

President's Message Heather Douglas

What a fabulous year for St. Pius X School and the PTO! We began the year still under construction and with a new principal. The excitement of these changes continued on thru the year as PTO chairs planned each of their events. SPX volunteers truly amaze me with their thoughtfulness, creativity, organization, and energy! Thank you all for your time and talent you share at SPX. Definitely it is a busy place here, but would we really want it any other way?

Income earned during this school year is budgeted to be spent in the following next school year. At this month's general meeting, the PTO membership approved our 2010-2011 budget. With this year being an auction year, we had more \$ to budget for new school expenditures, which is timely since there are many needs. Remember to take a look at the PTO section on Edline for additional meeting & financial information.

Our spring wraps up with the parent survey and volunteer signup's. Parents can really think about our Parent Teacher Organization, give us valuable feedback, and consider their involvement for next year (some new faces have stepped up to chair events and work on our executive board...THANKS!). We could not run the programs & events without every parent participating in some way. It's a team effort, for sure! Thank you for an incredible year...it's been a pleasure!

THANK YOU to our outgoing PTO Executive Officers:

Kriste Mossman - for 4 years on the PTO Executive Committee. Your dedication to and knowledge of PTO and SPX will be greatly missed!

Tracy Nondorf - for your hard work as Treasurer of PTO for 3 years. You worked *daily* to ensure prompt reimbursements for all, accurate accounts, and a large budget well spent to enrich our school.

Tracy Murphy - for your insight, spirituality, and wonderful job adding to our cultural events the last two years.

Kelly Stehlik - for keeping the minutes at all PTO meetings for 2 years, and still being able to add ideas with your great enthusiasm!

PTO Events to Start the New School Year 2010-2011

- ◆ Kindergarten Orientation
Aug 11
- ◆ Welcome Back Coffee
Aug 16
- ◆ Student Ice Cream Social
Aug 20
- ◆ Spell-A-Thon Kickoff
Aug 27
- ◆ 1st PTO General Mtg.
TBA

2010-2011 PTO BUDGET: \$122,000+ budgeted for next year

- Routine expenses: start up supplies, teacher funds, grants, professional development
- School events (Wellness Initiative, Everybody Counts, Hobby Show, Art Fair, Recycling program, Playground Equipment, Young Hoosier Books, and more)
- NEW expenses 2010-2011: new accelerated math program K-8, classroom storage cabinets, 9 computers, 3 smart boards, 2 document cameras, 15 netbook computers for mobile lab, new freezer, Field Day, etc.

PLEASE SEE EDLINE FOR COMPLETE BUDGET.

PTO Mission

The St. Pius X Parent & Teacher Organization exists to support St. Pius X's school staff and administration by providing resources to enrich the academic, spiritual, physical and emotional development of our children. The organization provides a volunteer network committed to supporting a Catholic based education. PTO provides an open forum for discussion and communication of issues and needs relative to school families.

WELCOME New PTO Executives!

Special thanks to **Kriste Mossman and the Nominating Committee** (*Cara Chamberlain, Mike Hurley, Becky Klee, Kate McGowan, and Lisa Melloh*) for locating parents willing to work hard to make our PTO and SPX the best it can be! At our May 18 PTO meeting, members elected the following to serve PTO:

President Elect: Joy Coleman-Stiver... Joy, and her husband, Dave, have been members of SPX Parish for 12 years. Their son, Jarrod, is in 5th grade at SPX. Joy works for Flodraulic Group as the Business Support Manager. This means everyone goes to her for solutions to problems relating to all operational aspects of the company. Sounds like excellent training to be PTO President! Joy has been very helpful with the Spell-A-Thon, is always willing to volunteer - even on cleanup duty, and is "the best Cheermom" for SPX sports teams.

Vice-President: Ken Ogorek... Ken, his wife, Melissa, and their children, John, Lottie (in 3rd grade at SPX) and Elizabeth moved to SPX 3 years ago from Pennsylvania. Ken is originally from South Bend. He works in the Office of Catholic Education for the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. Ken oversees evangelization and religious education throughout the Archdiocese (151 parishes and missions, over 60 elementary schools, 12+ high schools etc.) When he's not working, Ken enjoys a lot of family-related activities. He also writes and speaks about religious education and our Catholic faith in general. Ken has volunteered at a variety of events since arriving at St. Pius and is looking forward to being involved on a more sustained basis as a PTO officer.

Recording Secretary: Nancy Steadham... Nancy, and her husband, Joe, were married at SPX in 1995. They have three children: Mary is in 5th grade at Mary Castle, Charlie is in 3rd grade at Pius, and Jack currently attends preschool. Nancy grew up in St. Pius parish, but attended Wash Twp schools until high school. She graduated from Chatard in 1985. Nancy then went to Purdue for a degree in Industrial Engineering and met Joe. She worked with Joe at Naval Avionics/Raytheon for 8 1/2 years. Nancy loves to read, go to movies, play cards, and visit her parents in NJ. She has been involved with School Lunch, Everybody Counts, and Scrip.

THANK YOU to all the 2009-2010 PTO Chairpersons, for their countless hours of work, and wonderful enthusiasm in supporting SPX School!

- **SCRIP** - *Gretchen Capo & Stephanie Van Horn*
- **Dinner Dance Auction**- *Jennifer Mitchell, Mary Sims & Debbie Wooldridge*
- **School Lunch** - *Robin Hensley, Anne Hurley, Becky Klee & Kathleen Prechtel*
- **Spell-A-Thon** - *Tracy Sanders*
- **Trivia Night** - *Kevin & Amy Beausir*
- **SPX-tras** - *Erin Dorsey & Christine Marsella*
- **Kindergarten Orientation** - *Noelle King*
- **Welcome Back Coffee** - *Carol Beatty & Kassy McPherson*
- **Room Parent Coordinator** - *Ellie Hawes*
- **Everybody Counts** - *Terri Brumleve & Jackie Morone*
- **Veteran's Day Reception** - *Kelli Hoffman*
- **Middle School Event** - *Michelle Hipkind*
- **Hobby Show** - *Shelly Lindley*
- **Math Mania** - *Eileen Countryman*
- **Winter Carnival** - *Marcella Burnell, Amy Clark & Dawn Koers*
- **Health Fair** - *Christine Marsella & Kathleen Prechtel*
- **Bowling Party** - *Chrissy Didat*
- **Book Fair** - *Nancy Cotton & Kriste Mossman*
- **7th Grade Dad's Dinner** - *Sally & Steve Ferguson*
- **Flower Sale** - *Kathy Calvert & Ann Kellison*
- **Student Ice Cream Social** - *Sue Kempf*
- **New Family Mentor Program** - *Eileen Countryman & Edie Witchger*
- **Back-to-school Supplies** - *Kristen Quarto*
- **Playground Equipment** - *Steve Ferguson*
- **Recycling Program** - *Julie Dunn*
- **Staff Appreciation Lunch** - *Susan Wolfla*
- **School Directory** - *Mary Weaver & Ann Kellison*

The recipients of the 2009-2010 PTO scholarships (for two 8th graders), and the Peggy Kline Volunteer Award (a parent) will be announced at Graduation May 26, 2010.

SCRIP IN THE SUMMER

May 24-June 6 - orders accepted

June 10, 9-10 am - pick up orders at school, Scrip-to-go (STG) for sale

June 5-6 - STG sold after masses

August 14-15 - STG after masses

Parish office has limited inventory available for sale until June 30.

Next year, we'll have new online ordering system, including the option to use PrestoPay from your debit card. www.ShopWithScrip.com
Orders begin Aug 16
STG begins Aug 20

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