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 Towne Acres Elementary PTA



Fall Carnival
 Sept 14th

At work and at play,
 we're a **TEAM** at TA!




Wow! It is so hard to believe that we are nearing the end of our first nine weeks. It has been an eventful beginning to the 2018-19 school year, full of learning, fun, and excitement. We are all excited for what is in store for the rest of the year.

Our big event since the last newsletter was our Fall Carnival. Once again, our PTA outdid itself and provided an amazing carnival for our students and families. I would like to say a big thank you to everyone involved in making the carnival a success. The planning starts months in advance, and it takes a village to pull off an event of this magnitude. As most of you know, this is our school's biggest fundraiser, and because of your hard work and generosity, our students are going to benefit tremendously. In addition to raising money for our school, carnival also serves as somewhat of a homecoming. I am always so happy to see former students and their families continue to come back to enjoy this special night with us.

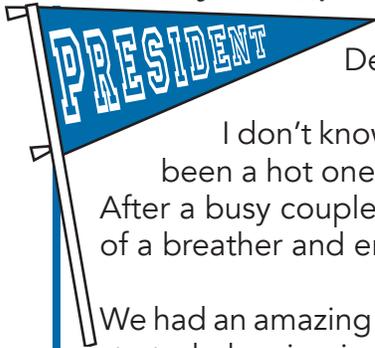
Our most recent news to celebrate is that Towne Acres has been named a Reward School for the 2017-18 school year. This honor is a testament to the hard work of our students, faculty, staff, and each of you. To be recognized as a Reward School, schools must meet certain criteria with academic achievement, academic growth, and attendance. I am extremely proud of all of our faculty and staff for the time, effort, and care that they put into each day with our students. Most of our teachers spend countless hours at school planning, grading, and working to challenge our students. Our students continue to work hard to achieve at high levels thanks to the work of our teachers and their families. I am very appreciative of the energy you put into your child each and every day. Our students are well-loved and supported at home, and this allows us to teach students at a high level here at school. On behalf of our faculty and staff... THANK YOU for everything you do to support us at home and here at school. We appreciate you!



Kind regards,
 Josh Simmons



a note from the



Dear parents,



I don't know about you, but I'm beyond thrilled that fall is officially here! It's been a hot one, and I'm ready to see some cooler temps and changing leaves. After a busy couple months, I hope that fall break will allow everyone to take a bit of a breather and enjoy all that the mountains of northeast Tennessee has to offer.

We had an amazing turnout at our annual Carnival fundraiser! **Jen Bradford** and **Tiffany Clements** started planning in May, worked throughout the summer, and poured hours of blood (okay, not really blood), sweat, and tears into this year's Carnival. **Melina Christian**, **Jenn Hollinger**, and the auction committee did the same, and they put together a wonderful auction that raised a lot of money for our school! Job well done, ladies! We couldn't have done it without the help of our **PTA board**, **room parents**, and our **TA families**, so thank you all for making it a fun and successful night! Read on to hear more about this event from our carnival committee.

Do your kids like to draw, dance, write, play music, or snap photos? They will have an opportunity to show off their artistic talents as we kick off our Reflections and Citizenship Essay/Safety Poster contests this month. More detailed information is included in this newsletter and also will be coming home with your child before fall break.

Mark your calendar for Freddy's Family Night! It's happening Monday, October 22nd, from 4-9 p.m. This was a huge hit last year, and we're hoping for an even bigger turnout this time! So plan to come to Freddy's to hang out with some other TA families while you have dinner! Be sure to wear your TA colors or your class t-shirt to show your school spirit!

This month's newsletter highlights our fourth graders at Towne Acres. These students will also be performing at our first PTA general meeting which is happening October 25th at 6:30 p.m. You won't want to miss it!

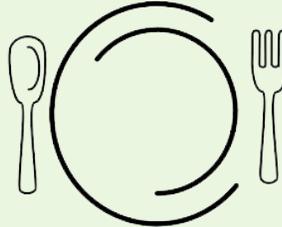
Also be sure to read about discounts that some area businesses are offering to (electronic) card-carrying PTA members. Just show a screenshot of your card to receive the discount. More information is included in this newsletter.

Finally, I want to again thank all our parents and families at TA for continuing to support our school in so many ways. By serving and volunteering, donating, and assisting others in various ways, you are helping to make our already great school an even better place to be for our children.



Happy Fall, Y'all!

Melissa Larzo
 PTA President



Each month the PTA honors our awesome teachers and staff with a luncheon. This is a great way to bless them! If you would like to participate please visit [this link](#). If you would like to be included in emails reminding you to sign up, please email Beth Simpson at esimpson823@gmail.com.



Hello Towne Acres families and staff!

Thanks so much for your help with the crosswalk, parking, and cell phone use in the school zone.

I would like to remind those who use the car line that there is no left turn from Larkspur onto Tornado Ln during drop off and pick up. The hours for no left turn are from 7:45 am until 8:15 am and from 2:45 pm until 3:30 pm.

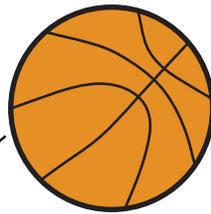
I am still sharing time with Woodland Elementary and you may not always see me at TA. I do not know when this will change. Feel free to email me with any safety questions or concerns.

Have a great October!

Erik Hilton
School Resource Officer
ehilton@johnsoncitytn.org



Mark your calendars!
The next general PTA meeting will be held on October 25th at 6:30pm in the Little Theater. The 4th grade will be performing.



At this time, we don't need help in the clinic as the school now has a full time nurse! We are in need of cafeteria volunteers though. Helping involves passing out straws/napkins and opening food packages. Cafeteria help times are from 10:45-11:45 am. This is a great opportunity for parents and grandparents to get involved at our school. No special training is needed. All of our open time slots are listed online at Signup.com. You do not need to commit to volunteering on a regular basis – even helping once is appreciated!

Click this link to see our SignUp on Signup.com: <http://signup.com/go/M81Sjx>. Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like. Sign up! It's Easy - you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on Signup.com. They also do not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

The Cafeteria Sign Up page can also be accessed from the [Towne Acres PTA website homepage](#).

Thank you,
Jennifer Tucker, Clinic/Cafeteria Coordinator
seitztucker@gmail.com



This year's 'Green-and-Clean' program will be a little different. Sponsorships for projects around the school will be available to any group or person. This could be by grade, class, club, organization, family, business, or any patron affiliated with Towne Acres Elementary. Although we plan to incorporate the traditional sprucing up of garden areas, the overall goal of this year's program is overall beautification of the school and its grounds. A detailed project list and sponsorship sign-up will be coming out soon. It will include planting, fixing, painting, building, etc. And, we hope to do a collaborative project with the Recycling Team.

Our first Green-and-Clean project was for courtyard cleanup before our fall carnival. The Girl Scouts of the Southern Appalachians, Troop 371, came in on a Saturday and worked for several hours (with some help from their parents). They weeded, mulched, picked up trash, and replanted flowers and plants in the cement flower boxes. But they also became our first 'sponsor' by completely replanting the large garden area just outside of the cafeteria, facing the courtyard. They dug out the old, trimmed what was still living, and then put in new plants that are butterfly-friendly and mostly perennial (they come back every year). Then they put in the footstone path, painted rocks, and windchime. The Girl Scouts have some great ideas for updating the garden as they maintain it throughout the year.



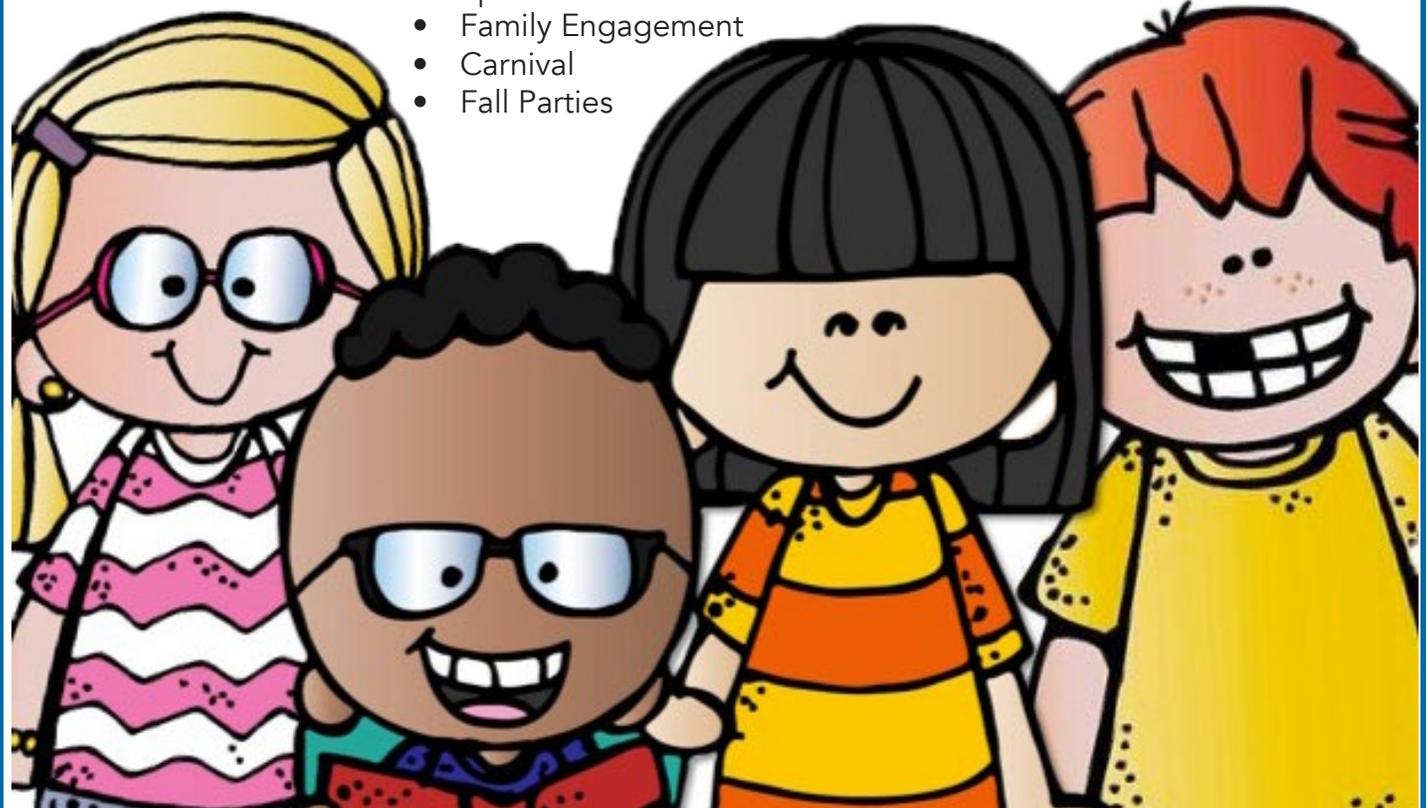
The Girl Scouts of the Southern Appalachians, Troop 371

Linda Glisson, Chair of Green-and-Clean (2018-2019)

Have any cute photos from school events that you would love to see in the yearbook?
 Submit your photos to Kathryn Comerford at kscomerford1@gmail.com or by text 704.378.4171.

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- Family Engagement
- Carnival
- Fall Parties

← **don't forget these!!**





October

FEATURE

Fourth Grade

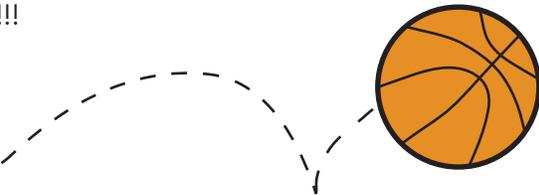
Fourth Grade controlled possession of the ball and charged down field to end the first quarter of the year with a high score! This talented team is versatile playing both sides of the field! Students played defense by learning to "defend" their answers/claims with text evidence and knowledge gained throughout the nine weeks. Points have been "multiplying" as the 4th grade Tornados added several multiplication strategies to their playbooks. You can view game film of one of our players running several plays with these strategies on our [class website under the math tab](#). During team practice, the athletes have put their brains through a tough workout by completing speed drills to recall addition/subtraction/multiplication facts, punting numbers when rounding to specific place values, reading and writing numbers in standard, expanded, and word form, and analyzing multi-step problems to develop a solution path for a score! While on the offensive line, the team learned to punctuate dialogue correctly once audibles were called on the field. Learning about explorers and the French and Indian War gave them tools needed to navigate and develop a plan of attack against challenging situations in new 4th grade territory. Team huddles were called to study character traits, theme, compound sentences, and narrative writing. With support of their coaches, this team is headed for the big "W" in the 4th Grade Champions of Knowledge Superbowl! Go Tornados!!!

Carnival!!

As narrated by the 4th graders.



"I'm going to dunk you!" James shouted.



Nevaeh whispered, "I hope I can dunk her."
Kaden said, "I'm going to make that shot!"
"I can't wait to go in the dunking booth," yelled Gray.
Sara exclaimed, "I want to dunk Jasmine."
Lucas stated, "I will dunk her on the first try."
"Then, I will dunk you!" Will said to James.
"Is that Tess?" Londyn whispered.
"Look at Ensley," Gabby said.
Natalie shouted, "This water is so cold!"



Emily exclaimed, "Face painting looks so much fun."



Brock yelled, "Who's gonna pop the balloon first."
Isaac D. said, "I hope I win and get tickets."
A boy shouted, "I'm gonna pop the balloon first!"



Natalie exclaimed, "Look at how fast he can throw the bean bag!"

"Hah, beat that," the boy said.

"I can throw so fast," said Tim.

Joey yelled, "That must hurt."



Bradley asked, "How do they do that?"

"The cheerleaders are very agile," Auron pointed out.

"Cheering at the carnival was so much fun," Alona stated.

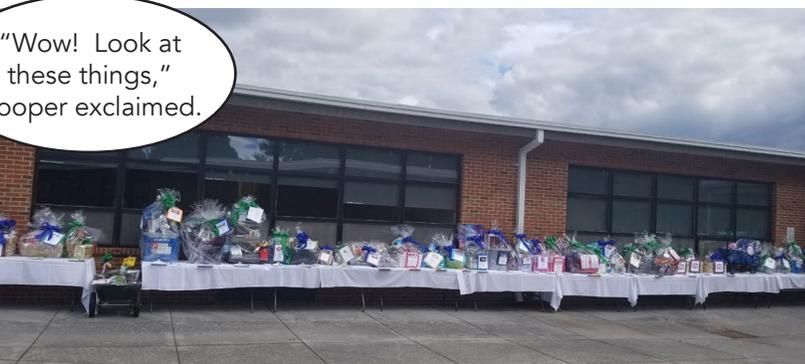
"Cheering was fun this year," Kyra whispered.

"I loved doing the pyramids," Ensley exclaimed, "It was so much fun."



Radiance exclaimed, "Me and my class helped with the artwork."

Owen replied, "Those are really cool pictures."



Mahri exclaimed, "Look at how many baskets there are. I really hope I win one."

Logan asked, "How many are there?"

"I want one so much, and I hope I win Mrs. Hull's gaming basket," Calleigh replied.



"That clown looks cool. I want to try," Braeden yelled.

"That clown looks creepy I'm not going to do it." Cooper stated.



Erin yelled, "I want a balloon."

"Look! They're making balloon animals," Tyler said.

"A pink cat coming right up," said Sophia.

"I want a bag," yelled Billy.

"I'm gonna pop that balloon," Bryce yelled.

"Can I have a dog," said Joe.



Mikkenlee exclaimed, "This is so fun!"

"Look at those crazy peeps," said Charlie.

"The teachers are acting. . . odd," uttered Tess.

Kilah cheered, "Look at the teachers dance. They are so funny."

"Look at all those teachers. They are dressed like trolls," Kapri said.



"I have made the most shots," yelled Santiago.

Inaaya whispered to herself, "I want to win this."

Isaac F. yelled, "I will get this."

Ian asked, "Can you hit the middle?"

"Wow! Look at Jasmine. She made a 40!" Nalya yelled.

"She's my BFF!" Carrie announced, "BFFs forever!" Emily shouted.

Emily exclaimed, "I'm very excited for the cheer performance!"

Emily exclaimed, "Me and Carrie are having so much fun!"

"Smile!" Emily called "Ok!" I yelled.

Carrie said, "Emily say cheese!"

Emily said, "Carrie you're my best friend."



Sophia exclaimed, "Go Brielyn, You can do it."

"Take a quick picture before we race!" shouted those girls.

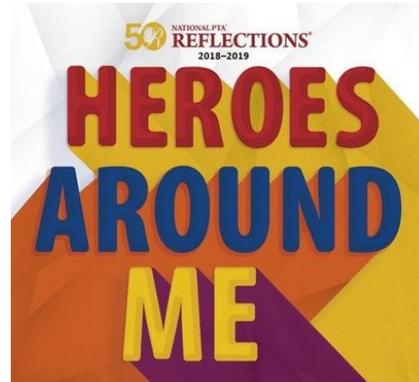
"I am going to beat you on the obstacle course," I told Natalie.



It's Time for the
 PTA Reflections and Arts in Education
 Creative Arts Competitions!

Does your child like to sing, write poems or short stories, dance, take pictures, paint, draw, or make short films? The Towne Acres PTA is once again inviting our students to participate in our annual creative arts competitions.

The PTA Reflections competition welcomes all students to explore their inner artist and create art that supports a specific theme. This is a national PTA program with competitions at the school, city/council, state, and national levels. Students are welcome to participate in any and all categories (listed below). This year's theme is: **"Heroes Around Me."**



**Dance Choreography • Film Production • Literature
 Musical Composition • Photography • Visual Arts**



For official rules, go to: <http://tnpta.org/reflections/2018/officialrules.pdf>



PTA Citizenship Essay Contest

If writing is your thing, the Citizenship Essay Contest is for you! This is a Tennessee PTA program with competitions at the school, city/council, and state levels. Each year themes are submitted by students from around the state, and one is chosen as the theme for the essay. This year's theme is:

"If our founding fathers were alive today..."



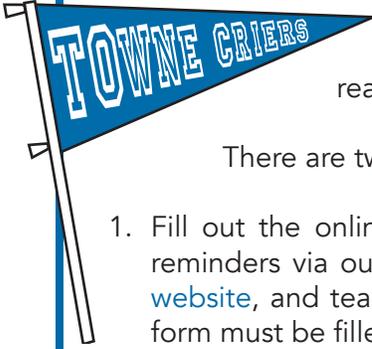
PTA Safety Poster Contest

The Safety Poster Contest is another Tennessee PTA competition that challenges students to create a poster surrounding a particular theme (again chosen from a pool of Tennessee student submissions). This year's theme is:

"If I could make one thing safer..."

Entries for all contests are due by **Friday, November 9th.**

The work of participating students will be displayed in the Little Theatre the following week. Students will be recognized at a PTA general meeting later in the year, and special awards will be given to the top finishers. Official rules, entry forms, and more information will be coming home with your child before fall break and can also be found on our [PTA website](#).



Our first month of Towne Criers is wrapping up! Our hope is that each child is reading at least 20 minutes a day, five days a week!

There are two ways to document your child's reading:

1. Fill out the online form we have created here: <https://tinyurl.com/TARReadingLog>. We will send reminders via our [Towne Acres PTA Facebook page](#), you can find a link to the form on the [PTA website](#), and teachers may include it in their classroom e-newsletter or class website as well. The form must be filled out by the end of the 5th of the following month (by October 5th).
2. Turn in the blue reading log that came home with your child at the end of August. This form must be turned in by the 5th of the following month. If the fifth is a weekend or holiday, it is due the following school day.

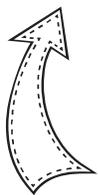
Each child who meets (or exceeds) the goal AND turns in their reading minutes by the deadline will receive a monthly incentive! They will also get a sticker on their pennant hanging on our Towne Criers reading wall, and they will be recognized in next month's newsletter.

Team up and let's read!

Lucy Martin
Reading Chair
lucymartin11@hotmail.com



MONDAY, OCTOBER 22ND 4 - 9 PM



Dine in or drive thru at [Freddy's](#) (928 N State of Franklin Rd.) on Monday, October 22nd! All you need to do is mention Towne Acres and they'll donate 15% of the cost of your order back to our school!



= Fundraiser =

FREDDY'S DONATES 15% OF YOUR PURCHASE!





from the committee co-chairs

We did it! Another successful, record setting Fall Carnival is in the books! We hope that you all had a wonderful time with your families. The PTA is honored that you would come and spend a Friday night supporting Towne Acres. With rains from a hurricane headed our way, we managed to escape with only a few drops, cooler temps, and a beautiful sunset.

The Fall Carnival takes many months of planning and lots of help along the way. Tiffany and I could not have done it without the support of our Towne Acres PTA, faculty, staff, and families. We wanted to take this time to give a special shout out to those who made this wonderful event possible.

First off, thank you to **Dr. Simmons** who was willing to go the extra mile for us, always available for countless emails, questions, and requests. You are the best! Thank you to the **office staff** for letting us invade your space each day. You are so gracious and we are so thankful to have you at TA. Thank you to **Melissa Larzo** for showing us the ropes and hammering out the details to make this event a success. Thank you to **Kristy Seeley** for the beautiful gift of creating flyers and forms. You made our Carnival info look AMAZING! **Jenn Hollinger**, a special thanks to you for taking on our Volunteer Coordinator position, working to fill the spots with students from local schools and organizations so that our parents could enjoy time with their families. You took care of our PTA Facebook page keeping it up to date with valuable information, made sure that the kids would have awesome prizes in the prize booth, and supported Auction above and beyond.



Jennie Fowler, thank you for constantly making sure that we had everything that we needed; always there to lend a hand, move a table or prepare a basket. **Amber Bumgarner**, **Elizabeth Johnson**, **Will Hunter**, and **Allison Jones** a huge thank you for turning our night into The Greatest Carnival of All. Your creativity and hard work made the night so much more fun and exciting. **Rinki Bhattacharya**, thank you so much for taking over the Bake Sale planning and preparing for all our sweet treats! **Jennifer Tucker**, thank you so much for gathering and distributing the tickets down to the last minute, keeping the numbers straight, and always being there to lend a hand.

Thank you to the custodial staff, **Mr. McCord** (aka Green Bean), **Mr. Norris**, and **Mr. Miller** for constantly unlocking doors, moving things, and cleaning up after us. You are always such a tremendous help! Thank you to **Ms. Daphne and the cafeteria staff** for helping us store, prepare, and transform the cafeteria for Carnival night. **Officer Hilton**, a big thanks for donating the equipment for our movie and always keeping our Towne Acres community safe. **Mr. Keller**, thank you for always saying yes when we needed a door unlocked, stepping aside when we needed copies made, and supporting us to the very end.

Thank you to our **teachers** for working with us to get all of the Carnival info out to our parents and letting your classrooms be a donation zone. We appreciate all of your support during this crazy time! Your Carnival performance was fantastic! Thank you for working so hard to pull it all together at one of the busiest times of the year.



Thank you to **Melina Christian** and your **AWESOME** team for soliciting all of the goods and services that went to our Auction. You all worked so hard and we are so thankful! **Jennifer Eilers**, a huge thank you for organizing with our Room Parents to set-up so many fantastic classroom baskets. **Shelly Martinez**, thank you for working with our Room Parents to create some beautiful, one of a kind art and pottery for our Auction. **Tracie Walker**, thank you for getting in there early with us to get all of our Room Parents on board; and **Room Parents**, a huge thank you to you for getting the info out to our parents, helping to collect donations, and creating items for our Auction tables. We could not do Carnival without you, you are the BEST!

Jessica Sutterlin, whose job as treasurer will never be more demanding! Not only did you keep all of the numbers straight, but you were always there to lend a hand, clean up until the very end, and most importantly a





huge encouragement along the way. Beth Morris, Amber Wilkinson, Elizabeth Brown, and our Towne Acres Cheerleaders, thank you for working so hard to prepare and perform Carnival night. You all did a fantastic job!

Thank you to our many volunteers throughout the community: Science Hill ROTC, Science Hill Dance Team, Science Hill Beta Club, Daniel Boone Art Club, Liberty Bell, and Daniel Boone and Science Hill Students.

Special thanks go out to all of the hands that came to volunteer on Friday. From early morning pick up in the carline, to setting up tents and moving tables, to the last chair put away at the very end. You all made an impact. Kathryn Comerford, Rebecca Jenkins, Shawnta Shipley, Lindsey Rader, Emma Allchurch, Charlotte Ward, Lucy Martin, Candace Wilkings, Janel Brummel, Sharon Christian, Carl and Jen Eilers, Cris Larzo, Shawn Hollinger, Paul Contreras, Natalie Hilton, Joanna Capps, Beth Bushell, Will Barrett and anyone else who we have failed to mention, thank you. It takes many hands to put this event together and we are so grateful for each person who gave of their time and skills.

Last but certainly not least, thank you to our own families for supporting us during Carnival. We spent many hours away planning and preparing and we are so blessed to have you by our side to the very end. Especially our husbands who said yes when they really wanted to say no.

Tiffany and I are so grateful for everyone's generosity this year. This has been a record setting fundraiser for the PTA, and it is all because of you, our Towne Acres families. If you financially supported, volunteered your time, your baking skills, your store-bought cookies or drinks, it all made a difference. We can't wait to share with you all that we have planned for our school with the monies raised. It's going to be an exciting school year!

Sincerely,
Jennifer Bradford and Tiffany Clements

from the classroom art chair

Fall Carnival was a huge success and so much fun. There is a lot that goes on behind the scenes and so many who contribute their time. We couldn't do it without every one of you.

Jennifer Bradford, Tiffany Clements, Kristy Seeley, Jennifer Hollinger, Melina Christian, Bethany Morris, Jennifer Eilers, April Street, Rinki Bhattacharya (and bake sale helpers), Teachers, Staff, and parents. Thank you for all you did to make Carnival a success for TA and our children. There are so many more who contributed who aren't listed, thank you too!

Room Parents and Rebecca Jenkins, thank you for helping with classroom art projects. They were all super cute and a hit at carnival.

Ms. Patterson, as always, thank you for allowing us to utilize your office and the children's library time to work on class art projects.

I hope everyone has a great rest of the year!

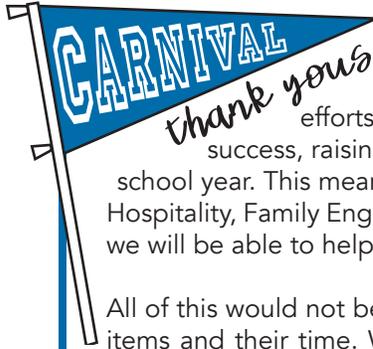
Shelly Martinez



from the classroom basket chair

What great classroom baskets we had for auction this year! I was overwhelmed by all the donations from our parents. We had so many items that the 20 original baskets quickly turned into 34 beautiful baskets! Every one of them was sold and we made just under \$4000 of profit towards our PTA budget this year. Thank you to our Towne Acres families that donated and shopped for such a worthy cause. I want to especially thank the room parents who worked hard to gather items and containers, you were all so creative this year. I appreciate all the friends who helped me wrap, tie bows, and move all those huge baskets around. So many people contributed to our auction success this year - I hope you all had as much fun with it as I did!

Jennifer Eilers



from the silent auction chair

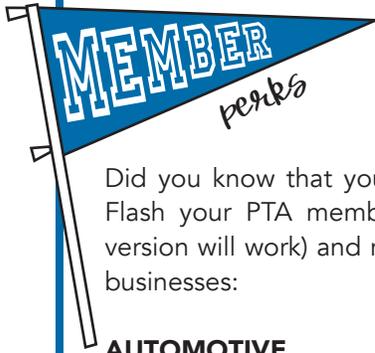
Our school is so fortunate to have such a wonderful and giving community to support our efforts and help raise funds for this school year. The Silent & Live Auctions were yet again a huge success, raising just over \$22,000, all of which will be used to help fund the PTA budget for the 2018-19 school year. This means all of our programs such as Towne Criers Reading, Green & Clean, Faculty Appreciation, Hospitality, Family Engagement, the list goes on, will be able to give back to our kids and our school. It also means we will be able to help provide technology, classroom, and playground needs, as they arise throughout the year.

All of this would not be possible without the generosity of so many businesses, families and faculty that donated items and their time. We hope our school community will help to support all these businesses throughout the coming year, to help give back to them, since they were so kind in giving to us. Some of our donors are listed below. Please click on their logos to learn more about them!

We would like to give a special Thank You to the Auction committee members who worked tirelessly throughout the summer, up until the very last minute to ensure our auction was just perfect. These members include; Kristy Seeley, Jennifer Hollinger, Beth Morris, Heather Levesque, April Street, Shelly Martinez and Jennifer Eilers. A special thank you to Josh Seeley, who was our tech support and helped us to make things move smoother at checkout and offer the express lane this year. Lastly, we could not have pulled off the evening without the help of the following volunteers; Julia Williams, Mr. & Mrs. Goehner, Mr. & Mrs. Zetterberg, and our auctioneer, Elizabeth Sterling. They gave up their time during the evening to make sure we pulled all the bid sheets, organized the baskets/items and checked out as many people as possible.

Melina Christian





Did you know that your PTA membership has value around town? Flash your PTA membership card (a screenshot of the electronic version will work) and receive a **10% discount** at the following local businesses:

AUTOMOTIVE

DISCOUNT AUTO SERVICE AND REPAIR: 5341 Kingsport Hwy, 423.283.4838, 10% discount off all Automotive Repairs and New Tire Purchases. (Call for Appointment)
PONDER AUTO REPAIR: 915 W. Market St, 423.928.3849, 10% off first Service Visit. (Call for Appointment)

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DINING AND BEVERAGE

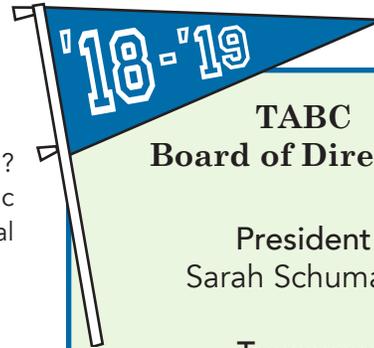
BARBERITOS: 1735 W. State of Franklin and 3135 Peoples St. 10% off all purchases.
BARLEY WATERS: 100 Spring St, 423.268.2336, www.barleywaters.com, 10% off all beverage purchases.
FREIBERG'S: 203 E. Main St., 10% off total food bill, dinner only, after 4pm, alcohol not included.
HOLY TACO AND CANTINA: 211 E. Main St, 10% off total ticket, dinner only, after 4pm.
JOHNNY BRUSCO'S PIZZA: Good at locations in Johnson City, Kingsport, and Bristol. 10% off regular priced food purchases. (Alcoholic beverages not included)
KNIGHT'S PIZZA: 1701 W. State of Franklin Rd, 10% off total food bill. (Alcoholic beverages not included)
MOE'S ORIGINAL BARBECUE: 1011 Hamilton Place Dr, 10% off total bill (dine-in only).
OUR HOUSE: 4903 N. Roan St, 423.282.1555, 10% off all purchases.
THE WILLOW TREE: 216 E. Main St., 10% off all purchases.
WHEELER'S BAGELS: 230 Marketplace Blvd, 423.328.3260, 10% off all purchases.

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there's still time to join!

We are almost to our PTA membership goal! Thank you for your support. Remember to sign up your family for PTA if you haven't already done so. The class with the most memberships by September 30th will win a reward lunch in October! We have a close race between five classes right now. Sign up today to push your class over the top!



Towne Acres PTA Membership
Help us Get Our Year off to a Good Start
OUR GOAL: 425 members

It is easy to become a PTA member! Membership fees are \$5.00 per member. Simply fill out the attached form with each member's name and send it back to school with your child along with the total amount of fees owed.

Thank you for supporting our students and our school by joining Towne Acres PTA!

Please list all of your Towne Acres students in the form below. Please provide the name for each member in the "Membership Information" section. Finally, have ONE of your students return this form along with payment in an envelope. The cost is \$5.00 PER Member. Each student will receive credit for the total number of memberships purchased. Please make checks to Towne Acres PTA. Additional forms can be provided if needed. Thanks so much for your support!

** There will be a small service fee for those paying with credit card **

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Date	Time	Event	Description	Location	Cost
10/1, 15, 22, 29	4:00 - 5:00 pm	 Tale to Tail	Reading to a trained listening dog (ages 5-9).	Johnson City Public Library	Free. Call 434.4458 to sign up for a time.
10/7	2:00 - 3:00 pm	 Cardboard Challenge	Families are invited to engineer creations with cardboard and other recycled materials	Johnson City Public Library, Jones Meeting Room	Free. No registration required.
10/9-11/14	Varies	The Adventures of Tom Sawyer	Adapted from Mark Twain by Catherine Bush	Barter Theatre 	\$14-16
10/12	3:00 - 9:00 pm	 Star Party	Use a solar observation telescope for safe daytime viewing and a traditional night viewing scope.	Hands On! Discovery Center	Free with admission.
10/13	10:00 - 11:30 am	Storytime & Paint: "It's the Great Pumpkin, CHARLIE BROWN"	Read the book, then paint ceramic pumpkins.	Into the Fire 	\$15 per child. Call 423.926.2529 to reserve a spot.
10/13	3:00 - 8:00 pm	 Barktoberfest	Monster Dash 5k Run and Monster Mile Walk. Goal is to raise funds to spay + neuter homeless animals.	Founders Park	\$25 registration fee for walk or run.
10/13	7:30 pm	Johnson City Symphony Orchestra	 Bohemian Inspirations	Milligan College Seeger Chapel	\$35 for adults, \$10 for students
10/20	10:00 am - noon	 Kids Canvas Class: "Halloween Cat"	Includes instruction, supplies, 12" x 12" canvas and snack.	Into the Fire 	\$20 per child, ages 5 and up. Call 423.926.2529 to reserve a spot.
10/20	1:00 - 8:30 pm	Hilltopper Marching Band Competition	Area high school bands will perform.	 Kermit Tipton Stadium	\$7, children under 5 free.
10/20	5:00 - 9:00 pm	Super Spooky Saturday and Redrum Asylum Haunted Walk	Games, arts and crafts, face painting, cake walk, marshmallow roasting, inflatables, silent disco and more.	Memorial Park Community Center	Free. Tickets for the haunted walk are \$2.
10/25	6:00 pm until candy runs out!	 Touch a Truck Trunk or Treat	Explore, climb + touch trucks, emergency vehicles, heavy machinery + more while collecting Halloween candy.	Memorial Park Community Center	Free. Bring your own bag for candy.



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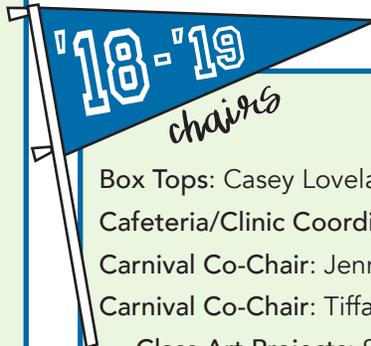
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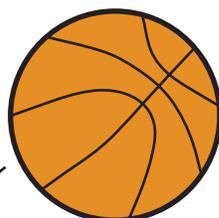


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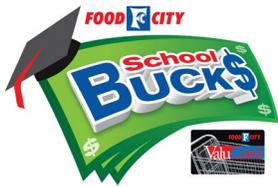




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Our first submission deadline is quickly approaching. Our deadline to have Box Tops submitted is **October 26th**. As a reminder, the class that submits the most Box Tops will be provided a pizza/ice cream party! Thank you, parents, for clipping those box tops to help earn cash for our school!

Don't forget to link or re-link your Food City or Kroger card to Towne Acres as well. Earnings from these programs have gone a long way to help provide instructional technology for our school.

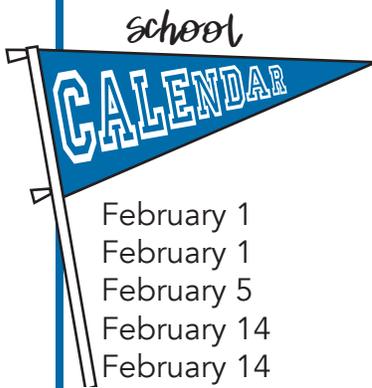
Thank you for your on-going support!

Casey Lovelace, Box Tops Coordinator
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August 2	Open House, 5:30 p.m.
August 6	First Day of School, 11:30 a.m. dismissal
August 14	PTA Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. (Little Theater)
August 16	Family Engagement Night, 6:00 p.m. (Little Theater)
August 31	Class T-shirt orders due
September 3	Holiday (Labor Day)
September 7	Mid-Term progress reports go home
September 10-14	Towne Acres Spirit Week
September 10-28	Parent/Teacher Conferences (after school hours)
September 13	PTA Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. (Little Theater)
September 14	Fall Carnival, 4:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
September 26	Fall Individual School Pictures, grades K-1
September 27	Fall Individual School Pictures, grades 2-4
September 28	ETSU Pride Day
October 5	Fall Parties
October 5	End of first nine-week term
October 8-12	Fall Break
October 17	Report cards issued
October 18	PTA Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. (Little Theater)
October 25	PTA General Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Little Theater) with 4th grade performance
November 6	Election Day/Parent Teacher Conferences (NO SCHOOL)
November 8	PTA Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. (Little Theater)
November 9	Mid-Term progress reports go home
November 12-16	Book Fair in the Library
November 13	Pastries with Parents, 7:15 a.m. - 8 a.m. (Cafeteria)
November 15	PTA General Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Little Theater) with 2nd grade performance
November 16	Grandparents Day Thanksgiving Lunch (Cafeteria)
November 20	Team Shirt Day
November 21-23	Thanksgiving Holiday (No School)
December 13	PTA Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. (Little Theater)
December 21	Sing Along and Winter Parties
December 21	Student 1/2 day, beginning of Winter Break, 11:30 a.m. dismissal
December 21	End of second nine-week term
January 8, 2019	Students return from Winter Break
January 9	Report cards issued
January 17	PTA Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. (Little Theater)
January 21	Holiday for students and staff (MLK Day)
January 24	PTA General Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Little Theater) with 3rd grade performance





February 1	Super Bowl Team Jersey Day
February 1	Mid-Term progress reports go home
February 5	Class Group Pictures
February 14	Valentine's Day Parties
February 14	PTA Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. (Little Theater)
February 15	ETSU Spirit Day
February 18	NO SCHOOL (Snow Day)
February 21	PTA General Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Little Theater) with 1st grade performance
February 28	Digital Learning Day
March 8	End of third nine-week term
March 8	Camp Fair, 8:30-11:30 a.m.
March 8	Cultural Arts (JRT)
March 11-15	Spring Break
March 20	Report cards issued
March 21	PTA Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. (Little Theater)
March 28	Family Engagement Night/Art Show, 6:00 p.m.
March TBD	Spring individual school pictures
April TBD	STEM Day/Science Day
April 11	PTA Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. (Little Theater)
April 11	PTA General Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Little Theater) with Kindergarten performance
April 12	Mid-Term progress reports go home
April 19	Vacation Day (No School)
April 22	NO SCHOOL (Snow Day)
April 15 - May 3	TN Ready testing
May 2	PTA Board Meeting, 8:30 a.m. (Little Theater)
May 2	PTA General Meeting, 6:30 p.m. (Little Theater) with Chorus and/or Contest Winners
May 3	End of Year Pep Rally
May 10	Field Day
May 15	Reading Awards (grades K-2 from 12:30-1:30; grades 3-4 from 1:30-2:30)
May 17	Senior Day
May TBA	4th Grade Field Trip
May 21	Variety Show
May 23	Grades K-3 Awards Day
May 24	4th grade promotion, Last Day of school (11:30 a.m. dismissal)



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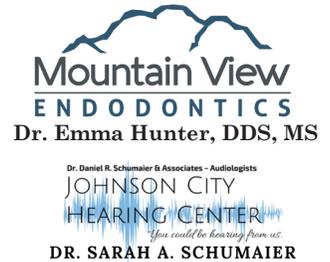
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