

February 24, 2009

Upcoming Events

- PTO Carnival
February 28, 3:00—7:00
 - PTO Meeting
March 10, 2009 at 6:30
 - Apparel Sale
Coming in March
 - Market Day Sale
February 20 -March 6
 - Scrip Sale
February 20 -March 6
 - Market Day & Scrip Pickup
March 6, 5:00-6:00
 - Movie Night
March 6, 2009
 - Skating Party
March 25, 2009
- Carnival and Auction. <http://shancock.newpal.k12.in.us/TPage872.aspx>

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NPE PTO

Newsletter

President's Message

Welcome to Kindergarten Round Up! For those of you that are first time parents of kindergarteners, welcome to NPE! You and your child will be starting a new exciting phase in life. As a veteran Mom, I can attest to the wonderful and caring environment at NPE. NPE is blessed with excellent veteran and "rookie" teachers, all providing inspiration and

Apparel/Spirit Wear—Coordinates a fall and spring spirit wear sale; determines items to be sold.

Button/Ellison Press—Responsible for making super student, earth day, voice detective and other miscellaneous buttons throughout the year.

Box Top/Campbell's Soup Labels—Responsible for collection of box tops and soup labels, which are counted and redeemed for money or prizes.

Carnival—Oversees NPE's annual carnival including games, prizes and food booth.

Room Parent—Oversees room parents for each classroom.

new ideas for our children's education. For those of you that have had children in the school system, I am sure you will agree that life seems to go faster when our kids enter school. One way to stay in tune with your child and what is happening at school is to volunteer. PTO offers many opportunities to help our teachers, students and staff. Below is

PTO Committees

Scrip—Coordinates sale dates and delivery of gift cards (PTO earns a percentage of each sale).

Entertainment Books—Oversees the sale of Entertainment books in the fall.

Fifth Grade Graduation—Produces a keepsake DVD and plans other activities for graduating 5th graders.

Market Day—Coordinates sale dates, volunteers and delivery dates for Market Day food.

Movie Night—Coordinates movie selection, refreshments & volunteers.

a list with explanations of the different PTO committees. If you have questions or would like to be a part of PTO, please feel free to contact a board member or attend a PTO meeting. There is also a sign up sheet that lists volunteer opportunities, depending on your area of interest.



Roller Cave—Determines dates for skating parties and advertises parties prior to selected date.

Student Directory—Compiles class list, address, phone number and e-mail address for each NPE student to be published in school directory.

Teacher Appreciation—Coordinates a luncheon the day before school starts; recognize teachers and staff on their birthdays.

Auction—Collects donations from businesses to be auctioned at Carnival (auction is PTO's biggest fundraiser of the year).

PTO Budget 2008 - 2009

5th Grade Graduation	\$325	Miscellaneous	\$750
Box Top's Labels Winner Treats	\$200	Reading Counts incentives	\$600
Button Maker Supplies	\$100	School Programs	\$500
Courtesy (Teacher Appreciation)	\$800	Super Student T-shirts	\$100
Accu Cut	\$5,000	Teacher's Fund	\$9,375
Biz City	\$1,800	Theme Days Grades K - 5	\$1,800
Christmas Pizza	\$600	Recess Fund	\$750
Carnival Campus Life	\$400	Yearbook (developing)	\$150
Media Center	\$4,400	Student directory	\$350
		Playground Fund	\$6,000
		TOTAL	\$34,000



To help you understand the role PTO plays and its impact on our school and children, an explanation of our key initiatives/budget items follows.

5th Grade Graduation—This money is used to purchase supplies needed for graduation, along with the making of a keepsake DVD.

Box Top Label Winners— Each time box tops are picked up there is a contest between classes in each grade. The class that wins will receive a party from this fund.

Button Maker—This purchases supplies for the making of the super student, earth day, voice detective and other miscellaneous buttons needed throughout the year.

Teacher Appreciation—The PTO hosts a luncheon the day before school starts for all teachers and staff. We also give welcome baskets to new teachers, recognize teachers/staff on their birthdays and celebrate National Educators Week and National Teachers Appreciation Week.

VariQuest Design Center—PTO purchased a computerized die cutting machine. This will be a welcome addition to the Ellison press.

Christmas Pizza—PTO purchases pizza for the entire student body the last day of school before Christmas break.

Carnival Campus Life—The campus life team works the games and booths at NPE Carnival. This allows parents to spend time with their kids and shop at the auction.

Media Center—PTO helps purchase the selected Young Hoosier Books, a new set of encyclopedias and other new books to enhance NPE's already great library.

Reading Counts—PTO helps purchase the prizes your child receives for meeting their reading goals.

School Programs—We sponsor the Christmas Play and music concerts hosted by the unified arts teachers.

Super Student T-shirts—Replace old and worn out super student t-shirts per teacher requests.

Teacher Fund—Each teacher is given \$250 to help offset the cost of equipping their classroom.

Theme Days—PTO sponsors a theme day for each grade, i.e. Silly Safari, Earth Day, Fiesta Day and Pioneer Day.

Recess Fund—Each grade is given \$125 to replace or buy new playground equipment such as balls and jump ropes.

Yearbook—Parents work together to create a memorable yearbook for our kids. This fund helps offset the cost of developing pictures.

Student Directory—Each family receives a student directory that includes the class list, address, phone number and e-mail address for each student at NPE.

Playground Fund—We are currently working toward a goal of \$20,000 to purchase new playground equipment. To date, we have saved \$6000.

If you are interested in being a volunteer, please contact any of the officers listed on the front page of this newsletter or send a e-mail to npepto@newpal.k12.in.us



