

# Gator Gazette

*A Bi-Weekly Newsletter for the Agnor-Hurt Community*

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February 5, 2019

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## Mark Your Calendar...

Feb 5 - Knitting Circle, 5:30 - 7:30pm in library

Feb 18 - No school

Feb 12 - Knitting Circle, 5:30 - 7:30pm in library

Feb 19 - Winter music concert grades 2, 3 and K-2 multiage, 7pm

Feb 13 - Submissions for Gator Gazette due

Feb 19 - Knitting Circle, 5:30 - 7:30pm in library

Feb 14 - Lunch Buddies, 10:50am - 12:30pm in cafeteria

## Message from the PTO

Our AHES PTO invites you to continue to share your ideas and volunteer time with us. Thank you to everyone who participated in our parent and staff survey to help us better understand how to support our beautiful community. As we move into the second part of our school year, we are already planning for the future of the PTO. We will have some open board positions to fill next year including Treasurer. If you are interested in learning more about this role please contact the PTO. Additionally, we are looking to fill a variety of other positions, some on the Board and some not, which will be vacated as our 5th grade class graduates.

## Celebrating Black History Month

We will be celebrating Black History Month in February. AHES will be hosting a panel discussion with Gwen Hairston, Jackie Perry, John Hunter and Marsha Howard on February 21 at 6:30 pm. This event is open to adults and students.

## Lunch Buddies

Interested in spending some time with AHES students who might need an extra set of ears from a supportive adult? Join Dave Downey (434-296-7253) once each month, between 10:50am - 12:50pm, for the Lunch Buddies program. Call Dave for details. Upcoming dates: February 14, March 14, and April 18.

## 2019 Fall Festival

Believe it or not, we are ready to start requesting sponsorships for next year's Fall Festival. Our request letter is updated now, and the PTO is requesting some help reaching out to businesses in the area. Please email us at [agnorhurtpto@gmail.com](mailto:agnorhurtpto@gmail.com) to help out! We use sponsorship monies to rent our inflatables and photo booth. It is used to pay for face painters and purchase materials for games/activities. Money raised from our Fall Festival goes directly back into our school community for the remainder of the school year (i.e. Fall Festival 2019 will help us reimburse teachers for materials/supplies during the 2019-20 school year).

## 2nd, 3rd and K-2 Multiage Music Concert and Art Show

Please join us Tuesday, February 19 at 7 pm for an evening of entertainment. Student performers please arrive at 6:30pm in jeans and a solid color shirt. The snow date will be February 26.

## 2018-2019 Yearbook Orders

If you are interested in ordering an AHES yearbook the deadline is March 18, 2019. To order go to [ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://ybpay.lifetouch.com). Yearbook ID code is 12761219.

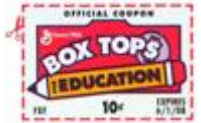
## Game Night

Join us for an evening of fun featuring Bingo and Board Games on March 15 from 6:30 - 8pm. Bring your favorite game to share or just come and grab a game we provide. Come join the fun. Please bring a game night snack to share with others (i.e. bowl of popcorn, plate of cookies, trail mix). See you there!

## Bright Stars Preschool

The application process for Bright Stars Preschool opened February 1. More information can be found on the Agnor Hurt website.

**Box Tops** are collected all year long. You can save them up for a contest, or send them in anytime. Thank you to all students, parents and staff who have sent in Box Tops thus far.



## Direct Donations

We are still accepting donations of any amount to obtain our Direct Donation goal of \$5000 for the school year. Thank you for the contributions thus far. We have four full months remaining in the school year.

- We use the money we receive through this fundraising effort to support our staff throughout the school year. Knowing we've hit our goal helps us to say "yes" to all of their requests for 2018-19.
- The PTO is a non-profit organization so your donations are tax deductible to the extent of the law for your tax submissions.

Send in cash or a check made out to AHES PTO in an envelope marked PTO Direct Donation in your child's parent/teacher folder. Hop onto our website [www.agnorhurtelementarypto.org](http://www.agnorhurtelementarypto.org) or our Facebook page and click the "Donate" button to donate online. Swing by the office to leave cash or a check and the wonderful front office staff will get it to us. Thank you for all your support!

## Looking Ahead

- Feb 21 - Black History Month panel discussion 6:30pm
- Feb 26 - Knitting Circle, 5:30 - 7:30 in library
- Mar 5 - Girls & Women in Sports Night, 6:30pm in gym
- Mar 14 - Lunch Buddies, 10:50am - 12:50pm in cafeteria

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## Contact Us/Stay Informed

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### PTO Website

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### School Website

[www2.k12albemarle.org/school/AHES](http://www2.k12albemarle.org/school/AHES)

Do you have information for the Gazette? Please send submissions to [agnorhurtppto@gmail.com](mailto:agnorhurtppto@gmail.com)

The next Gator Gazette will be published Feb 19. The submission deadline is Feb 13.

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