

02-06-23 Thurston PTO Newsletter

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Thurston Elementary PTO

Heron Happenings

February 6, 2023



Upcoming Events

February 13: Thurston Players Info Session, 7p.m. (details below)

February 14: Deadline for ordering a yearbook (details below)

February 15/16: Thurston Players Tryouts, 7p.m. (details below)

February 16: Pre-school, Young 5s & Kindergarten Round-Up, 6:00 - 7:00p.m. (details below)

February 20: No school (Mid-winter break)

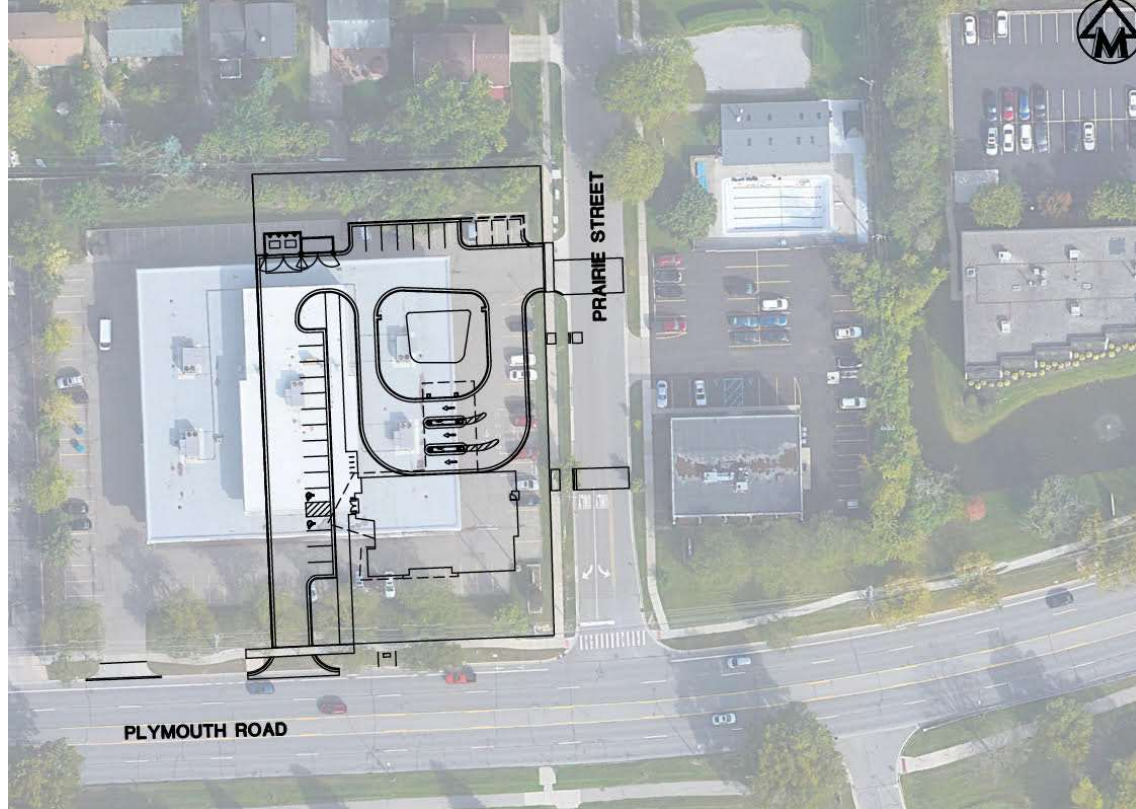
Clorox Wipes Donations

Thurston's main office is in need of Clorox cleaning wipes. Any donations would be much appreciated as their supply is running low. Please leave donations in the large plastic tote bin outside of the main office. Thank you!

Share your feedback on the proposed development at Prairie St./Plymouth Rd.

Neighbors in our community are seeking your thoughts on the proposal to remove the "building on stilts" at [2929 Plymouth Rd](#) and construct a UM Credit Union building with 3 drive-through lanes that run through Prairie Street. This proposal could impact Thurston Elementary school through increased traffic congestion during school hours. There are concerns that no traffic study has been conducted. **Please share your thoughts and experience by emailing planning@a2gov.org.** You may also attend the Planning Commission meeting on the 23rd of February. For more information on how to attend the meeting, visit the Ann Arbor City Planning Department's [website](#). Thanks for taking the time to have your voice be heard.

Proposal Referral: https://stream.a2gov.org/EnerGov_Prod/selfservice/AnnArborMIPProd?fbclid=IwAR3xpqMaWonuE0M7LPBp2rm9InVL2sIgV1LXb6SJiFjOJrJkaGe1Ja7UwjE#/plan/c8446849-cfb1-442c-b3d9-f72a046ced9d



Thurston Players are back for a 2023 season!

We are pleased to announce that The Thurston Players are planning a performance for May 6th and 7th at Huron High School! After a 3 year hiatus due to the pandemic we are back, although perhaps a tad smaller. We would like you to join us!



The Theme is Thurston Throughout the Years!

A few key dates to note:

Info session: Monday February 13th 7 pm via zoom

Tryouts: February 15th at 7 pm via zoom, OR in person (preferred) on February 16th at 7pm.

In the meantime, we are looking to fill some key volunteer roles that we need to continue to keep moving. These roles vary in size and scope. There will be Senior roles ("I have done this before, or have experience with it and feel confident about my ability to do

it") and Junior roles ("I have no idea what this means, or maybe I have done it a few times, but would like to learn more while I help out the Senior person").

If you are interested in one or more of these roles, please email us at ip.thurstonplayers@gmail.com with your name and the role or roles you are interested in. You must be available on the dates of the performance and commit to volunteering 1-3 times a week, depending on the role. Roles include:

- Director
- Internal Producer
- Choreography Lead
- Costume Lead
- Music Lead
- Lyrics Writing Lead
- Childcare Lead
- Set/Backstage Lead
- Make up Lead
- Ads/Program Lead
- Website (you'll note the website is not updated from last year yet. Yikes!) Lead
- Communications/Advertising Lead
- Lyrics Writing committee (need several folks to work on this)

All of these roles will have a senior and a junior person. If you have any questions about what is involved, we are happy to provide you with more detail.

Information will be sent shortly in regards to how to sign up for a try out (low pressure, no cuts!) and how to volunteer for the plethora of other roles we have.
Hope to see you soon!

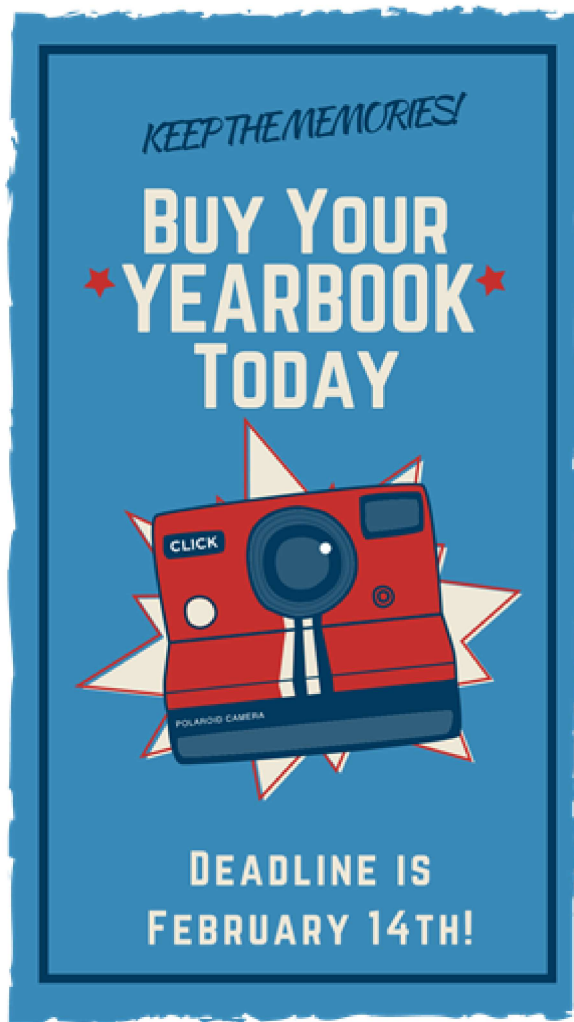
<https://www.thurstonplayers.org/>

Time to order and/or donate yearbooks!

The 2023 yearbook is on sale now for \$15. Head to [Jostens](#) to order. The deadline to secure a book is Feb. 14.

This year we want EVERY Heron to get a yearbook. If you want to donate a yearbook, click [here](#), and simply put in "donation" for the first and last name in the order form and add to cart.

Did you know that our fifth grade students are working on this year's yearbook? They are taking photos and designing pages to ensure EVERYONE is in the book.



Round-up is coming up February 16th!

PRE-SCHOOL, YOUNG 5S, & KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP

We are happy to announce that our 2023 Kindergarten Round-up will be held on February 16th. We are excited to host this wonderful event and even more excited to meet our future herons!

In hopes of keeping all of our families safe and healthy, we will be running a staggered "Open House" format based on your child's last name!

LAST NAMES M-Z: PLEASE JOIN US 6:00 - 6:30 p.m.

LAST NAMES A-L: PLEASE JOIN US FROM 6:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Young 5s Pre-Enrollment for the 2023-24 School Year

The window for applying to attend a Young 5's Program is open. This is a district program and enrollment in the neighborhood school is not guaranteed. Please see the [district page](#) for more details.

Thurston Student Directory



Need to contact a Thurston parent or student? The 2022-2023 Thurston student directory is available [here](#). The directory is organized by grade (see tabs) and then alphabetically by class. If you registered prior to the start of school and indicated in InfoSnap that you wanted to be included in the directory, your contact information should be included. If you find a change needs to be made or do not see your information but wish for it to be included, please complete this [form](#).

The PTO wants to hear from you! [Email us](#) , [Visit our Site](#) or [Facebook Page](#)

Newsletter submissions due by Saturday, 5pm to: newsletter.thurstonpto@gmail.com

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