



# Bay Park PTA Newsletter

January, 2010

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### Don't Forget To Save Your Boxtops:

Stay tuned for the next Boxtop event!



Happy New Year! Welcome back to school! By now, I am sure that you are back into the swing of things. In the spirit of the New Year, there will be some "new" ideas to help you have a voice at Bay Park. One new thing to put on your calendar, is our **PTA Town Hall meeting on Wednesday, January 20 at 5:30pm in the auditorium.**

Over the break, I enjoyed what I feel is one of the finest pieces of non-fiction, "Three Cups of Tea." It is a heartwarming account of one person who dedicates his life to building schools for children in some of the most remote and dangerous areas of the world. His dedication, worldwide respect, utmost integrity and initiative, are just a few that coincide with the character traits at Bay Park. Last year, two of our wonderful teachers, Mrs. Ranbarger and Mr. Wade sponsored a program, "Pennies for Peace" and this was based on the work of this book. We raised almost a thousand dollars and our students hopefully learned something in the process.

The Adopt-A-Family program was again, a huge success. We want to thank all of you who donated. Your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you to Nancy Cirillo for managing, and Dara Bilow for helping with this wonderful tradition at Bay Park.

With the work of our teachers, and our volunteer parents, we are always trying to provide experiences for our children. We will continue to do so with funds from our flapjack fundraiser, jog-a-thon and hopefully, our **Spring Carnival on May 15.**

To ensure there will be a spring carnival, we will need someone to take a leading role in food, games and booths, raffle baskets, cake walk, advertising and silent auction. There are so many different areas, but most importantly, we need someone to oversee the carnival as a whole. We have many veterans to help, and if we don't get this started soon, we will miss out on one of the biggest fundraisers and most exciting community organized events of the year! If we want snow day next year, and all our other annual PTA sponsored events, we will need the proceeds from the Spring Carnival. Please contact the PTA if you are able to help ensure we don't have to cancel this important event.

Coming soon to our school, is our annual variety show. You won't want to miss the amazing talent at Bay Park! Our PTA has many helpers, but we can always use more, and we hope that we can count on all of you.

Please help us continue Bay Park's great tradition of excellence in education, opportunity and teacher support. Best wishes for everyone for 2010!

Lynne Bonenberger  
PTA President



## Thanks 'SNOW' Much!

Well, it looks like Snow Day was a hit! The PTA is already looking forward to bringing snow to the school again next year!!! I would like to take a moment to personally thank the numerous people who contributed their time and donations to make this special day happen for our children. I received so many thanks and kind words that are not mine, but ours. It could not have happened without your help and generosity and I thank you snow much.....

Emory Archer	James Delgadillo	Missy Kroeger	Stasia Shimkus
Sean & Dionette Avilla	Melinda DiPasquali	Cathy Kuffner	Lisa Smith
Elizabeth Ballard	Kathe Dobson	Cathy Lackmann	Marsha Spitzer
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Robin Berridge	Kristin Gohlke	Kristin Miller	Christine Sykes
Dara Bilow	Nicole Grovhoug	Patty Moreau	Anne Tucker
Lynne Bonenberger	Sarah Haffey	Susan Norseth	Holly VanValkenberg
Steve Bury	Wendy Hardy	Karen Overklift	Shannon Washington
Carmen Caballero	Tamara & Larry Hartt	Lauryn Rice	Clint Williams
Mary Chakarian	Babara Klein	Allison Rogers	Christi Wilson
Lisa Criddle	Dave Koonin	Dianne Seriva	Demi Woodson

(\*\*and to everyone who showed up or donated items whose name I did not have!)

### And a special thanks to:

San Diego Ice Company for providing extra snow and a job well done! Hillary at Starbucks (Clairemont Dr. and Balboa) for donating the cambrios for the hot chocolate and to Cathy Lackmann for taking care of pick up and drop off! The USS New Orleans guys & gals who provided immeasurable help that day! My husband, Karl, for putting up with lost time and cleaning up the day after! My mother, Janice, for the numerous trips she made purchasing supplies! My brother, Tom, for getting the hay bales and cleaning up the day after! Allison Rogers and the lovely office ladies Susan and Nancy for their administrative help (and calling KUSI)! Lisa Criddle for coming the day after to help clean up! Frank and Brian for moving those hay bales and putting up with the extra mess! Dara Bilow for calming me down! Lynne Bonenberger for pick up and return of borrowed sleds! And finally Joan McGirr for the fabulous idea!

~ Shawn Kuffner

## Recycle News: by Monica Astorga

I hope everyone had a happy and "green" holiday! Please remember that we're continuing our recycling program. Each Friday during the opening, students can donate household batteries, plastic grocery bags and toner cartridges for recycling. The PTA receives \$3.00 for each used toner/ink cartridge.

Students, don't forget to drop your empty juice pouches (throw the straw in the trash) into the purple

bins after snack and lunch.

Parents, I need your help. A few faithful parents are already helping me rinse and dry juice pouches for "upcycling", but we need more volunteers.

The old adage "Many hands make light work" really applies to this task. You can e-mail me at: [emails2mon@yahoo.com](mailto:emails2mon@yahoo.com).



## Foundation News and Upcoming Events...

The Fourth Grade Holiday Student Store was a success! We raised over \$1000.00 towards our goal!

After some scrambling to get it going, some amazing fourth grade parents stepped in to save the day. Many, many thanks to Demi Woodson, Margi Enzler, Ofelia Dominguez, Mary Ann Keller, Melinda DiPasquali, Susan Yates, Robin Berridge, Patty Jorgensen, Jeanette Klem,

Patty Moreau, Lynne Bonenberger, Karen Floyd, Debbi Duncan, Stephanie Costello, The Russel Family, Lori Flounders, Bonnie Stewart, Barbara Brouard, Suzanne Smith, Lori Cummings, Pete Andrews, the fourth grade helpers, all of our wonderful customers and anyone who gave their time and resources to help send all of our fourth graders on their mission trip.

—Dara Bilow

### Attention 5th Grade Parents:

-There will be a 5th grade parent meeting on Tuesday, Jan 19th at 5:30pm in the library. Please pass the word if you're a 5th grade parent or if you know one!

### >>>>>>>>> \*Quote of the Month\* >>>>>>>>>

"Upon the subject of education, not presuming to dictate any plan or system respecting it, I can only say that I view it as the most important subject which we as a people may be engaged in."

-- Abraham Lincoln

## PTA Town Hall Meeting

**Wednesday, January 20th,  
at 5:30pm in the Auditorium**

In the words of Jo Loss, President, California State PTA: "Now more than ever, PTA is a rallying point for parents and teachers who resolve to build a stronger and more cohesive school community and a culture of success for all students."

I hope that all parents will come to be heard or just to listen and learn about what is going on at our school.

Please feel free to call me at any time, for any further information or with any questions. Thank You!

- Lynne Bonenberger

619-807-5722.



## Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser

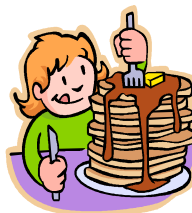
**Saturday, January 30th  
8:00 am - 10:00am**

Ready to relax and be waited on by someone else?

Applebee's will be opening their doors to Bay Park Elementary for an all-you-can-eat pancake breakfast. Tickets are \$10 each with HALF of that going to Bay

Bay Park!

Bring your family and friends for eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage, coffee and juice. And did we mention, it's ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT for only \$10?



We need Volunteers to greet guests and serve breakfast. Please contact Demi Woodson at [demiwoodson@yahoo.com](mailto:demiwoodson@yahoo.com) or Allison Rogers at [rogersinsd@san.rr.com](mailto:rogersinsd@san.rr.com).

Volunteers must be at least 18 years old. Tickets will be on sale starting January 18th. More information on ticket sales to follow

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**You Are Wanted**

**Upcoming Volunteer Opportunities:**

**Our Spring Carnival is in need of a chair/  
chairpersons. Without the carnival, a third or  
more of our funds for next year are  
nonexistent.**

**Please think about taking a roll in this most  
important event.**

**Contact: Lynne Bonenberger at  
619-807-5722**

We're on the Web!  
[www.bayparkpta.com](http://www.bayparkpta.com)

**UPCOMING EVENTS: Mark your Calendars:**

- January 12-----Foundation meeting 5:30pm, library
- January 12-----PTA meeting 6:30pm (childcare provided)
- January 14-----Science Fair 5:45pm – 7:30pm
- January 18-----Martin Luther King Holiday, no school
- January 20-----PTA Town Hall Meeting 5:30pm, auditorium
- January 22-----Parents, Picnic and Play/Student Recognition

