



## PTO BACK TO SCHOOL EDITION

**Greetings!** This edition of the PTO newsletter will bring you up to date on what a few of our committees have been doing in the months of July, August and September in preparation for the up and coming year . Please take a moment to become acquainted with these committees and how each one of them work behind the scenes to raise funds and set the tone for a wonderful year of service to our children, teachers, and parents. The PTO considers these committees our "Back to School" committees and these folks have devoted countless hours of preparation and time on these events.

Warm regards,

*Diane Anglen*

### **St. Luke Uniform and Spirit Wear Store Online ... Did You Know?**

- the** online store was unveiled at our PTO Sponsored Hot Dog Night for new families in June & at the Meet the Teacher Back to School sale?
- our** fundraising efforts are supported by your purchases?
- it takes 22 volunteers and 58 volunteer hours to prepare for and host the Back to School sale?
- the** spirit wear is managed by PTO's Spirit Wear Committee? And that Lesa Riczo is the Committee Chair? [lrizzo@indy.rr.com](mailto:lrizzo@indy.rr.com)
- PTO owns the Spirit Wear inventory?
- our** vendor brings in uniform sizing samples as a courtesy to us?
- you** can pay by credit card for more convenient shopping?
- we have sold over 1200 items to date?
- visit [www.stluke.org](http://www.stluke.org) today!

## **The latest from the Communications Committee....**

**MENTOR PROGRAM:** Welcome new families! Our mentoring program kicked off at the PTO Sponsored Hot Dog Night in June. All new families have been assigned a mentor family to help guide them through their first year at St. Luke. If you are a new family and you still have further questions, please contact our program coordinator, Shannon Morris, at [morrishome@comcast.net](mailto:morrishome@comcast.net).

**BUZZ BOOK:** TARGET DELIVERY DATE IS MID OCTOBER

**PTO VOLUNTEERS:** Thanks to all of you who returned your volunteer forms to the school office.

Mrs. Tillery has compiled the list of volunteers for school related opportunities, and PTO has compiled the list for PTO related opportunities in the following areas: Mentoring, Food and Baking and Miscellaneous. If you are interested in volunteering and haven't returned your form, please email Terri Moore at [territmoore@ameritech.net](mailto:territmoore@ameritech.net) to be added to the list! Thanks!

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## **Back to School Pizza Party Recap:**

Many thanks to former PTO President, Kathy Kiefer, and former Board Member, Kathy Ahlrichs, for a wonderful and fun-filled event! The PTO served 140 pizzas, 650 drinks, and 400 ice cream novelties! The children enjoyed DJ Music, Games, Face Painting, Tattoos, a Bounce House & Obstacle Course. Our 8<sup>th</sup> Graders earned service hours for working the event. While expenditures exceeded \$2500, the net cost of the party to PTO was approx. \$700 thanks to all who purchased pizzas. KUDOS to all who worked and supported the evening!

*Parents please note: We will be revising our Safety Guidelines for next year.*

**SEPT. 8 PTO MEETING RECAP:** The following actions were approved :

- commitment to complete locker room artwork using the approved school logo
- approval of a grant request for a Bounce House for Blocktober (\$250)
- approval of a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade grant request for the zoo overnight (\$700)
- approval to fund monetary grants for **both** 8<sup>th</sup> grade graduation awards (\$200 and \$200)
- approval for budget revision and restructure of the activity fund available to the teachers (increase from 18K to > 20K)
- approval of priority spending guidelines for use of activity fund money
- approval of the PTO gift to the School Endowment (\$2500)
- approval to defer any carryover spending until second quarter (at the earliest)
- approval for a By Laws review in October and November 2009, last review and modification was in 12/07

### ***COMING SOON TO AN AFTER SCHOOL ENRICHMENT PROGRAM NEAR YOU...***

#### **ONLINE REGISTRATION SECOND SEMESTER**

@ [www.stluke.org](http://www.stluke.org)! Please watch the next edition of the newsletter for the complete details of the changes coming to ASE.

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#### **LAST CALL FOR DUES Payments!**

PTO Dues can be made online at [www.stluke.org](http://www.stluke.org), click on the school link, click on "Pay Your PTO Dues Here!" Approximately half of our 310 school families have paid dues to date. A PTO "Thank You" gift will be distributed in early October 2009.

***Thank you for supporting your PTO!***

### **TRASH BAG MONEY IS NOW DUE!**

**PLEASE TURN YOUR ENVELOPE IN TO THE OFFICE.**

Delivery on Sept.25!

***All money must be turned in with your order to be eligible for prizes***