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Natick Education Foundation Announces 12th Annual Spelling Bee

The 2008 Natick spelling bee to benefit the Natick Education Foundation (NEF) will take place at the Natick High School on Wednesday, May 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. This year's event is shaping up to be a fun-filled evening as many of last year's teams have already committed to compete. The town spelling bee is one of the NEF's major fundraising events.

Here's how it works: Teams of three members spell through several preliminary rounds grouped in categories. For instance, there may be a category of Businesses, another of Realtors, another of PTO groups. And that's where the fun begins, as natural rivals face each other. The winner of each round then competes in a final round with all the other round winners, and a winning team is named. All participants receive a word study book in advance. There is no solo spelling; each team of three decides its response.

There are several ways to be part of the fun. Local businesses are urged to form a team and pay a tax-deductible entry fee of \$500.00. Non-profit organizations pay a \$100 fee. Online registration is available at www.natickedfoundation.org.

Natick residents Susan Wornick and Harvey Leonard of WCVB-Channel 5, have again committed to MC again this year. There will be lots of publicity, prizes, refreshments, and fun for all participants.

The Natick Education Foundation (NEF) is an independent nonprofit membership organization that stimulates excellence in the Natick Public Schools by awarding grants for projects and purchases that support the curriculum, by funding scholarships and professional development for educators, and by raising the profile of public education in Natick.

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