



Fountain Hills Charter School

PTO "Eagle" News

FEBRUARY 2011

Important Dates:

Every Friday –
 Spirit Day
 2/18 No School –
 Staff Development
 2/21 No School –
 Presidents' Day
 2/22 Group Class
 Pictures
 2/23 *Art Walk/
 Silent Auction*
 3/9-3/11 Half Days –
 Parent/Teacher
 Conferences
 3/14-3/18 SPRING
 BREAK
 4/2 *Spring Gala/
 Live Auction*
 4/11-4/21 AIMS
 Testing

PTO Meetings

3rd Wed of Month
El Pueblo Campus
 February 16th – 3:30
 March 23th – 3:30
 April 20th – 3:30
 May 18th – 3:30

**Check us out
 on the Web!**
www.fhcspto.org

**Questions?
 Comments?
 Volunteer?
 Contact us at:**
pto@fhcspto.org

PTO Officers:

President:
 JL Jackson
Vice Presidents:
 Gina Duxbury
 Donelle Johnson
Treasurer:
 Lydia Dunham
 Linda Pileggi
Secretary:
 Sari Roth-Roemer

Greeting FHCS Teachers, Staff and Families,

I love this time of year. We all are in a comfortable routine, the Holidays are behind us, we now remember to write 2011 versus 2010 on all of our correspondence, and our biggest fundraiser of the year is in 13 days! You received the flyer and the email with the details of this event. It is going to be great – and there have been some great donations. **HOWEVER**, by some rough estimates, only about 30 percent of our families have contributed their item, cash or service for the silent auction. Our fund-raising goal for this silent auction/art walk is to have each of our eight classrooms have \$1500 in minimum bid donations. We have not hit this goal yet! We need every, single FHCS family to participate.

There is still time to: write a check to FHCSPTO for \$75. There is still time to ask businesses that you patronize to donate a gift certificate. There is still time to donate a service you can provide. The point is that we all need to participate. To keep our school the high-quality, top-notch school that it is, we need more than the usual people pitching in – we need all of us.

The silent auction committee has met every week for over eight weeks now. We have a spreadsheet of every person who has donated, what they have donated, and what class they represent. These people are simply amazing. It is also worth mentioning that many of our staff have donated some really cool and fun items or services! The donations cover a wide span of interests.

If you have not done so, please bring your check or donation right into the office. We will credit your family and your child's classroom on our spreadsheet. You will have the satisfaction of knowing that you have done your part.

As I often say, "It takes a village...." If not before, I hope to see you all at the Art Walk and Silent Auction on Wednesday, February 23rd.

Sincerely-
 JL Jackson, PTO President

PS. This event is open to your friends and family outside of our FHCS – please invite them. Remember – this event is FREE!

Spring Gala – Live Auction – 4/2

The Spring Gala is planned on a perfect desert night at the beautiful home of Kay and Matt Engler. Watch your mail box for your invitation which will arrive later this month. Only 100 tickets are available so return you RSVP quickly. When they are sold out...they are sold out. Not only will it be a wonderful evening to spend with people from our school, awesome, one of a kind, items will be auctioned off live during the evening. Many of these items are handmade by our children and their classmates.

Box Tops Deadline – 2/22

The next box tops deadline is Tuesday, February 22nd. Our last round earned **\$98.60**. Please place them in a baggie, then put them in the box marked "box tops" to the left of the door as you walk in to the main office. **We are looking for someone to count the box tops this time.** It is easy, and can be done from home at your convenience. Someone is available to show you the protocol. Please email pto@fhcspto.org if you are interested and would like to help out.

PTO Meeting Wed 2/16 at 3:30

The PTO meets on the third Wednesday of the month. The teachers and administration participate in the meetings along with parents from FHCS. The Trendsetters always keep the younger kids busy during the meeting.

Second Annual PTO Garage Sale Wrap-up

Thank you to everyone who donated, set up, and purchased the items at the Garage Sale! It was a very successful event and **raised \$2337 in one day for our teachers!** The proceeds have been transferred directly into the Sustaining Fund and will go towards the teacher's deferments.

Second Annual FHCS Dog Show Wrap-up

If you missed this event, don't miss it next year! Dogs won awards, the middle school students made money for their trip, and shelter dogs were adopted out to loving families! This was a great event that **raised \$855 in support our teachers, and helped dogs find homes in support of our community.** Thank you to all the volunteers & participants who helped to support our great school!

AIMS Tests – Mid April