

Great Gatherings

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Kindergarten Pizza Picnic: Friday, May 12, 2017

Join us for an outdoor pizza picnic at Sitzer Park, where students will enjoy pizza, fruit and a treat, with plenty of time to play on the playground equipment. Give our child the opportunity to ride the bus (they always love that!), and experience a different play area for the day. Participants will be bussed to/from Sitzer Park by Oak Hill assistant, Seth Wait (a licensed driver of the bus).

For: Current Kindergarten students

Date: Friday, May 12; 11:30am-1:00pm

Location: Sitzer Park; students will be transported from school to park, and park to school

Price: \$15.00

Donated by: Rachelle Foster, Jena Nelson, Marcie Ward; Oak Hill Parents

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LE Movie Night: Friday, May 12, 2017

Join the Oak Hill Girl Scouts for an evening of pizza, games and the movie, Despicable Me. Hosted by Junior High students, Allison, Satori, Isabel and Emma, all of whom are CPR-certified.

Participants should come with a sleeping bag/blanket and pillow. Sign up fast, only 20 spots available.

For: Lower Elementary Students

Date: Friday, May 12, 6:00-9:00pm

Location: Oak Hill Activity Room

Price: \$20.00

Donated by: Oak Hill Girl Scouts (including Emma Brown, Satori Lewen, Allison Rosenquist, & Isabel Toghramadjian)

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Garden Pots of Fun: Friday, May 12, 2017

Come join Evelynn and Nolan when we create art for your garden this spring! We will be painting flower pots or you can paint and create a caterpillar sculpture for your garden. While our art dries we can eat a light snack and play in the backyard. Parents must accompany their child (ren) – one child per slot (parent does not count as a spot).

For: Current Children's House students and their families

Date: Friday, May 12, 2017 from 6-7:30pm

Location: The Sala House in Lino Lakes

Price: \$20.00

Donated by: Katie Sala: Oak Hill Parent

903

Oodles of Noodles with Kathy Anderson: Tuesday, May 16, 2017

Be one of the lucky students to enjoy a catered lunch by Noodles & Company! You will also get an extra half hour for lunch and a DQ Treat! Vegetarian and gluten free options are available.

For: LE, UE and Jr High students

Date: Wednesday, May 16th; 11:00am – 12:30pm

Location: Oak Hill Activity Room

Price: \$30.00

Donated by: Kathy Anderson, Oak Hill Head of School

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Spring Herb Planting Party: Spring 2017

Come join us for a Herb planting party this spring and take home a herb plant pot which your child will enjoy growing and harvesting all summer and fall.

Each child will get to choose an herb from a selection of four or five herbs. Each child will have the opportunity to plant their herb in a terracotta pot, and will be provided with basic care instructions. Children will get a chance to try food and drink samples like mint lemonade, (nut-free) basil pesto with crackers, oregano herb oil with bread etc. (Gluten-free options available upon request)

We will pick up the children at drop-off from inside the school. At the end of the gardening party, kids can be either picked up from the common area, or for those attending after school can be brought upstairs to after school.

For: Ages 4-6

Date: TBD Spring 2017, M-F, 3:30-4:30pm

Location: Oak Hill outdoor campus

Price: \$20.00

Donated by: Aditi Velankar, Oak Hill Parent & Dale Kangas, Student

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Chopped Jr.: Saturday, May 20, 2017

Join The Kids Cooking School for a simulation of the beloved TV show: Chopped Jr. Students will work in teams of 2-3 to create an appetizer and a main dish during two rounds of competition. Each team has an adult to help them determine how to make their recipe unique – either by flavor or presentation. Each child will receive their own apron to keep and a chef's hat to decorate.

Oak Hill Parents, Sam Jenniges and Kristin Daniels, will be assisting Tiffany Cavegn from the Kids Cooking School.

For: Upper Elementary students and older

Date: Saturday, May 20, 3:00-5:30pm

Location: The Kids Cooking School, Lino Lakes (just up the road from Oak Hill)

Price: \$60.00

Donated by: The Kids Cooking School

906

Escape Room - For Adults: Monday, May 22, 2017

Start your week off with a bang! Join JH Teachers Sarah and Jesse for an opportunity to escape from a puzzle room at Breakout Games in Minneapolis. Join together to crack codes, solve puzzles, and follow clues – we will have 60 minutes to escape from an adventure room. Part problem solving, part adrenaline, part end-to-end fun. Meet at the Puzzle Room.

(<https://breakoutgames.com/minneapolis/>)

For: Adults

Date: Monday, May 22, 2017, 7:00-9:00pm

Location: Breakout Games, Puzzle Room

Price: \$30.00

Donated by: Jesse Bailey, Sarah Plumb; JH Teachers

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All School Pancake Breakfast: Friday, June 2, 2017

Join Debbi, Jasie, Katie, Nancy and Valerie for the annual Pancake Breakfast. These pancakes are marveled by connoisseurs far and wide.

This is a great way to see new and old friends. All families are welcome to attend; children must be accompanied by a chaperone. Before school care must be registered with the office if you plan on dropping your child off after breakfast. Otherwise, parents must stay with children until the 8:20am drop-off time.

Please sign up each person.

For: All families welcome

Date: Friday, June 2, 2017, 7:30-8:30am

Location: Oak Hill Activity Room

Price: \$10.00

Donated by: Debbi, Valerie, Katie, Jasie: Children's House Teachers

908

Authentic Mexican Lunch (Elementary): Friday, June 2, 2017

Authentic Mexican Lunch with Gema! Elementary students will join Gema for a real Mexican Feast: chips & salsa, tostadas with beans and cheese, quesadillas and a dessert. Please contact Gema if you need to accommodate a food allergy.

For: Current LE or UE students

Date: Friday, June 2, 2017, 11:30am – 12:15pm

Location: Oak Hill Art Room

Price: \$30.00

Donated by: Gema Nelson; Oak Hill Spanish Teacher

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Authentic Mexican Lunch (Casa): Friday, June 2, 2017

Authentic Mexican Lunch with Gema! Casa Students will join Gema, Oak Hill's Spanish teacher, for a real Mexican Feast: chips & salsa, tostadas with beans and cheese, quesadillas and a dessert. Please contact Gema if you need to accommodate a food allergy.

For: Current Children's House students

Date: Friday, June 2, 2017; 12:15-1:00pm

Location: Oak Hill Art Room (Gema will pick up students from their classroom)

Price: \$30.00

Donated by: Gema Nelson, Oak Hill Spanish Teacher

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Family Camp Out: Saturday, June 3 - Sunday, June 4, 2017

When you arrive at St Croix State Park in Wisconsin, you'll find real cowboy grub at our popular Cookout and Camping adventure. Set up your tent and settle in.

When we ring the dinner bell, you'll have a western dinner of hot dogs, veggie dogs, brats, our signature Wussler Baked Beans, potato chips and s'mores for dessert. If this isn't enough, you'll find your boots tappin' to old campfire songs sung by our "Musical" children, play a game of cards, our yard games, etc. (feel free to bring a game). Even a city slicker will enjoy this campfire company!

In the morning, the coffee and tea will be brewing' over the campfire, as a good breakfast of bagels, cereal, fruit, milk and juice will be served. Have a great time hiking state park trails after breakfast and packing up to head home.

Price is per family (at least one parent must accompany their child/children).

For: All Families welcome

Date: Friday, June 3, 4:00pm – Sunday, June 4, 11:00am

Location: Meet at St. Croix State Park

Price: \$50.00

Donated by: Jenny Elton, Anne Wussler, Jasie Zarnoth: Oak Hill Parents

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Family Camp Out Luxury Tent - HIGHEST BID!

For those of you participating in the June 3-4 Family Camp Out, but would prefer a little special treatment...

Have you ever dreamed of camping but didn't quite want to do the work or have the equipment? Here is your chance to have a Back Country Sherpa! Your Sherpa will set up a tent and Queen size air mattress with bedding before you arrive! You will be set with a lantern and 2 bottles of water to quench your thirst after you enjoy your evening with the campers! Your Sherpa will then pack up the bed and tent in the morning, leaving you with no work to be done.

Highest bid includes the price of the Family Camp Great Gathering.

Value: Priceless

Donated by: Jenny Elton, Anne Wussler, Jasie Zarnoth; Oak Hill Parents

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Last Day of School Family Picnic: Friday, June 9, 2017

Join other Oak Hill families for a fun picnic after early release on the last day of school! After picking up your child(ren) from school at 11:30am, head over to Sitzer Park for lunch and play. After a picnic lunch of sandwiches, fruit, chips and drink, we'll have organized park games with a YMCA professional. The event will conclude at 1:00 but families may stay longer if they choose to play at the park.

For: Families of Children's House, Toddler and Nido students

Date: Friday, June 9, 11:30am-1:00pm

Location: Sitzer Park (near Oak Hill)

Price: \$30.00

Donated by: Vivien Tressler, Oak Hill Parent

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Escape Room - For JH & Alumni Students: Friday, June 9, 2017

Close out the year by having a blast! After Field Day (early dismissal on Friday, June 9), join JH teachers Jesse and Sarah to head to an escape room in Minneapolis. We will solve puzzles, crack codes, and think creatively to escape from an adventure room together – in under an hour! We will return to Oak Hill by 5:30 p.m.

For: Junior High and Alumni students

Date: Friday, June 9, afternoon

Location: Breakout Games (students will be transported to/from Oak Hill)

Price: \$35.00

Donated by: Jesse Bailey, Sarah Plumb; JH Teachers

913

Oak Hill Family Bike Ride: Saturday, June 10, 2017

Come join us for our annual Oak Hill Montessori Family Bike Ride. We are checking out local bike trails to find the best possible location for our group. We'll take off and bike on the bike trails and plan to meet back at the lake after an hour or so of biking. We will provide refreshments at that point. Bring a bathing suit and enjoy a dip in the lake. If you'd like to linger a while, bring your own picnic and relax and enjoy swimming, frolicking and good company.

Price is per family.

For: The whole family

Date: Saturday, June 10; 9:30am

Location: TBD

Price: \$30.00

Donated by: Zarna Raheja, Anne Wussler, Jasie Zarnoth: Oak Hill Parents

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Minnesota State Capitol Art and Architecture Tour & Luncheon: Saturday, July 8, 2017

The Minnesota State Capitol has undergone a \$272 million renovation to restore its historic features, including the architecture of Cass Gilbert's Beaux-Arts-inspired 1905 marble masterpiece and the artwork inside. The tour takes guests on a journey through the Minnesota State Capitol to view the resplendent murals, grand sculptures and exquisite decoration that make the building so special. We'll explore how art and architecture partner to make the Capitol one of the premier public buildings in the United States.

Prior to its official grand opening, you'll experience a preview of one of the grandest and most architecturally appealing public buildings in the United States. Following the tour, the group will retire to the rooftop patio at nearby Isthmus Engineering for a social luncheon accompanied by a sampling of Minnesota beers.

For: Adults

Date: Saturday, July 8; 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Location: Minnesota State Capitol, St. Paul

Price: \$50.00

Donated by: Erin & John Doan, Katie & Avo Toghramadjian; Oak Hill Parents

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Women on the Water: Monday-Thursday, July 24-27, 2017

Guided and Outfitted Camping and Canoeing Expedition in the Boundary Waters Canoe Area (BWCA): 3 Days / 2 Nights (Tuesday July 25- Thursday July 27)

NOTE: We will gather early morning on Monday, July 24 to pack our gear and carpool to Grand Marais, making the entire trip 4 days/3 nights (Monday-Thursday)

The journey begins with an afternoon and pre-camp dinner out in Grand Marais. We then drive up the Gunflint Trail, where we will spend the first night in the Clearwater Lodge Bunkhouse. Bright and early on Tuesday morning we will enter the BWCA at Clearwater Lake where we will enjoy three full days of canoeing and 2 evenings of camping before departing on Thursday. In this area, we will have the opportunity to swim in a waterfall and hike along the Canadian border.

For: Adventurous women or women and their daughters, entering JH and up.

Dates: Monday-Thursday, July 24-27, 2017

Location: BWCA (carpool to/from Twin Cities)

Price: \$400.00

Donated by: Jaci & Grace Christenson; Katie & Isabel Toghramadjian

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Dad's Back-to-School Pancake Breakfast: Friday, Sept. 15, 2017

Start the new school year right by taking a break from breakfast duty. Let us dads do the work. Enjoy a hearty breakfast of pancakes and sausage served by Oak Hill dads.

Before school care must be registered with the office prior to the event if you plan on dropping your child off after the breakfast. Otherwise, a parent must stay with child until the 8:20am drop-off.

For: All are welcome – parents, students and staff. Parents must accompany students.

Date: Friday, September 15, 7:30-8:30am

Location: Oak Hill Activity Room

Price: \$10.00

Donated by: Sam Baker, Brian Wilcox: Oak Hill Dads

916

Cupcake Wars: September 2017 TBD

Join us for this playful party where students receive their own aprons and then bake their own cupcakes from scratch. We will start off baking our own cupcakes from scratch in teams of two. When they are finished baking, each child will have 6 cupcakes to decorate with buttercream frosting in a variety of colors. There will be demonstrations on how to use piping tips to create several designs that are used on the popular Kids Baking Championships.

For: Lower Elementary and older (in 2017-18 school year)

Date: September 2017 (exact date TBD)

Location: Uptown Girl Cakes & Dessert, White Bear Lake

Price: \$30.00

Donated by: Juanita Appleton, Oak Hill Parent

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Origami and Pizza for LE & UE: Wednesday, September 27, 2017

Origami and Pizza for upper and lower elementary students. Instructor and materials will be provided

For: Lower & Upper Elementary Students

Date: Wednesday, September 27, 2017 from 3:30-5pm

Location: Oak Hill, exact location TBD

Price: \$15.00

Donated by: Juanita Appleton, Annamarie Saarinen; Oak Hill Parents

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Marshmallow Fun! Fall 2017

Once you have had a homemade marshmallow you can never go back. But there is more fun to be had with them other than just eating them straight up. Join us for an afternoon of marshmallow treat making. You will leave with a sugar rush and your own batch of marshmallows to eat at home.

Price is per person. Parents can accompany child or drop off/pick up, If parent attends, please sign up for spot.

For: Elementary students

Date: Fall 2017 (exact date TBD)

Location: Hoyos/Baker House in Roseville

Price: \$25.00

Donated by: Lillyan Hoyos and Sam Baker: Oak Hill Parents

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Key's Cafe Hot Turkey Lunch: Thursday, November 16, 2017

The very popular Hot Turkey Lunch is back! Keys Cafe's turkey with all the fixings has been voted "Best Turkey Dinner" by the readers of the St Paul Pioneer Press. Do not miss out!

For: LE, UE, JH students and all staff

Date: Thursday, November 16, 2017

Location: Oak Hill Activity Room

Price: \$12.00

Donated by: Matt & Rachel Howell; Oak Hill Parents

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Decorate Your Gingerbread House: Saturday, December 2, 2017

Rene will bake for you an amazing Gingerbread house to be decorated by one or two children with a parents help. There will be an abundance of candies and other edible decorations for you to chose from. Perhaps the roof will be covered with Nicco Wafers and the house is adorned with gum drops and peppermints. Don't forget the yard which is a massive cookie to decorate as you wish with gingerbread children and maybe a cookie santa. The house is large and will make a stunning display in your kitchen or dining room before the holidays.

Price is per house.

For: Elementary students and older (2017-18 school year)

Date: Saturday, December 2, 2017; 1:00-4:00pm

Location: Oak Hill Montessori Art Room

Price: \$100.00

Donated by: Rene Block, Oak Hill Art Resource Specialist

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