



# Fountain Hills Charter School



## PTO "Eagle" News

OCTOBER 2009

**SPRING GALA**  
**March 6<sup>th</sup>, 2010**  
**SAVE THE DATE!**

### Important Dates:

- 10/28 1<sup>st</sup> Gala Mtg
- 10/29 Float Mtg
- 11/23-11/25 Book Fair
- 11/25 Harvest Day
- 11/25 Candle & Pasta Sale
- 11/25 Final Float Assembly
- 11/26 FH Thanksgiving Day Parade!
- 3/6/2010 Spring Gala

### PTO Meetings

- 1<sup>st</sup> Wed of Month**
- El Pueblo Campus**
- November 4<sup>th</sup> – 4:15
- December 2<sup>nd</sup> – 4:15
- January 6<sup>th</sup> – 4:15
- February 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4:15
- March 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4:15
- April 7<sup>th</sup> – 4:15
- May 5<sup>th</sup> – 4:15

Check us out on the Web!  
[www.fhcspto.org](http://www.fhcspto.org)

Questions?  
Comments?  
Volunteer?  
Contact us at:  
[pto@fhcspto.org](mailto:pto@fhcspto.org)

### PTO Officers:

- President:**  
JL Jackson
- Vice Presidents:**  
Gina Duxbury  
Donelle Johnson
- Treasurer:**  
Pamela DiSalvo
- Secretary:**  
Lydia Dunham

*Thanks for your Support!*

### President's Notes

Parent/Teacher conferences are done for the first quarter of the school year. This is always a great "snapshot" to see how our kids are doing in their particular classrooms.

These conferences are also a good reminder that our kid's education doesn't start at 8:20 in the morning and end each day at 3:10. Our kid's teachers are telling us what extra things can be done at home to supplement what they are learning in the classroom. When my husband and I chose FHCS four years ago as new transplants to Arizona, it was largely due to the *accessibility* of our daughter's teachers and the administration's encouragement to get involved.

The smaller class size at our school makes it even easier to have one-on-one conversations via email or a phone call with a teacher. Or after drop-off or pick-up, the teachers are available for a quick mini-conference to be sure we as parents are aware of anything that can be done at home to reinforce what is being taught in the classroom.

Continue to check backpacks to learn about all of the activities going on at our great school!

Sincerely-  
JL Jackson, PTO President

### Spring Gala Meeting – 10/28

**The first meeting for the Spring Gala is scheduled Wednesday, October 28th at 7:00pm** at JL Jackson's home. Please email [pto@fhcspto.org](mailto:pto@fhcspto.org) for her address and directions. JL Jackson and Gina Duxbury will be heading up this event. This is the biggest event/fundraiser of the year and needs many volunteers so no one is over booked with too many tasks. If you are unable to come to the meeting but would still like to volunteer, email the PTO to let JL and Gina know. You can still be a part of this without attending a meeting since the main form of communication will be email once volunteers are in place for each area needed. JL and Gina will be there every step of the way to help. The Gala is a success each year because we all work as a team.

### PTO Meeting 11/4

**The next PTO meeting is Wednesday, November 4<sup>th</sup> at 4:15pm at the El Pueblo campus.** The teachers and administration will

be there and the **Trendsetters will keep the younger kids busy** so you can be part of the meeting. Hope to see you there!!

### FH Thanksgiving Day Parade Float

**Our next meeting will be this Thursday, 10/29 at 3:30 in room 107 on the El Pueblo campus.** We will be making our annual float as part of the Fountain Hills Thanksgiving Day Parade again this year! Our float theme is "**We are the World, We are the Children**" where the children will be wearing ethnic attire of their choice. (Parents will be responsible for the costume.) If you are interested in being part of this fun project, please email Lydia at [moore-dunham@msn.com](mailto:moore-dunham@msn.com).

### Annual Harvest Day Dinner 11/25

Please join the school for the Harvest Day dinner on Wednesday, 11/25 at 11:15. Wonderful candles and dried pasta will be on sale for your home, or great gifts for the holidays. More information about harvest day will be sent home within the next few weeks. You can plan to stay after to help put the float together!

### Book Fair Thanksgiving Week 11/23-11/25

Get some holiday shopping completed - the Scholastic Book Fair will be here the week of Thanksgiving! It will be open before school and after school for your convenience, and also during the Harvest Day Dinner. If you would like to volunteer for this fun event, please email [pto@fhcspto.org](mailto:pto@fhcspto.org), Attn: Book Fair.

### 1<sup>st</sup> Annual PTO Garage Sale – Success!

**The Garage Sale was a HUGE success!** This made our school around \$3500. Gina Duxbury and Lisa Hadsall worked hard organizing this fund raiser, along with their dedicated group of volunteers. **Thank you all for your hard work!**

### eScrip/Boxtops

If you haven't **registered your Safeway card for FHCS on eScrip** yet, just go to [eScrip.com](http://eScrip.com) and have your Safeway card handy. It is an easy ways to help earn money for our school without costing you anything.

The first collection for **Boxtops** is over. **Start saving for the next collection in February 2010.** Remember, we earn 10 cents for every **box top turned in** - this adds up quickly! Collection box in the office.