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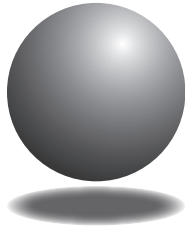
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## Calling All Cooks!

The Hospitality Committee is reaching out to those who would like to volunteer in some way to help on Teacher Appreciation Day (Most likely Tuesday, May 4th, ALL DAY)

We will need donations of breakfast and lunch items, drinks, money and time to help anywhere between 6:30 am and 2pm that day. Suggestions & schedule will come when the time gets closer. For now, if anyone is interested, please contact Linda Brink lindabrink@verizon.net

*THANKS!!*



## 7th Grade Activity:

There will be a 7th grade fun activity, DODGEBALL, on Friday, February 26, from 2:30-5 in the gyms.

*If you would like to submit an article for the Sandy Run PTO Newsletter, please email it to Jennifer Shorr at shorrclan@hotmail.com*

## Sandy Run Middle School Students Dance Their Way Into Local Habitat For Humanity Project

Sandy Run hosted a school dance on Friday, January 8th, benefiting the construction of three local homes in the North Hills neighborhood. Approximately two hundred 6th, 7th, and 8th graders attended the dance and raised close to \$1000.00, which will be presented to Habitat for Humanity of Montgomery County, PA (HFHMC).

The event, "Dance for Humanity," spearheaded by the 25 members of Sandy Run's Black Student Union, succeeded in not just raising proceeds, but also in finding a way around HFHMC's regulation that you must be eighteen-years-old to participate in Habitat projects. The stipulation accounts for the number of hazards found on a construction site and is the main reason why the majority of volunteers are college-aged-students and older. Despite not being allowed to pick up a hammer and nail, the eleven to thirteen-year-olds at Sandy Run Middle School decided to get involved anyhow: by raising awareness and fundraising.

Stephanie Colletti and Alina Taylor teachers at Sandy Run Middle School and faculty sponsors of the Black Student Union shared that the goal of the dance was just this: "to raise awareness of families in need of homes right here in Upper Dublin-it's our area, our families, and our students." To accomplish this objective, Mrs. Colletti & Mrs. Taylor's students made signs to promote the dance, sold tickets during their lunch hours, and helped out the night of the event; CJ Colletti, the DJ at the dance, also donated his time and services by having dance contests, raffles and really getting the kids involved in having a great time. Student's stated, "This was the best school dance they have ever been to!" followed by "When is the next dance?"

The Black Student Union visited the North Hills construction site and other Habitat homes in the community, and plan another visit in the near future to provide materials and refreshments for volunteers.

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