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January 2011

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President's Message

Dear Governor Wolf Families,

I hope you all had a blessed holiday and are starting the New Year full of inspiration and excitement!

We would like to thank the GW families and staff who made Holiday Breakfast and Holiday Shoppe a great success! Thanks to all who participated!

We are looking forward to seeing your families at Movie Night on Friday, January 21st, 2011.

Amy Burns, GW PTA President

Family Fun Night Movie Night - January 21st, 2011

WELCOME TO MOVIE NIGHT 2011!!!

You're all invited to the Roadrunner's House at Governor Wolf Elementary School to enjoy a night out watching a movie with your family & friends while enjoying some of your favorite snacks.

January 21st, 2011

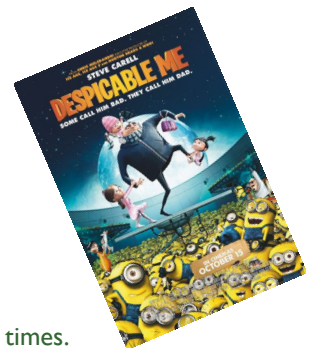
7pm

Multi-Purpose Room

"Despicable Me" rated "PG"

No drop offs.

Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.



This movie will require a parent or guardian to sign a permission slip at the door. Snacks will consist of popcorn, water & candy for purchase. You can also purchase raffle tickets for \$1 and have a chance to win the movie at the end of the night. So bring your chairs, pillows, blankets or sleeping bags, even come in PJ's if you like and be ready to have a fun-filled night out at the Roadrunner's House. See you all there!!!

School Store Hours and Dates

Jan 7 th	Open during lunch time
Jan 21st	Open during lunch time and FFN Movie Night
Feb 4 th	Open during lunch time
Feb 11th	Open FFN Math Carnival
Feb 25 th	Open FFN Science Fair



Book Fair - Thank you

We would like to thank all the volunteers who helped with the Book Fair and Family Fun Night in November. It was a fun-filled night with a lot of good stories, raffles, prizes, games, campfire songs, and yummy smores! A special thank you to Ms. Sponchiado for starting the night off with her reading and to Mrs. Young, Ms. Schmitt and Linda Handelong for also taking the time to come out and read to the children. Also, thank you to Linda Handelong and her Cub Scout Pack #362 for helping with the campfires, pitching tents, and singing all the great campfire songs. And a big thank you to all the families that came out and helped support the Book Fair and Family Fun Night. We would like to thank the following volunteers for their time



Lisa Moniz
Dana Mannix
Tammy Philippi
Mr. Matt

Mary Jo Skrapits
Kristin Rutkowski
Steph McTier

Jenniah Herb
Dave Oliver
Luann & Rick Quarato

Tina Mantel
Donna Frantz

Best Wishes,
Shelly Sarkozy & Susan Oliver, Book Fair Co-Chairs

Holiday Shoppe - Thank you

The Governor Wolf PTA held it's annual Holiday Shoppe on Friday, December 10, 2010. We would like to thank the following people who generously donated their time in helping this event become a success



Loribeth Schuler
Brandy Salim
Terrie Pinho
Amy Miccicke
Tara Torres

Denise Tabler
Tina Mantel
Amy Burns
Erin Williams
Lisa Soto

Fay Roethke
Heather Crouthamel
Steph McTier
Marjorie Manasse
Marina Mullen

Donna Frantz
Michele Pittenger
Kristin Rutkowski
Lisa Williams
Rebecca Mullen

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!! It was great helping the children do their holiday shopping for their family and loved ones.

Linda Gable, Holiday Shoppe Chair

Holiday Breakfast - Thank you

Thank you all for helping to make this year's Holiday Breakfast a great success. We truly appreciate the generous raffle donations, all of the volunteer's time, and everyone who came out to participate. We would like to thank the following volunteers for their time.

Donna & Marc Frantz
Claudine Rene
Ms. Schmitt
Mrs. Merker
Mrs. Bobyak
Mrs. Kitzhoffer
Mr. Meila
Amy & Dave Heineman
Irene Chomitzky

Kate O'Brien
Cheryl Allen
Mrs. Drager
Miss Sponchiado
Mrs. Cooke
Mrs. Recine
Mrs. N. Walters
Linda Handelong
Jeannette Mullen

Ben Reph
Mr. Druckenmiller
Mrs. Cox
Mrs. Vrabel
Mrs. Donatelli
Mrs. Leaser
Brenda Freeman
Cole Handelong
Rebecca Mullen

Heather Crouthamel
Mr. Sabo
Mrs. Weisler-Smith
Mrs. Randall
Miss Witmer
Mr. Matt
Amy Miccicke
Lisa Moniz
Adam Frankelli

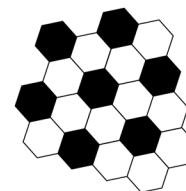
Hope you all have a great holiday season, and we look forward to seeing you again at next year's breakfast.

Best
Liz Reph, Holiday Breakfast Chair

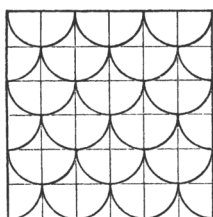
Math Carnival - February 11th, 2011



Friday, February 11th
7-9 p.m.



Try Your Luck at the "Wheel of Math"



Make a "Tessellation Creation"

Play in the "Polygon Playground"

Make "Outstanding Origami"
And much more...
Win Prizes!!!!



Jodi Evans at jevans@ptd.net

Capri Sun Collections

Governor Wolf PTA has set up a collection bin for your empty pouches in the cafeteria. So all you have to do is...

1. Finish your drink.
2. Remove the straw.
3. Put it in the collection bin. No rinsing or washing.

Empty pouches are mailed back for free to Terracycle, a company that turns them into cool bags and pencil cases for adults and kids. Oh, and don't worry they wash the pouches first!

Governor Wolf receives .02 cents for every drink pouch we return. So the more pouches the school collects, the more you help the environment, and the more cash you earn for your school.

Direct questions to Stephanie McTier gwptatreasurer@gmail.com

**DRINK IT. SAVE
IT. RECYCLE IT!**

Science Fair - February 25th, 2011

Dear Governor Wolf Elementary Students and Families,

The Governor Wolf PTA invites all students to participate in the 2011 Science Fair, which will be held on Friday, February 25, 2011. Here are the requirements for participation in the Science Fair:



1. All completed projects are due Thursday, February 17, 2011.
2. All projects must be grade appropriate, as assessed by your classroom teacher.
3. Parents are requested to supervise projects only and keep their participation in the project to a minimum, (Students must be able to understand and explain their projects to the judges).
4. All projects must include a summary of what the project is, why the student chose what he/she did, and how it works. Grades that have learned the Scientific Method are encouraged to use that format.
5. The student's name must be labeled clearly on the back/bottom of the project but in a manner in which it can be hidden for judging.

All entries must be received by Monday, January 31, 2011. If your child would like to participate, fill out the bottom portion of this form and return it to Renee Raffino-Governor Wolf PTA. The rules for the Science Fair will be sent home with students in the near future.

If you have any questions or comments, feel free to contact me. I will also be looking for volunteers to assist the day and evening of the Science Fair. Please contact me if you are interested in helping out!

Sincere thanks,

Renee Raffino, Science Fair Chair
610-419-6206
rraffino@msn.com

2011 SCIENCE FAIR APPLICATION

Student name _____ Teacher/Grade _____

Parent Signature _____

Short summary of Project: _____

Please indicate in summary if an electrical source will be needed.



Make money by clearing some clutter.

Mommy Market - Save the Date - March 26th, 2011

Governor Wolf will be hosting our fourth Mommy Market Indoor Consignment Sale on Saturday, March 26th, 2011 from 9 am to 12pm in the multi-purpose room.

It will be Spring cleaning time, so think of that as you pack away your kids outgrown things. Organize and label things in boxes after the holidays so you

have them ready for the sale. Sell their clothing, books, toys, video games and other gently used items. The Spring sale is a great time to clean up large outdoor items like Little Tikes, bikes, playhouses.

How it works: You may rent a table or space for a small fee. You, the seller, keep all proceeds for items sold. Forms for our event

will be available in February. The sale is advertised and already has a great following in the community.

Save the date! Help make our next sale even more successful than the previous sales by supporting the school PTA, organizing your home AND making money.



Basket Bingo - Save the Date - May 13th, 2011

Governor Wolf Elementary PTA
Presents

Basket Bingo

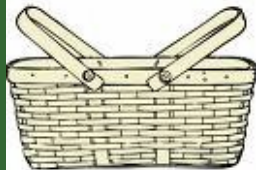
Featuring Longaberger Baskets
Friday, May 13th, 2011

7PM - 9PM
(Doors open 6PM)

20 Games

Specials-Door Prizes-Raffles-Refreshments

gwptavp@rcn.com



Book Fair - Save the Date - February 2011

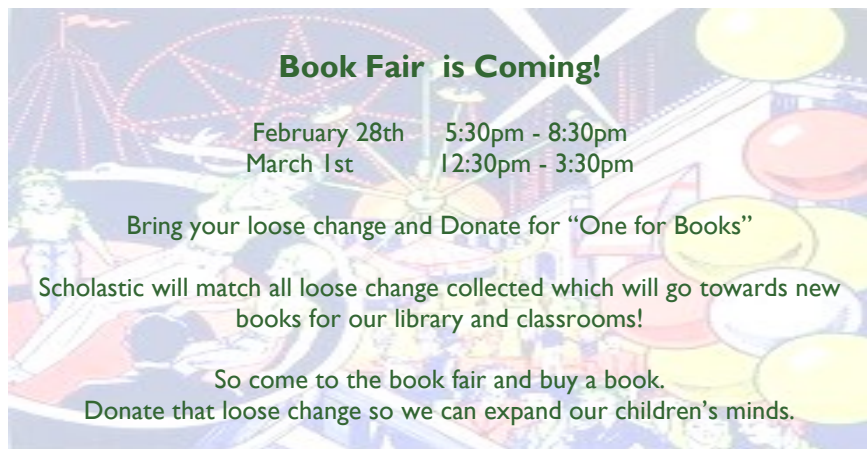
Book Fair is Coming!

February 28th 5:30pm - 8:30pm
March 1st 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Bring your loose change and Donate for "One for Books"

Scholastic will match all loose change collected which will go towards new books for our library and classrooms!

So come to the book fair and buy a book.
Donate that loose change so we can expand our children's minds.



Art & Soul - March 11th, 2011



Dear Parents & Guardians,



We are requesting the honor of having your child participate in a celebration of the arts night, "Governor Wolf's ART & SOUL", March 11, 2011. If your child chooses to participate, preparation of the activity will occur outside of the regular school day. Your child can choose an individual project, work with a partner, or in a small group. All participants must be GW students. Non-GW students are not allowed to participate. No parents will be allowed to participate. If interested, **please assist your child in completing the attached proposal for**

the project, sign and return the form no later than February 2, 2011. Late proposal submissions will not be accepted.

The following are some suggested ideas for activities, and we look forward to any creative ideas of your own. Students can develop their own original presentations of the following: poetry, short stories, original dramatic readings, original music composition, dance presentations and displays (no projection screen). Children may use mediums of creativity including pictures, paintings, or sculptures. All submissions must be pre-approved by Miss Sponchiado.

Calling all 5th graders – we are looking for a few students to emcee this event.

We are also looking for 5th grade students to participate as hors d'oeuvres servers during intermission (Students submitting project proposals may also participate as a server.) *We ask that servers wear black (or navy blue) pants or skirt and a white top for the evening.*

There will be two mandatory dress rehearsal's taking place on March 2nd and March 9th starting at 6:30 pm on the GW stage. If you should have any questions, please feel free to contact Lisa Soto @ 484-560-6484 or Michele Pittenger @ 610-865-3169. We are very excited and look forward to your response.



Sincerely,

Lisa Soto & Michele Pittenger
 lisasoto67@gmail.com or mlpittenger@gmail.com



Parents, in order to make this event a success, we will need your help in the following: Please select any area you are able to assist and indicate the number of people in your family attending the event. Your help is greatly appreciated.

- I would like to help set up at 6pm on March 11, 2011.
- I would like to donate _____ for the Art & Soul hors d'oeuvres.
- I would be happy to help on March 11th, in any area where needed. Please contact me.

Name: _____

Telephone number: _____

_____ Number of people attending "Art & Soul" event (for planning purposes)



Governor Wolf PTA, Inc.
1920 Butztown Road
Bethlehem, PA 18017
610 867-8191



Dear Sponsor:

The Governor Wolf Elementary School PTA is organizing a basket bingo featuring Longaberger Baskets on Friday, May 13, 2010, at 7:00 p.m. The bingo is not sponsored by the Longaberger Company - we are only using their products. Our goal is to raise funds to benefit the students of our school. We are in need of donations to cover the cost of purchasing the baskets. Therefore, we are asking for your help. This can be done by an individual, family, or business. All sponsors will be acknowledged in our program for the event with the Name as entered below.

If your business/company would like to make a contribution, any dollar amount will help us succeed in our efforts. If you are unable to make a cash donation, we would appreciate any gift certificates your business would like to contribute for door prizes.

If you could help us with a contribution, please fill out the form below and make checks payable to "Governor Wolf, PTA, Inc.". A receipt will be forwarded to you for your records. Thank you in advance for your support and we look forward to hearing from you. Any questions, contact Irene Chomitzky at 610-866-3022. If you mail your donation, please send it to:

Governor Wolf Elementary Basket Bingo
 c/o Irene Chomitzky
 3511 Skyline Drive
 Bethlehem, PA 18020

Sincerely,

Governor Wolf Elementary School

 Name: _____

Address: _____

Donation: _____ \$25.00 _____ \$50.00 _____ Other: _____

**Governor Wolf
Elementary**



Volunteer Form 2010—2011

PTA and YOU...Together we can

Welcome back to another action packed school year at Governor Wolf Elementary. YOU can make a difference. Please review the volunteer opportunities listed in the volunteer handbook and indicate how you can help the PTA provide many special, fun and educationally enriching

Volunteer's Information (Please print clearly)

Volunteer Name	Student(s) Name	Relationship to Student(s)	Grade & Teacher's name
Address		Home Telephone	E-mail Address
Cell Phone	Work Phone	Best Time to call (day or evening)	Best way to contact (e-mail or phone)

Availability
(Check all that apply for Mom, Dad, Grandparents, Aunts & Uncles)

Time of day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Morning							
Afternoon							
Evening							

Governor Wolf PTA Volunteer Opportunities

Please review the list and descriptions of the available committees in the handbook. What committee (s) would you like to participate in? List all that apply

You must complete a BASD Volunteers Form, School Helpers Form, Megan's Law background check and have a TB test completed . The forms are available at www.governorwolfpta.org or in the school office.

You must be a member of the PTA to participate in any PTA committees

Return your completed forms
 ATTN: Stephanie McTier, PTA Volunteer Coordinator
 (610) 882 -1038 or gwptatreasurer@gmail.com

Keep Those Box Tops Coming!

WE LOVE BOX TOPS!
WE LOVE PIZZA!



Let's show our support for Governor Wolf Elementary! The class turning in the most Box Tops this January will win a **Pizza Party!** The winning class gets **Pizza & drinks** donated by the PTA.

Use the attached **Blizzard collection sheet** or place Box Tops in a baggie **with your child's name & the teacher's name on it.** The contest ends on **January 31, 2011.** Any Box Tops turned in after this date will be applied to the next contest.

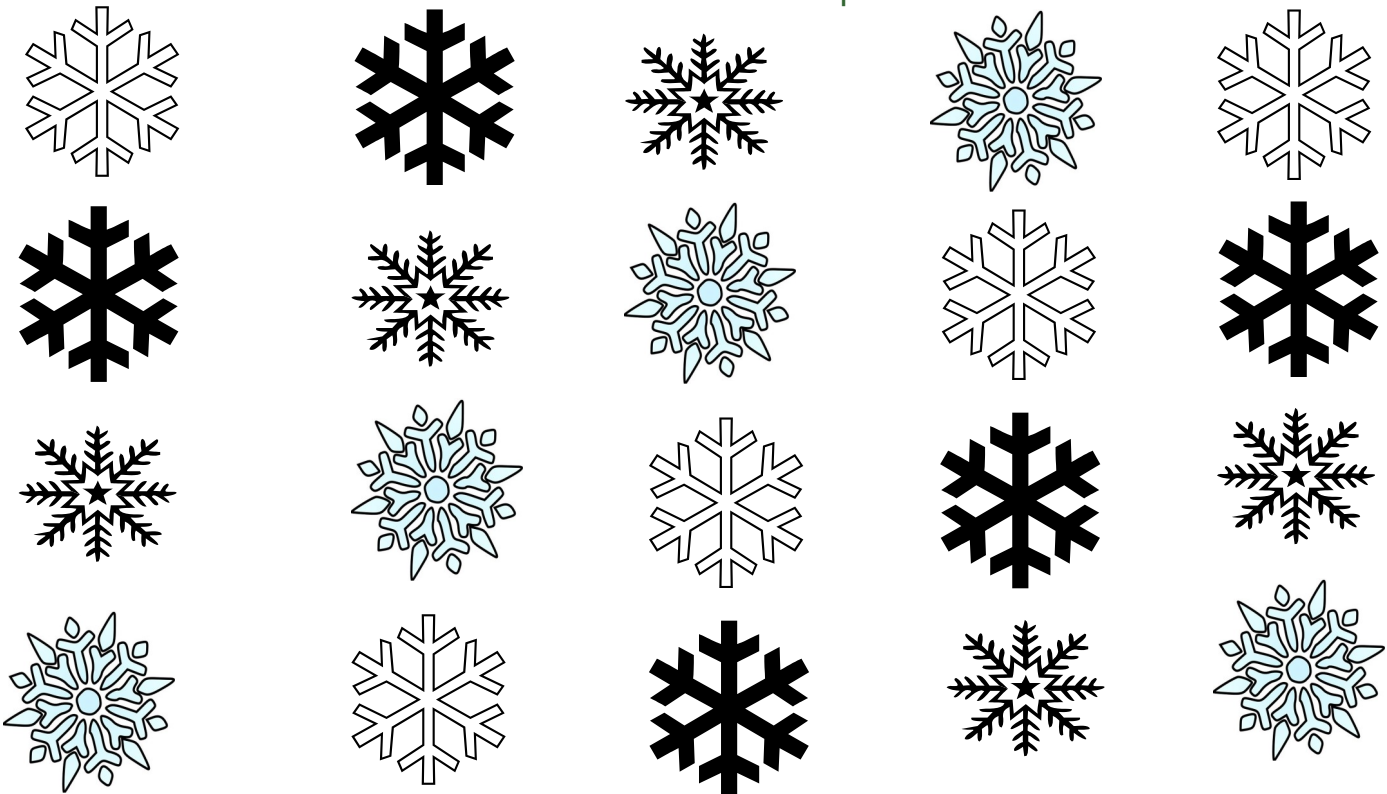
Congratulations to **Mrs. Kitzhoffer's class** for winning the October contest – they had a DQ & a movie party - donated by the **GW PTA.**

Go online to our **GW PTA Box Tops fundraising website**, www.orgsites.com/pa/gwboxtops4education to see how your class is doing. You can also print out more collection sheets.

PARENTS - Don't forget to sign up for the **Box Tops website** at boxtops4education.com. **Shop** your favorite online stores at the **Box Tops Marketplace.** **With your first purchase**, our school will be awarded **5 Bonus Box Tops.** Up to 8% of each qualifying purchase is donated to our school. Also, check out the **Reading Room** at the Box Tops website – **Barnes&Noble** will contribute **6% on new book purchases, 3% on all other purchases.**

Questions contact: Irene Chomitzky ire nec59@yahoo.com or 610-866-3022

A Blizzard of Box Tops!



Attach one Box Top to each snowflake! Please be sure all Boxtops have a Valid Expiration Date!

Name _____ Teacher _____

PTA Committee Volunteer Directory Updated Listing

President	Amy Burns	610-419-1594	gwptapresident@gmail.com
<i>Education</i>	<i>Jennifer Parker</i>		<i>parkersmd@yahoo.com</i>
Art and Soul/Reflections	Michele Pittenger	610-865-3169	mlpittenger@gmail.com
	Lisa Soto	484-560-6484	lisasoto@rcn.com
Math Carnival FFN	Jodi Evans	610-691-2485	jevans@ptd.net
RIF	Michele Pittenger	610-865-3169	mlpittenger@gmail.com
Science Fair	Renee Raffino	610-419-6206	rraffino@msn.com
TV Turn Off/book swap	Jennifer Parker	610-997-8789	parkersmd@yahoo.com
5th grade trip committee	Jodi Evans	610-691-2485	jevans@ptd.net
Playground/Safety	<i>OPEN</i>		
Past President	<i>Ed Boksan</i>	610-861-7456	eboksan@rcn.com
Vice President	Cindy Snow	610-866-3549	gwptavp@rcn.com
Fathers	Rick Quarato	610-691-8774	victor.quarato@rcn.com
Hospitality	Luann Hill-Quarato	610-691-8774	Luann.hill-quarato@ffic.com
Beautification	Tina Mantel	610-317-9334	bmantel@rcn.com
Dance Night	Jodi Evans	610-691-2485	jevans@ptd.net
Grandparents Day	Heather Crouthamel	610-419-4890	hcrouthamel@rcn.com
Kindergarten Registration	Linda Gable	610-868-8171	lgable@enter.net
Movie Nights	Cheryl Allen	610-740-5500	cheryllallen@rcn.com
Skate Nights	Cheryl Allen	610-740-5500	cheryllallen@rcn.com
Staff Appreciation	OPEN		
Volunteer	Crystal Garcia	610-419-0060	crystal3030@rcn.com
Treasurer	Stephanie McTier	610-882-1038	gwptatreasurer@gmail.com
<i>Fundraising</i>	<i>OPEN</i>		
Basket Bingo	Cindy Snow	610-866-3549	gwptavp@rcn.com
Book Fair	Michele Sarkozy	610-691-1286	slsarkozy@ptd.net
	Susan Oliver		zuzuspets2@gmail.com
Box Topfor Education	Irene Chomitzky	610-866-3022	irenec59@yahoo.com
Capri Sun	Stephanie McTier	610-882-1038	gwptatreasurer@gmail.com
Entertainment Books	Crystal Garcia	610-419-0060	crystal3030@rcn.com
KidStuff Books	Donna Frantz	610-691-0290	dfrantz@rcn.com
Holiday Breakfast	Liz Reph	908-619-0805	lizreph@gmail.com
Holiday Shoppe	Linda Gable	610-868-8171	lgable@enter.net
Market Day	Linda Handelong	610-3171784	lhandelong@hotmail.com
	Chris Schiffer	610-691-3949	cschiff2@aol.com
Mommy Market	Tina Mantel	610-317-9334	bmantel@rcn.com
Perkins pies	Dana Mannix	484-553-1623	danakmann@live.com
Restaurant Nights	Suzie Strauss	610-865-6948	cakie101@yahoo.com
School Store/ Spirit Gear	Donna Frantz	610-691-0290	dfrantz@rcn.com
Scrip	Amy Miccicke	610-997-8803	amy@plan-9.com
Tricky Tray	Amy Burns	908-752-3057	gwptapresident@gmail.com
Yearbook	Michele Pittenger	610-865-3169	mlpittenger@gmail.com
Corresponding Secretary	Linda Gable	610-868-8171	lgable@enter.net
<i>Public Rel./Communications</i>	<i>OPEN</i>		
Directory	Renee Raffino	610-419-626	rraffino@msn.com
Road Runner	Cindy Snow	610-866-3549	gwptavp@rcn.com
Website	Heather Crouthamel	610-419-4890	hcrouthamel@rcn.com
Recording Secretary	OPEN		
<i>Membership</i>	<i>Suzie Strauss</i>	<i>610-865-6948</i>	<i>cakie101@yahoo.com</i>
	<i>Karen Reifinger</i>	<i>610-442-8119</i>	<i>scooter@p-body.com</i>
Principal	Miss Sponchiado	610-867-8191	jsponchiado@bethsd.org
Teacher Representative	Mrs. Vrabel	610-867-8191	jvrabel@bethsd.org

January 2011

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
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2	3 Classes resume	4 PTA EB Mtg— Library @ 7pm	5	6	7 * Prismatic Laser Light Assembly * Staff "Souper Day"	8
9	10	11 General PTA Mtg - Library @ 7pm	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21 * Market Day Pick up * FFN - Movie Night 7pm	22
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