



CHESTER ACADEMY IN THE NEWS

October 1, 2010

From The Principal's Desk
Leslie Leahy

In The News First Edition

All further issues will be e-mailed to the address you have provided the school on the student registration forms. Parents can also find it on the website. **Those few folks who need paper copies may request them from the front office.** It will continue to be distributed the first and third Friday of every month. If you do not wish to get an e-mail copy, please contact the front office and your address will be removed.



Parent Access-

The electronic portal that allows 7th and 8th grade parents to access student grades is open. Letters went home to 7th grade parents with new passwords. 8th grade parents can use the passwords given out last year. Call the school if you have forgotten your password and the front office can give it to you. Please call the front office if you are having any issues with the site.

Registration

Forms-Please get those registration forms and other start up information on students into the front office ASAP. We need to update the Alert Now system for delays, cancellations, and emergency dismissals.



Next School Board Meeting- October 13, 2010 at 7pm in the Media Center

NECAP Testing IS Here-NECAP testing is Oct. 4th -15th. Like last year, students will earn tickets for good test taking strategies. Middle level students may turn in these tickets for food items and will be entered into drawings for small prizes. Students in elementary grades may earn extra PAWS stickers for more prizes as well as snacks. **We are asking for donations of singly packed baked items, water, juice boxes, or store bought treats in single servings which can be given to students in exchange for good effort tickets.** Donations can be made to the front office beginning September 30th and continuing through testing. All donations are appreciated!

**Testing begins at 8:35 and ends at 10:15.
Students who arrive late will not be
allowed to test and will have to wait in the
front office.**

Mon. Oct. 4th Reading Test Part I
Tues. Oct. 5th Reading Test Part II
Weds. Oct. 6th Reading Test Part III
Thurs. Oct. 7th Math Test Part I
Fri. Oct. 8th Math Test Part II
Weds. Oct. 13th Math Test Part III
Thurs. Oct. 14th Writing (8th & 5th gr. Only)
Fri. Oct. 15th Writing (8th Grade only)
Mon. Oct. 18th (Writing 5th gr. Only)



If you have In The News submissions, please e-mail them to: lesliel@chesteracademy.org and annp@chesteracademy.org later than Thursday noon. Issues are distributed the first and third Friday of every month!

From Mr. Campbell's Desk:

The pick-up and drop off of students in the morning and the afternoon is going pretty well. I would like to remind everyone that the students should be getting into and out of the vehicle on the sidewalk side. This is a safer process for the students so they are not in a position where they could be hit by another car which may be passing. It's also best for the parents to stay in the vehicle and allow the students to get in and out on their own. If there is a need to help them, please park your vehicle and escort them across the crosswalk. This will maintain safety and a smooth flow during the pick-up and drop off procedure. One final thought, when stopping your vehicle, please don't stop on the crosswalk. This creates an issue for people who are trying to utilize the crosswalk and can create an unsafe situation. Thanks for working with us on this matter.

We had our first PAWS program reward for the students who have accumulated enough PAWS for their great behavior and the number of students who participated was outstanding. Students were able to earn an extended recess time and really enjoyed themselves. Keep up the great choices and the rewards will keep coming. The school wide behavior for the Month of October is **STAY CALM, COOL, AND COLLECTED**. The focus is to maintain a positive testing environment for the NECAP testing, so everyone can perform their best. We hope the kids get plenty of sleep and come prepared to give their best effort. We want all students to respect other students by being quiet during testing and not distracting anyone from doing their very best.

Students are making great choices all of the time and we are happy to recognize them for their PAWSitive behavior and we would like to celebrate the things they have done with community.

PAWS RECOGNITIONS BY GRADE LEVEL

- 1st Grade – Mrs. Mitchell – I would like to recognize **my entire class** for being good listeners and for being kind to classmates.
- 1st Grade – Mrs. Fowler – I would like to **thank the parents and students** for all the scented cotton balls for our lesson on the sense of smell. Thanks for making our lesson interesting and fun!
- 2nd Grade – Mrs. Freiburger – **Zac Bolduc, Amanda Grindrod, and Ellie Cashman** have done an excellent job participating in class. They very often have their hands up to share their ideas and thoughts. They help to show us how to respect others by waiting our turns.
- 2nd Grade – Mrs. Duhaime – I would like to recognize **Nicholas Casey** for doing a great job with his glasses, **Mia Sienkiewicz** for mastering her new pencil grip, **Chris Fall** for being so observant, and **Mathieu Gagnon** for his excellent participation in class discussions.
- 2nd Grade – Mrs. Leslie – I would like to recognize **Declan Turner** and **Ava Georgacopoulos** for "staying on the right track" and always being prepared. Keep up the awesome job!
- 2nd Grade – Mrs. Fontaine – I would like to recognize **Ashley Casey, Katelyn McNamara** and **Christopher Canfield** for showing great effort in their work and doing a fantastic job of listening and following directions, **April Gee** for her thoughtfulness in sharing her butterfly experience with her classmates, and **Lydia Weider** for her great classroom participation.
- 3rd Grade – Mrs. Dudley – I would like to recognize **Derek Hiscox** for his hard work inside the classroom, **McKenzie Phelps** and **Amelia Smalley** for their wonderful writing, **Emeli Dion** for always offering to help, and **Demetrious Ridley** for teaching me how to play a new game. Keep up the hard work!
- 3rd Grade – Mrs. Bento – I would like to recognize **Hannah Mafera** and **Spencer St. Pierre** for being extra helpful in the classroom. The beginning of the year is very busy, and the extra help and thoughtfulness is appreciated. Welcome to **Matthew Gerossie**. He is a new student at Chester Academy this year. He is a wonderful addition to our school.
- 3rd Grade – Ms. Kilpatrick – I would like to recognize **my whole class** for being good listeners and already using the strategies that are being taught to help prepare them for being a better student along with getting ready for their first NECAP testing!! Good luck and get plenty of rest this weekend!
- 4th Grade – Ms. Dinger, Mrs. Donahue, & Ms. Dugan – The 4th grade teachers would like to commend the **4th grade students** for a very successful and fun field trip on Tuesday to the Great Bay Discovery Center. The students all stayed engaged and respectful during all the information being shared with them and showed their knowledge of NH history by responding with good answers. Good job!

5th Grade – Mrs. Campbell – I'd like to congratulate **my science classes** for doing a wonderful job on their cell projects.

6th Grade – Mr. Basso – I would like to recognize **the sixth graders** for doing a great job writing checks, filling out deposit slips, and keeping track of their checkbook registers in class. This work will help prepare them for Enterprise City and for the future.

7/8th Grade – Mr. Lubatti – **Matthew Slobig** and **Samantha Potter** are well focused in period one math. **Erin Batchelder, Madison Giles, Morgan Sansing,** and **Lindsay Woodward** for setting the behavior standard in period three math. **Jasmin Bach** and **Kirsten Rickershauser** for setting the behavior standard for period four math. **Morgan Hazelton, Melissa Martel** and **Amanda Szostak** for setting the behavior standard for period five math. **Hannah Coulombe** for being well focused in period seven math.

GENERAL PAWS RECOGNITIONS

General – Mr. Jacobs – I would like to recognize **John Robert Scott** for displaying great leadership in P.E. class.

General – Mrs. Blanchette – I would like to recognize the following 2nd graders for always being enthusiastic and working extra hard in Art Class: **Brinley Stinson, Christopher Perfetto, Brinley Stinson, Hannah Lavoie, Jacob Akashian, Sophia Caputo, Wilson Mills, Ellie Cashman, Timothy Choquette, Dawson Ricker, Annabel Veale, Amanda Roberge, Shelby Gregg** and **Nate Letellier**.

General – Mrs. LaChance – I would like to thank second graders **Sophia Caputo, Liam Haught, Hannah Lavoie, Amanda Grindrod, Amanda Roberge** and **Annabel Veale** for their great effort and care on their illustrations during artist/writers workshop. We are creating a class rhyming book about rainforest animals!

General – Ms. Krassowski – I'd like to recognize the following students: P1 Spanish I: **Katie Ercolani, Madison Renaud** and **Ashley Gramstorff** for continuing to take great notes; 8-1 Art: **Hannah Smith, Jordan Caux** and **Matthew Slobig** for exercising their higher-thinking skills in the creation of their digital self-portraits; 7-1 Art: **Morgan Sansing, Lindsay Robinson, Sean McCormick** and **Christopher Schilz** for their interesting and relevant self-critiques; and 6-1 Art: **Jared Bach, Nathan Rasmussen, Julia DeCloux** and **Megan Fiske** for following directions and then taking those directions into more creative directions!

General – Mrs. Milardo – I would like to recognize my **5th Grade Healthy Living Class** for participating well and using good manners during our presentation from The Center for College Planning. You all learned a lot about different careers and shared your own personal interests. Be sure to share the workbook you received with your family! I would also like to recognize **Matthew Plumer** in 6th Grade Healthy Living Class for his hard work and excellent participation during our unit on nutrition and physical activity.

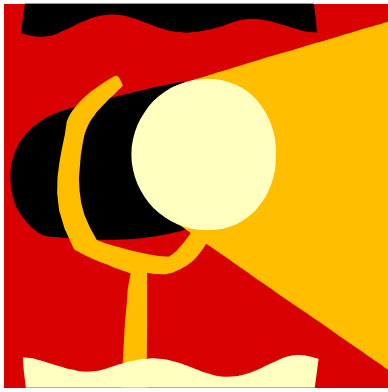
General – Mrs. Fawcett & Mrs. Farrenkopf – We would like to thank the following students for their outstanding performance introducing the 12 Power Words to the staff and students of Chester Academy: **John Ciccarello, Hannah Mafera, Emma Bernard, Sophie Viger, Tommy Ford, McKenzie Phellps, Avis Baker, Paul Taylor, Isaiah Martinez, Brandon Nicolaisen, Sofi Rouge,** and **Lydia Haswell**.

General – Mrs. Warnke – Please recognize the following kids for their efforts in doing the WOW POWER words presentation during morning announcements: **Colby Millsaps, Kelsey Gosselin, Morgan Donahue, Cecelia Scuito,** and **Kevin Harte**.

General – Mrs. Milardo – I would like to recognize **Mark Mallinson** in 6th Grade Healthy Living for his thoughtfulness, respectful behavior, and positive attitude.

General – Mrs. Kessler – I would like to recognize Mrs. Agri's AM and PM kindergarten class and Mrs. Serrano's AM kindergarten class for being great listeners and learning so quickly how to use Pixie 2. They just started coming to the computer lab and they are doing a great job!

I would like to Thank the Police and Fire department (in no particular order ☺) for their great support of the school. Chief Burke and his officers have spent extra time to ensure the safety of the traffic around the school. Chief Antoine and his crew have come to do lessons for Fire Prevention with the students. Both Chiefs have partnered with the school to help make the school safe and the emergency procedures appropriate and functional. I thank them for their efforts and their genuine concern for this school and this community.



Spotlight on Integrated Arts

ART

Art Grades 1-5 Mrs. Lisa Blanchette

The Art Curriculum for grades 1-5 follows the nationally recognized and research backed choice-based art education and “The Teaching for Artistic Behavior (TAB)” partnership.

The Art Curriculum for grades 1-5 at Chester Academy has several objectives:

- To build art vocabulary and provide a solid foundation in Visual Art
- To introduce students to a variety of art processes, techniques and media
- To allow students to pursue their own ideas and interests
- To foster the ability to be creative, independent thinkers
- To build students' confidence in creating art
- To develop an appreciation for fine art and crafts
- To have students reflect on their work through written artist statements
- To help students become self-reliant – students set-up their work space and clean-up after themselves

Grade 5 and 6 Art Club: Meets Thursdays after school until 4pm. Students explore a wide range of media and art processes. Students are welcome to join at anytime during the year.

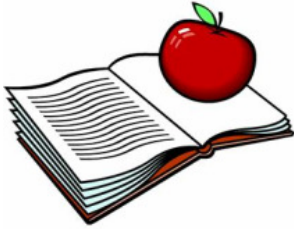
Elementary Art Club: Elementary art club will meet in 2 week sessions throughout the year. In the fall, there will be a session for grades 2-4. Spring sessions will be broken down into grades 1/ 2 and grades 3/ 4. Dates can be found on the PTA calendar and on my Homework Now page. Notices usually go home 2-3 weeks before the session.

Exhibits: Artwork is showcased throughout Chester Academy. There are also Art Exhibits within the community throughout the year. **Upcoming exhibits include:**

- Town Hall Exhibit Mid-October – November
- Department of Education Exhibit January- February
- Town Hall Exhibit in March for Youth Art Month
- Integrated Arts Night Exhibit in May

Artsonia: Student artwork will be displayed on Artsonia.com. Artsonia.com provides a venue for students to display their artwork on-line. It is a great place for out of town relatives to view student's artwork and leave positive feedback for students to view. Although not the main intent, Artsonia also serves as a fundraiser for the Elementary Art Program. Funds earned go towards in-class art supplies. Students are not required to participate. If you do not want your student's artwork included on Artsonia, please send in the form at the bottom of the notice that went home, or send me an email at lisab@chesteracademy.org

3rd Annual Chester Academy Book Fair and Jazz Band Concert



SAVE THE DATE!!

Tuesday December 7th, 2010 we will be hosting the 3rd Annual Chester Academy Book Fair and Jazz Band Concert at Barnes and Noble on South Willow Street in Manchester. Please save your December shopping for that date, and come listen to our wonderful Jazz Band!!

More details to come.



Magazine Drive 2010

I just want to THANK everyone who placed an order with the 2010 magazine drive. I could not have done the drive without many helping hands. I would like to thank Lori Roberge, Joan and Lauren Batchelder, Leanne Sullivan, Tania Perry, Staci Frazier, Lorie Ouwerkerk, and Jodie Antoine. Also a big Thank You to the ladies in the main office. Thanks so much for answering the numerous questions and helping out in many different ways.

Thanks again
Jodi Mitchell

CHESTER CHILD FIND CLINIC

Chester Academy
22 Murphy Drive, Chester, NH 03036
(603) 887-3621, Ext.146



The Chester School District will be holding a Child Find Clinic at Chester Academy on October 29, 2010, January 20, 2011, March 9, 2011 and May 27, 2011 from 12:30 am to 3:00 pm. The purpose of the clinic is to screen the developmental skills of children between the ages of 3 to 6 (those not enrolled in first grade) who may be in need of special education services. The screenings are completed by school personnel and address the areas of motor skills, speech and language, vision, hearing, and pre-academics. This service is free of charge and open to all Chester residents. All results are confidential.

Appointments are required

Appointments can be made by contacting the Special Education Department at 887-3621, Extension 146, between the hours of 8:00 and 3:30.

Guidance Information

At the end of October, Mrs. Sofield, the Elementary Counselor will be starting a group for elementary students of changing families. A "changing family" is a family where one or both "birth parents" are no longer in the home due to divorce or separation. The purpose of these groups is to help children understand that they are not alone in this circumstance and reinforce advantages and positive aspects their situation. Group support can help children understand that others may share similar feelings and experiences and offer an opportunity to learn positive coping skills.

Participation in the group is voluntary and contingent upon parental permission. The group will meet during the day. If you would like your child to be part of a group, **please contact, Barbara Sofield at barbaras@chesteracademy.org , 887-3621, ext 149 or call the Special Education/Guidance office at 887-3621, ext 146.** If you have any questions please contact Barbara Sofield at extension 149





THE CHESTER ACADEMY PTA IS RAISING MONEY TO SUPPORT THE CHILDREN OF CHESTER ACADEMY.

FUNDS RAISED GO DIRECTLY TO EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS and
COMMUNITY / SCHOOL ACTIVITIES.

Special
Incentive

We are excited be offering *The Entertainment @ Membership book* as a fundraiser. This is a coupon book that is packed with \$1,000s in savings on things you do and places you visit in your community every day. The book quickly pays for itself and you are supporting your local economy every time you use it. The books make perfect gifts and are available for communities throughout the United States.

A Sampling of Bonus Neighborhood Savings Available only through this sale:

- Chester Hollow
- G + P Pizzeria
- Spollets General Store
- Moo's Place
- Yankee Food Market
- Fast Break Sports
- The Rinks - G&P Pizzeria

An Entertainment Book, Information and Order Form will be sent home with every student on Friday.

Please, show the Entertainment membership book to family, friends and neighbors! The book being sent home can be purchased and orders can be placed and returned to school. Orders received will be filled and sent home on Monday and Thursday during the sale. Orders may also be placed online and books can be purchased for other locations in the United States with all proceeds going to the Chester Academy PTA. If you are not participating in the sale return the book to school with your student/s.

- **Price: \$30**
- **Sale dates: 10/1/10 – 10/15/10**
- **Make checks payable to: CHESTER ACADEMY PTA**
- **All money and orders due: 10/15/10**
- **Group account number: 968726**
- **If you have questions please contact: Rennell Brillhart, rbthebrat@comcast.net**
- **Take orders for additional products as you go. Orders will be filled on Mondays and Thursdays**
- **Online: With over 150 editions across the country, out-of-town family and friends can support our school by purchasing a book for their city using the online email tool (\$5 shipping).**

The email will contain a special link that credits our school and your child for purchases made.

Register your child in the Seller's section at www.fundraising.entertainment.com and enter the account number for Chester Academy PTA (968726). Then just email your friends and family the online link.

- Go to fundraising.entertainment.com to order out of town memberships for family and friends.
- **PLEASE RETURN ANY UNSOLD PRODUCT TO THE SCHOOL. THIS IS NOT A FREE PRODUCT.**
- ✓ Sell 3 books and receive a FREE stuffed frog or nose sharpener!
- ✓ Top seller (5 books+) gets a \$50 Walmart gift card

Hannaford Helps Schools Certificates

It's that simple!

From **September 5 to December 5, 2010**, purchase participating products in the Hannaford Helps Schools program, and you'll earn school dollars that your school can use to purchase sports equipment, art supplies, computers, books, musical instruments and more.

- Simply bring your slips to the Derry store (donation tower is located in the front of the store) or turn them into the teacher's room and we will bring them to Derry for you..



News from your Student Council

Welcome back everyone. We are looking forward to a great year! The results of the Student Council Officers vote is posted below:

Presidents: Lauren Batchelder and Leah Hooper

Vice President: Victoria Harding

Secretary: Lindsay Robinson

Co-Publicists: Tricia Taylor and Madison Giles

Meetings will be on Monday Afternoon. Dates to be posted soon.



CHESTER BASKETBALL



GRANITE STATE GLADIATORS

2010-2011 Registration/Team Selection Night

Who?	Boys & Girls grades 3-8
When?	Friday October 8 th , 2009 6:00 -8:30pm
	Grades 3/ 4 Girls & Boys 6:00-7:00pm
	Grades 5/6 Girls & Boys 6:30-7:30 pm
	Grades 7/8 Girls & Boys 7:00-8:30 pm
Where?	Chester Academy, 22 Murphy Dr, Chester, NH 03036
What?	Registration, tryout evaluations, team selections

“One of the most successful and best Basketball programs in New England”

****Players should bring their sneakers and be prepared to take the court to be evaluated. Please bring a separate completed form with your payment for each child. If your child has a gladiator basketball uniform and plans on using it this year please wear it to this evaluation event.**

Chester Basketball will begin October 8th with tryouts, evaluations, and team selections. Practice will begin the following week and League games start in November with the season concluding in February. These teams will be participating in the MSBL League, playing games against other southern New Hampshire teams. The MSBL League is divided by gender, grade, and ability. We will have multiple teams at each age group playing with and against other teams at their own abilities allowing each child to succeed at their own athletic ability. Practice schedules will be available once the teams have been determined, but you can plan on one or two practices a week and one or two games every weekend. For those players planning on participating on a school team we will work around their school basketball schedule.

Registration Forms: A registration form is attached to this notice. Please complete one form for each child participating. No child will be consider register without payment

Fee: The program cost is \$115 per child. If your child needs a uniform or would like optional gladiator wear please add the appropriate amounts to your payment. Please make checks payable to Friends of Chester Basketball.

Deadline: *If you are interested in participating in the Gladiator Basketball program for the 2010-2011 season will need to register your interest in the program on or before October 8th. Once teams are submitted to the league no child may be added to a roster. If you have any questions or your child is unable to attend this registration event you may contact **Karl Lennon** at 603-490-3769 or coachlennon@yahoo.com*

Check # _____
Amount: _____

2009/2010 Chester Basketball **GRANITE STATE GLADIATORS**

Participant Registration & Release Form

Participant Name: _____ D.O.B.: _____ Age: _____
Address: _____
Telephone #: _____

Uniform Information: If you are using last year's uniform what is the uniform number _____

Order uniform: \$45 Shirt _____ \$35 Shorts _____ Three choices Desired # _____

***Optional Apparel \$50 Sweat shirt _____ \$45 Travel Bag _____ \$45 Shooter Shirt _____

School Attending: _____ Grade: _____

Father's Name: _____ Cell Phone #: _____
Email address: _____

Mother's Name: _____ Cell Phone #: _____
Email Address: _____

Fee: The program cost is \$115 per child. Please make checks payable to Friends of Chester Basketball.

The Chester Travel Basketball program, consisting of games and practices, involves a high level of physical activity. Because of the inherent risks and extensive physical activity involved in the game of basketball, we advise that all children participating be in good physical condition. Any limitations regarding their physical capabilities should be made known to the coach.

Please list any physical or other condition, medications the participant is taking, dietary restrictions, allergies, or other information which may be necessary and helpful to insure the participant's health and safety:

I have read and understood the information provided above. I have noted any physical or medical conditions that the participant has which might affect his/her participation. He/She meets the standards required for participation and will have the necessary equipment, which will be in good working condition. I assume all of the risks normally incidental to the nature of this activity, including risks, which are not specifically foreseeable. I will follow the rules and regulations provided by the activity leaders/coaches/supervisors.

Parent/Guardian Signature

In case of an emergency and the parents/guardians cannot be reached, please contact:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____
City/State: _____ Telephone #: _____

2010 Wason Pond Trail Running Series

Wason Pond Conservation Area, Route 102, Chester NH

October 2 - 6k ~ October 16 - 8k ~ October 30 - 10k

Series Champions Awarded After Final Race

Fun Run - FREE

3K Middle School Races - \$5 per race

Open Division Races - \$15 per race if PRE-REGISTERED

\$20 race day:

3K and OPEN DIVISION WALKERS WELCOME! - \$5 per race

Race dates and lengths listed above.

Registration begins @ 7:30am, Middle School races at 9:00am, Open Division at 9:30am.

Go to the "**Events**" tab at chesterfieldofdreams.org to pre-register, email chesterfieldofdreams@yahoo.com, or call 867-0132 for more information

Races will benefit Chester Field of Dreams, a registered non-profit raising money to build soccer and baseball fields for the children of Chester, New Hampshire.

October

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
Unless noted, XC Meets begin at 3:30 and Soccer Games begin at 3:30. B = Boys Soccer G = Girls Soccer	XC = Cross Country vs = home game or meet @ = away game or meet Soccer Playoffs TBA	Squirrel Awareness Month Spinach Lovers Month Adopt A Shelter Dog Mnth National Chili Month	National Popcorn Month Positive Attitude Month Tackling Hunger Month National Book Month		1 <i>In The News</i> World Smile Day	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Fire Prevention Week	NECAP Testing begins FT Kindergarten/Agri – Connolly Farm	World Teacher's Day ML Mid Term grades go home with students XC @ Amherst		FT Kindergarten/Serrano - Connolly Farm B @ St. Pat's Pelham G vs St. Pat's Pelham		Universal Music Day
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	Columbus Day No School	B vs Epping G @ Epping Title 1 Open House 6-6:45	XC @ Mtn View Goffstwn School Board Mtg 7:00pm		<i>In The News</i> NECAP Testing ends FT G5 Pow Wow 8:40-2:45 FT G3 Pow Wow 8:40-2:45	XC League Meet @ Nashua South High 11:30
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
National School Bus Safety Week	Make Up Testing Day FT G3 Polar Caves 8:45 – 2:45	Make Up Testing Day	Make Up Testing Day	Early Release at 12:30 K, G1 & 2 Parent Conference Night	FT G1 Squam Lake Science Cntr 8:35 – 2:30 Booster Club Dance at MPR 7 – 9:30pm Full Hunter's Moon	XC State Meet @ Londonderry - time TBA
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
			FT Strawberry Banke 8:45 – 2:30	National Chocolate Day	PAWS Reward for ML 10:15 – 11:00	
	11/1	2	3	4	5	6
		Election Day Picture Retake Day G6 Presentation 8:45-12:00 TD Bank North	School Board Mtg 7:00pm	PAWS Reward for Primary 3:15 – 5:15 Movie		

2010

Pinkerton Girls Volleyball Clinic

Black, Orange & Orange
Pinkerton Girls Volleyball Clinic
Admission is FREE

Register online at www.pinkerton.org

Clubs open on an on-going basis from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the
Pinkerton Academy High School. For more information and
admission details, the contact person is: info@pinkerton.org or call
[703.438.1234](tel:7034381234)