



*Home of the Otters!*

**Newsletter**

**September 17, 2008**

## TRCS School Directory

The school directory is in production. We hope to have it available for distribution in the next few weeks.

If you have updated or additional information to provide, or prefer that your information not be included in the directory, please contact Beth Vossen by Sept. 26th.

## Box Tops for Education & Printer Ink Cartridges

TRCS families...Here is an easy way to help raise funds for our school. Collect your box tops from grocery packaging & send them in to your child's teacher - THAT'S IT! Simple enough! Our goal this year is \$800. Let's make the mark and maybe even surpass it! If you are interested in more information, like where our school is in meeting its goal, or ways to earn extra box tops, log on to the Box Tops for Education web site at [www.btfte.com](http://www.btfte.com). You can create your own sign-in page that will take you to our personalized Two Rivers Community School account.

Please also remember to send in your empty printer ink cartridges. This is also an easy fund raiser and supports recycling at the same time. What a great plan!

Thank you,  
Natalie Lewis  
Box Tops for Education Coordinator

## Junior Great Books Training

Junior Great Books (JGB) is getting underway at TRCS! JGB is a literacy enrichment program for grades K-8. (<http://www.greatbooks.org/programs-for-all-ages/junior.html>)

We have purchased the materials and scheduled the parent volunteer training. Those of you who signed up at the parent meeting are on the volunteer list. If you didn't sign up, but are interested in participating in this exciting program - it's not too late! We still need a few volunteers. Volunteering consists of 1 day of training (Oct. 10 and 1 hour per week in the classroom (not necessarily your child's classroom) reading and leading a discussion.

The training will be held on **Friday, October 10th**, from 9:00-2:30 at the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on King St.

To add your name to the list and/or confirm your participation, please call or email (preferred) Beth Jacquot, 264-3669, [bethjacquot@bellsouth.net](mailto:bethjacquot@bellsouth.net).

## Attention all students in grades 6-8!

The Model United Nations Club is starting up next Thursday. This club is perfect for students interested in current world issues and looking for a real challenge. Model UN involves students working in pairs to research real issues and have a chance to see how the real United Nations operates. It is a lot of fun, but requires a lot of hard work! If you are interested, check out the meeting next Thursday, 9/25 starting at 3:30 and lasting until 4:00. If you would like to join, but can't make this meeting, please tell Mrs. Rachel, the 7-8 teacher, so she can get you the information and get you registered. Thanks!

## 3rd Grade Pre-test

During the first three weeks of school, all public schools in North Carolina are required to give the 3rd grade Pre-test. Happily, that is behind us now. Our dedicated staff strives to provide the best possible environment for testing. The 3rd graders were well prepared by Miss April and knew what to expect. The students took the test very seriously and did a fabulous job.

Many thanks to the parent proctors who graciously volunteered a morning to help us out. We appreciate so much your help with this required testing.

*"The whole art of teaching is only the art of awakening the natural curiosity of young minds for the purpose of satisfying it afterwards."*

*—Anatole France*