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### **Haycock's PTA Sponsored Affinities Festival was AWESOME!**

- The 2010 Affinities Festival was held last week in the Gymnasium. The school-wide celebration of learning was so awe inspiring with students sharing their affinities and showcasing their learning with our community of parents, teachers and students. Way to go Cougars – you created some amazing displays!
- The PTA would like to sincerely thank Pamela Huffman for spearheading this incredible effort – Bravo Pam!

### **Family Movie Night Under the Stars – Close to 300 People Came to Watch Fly Me To The Moon in 3D This Past Friday Night!!!**

- We relaxed under the stars with our families and Haycock friends while we celebrated the end of the school year at the Haycock Outdoor Family Movie Night! It was a great event to end the year with a fun-filled family night!
- A special tribute was given to Maureen Boland and the PTA presented her with an engraved framed photograph of Haycock on behalf of all Haycock Families. We are indebted to her for giving the school seven years of outstanding leadership and dedication. We wish Maureen much success and happiness as she embarks on this new chapter of her career!
- The PTA's Cougars Care Committee had Alex's Lemonade Stand at the Outdoor Movie Night and lots of money was raised to help fund research for children with Leukemia. Thank you for your generous contributions!
- Thanks for joining us for this special evening!

### **Order Your School Supplies by June 30th! Get Ready for the 2010-2011 School Year!**

- You can help the PTA to raise funds by ordering your child's school supplies for next year online. The PTA has teamed up with Innisbrook again to make shopping for school supplies easy and convenient.
- The PTA sent home order forms in your child's Tuesday Folder. You can go now to Innisbrook and click on school supplies and order your school supply kit. Your Child's Back-to-School Pack™ box will be delivered to your home over the summer. Here is the link:  
<http://www.buyschoolstuff.com/schoolcode/index/school/?schoolcode=193899&SID=3ab09baf4e1924b862dc9b0e2db395ef>.
- Our teachers have created a Back-to-School Pack for each grade. Simply order the pack for your child's grade and it will be delivered before the first day of class. Supplies are packaged in a cool keepsake box with brand name products that match the Haycock supply lists.
- Eliminate the stress and frustration of digging through jumbled school supplies at crowded stores and get all that you need in one quick and easy order!
- The last day to order is June 30th so **PLEASE ORDER TODAY!**

## **GIRLS ON THE RUN Coaches Needed**

- We are looking for Haycock coaches for next fall. Please consider being a part of this fabulous running organization that teaches positive emotional, social, mental and physical development to girls in grades 3rd – 6th.
- For more information, please visit their website at [www.girlsontherunofnova.org](http://www.girlsontherunofnova.org) or contact Michele Rice at [haycockasachair@gmail.com](mailto:haycockasachair@gmail.com).

## **Needed: ASA COORDINATOR for YOGA**

- Main responsibilities of a coordinator are:
  - to act as liaison with vendor
  - monitor registration
  - keep parents notified of all pertinent information regarding the class, such as class cancellations, payments, etc.
- If interested, please contact: Michele Rice at [haycockasachair@gmail.com](mailto:haycockasachair@gmail.com).

## **Weeding and Watering Needed During the Summer**

Did you know that all planted areas on the Haycock schoolyard are maintained by the PTA? A living schoolyard requires eternal vigilance. There are two ways you and your family can help this summer:

- Sign up for one or more weeks to water the planting beds. Vegetables will be donated to the local food bank.
- Adopt a spot to weed and mulch at your convenience.

It's also a great way for you to get community service/service learning hours with your middle or high schooler!

Please reply to Barbara Steele, Cougar Woods Landscape Chair, 703-847-1564, [jbsteele5@verizon.net](mailto:jbsteele5@verizon.net).

## **Do You Like Puttering in the Ground? Like Planting a Seed and Watching it Grow? Enjoy Cultivating the Earth and the Minds of Young Children? Then We Have the Opportunity for You!**

- We are in need of Cougar Woods Coordinators to organize, lead and assist teachers with outdoor education and learning activities.
- Cougar Woods Angels maintain and enhance our many gardens throughout the schoolyard.
- If you have a green thumb and a kind heart, please contact Samantha Wright at [samwright@inetwork.com](mailto:samwright@inetwork.com).
- “When gardeners garden, it is not just plants that grow, but gardeners themselves” - Ken Druse.

## **Calling All Volunteers – Your PTA Needs You!!!**

We need the following Committee Chairs to serve for the 2010-2011 school year:

- The Directory Committee collects data and publishes – both online and in print format – a directory of contact information for Haycock students and faculty.
- Hotsheet Editor gathers submissions from each of the VPs, edits and distributes the weekly PTA electronic newsletter including a calendar of upcoming events. We now have volunteers to write the Hotsheet – we need someone to format it in HTML.
- The PTA Website Administrator oversees the operation of and timely modifications to the PTA

website. This role includes identifying and creating content for the website that enhances the site for the use of PTA members.

- The Safe Community Coalition Liaison attends meetings of the SCC, provides occasional reports to the Haycock PTA and assists in the coordination of joint projects between the SCC and the PTA.
- The Cougar Woods Committee supports Haycock's outdoor learning program by researching and designing science-oriented lessons and training parent volunteers for each classroom. Cougar Woods Coordinators organize, lead and assist teachers with outdoor education and learning activities. Cougar Woods Angels maintain and enhance our many gardens throughout the schoolyard.
- The Cluster 1 Parent Advisory Council Liaison attends Cluster 1 Parent Advisory Council (PAC) meetings with the Assistant Superintendent. Reports back on relevant information (e.g., notify VP of Community Affairs and PTA President, provide information for PTA website or Hotsheet, etc.).
- Merchandising assists in ordering and selling school spiritwear.
- Grocery Store Cards coordinates Haycock's involvement with grocery stores.
- Restaurant Nights coordinates social networking opportunities at restaurants in the area.

### **End of the year PTA Housekeeping Notes**

- Please be sure to check the Haycock Lost and Found for items your children may have left behind at school. All unclaimed clothing items will be donated by Cougars Care this summer.
- If you were assigned a PTA mailbox or if you are a Chair for one of the PTA Committees, please come and check your PTA mailbox in the Front Office. Some mailboxes are FULL! You will also need to check periodically over the summertime for important information. If you find something in your box that you are not sure what to do with, please place it in the President's blue folder.
- All PTA reimbursement requests must be turned into the Treasurer by THIS Thursday, June 24th.
- The PTA understands how important it is to stay in touch over the summer. The "Haycock Hotsheet" will continue its weekly distribution in late August – early September. As we get more information regarding our various programs over the summer, we will update the PTA Website in order to keep everyone informed.
- If you are a family that will not be returning to Haycock next year, please update your HaycockPTA.org account, or please send an email to us requesting that we take you off of our distribution list. Over the summer, we will be cleaning our PTA membership list and will do our best to take those families not returning off. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Save the Date**

- The last day of school will be THIS Thursday, June 24th. **There will be an early release at 11:45 am!**
- **HAVE A GREAT SUMMER & THANKS FOR A GREAT YEAR!!!**

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