

Peninsula District PTA Newsletter



2008-2009 School Year

May 2009

The Director's Chair

Jean Farrar

District Director (757-872-7736)

SAVE THE DATE!!! JUNE 4TH FROM 5:00 – 9:00 P.M. Free Training for all new and returning PTA leaders

(SEE ATTACHED FLYER FOR MORE INFO)

Ahh, Spring is in the air and that means not just allergies but “*Election Time*” for many of our local units and councils. Some PTAs are struggling to find people to step into leadership roles on their PTA boards. What better way to “draft” new leaders than to let them know they will receive training before they take on their new positions. We feel the importance of attending training should be at the top of your list of things to do this June. To help you, we are again hosting our annual “FREE” training for all leaders or potential leaders. We strongly suggest that at the very minimum **the Treasurer and President should have some type of formal PTA training before starting their year.**

Many thanks to the Hampton Council for hosting our training this year at:

Jones Magnet School

1819 Nickerson Avenue, Hampton, VA 23663.

School phone 850-5395.

Check the times in the attached registration sheet.

Times are tough all over, and PTAs are no exception, that is why you need to take advantage of this FREE training to all local unit and council leaders.

This year Hampton Council is working hard to bring in vendors for the training to help you make some of your fundraising and program decisions for next year. We know this is the time to get those ideas ready to present in August.

I would like to thank again the York County PTA Council and Yorktown Elementary School's PTA and staff for hosting this activity last year.

Consider printing and bringing along a PTA business card with your info on it to share with other leaders as you network.

While the training is free, you will be required to “register” if you would like one page handouts/outlines of the training materials. If you want to just “drop in” that is fine as well, but we cannot guarantee a seat in the workshops or handouts.

In an effort to “go green” we will have the handouts available online to download prior to the training. If you are a visual learner and like to read along with a handout make sure to download a copy of your workshop choices to bring with you. Each pre-registered attendee will receive a one page handout/outline for each workshop. To see/download full handouts, please check out our website Peninsula District PTA **after May 30, 2009**, under the Forms section of the site <http://worknotes.com/VA/Peninsula/PeninsulaDistrictPTA/t.stm>. Attendees may also purchase a CD that will contain full copies of all of our workshops for a small donation of \$1.00 to the Hampton Council of PTAs Scholarship Fund.

Looking forward to see you all on the 4th!

Mark Your Calendars

*FREE PENINSULA DISTRICT PTA DISTRICT TRAINING
JONES MAGNET SCHOOL HAMPTON, VA
JUNE 4 @ 5:00 – 9:00 P.M. (SEE ATTACHED FLYER FOR MORE INFO)

LTC – VIRGINIA PTA LEADERSHIP TRAINING CONFERENCE
JAMESTOWN HIGH SCHOOL, CHESTERFIELD COUNTY, VA
JULY 17-18 (MORE INFO AT VAPTA.ORG)

STATE PTA CONVENTION/FREDERICKSBURG CONVENTION
CENTER (NEW LOWER COST)

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DON'T FORGET...

NEW OFFICER FORM

Mail to the state office **no later** than June 15th. This form is enclosed in your President's "package" that will be in the school either now in the next week or so. Let your council president have a copy as well. This is a requirement to be "in good standing" as a PTA. This form can be found at vapta.org. The office is hoping to have a template to do an online file to fill out and send electronically. Check it out.

BYLAWS REMINDER

Check your bylaws for the date that they will expire. Make sure to begin the process no later than 4 months prior to that date. Please call Jean Farrar at 757 872 7736, if you have any questions on your bylaws or when they are due.

DUES REMINDER

Any dues collected since March 1 should be paid by June 30th. Mail that payment to the State PTA office and don't forget any council dues you may owe.

AUDIT REMINDER

Audit committees or "professional" individuals should be selected by your board this month so that you can have your yearly audit completed this summer. A copy of the audit will be approved by your general members in the fall. A copy should then be mailed to the PTA State Office **and** your Council President. This is a requirement in order to keep your non-profit status and to remain "in good standing" with the Virginia PTA.

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CITIZENSHIP ESSAY WINNERS

Congratulations to all our winners. We are proud of you and your councils

High School

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| 1st Place | Benjamin Tyree, York High |
| 2nd Place | Alaina Nunn, York High |
| 3rd Place | Kirk Smith, Tabb High |

Middle School

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| 1st Place | *Nicholas Fallon, Washington Middle |
| 2nd Place | *Alexandria Dixon, Grafton Middle |
| 3rd Place | Anne Rowe, Tabb Middle |

*VIRGINIA STATE PTA WINNERS

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING PENINSULA DISTRICT VOLUNTEERS OF THE YEAR

Those who can, do; those who can do more, volunteer! April is National Volunteer Month, and the Peninsula District PTA is proud to announce the winners of this year's volunteer of the year awards.

The elementary volunteer of the year is **Deborah Griffin of Merrimack Elementary School** in the Hampton Council. Deborah constantly goes above and beyond her assigned duties as treasurer to provide motivation and morale boosts to everyone. She is dynamic, both as a concerned and involved parent and as a board member, and is the driving force behind all PTA efforts

Moné Gilliam from Spratley Middle School in the Hampton Council is the secondary volunteer of the year. A year ago, Moné decided to restart the PTA at Spratley and undertook that tremendous job with assistance from the Hampton Council PTA. By the end of September, she had the PTA back in good standing, with a full slate of officers elected and off to a great start!

Good Luck to both Moné and Deborah in the State PTA volunteer of the year competition!

Many thanks to our chair, Barb Conley, a past Virginia State PTA Volunteer of the Year winner, for her amazing job on this year's competition!

Thanks to the Peninsula
District PTA Board Members
for all their hard work this
year!



***FREE 2009 Peninsula District PTA Leadership
Training Meeting Thursday, June 4, 2009 5:00 – 9:00
P.M.**

Jones Magnet Middle School - 1819 Nickerson Avenue, Hampton, VA 23663.
School phone number 850-5395.

*Free training but you must register to receive one page handouts.

Full handouts will be available at the Peninsula District PTA website after May 30, 2009

5:00 - 6:00 P.M.

6:00 - 6:25 P.M.

REGISTRATION - BUFFET DINNER (fee for dinner)

WELCOME, PLP (IF AVAILABLE) AND INSTRUCTIONS

*(DINNER IS AVAILABLE ONLY IF PRE-PURCHASED, SEE ATTACHED ORDER FORM)

First Session: 6:30 P.M. – 7:20 P.M.

101 PRESIDENT'S TRAINING - PART 1 – *Melissa Nehrbass, Virginia PTA President*

A must do for all new and returning president. Learn about what to do, why and when.

102 TREASURER'S TRAINING – PART 1 – *Dianne Florence, Past Virginia PTA President and Past*

Virginia PTA Treasurer- A must have training for all treasurers. Learn about proper procedures, important reports, what to do and what not to do.

103 BYLAWS TRAINING – *Phyllis Ayers, Past Virginia PTA Bylaws Chair/Virginia PTA Secretary*

Bylaws up for revision this year? Learn how to revise them in a quick session. Bring your current set of bylaws and leave ready to prepare and present to your membership.

104 REFLECTIONS/CITIZENSHIP ESSAY – *Pam Henifin, District Reflections Chair*

Learn how to run a successful Reflections (local unit and council).Citizenship Essay Contest (middle and high schools).

105 WHAT EVERY BOARD MEMBER SHOULD KNOW – *Debi Abadie, Virginia PTA President-*

Elect - While the President is the Leader of the PTA the rest of the board members need to learn appropriate skills to handle the work of the PTA. This session will give you important background information to help you work together as a team.

Break: 7:20 P.M. – 7:50 P.M.

Second Session: 7:50 P.M. – 8:40 P.M.

201 PRESIDENT'S TRAINING - PART 2

202 TREASURER'S TRAINING – PART 2

203 SECRETARY TRAINING – *Phyllis Ayers, Virginia PTA Secretary*

Learn the guidelines of a good set of minutes. Learn tips to make the process easier. A must for all Secretaries.

204 MEMBERSHIP 101 – *Debra Abadie, Virginia President-Elect/Past State Membership Chair*

Basics of how to run a successful campaign. Learn efficient ways to run your program and important dates to remember.

205 CITIZENSHIP ESSAY - *Jannie Bazemore, District Citizenship Essay Chair*

What is the Essay Contest? Learn how to run a successful Citizenship Essay Contest (middle and high schools).

Save this sheet for reference mail in page 4 with workshops selected

Please duplicate the registration form as much as necessary

ALL TRAINING QUESTIONS CONTACT: JEAN FARRAR, DISTRICT DIRECTOR 757 872 7736

2009 PENINSULA DISTRICT TRAINING REGISTRATION FORM

SUBMIT NO LATER THAN MAY 25TH IF YOU WISH TO HAVE HANDOUTS PROVIDED AT THE MEETING. THIS FORM CAN BE DUPLICATED. ONE PER ATTENDEE
CD WITH ALL HANDOUTS MAY BE PURCHASED FOR \$1.00 THAT EVENING

****MAIL/EMAIL THIS INFORMATION BY MAY 25TH TO:
Monica Smith, 60 Old Meribeth Road, Hampton, VA 23669
QUESTIONS? EMAIL: freegood58@yahoo.com**

Attendees Name _____

Name of PTA _____

Select classes you will attend:

Session 1: 6:30 – 7:20 p.m.

WS 101	President’s Training	<input type="checkbox"/>
WS 102	Treasurer’s Training	<input type="checkbox"/>
WS 103	Bylaws Training	<input type="checkbox"/>
WS 104	Reflections	<input type="checkbox"/>
WS 105	What Every Board Member Should Know	<input type="checkbox"/>

Session 2: 7:50 – 8:40 p.m.

WS 201	President’s Training Part 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
WS 202	Treasurer’s Training Part 2	<input type="checkbox"/>
WS 203	Secretary’s Training	<input type="checkbox"/>
WS 204	Membership 101	<input type="checkbox"/>
WS 205	Citizenship Essay Contest (Middle/High School)	<input type="checkbox"/>

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MEAL ORDER FORM

(OPTIONAL THIS FORM MUST BE MAILED WITH YOUR CHECK TO ADDRESS BELOW)

BUFFET DINNER CATERED BY EL POLLO LOCO (SERVED FROM 5:00 P.M. TO 6:00 P.M.)

FLAME-GRILLED CHICKEN

TORTILLA CHIPS AND SALSA (MILD HOUSE SALSA AND MEDIUM PICO DE GALLO)

GARDEN SALAD W/ LIGHT CREAMY CILANTRO OR CREAMY CHIPOTLE DRESSING

FRESH VEGETABLES

BOTTLED WATER

PRICE IS \$8.00 PER PERSON.

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: HAMPTON COUNCIL OF PTAS

Name(s): _____

YOUR SCHOOL & COUNCIL _____

AMOUNT OF PAYMENT ENCLOSED & CHECK # _____ (\$8.00 PER PERSON)

DUE TO OUR SHORT TURNAROUND TIME THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS THANK YOU!

All orders must be postmarked or received by May 25, 2009.

Questions on dinner? Please call Barbara Good 757-871-7262 or email her at: freegood58@yahoo.com.

- PLEASE NOTE THAT YOU ARE NOT REQUIRED TO PURCHASE DINNER IN ORDER TO ATTEND THE TRAINING, HOWEVER, THIS IS A LEGITIMATE PTA EXPENSE.

Should you wish to purchase a dinner, please fill in this form and mail mail this completed form and your check payable to Hampton Council of PTAs to: Monica Smith, 60 Old Meribeth Road, Hampton, VA 23669
Phone: 850-6690

