

Dear SMPO families,

We held a special events meeting on Friday, March 4th, to discuss the upcoming spring faire on April 15th. We came up with several ideas for games and activities. To start, we thought some type of **scavenger hunt** might be nice. Following the scavenger hunt, there will be 5 activity areas. The 5 activity areas suggested include a **dunk tank, outside bowling, community building activity area, a clothing change relay race, and a drum circle**. Additionally, we would like to set up some **booths/tables for floral arranging(i.e. making a wreath or lei), face painting and/or bead necklace making**, and, finally, **apple bobbing**.

We would like to set up a simple PA system as well, so that music, karaoke, announcements, and the like can occur. Needless to say, we will need volunteers to help with coordination, set-up, and supervision. We have some time to put this together, so if we can find some folks to help out with planning and procuring the necessary goods and services, and/or identify folks willing to help with set-up, or provide supervision during the event, that would be great.

The SMPO can purchase things if necessary, but it would be better if people could contribute, and/or solicit friends and the community at large, for the supplies needed to carry out the specified activities. We will need the following:

- We will need plastic eggs and appropriate items to fill them with for the scavenger hunt.
- We could also use folks to fill the eggs as well.
- We will coordinate the dunk tank but, if anyone has one, and/or knows where we can get one at no cost, please let me know.
- David and Florie Kuperman will provide the supplies for the bowling activity.
- The banana pass community building activity needs nothing more than participants and some bananas, so we should be good there.
- The clothing change relay race will have 3 legs, with each one requiring a clothing change. In addition to the clothing change, each leg will have another requirement, such as completing a bean bag accuracy toss, a hula hoop throw, and so on. We shouldn't need anything for this either. Pam Boyer has agreed to provide the bean bags, the school has hula hoops, and David and Florie will provide the rest.
- We have some drums for the drum circle, but more would be better. Anyone who can provide some additional drums, please let us know. Director Michelle agreed to talk to Ritchie and see if he wants to lead the drum circle, but anyone else with some talent in this area is encouraged to join and help.

We will need **volunteers** to set up each activity and to provide supervision during the event as well. Please contact us if you are willing to assist in this way.

The **booths/table activities** will also require some supplies. The floral arranging booth/table will, of course, need flowers and leaves(either real and/or fake) to make the wreaths and lei's. Anyone who has, or knows someone who has, these materials, please contact us. We will need beads for the necklace making as well. Art supplies, and other materials needed for this type of

project, may also be helpful, so that we do not have to ask the school to use theirs. We will need apples for the apple bobbing, and some containers appropriate for this type of activity. Anyone who can help in this way, please let us know. Not surprisingly, we will also need volunteers for set-up and supervision of these booths/tables. If you are interested in assisting in this way, give us a holler.

Finally, we could use some tables. If anyone can contribute some tables, that would be great. Anyway, that's all for now. As things come up we will keep everyone informed. Please let us know if you are willing and/or able to help in any of the ways described above by e-mailing David and Florie Kuperman at floriekuperman@sbcglobal.net. Thanks for helping, and we look forward to hearing from many of you soon.

David and Florie Kuperman
SMPO Special Events Committee

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