

## Southbridge Elementary



# June 2010 Newsletter

### DEAR MEMBERS:

It is so hard to believe that the end of the school year is quickly approaching. This will be the final newsletter of the school year. The Executive Board is very grateful to everyone who donated their time, energy and talents to the PTA this year. As a team, we are proud of our many accomplishments. Highlights of our year include:

- \*Fall Kick off Carnival
- \*Fall Fundraiser
- \*Boxtops for Education
- \*Usborne Book Fairs
- \*Scholastic Book Fairs
- \*Up, Up, and Away with Southbridge Elementary PTA Membership Drive
- \*Halloween Party
- \*Dining to Donate at Applebee's
- \*Pancake breakfast
- \*3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Father/ Daughter Dance
- \*2nd Annual Mother/Son Ultimately Wild Animal Adventure
- \*18<sup>th</sup> Annual Reach Out and Read
- \*Spring Fun Pasta Fundraiser
- \*Night out at the Worcester Sharks

In addition to these events, we have also sponsored numerous field trips, assemblies, newspaper & magazine subscriptions and we have rewarded our teachers and staff with tote bags, Belmont Springs Water and Edible Arrangement bouquets. We hope that we have made a difference, however big or small, for our students, faculty and staff.

As we look ahead, we would like to announce the Executive Board Members for the 2010-2011 school year. Elections were held at the May SEPTA meeting and the results are as follows:

**President—Kara Donovan**

**Vice-President—Lauren McLoughlin**

**Treasurer—Erika Morales**

**Secretary—Erin Clark**

We congratulate and thank these generous women for coming forward and working towards making our elementary schools a better place for our kids as well as for the wonderful men and women who teach them on a daily basis.

The Southbridge Elementary PTA would like to send its very best wishes to Dr. Dale Hanley, Superintendent of Schools. We recognize and appreciate the hard work she has done for our district over the past 5 years and wish her only the very best in all her future endeavors! We would also like to extend our best wishes to Eastford Road School Principal, Beth Chamberland and West Street School Principal, Joany Santa as they pursue other opportunities in their careers. We thank you for your membership and support in the PTA and we wish you both the best of luck! Finally, we would like to send our Congratulations! and Best Wishes to all the teachers who are retiring at the end of the school year. Thank you so much for all of your service and dedication to the children in our town. You will all be dearly missed!

### Important School News:

Mr. Montigny, Principal at **Charlton Street School**, has the following announcements:  
\* 5/21 - 2nd Annual Grade 3 Spelling Bee winners - Gina Yu,

Zachary Hogan, Rebecca Dillon & Colin Donovan. Congratulations to all!

- \* 5/28 - Ice Cream Sundae party for all grade 3 students, 100% participation on Reading and Math MCAS testing.
- \* 5/28 - Summer Reading Program Assemblies for all students with Jacob Edwards Librarian.
- \* 6/1 - Fire Safety Education - SAFE House at CSS.
- \* 6/1 - Grade 2 Field Trip to the Hyde Cultural Center in Woodstock, CT to see the Play, "Henry and Mudge." PTA sponsored.
- \* 6/1, 2 - Special Education and Title I teachers from CSS received Level 1 Wilson Reading Training.
- \* 6/2 - Reach Out and Read Day in the am. Thank you to the PTA for organizing this memorable event!
- \* 6/3 - YMCA Water Safety Program - assemblies for all students.
- \* 6/7 - Classroom of the Week awards - Ice Cream and Cake.
- \* 6/7, 8 Children's Author - Laura Eckroat will be speaking to students.
- \* 6/9 - Marks close for the 4th marking term.
- \* 6/11 - PASS Day activities in the am, grade 1 to 2, grade 2 to 3 and grade 3 to 4. Thank you to the PTA for providing the funding for buses!
- \* Week of June 14th - Reading Incentive Program recognition - 3 home-rooms in each grade - pizza party for completing signed parental reading logs and reading the most books. The school is approaching 8,000 books read!
- \* 6/14 - \*\* Everyone is encouraged to attend - Gazebo area at CSS, 9:15 am honoring our Veteran's, Memorial and Flag Days. Hear the children sing and pay tribute to our veterans.
- \* 6/16 - Optimist Club "Unsung Student Hero Awards - 12:30 pm—cake, ice cream, student recognition certificates for selected students from all elementary schools at CSS.

- \* Week of June 21st - Summer Reading lists will be sent home with students.
- \* 6/21 - Cookout, a special thank you to the PTA, Food Service Dept., Ideal Pools, Regep Construction and the Knight's of Columbus for their generous donations. A special thank you to the many members from the Knight's of Columbus for their culinary skills!
- \* 6/23 - Last full day of school, report cards will be sent home with students.
- \* Have a safe and enjoyable summer! We appreciate what you have done for the children of CSS! Please ensure that your child reads over the summer months.

### Summer Programs at the Jacob Edwards Library

Join the summer reading program and Go Green at your library! For a complete list of programs & registration information, please call 508-764-5427 or email the Children's Librarian at [KGartsu@cwmar.org](mailto:KGartsu@cwmar.org)

### Important Information

#### The 2009-2010 Executive Board:

Jen Jarvis—President  
Jill Grant—Treasurer  
Kara Donovan—Secretary

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### **Exciting Activities at the Jacob Edwards Library**

The Summer Reading Program is about to begin! This year's Summer Reading Program theme is: "Go Green at your Library." Green library Camp Programs will run from June 21—August 12, 2010. For a complete list of programs and registration information, please visit the library's website at: [www.jacobedwardslibrary.org](http://www.jacobedwardslibrary.org) or you can call the Children's Room at 508-764-5427 or you can email the Children's Librarian at: [KGartsu@cwmars.org](mailto:KGartsu@cwmars.org).