



HEADS' LETTER

FEBRUARY 3, 2005

Thursday and Friday: Two Special Events at IDS Broadway arrives with *STATE FAIR* and The Used Book Sale Benefit

The **IDS Middle School Musical Theatre** program presents *STATE FAIR* tonight and tomorrow night at 7:00 PM. Your children get to see the show during the morning performances. They will all want to bring you back for another opportunity to share a Broadway memory. Remember how the musical theatre dazzled the audience with a peek into the show at Fine Arts Night? Well, this is your opportunity to see the whole show and model for our children how to support school events and fellow students. We look forward to seeing your smiles and pride in our young stars.

Show Times: Thursday, 7:00 PM Theatre/Training Center
Friday, 7:00 PM Theatre/Training Center

The **USED BOOK SALE**, to benefit the **Tsunami Relief effort** and our **Intermediate Student Council Community projects**, is finally here! Our parent community has once again been overwhelmingly generous with the amount and variety of books donated. There is something for all ages. Actually, we are overloaded with great options for all ages and interests. All books are 50 cents for paperback and \$1.00 for hardback books. Send your children with dollars for this charitable effort. It will be a win/win: Dollars that support others and reading. Parents, the book sale will be out front on the east side. Please park, browse and buy great bargains for gifts, personal use and building new libraries at home. Thanks for your support and a huge proud thanks to our Intermediate Student Council and Teacher Advisors for organizing this great project.

Used Book Sale Hours: 8:00 – 11:00 AM; and Dismissal (2:45 PM)
Place: IDS Eastside front of school
Cost of books: 50 cents or \$1.00

REMINDER: NOON DISMISSAL WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9 Please remember to RSVP for Extended Day

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We thank our volunteer judges who donated their valuable time to assess all of our many projects. The judges used a rubric to evaluate the projects according to the scientific quality and results of each investigation. Each project was judged on merit without names attached. All results were tallied to determine who would represent IDS at the Hillsborough County Science Fair on February 23. We are grateful to the following individuals who chose to choose IDS as a way to give their valuable community service time.

1. Dr. Mark Stewart, University of South Florida, College of Science
2. Wit Ostrenko, President, Museum of Science and Industry
3. Dr. Peg Ostrenko, Museum of Science and Industry, University of South Florida
4. Dr. Bruce Cochrane, University of South Florida, College of Science
5. Michael Harrison, Hydrogeologist at MacDill Air Force Base
6. Dr. Steven Specter, Associate Dean of Student Affairs, USF Medical School
7. Dr. Rebecca Bowden, Medical Microbiologist and Immunologist, USF Medical School

IDS SCIENCE FAIR RESULTS

The IDS Science Fair Exhibit produced amazing results! We are proud of the quality of our students' work. All projects reflected excellence and outstanding student effort. Intermediate and Middle School students participated by completing either individual or small group projects. Our volunteer community judges were very impressed with the exceptional quality of each project. Again we thank all of our students who took the time and effort to complete a project. Students, who represent the high standard of work of all of our IDS students, will be attending the Hillsborough County Regional Science Fair on February 23.

The following **MIDDLE SCHOOL** Science Fair Elective students will attend the County Science Fair:

Lawrence Guilford (8th) ----- *Electricity's Affect on Growth and Productivity*
Matt Messer (8th) ----- *What is the Effect of Dissolved Solids on the Boiling Point of a Liquid?*
Chad Hannah (6th) ----- *Is It Crystal Clear?*

FIFTH GRADE students are to be congratulated because **ALL** students successfully completed a science fair project either individually or with another classmate. They demonstrated the ability to understand the scientific method through a hands-on experience. All fifth grade students are required to complete a research-background paper and their logs reflect the detail of their scientific investigation. BRAVO to our FIFTH GRADERS!

Fifth grade students representing IDS at the County Science Fair will be:

Mary-Elizabeth Baskette -----*Does the Maintenance of a Retention Pond Affect the Water Quality?*
Luke Blankenship -----*Do Different Drinks Have Adverse Effects on Braces?*
Eric Klausner -----*Will Temperature Affect the Distance a Puck Travels?*

THIRD AND FOURTH GRADE students are to be commended for going above and beyond expectations by taking the challenge and initiative to complete a science fair project. Those students are: **Quintin Kauchick** (3rd) *K'nex with the Wind*; **Pedro Lima** (3rd) *What Will Affect the Melting Rate of Frozen Water?*; **Olivia Houston** (4th) *How Pop Rocks Affect Different Liquids*; **Emily Lewis** (4th) *Mysterious Disappearance*; **Whitney Mandel** (4th) *Which Cleaning Product Will Help Get Wine Out of Carpet?*; **David Ponoroff** (4th) *Things that Affect Water Pressure*; and **Robert Shepherd** (4th) *Calcium Pills to Fight Bone Loss*.

Those attending the Science Fair are:

Abigail Friedman (4th) -----*The Eyes Have It: A Look into the Brain*
Sarah Rehl (4th) -----*Which Type of Metal Rusts Faster?*
Chase Wehrle (4th) -----*Environmental Effects on a PV Cell*

Fourth grade team projects:

Catherine Bornscheuer & Andie Lloyd ----*Fire vs. Water: What Are the Consequences?*
Madison Brodsky & Caleigh Cogar -----*How Coke Will Be Absorbed in the Three Different Carpet Squares?*
Caitlin Herlihy & Morgan Renaldo -----*Which Diapers Are Most Absorbent?*
Emily McMahan & Cody Wetmore -----*Does the Color of a Car Effect the Temperature Inside?*

All **PRIMARY** students participated by completing a class project. Listed below are the names of the primary class projects:

Pre-Kindergarten -----*Does the Length of the Lever Affect the Height of the Beanbag?*
Kindergarten -----*Think Chocolate*
First Grade -----*Ice Cube Meltdown*
Multi-Age -----*Which Candy REALLY Melts in Your Mouth not in Your Hands?*
Second Grade -----*Erosion Commotion*

PLEASE CHECK LOST AND FOUND BY WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 9

(All unclaimed items will be donated to a charity.)
Please put names on all clothing, especially jackets.

SNO-CONE SALE – Pre-K – 5th to benefit the Arts
Our PFA volunteers will be selling Sno-Cones **Friday,**
February 4 at lunch to benefit Fine Arts. Cost \$1.00



THIRD GRADE SPONSORS: VALENTINE'S DAY CANDY GRAMS



Next Monday is the last opportunity to complete candygrams
and send to your child's Teacher.

PROUD MOMENTS SOAR FOR IDSers

(To our IDS families, please share special moments so that everyone can enjoy with you.)



Madeline Baruch participated in the Pinellas County Hunter Association Horse Show the weekend before last. She placed 5th & 6th out of 14 riders in the Walk/Trot Event. She was riding "Rodney" at the show and has been riding for three years. Bravo!

While teachers were busy with conferences, our Extended Day team, **Anna** and **Trevor** took a group of "**staff children**" to the bowling alley. We all know they are great, but it's always nice when others notice, too! Mr. Richard Midway from Tampa Lanes called to say that our children were so polite and well behaved and that all of the adults with them were wonderful. He thanked us for the wonderful job the school is doing and said that it was such a refreshing change for him. He went on to say that he felt in these challenging times where youngsters and schools are spoken of in a negative manner, he wanted to take the time to say something truly positive. Thanks to Mr. Midway, Tampa Lanes.



From your Big Event Team: Julie Salek and Kathy von Thaden

LOOK FOR YOUR INVITATION TO THE BIG EVENT COMING SOON!!! The night is shaping up to be so exciting! You will find yourselves immersed in a beautiful lush rainforest with sights and sounds from the Amazon. Before bidding on the auction items or eating the fantastic dinner from Outback Steakhouse, you can pose for souvenir pictures with exotic live animals!

Thank you to all of the families who have already contributed items to the Big Event. The Auction portion is guaranteed to have something for everyone!

- **SKIING, SUNNING OR SHOPPING:** For the travelers, we have a ski trip to Colorado, a shopping trip in New York City as well trips for seaside sunning!
- **SPORTS:** For the sports fanatics, we have tickets to sporting events, as well as an unbelievable sports vacation to Saddlebrook with golf, tennis and spa passes!
- **JEWELRY:** Boy, do we have BLING! There are some beautiful jewelry pieces of all styles to add some sparkle to your collection.
- **PARTY TIME:** Always a favorite, the Hummer limo party is back!
- **ONCE IN A LIFETIME EXPERIENCES:** The ever-popular Headmaster of The Day tradition is guaranteed to make your child happy! We have one available for each division of the campus!
- **PRICELESS KEEPSAKES:** The class creations are shaping up to be just unbelievable! You will definitely want the opportunity to take home these masterpieces created by your kids!

ATTENTION!

- We are still in need of many **auction items** in order to have a successful auction, so please help us to gather more donations! We need the help of each and every family to contribute to this very important event.
- Kids! Get your **catalog cover** contest entries in by TOMORROW!
- Please see the insert for **Underwriting Opportunities** in today's folder!

