

**September 8, 2006**

**WELCOME BACK PICNIC A ROUSING SUCCESS!**

What a fantastic time! Thank you for all of the hard work and time that went into having a great Welcome Back Picnic. The children, as well as adults, looked to be enjoying

themselves by playing games, eating, dancing, jumping, sliding, swinging and even getting people wet in the dunk tank. If you were not able to attend this year hopefully we will see

you at the next function. Thank you PTA for all of your hard work. This was a great activity for everyone.

Troy Hughes, DEES Principal

**COMMUNITY CALENDAR**

**SEPTEMBER**

|           |  |
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| <b>20</b> | <b>No School:</b> Professional Development Day               |
| <b>21</b> | <b>Double Eagle PTA General Meeting</b><br>9:15 AM Cafeteria |
| <b>22</b> | <b>Teacher Luncheon</b><br>Hosted by the Joint PTA's         |
| <b>25</b> | <b>Picture Day</b>   |

**OCTOBER**

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| <b>09</b> | <b>No School</b><br>Fall Break |
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**NOVEMBER**

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| <b>3</b>      | <b>End of 1st Trimester</b>                    |
| <b>16, 17</b> | <b>No School</b><br>Parent Teacher Conferences |

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| <b>23, 24</b> | <b>No School</b><br>Thanksgiving |
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**DECEMBER**

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| <b>18</b> | <b>Winter Break Begins</b><br>School Resumes<br>January 3, 2007 |
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*Clip & Save Important Dates*

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS** are being sold by **DOUBLE EAGLE & NORTH STAR** students  
Remember to turn in books and orders by **SEPTEMBER 15TH**

**A NOTE FROM THE HEALTH OFFICE**

The team in the Health Office would like to take this opportunity to welcome the new and returning students and families.

We're requesting your help in minimizing the spread of communicable disease at our school by following these

general guidelines:  
Please keep children home from school if they are in the acute phase of a cold or upper

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**STUDENT PICK-UP & DROP-OFF UPDATE**

Drop-off and Pick-up is a stressful time for all, but it is running better than I first expected.

One of the main keys is for the parents exiting the North East parking lot to go straight or left when they exit. This takes away the problem of the South East parking lot having

any form of cross traffic and can pick up and exit quicker.

The Neighborhood Association has asked that I remind you that Oakland, on the Westside of the school, is not a drop-off area. We do not staff this area in the mornings, and there are no sidewalks

available for children.

I know that it is challenging to pick up and drop off our children, but remember that safety is one of our major concerns.

Troy Hughes, DEES Principal



**Troy Hughes**  
Double Eagle Principal

### Visitor Badges:

In accordance with state law, all visitors to our campus **must** first check in at the administration office and **must** wear a "Visitor" badge.

We welcome and encourage your visits to Double Eagle and North Star but strive to keep a close surveillance of our campus. We do this to ensure the safety and security of our students.



**Diane Kerschen**  
North Star Principal

## DOUBLE EAGLE ELEMENTARY – MR. TROY HUGHES

Before and after school childcare is an area that we are aware of and focused on trying to resolve. Bernalillo County Parks and Rec have been working with Double Eagle for years. This year they have had a hard time in

staffing and providing supervision services for our children. We have been looking at other providers and are in the process of meeting with them and reviewing our contract with Bernalillo County Parks and Rec. I will be letting you know of

the decision as soon as one has been made. I apologize that these services have not been provided for you and your children.

Troy Hughes, DEES Principal

## NORTH STAR ELEMENTARY – MRS. DIANE KERSCHEN

Thank you to the many parents who were able to attend our Curriculum Overview Nights. It is important for everyone to understand the classroom routine, curriculum, expectations, and ways that you can be involved. We are so lucky to have such fantastic parental involvement. We are very excited to start our new North Star Community with you and your children. It is

going to be a fantastic year with learning, laughter and lots of new friends.

The new fourth grade class with Ms. Herrmann has already settled in and is having great time learning together in room 32. We welcome Ms. Molly Newton to our North Star Community. Ms. Hermann's first graders that moved to Ms. Newton, love their new teacher and classroom.

Many thanks to both North Star and Double Eagle parent volunteers who made our Back to School Picnic such a great success!! I kept hearing all night what a fabulous evening it was for everyone. Thank you!

As always, thank you for sharing your wonderful children with us!

Diane Kerschen, NSES Principal

## IMPORTANT NOTICE ABOUT STAFF PARKING LOT

With the additional students comes the additional staff. The north parking lot in the front of the school office is designated with a "Staff Parking" sign. Please do

not park in the staff parking lot to walk you children into school. Please consider dropping off your child through the parent drop off lane. There are duty teachers

to help your child out of your cars and this the safest for your child to enter school because they will not need to walk across a busy parking lot.



**FOL  
Membership  
Drive Book  
Basket  
Winners:**

Congratulations  
to  
**Michelle Kelly,**  
Double Eagle  
winner, and to  
**LeAnn  
Hartman,**  
North Star  
Winner!



## GREAT READING NEWS!

Both Double Eagle and North Star students have been reading like crazy!

Mrs. Stepetic and Mrs. Wray have

started giving out prizes to the students that have jumped right into the book clubs at the library.

We do want to let those students know

that we will be starting the recognition of *all* readers in the next newsletter. Keep your eyes peeled for that exciting information!

## MORE CLUB NEWS...

The **Junie B. Jones, Franklin, Arthur and Magic Tree House Book Clubs** all are run in a similar fashion in that the list of books read & tested on by a student are maintained in the library.

With each club, students receive an award after successfully testing on **5** books. At this time, their names are also listed in the next Community newsletter, on the Friends of the Library page. For **Junie B.**

**Jones, Arthur & Franklin**, the maximum number of books to read for awards is 15: for **Magic Tree House**, the maximum number of books to read for awards is 20.

When students successfully read and test on the maximum number of books for the club they are in, their name will also be posted on the *Readers Board* for that particular reading club. All of the *Readers Boards* are in the library.

When students reach this level they may

always continue to read the great books in the series but will no longer be allowed to test on them. This has helped to broaden the student's interest in other books and authors.

The **Mystery Club** is our most recent addition to the book clubs. It has many similarities to the other book clubs, but it does have a slightly different twist to it.

We will highlight the **Mystery Book Club** in the next newsletter!

## FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

Thank you to the many families that have already joined either Double Eagle or North Star FOL!

A *double* thanks to the families that have joined for both schools!

We would like to remind all families that while we **love** and **need**

your volunteer help in the library, when you join Friends of the Library you are not *required* to volunteer.

Your monetary donation goes a long way to support the many fun and exciting programs that take place in the library.

A bonus that may

be helpful to know is that *all FOL members may check out up to 8 books from the library*. Non-members have a 2 book check out limit.

**If you have not yet joined, please consider doing so!** Membership forms are available in the library.

## UPCOMING HOSPITALITY EVENTS

### Friday, September

**22:** Luncheon hosted by Double Eagle/North Star PTA

### Monday, November

**6:** Luncheon hosted by Double Eagle/North Star PTA

If you are interested in helping out, please contact:

#### Double Eagle:

Dana Fotieo

822-9632 or email  
dfotieo@salud.unm.edu

#### North Star:

Jessica Sweet

856-2059

[sjccsweet@yahoo.com](mailto:sjccsweet@yahoo.com)

## ENTERTAINMENT BOOK KICK-OFF

Our **Entertainment Coupon Book Sale** has started for Double Eagle and North Star! Your can support your schools for just \$35.

*Sell 5 books and **GET ONE FREE***

For every 2 books sold,

earn a \$10 game card to ITZ Family Fun Center on San Mateo!

Sale Reminders:

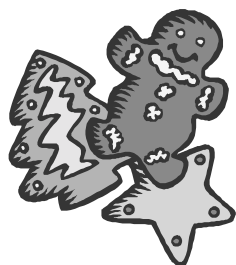
1. Collect payment when the order is placed.
2. Checks are payable to Double Eagle PTA or North Star PTA
3. Verify information on your child's order packet is complete and accurate.
4. Return money, out-of-town book order form, and book (if not sold) in the order envelope by September 15.
5. Use the online email tool to invite friends and family to buy a book at [entertainment.com](http://entertainment.com).

**Double Eagle Online Acct. #: 443433** Contact: Lori 821-6544 or 400-3699

**North Star Online Acct. #: 876919** Contact:

***If each school sells just 500 books, we will raise \$8000!***

***That's \$16 per book!***



## THANK YOU

To all the parents who helped make the Welcome Back Picnic such a fun time for all!

## BAKE OR BUY IT - YOUR HELP NEEDED!

Double Eagle and North Star will be providing sweet treats for the teachers and staff each month.

Upcoming Dates Include:

**Tuesday, October 24, 2006-** Halloween sweet treats (cookies, cupcakes, candy, caramel corn etc.)

**Monday, November 20, 2006-** Assorted pies

**Monday, December 11, 2006-** Holiday cookies

Whip up a batch from a cherished family recipe or pick up a treat at the bakery!

To help out:

**Double Eagle:**

**Dana Fotieo**

822-9632

dfotieo@salud.unm.edu

**North Star:**

**Jessica Sweet**

856-2059



Don't forget to visit the Double

Eagle PTA web page!

<http://www.aps.edu/aps/DoubleEagle/PTA/index.htm>

Find out what is happening in your school and how you can get involved.



**Lots of opportunity to still volunteer for PTA!**

Please contact Sue Boren for more information

858-2429

[greenchilist@hotmail.com](mailto:greenchilist@hotmail.com)

**SAFE ARRIVAL VOLUNTEERS STILL NEEDED!**

## Double Eagle General PTA Meeting September 21 9:15AM Cafeteria.

### MISSOULA THEATER TO PRESENT LITTLEST MERMAID

#### SAVE THE DATE!

The Missoula Children's Theater has been scheduled for Double Eagle children the week of **February 12-17th** (President's Day Weekend!).

We're seeking an accompanist for the performance of *THE LITTLEST MERMAID*.

Volunteer meeting will be on **September 19th at 2:30pm** (conference

room). Call the MCT Co-Chairs - Alice Baumstark (797-3351) or Laura Harris (823-2386) with questions.

Help make sure your child got to school safe. The **safe arrival program** is in need of volunteers.

For more information, please contact:

**Sue Boren**  
858-2429

### COMMUNITY SERVICE COMMITTEE TO MEET

The Community Service Committee will be having a meeting on **September 11th at 9:15 am** at Double Eagle.

This committee promotes a sense

of community by organizing food and clothing drives, Sister School projects with East San Jose, and other needs that occur during the school year.

### JOIN PTA TO VOTE ON UPCOMING ISSUES

" If you want to vote on any issues concerning your child's education,

you **MUST** be a member of the PTA. The cost is \$5.00 and it does not

require you to volunteer. Please join Double Eagle PTA!

## WE NEED YOUR HELP!

**To volunteer, contact**

**Michelle Bloom,**  
**821-1587,**  
 michellebloom8315@hotmail.com



Don't forget to visit the North Star web page!  
<http://www.northstarwolves.com>

Sign up to receive email notices from the school!

## NEW SCHOOL BEHAVIOR REDIRECTORS NAMED

Vicki Price and Kristy Boone are the new Behavior Redirectors for North Star and Double Eagle.

The school Redirectors work with students and provide "behavioral re-teach

and re-thinking" for students in need of more specific planning for appropriate student behavior.

Redirection is not punitive, nor is it counseling, it is a positive, supportive

way to intervene early in the behavior cycle.

If your child visits the Redirector, please know they are NOT in trouble, they are simply learning new constructive ways to interact with others.

## TURN BOX TOPS IN TO TEACHERS - NOT FOYER

Please Note:

The collection box in Double Eagle's foyer is for Double Eagle students only.

North Star

parents—please turn in your box tops and labels to your child's teacher.

PTA volunteers will collect your contributions for

the classrooms.

Thank you for all your support!

For more information, contact **Bethany Balzis** (GM & Campbell's)

**856-0850**

[bbubnm@aol.com](mailto:bbubnm@aol.com)

**Check your backpack mail soon**

**A parent survey is coming**

**To assess support for**

**North Star's participation**

**in Missoula Theater!**

*USE THE FORMS BELOW AND REMEMBER TO CIRCLE YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL*

## Join Your PTA: Your Involvement Makes a Difference!

Please circle one:      **DOUBLE EAGLE PTA**      **NORTH STAR PTA**

We need your support! Be part of a team striving to make our blended community a great place to grow and learn. It not only takes a top notch staff (which we have - hands down!), but it also takes parent commitment to continue to keep our schools successful. Dues are only \$5 per family per year, although you may donate more if you are able. Please make checks payable to the PTA in which your child is enrolled: *Double Eagle PTA* or *North Star PTA*. Please return the form below to your child's teacher along with payment in an envelope marked PTA MEMBERSHIP.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Children's Names, Teachers & Grades: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

We like to make sure all PTA Members receive minutes from our meetings. Would you like to receive minutes via email?     Yes     No

Both PTA's are selling T-shirts and other commemorative items that will be nice mementos for you and your child. Please circle your school below and fill in the form. Turn in this form along with payment to your child's teacher. Please make checks available to your school's PTA.

**DOUBLE EAGLE**

**NORTH STAR**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher/Grade \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_ Amt Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

Available Sizes: Youth: **S** (6-8); **M** (10-12) **L** (14-16) Adult: **XS, S, M, L, XL, XXL**

For North Star, circle B or G or Blue or Gold. Lettering is in the opposite color.

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| \$ 5 | B / G | Qty/Size | _____ | Youth Short Sleeve  | \$12 | B / G | Qty/Size | _____ | Youth Long Sleeve  |
| \$15 | B / G | Qty/Size | _____ | Youth Sweatshirt    | \$10 | B / G | Qty/Size | _____ | Adult Short Sleeve |
| \$15 | B / G | Qty/Size | _____ | Adult Long Sleeve   | \$15 | B / G | Qty/Size | _____ | Adult Sweatshirt   |
| \$10 | B / G | Qty/Size | _____ | Ladies Short Sleeve | \$15 | B / G | Qty/Size | _____ | Ladies Long Sleeve |
| \$15 | B / G | Qty/Size | _____ | Ladies Sweatshirt   | \$ 7 | Qty   | _____    |       | Tote bag           |

## HEALTH OFFICE NEWS CONTINUED...

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respiratory infection, have a cough or nasal discharge, elevated temperature or gastrointestinal symptoms such as vomiting or diarrhea. If antibiotic therapy is needed, the student should remain home for the first 24 hours.

Children who are seen in

the Health Room will be sent home from school if they have a fever, vomiting or diarrhea.

Staff is available from 8:45am-4:05pm. If you have questions, please call 857-1087 EXTENSION 2.

Thanks again.

Cathy, Vickie and Donna

## NEWSLETTER Photos & Articles

To submit an article, please email [abqwriter@msn.com](mailto:abqwriter@msn.com)

If you have a photo of a school function, we might print it.

Call Lisa at 897-8332. Please do not email attachments without calling. They will be deleted to prevent viruses.

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