



WOODLAND PTA NEWS



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Dear Woodland Parents and Families,

Happy fall! I hope that you have adjusted to being back in school and your child(ren) are settled in a routine as well.

I want to take this time to thank all of our awesome volunteers. It takes several volunteers to run our many PTA sponsored events. This school year alone we have had volunteers at Proof of Residency, Teacher's Breakfast, Scholastic Book fairs at Intermediate, Elementary, West and Primary, and our first fund raiser of the year at McDonald's. We have asked for your help with these events and have been amazed by your response. THANK YOU!!!!

I want to share with you a new fund raising event that we are trying this year. We are sponsoring, along with Barnes and Noble book store in the Westfield Shopping Center in Vernon Hills, a book fair. It will take place on Friday, November 14, from 9:00 a.m. until 10:00 p.m. Each child will bring home a flyer with a voucher on the bottom. These vouchers will also be available online at the district's website (www.dist50.net). Simply take that voucher to Barnes and Noble, shop for some books, cd's, movies or food from the cafe and hand the voucher to the cashier when you are checking out. It is that simple! The PTA will receive up to 20% of all sales for that day when the vouchers are presented. Several teachers, principals and librarians will be on hand that afternoon and evening to share a story or poem. Our very own Dr. Swoboda will be there as well. PTA will also have a gift wrapping and raffle table set up. Come join in the fun and pick up a book or two! Mark your calendars now for **Friday, November 14** when you can get a head start on your holiday shopping!

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me directly at woodlandpta@comcast.net.

Sincerely,

Polly Hergenreder, Woodland PTA President

Shop & Share

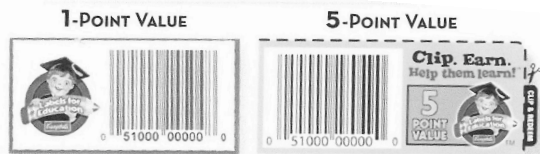
The Woodland PTA is participating in our first ever Shop & Share at Jewel-Osco! The dates for this event will be Monday, October 27 through Wednesday, October 29. 5% of your purchases will go directly to the PTA. The voucher slip is also available on the district website at www.dist50.net. Feel free to share the vouchers with your neighbors and friends. Please take this opportunity to support the PTA and make this event a successful one. What a perfect time to stock up on all of your Halloween needs! Please contact Amy Martin at 847/599-8830 if you have any questions.

Dominick's 10% Back to School

Please send in the bottom portion of your Dominick's sales receipts to help the PTA earn 10% on total sales. Between September 12 through October 6, there will be a redemption code at the bottom of the sales receipt. Turn in your sales slips to the school's front offices or e-mail the 15 digit/character redemption code to Cheri Blenniss at cheri@blenniss.com.

Campbell's Labels For Education!

A flyer was sent home last month of all the eligible products for the Campbell's program. Please post this somewhere handy in your house so you can refer back to it throughout the year. Remember our goal is to collect 100,000 labels. Each school was given a catalog last month to "spend" their points from the 2007-08 school year. Once those orders have been placed, we will let you know what new items to be looking for at each of the schools! Thank you for your support of this program. If you have any questions, please call Polly Hergenreder at 847/336-7851, Amy Martin at 847/599-8830 or Sheila Murphy 847/662-1742.



Good Night, Sleep Tight

Get ready to chant, move and have fun. Come and see Linda Gorham, a storyteller with piazzas on Friday, October 17th at 6:30 in the Elementary East Cafeteria. Linda Gorham likes to inspire her audiences by using movement, humor, and sometimes zaniness as she tell imaginative multi-cultural folktales updated "with attitude." You may be inspired, relive a memory, or learn something new. And be prepared - many of her tales actively involve the audience!

For more than 20 years, whether she is performing for adults or children, her energy has been contagious and her stories memorable.

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PLEASE SIGN THIS SLIP AND TURN IT IN TO YOUR CHECKER WHEN YOU SHOP. PARTICIPANTS CAN MAKE PURCHASES AT ANY JEWEL-OSCO ON THE DATE ABOVE. IDENTIFICATION SLIPS ARE NOT TO BE DISTRIBUTED IN FRONT OF ANY JEWEL-OSCO.										

McDonald's Fundraiser Nights

Please join us at the McDonald's closest to Six Flags Great America (Grand Avenue and Dilleys Road) on Tuesday, October 21, from 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Set up a play date and have a good time while helping the PTA raise money. Contact Cheri Blenniss at 847/548-5988 or cheri@blenniss.com with any questions.

Middle School Book Fair Needs Your Help!

The Middle School Scholastic Book Fair is October 20-24. Volunteers are needed from 7:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. If you are available to help for an hour or two, please contact Bonnie Schulz at 847/612-3774 or e-mail her at bonnie@schulz6.com. Set up will be Friday, October 17, from 11:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. Please let Bonnie know if you can help with set up as well.

Chicago Wolves

Want to be a part of the Chicago Wolves Season Opener? A flyer came home with your child in late September. There are two easy ways to order: call the number on the flyer (847/832-1941) or fill out the flyer and mail it in (or fax it). Be sure to mention District 50 so the Woodland PTA gets credit for your sale. The Wolves will place all Woodland families together, so grab another family or two and make a night of it! The Chicago Wolves is a family-friendly event and promises to be a great time.

Join The PTA!

It is not too late to join the PTA. To join, simply fill out the membership form (forms are available at all the schools and at www.dist50.net under the parents link). If you join the PTA you will have the opportunity to volunteer for various PTA sponsored events. The National PTA has implemented the "Three for Me" program. If you could donate three hours of your time a school year, all of our events would be covered. Once you sign up for an event, we will send you an e-mail asking if you are still interested in working that event. If something has come up and you are unable to volunteer your time for that event, it is ok. Maybe there is another event that you will be able to give your time to. We would love to have your help at another event. Once your membership is collected you will receive a membership card as well as a PTA calendar filled with lots of useful information! Please consider joining this wonderful organization!

Cash For Caps

The CASH FOR CAPS Program is starting off well this year. We continue to collect the Swiss Valley caps from gallons and half gallons of milk and orange juice. These products can be found at Sam's Club and at Woodman's. Each month, these caps are tallied and sent to the Swiss Valley Company. Woodland receives 5 cents for each cap collected. It may not seem like much, but with the continued help of all Woodland families, the funds really add up! Our goal is to collect 100 caps per month. Remember, simply keep your Swiss Valley caps, put them in a plastic baggie and place them in the Campbell's bin at your child's school. Please feel free to contact Alison Koehler at 847/856-0866 with any questions.

PTA Meeting

Child Care Available

Please join us on Wednesday, October 15, at 7:00 p.m. in the Intermediate Multipurpose Room for a presentation on Internet safety and cyber bullying. Officer Jim McDermott, a police liaison from the Woodland Middle School along with the Middle School Tech Lab teachers will give a presentation on how to keep our children safe while using the computer. They will give us information on how to monitor what our children are doing on the computer as well as how we can use parental controls. This is a presentation you won't want to miss. Child care is available. Call Cathy Bohren at 847/362-1279 or e-mail her at cbohren@dist50.net to make arrangements for child care.

eScrip

Sign up with eScrip at escrip.com and register your Dominick's Fresh Values Card. Once enrolled, every time you shop at Dominick's with your Fresh Values Card, up to 4% of your purchase will be credited to Woodland CCSD 50 PTA.

Every shopping trip counts - all year long!

- Visit escrip.com for easy on-line registration. The name of our group is Woodland CCSD 50 PTA
 - Simply use your registered Fresh Values Card every time you shop
- Contact Cheri Blenniss at 847/548-5988 or cheri@blenniss.com with any questions.

Mark Your Calendar October

- 1 Primary picture day
- 2 Primary picture day
Market Day, Middle School, 4:00 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.
- 4 Market Day, Intermediate School, 10:30 a.m. to 11:45 a.m.
- 7 Intermediate picture day
- 8 Intermediate picture day
- 9 No School, Yom Kippur
- 10 No School
- 13 Institute Day, no school
- 15 PTA General Meeting, Intermediate Multipurpose Room, 7:00 p.m.
- 17 Good Night, Sleep Tight, Elementary West cafeteria, 6:30 p.m.
- 20-24 Middle School book fair
- 21 McDonald's fundraiser (Grand Avenue and Dilleys), 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
- 22 Elementary West picture day
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