

# Stevenson Stallion



## PTA Newsletter

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### Letter from the President...

Don't forget that we're now in election season! No, I'm not talking about the one we see on television seemingly night and day. I'm talking about Stevenson's election season. At our last meeting we got one step closer to our elections by seating our Nominating Committee consisting of three Executive Board members and two general members. The Nominating Committee is charged with receiving nominees and creating a slate that will be presented at our March meeting. Elections will actually be held at our next General meeting on April 17.

You will see in this and future newsletters that the Nominating Committee is looking for nominations for all our officer positions: President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. These five officers make up our Executive Committee and then they along with all of our committee chairs create our Executive Board. If you are interested in a position or if you think you might be interested, don't be shy! Nominate yourself or ask a friend to do it for you. If you think you'd like to know more about the duties of each office, just ask. Any of the current officers or members of the Nominating Committee can help you and are happy to fill you in.

Don't forget too that as we approach the end of another school year we also get closer to a new class of Stevenson graduates. This applies especially to our 6<sup>th</sup> grade students, but also to our volunteers. Every year folks move on to Mead who have held chairmanship for many years and our Executive Board goes through some changes. If there is a committee that you'd like to be involved in or even to chair, please let either the current chair or me know and we'll help you out! Our PTA business continues on each year with a wonderful combination of seasoned volunteers and fresh volunteers who continue our traditions and create new ways to serve the Stevenson students. It works out wonderfully every year. Don't miss out on your chance to get involved and help our PTA make a smooth transition to a new year.

Hopefully I'll see you at our next PTA meeting on February 21 at 7:00 p.m. in the Staff Lounge.

Lori Filby  
Stevenson PTA President -- [lori@filby.net](mailto:lori@filby.net)



**PROUD TO BE A  
PBIS SCHOOL**

**Positive Behavior  
Interventions Supports**

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### Stevenson Stallion Submissions

The next issue of the Stevenson Stallion will be distributed on Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>.

Any submissions for this issue are due by Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> by 3:00 p.m.

Submissions can be e-mailed to the newsletter editor at:

[nemueller@comcast.net](mailto:nemueller@comcast.net)



# It's STC Auction Time!

We all have those gifts from the holidays we can't use, or new items we bought and forgot about. If you have any new items you can part with, give them to a good cause. We need new items, anything, to make up auction baskets for the STC silent and live auctions. The STC is the Schaumburg Township Council of PTA's and they give scholarships to our kids. That's where the auction money goes. Please donate any new items, sports tickets, restaurant gift certificates, whatever you may have. No item is too small.

Please contact Jan Sowa, (847)352-6306 if you have anything you would like to donate. Thank you for your help.



## MARK THESE DATES...

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend the Stevenson PTA Meetings.

- ✓ February 21, 2012
- ✓ March 20, 2012
- ✓ April 17, 2012
- ✓ May 15, 2012

All meetings begin at 7pm in the teacher's lounge at Stevenson School.

# Do you Groupon?

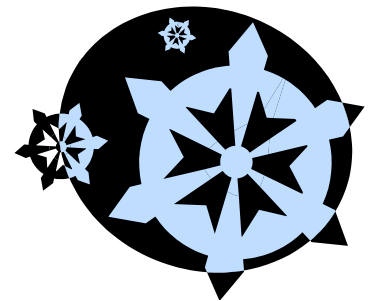


Support the District 54 Schaumburg Township Elementary School Foundation by registering for this exciting SD54 Foundation Groupon/Amazon initiative at [www.ce4psdeals.com](http://www.ce4psdeals.com)

Help the District 54 Foundation by registering... and spread the word! Everywhere around the country, people can help the Foundation – feel free to pass this information along.

For more details, check out the link below or contact the Foundation at [found54@sbcglobal.net](mailto:found54@sbcglobal.net) or (847) 352-0652.

<http://d54foundation.com/news/2011/09/28/foundation-linked-to-groupon-amazon/>



**We're back in the  
RECYCLING business!**



Again this year we are asking for your used  
**juice pouches, lunch kits and candy wrappers.**



**New this year --  
We are also collecting Frito Lay chip bags!**

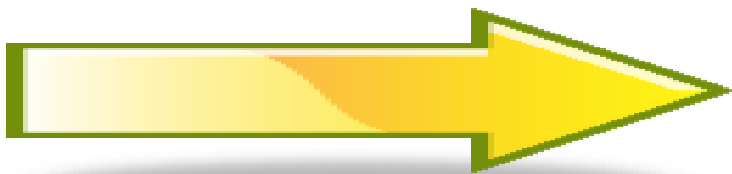
All items should be emptied of contents and juice pouches should have the straws removed.  
Collection cans are located just outside the restrooms on both floors.

**Help us help the environment! Send in your recyclable items today!**

Do you shop at

**FOOD4LESS?**

Does the bottom of your receipt look like this?



**If so, excellent and thank you so much!**

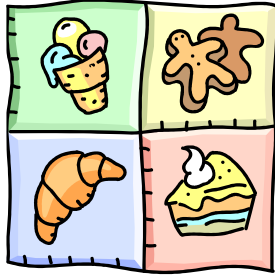
**If not,** please give the following information to Cari-Lynn Rodriguez by sending it to the Stevenson School Office in an envelope marked "Food 4 Less card" or by e-mail.

- Family Name
- Student Name and Room #
- Number of cards requested

Please contact Cari-Lynn Rodriguez at [deadxmen@att.net](mailto:deadxmen@att.net) or 847-230-7901 if you have any questions.

Thank you!

# Treat Day



Thank you to all who volunteered to help us out with Treat Day. Below is the schedule.

If you cannot help on the assigned date, please be sure to call someone else on the list to cover for you. Thanks so much for all you do.



Feb. 10                      Lisa Brown  
                                     Judy Lutowsky

## REMINDER

**"Cosmic Bowl"**  
**February 20th**  
**(Presidents' Day)**  
**Elk Grove Bowl**  
**More information**  
**to follow**



## Reading Recognition Committee



**VIRTUAL BACKPACK**  
**[sd54.org/virtualbackpack](http://sd54.org/virtualbackpack)**  
Parents remember to check here for valuable links to educational and recreational opportunities for children and families in our community!

<http://sd54.org/virtualbackpack>

# David Letterman's Top 10 Reasons to Give Blood

10. Those cookies are just so darn good!
9. They just take a little off the top.
8. You're just too special and they have to share you.
7. Your mom would be so proud.
6. Help the community while you put your feet up.
5. Better to give it than get it.
4. A gift you can give again and again.
3. Come for the blood. Stay for the juice.
2. It's something you can do while lying down.
1. Where else can you have so much fun saving lives?

Who:                      Everyone in good health  
                                     at least 17 years old and  
                                     at least 110 pounds.  
                                     Recruit your family, friends  
                                     and co-workers.

When:                    Tuesday, February 14  
                                     from 1:30 pm - 7:00 pm.

Where:                   School District 54  
                                     524 E. Schaumburg Rd. in Schaumburg

How:                      Go to [www.heartlandbc.org](http://www.heartlandbc.org) and click in  
                                     the box "now" available to make your  
                                     appointment

If you are interested in helping during the February drive(not donating) or would like me to sign you up for a donation, please contact Julie at [bjhc17@gmail.com](mailto:bjhc17@gmail.com) or 847 804-0607.

Thanks for sharing in the caring!

**It's that time again!  
Save the Date!**



Our annual **Spring Fling** fun fair is coming on **May 4th**.

So....

Mom & Dad volunteers are needed.

Can you help out with concessions, tickets, Bingo, cake walk, games or the Silent Auction?

If you are interested in being a Spring Fling Committee member or just helping out the night of the event, please get in touch with either:

Donna Fanella [DoFanella@comcast.net](mailto:DoFanella@comcast.net) or  
Karen Pavletich [S.Pavletich@comcast.net](mailto:S.Pavletich@comcast.net)

**Silent Auction helpers please notify:**

Trish Braun [Trish.braun@bfkn.com](mailto:Trish.braun@bfkn.com)

First Meeting will be announced soon!

**5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra**

**Parents:**



**Concert!! Concert!! Concert!!**

**Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 p.m.**

**Mead Junior High**

Our orchestra concert is almost here! The students need to arrive at Mead no later than **6:40 p.m. on Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**. The 5<sup>th</sup> graders need to assemble in Mead's gym and 6<sup>th</sup> graders need to assemble in the cafeteria.

The students must also wear the appropriate concert attire: white dress shirt, black slacks/skirt, black dress shoes.

Please encourage your child to perform our concert pieces for you to see if he/she is ready for our concert. We look forward to performing for you. See you there! - Mrs. Herath



**SIX FLAGS –**

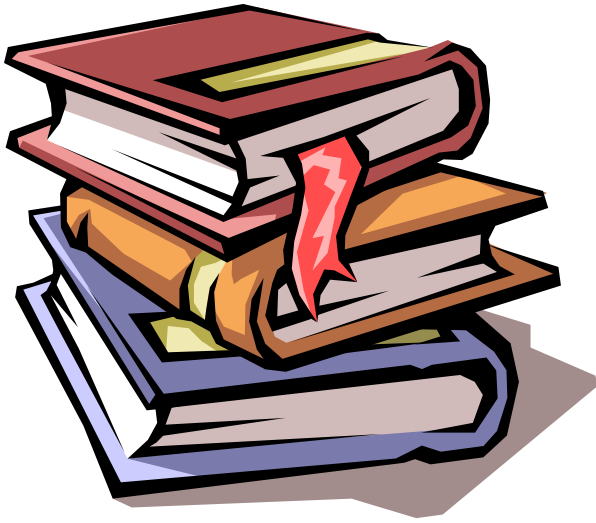
**READ TO SUCCEED**

Students grades K through 6 are eligible to participate in the Six Flags Six Hour Read to Succeed program. Students in these grades were given a Six Flags – Read to Succeed log to keep track of the amount of time read. The hours read should be “fun” hours, not required reading hours. Reading for homework or a class assignment does not count. After the required six hours are read, please complete the form, including a parent or guardian’s signature, and return to the student’s teacher. In May, students will then receive a free admission ticket to selected Six Flags theme parks to be used over the summer.

**FORMS ARE DUE TO TEACHERS BY FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 17<sup>TH</sup>.**

***Forms cannot be accepted after this date.***

If you have any questions, please call Trish Braun at (847) 466-5704 or email [trish.braun@bfkn.com](mailto:trish.braun@bfkn.com)



# Barnes and Noble Bookfair (and Burgers, too)

## Saturday, February 4th, 2012

Please see the attached flyers for more information and to sign up to present at the book fair.

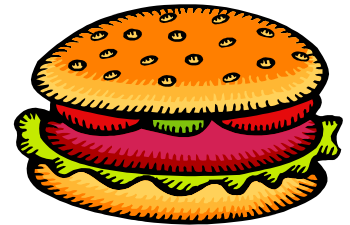
### Books and Burgers

If you plan to attend the Barnes & Noble Bookfair on February 4th and need to grab some lunch or will be out in the Schaumburg area, why not try Smashburger. Smashburger is located at 687 East Golf Road (just 1 block west of Plum Grove).

Smashburger is donating \$1 back to Stevenson School for each entrée you order (including kid's meals).

Please stop by Smashburger between 11-2 on February 4th. We hope to see you there.

Thank you!!!!



**It's time again for...  
BIRTHDAY BOOKS!**

What is Birthday Books? This is a PTA committee created to celebrate every student at Stevenson the month of their birthday. During the lunch hour once a month, each student, grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup>, will have the opportunity to pick out a book from a collection purposely purchased for this committee. Early Childhood & Kindergarten will have books chosen for them. It is just one way the Stevenson PTA can celebrate the student and promote a love of reading. We hope that everyone enjoys his or her new book!

**On Monday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating the birthdays that fall between the dates of: December 15<sup>th</sup> - January 15<sup>th</sup>  
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:**

<b>PP</b>	<b>Kindergarten</b>	<b>1<sup>st</sup> Grade</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Grade</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Grade</b>
Juan A. Kimberly C. Ashley C. Kevin H. Kassandra M.	Megan W. Katelyn K. Jose V	Ashley G.	Isabella S. Yoselyn P.	Danielle S. Lillianne D. Vivian H. Jordan N. Logan N.
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>	<b>6<sup>th</sup> Grade</b>		
Nicholas S. Mirian R. Mirza B.	Cayce S. Christopher D.	Frank T. Isabelle J.		

Children are asked to pick a book during lunch time: 11:45am-12:30pm

If you have any questions, please contact the birthday book committee

Karyn Sproat: Email [jkrs719@att.net](mailto:jkrs719@att.net)

Laura Goldberg: Email [laura1050@comcast.net](mailto:laura1050@comcast.net)

# PBIS NEWS



## Stevenson Students have Stallion Pride!

On Thursday, January 19 there was an all school assembly to share information about our new **Super Stallions Club**. Some of our very own Super Stallions and staff presented and role played the check-in and check-out (CICO) process. Students also shared how being a Super Stallion has been a positive experience because of the increased positive interactions with their parents and staff members at Stevenson. We are very excited to see the progress that all of our students will continue to make as a result of this new club!

The **Stallion Student leaders** remain busy with PBIS by volunteering to help run the Stevenson School Store. They did a wonderful job collecting pride cards and assisting students in the primary grades to decide on what fun items to purchase. There was a wide array of new items to select.

Congratulations to the following classrooms that have earned a **Stallion Stampede** (classroom reward for a set goal).

- **Miss Petricca's 5/6 classroom will be having their auction.**
- **Mrs. Anderson's 3/4 classroom earned a pizza party in December.**

Congratulations to the following classes that have been awarded the **STALLION HERD OF THE WEEK**:

- **Mr. Nunes' class for being kind and helpful to each other during music class.**
- **Miss Vannorsdel's class for coming in from outside lunch recess and getting quiet right away to learn for the afternoon.**

**Keep up the great work Stallions!**  
**RESPECT, RESPONSIBILITY AND RIGHT CHOICES**

# STEVENSON PTA NOMINATING FORM

The Stevenson PTA Nominating Committee is soliciting nominations for next year's Executive Committee. The Executive Committee consists of President, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The duties of each office are as follows:

**President:** Creates a monthly meeting agenda, presides at all meetings, is an ex-officio of all committees except the nominating and audit committee, signs all legal documents including contracts, appoints members to special committees, attends or assigns a delegate to monthly STC meetings and promotes the Objects and Mission of PTA;

**1<sup>st</sup> Vice President:** Acts as an aid to the President, is responsible for promoting and soliciting donations for the STC Auction and promotes the Objects and Mission of PTA;

**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President:** Acts as an aid to the President, is responsible for promoting and maintaining the membership list, is responsible for the education of the membership about legislative issues pertinent to PTA and promotes the Objects and Mission of PTA;

**Secretary:** Records and maintains a record of the minutes of all meetings of the organization, carries a current copy of the bylaws, maintains a current membership list, conducts correspondence as directed and promotes the Objects and Mission of PTA;

**Treasurer:** Receives all monies and keeps an accurate record of receipts and expenditures, places all monies in a depository approved by the executive board, pays out funds as approved by the membership and in accordance with the budget, presents a written financial report at every meeting, is responsible for remittance of state and national dues, provides all records for the audit committee and ensures filing of appropriate forms with the IRS.

All officers are expected to complete Illinois PTA training courses pertinent to their position within 6 months of being elected.

Our current 1<sup>st</sup> VP, 2<sup>nd</sup> VP, Secretary and Treasurer are eligible to serve a second term if they agree to the nomination. Our current President has served two terms and therefore is ineligible to serve again. **Please consider nominating yourself or someone else (with their permission) for these important leadership positions.**

The following nomination form can be returned to the PTA bin in the office by March 2. Thank you.

# Stevenson PTA Nominating Form

I would like to nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for the position of  
\_\_\_\_\_ or I would like to nominate myself  
\_\_\_\_\_.

This person, or I, would be great for this position because:

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Remember - you must have the person's permission before nominating them for a position.

Thank you,

Lisa Guagenti, Kathy Bambula, Marcia Herrig, Maria Pica and Brenda Skittone.

Questions? Contact Lisa Guagenti ([lilamog@msn.com](mailto:lilamog@msn.com) or 847-301-1123)

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# February 2012

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			1	2 Board of Education Meeting 7 pm District Office Dental Clinic	3	4 Barnes & Noble Book Fair and Books & Burgers 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
5	6	7	8 <b>Half Day In-service</b> Dismissal at 11:40 am No School for EC and Kindergarten 5th/6th Orchestra Concert at Mead 7 pm	9	10 Treat Day	11
12 	13	14 Valentine Parties 9:30-10:30 am 1:30-2:30 pm	15 7th/8th Orchestra Concert at Mead 7 pm	16 Board of Education Meeting 7 pm District Office	17 District 54 Foundation Mardi Gras at Stonegate	18
19 	20 Presidents' Day No School Cosmic Bowling Elk Grove Bowl	21 PTA Meeting 7 pm	22	23 Kindergarten Registration 9-11 am, 1-2:30 and 6-8 pm	24 Treat Day End of Second Trimester	25
26	27	28 5th/7th Band Concert at Mead 7 pm	29 6th/8th Band Concert at Mead 7 pm			