

# News from the IMC

## Have You Twittered

President Obama does it so does Ellen De Generis. Twitter is the latest addition to social networking and blogging. It is a mini blog where users register for a page and then post brief messages. Messages are sent to other users who sign up to receive them or messages can be restricted to specific people. Twitter mes-

sages can be sent or received via the web or by a cell phone. Most celebrities twitter about themselves, but there are other applications. There are several Twitter book lists. One of these is TwitterLit. ([www.twitterlit.com](http://www.twitterlit.com)) This site gives the first lines of book twice with links to Amazon for the title of the book. Teach-

ers could use Twitter as a communication tool with students. For example,



you could send reminders of tests and homework. It could also be used to help students focus their writing because

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posts are limited to 140 words Teachers can also use this as a quick response to student questions. So, maybe it's time for you to start twittering.

## WTHS Book Club's Great Reads Book Sale

April 1, 2008 in the IMC - 7:15 to 3:00



New and gently used books on sale for \$1.00  
Proceeds benefit First Book, a nonprofit organization whose mission is to provide disadvantaged children with books

Book Club members will also be selling bookmarks, t-shirts and buttons

## *Twilight Madness Begins*

Students love the Stephanie Meyer book *Twilight* and on April 15th, the IMC will host discussions of the book throughout the day. Both teachers and students have volunteered to lead the discussions.

Students who want to participate in the discussions must sign up in the IMC.

Along with the book discussions, teachers and students can participate in Twilight contests. The winners of the contests will receive a gift certificate to Barnes and Noble.



## **April is National Poetry Month**

During the month of April, the IMC will celebrate National Poetry Month.

The following are some activities scheduled for this month:

### **Poet Trivia Contests**

Meet the Poet Laureates

**Favorite Poem Tree** - students submit their favorite poems and these are placed on a leaf on the poem tree.

**Poem in Your Pocket** - Join thousands of individuals carrying a poem in their pocket.

**Poetry Readings** - Sign up your students

and have them read their favorite poems in the IMC

You will receive more information by email.



**New Books, New CDs, New DVDs and New Playaways**  
Look for the lists in your email before Spring Break.

The IMC Staff wishes you a wonderful holiday!