

Shenandoah Valley Elementary PTO Update

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Thank YOU!

Thank you to Becky Boswell, Missy Bredbenner, Sherrie Goesling, Laurie Loudenback, Gayle Piepho, Michelle Saldanha, Jenni Stecher, and Shelly Woodworth for making treats for our staff with August and September birthdays!

Thank you for the fantastic turnout at our PTO meeting on September 13, 2016! It was wonderful to see so many new faces! If you were unable to attend, you can read the minutes [here](#).

Thank you to [everyone](#) who has agreed to chair our PTO Volunteer Committees this year! We would not be able to have such great events without you!

Fun With Dads Kickball Tournament

The SVE PTO is planning a new event this fall on Thursday, October 13, 2016, the **Fun with Dads Kickball Tournament**. We'd like all dads, uncles, grandpas, brothers, special friends, anyone that would like to join the kids to come out and play a little kickball. The dads will "coach" and may help with the gameplay depending on the grade level. Bring a picnic dinner to enjoy after the games. The tournament will start at 5:30 p.m. and will go until the daylight runs out. If you'd like to participate, please e-mail the following information to Steve Kadyk at stevekadyk@yahoo.com:

Your Name

Your Child(ren)'s Name

Your Child(ren)'s Grade

Panther Pledge Donation Drive

We are on our way to reaching our \$15,000 goal! Currently, we have collected \$5016.65 in Panther Pledges—please keep your donations coming in! The percentages below represent the families in each grade level that have made donations.

Kindergarten – 23%

First Grade – 15%

Second Grade – 24%

Third Grade – 11%

Fourth Grade – 15%

Fifth Grade – 17%

Please read over the [brochure](#) to see exactly where your donation goes, and turn in your donation [form](#)/envelope by the end of October if possible. All donations are tax deductible. Payment may also be made [online](#) via PayPal. Thank you to everyone who has already made their donation!

Fall Beautification

We will be sprucing up the front gardens of school on Saturday, October 15, 2016, from 9 to 11 a.m. Please contact Patty Raimondi at stillhousecreek@yahoo.com if you are able to help. Any time that you can donate on Saturday morning is welcome!

5th Grade Celebration

Thank you to all who attended our first meeting in September! Our second planning meeting will be held on Tuesday, October 18, 2016, at St. Louis Bread Company on Clarkson near Barnes & Noble. More information about 5th Grade Celebration can be found [here](#).

Halloween Class Parties

Class parties are Friday, October 28, 2016. Thanks to Steven Shane and all the Room Parents for making this such a fun event!

Here are a few reminders:

- All guests will be asked to sign in at the front tables and indicate whether your student(s) will be going home with you at the end of the day.
- Room Parents organizing the parties may go into the grade level areas at 2:40 p.m. All parents may enter the classrooms for the parties at 2:55.
- Costumes must be school appropriate. No masks, weapons, face paint, colored hair spray, etc. permitted.
- This is a party for your elementary child; please make other arrangements for siblings.
- Parties end at 3:55. School is dismissed at 4:00 p.m.

Trunk or Treat

Trunk or Treat is the primary fundraiser for the 5th Grade Celebration, and all families from SVE are invited to attend on Friday, October 28, 2016! The cost is \$15 per car, and pizza may be ordered in advance for an additional cost. Each car is given 5 tickets to use toward concessions, games, or the photo booth. More tickets can be purchased in advance or the night of the event. Cars must be on the lot before 6:15 p.m., and children from those cars can begin trick or treating at 6:30 p.m. Each car should bring at least 225-250 treats to give out from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. The [flyer](#) for Trunk or Treat will come home in the next week or so with your child.

Parkway App

I would like to encourage all of you to start using the Parkway App if you have not done so. It is free for both [iOS](#) and [Android](#) phones and tablets. Once you download it, click on the Settings icon in the upper right of the screen and then click on Follow Schools. When you choose Shenandoah Valley, it will allow you to receive Peachjar flyers, News, Breakfast and Lunch Menus, as well as have both Shenandoah Valley's and the PTO's calendars linked to your account. If you click on Calendar within the App, it will show you all of these items on a daily basis. If you log into the app with your Facebook or Google account information, you can access your children's schedules and lunch money balance.

New Families

We have a lot of new families at Shenandoah Valley – please make sure to welcome new faces to our community! If you know anyone who is not receiving PTO updates, please make sure to forward this email to them or let them know if they would like to be added to the PTO email list to contact Anvita Nigam at anvita.nigam@gmail.com.

Save the Date

Thursday, October 13, 2016 – Fun With Dads kickball tournament

Saturday, October 15, 2016 – Fall Beautification

Tuesday, October 18, 2016 – 5th Grade Celebration meeting, 7:15 p.m. at St. Louis Bread Co. on Clarkson

Thursday, October 27, 2016 – BoxTops are due!

Friday, October 28, 2016 – Halloween Party/Trunk or Treat

Friday, November 18, 2016 – Bingo Night

Saturday, January 28, 2017 – Trivia Night, theme of “A Night at the Oscars”

Saturday, February 11, 2017 – Pancake Breakfast

Reminders & Links

- [Parkway Volunteer Application form](#)
- [Amazon Smile](#)