



February 3, 2012

# The View

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## Be A Sport! Cut it Short!

This year Valley View is teaming up with the St. Bald-  
rick's Foundation to partici-  
pate in the McHenry Commu-  
nity Shave. Our goal this  
year is to have Valley View  
students, parents and teach-  
ers involved in this amazing  
event. How can you help?  
There are several ways for  
you and your family to get  
involved. The first is by  
bringing in your loose coins  
and donating them in your  
classroom coin jar. **Cur-  
rently we have collected  
\$950.00.** The second way  
to be involved is by purchas-  
ing a t-shirt to show your  
support. T-shirts will be  
on sale on **Thursday,  
February 9** during lunch  
periods for \$10.00 The  
proceeds from the t-shirt  
sales and coin drive go di-  
rectly to children in our com-

munity suffering from can-  
cer. The final and most ex-  
citing way to be involved is  
by being a shavee! Valley  
View would like to have a  
"team" represent our school  
during the McHenry Commu-  
nity Shave on March 15. **Two  
Valley View teachers have  
already committed to shav-  
ing their heads...Mr. Lotz &  
Mr. Freund!** Valley View al-  
ready has a team set up  
online that you can register  
with. We encourage stu-  
dents as well as parents to  
get involved with this amaz-  
ing event!

**To help kick-off this excit-  
ing event you have an op-  
portunity to win some  
amazing prizes including an  
IPOD!** All students who pur-  
chase a t-shirt will receive a  
ticket to be entered in the  
drawing. For example: if  
your family is purchasing 4 t-  
shirts, your student will re-  
ceive 4 tickets to be entered  
in the drawing. Any student

and/or family member who  
receives donations and  
shaves their head at the  
Community Shave on March  
15 will receive **5 tickets** to  
be entered in the drawing.  
For example: if a student  
and their mother both shave  
their heads, that student  
would receive 10 tickets to  
be entered in the drawing.  
**For the class who raises  
the most money** in their coin  
jar we will be having a pizza  
party as well as having the  
McHenry High School Base-  
ball Team come to our school  
to go outside for an extra  
recess with the students.  
Prizes will be drawn on Fri-  
day, March 16 following the  
Community Shave which  
takes place on March 15.

If you have any questions  
please contact Amanda Cohn  
(acohn@d15.org) and/or  
Karen Gavers  
([kgavers@d15.org](mailto:kgavers@d15.org)). Thank  
you for your support!

**Valley View School  
McHenry School  
District 15**

### Important Information

Valley View School  
6515 West IL Route 120  
McHenry, IL 60050  
815.385.0640

Office Hours: 8:30-4:30

Student Drop off:  
8:45/12:45

Principal: Amanda Cohn

Assistant Principal:  
Tiffany Elswick

Dates to remember

3 Mid Quarter Reports

7 PTO Meeting 5:30-6:30

9 Early Release 2:10

24 Spring Pictures

## Kindergarten Registration

The entire Valley View staff ex-  
tends a warm welcome to your child  
and you. By working together, we  
can best ensure that your child's  
first formal year of public school  
will be a pleasant and successful one.

We believe that the kindergarten year is  
tremendously important in providing your  
child a solid foundation upon which to build  
future years in school.

### Registration

**Wednesday, February 15th  
4:30-7:30**

**Please bring birth certificate and  
proof of residency.**

## From the Desk of Mrs. Cohn and Mrs. Elswick

Dear Valley View Families,

We are already in our fourth week of third quarter; students and teachers continue to work hard on our Standard Course of Study. Teachers in all grade levels meet to discuss common assessments and strategies for ensuring that all students receive the help (either remediation or acceleration) that they need. We know every day is important in the overall accomplishment of each student, and we know that you as parents are continuing to stress that your child come to school everyday ready and

eager to be the best that they can be. For that we thank you.

We encourage you to call or come in with any questions or concerns you may have. We realize that communicating with parents regarding successes, concerns or questions is how good relationships become stronger as we join together to educate your children. Thank you for your support .

Amanda Cohn—Principal  
&  
Tiffany Elswick—Assistant Principal

## February Citizenship

**Quote of the Week:  
Today...**

**I will do more than I  
have to do; I will treat  
others the way I want  
to be treated, and I  
will try to become a  
better person...**

### **ART to REMEMBER...Your Child's Artwork Forever!**

The Art to Remember Fundraiser is scheduled to go home on March 9th. Each Child will receive a sales package that has their personal artwork that can be purchased to be placed on a variety of items. The fundraiser order forms are due back from the parents by 3/20.

A Reflections event to showcase the children's artwork is scheduled for April 26th after school ends, set time TBD. This is also the date that the parents can pick up their orders. We are planning on displaying the children's artwork in a gallery format and serving punch and cake squares with soft classical music playing in the background. Profits for this fundraiser go to the Art program.

Also do not miss the "Celebration of the Arts" on March 15th from 4-7pm at McHenry Middle School. Please do find the time to see the artwork District-wide at this event. Don't miss out on the eye-catching student artwork.

## **EXTRA, EXTRA, Read all about it...**

The next Family Book Club is going to be Tuesday, April 10th at 6:30pm. A letter and permission slip will be going home for 3rd-5th graders soon.

The book is called *Chasing Vermeer* by Blue Balliett. The author was a teacher at a Chicago Lab school in Hyde Park, and that is where the book is set. It is a fun mystery book based on famous artwork being sto-

len. Here is a link if you'd like to read more about it.

[http://www.amazon.com/Chasing-Vermeer-Blue-Balliett/dp/0439372976/ref=sr\\_1\\_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1328119703&r=1-1](http://www.amazon.com/Chasing-Vermeer-Blue-Balliett/dp/0439372976/ref=sr_1_1?s=books&ie=UTF8&qid=1328119703&r=1-1)

