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From Your Stoneleigh PTA President

Dear Stoneleigh Friends and Families,

THANK YOU to our Family Social Committee and countless volunteers for hosting Stoneleigh's traditional Ice Cream Social this month. There was a great turnout of families and staff. We all enjoyed the ice cream, music and dancing, face painting, and pumpkin decorating. This year's event was my favorite one of all since my family first started attending them 5 years ago! Make sure you don't miss our school's next family social event, Movie Night, on Friday, October 23rd.

We have many wonderful, generous families at Stoneleigh Elementary. Thank you for all of the donations and Innisbrook orders, the proceeds of which will fund the PTA's events for the coming year. At our next PTA meeting we will be reviewing our budget to date as well as the activities of many PTA committees. So far, we have had great turnouts at our meetings. Mark your calendar for our next one on Thursday, November 12, 2009 in the school library at 7:00 p.m. Look at our website for the agenda to be posted.

If you are still looking for ways to get involved at our school, contact any of our committee chairpersons or PTA officers. Denise Supensky, 1st VP of Volunteers, may be able to help you find a great match for the time you have to share your talents. All of our contact information can be found in the directory or on our website.

Until next month....

Sheri Buttarazzi
PTA President

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Dates to Remember

OCTOBER

- 23 Family Movie Night, 7:00 p.m.
- 27 Cross Country Run at Stoneleigh Elementary
- 30 Original Works Orders Due

NOVEMBER

- 3 Board of Education Meeting, Greenwood, ESS Building, 7:00 p.m.
- 4 Picture Retake Day
- 5 First Marking Period Ends
- 6 **Schools Closed**, Professional Day
- 9 Special Education Citizens' Advisory Committee (SECAC) Meeting, Greenwood, ESS Building, Room 114, 7:00 p.m.
- 10 Cultural Assembly: Einstein Alive!
- 12 PTA Executive Board Meeting, Library, 7:00 p.m.
- 16-20 American Education Week:
 - Monday, 11/16 – Grade 4
 - Tuesday, 11/17 – Grade 2
 - Wednesday, 11/18 – Grade 1
 - Thursday, 11/19 – Kindergarten and Grade 5
 - Friday, 11/20 – Grade 3
- 19 Report Cards Distributed; *Gold and Blue* Newsletter Distributed
- 23 **Schools Closed**, Conference Day
- 26-27 **Schools Closed**, Thanksgiving Holiday

DECEMBER

- 5 Holiday Celebration, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.
- 17 *Gold and Blue* Newsletter distributed (one week early)
- 23 Winter Break begins, end of school day
- 24-Jan 3 **Schools Closed**, Winter Break

PTA 2009-2010 OFFICERS

Please feel free to contact any member of the Executive Board with any PTA related questions or concerns you may have. Thank You!

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Thanks!



Gardening: A special thank you to Brownie Troop 15 for planting 120 new bulbs in Stoneleigh's flag circle. Great job girls! We look forward to seeing all of the purple and yellow flowers this spring.

Student Directory: A belated thank you to Rachael Walkins - your help was appreciated!

Ice Cream Social: To all the family members, parents, teachers, staff and students:

The Stoneleigh Elementary PTA Family Social Committee would like to extend a heart felt thank you to all of YOU for volunteering your time. We could not have had this type of success with the Ice Cream Social this year without your help. The children loved the face painting, pumpkin crafts, dancing, Rita's Italian ice and ice cream! It was a great way to start off the year.

We would also like to thank the owners of Uncle Wiggly's, Rita's, The Painting Workshop and our fabulous DJ for their food, time and service donations. Their contributions to the PTA assisted us in continuing the tradition of the Ice Cream Social being a free event for the Stoneleigh Elementary Community.

We certainly hope to see all of you at the next PTA sponsored event on Friday, October 23 at Stoneleigh's very own Movie Night!!!

Sincerely,
Amy Godat, Lee Corbett & Laura Lechtzin
PTA Family Social Committee Co-chairs

Newsletter Information

Would you like to see your information printed in the November 19th edition of the newsletter?

Just send your articles/information to Susan Schoenfeld at sschoenfeld@blr.com by **November 13, 2009**.

Editing for space/content may occur. Thanks for contributing!

Volunteer Connection

Volunteers Needed for American Education Week 11/16/09-11/20/09

The PTA needs parents to help greet visiting families at the welcome table during American Education Week.

Volunteers are needed between 8:25 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Volunteers can volunteer part of a morning or the whole morning. Volunteers will help parents sign-in, encourage parents to eat some of the breakfast goodies provided, direct parents to their child's class, and monitor the gym lobby door.

Please consider volunteering. There are benefits, such as nibbling at the delectable breakfast! Contact Amy Kline at amykline@att.net or 410-377-6392 to let her know which day you will be able to volunteer.

Stoneleigh PTA Chairperson Opportunities!

Without chairpersons, the PTA cannot run our valuable programs. Chairperson openings for the 2009-2010 school year include:

- Teacher Appreciation Chairperson
- Book Fair Chairperson
- Gold and Blue and Creative, Too

To volunteer or for more information on volunteering, please contact Denise Supensky, 2nd VP of Volunteers, at StoneleighPTA2ndVP@gmail.com or Sheri Buttarazzi, PTA president, at StoneleighPTAPresident@gmail.com.

American Education Week Schedule

American Education Week is coming in November. This week provides a great chance to visit your child's classroom, see the impressive work they are doing, and to show your interest in what they do.

Classroom visits for each grade will occur on different days during American Education Week:

- November 16, 2009-Grade 4
- November 17, 2009-Grade 2
- November 18, 2009-Grade 1
- November 19, 2009-Kindergarten and Grade 5
- November 20, 2009-Grade 3

Watch you children's take home folders for more information next month!

News from the ART Department

Original Works is coming this month! Original Works is a great fundraiser for the Art Department here at Stoneleigh. You are able to order products that have your student's artwork printed on them. These products are great for gifts and capturing precious memories. Orders will be delivered in December, just in time for the holidays.

Your student will receive the Original Works packet in the third week of October. Orders will be **due on October 30th, 2009**. Please remember to send back your order form with the original art work. Checks should be made payable to Stoneleigh Elementary.

You can send in artwork or photographs of your own for this fundraiser! Just stick to these simple guidelines:

- Paper must be 8"x10 ½".
- No abrasive materials can be used (such as glitter or sand).
- Loose materials must be sealed.
- No metallic papers or materials may be used.
- No copyrighted materials or photographs can be used.
- Mark the back with the students name, homeroom, and indicate where the top of the artwork is with a "T".



Volunteers Needed for Arts Committee

Do you enjoy the Arts?

Are you passionate about your power tools?

Whether you're an amateur or a novice, the Arts Committee needs your help.

Opportunities are available in the following areas:

- Building exhibit space
- Arts Night
- Original Works distribution
- Preparing props/scenery for musical productions
- Art classroom helper primary grades

For more information contact Jodi Schuleman at jodiws@yahoo.com or Melinda Timlen at melinda.timlen@gmail.com

ATTENTION CREATIVE STUDENTS:

WHAT is BEAUTIFUL to YOU?

Please SHOW us! The PTA Reflections arts recognition program wants students to express themselves creatively through original art inspired by the theme, "**Beauty is.....**"

Entries may include literature, visual arts, photography, musical composition, dance choreography, and film production.

See www.stoneleighpta.org/enrichment-programs/reflections for details. Submissions due by **Friday, November 20, 2009**.



Kiss and Go Reminder

To all the “Kiss and Go” parents:

Winter is coming and that means cold, snowy and rainy weather. That also means more parents driving their children for a drop off at the Stoneleigh School.

We could all benefit if we follow a few simple steps that will keep the line flowing and children on time:

- ☺ Remember that the beginning of Kiss and Go drop off is at the steps on the corner of Pemberton and Copeleigh Roads.
- ☺ Move as far forward to the car in front of you and as far down as possible to the front of the line.
- ☺ Stay in your car and have your child ready to exit.
- ☺ If you need more time or you have to be closer to the school, please use the school parking lot.

Let's all make this year at Kiss and Go a pleasant experience that we all can remember!

Get Newsletters by E-Mail



If you haven't already done so this year, please consider going green and requesting electronic copies of school newsletters.

Visit the Parent's Page of our school's website to print the form required to go paperless.

<http://schools.bcps.org/schools/ces/stoneleigh/parents-page.html>

Sign up for your electronic copy today!

PTA Membership Update

444 members and counting!

Our PTA Membership Drive is still underway. When you choose to join the PTA, you help us with your dues (annual membership fee) as this helps pay for newsletters, programs, events and much more!

Have all the adults in your household joined our PTA? If you need an additional membership form, please go to our [Membership](http://www.stoneleighpta.org/about-ses-pta/membership/) webpage at <http://www.stoneleighpta.org/about-ses-pta/membership/>

Community Event Notice

The Idlewyld Community Association is hosting a children's Halloween Party on Friday, October 30, 2009 from 6:30 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. – all are welcome!

Come show off your costume, explore a haunted house, do the Monster Mash on the dance floor and play fun Halloween-inspired games.

Parents are encouraged to stay (children under 10 should come with an adult, children 10 and over can be dropped off as long as an adult signs them in and out at the door).

Please bring a treat or snack to share – drinks will be provided.

Join us at the Idlewyld Hall on Sherwood Road for a Haunting Good Time!

If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please contact Kim Deinlein at ktdein@gmail.com or Kate Foley at justinmolly@hotmail.com.



Walking Wednesday Update

International Walk to School Week on October 5th through October 9th, 2009 was a great success!

Stoneleigh Elementary students and their parents joined 5,000 schools from all 50 states in the U.S. and nearly 4 million people in 40 countries around the world to celebrate walking to school.

Thanks to all who participated in the festivities!

Check out the October 15, 2009 article in *The Baltimore Sun* about Stoneleigh Elementary's participation in International Walk to School Week.

October also kicked off our annual Walking Wednesday program. ***All Stoneleigh Elementary students are being asked to keep track of when they walk to or from school or around town on the monthly Walking Wednesday calendars which they return to their homeroom teacher after the end of each month.***

All the miles walked are calculated and used to help Stoneleigh Elementary hike across the United States!

If your child's Walking Wednesday calendar gets misplaced throughout the month, you can now go to the PTA website to download a new Walking Wednesday calendar. (<http://www.stoneleighpta.org/news-and-events/walking-wednesday/>)

Keep walking Stoneleigh and have your children return their Walking Wednesday calendars after each month so we can continue our hike across the United States!

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION FIRST DEADLINE -- OCTOBER 31ST!

Our first deadline for turning in Box Tops is **October 31st** so we can get CASH in December. Send them to school in an envelope labeled BOX TOPS with your homeroom teacher's name(s) on the envelope so the class gets credit towards our yearly contest.

Clip Box Tops from hundreds of your favorite General Mills products found throughout the grocery store. Each Box Top is worth 10 cents to our school. Don't wait! Send them in today!

Go to <http://www.stoneleighpta.org/fundraising/> for more information.

Bonus Bucks

Starting October 9, 2009 through March 25, 2010, Stoneleigh Elementary can earn cash through Giant A+ BonusBucksSM Program. For program registration information, go to <http://www.stoneleighpta.org/fundraising/>.

Remember, even if you registered your card last year, you must re-register this year for our school to receive credit. Attending to this simple process makes a HUGE difference to our school. We need your support.

Please register your card to benefit Stoneleigh Elementary using ID #01345.

Target's "Take Charge of Education" Fundraiser

Did you know you can raise money for Stoneleigh Elementary School just by shopping at Target?

This program is ongoing all year long and requires only 3 small steps: apply, enroll and shop. You can apply for the REDCARD at any store or online at www.target.com.

Once you have your card, enroll in "Take Charge of Education" by choosing our school. Then, every time you shop, a small percentage of your purchases will be donated to our school twice a year. For more information, visit www.target.com/tcoe

Stoneleigh Elementary Holiday Celebration



SAVE THE DATE: Saturday, December 5th, 2009

TIME: 11:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. (*note time change*)

WHERE: Stoneleigh Elementary Gymnasium and Cafeteria

WHAT: Holiday Celebration- crafts, games, greens, Spirit Wear, entertainment and food!

The Holiday Celebration Program Cover Contest

Have your child's art on the cover of the 2009 Holiday Celebration Program! To create an entry, have your child create an 8" x 10" picture of a "Holiday Scene." Clearly label the entry with your child's name and grade and turn it into the Stoneleigh Elementary School office by November 2, 2009.

The overall winner's picture will be the cover of The Program and one winner from each grade will have their picture featured within The Program. Good Luck to all!

The Holiday Celebration The Program—Business Ads

Please fill-out the form below and attach your copy ready ad or send it electronically via e-mail in jpg format to lmooney@comcast.net by November 1, 2009.

Business Ads

Full Page 8 x 10" - \$100.00 donation

1/2 Page 8" x 5" - \$50.00 donation

1/4 Page 3" x 5" - \$25.00 donation

Business Name _____ Contact Name _____

Phone & e-mail _____

___ Full Page

___ 1/2 Page

___ 1/4 Page

Holiday Celebration The Program - Family Pages

Please fill-out the form below, and attach the copy you would like to enter in The Program. Please send in your donation, the family page copy and this form to school by November 1, 2009. Please make checks out to Stoneleigh PTA.

Family Pages

Full Page, 8"x10" - \$25.00 donation

1/2 Page, 8"x5" - \$15.00 donation

1/4 Page, 3"x5" - \$10.00 donation

Name _____ Phone & e-mail _____

___ Full Page

___ 1/2 Page

___ 1/4 Page

Stoneleigh PTA Student Directory

2009-2010 Order Form



Student Name: _____

Grade/Homeroom Teacher: _____

Return this form to your child's homeroom teacher in an envelope marked PTA Directory. Please be sure to include \$5.00 cash or check (payable to Stoneleigh Elementary PTA) for each directory ordered. Directories will be sent home with your child.

Questions can be directed to Catherine Renggli at 410-377-0132 or stoneleighptadirectory@gmail.com.

Join Us This Winter for TRC Girls Basketball

When it's cold and dark outside, it's always warm at the gym!

WHAT: Lots of fun, good exercise and great fundamentals of basketball for 7-16 year old girls.

WHO: New players and experienced players welcome. Teams are set up to be balanced and competitive across the league.

WHEN: Ages 7-8 CLINIC: Sunday afternoons; Practice only early in the season, then combined practice and games later on. **Ages 9-10, 11-12 & 13-16 LEAGUES:** One weeknight practice; Games on Saturdays.

Registration is now open and closes at midnight October 23rd or when program spots are filled, whichever comes first. Practices start the week of November 9; games start Dec. 5 for ages 9 through 16, Dec. 20 for ages 7 through 8.

REGISTRATION OPTIONS:

1. Print and mail the registration form from our website (www.leaguelineup.com/trcgirlsbasketball) with a check payable to: Towson Recreation Council, Attn: Girls Basketball, 300 Dumbarton Road, Baltimore, MD 21212. Include player's name and "Basketball" on the check's memo line.
2. Come to the TRC office at 300 Dumbarton Road to fill out a registration form. (Call first to be sure someone is in the office: 410-887-5883.)
3. Register online and pay with a credit card. Website: www.leaguelineup.com/trcgirlsbasketball



**It's the SE\$ PTA
Family Fun Movie Night
THIS FRIDAY EVENING
OCTOBER 23rd, 2009
Movie starts at 7:00 P.M.**

**Bring your picnic blankets, lawn chairs and watch
a movie with friends & family out on the front lawn
(inside the gymnasium if it rains)**



Popcorn & drinks will be provided

**Free with your Stoneleigh PTA Membership
SO JOIN TODAY!!!**

NO DROP OFFS Please; all children must be accompanied by an adult.

