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| **Somerville School**  **Ridgewood Public Schools**  **Dr. Lorna Oates-Santos, Principal** |
| November 14, 2017 E-News  *"Give thanks for a little and you will find a lot." ~ Hansa proverb*  **LOST AND FOUND**  Eyeglasses found!  Child's black frame Kate Spade glasses found outside.  Please claim if they belong to your child!  **REMINDERS**   * Food Donation for the month of November is rice/rice mixes.  Get your donation in soon.  Kindergarten students will be counting our donations on November 30th. * Minimum Day - Wednesday, November 22.  Dismissal is at 12:45.  Thursday and Friday (11/23 & 11/24) school closed for Thanksgiving break.   **Calling All New Somerville Dads!**  If I haven't met you already or you haven't signed up for Dads' Night, our New Dads' event is Thursday November 16th at the Knights of Columbus, [31 S. Broad Street, Ridgewood](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/7Ctxi4wyRJRM5WBWYuZrvg~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRb7EnnP4QHAmh0dHA6Ly90cmFjay5zcGUuc2Nob29sbWVzc2VuZ2VyLmNvbS9mL2EvR2JCamRzTEsxMENYeTB6QjhtallLd35-L0FBQUFBUUF--ygr6EEIAG0FCT0ZEzRSHGNhbmViYmlhQHJpZGdld29vZC5rMTIubmoudXMJUQQAAAAAR6p7ImN1c3RvbWVyaWQiOiIyNzEyIiwic2hhcmRpZCI6IjYiLCJlbWFpbFNvdXJjZSI6IkNVU1RPTUVSX0pPQiIsInNlcXVlbmNlIjoiMCIsImVudiI6InByb2QiLCJ1c2VyaWQiOiIxNSIsInBlcnNvbmlkIjoiNTMxMDEiLCJzZW50VGltZU1zIjoiMTUxMDY3NjA2MTU4NSIsImpvYmlkIjoiMTM4MTkifQ~~), from 7:30p-11p.  Food and beverages are free ONLY for new Dads.  This is a great event and one that really shouldn't be missed.  You will learn more about Dads' Night, meet other new dad's, current Dads' Night members, our chairmen and find out about upcoming events.  Join us on November 16th and let the fun begin!  Any questions please contact Steve Ragains at:   [stevenragains@gmail.com](mailto:stevenragains@gmail.com)  **DN TURKEY DRIVE**  This Sunday, 11/19/17 from 10:30-12:30, Dads' Night will be collecting frozen turkeys to be donated to Ironbound Community CC to offer a free meal to those families in need.  Our goal this year is to top 100 FROZEN turkeys and your help is appreciated!  Come early as we will have donuts, hot chocolate and coffee (first come first served) as well as a chance to continue to show what a great community our school is!  Any questions email Scott Orr at [scorr1.dn@gmail.com](mailto:scorr1.dn@gmail.com).  Gobble Gobble!  **HSA E-NEWS**  **FROM THE PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION**  Was it Colonel Mustard, in the conservatory, with a wrench? No! It’s the **HSA MEETING, TOMORROW , in the library**! This is one of the two evening meetings of the year (the second is April 17, 2018). Meeting is from 7:00 to 8:00. Come and listen, come and share! All are welcome and encouraged to attend.  **YES, IT’S READY** The directory is being printed today! Look for it to hit backpacks by Friday or Monday at the latest. A tremendous amount of hours goes into this precious booklet. Somerville volunteer extraordinaire **Elizabeth Hall**, thank you so much for devoting many, many weekends and late nights to steering this project with a steady hand. Your hard work and good cheer were remarkable! Thanks to the volunteers who helped proofread, and thank you to our faithful advertisers, as well!  **TAKE A NIGHT OFF COOKING**  …so helpful in the lead-up to Thanksgiving!  The first “**No-Cook Dinner**” fundraiser of the year – we have four planned – will be Monday, November 20th from 4:00 – 7:00 p.m. at **The Catchy Caterer** in Ho-Ho-Kus. How does Sticky Bourbon Meatballs over Citrus Rice sound? Delicious, right?! They’ll also have kid-friendly meals like **lasagna Bolognese, roasted veggie lasagna, baked shrimp scampi, spaghetti and meatballs**…plus a dinner special and all their regular menu items. **Have it delivered for $5!** Fifteen percent of sales will go to the Somerville HSA. Walk in or pre-order from their website, [**https://thecatchycaterer.com/new-products/.**](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/4r5Z_hSmLEkh5T3-iKXvxw~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRb7EnnP0QqaHR0cHM6Ly90aGVjYXRjaHljYXRlcmVyLmNvbS9uZXctcHJvZHVjdHMvVwdzY2hvb2xtWAQAAAAAQgoAAWcWC1r7KCvoQQgAbQUJPRkTNFIcY2FuZWJiaWFAcmlkZ2V3b29kLmsxMi5uai51cwlRBAAAAABHqnsic2VudFRpbWVNcyI6IjE1MTA2NzYwNjE1ODUiLCJqb2JpZCI6IjEzODE5IiwiZW1haWxTb3VyY2UiOiJDVVNUT01FUl9KT0IiLCJ1c2VyaWQiOiIxNSIsInNlcXVlbmNlIjoiMCIsImN1c3RvbWVyaWQiOiIyNzEyIiwic2hhcmRpZCI6IjYiLCJlbnYiOiJwcm9kIiwicGVyc29uaWQiOiI1MzEwMSJ9)   Thank you to our no-cook fundraiser chairs **Michelle Tzoulafis** and **Celine Spino** for finding this gem and coordinating!  Remember to stuff a few dollars in your kid’s pocket the morning of the **BAKE SALE** ***Tuesday November 21st****!*   8:15am-9am and again from 2pm-3:15pm.  We will be offering a variety of items for your families to enjoy. We welcome ALL who would like to contribute items and help make this a delicious, successful event for our HSA. All items on the $1 table must be NUT FREE and we will offer gluten-free options as well.   There will be bagels in the morning and many delicious pies, breads, soups etc.    Bakers, please sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4baeab2ea1ff2-somerville>.    Any questions, please contact **Janine Gulya** [jmgulya@gmail.com](mailto:jmgulya@gmail.com), **Melissa Guzik** [melissaguzik@yahoo.com](mailto:melissaguzik@yahoo.com) or **Bridey Bradford** [brydebd@yahoo.com](mailto:brydebd@yahoo.com).  **PROGRESSIVE DINNER** is on Saturday!  Our over-100 attendees will gather for appetizers from 6:30 to 8:30, then scatter to a dozen different Somerville homes to continue socializing over dinner. **Christina Rau** and **Stephanie Moskowitz** have done a wonderful job helming this traditional event. Thank you to all our hosts, especially the Skorics! Hope everyone has a fun night and meets some neat new friends.  **SUPPORT THE LSHSA** Our sister association, the Learning Service Home & School Association (LSHSA), provides grants to special education teachers and therapists who are looking to provide enrichment activities for their students.  Please help support their efforts by making a donation today. See attached letter for more information and details.  **SPIRIT WEAR SALES** were the highest in memory, with over **$2,000** in profits and **over** **380 items sold**! Look for your orders to arrive in the next week or two… don’t forget to post a photo of your family member in their new Spirit Wear on Facebook: earliest posters will win lunch and games with Mr. Derisi!  **GROCERY CARDS** are an important fundraiser for the HSA. In addition to our monthly envelope delivery of **Stop ‘n Shop**, **King’s** and **Shoprite** cards overseen by Chair **Rich Miller**,  we are trying something new to get them in your hands! Every afternoon this week at 3:00 you will be able to buy Stop ‘n Shop grocery cards in front of the school! Pay with cash or check, then use them to pay for your groceries, and Stop ‘n Shop will donate a percentage to Somerville’s Home and School Association. Thank you to Vice President **Claudia Fortunato** for this smart initiative!  **WHILE WE’RE TALKING ABOUT GROCERY CARDS** don’t forget to get a **Fairway card** at the office and swipe it every time you shop at Fairway. Fairway will donate **3%** of your purchase to Somerville as part of their Community Partners program! If you don’t shop there, get one for someone who does! And register your Stop ’n Shop card online and support Somerville! The program runs through March 15th, 2018.  Register at [https://stopandshop.com/school-rewards/](http://track.spe.schoolmessenger.com/f/a/PExltb6WGbzCqN1KvX-aIg~~/AAAAAQA~/RgRb7EnnP0QnaHR0cHM6Ly9zdG9wYW5kc2hvcC5jb20vc2Nob29sLXJld2FyZHMvVwdzY2hvb2xtWAQAAAAAQgoAAWcWC1r7KCvoQQgAbQUJPRkTNFIcY2FuZWJiaWFAcmlkZ2V3b29kLmsxMi5uai51cwlRBAAAAABHqnsic2hhcmRpZCI6IjYiLCJqb2JpZCI6IjEzODE5Iiwic2VudFRpbWVNcyI6IjE1MTA2NzYwNjE1ODUiLCJlbWFpbFNvdXJjZSI6IkNVU1RPTUVSX0pPQiIsInVzZXJpZCI6IjE1IiwiZW52IjoicHJvZCIsInNlcXVlbmNlIjoiMCIsInBlcnNvbmlkIjoiNTMxMDEiLCJjdXN0b21lcmlkIjoiMjcxMiJ9).  **GIVE A PERCENTAGE OF THE VALUE OF YOUR AMAZON PURCHASES TO THE HSA** Just go to [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and enter “Somerville Home & School” as the non-profit you choose to support.  **RIDGEWOOD DRY CLEANERS** For every $100 purchase at this community-minded business on Broad Street opposite Sook and Super Cellars, you will be credited $110, and Ridgewood Dry Cleaners will donate $20 (that is, 20%) to Somerville’s HSA.  Have a good week, everyone!  Alexa Wagschal |