

## PTSA General Meeting Tuesday February 11th at 7pm in the Woodmoor Library

Our PTSA General Meeting is this month! We are looking forward to seeing our members there, meeting new faces and sharing in all the meaningful programs and activities we have going on at Woodmoor! We will be voting on a very important issue so if you are a member of PTSA, we especially need to hear your voice.

If you are not a member, you are welcome to join us. In fact, we encourage you to come and see what we do, how we work, and join in once you feel comfortable!

At our meetings we review our finances, report on our new business and events coming up, talk about our ongoing and past events and what we can change. We are always interested in what you as our members think and what you are looking for from our PTSA.

This month, we are planning on having some social time after the meeting. All are welcome!

See you on Tuesday February 11th from 7-9pm!



### **VOTE on February 11<sup>th</sup>!**

Ballots should have arrived in your mailbox that include our district's bond and levies! The two levies replace two expiring levies, one for technology and one for daily operations. The bond will fund the construction of a new high school in the north end of the district. Make sure your voice is heard! Every vote counts!

# Upcoming Events

PTSA Science Fair: March 28th 6-8pm in the gym

Popcorn Friday: February 14th

PTSA Meeting: February 11th 7pm in library

PTSA Staff Lunch February 4th in staff room

Student Store:
No student store in February

Parent Ed: February 25 7pm in library

# Student of the Month, January 2014

Congratulations to our first PTSA Student of the Month for January 2014:

#### LIZZIE OLSEN, 5th Grade

Lizzie impressed us all when she organized a coin drive to benefit the schools damaged by the tornado in Moore, Oklahoma last spring. Lizzie made posters, mobilized volunteers, collected and counted the money.

WAY TO GO LIZZIE! That's the Dolphin spirit we love to see!

If you have a nominee for PTSA's Student of the Month, e-mail it to us at dcaseys@gmail.com



### **Attention Boys in Grades 1 to 5!**



Do you like to spend time with friends? Build and race cars? Rockets? Help others? Learn fun stuff? Camp? Hike? Join cub scouts today! Cub scouts is open to all boys and provide great opportunities. For more information, visit our website @ www.pack429.net or contact Brian Hill @ brianalayne@comcast.net. \*Previous email address was incorrect. Sorry about any inconvenience.

### Talk to US!

Has someone in PTSA filled your bucket? Has PTSA done something you think is fantastic? We want to hear from you. Please fill out this form and place in the PTSA Box in the office. We will make sure the appropriate person or committee is notified of their amazing bucket filling skills ©

Who filled your bucket?

Tell us what they did:

### PTSA WOODMOOR SCIENCE FAIR



Calling all those with a curious nature! The Woodmoor science fair is coming up. Here is your chance to answer a science question that has been burning in your brain and tell us what you learn. The science fair will take place on March 28, 2014 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

New this year, we will have some special booths set up with hands on activities during the science fair. Come and check out what Woodmoor students have learned this year and get your hands dirty with some exploration experiments!

Registration forms will be sent home before mid winter break and <u>must be completed by each participant</u> to present a poster at the fair. Poster boards and additional information will be passed out after break. Boards are provided by Woodmoor PTSA.

So you don't have a question just now? How about one of these: What type of ball bounces the highest? Can suntan lotion protect colored construction paper from fading? What brand of toilet paper disintegrates the fastest? Still stumped? Never fear, check out the Woodmoor Science Fair Headquarters 2014 page on the school website (www.nsd.org/woodmoor) for ideas. Visit www.woodmoorptsa.org for more info on the Science Fair!

## Excited yet? Go explore the world around you and tell us what you learn!

PTSA and PACE Parent Education Evening: February 25<sup>th</sup>

7-9pm in the Woodmoor Library



#### Tips & Insights on Balancing Technology & Family Life

Join certified parent coaches Jane Schmidt and Nita Talwar as they help parents address real challenges and concerns regarding the role of technology in our children's lives.

#### Discover:

- The #1 thing parents overlook when it comes to gadgets;
- A proven strategy that trumps the negative effects of technology; and
- Effective techniques to balance technology and family life.

## Holiday Giving Program at Woodmoor.

It is such a pleasure to report that the Woodmoor community and some area organizations were very generous during December. We were able to help a lot of families that struggle financially during the holidays. Here are some (but not all) examples of help extended: 12 families were adopted by PTSA, over 50 families attended the Santa breakfast provided by the Rotary Club, 2 families attended the Knights of Columbus lunch, 33 families "shopped" (for free!) at the Toy Shop provided by Northshore Baptist Church, several families received groceries and toys from Eastside Foursquare Church, the Pace Program generously gave to help pay medical bills for a family, over \$3,000 worth of gift cards were collected by PTSA and distributed. (Inglemoor high school did a gift card drive helping to contribute to that amount) I think the words from a Thank you note we received sums the holiday giving drive well: We are amazed at your generosity and kindness, seeing the look on our kids face Christmas morning was priceless! We say a Big Thank You!!

If during the school year you find yourself in need, the school nurse has a lot of resources and is always available to help.

-Nurse Katrina Meiusi

#### Take a Look.....

If you have special talents, we are looking for you! Our PTSA has some open positions this and next year and we'd love to have your contribution to our school and kids. Do any of these speak to you? Take a look and let us know!

- Fundraising
- Business Partnerships
- Student Store
- After School Clubs
- Website
- Newsletter
- Membership

OR...tell us what you \*love\* to do and we can match you up to a position or support crew!

We love our volunteers and need your help to keep our PTSA running. Not only will you enrich the lives of our students, you will meet some great, like-minded parents and friends!

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### Show Us Some Love: Become a Member of Woodmoor PTSA!

Our goal is 100% membership! That means all of our families and staff will be members of Woodmoor PTSA.

Joining the PTSA is easier than ever. First, join our website, if you haven't already at www.woodmoorptsa.org and click on "Get/Renew PTSA Membership" button on the left menu bar. If you would still like to fill out a paper form, you can just grab a form from the PTSA bulletin board in the office and fill it out and send it in.

Many thanks to all Woodmoor families who have joined already. Your support helps enrich the educational programs and activities offered here at Woodmoor Elementary.