

HCM'S HIGHLIGHTS

Principal's Message:

Latin Club results...

On Saturday, October 25, the Hill Country Cougar Latin Club Certamen team placed 2nd in the St. Andrew's Crusader Classic. Joseph Asfour (8th), Nicholas Burd (8th), Ethan Dintzner (8th), Shivani Lam (7th), and Nicole Zakiyan (7th) competed against five other Austin-area Latin clubs in a Latin quiz bowl tournament, which tested their knowledge of the Latin language and Roman culture. Congratulations, students!

Library happenings...

SPECIAL PARENT EVENT IN THE LIBRARY

We are hosting a special event in the Library on Wednesday, November 19 from 10:30 - 11:30am for parents. Random House Publishing Company's local rep, Liz Sullivan, will be here book talking the latest and greatest adult books out now! And, the books will be available for purchase.

It'll be a fun hour of books and treats!

Please RSVP via our Evite:

<http://www.evite.com/event/01FF4EQOMBGPHAA7QEPELYGUEYEAC4>

We hope to see you there!

GT News...

Eanes ISD Space Science Night

Eanes ISD will host Space Science Night on November 13th at Westlake High School from 5:30 - 7:30pm. The event will showcase student experiment proposals and submission to the Mission Patch Contest for the Student Spaceflight Experiments Program (SSEP).

The event will feature hands-on astronomy activities for students of all ages, including an inflatable planetarium and telescopes set up outside for viewing the planets. Retired astronaut Marsha Ivins will be the keynote speaker.

Food trucks will be in the parking lot for dinner and dessert.

More information, including a schedule, listing of hands-on activities, speaker bios, and food truck vendors can be found on the [district website](#).

HCMS Scoreboard

Volleyball Girls vs. Marble Falls

7th Grade

7A 25-10, 25-22

7B 25-16, 26-24

8th Grade

8A 25-9, 25-3

8B 18-25, 23-25

Go, Cougars!

Kathleen Sullivan

Cougar Club Updates:

Hello, HCMS families! So nice to sleep in this morning. I hope you and your children have a safe and fun Halloween night. Please check out our updates:

Are your kids looking forward to the carnival? It's the biggest student event the Cougar Club holds each year. And how do we pay for the carnival? Through the *required* student fees! Please take care of that at the online store now or send in a check ASAP to the office with your student's name. We will be contacting each parent who has not paid. Remember, this fee covers field trip transportation, consumables, and the carnival. Cougar Club has reduced the required fees from years past. We cover almost \$65 per child for the carnival, classroom

consumables, and field trip transportation, yet we are only requiring a payment of \$55 this year. Do you have any questions? Contact me, and I am happy to discuss with you. We also have scholarships available - please contact the guidance office if you need scholarship assistance.

Upcoming events and opportunities:

One Week until the Greatest Carnival On Earth!

HCMS Fabulous Fall Carnival: November 7th from 1-4pm on the fields!

We've opened up a few more volunteer spots for floaters, and we can always use more baked goods. If you missed out on helping out, [please click here to sign up!](#) Or here at <http://www.volunteerspot.com/login/entry/508576214010>.

Veteran's Day: HCMS Veteran's Day Celebration is November 11. Please send pictures of your family's veterans to woodring1@sbcglobal.net. Please include your student's name and grade, the veteran's name, rank, branch of service, and years of service. This celebration is one of the finest things the Cougar Club and administration does! There will be a beautiful ceremony, and we want to honor our veterans with a lovely slideshow.

We are in need of a few good parents: the Cougar Club is looking for an 8th grade parent to work with 8th grade team leads to organize the yearly field trip. Please contact me if you are interested. We also need a parent who is willing to reach out to a few local businesses to gather "Freebies" and coupons for the students who show positive behaviors.

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Calendar:

Cougar Club general membership meeting - State of the District with Dr. Leonard -
Wednesday, November 5, 8:45 am

Carnival - November 7 - during school day (1-4pm)

8th grade dance - Friday, November 7, 4-6 pm

Renee Ernst, HCMS Cougar Club President Ernst.Renee@yahoo.com

EEF news...

Your Donation Day gifts totaled a record high \$368,656! That's 7 teachers funded in just one day! So far this year, your generous gifts will fund 21 teachers for our schools! Thank you to our incredible volunteers and supporters for making Donation Day and the EEF Tailgate fun and exciting, with outstanding results!

Not sure if you've given this year? View our latest donor listing at www.EanesEducationFoundation.org.

Help us reach our goal of funding 30 teachers (9 more teachers to go) by making your gift today!