosse! Registration will be held at Trident Lacrosse located at 1485 Canton Rd., Ste 300, in Marietta. Trident has once again generously agreed to offer package/equipment discounts. Registration is open to both boys and girls ages 7-14 years. Dates of registration as follows:

- Saturday, November 17, 2007 10:00 a.m. - Noon
- Saturday, December 1, 2007 10:00 a.m. - Noon

For registration forms and more information please check our website at ncobblax.com.

Important Band Dates—Mark these Dates on Your Calendar. Contact Mrs. Starnes with any questions!

- **Thursday, November 8** 7th & 8th Grade **Concert Band** Morning Rehearsal 8:00-9:00 AM
- **Saturday, November 10** Band Solo & Ensemble Festival at Pine Mountain M.S.
- **Sunday, November 11** 7th & 8th Grade **Concert Bands** perform for the Simpson Birthday Celebration 2:00 PM
- **Thursday, November 15** 7th & 8th **Symphonic Band Camp** 4:30-7:00 PM at Simpson with guest conductor Mr. Freddy Martin
- **Tuesday, November 27** 7th & 8th **Symphonic Band Camp** 4:30-7:00 PM at Simpson with guest conductor Mrs. Mary Land
- **Monday, December 3** 7th & 8th grade **Symphonic Band Camp** 4:30-7:00 at Simpson

These are important rehearsals as we prepare for our upcoming Troy performance. The students will only have a limited number of opportunities to rehearse as a combined group. Several guest conductors have been lined up to work with the students and lend us their expertise. Dinner will be provided for the students each of those days. If you can help serve dinner, please send an email to Kristin.Starnes@cobbk12.org. Thanks!

Book Fair Coming Soon! Volunteers needed SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR Our fall book fair will be open the week after Thanksgiving. Look for us in the theater from 8:00 - 5:00, Monday - Friday, Nov. 26 - 30. We need lots of coverage during this time, so if you can help out for a few hours any time that week, please contact Sharon Gwaltney at 678-639-7117 or sharon_gwaltney@hotmail.com.

Need help for Thanksgiving and the Holiday Season? Please call our school social worker, Bethany Knapp, who can confidentially assist you and your family. 770-971-4836.

The 25th Annual Sprayberry Craft show is Saturday, November 17th from 9 am to 5 pm, and Sunday, November 18th from 12 - 4 pm, inside the school building located at the corner of East Piedmont and Sandy Plains. Over 100 crafters will be selling their handmade holiday decorations and gifts, jewelry, floral arrangements, clothing, pottery, candles, and much more. Admission and parking are free. No strollers please.

Students of the Week: Each Week Students from each grade level are honored as the Student of the Week. The Students of the Week for the week of October 29th are:

6th - Lindsay R.

7th - Hannah S.

8th - Ryan A.

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