UPCOMING EVENTS:
Jan. 30—Read to Succeed 4:00-5:00
Jan. 30—“A” Basketball @ Boyd 4:30
Feb. 4—“B” Basketball @ Boyd 4:30
Feb. 4—Extra Specials 4:05-5:00
Feb. 4—Tutoring 4:15-5:00
Feb. 4—Student Council 4:00-5:00
Feb. 4—Math Club 4:00-5:00
Feb. 5—Extra Specials 4:05-5:00
Feb. 5—Tutoring 4:15-5:00
Feb. 5—Robotics 4:00-6:00
Feb. 6—“A” Basketball @ Boyd 4:30
Feb. 6—Read to Succeed 4:00-5:00
Feb. 8—Boyd’s 2nd Annual Robotics Tournament @ Boyd 9:00-1:00
Feb. 11—“B” Basketball @ Boyd 4:30
Feb. 11—District Spelling Bee @ TAC 6:00
Feb. 11—Extra Specials 4:05-5:00
Feb. 11—Tutoring 4:15-5:00
Feb. 11—Math Club 4:00-5:00
Feb. 11—PTA Meeting 6:00
Feb. 12—Extra Specials 4:05-5:00

CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT:

MRS. SHAFER, HEAD START - P05

Hello, my name is Janell Shafer and I am the Head Start teacher at Boyd Elementary. This is my first year in the Omaha Public Schools and I am very excited to be here. I love teaching this age group because they are very curious and eager to learn. My husband Kyle and I have been married for five years and we have a two year old son, Maxwell. I graduated from the University of Nebraska at Omaha with a degree in Elementary Education and an endorsement in Early Childhood. I’m very happy to be a part of the Boyd Beaver family.

My students are busy gearing up for the 100th day of school this week. We are busy counting and getting ready for our celebration on Friday. We are currently working on the letter "Rr" this week. The students are creating their own letter book which they will take home at the end of the school year. Next week, we will be discussing hibernation and we will have a teddy bear picnic in our classroom with our Pre-K friends.

Have a great weekend,
Mrs. Shafer

Regional Spelling Bee

On Friday, January 17th, eight spelling stars from Boyd joined several other OPS finalists at the Regional Spelling Bee at the TAC Center. We were very proud of all the students who qualified for this Spelling Bee. Emma Carey, Diego Froiland, Hunter Gould, Zach Hansen, Bailey Herrley, Bawi Ram Par, Brooklyn Smith, and Jessie Bitters were awarded Spelling Bee Certificates and medals for participating in this special event. Kaylin Larson also qualified but was unable to attend. Zach Hansen will advance to the District Spelling Bee that will be held at 6:00 p.m. on February 11, 2013 in the Board Room of OPS.

We are grateful for the opportunity for our Boyd students to enter this competition and wish Zach much luck in the upcoming contest!

Jan Jackson and Scott Hilger
Parents:

With the extremely cold temperatures we have experienced lately we wanted to remind you that students are not to be dropped off prior to 8:40. Be sure they are prepared for the outdoor temperatures before and after school and during recess. Please make sure your children are dressed appropriately with coats, hats, gloves or mittens. On the days temperatures allow, recess will be held outside.

School begins at 9:05. The doors open for breakfast at 8:40. Students will not be allowed into the building before then and students are not supervised outside of the building. **The students must be enrolled in Kid’s Club if you are going to drop them off prior to 8:40.** Contact Tara Bell here at Boyd between 7:00-8:30 AM and 4:00-6:00 PM for more information on Kids Club registration.

Thank you

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**BOARD OF EDUCATION STRATEGIC MEETINGS**

**OMAHA PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

Members of the Board of Education are set to conduct a series of meetings to reach out to the community about OPS’s ongoing strategic planning effort. These meetings will continue through the end of January and into early February. Please see the following lists for dates, times, venues and hosts:

January 30—Anthony Vargus—Springlake—6:30-7:30
February 4—Lacey Merica—Bryan High—6:30-7:30
February 6—Yolanda Williams—Sherman—6:00-7:00
February 12—Yolanda Williams—Monroe—6:30-8:00

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**February**

**Omaha's 1898 World's Fair**

*Michael Pihipps Gallery exhibit*

Featuring memorabilia from OPS's collection as well as contributions from The Durham Museum and private collectors.

**Omaha Public Library**

**Join us for**

**Reading with Rosie & Friends**

**February**

- **2**
  - 4:30 PM Toddler/Preschool Storytime
  - 4:30 PM Black History with Music
- **3**
  - 10:30 AM Toddler/Preschool Storytime
  - 10:30 AM Black History with Music
  - 10:30 AM Black History Report Relief
- **4**
  - 6:30 PM Lapsit Storytime
  - 4 PM Teen Advisory Board
  - 6:30 PM Lapsit Storytime
  - 4 PM Teen Advisory Board
- **5**
  - 10:30 AM Lapsit Storytime
  - 4 PM Teens Hangout
- **6**
  - 10:30 AM Lapsit Storytime
  - 4 PM Teens Hangout
- **7**
  - 4:30 PM Friday Fun Day
  - 6:30 PM Teens Hangout
- **8**
  - 6:30 PM Teens Hangout
  - 6:30 PM Teens Hangout
  - 6:30 PM Teens Hangout
  - 6:30 PM Teens Hangout
- **9**
  - 4:30 PM Reading with Rosie & Friends
  - 10:30 AM Pete the Cat Visits Storytime
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- **14**
  - 10 AM Genealogy Club
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- **15**
  - 6-9 PM Anti-Valentine’s Lock-In
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- **16**
  - 4:30 PM Reading with Rosie & Friends
  - 10:30 AM Pete the Cat Visits Storytime
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  - 10:30 AM Pete the Cat Visits Storytime
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- **22**
  - 10 AM Genealogy Club
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  - 10 AM Genealogy Club
- **23**
  - 4:30 PM Reading with Rosie & Friends
  - 10:30 AM Toddler/Preschool Storytime
  - 6:30 PM OPL Showcase for Homeschoolers
- **24**
  - 10:30 AM Toddler/Preschool Storytime
  - 6:30 PM OPL Showcase for Homeschoolers
  - 6:30 PM OPL Showcase for Homeschoolers
- **25**
  - 10:30 AM Toddler/Preschool Storytime
  - 1 PM 4th Thursday Book Club
  - 1 PM 4th Thursday Book Club
- **26**
  - 10:30 AM Toddler/Preschool Storytime
  - 1 PM 4th Thursday Book Club
- **27**
  - 6:30 PM 4th Thursday Book Club
  - 6:30 PM 4th Thursday Book Club
  - 6:30 PM 4th Thursday Book Club
  - 6:30 PM 4th Thursday Book Club
- **28**
  - 4:45 PM Cookies & Books Book Club
  - 4:45 PM Kids & Teens Book Club
  - 4:45 PM Kids & Teens Book Club
  - 4:45 PM Kids & Teens Book Club