



December 2022

The Monthly Twist

Dear HBT Families,

We'd like to introduce you to our new PTO Newsletter, The Monthly Twist! This newsletter will be emailed to you along with your monthly newsletter from Mrs. Lewis. We will pack it full of helpful information about what we've done and what we're doing. Your PTO has been working hard to make HBT the BEST it can be, we're bringing back events you love like dodgeball and dancing and we're making them better! We're adding school enhancements like the new door signs you might have noticed and the Gaga Ball Pit I'm sure your student has mentioned! We appreciate all the support you have shown this year already and we look forward to all we will accomplish because of YOU!

Best,

Dawn Conklin, President Dianne Kurzynski, Vice President
Lisa Almgren, Secretary Darren DeCore, Treasurer
Jenni Lind, Communications

Volunteer

We are always looking for Chairs and committee volunteers for our events. Looking to help out our students, teachers, and staff? Join the PTO! If you are interested in helping plan and/or execute events, fundraisers or activities, looking for volunteer opportunities, or simply looking for information, please reach out to any of the PTO Board members or e-mail **HBT301pto@gmail.com**

We would love to work with you!



Connect with Us

Email

HBT301pto@gmail.com

[CLICK HERE](#) to visit us on Facebook

[CLICK HERE](#) to register online with Membership Toolkit

Upcoming Events

- BB/Cookie Orders Due
December 5th
- Penguin Patch
December 5th-9th
- McAlister's Deli
December 13th 4-9pm
- PTO Meeting
December 15th 6:30pm
- BB/Cookie Order Pick up
December 15th 5-6:15pm
- Winter Break
December 22nd-January 9th

Fundraisers

Place your Butter Braids and/or Cookie dough order NOW through December 5th! There are 2 extra flavors available online only; blueberry cream cheese butter braids and caramel rolls. Orders will be picked up in the school cafeteria (use south doors) on 12/15 from 5-6:15. Please mark your calendars! Click [HERE](#) for the online link!



*Thanks so much
for your support!*

My Name: _____ My Phone: _____
 Organization: Howard B. Thomas Elementary
 Checks Payable: HBT PTO
 Contact Name: Dawn Conklin Contact Phone #: (847) 271-6201

Return Order Date: **12/05/22** Delivery Date: **12/15/22**

PLEASE NOTE: These extremely high quality and exceptionally great tasting Butter Braid products have been known to make customers want more!
 In the case that this may happen to you, please be advised to order more than one as you will not be able to get more until another fundraiser comes to your area.

Please collect payment when taking orders.

GROUP GOAL		Customer Name	Phone	All Braids \$16 Each						All Cookies \$19 Each						Items	Amount
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COOKIE DOUGH ALLERGEN
NOTICE:
 Product may contain Egg, wheat **Triple Choc. & Mac Nut contain Milk.
 **Choc. Chip, Confetti, Triple Choc & Mac Nut contain soy.
 **Peanut Butter contains Peanut Butter
 **Mac Nut contains Macadamia Nuts.
 These products are manufactured in a facility and on equipment which processes nut products.

Rite Bite Fundraising
 (630)262-3778
 info@ritebitefundraising.com

butterbraids.com

please Total:

Yearbook

Yearbook planning is underway. This year's theme is HBT GLOWS UP!

The yearbook committee is working hard on gathering photos.

If you have any pictures from school events that you would like to share please email them to **HBTyearbook@gmail.com**

Teacher/Staff Support

We would like to add a "Getting to Know You" section. Is there anyone willing to help us distribute, collect and enter "Getting to Know You" forms and Amazon Wishlist information? We need YOU! Please contact Lisa Almgren at almgren208@yahoo.com if you're interested in helping with this!



Spirit Wear

HBT Spirit wear is available for purchase year round, and will be shipped directly to your door! Let's GO Twisters!

1ST PLACE 
Spiritwear

[CLICK HERE](#) to order!

Thank You

Thank you to our AMAZING Teachers, Staff and Girl Scout Troop 715 for hosting our Veteran's Day Assembly, what a GREAT time had by all! PTO provided light refreshments for our Veterans and their students before the assembly, thank YOU Veterans!



Dining For Dollars

Thank you to everyone who supported the Noodles & Co. November DFD!

Next Up...McAlister's Deli

Date: Tuesday, December 13th 6-9pm

Location: 1120 S Randall Road, Elgin

25% of event sales go to HBT. Mention HBT and the fundraiser to get credit.

11am-4pm carryout only. 4pm-9pm carryout, delivery and dine in.



VIP & Me Bowling

Thank you to all the VIPs who came out to bowl with us! We hope you had fun!

If you have photos from this event please share them with us at HBTyearbook@gmail.com



"We didn't realize we were making memories, we just knew we were having fun..." ~Unknown

Penguin Patch Holiday Shop

We are excited to be hosting the Penguin Patch Holiday Shop again this year!! From December 5th to December 9th the students (Pre-School to 5th grade) will have so much fun secretly shopping for holiday gifts for friends, family and pets.

Parent volunteers are needed to assist the students as they shop, and to help students check out (pay for gifts). [CLICK HERE](#) for the Sign Up Genius!

Due to time and space gift wrapping will be done at home.



Reminder

The minutes from the November PTO meeting are posted on [Membership Toolkit!](#)

Upcoming Meetings

January 19th
February 16th
March 16th
April 20th

PTO Meetings

The next PTO meeting is on Thursday, December 15th at 6:30pm in the CAFETERIA! Butter Braid and Cookie Dough pick up is **also** on December 15th from 4:30-6:30pm. Pick up your order and stay for the meeting!

Meetings are typically held on the third Thursday of each month starting at 6:30pm in the HBT library. The meetings will help you stay informed about school activities, events, fundraisers, and school-related purchases. All are welcome!



A Letter From the President

I want to take this opportunity to thank you for reading our newsletter, I hope you gained a lot of useful information from it! I will be at the Dec. 13th 2nd and 3rd grade concert with more silent auction items, feel free to stop me if you have any questions, or just to say hello! I can't believe we are already ending 2022, we have accomplished so much and I look forward to a successful 2023. We have lots of fun events to look forward to. Please enjoy the holidays and the time with your loved ones!

Yours in PTO partnership,

Dawn Conklin
HBT PTO President