

Dear Minnehaha Alumni-

With Christmas just around the corner the school is full of activity! The Christmas tree at the academy is up and decorations are being hung throughout the hallways! We are excited about our new Christmas event, The Holiday Festival, on Saturday, December 8th (more details below). Students are busy getting ready for the various Christmas performances and our winter sports teams are off to a great start! I hope that you will brave the cold and snow to join us at one these upcoming holiday events!

Holiday Festival- Saturday, December 8- This new event will replace the Holiday House Tour. Come do your Christmas shopping at the Holiday Market (open from 10am-7:30pm), enjoy a delicious Scandinavian dinner complete with Swedish meatballs, lefse and rice pudding! Then stay for a special performance by Bob Stromberg of *Triple Espresso*. For a complete listing of vendors and to order tickets, please visit: www.minnehahaacademy.net/development/events/holidayfestival.php

Alumni Ski Outing- Friday, December 21, 5pm-8pm at Elm Creek Park Reserve in Maple Grove. This event is open to all alumni and families and is great way to get out and enjoy some cross country skiing! Warm up after skiing in the park's yurt and enjoy some treats. Trail passes (\$4) and ski rental are available at Elm Creek. Directions to Elm Creek can be found at: www.threeriversparkdistrict.org/parks/

Alumni Hockey Game and Party (Girls) - Friday, December 21, 6pm. Come cheer the current girls team to victory as they play SPA/Visitation. After the game, stay and catch-up with your teammates, enjoy some holiday desserts and see the plans for the new arena!

Alumni Hockey Tournament (Boys) - Saturday, December 22 This might be your last opportunity to play in the old arena! Renovations to the arena will hopefully begin this spring. Call your teammates and skate again in the old, cold barn! The game begins at 11:15am and will be followed by a hearty chili lunch.

Zap the Gap! The 2007/2008 Annual Fund is off to a great start! Don't miss you chance to be a part of making a difference in the lives of current MA students! Make your gift online at: www.minnehahaacademy.net/development/