

**Eighth Grade Graduation Party  
Committee Report  
April 18, 2007**

The next meeting of the Graduation Party Committee meeting is Monday, May 7th at 7:30 at Jeanine Buttimer's house, 270 Scottswood Road, Riverside. (Note that this is a change from our previously scheduled date.)

We are very thankful to have a large, enthusiastic committee!!! And we are also very thankful to several generous donations of time, materials, and funds donated by parents and their places of business!

We have chosen a carnival theme and will:

1. offer carnival games throughout the night in addition to having a DJ
2. serve carnival food ... popcorn, maybe nacho's, etc.
3. provide a photo op where the kids can stick their heads in a board painted with some carnival freaks ... perhaps a bearded lady, a tattooed man, etc
4. decorate in a carnival theme
5. prepare and project a slide show of photos of the students, a copy of which will be given as a gift when the students leave the party.

Janan Cain has designed an awesome invitation.

**We could use help in the following areas .** If interested contact Jeanne Buttimer (447-1589).

1. We may still need a few parents to help run the games.
2. We'd love to have someone act as a ringmaster/carnival barker on the steps outside of the town hall as the kids arrive. This probably shouldn't be an 8th grade parent as they should be in place as soon as the graduation ceremony ends.
3. Can anyone donate a fun house mirror we can use for the night? (OK ... that was a long shot, but worth a try).
4. 8th Grade Parents: We will be mailing invitations home, so hopefully you will see them. Please return your permission slip to the PTA mailbox so that we don't have to track you down. Every student must have a permission slip on file or they will not be permitted to enter the party.

Also, every student must be signed out of the party by a parent. This is important as the party ends after the village's curfew. This process is typically chaotic given the number of students leaving at the same time and the parking situation. Carpooling and a large dose of patience would be a good idea.

This has always been a fun night for the students and we are looking forward to another great party!

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