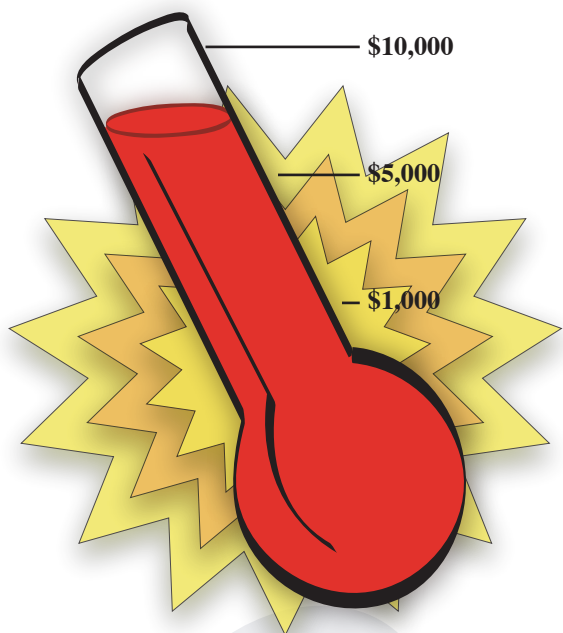




WOW! OVER \$9,000!



North Shore School comes up big in fundraiser:

Parents, students, faculty and staff all came through in a huge way for North Shore School's first major fundraiser! The school grossed over \$9,000 through sales of Innisbrook Wraps products. North Shore School receives 50% of all proceeds, which will go a long way towards restoring portions of the building!

Between parents and staff manning our Innisbrook table after school to the classroom initiatives posed by our teachers, our school showed a lot of spirit! This fundraiser could not have been so successful without the help of our dedicated parents, especially those serving on board for Friends of North Shore School and our hard-working faculty and staff. A special thank you needs to go out to Ms. Bain, Ms. Kallis and Ms. Wagner for all of their efforts in coordinating the fundraiser.



A BIG thank you also needs to go out to North Shore's amazing students! Students should receive their orders and prizes before Thanksgiving Break. For more information, please contact Ms. Bain at (773) 274-5143.



North Shore Calendar

Thanksgiving Break <input type="checkbox"/>	Nov 25 & 26
Holiday Show <input type="checkbox"/>	Dec 17
Progress Reports <input type="checkbox"/>	Dec 17
Holiday Break <input type="checkbox"/>	Dec 20 - Jan 3



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Friends of North Shore School

by Selina Steffek

The Friends of North Shore School (FNSS) is a group of parents, teachers, and alumni that formed in the fall of 2004. FNSS initially started with a group of parents who felt the need to have an open dialogue with the school's administration to discuss some concerns. The group immediately evolved into collaboration between the parents, teachers, and administration to help address the current and future needs of the school.

FNSS has had two Saturday meetings and another is scheduled for November 20. The meetings so far have addressed building repairs and improvements, increasing enrollment, and seeking means of helping the school as a whole. In order to begin repairs, the school needed to raise approximately \$9000. The school proposed a fundraiser with a goal of \$5000 in sales. The fundraiser took place at the end of September, and with everyone's incredible effort and hard work, not only did the school meet the \$5000 sales goal but exceeded it! Additionally, an anonymous Friend of North Shore School has arranged to provide new desks and chairs for the students and teachers of North Shore School, with additional desks to be donated as enrollment increases in the coming years. This "Fill the Desks" program is a direct result of the positive energy and effort of FNSS.

The mission of FNSS has not been fully defined and this is the top priority on the agenda for the next meeting, but the focus will most likely be on fundraising, facilities improvement, and increasing enrollment by increasing the awareness of North Shore School in Chicago and surrounding suburbs. FNSS hopes to tap into everyone's talents such as their professional expertise, their employers' corporate matches and donations, networking among other parents and professionals, and providing help with open houses. The formation of FNSS will help in these areas and will allow the North Shore School's administration and staff to focus on the quality education they are providing our children.

FNSS meets at the school on the third Saturday of each month at 10 A.M. Everyone is welcomed to the meetings. Everyone's insights are invaluable.

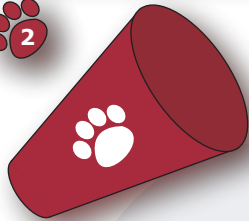


 **Virtual Tour now online**

A major component of our website redesign and outreach strategy is now available on the North Shore School website. The tour is set to voice and sound and features never seen before photos. With a blend of nujazz, the tour melodically sweeps you through a brief history of North Shore, starting with a photograph of the building prior to 1938—when it was known as the Birchwood Country Club. Next you are taken through the annals of early North Shore School, where you will see pictures of student plays, equestrian activities and a host of other activities.

After a brief history of the School, the music changes and you are transported to North Shore School today. With footage of our plays, recreational activities and Space Camp, visitors to the website will be uplifted by the enchanting atmosphere of the school's students at work, and at play.

To view the virtual tour, please visit www.northshoreschool.org and click on "Virtual Tour." We hope you enjoy the show!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you from Ms. Kallis

Dear North Shore Friends,

Thank you for the many thoughtful expressions of sympathy and for the beautiful flowers. Your kind concern meant a great deal to me.

Sincerely,
Miss Kallis

Holiday Craft Bazaar!

North Shore School will be hosting a holiday craft show in December featuring hand-made items by North Shore staff. Items include ornaments, florals, stitched items, jewelry and more! The Craft Bazaar hours are: December 1st, 2:00-6:00 pm and December 2nd, 8:00 am-6:00 pm.





Holiday Wishes

3rd and 4th Grades Share Their Wish for the Holidays

Xavier Fraire

My wish for the holiday season is that I want peace on earth and all the people to not be hungry.

Margaret Johnston

I wish there would be no homeless people and sick people would be taken care of.

Rashad Robinson

I wish that everybody in the world had good homes and food to eat. The people who need their Moms and Dads have them to be there and I wish this because I don't want people to not have a good holiday season.

Alexandra Steffek

My wish for this holiday season is for all of the homeless people to have homes and food. I wish that because there are a lot of people starving on the street.

Matt Arntzen

I wish that the wars will stop and everyone will go home for the holiday season in peace.

Kayla Bare

I wish all the poor people would get some food and some toys for the holiday season. If they have no food, it would be good to get some food.



NORTH SHORE NEEDS YOU!

What's your New Year's Resolution?

Giving up coffee? Sweets? Well, whatever your resolution, we'd love it if you could find the time to donate to North Shore School's annual campaign. This year, our goal is \$10,000 and we can't do it without you! Remember the great times and friends you made at North Shore? Well we want to tug at your nostalgic heart strings to help us preserve and improve the school both functionally and structurally. Below we've provided a brief mailer. All you have to do is print the page and send it to us. All donors who give over \$100 will be entered onto our "Wall of Fame" plaque. All donors give over \$500 will receive a free gift and the top donor will have a building fund created in their name (or their choice of names). We realize not everyone will be able to donate now, but we hope we can count on you in the future!

Please fill out the form below and mail to:
North Shore School Donor Campaign
1217 W. Chase Ave
Chicago, IL 60626

* The name of the building fund will be revealed in the next newsletter

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EMAIL _____

ADDRESS _____

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CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

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