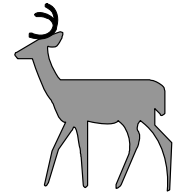


Deer Park Weekly Reminders



October 1, 2009

THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON: Deer Park's Thanksgiving Luncheon will be held on Thursday, November 19 from 10AM-2PM. If you'd like to volunteer, contact Debbie Reuter at reuterwd@yahoo.com. Please include your child's class information & we will schedule your volunteer time around their lunch schedule.

PTA SPIRIT NIGHT: Join us for a Spirit Night at Foster's Grille (5007-E Westone Plaza) on October 21 from 4-8PM. Enjoy dinner with Deer Park families. Mention that you're from Deer Park and 10% of your bill will be donated to Deer Park. Contact Tricia Warren at triciawarren1@verizon.net or 703- 830-1906.

MARKET DAY: Each month, restaurant-quality food products will be available for purchase. Market Day products are competitively priced & our school earns profit on your purchases. Order forms will come home with your student. Learn more about Market Day & even place orders online at www.marketday.com. Register your email address to receive reminders & online specials. Our Market Day account # is 26716. We hope to see you at our **Market Day** sale on Monday, October 26 from 5-6PM in the Deer Park Cafeteria. Internet & paper orders are due by October 22. Please do not send payment with paper orders. Contact Tricia Warren at triciawarren1@verizon.net or 703-830-1906.

BOX TOPS COLLECTION SHEETS: "Bugging Out For Summer" collection sheets are due by October 16. We only have 135 sheets turned in so far. There will be a raffle for a grade K-2 & grade 3-6 Popcorn Party. Start clipping & pasting & turn in those sheets! Contact Judy at organized1@aol.com.

REFLECTIONS: This annual Creative Arts Contest, open to preschool - 6th grade students, is brought to you by the Deer Park & National PTA. This year's theme is "**Beauty Is ...**" All children are encouraged to submit an original project. Ideas are: Photographs, Drawings, Dance Choreography, Musical Compositions, Stories, Poems, Paintings, Computer-generated Art & Videos. Children must do projects themselves and **submit by October 23**. A celebration with prizes will be held on Tuesday 11/17. **Applications & guidelines** are available at www.vapta.org. Students may submit multiple entries. Contact Carol Ann Sonnenfeld at carol-ann@cox.net, Colleen Schillmaier at colleen3771@hotmail.com or Jennifer Wiemann at wiemannfamily@verizon.net with questions.

FALL COSTUME DANCE: We will be having a Fall Costume Family Dance! Our family dance is such a popular event, we decided to add a Fall dance. Wear your favorite costume. Costumes should be school appropriate (follow the dress code guidelines) and should not be scary. No masks, hand held accessories (wands, etc) or look alike weapons. The dance is Friday, October 30 from 7-9pm and is **only \$1 per person**. Bring parents, grandparents, brothers, & sisters! Children must be accompanied by an adult. Look for the flyer coming home on October 22. There will be a bake sale sponsored by the 6th grade class, so bring an extra dollar or two for refreshments!

GIANT A+ BONUS BUCKS/HARRIS TEETER TOGETHER in EDUCATION: Please remember to re-register your BonusCard & VIC card to link them to Deer Park Elementary. There's no cost to register, but the benefits are great! With the Giant program, schools earn a point for every dollar spent plus an additional 50 points for Extra Credit items purchased. With the Harris Teeter program, schools earn credit for Harris Teeter brand (all varieties) items purchased. Deer Park will not receive credits for purchases at either store if your card is not registered. Go to www.harristeeter.com to link your card to Deer Park (code 6805) OR go to www.giantfood.com to register your card with Deer Park (code 03027).

INNISBROOK: GREAT NEWS! The gift wrap fundraiser has been extended 1 more week! You now have until October 7 to submit your final orders. Let's work hard this last week to try to meet our goal of \$9,0000.00!

GIANT GIFT CARDS: The PTA will accept orders this month for Giant gift cards. Deer Park families can support our school by simply purchasing gift cards to use for their regular grocery shopping. Stay tuned for more details!

LABELS FOR EDUCATION: Have you begun collecting the UPC bar codes from cans, packages or boxes of Campbell's, Swanson & Pepperidge Farm products? You may send them to school in an envelope/ziplock bag with your child's name & teacher's name on it. We must send in 500 points by December 31 to receive a **500 Point Bonus!** Contact Judy at organized1@aol.com.

STUDENT DIRECTORIES: If you haven't ordered your Deer Park Student Directory & still wish to do so, please send in your payment this week. Directories will be distributed in late October. Contact Robin Lott at robinlott@verizon.net.

PTA MEMBERSHIP: Join the PTA today! Your \$7 membership dues help fund important items like computer equipment, field trips, curriculum materials, & events such as the Reflections Program, Family Dances, Spring Fling, & more! If you've already sent in your dues, thank you! You'll receive your Membership Card in a few weeks. Contact Pam Gehle at gehles4@yahoo.com.

SCREENING NOTICE: Vision and hearing screening will be held on October 13, 2009 for all kindergarten and third graders and new to the county students. If your child wears glasses, please be sure he/she has them at school on screening day. The purpose of screening is to identify students who need further evaluation because they have failed the vision and/or hearing tests at school.

Parents will be notified by letter if screening results indicate that further testing is needed. Vision and hearing defects can interfere with learning. Prompt follow-up is recommended.