



# Bulletin Board

Week of January 31, 2011



## *Friends School Geography Bee Winner 6th grader Charles Kropiewnicki*

Friends School participated in the 23rd Annual National Geographic Society Geography Bee. FSMH is one of thousands of schools that participates in this competition to encourage geography education. Congratulations to Charles as he awaits word on whether he qualifies for the New Jersey state competition!

### Mark your Calendars for Upcoming Events and Updates:

**Please Note: Inclement Weather Changes: PA Movie Night, originally scheduled for Wednesday, January 26th, was postponed. It will be rescheduled as soon as possible. The Winter Outing Meeting, originally scheduled for January 27th will be rescheduled also.**

**Saturday, January 29th Fine and Performing Arts Winter Recital** See details below.

**Monday, January 31st Scholastic Book Preview 3:00pm - 6:00pm** Please see the [Book Fair Info and Class Schedule](#) for specific information and the timeslot for each class.

**Wednesday, February 2nd Spirit Day** Who has the most school spirit? Students will show their school spirit by wearing school logo wear. They will attend a pep rally for the school & basketball teams. **Spirit Gear** will be available in the gym from **3:00pm - 4:30pm on Tuesday, February 1st** for all your last minute logo wear needs! See the [Spirit Gear](#) flyer for details.

**Wednesday, February 2nd Progress Reports will be mailed.**

**Wed., February 2nd Battle of the Books Meeting, Grades 5th-6th 3:15pm - 4pm in the library.**

**Thursday, February 3rd 3rd Grade Puppet Show 1:00pm and 2:00pm in the library**

**Thursday, February 3rd DARE for 5th and 7th graders** Harrison Twp police officers will begin the 8-week DARE program, meeting with the two classes separately every Thursday.

**Thursday, February 3rd PA Meeting 7:00pm**

**Friday, February 4th Lenni-Lenape Presentations with Chief Quiet Thunder** Throughout the day groups of students will attend an interactive presentation of Lenni-Lenape artifacts, customs, and beliefs. Parents are invited to join their children in the gym. Please [click here](#) for the schedule of times.

**Saturday, February 5th Math Counts Regional Competition 9:00am** Competition begins at 9am at Rowan University, award ceremony around 1pm.

**Please Note: Friday, February 11th PK and K Parent's Day Rescheduled 9:00am - 11:30am**

## What's Happening on Campus

### Fine and Performing Community Arts Winter Recital

**Saturday, January 29th** - Recital times are **9:30am, 11:00am, and 2:30pm**. Join us at **Trinity United Methodist Church**, 284 Cedar Road, Mullica Hill, NJ 08062. The admission is free. Directions to the church can be found at [Trinity UMC directions](#).

Trinity UMC has graciously offered the use of their church for our Winter Recital. Please come out to support our music students and hear some wonderful music! There is ample parking and the church is handicap accessible. For information about the recital, please call the music office at 478-2908 extension 115 or email T. Julie-Ann at [jgreen@friendsmh.org](mailto:jgreen@friendsmh.org)

### 2011 FSMH MathCounts Team Competes at Rowan University

Congratulations and thanks to the 2011 MathCounts Team for FSMH:

Matthew Graesser (grade 8)  
Talia Kramer (grade 8)  
Emily Herman (grade 7)  
Charlie Hughes (grade 8)

Stephen Byers (grade 8)  
Madeline MacDonald (grade 7)  
Casey Sanders (grade 8)  
Elly Thomas (grade 7)

The Regional Competition is at Rowan University on Saturday, February 5. Good Luck!

### Friends School Geography Bee Winner



Recently during the morning Middle School collection, two students carefully listened to the championship question. "Africa's highest peak is part of a national park in Tanzania. Name this mountain," read Teacher Peter. You could hear a pin drop as teachers and students eagerly awaited the answers from two students – a 6<sup>th</sup> grader and a 7<sup>th</sup> grader. A big cheer and sounds of clapping erupted as Charles Kropiewnicki (6<sup>th</sup> grader) correctly answered "Kilimanjaro!" Charles was awarded a big handshake from Teacher Peter and a gold medal provided by the National Geographic Society. The gracious 2<sup>nd</sup> place winner, Aria Coleman (7<sup>th</sup> grader), smiled with relief that the competition was finally over.

For the 23<sup>rd</sup> year the National Geographic Society was holding the bee for students in the 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grades in thousands of schools across the United States and in five U.S. territories as well as in Dept. of Defense Dependents Schools around the world. During the Friends School competition each 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grader answered questions in seven rounds with topics ranging from US cities, freshwater, US Quarters to physical geography. Friends School's participation is all part of an effort to educate our students in geography as they study far-away places and cultures throughout the school year. (End-of-the-year memory map projects are completed by the 5<sup>th</sup> grade – US map and 6<sup>th</sup> grade – world map).

Congratulations to Charles as he awaits word on if he qualifies for the New Jersey state competition. Also a special "thanks" to all students for their positive participation in this year's competition.

## What's Happening On Campus



### Many thanks from the First grade!

The First grade would like to thank you for participating in our winter wear clothing drive. We appreciate your help in showing first graders the importance of service to others. We had a HUGE pile of coats, hats, gloves, mittens, scarves, and socks to donate.

**Auction updates.....please watch this space for weekly auction updates and news!**


### 2011 Spring Auction

We wanted to announce two more **live items** donated this past week! The first is a wonderful, spring or fall long weekend in a gorgeous Avalon, NJ beach house that sleeps ten. The second is a longtime Auction favorite - the Planked Shad Dinner. This is a delicious home cooked meal for ten of shad fish in a pre-revolutionary Salem farmhouse. Both promise a wonderful experience for your family or friends!

Check your mailboxes! Look for the Auction Save-the-Date postcards arriving soon. Make a night of it - reserve a discount hotel room now and come party with a purpose.

Remember, you can still sign up to donate your own basket using Google Docs. Simply click on the [link](#) provided here. We look forward to seeing your basket creations or a unique item you may have in mind.

Don't forget about the Auction catalog ad sales contest! Keep those ads rolling in!



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The Spring Auction Committee is thrilled to report the addition of our fifth Gold Sponsor – Garden State OB/GYN Associates.

Please be sure to patronize all our Gold Sponsor businesses and mention FSMH. We still need Gold and Silver Sponsors for the Auction! Please contact **Valerie Aglialoro at 856-241-8598** or email: [auction@friendsmh.org](mailto:auction@friendsmh.org) with the Subject line: **Gold Sponsorship**.



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Just a reminder to our teachers that your Class Project form with your choice is due to the Auction Committee by January 31st. If you need ideas or assistance in your selection, please contact Maddie at X101.

If you have any questions regarding the 2011 Auction, please email: [auction@friendsmh.org](mailto:auction@friendsmh.org) with the Subject line: **Question**.

## What's Happening on Campus



### Empty Bowls Service Project

Thank you to all students and parents that contributed to the bowl-making service project on Martin Luther King day of service. There are more opportunities to contribute ([see attached](#)). The "Empty Bowl" event takes place on **Friday, February 25th from 4:00pm - 6:00pm** at Woodstown Friends Meeting. Help alleviate hunger, purchase a bowl and get a simple meal. Proceeds from this event are being donated to local food bank.

### Haiti Houses

Wearable pins and magnets. Haiti Houses are artwork made by middle school students. They will be sold during the Book Fair week. Cost is \$3.00 per piece or 2 pieces for \$5.00. The money raised will be donated to UNICEF to help the children of Haiti. Questions? Email T. Diane: [ddriessen@friendsmh.org](mailto:ddriessen@friendsmh.org).

### Parents Day - 1st Grade



## What's Happening on Campus

### At [BoxTops Marketplace](#) we can earn even more for our school!

**Earn eBoxTops by shopping online and become an online power earner.** Over 100 participating retailers give eBoxTops to our school with every qualified purchase you make online.

Click on any store's logo at the Marketplace, make a purchase on their website as you normally would, and eBoxTops will be credited to our school's earnings. Our school can earn up to 15 eBoxTops for every \$10 spent.

When you do this, you'll become a Box Tops Online Power Earner. As an Online Power Earner, you will receive 10 Bonus Box Tops for every 100 eBoxTops you earn. Don't miss out on this online bonus earning opportunity for our school! **Make sure you bookmark the Marketplace** and come back every time you want to shop online.

And don't forget, keep on clipping those Box Tops. Your next Box Tops collection sheet will be distributed next week. Just a reminder, it is very important to put your child's FULL NAME, teacher and grade on your collection sheet to earn a reward. Also, be mindful of the expiration date on the Box Tops. Unfortunately, they will not accept expired Box Tops.

If you have any questions, feel free to call Barbara, your Box Tops/Marketplace Coordinator at 856-340-9940 or e-mail: [wetype2@gmail.com](mailto:wetype2@gmail.com)

**Please Note:** The sports schedules have changed (again!) due to inclement weather! Please review these schedules and make note of the changes. Schedules may be found on our [sports schedule](#) page or in the [Winter Sports](#) file.



Stay warm, have a great week and think thoughts of spring!