

HINCKLEY PTO NEWSLETTER

Dear School Community:

It has been an honor and privilege to serve as this year's PTO President. I really appreciate the opportunity and truly enjoyed working with all of you. We have such a great group of parents here at Hinckley, and really remarkable staff. Our children are the best – a true reflection of all of you. Thanks for a great year! Have a safe and fun-filled summer! Keep reading and "*Get Stung by Learning*"!

Sincerely,
Suzanne Peterlin, PTO President

Thank you to all of you who support the fund-raisers (school cash, read-a-thon, magazine sale, market day, buzzard day, cookie dough sale, flat coupon sale, and Rebate programs (box tops, Campbell soup labels, target, verizon, giant eagle, tyson). It is through this support that we are able to contribute to the improvements and opportunities for our children.

Thank you to this year's executive board:
President – Suzanne Peterlin
Vice President/Fund-Raising – Anka Wiencek
Vice President/Activities – Debbie Prescenzi
Secretary – Jen Simonis
Treasurer – Cindy Wade

Congratulations to the 2007/08 Executive Board
President – Suzanne Peterlin
Vice President (Fund Raising) – Open
Vice President (Activities) – Debbie Prescenzi
Secretary – Heather Comer
Treasurer – Anka Wiencek

Good Luck Ladies!

RECAP of THIS YEAR

Thank you very much for supporting our school and PTO. This year afforded us with many successes by Working Together to Make A Difference and by volunteers giving their time so freely.

Accomplishments/Funding Support

- Birthday book club enhanced; donated \$300.00 for start up
- Helping Hands program
- Harvest Poem and Creature Contest
- Cookbooks for sale
- improved spirit wear/ availability
- Winterfest/Santa Shop
- Color and Decorate Holiday Candle
- Red Cross Blood Drive
- Italian Feast – to kick off all school opera
- All School Opera
- purchased thermometer for clinic
- purchased much needed skillet and buckets for kitchen
- funded academic achiever breakfasts
- Buzzard Day Drawing Contest and Buzzard Day Booth
- 5th grade kites
- financially contributed to school assemblies
- conference nights
- skate nights/ ice skating / pinnacle
- grants from the Highland Foundation were received to enhance our school's opportunities
- installed first phase of playground renovation
- two years of Market Day, Westfield Shopping Spree, Cookie Dough Sales, pennies for playground
- Earth Day/Art Show/Ice Cream Social – Alex Bevan
- Teacher Appreciation
- Science Carnival and End of the Year Carnival and Picnic
- New Slogan....GET STUNG BY LEARNING!!

SCHOOL CASH

Order Due Dates - May 22 for delivery on May 24 and May 29 for delivery on June 1.

Market Day Pick Up - School Cash will also be sold at the May 31 Market Day pick up.

New to School Cash - Starbucks, Arby's, Papa Johns Pizza, Dave & Busters and the GreenSmith.

Order Forms - Current forms are available at www.highlandschools.org under PTO News.

Thanks to all of you who use School Cash!
Profits for the year have reached \$2,800!
You are making a difference!

SPIRIT WEAR

We have some great items in stock: the adhesive green "H", golf umbrellas, water bottles, sports chairs, t-shirts, mouse pads, and license plate covers. Call us for prices! By now you should have received your spirit wear order. If you have not received it, or if there are problems or questions, please contact

Diana Borsuk 330.225.8206

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MARKET DAY

We have added a Summer sale date for Market Day for all the summer barbecues, birthdays, graduations, holidays: Thurs June 28, 5:15 - 6:15 pm at the Hinckley Town Hall. If you have questions, contact Sue Bernhofer 330-230-2503

DARE - Safety Town

During the weeks of June 11 and June 18, the three elementary schools will be hosting the DARE Safety Town at Granger Elementary for next year's pre-school and Kindergarten students. We are looking for parents who are interested in helping out at the various safety stations. If you are interested, please contact Suzanne Peterlin at 330.220.8781.

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

Thank you Mrs. Rastok and staff for providing a delicious brunch for our volunteers! It was most enjoyable. Thank you to Bridget Kuchta for coordinating details with Mrs. Rastok. Together, you made a difference and left a lasting impression with our volunteers. You really know how to make us feel appreciated.

Check out the PTO News link on the www.highlandschools.org webpage for updates and opportunities.

Teacher Appreciation Week – A Big Success!

A huge heartfelt THANK YOU goes out to all of the parents and students who made Teacher Appreciation Week a wonderful week for our Hinckley staff. The massages and paraffin dips had the teachers smiling all day. The donated goodies were gobbled up with lots of "ooohs" and "aaaahs". Wednesday's luncheon was also greatly enjoyed by our staff members, and I received many requests for recipes (I will be contacting my luncheon helpers for those!). I received so many thank you's from the teachers and aides, I want to pass them on to everyone who came forward to help. Thank you for your generosity for both your donations and your time: Heather Comer, Suzanne Peterlin, Tammy Selerowski, Maureen Fragnoli, Chris Medwid, Cindy Nagy, Cheryl Turk, Kathryn Perkins, Laura Kalfas, Mindy Delfino, Karen Kastelein, Debbie Prescenzi, Melissa Swan, Angie Smith, Teresa Butler, Becky Coyner, Melissa Augustine, Diane Dannery, Lisa Majchrycz, Vera Lindemann, Kim Griffiths, Mary Paulus, Katie Nayman, and Diana Borsuk. I also want to thank those people who dropped off brownies and mini cheesecakes without leaving their names. What nice surprises! If I have forgotten anyone's name, please forgive me. So many of you came together to help, I was overwhelmed! Thanks so much! - Laura Adams

HINCKLEY ELEMENTARY REBATE PROGRAMS

Hinckley Elementary is enrolled in many Rebate Programs that provide rewarding opportunities for our school to earn money or points to go towards purchase of recognition programs, incentive awards, school supplies and playground equipment. **Continue saving this summer!**

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

It's easy to earn cash for your school every time you buy groceries. Just clip Box Tops coupons from hundreds of participating General Mills products and send them in to our school. Our school gets 10 cents for each Box Tops coupon when redeemed. Find more ways to earn cash for our school at boxtops4education.com.

BUEHLER'S – LABELS FOR LEARNING

Clip and save the "Our Family" labels on Buehler's products. Labels are worth 5 cents each when redeemed.

CAMPBELL'S LABEL FOR EDUCATION

Save LABELS FOR EDUCATION on participating Campbell's products. Just **remove the UPC code** OR the entire label from can, and send them in to school. Our school earns points for each label and can redeem school merchandise from the Campbell's Catalog. An eligible product list may be viewed at labelsforeducation.com.

GIANT EAGLE – APPLES FOR EDUCATION

Each time you shop at Giant Eagle using your Giant Eagle Advantage Card, you will earn points for our school – points that our school saves and redeems for great educational tools. Register your card today with the Apples for Students Program. Sign up is quick and easy, just go to gianteagle.com; search for Community Events, click on Educational Support and then Apples for The Students Program. You may also call 1.800.742.7753 to register. Hinckley Elementary School Identification number is **2359**. This program runs October through March each school year. Details on how to register will be sent home. *You must register each year, as your information does not carry over from one year to the next.*

TARGET – TAKE CHARGE OF EDUCATION

Through the Take Charge of Education Program, TARGET donates an amount equal to 1% of REDcard (SM) (Target Visa and Target Card) purchases made at Target and Target.com. To register, visit target.com, find Community Giving and click on "Take Charge of Education" under Education Initiatives or call 1.800.316.6142. Hinckley Elementary's code is **84680**.

TYSON PROJECT A+ LABELS

Clip and save "Tyson Project A+" labels from participating Tyson products. Labels are worth 24 cents each when redeemed. What a great way to earn money for our schools!

NESTLE WATER

We will be collecting labels from Nestle water. With these labels, we can earn points toward sports gear or transportation costs for fun field trips. What an easy way to earn things we need at our school! Let's start saving those labels!

If you have any great ideas for other rebate programs or any questions, feel free to contact Cheri Burns at 440-728-5500 or cbgbgai@yahoo.com

2006-2007 Volunteers

Thank you chairpersons, clinic, recess, cafeteria, copy, Ohio Reads, walking club, class room helpers, Junior Achievement, etc. We apologize if your name is missing from our volunteer lists. What a difference all of you make.

- **Ohio Reads** Kelly McCormack, Jane Carsten, Vivian Bronstrup, Bonnie Zidd, Mary Slifka, Lorie Less, Trish Strazar-Saunders, Chris Medwid, Cheryl Levan
- **Lunchroom** Peggy Dietz, Sue Snelly, Amy Kosdrosky, Laura Kalfas, Elizabeth Vance, Joan So
- **Walking Club** Brandy Argenziano, Christine Donner, Michelle Lutz, Sandy Timony
- **Clinic** Suzanne Peterlin
- **Junior Achievement** Bonnie Zidd, Kelly McCormack, Jane Carsten, Heather Antonius, Vicky Kuczynski, Teresa Smith, Amelia Kosdrosky, Marilyn Leach, Vicki Tifft
- **Reading Moms** Kim Szpak, Kim Griffiths, Laura Adams, Bernadette Coberly, Cindy Wolf
- **Volunteers** Claire Quartaraco, Mark Vance, Mary VanDeusen, Karen Sliter, Lisa Zito-Smith

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD

This year's Volunteer of the Year is recognized for the continuous dedication to Hinckley Elementary. Some of the contributions over the years (nine or so years) here at Hinckley Elementary are as follows:

- Served as Head Room Parent for several years
- Helped out in the classroom with Reading and classroom activities; helped with Scholastic book order forms
- Helped set up Book Room, when it was established
- Helped with putting together PTO Packet and Student Folder
- For many consecutive years volunteered in the library by reading story books to our students; cataloged/filing and sorting library books; and was a great asset in helping out Mrs. Cady and Mrs. Sturgeon
- Sent in desserts for Hospitality events
- Helped at Santa Shop
- Served on following committees: Drama Club – helped with costumes and fund-raising; Co-Chaired Market Day; had been Chairperson for Campbell Soup Labels; was on Library Renovation committee; and Granger Transitional Committee - 5th Grade Party; Helped with Academic Achievers Breakfast; Volunteered as Lunch aide or Recess Help
- Served as our PTO Treasurer for 2 consecutive years
- Endless hours of calculating budgets, and balancing figures; trips to the bank; and having check book, shopped for popsicles and any other items that may have been needed.

It is hard to express enough appreciation to the volunteers that make Hinckley Elementary the excellent school that it is. The title "Volunteer of the Year" is a misnomer. There are so many of you. It is challenging to narrow all those hours and years of hard work and dedication from so many wonderful people into just one name. The recipient of this year's Volunteer of the Year Award represents the spirit of volunteering to the highest degree, and she has done so over the many years of having children at Hinckley Elementary. Part of what sets her apart is the quiet grace and unhurried way with which she pleasantly served the students here in so many capacities. **This year we recognize Cindy Wade for her dedication and commitment to our school and as Volunteer of the Year.** Thanks for making a difference Cindy and Congratulations!

SCIENCE MATTERS—RECAP

On Sat May 19 Hinckley Elementary was transformed into it's own 'Science Center' for a day. Over 100 students participated in experiments and demonstrations. Thank you to Highland High School Science Students & Teachers, Brunswick Middle School, Buckeye Local Schools, VOFT, MTD, Lisa Eliason, CRM, ADS Engineering, NASA, Summit Soil and Water, Medina Health Dept and all the volunteers - you know who you are!! These volunteers created a unique learning environment. Parents and students were truly inspired by their passion for science! A special thank you to CRM of Hinckley for donating the goody bags and raffle baskets. The baskets were won by Cindy Wolfe, Steve Kaufmann, Isabella So, Debbie Prescenzi, and Vicki Tifft.

**Hinckley Elementary PTO
2007 – 2008
Hinckley PTO Advisory Board**

Executive Board

President	Suzanne Peterlin	speterlin5@verizon.net	330.220.8781
1 st Vice President - Fund Raising	OPEN		
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Treasurer	Anka Wiencek	ankawiencek@adelphia.net	330.225.0429

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Art Gallery	Diane Dannery		330.278.2776
Babysitting Pool	OPEN		
Babysitting Pool Co Chair	OPEN		
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Fifth Grade Party Co Chair	OPEN		
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Mothers Day Plant Sale Co Chair	Susan CizMadia	naoutdoors@aol.com	330.278.2230
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Volunteer Appreciation Co Chair	OPEN		
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Winterfest Basket Raffle	OPEN		