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# Hawk's Eye View

Chaparral Elementary School PTA Newsletter  
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## IMPORTANT DATES

- Muffins with Mom & Donuts with Dad 4/15
- PTA 4/15
- Earth Week Recycle 4/18 - 4/22
- Melody Makers Concert 4/20
- Rubio's Fundraiser 4/21
- Kids Korps 4/27
- Community Gathering 4/29
- Movie Night 4/29

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## Principal's Perspective

Dawn Zwibel, Principal

Dear Chaparral Hawks,

Just a reminder that currently, our classrooms are preparing for this year's **California Standardized Testing and Reporting (STAR) Program**. The STAR program requires all school districts throughout the state to annually use the same standardized tests to assess the achievement of students in the areas of reading, mathematics, and language arts. There are three components of the STAR program:

1. The **California Content Standards Test (CST)**: These tests are administered to all students in grades 2 to 11. They are designed to measure achievement of the California State Academic Standards. All students are evaluated in language arts and mathematics. All fifth grade students also take a California Standards Science test specifically aligned with their current course of study. **These tests will be administered from April 20th through April 29th.**

2. The **California Alternative Program Assessment (CAPA)** is administered only to students enrolled in the special education program who, for any reason, should not participate in the above tests. The CAPA is administered in a one-to-one setting in April and May.

Teachers will be reviewing concepts and skills during the year to refresh students and activate prior learning. **Absenteeism during the test period creates problems for students.** Those who miss testing sessions with their regular class will be given make-up sessions in supervised small group settings. However, most students prefer to take the test along with their classmates, and do much better in a setting with their own teacher.

The STAR yields individual score reports for each student that will be mailed home in August.

At Chaparral, we feel that our students are prepared to do quite well on these assessments. Here are some things that you can do to help your child to do their best on these exams:

Get plenty of rest each night.

Eat a nutritious breakfast before coming to school.

Avoid sugary cereals and make sure to add protein such as eggs, yogurt, or milk.

Arrive on time, as students who arrive after testing starts will not be admitted to class.

## President's Message

*Sharon Stephens, PTA President*

Happy Spring Chaparral Families and Staff,

I hope that you enjoyed Spring Break. We are looking forward to a fun April with many great activities. First is our Donuts with Dads/Muffins with Mom on Friday, April 15<sup>th</sup> right before the PTA Association Meeting. We hope you can take some time that day to join your child for a treat at 8:20am at the lunch tables and then join us in the MPR for the final PTA Association meeting of the school year at 9am. This is the best way to get information about what is going on at the school and with PTA. If you can't make it to the meeting please feel free to contact me at any time with questions or concerns. April also brings the Melody Makers concert on April 20<sup>th</sup>, Kids Korp on April 27<sup>th</sup> and Family Movie Night on April 29<sup>th</sup>.

I have had several questions about where the money goes for PTA and where we stand on our budget. Please check out [www.chaparralpta.com](http://www.chaparralpta.com) to see all of the programs that PTA supports. Our largest items that we support are PE, Music and Teacher Accounts. Those items alone cost us approximately \$40,000. We have also added a pie chart in this newsletter to give you a snapshot of where the money is spent. While we cannot make decisions for the future board it is looking very good that we will be able to continue to fund PE & Music for the 2011-2012 school year. This also means that we will need to continue to fundraise in order to continue this funding. We are doing our best to make the most of every dollar of support that all of you bring in to the PTA. Thank you for your continued support of PTA, Chaparral Educational Foundation and Chaparral Elementary School.

Sincerely,

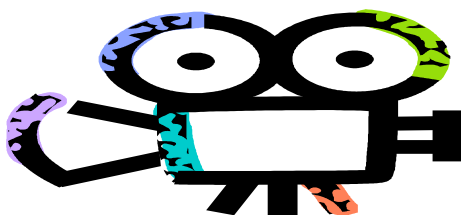
Sharon Stephens

### MOVIE NIGHT

**WHEN: Friday, April 29th**

**TIME: 7:15pm**

**WHERE: On the field**



### Movie Night Recipe

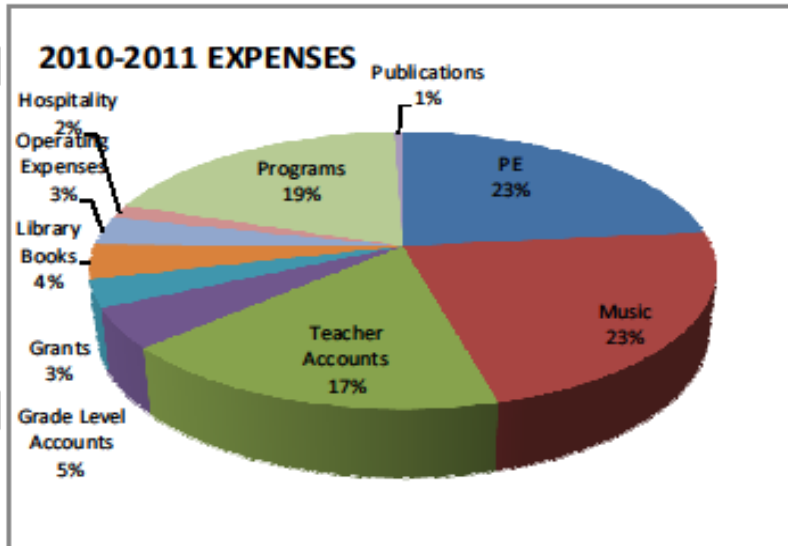
1. Add some comfy pajamas and a pair of slippers
2. Throw in a blanket and pillow.
3. Mix together 5 large bowls of fun families
4. Add a pinch of fresh Popped popcorn
5. Bake in a cozy MPR for about 2hrs
6. Don't forget a dash of cookies
7. Add 1 fun exciting Movie



## 2010-2011 PTA BUDGET ANALYSIS

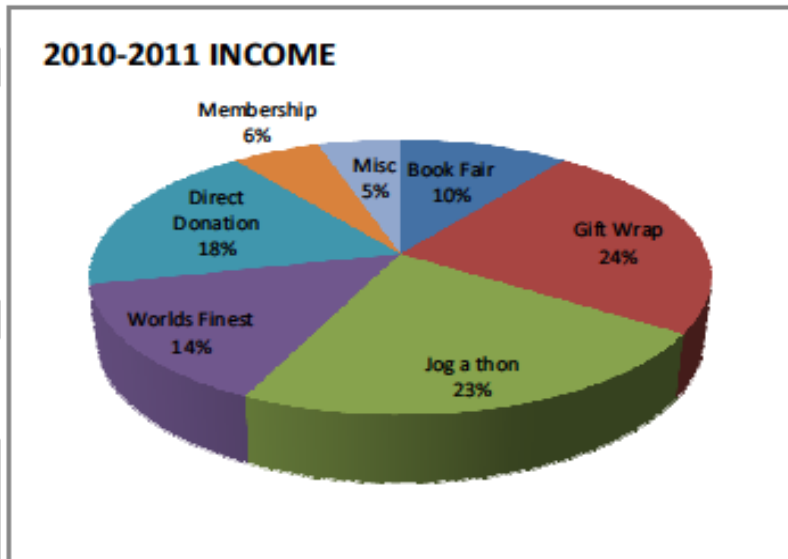
### EXPENSE

ITEM	AMOUNT
PE	\$ 14,408.80
Music	\$ 14,000.00
Teacher Accounts	\$ 10,800.00
Grade Level Accounts	\$ 2,900.00
Grants	\$ 2,000.00
Library Books	\$ 2,500.00
Operating Expenses	\$ 2,047.00
Hospitality	\$ 1,000.00
Programs	\$ 11,968.00
Publications	\$ 326.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 61,949.80</b>



### INCOME

ITEM	AMOUNT
Book Fair	\$ 5,825.00
Gift Wrap	\$ 13,360.68
Jog a thon	\$ 12,858.82
Worlds Finest	\$ 8,071.32
Direct Donation	\$ 10,148.00
Membership	\$ 3,040.20
Misc	\$ 2,849.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 56,153.02</b>



### SUMMARY

Beginning Cash	\$ 26,156.00
Receipts	\$ 56,153.00
Disbursements	\$ (61,950.00)
Projected Ending Cash	\$ 20,359.00

\* Programs include all PTA Programs excluding those listed separately on chart above i.e. PE, Music, Teacher Accounts, Grants, etc

\*\* These are not final numbers but best estimates for 2010-2011 budget.

\*\*\* Items that are direct pass through expenses such as Melody Makers and Yearbook are not included. They pay for themselves.

## Thank you from the Library Media Tech



Congratulations on another successful book fair. It's so much fun seeing the library transform, like magic, into a wonderful book store. I would like to extend a huge thank you to Chaparral's PTA for agreeing to fund a years subscription to Junior Library Guild. Each month of the year the library will receive 7 highly recommended books from a variety of genres. These books will be highlighted in future newsletters. Other areas that have been updated with PTA funding are: Native American books, books on countries, Natures Children series, and a series on our Armed Forces. The rummage sale organizers were also kind enough to donate some terrific gently used books. Chaparral's library continues to grow with your help! Yours Truly, Mary Vedborg, Library Media Tech

## April 2011 Junior Library Books

### Painter and Ugly by Robert J. Blake

Painter and Ugly are sled dogs and best friends. They are placed on different teams for the Junior Iditarod but manage to reunite during the big race.

### Strange Creatures: The Story of Walter Rothschild and His Museum by Lita Judge

At seven, shy Walter bought a kangaroo with his allowance. At twenty-four, in 1892, he opened a museum, revolutionizing what people knew about animal diversity.

### The Hidden Gallery: The Incurable Children of Ashton Place, Book 2 by Maryrose Wood

While in London with the Ashtons, Penelope doesn't have a chance to sightsee—a strange gypsy and Lord Ashton's lupine antics capture her attention instead,

### Colo's Story: The Life of One Grand Gorilla by Nancy Roe Pimm

The Columbus Zoo's Colo is fifty-four. She is the oldest living gorilla in a zoo—and the first gorilla born in one! She is also stubborn, sassy, and beloved. Colo's family tree. Colo's family scrapbook.

### Totally Human: Why We Look (and Act) the Way We Do by Cynthia Pratt Nicolson

"You do weird and wonderful things—simply because you're human." Here are the answers to puzzling questions such as, "Why do you shake when you're scared?" Glossary. Full-color collage photographs rendered in Adobe Photoshop.

### Will at the Battle of Gettysburg, 1863: Boys of Wartime by Laurie Calkhoven

When the Union and Confederate armies converge on Gettysburg, Pennsylvania, suddenly Will and his family are caught up in the battle.

### Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Ugly Truth by Jeff Kinney

In his latest diary, middle-schooler Greg Heffley chronicles his search for a new best friend after a falling out with Rowley. With family members urging him to become more responsible, Greg decides that he's not in a hurry to grow up.

**Hygiene/Toiletry Item Collection**

**Kids Korp is collecting hygiene item to make kits for the homeless.**

Bring in those travel and sample size items such as shampoo, toothbrushes, toothpaste, deodorant, washcloths, etc. Clean out those hotel samples you have stashed in your cabinet and drop them off in the office.

**Seeking Volunteers for Next School Year!!!**

PTA still has open Appointed Positions for next school year. If you interested in helping with Art Night, Hospitality, Kids Korps or Yearbook, please contact Vanessa Springett at [vspringett9@cs.com](mailto:vspringett9@cs.com)

***Twin Peaks Prescription Drug Abuse Presentation***

Twin Peaks PTSA will sponsor a presentation about the latest trends in prescription drug abuse among youth. Sergeant David Ross of the RX Task Force and Sherrie and Aaron Rubin of Rollin' with Rubin will present and answer questions. This is a must see for parents and students 12 years and older. April 27 6:30 - 8:00 PM in the TwinPeaks Theater.

Please direct questions to Cynthia Iliff-Wright, PTSA President, Twin Peaks Middle School, [cynthia@iliffaw.com](mailto:cynthia@iliffaw.com), (619) 954-1560.

**Poway Spirit Day  
April 16, 2011  
8:00 AM - 12:00 Noon**

Bring your group, Boy Scout/Girl Scout Troop, your family or friends, or just come and join neighbors you've not yet met, for the 4th Annual Poway Spirit Day on Saturday, April 16, 2011, sponsored by the Poway Community Association and the Rotary Club of Poway. A variety of service projects have been identified and everything you need will be supplied. The event starts at 8 a.m. at the Boys and Girls Club, 12988 Bowron Road in Poway, where volunteers will receive their assignment. Participants are then invited to a free BBQ at noon back at the Boys and Girls Club. Participants will also receive a free t-shirt to show off their spirit and commitment to service. It would be helpful, but not required, to notify, in advance, the Poway Spirit Day Committee of how many participants would be coming by contacting the event's Volunteer Organizer, Merrilee Boyack, [moyack@gmail.com](mailto:moyack@gmail.com) (858) 748-6703.

***Thank you for joining Chaparral's PTA!***

***PTA Membership Cards and Legoland Admission Vouchers were distributed in February. If you have not received yours, please contact Monica Cogger ([cogger@sbcglobal.net](mailto:cogger@sbcglobal.net)).***

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**DATE:**

Thursday,  
 April 21st, 2011

**TIME:**

12:00 pm - CLOSE

**AT THIS RUBIO'S RESTAURANT LOCATION:**

**Carmel Mountain Ranch**  
 12002 Carmel Mtn. Road, San Diego, CA 92128

**Rancho Bernardo**  
 16588 Bernardo Center Dr., San Diego, CA 92128

**For directions visit [rubios.com](http://rubios.com)**



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\*we request 24 hours advance notice for Rubio's a-Go-Go catering orders.

## Rancho Bernardo Community Council's Sidewalk Chalk Event

Chalk it up at the first annual Rancho Bernardo Community Council's Sidewalk Chalk Event. This event will be opened to students of all ages as well as adults. The event will include free door prizes for those who pre-register, free refreshments and free chalk. Prizes will be given in all categories.

Date: Saturday, May 21, 2011  
Check in time: 7:30 - 8:30 am

Judging Times: 11 am for elementary age students, 1 pm for middle school students, 2 pm for high school students, 3 pm for adults.

Location: Rancho Bernardo Community Park,  
18448 West Bernardo Drive



Applications will be available on the RB Community Council web site ([www.RBCommunityCouncil.com](http://www.RBCommunityCouncil.com)), the RB library, all community clubs as well as some businesses by mid-March. Sign up early to reserve your spot!

## BIG BOOK SALE

The Mira Mesa Public Library is having a big book sale at the end of April.



They have a very large stock of children's books and AV, plenty of fiction and nonfiction and generally a selection of items for every interest including books in Vietnamese, Chinese, Spanish and other languages.

The Big Book Sale will be held on Friday and Saturday, April 29 and 30 during regular library hours.

Fri 9:30-5:30  
Sat 9:30-2:30

ADDRESS:  
8405 New Salem St.  
San Diego CA 92126  
PHONE: (858) 538-8165

If you have any questions, please email Lois Horowitz, President, Mira Mesa Friends of the Library at [mka15050@hotmail.com](mailto:mka15050@hotmail.com)

Did you know that we are now on Facebook?  
Join the Group:  
Chaparral Elementary PTA  
to stay informed of the school events!!!

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Did you know you can also find the Chaparral Educational Foundation on Facebook?  
Join the Group to stay informed of all the upcoming fundraisers!

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# Earth Day is April 22<sup>nd</sup>!



Chaparral Educational Foundation  
is hosting an **Earth Week RECYCLING** event!

100% of the proceeds will help fund CEF



**When:** Monday, April 18<sup>th</sup> thru Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>

**Where:** Collection @ Front & Back Gates

**What:** Electronics – Check your closets & offices!

Inkjet Cartridges - No Toner

*(CEF earns up to \$5/per cartridge!)*

Cell Phones

*(CEF earns up to \$300/per phone!)*

Laptop Computers

Handheld Game Systems

Digital Cameras & Video Cameras

MP3 Players

GPS Devices

Electronic Book Readers

Radar Detectors

Electronic Book Readers

*Your used item(s) may be tax deductible and will be recycled in accordance with EPA regulations.*

# “ART” de Triomphe!



ArtCorps proudly presents a gallery of artwork created by Chaparral students

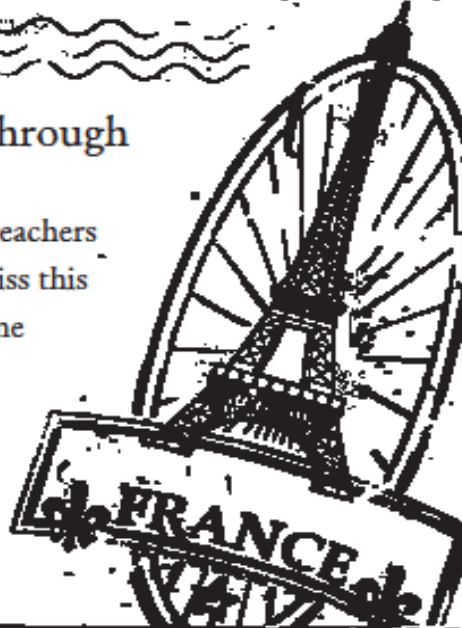
DATE:  
**Thursday, May 12**

TIME:  
**3 – 7:30 pm**

PLACE:  
**Chaparral MPR**



Capture the spirit of a stroll through the streets of Paris. Join us for a celebration of art! Students, families, teachers and friends are all welcome. Don't miss this year's raffle, take a chance to go home with artwork from local famous artists, our own Chaparral teachers!



## VOLUNTEER SCREENINGS AND TB TESTS

**BACKGROUND CLEARANCES**--Poway Unified School District conducts background clearances for all District volunteers in accordance to the School Board Policy. Volunteers must be processed and cleared before they will be allowed to work at the school.

**Level 1:** Volunteers who work under the direct supervision and in the presence of a teacher or district employee. These volunteers will be cleared through a "Megan's Law" database at the local sheriff's department. Please check the Chaparral Elementary website/PTA website or the Hawk's Eye (newsletter) for clearance verification dates at school.

**Level 2:** Volunteers who have the opportunity for significant unsupervised contact with students. These volunteers will be fingerprinted so that they may be cleared through the California Department of Justice. Level 2 volunteers will have to go to Livescan at SDUSD to be fingerprinted.

**Go to:** <http://powayusd.sdcoe.k12.ca.us/news/volunteers.html> for more information.

**TB SCREENING** -- All volunteers who work with students in any capacity are required by law to have a Tuberculin Test, which is good for four years. The Poway Unified School District offers free TB clinics during the school year.

### TB SKIN TEST CLINIC SCHEDULE 2011

<u>Skin Test</u>	<u>Reading of Test</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
Tuesday, 4/19/11	Thursday, 4/21/11	2:45-4:00pm	Abraxas H.S.
Tuesday, 5/17/11	Thursday, 5/19/11	2:45-4:00pm	Abraxas H.S.

### Volunteers must have Volunteer Verification Form (Obtain from school site)

**PLEASE NOTE!**

*The TB Skin Test provided by PUSD is a two-step process:  
Step 1 - Obtaining Skin Test  
Step 2 - Reading of Skin Test (48 hours later)*

*You must complete both steps for your test to be valid.*

Tests results are good for 4 years.

*If you have questions please contact Health Services*

*Internal: 8-815-4132*

*External: 858-668-4132*

*If you are acutely ill, have been diagnosed with tuberculosis, have had a live vaccine (MMR) within the last four weeks, or are undergoing*

*immunosuppressive therapy, contact a Resource Nurse at Health Services (858-668-4132)*

**PRIOR to attending a clinic.**

### CHAPARRAL'S KIDS KORPS

Please recycle aluminum cans and plastic CRV bottles and bring them to school on our "Eco Day's which will be held on 4/27 and 5/25. For "Eco Day" the kids help sort the recycled items, clean the school playground and we discuss the importance of recycling. Efforts in the past have yielded \$450.00 which will be donated to Casa de Emmanuel Orphanage in Tijuana. Great job Chappies!! Volunteers—we need you!! If you are interested in helping during one or more of our Kids Korps activities, please contact Paola Collins at [anapaulacollins@gmail.com](mailto:anapaulacollins@gmail.com)