

# THE PTA UPDATE

Share Your Love & Support This Year and Join Us For Downing Night Out!

## Downing Night Out

### Mark Your Calendar!

3/13 - Prismatic Assembly

3/18 - SEPTA Sensory Integration Workshop HTH Library 8pm

3/22- **Downing Night Out** @7pm Knights Of Columbus

3/26 - **DAV PTA Meeting** @ Davison Ave School Library 7pm. Mr. Nehlsen (HTH Prin.) Guest Speaker Topic:HTH/District Wide Programs + **Q & A's. ALL WELCOME.**

5/7- **MWD PTA Meeting** 7pm MWD Library (Board Elections)

May 17- **Special Person's Tea** Please begin planning for your students special person attendance.

**Volunteers Needed!**



### Stay Connected!

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Get excited! DOWNING NIGHT OUT, our biggest fundraiser and social of the year, is on FRIDAY, MARCH 22nd! (This is a new date: please ignore the old date on the district calendar)

WHAT IS DOWNING NIGHT OUT? Downing Night Out takes place at St. Mary's Knights of Columbus Catering Hall on Hempstead Ave. in Lynbrook (5 minute drive from Downing). It is a super fun evening of dinner, drinks (open bar!), dancing (best DJ around!), and raffles. We raffle off amazing prizes that have been donated by families, local businesses and large corporations. This year our theme is: "GARDEN PARTY!" Why? Because all proceeds raised in addition to what is needed for our PTA budget will fund a state-of-the-art OUTDOOR GARDEN CLASSROOM at MWD! Our hope is to install fixtures, furniture and equipment that will transform the already beautiful school garden space into fully equipped, all-season, outdoor classroom that our students and teachers will be able to use in SO many ways. This will mean more outdoor science, outdoor exploration, outdoor story-time, outdoor art, outdoor clubs -- you name it! Sky's the limit.

WHAT IS THE DRESS CODE? It's a Garden Party! So feel free to rock your fanciest floral dresses, pastel suits, fascinators, and fedoras! Whatever suits your garden fancy. Let's have some fun!

WHO ARE WE HONORING? We are equally as excited to announce that this year we will be recognizing Mrs. Alina Janosel, one of our beloved kindergarten teachers, as our 2019 Teacher of the Year!! We know EVERY parent whose child has had the privilege of being taught by Mrs. Janosel will JUMP at the chance to honor her. She is one of those once-in-a-lifetime, unforgettable, stuff-dreams-are-made-of teachers: impossibly brilliant, innovative, dedicated, and caring. We cannot wait to take some time to truly savor everything Mrs. Janosel does for our students and our school and let her know how much she is appreciated!

WHO IS INVITED? All parents, guardians, teachers, administrators, staff, friends and family – EVERYONE who wants to support Mrs. Janosel, our school and our children is invited to attend! Make it a date night, come with friends, come with family, come with co-workers. RSVP online [mwd.memberhub.store](http://mwd.memberhub.store) or through your child's folder.



**Who Cares?**

Downing Cares!!!

Mrs. Robles & her team are working non-stop, encouraging the children & MWD families to continue to give to the student council fundraiser, the Ronald McDonald House. We have one more month to help support this work of kindness & generosity led by our Students.

**PTA Board Of Elections:**

May is the time of year when the nominating committee begins to gather names of people who are interested in running for the PTA Board for next school year. All positions are held for one year and if re-elected, are only able to serve a total of 2 years max in that elected position. Interest forms will be distributed soon, so if you think that you would like to run, please fill out the form and send it in. Voting will be during the May PTA Meeting Tuesday, May 7 at 7pm in the MWD Library. If you are running for a position it is best to be present at that meeting.

***Reminders!!!***

- **Send In Your Box Tops**
- **If you are interested in volunteering, email the PTA [mwdpta@gmail.com](mailto:mwdpta@gmail.com)**
- **Amazon Smile: PTA New York Congress 010-256 Maurice W Downing PTA**
- **PTA. Stop & Shop A+ Rewards: MAURICE W. DOWNING - ID#: 14359**

**Special Person's Tea-**

Don't forget to mark your calendar for Friday, May 17th for the 2nd annual Special Person's Tea! Each child will have the opportunity to invite a special person (mom, dad, grandpa, grandma, aunt, uncle, sibling, neighbor, teacher, etc. anyone who can make it!) to join them for a special tea party on May 17th. The children will share snacks and a sweet activity with their special people, as well as have the chance to show off their school and friends! Please think about who will be able to attend this event with your child and keep a look out for a flyer in your child's folder. Participation will be the key to success!

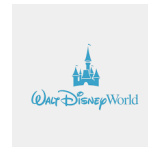
**Assemblies:** March "We Can" Award's theme is "I Can Work Hard". Congratulations to all of the students! March 13 we will have a Prismatic Magic Laser Safari Assembly. Students will discover two amazing ecosystems through a laser light presentation.

**Outdoor Garden Classroom:**

All Profits from MWD'S Downing Night Out will be applied towards our goal of creating an unprecedented Outdoor Garden Classroom for all of our students within our current Garden. Renderings will be made available at [mwdpta.com](http://mwdpta.com) after 3/15. In order to accomplish this goal we will need to exhaust all resources. Please email us or reach out to volunteer your time, professional advice, suggestions or any further donations. A Wishlist created by our very own MWD teachers has also been created and will also be made available.

**Please Help Support MWDPTA's Downing Night Out:**

If you can't make this event, but still want a chance to win, you can just give us a shout at [mwdpta@gmail.com](mailto:mwdpta@gmail.com), on FB or print a flyer from [mwdpta.com](http://mwdpta.com) or send it through your child's folder.



2 CHANCES TO WIN ONE OF 2 PACKAGES OF  
10 Disney Park Hopper Passes!  
(A \$1,500 VALUE)  
1 ticket for \$5 and 5 tickets for \$20



1 CHANCE TO  
TREAT YOURSELF TO LUXURY MYSTERY COACH BAG & SPA DAY  
(A \$500VALUE)  
1 ticket for \$5 and 5 tickets for \$20



1 CHANCE TO  
ONE NIGHT & INDOOR WATERPARK PASSES FOR 6 GUESTS  
(A \$700VALUE)  
1 ticket for \$5 and 5 tickets for \$20