



**September 16, 2009 – PTO Announcements**

**THANK YOU** to the families who provided snacks this evening.

**SPLIT THE POT** tickets are here! Purchase a ticket for \$1.00 at the door, have your child(ren)'s classes marked for your attendance and see who wins at the end of the evening. **50% of the money collected goes to the lucky ticket holder, and the remaining 50% (and, more importantly, the coveted Cougar) goes to the class with the most parent representation.**

**CUB SCOUTS:** The big fundraiser for cub scouts begins at the end of this month! Our cub scouts will be selling popcorn. To place an order, please contact Jennifer C. at [jenniferandbrad@fuse.net](mailto:jenniferandbrad@fuse.net).

**2009-2010 DIRECTORIES** are here! Directories are available to all registered PTO members. Please pick up your copy tonight!

**PTO MEMBERSHIP:** Thank you to those who have signed up for PTO membership. We appreciate your support. There is still time to join! Membership dues are \$10. If you haven't visited Jen C. at the PTO table tonight please do so on your way out to get a form or to sign up.

**PTO EMAIL LIST:** Everyone who requested to be added to the PTO email list will be added in the next couple of weeks. If you do not start receiving emails in the next week or two please check your "Junk Mail" folder and/or add "sgcs\_pto@yahoo.com" to your address book. Please send email to us at "PTO@StGabeSchool.org" with any questions.

**COUGARS NIGHT OUT:** CNO is PTO's biggest and most important fundraiser. It will be held March 27, 2010. CNO raises money to finance school functions like class trips, teacher appreciation events, and classroom supplies. Without PTO funding, many of these activities are not possible. CNO includes a live auction, silent auction, food, dancing, games and fellowship. Volunteers are still needed! Please contact Lynda G. ([lynda815@fuse.net](mailto:lynda815@fuse.net), 520-6806) or Joan V. ([verchot@dinslaw.com](mailto:verchot@dinslaw.com), 772-6224) for more information.

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**PTO Board:**

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## FROM THE COMMUNITY RELATIONS COMMITTEE:

We want to share stories about our students - their sports successes, field trips, speakers, community projects, and classroom special events & achievements! Contact us in advance and we may be able to help with photography, press releases and publicity.

**Please do NOT submit any articles or photos directly to the newspaper.** Please submit them through the Community Relations Committee for screening as there are families who have requested their children not appear in newspapers.

Publicity is *extremely* valuable to Saint Gabriel Consolidated School. It helps our school to maintain a high, positive profile which in turn helps to boost our fundraisers, our enrollment and the support of the community.

Send your ideas, articles and photos to Laura H. c/o Caroline-7W, John-5R or Zach-2M or [Laura.Hendy@yahoo.com](mailto:Laura.Hendy@yahoo.com).

\*\*We are also looking for volunteers to write press releases. Contact Laura if you are interested. Remember to send in articles about Saint Gabriel's that you find in your local newspaper!\*\*

## FUNDRAISERS!

Here are some of our SGCS fundraising activities:

**WORLDS FINEST CHOCOLATE BARS FUNDRAISER:** Will begin Friday, October 2 and end Friday, October 16. This is an **important** fundraiser for PTO and helps fund many activities throughout the year like field trips. Please visit the candy sale table tonight for a look at the prizes the kids can receive and an opportunity to sign up to sell the Worlds Finest Chocolate at retail locations and/or after mass. Please contact Tori A., Jen D. or Karen S. with all questions.

**ZONE BOOKS:** If you ordered a book, they are available for pick up tonight. There are also extras available for \$20 with 40% of that price returned to SGCS. For further information, contact Melony F. at [mnflip1987@zoomtown.com](mailto:mnflip1987@zoomtown.com).



Market Day is an ongoing monthly fundraiser in which the PTO earns a percentage of money from orders placed. Market Day has a delicious variety of food in many categories, from breakfast and entrees to desserts and snacks. An order sheet will come home in the Thursday Envelope each month. You place an order and pick it up and pay for it at SGCS on the designated date, or you can also order and pay online. Parent volunteers help to fill orders. PTO earns approximately \$4000 from this program. There is still time to order for September by going on-line to Marketday.com and ordering by 11 pm Friday, September 18. First time users will have to create an account. When creating an account, the market day number for SGCS is 5923. Market Day orders for September will be available for pickup on Wed Sept 23 from 4-5pm. Contact Cindy L. at 266-1863 with all questions

#### **SCRIP GIFT CERTIFICATES (OR GIFT CARDS):**

National and local retailers sell to us at a discount. SGCS sells the certificates for full face value. When a gift certificate is redeemed for the full face value, our school keeps the difference as revenue. **Earn money for SGCS while spending money on food, gas, etc. that you are going to spend anyway at stores such as Kroger, Kentucky Fried Chicken, Wendy's, Speedway etc!!!! Get friends, aunts, uncles, neighbors, and grandparent's spending money for SGCS too!!!!** There are many, many retailers and the gift cards can be used outside Cincinnati wherever the retailer exists!

Scrip order forms are always available inside the flag door or on the website. All orders are placed on Fridays with delivery in the following Thursday envelope. Contact Melinda Y. at [mbyonchak@fuse.net](mailto:mbyonchak@fuse.net) for more information or check your Thursday envelope.



**BOX TOPS** – Earn our school money by clipping the Box Tops coupons from hundreds of products (eg cereals, Bisquick, etc) and sending to the office whenever convenient. A full listing of products is available on [boxtopsforeducation.com](http://boxtopsforeducation.com). SGCS receives 10 cents for each boxtop collected.

Contact Teri D., [ttrimdean@aol.com](mailto:ttrimdean@aol.com), with all questions.



**TYSON** - Clip and save Tyson Project A+ labels and send to school throughout the school year. SGCS will turn into Tyson at end of the year and we receive 24cents a label!! Contact Nancy S. with all questions.



**CAMPBELL'S LABELS** – SGCS earns points for each Campbell label (or just the UPC) turned in. These points are then redeemed for educational products from Campbell's at the end of the year. Send those labels to the office, or bring to school and put in the container shaped like a Campbell's Soup Can at the flag door entrance, throughout the school year. Contact Joanne G. with all questions.

**NOTE:** Boxtops, Tyson and Campbell's labels are counted by different groups. It would help greatly if they are sent into the office separately.