Transitioning is a good thing!

This is a time of transitioning, not only for local PTA units and councils, but for the state PTA. Debbie Lawson will assume the duties of Kansas PTA President on July 1st. The 2009 Kansas PTA convention delegates elected an outstanding group of volunteers for your 2009-2011 Kansas PTA officers.

It is also a bittersweet time – you see the “end of your term” but yet there is so much left to accomplish. Well, the “sweet” part is that there is a whole fresh group of volunteers to pick up where you leave off and continue the wonderful work of PTA in your unit or council or the state level.

Units and councils are also transitioning from one administration to another. Kansas PTA thanks the PTA volunteers who served in leadership positions during the past year. You have made a difference for children and you have helped parents and communities understand the issues facing children, schools and communities. For those of you that have served as a unit or council president, I would like to say a special thank you. Serving as president isn’t always easy; however it is important to the children and families in your community.

Welcome to all the new presidents. You have taken on a tremendous responsibility and it is a priceless opportunity. Take advantage of the training, resources and support provided to you by your council, Kansas PTA and National PTA. Read the information sent to you and share it with your board and PTA members; your PTA will run more effectively and everyone’s job will be easier. Enjoy your time as a PTA president. Your hard work and efforts will benefit your students, school and community. Best wishes for a successful year!

I would like to thank the 2007 – 2009 Board of Managers for their efforts to continue the work of PTA in the state. We have accomplished many things for the units, members and students in Kansas.

It has been an honor to serve as President of Kansas PTA these past two years. Serving as your president has been an awesome and humbling experience. Thank you for your confidence in me and for the opportunity to represent you. Thank you for joining me in speaking for every child in every school in every community.

I wish you a fun (and relaxing) summer with your families and friends and a most successful 2009-2010 school year.

Jan Long,
2007-2009 Kansas PTA President
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Silent Auction Update from Convention

The goal this year for the Silent Auction was to divide the state in half and seek donations from various agencies and companies that would encourage family involvement. Monica Crowe covered Topeka east and Lauri DeNooy covered Topeka west. Even though that the economy was a factor, we were able to collect 38 baskets that were donated from companies, agencies and PTA Units and Councils across the state. With the help from all of the participants we raised $961.00 for education scholarships for future Kansas educators.

We would like to thank the following individuals, companies, agencies and PTA Units and Councils for participating in this year’s silent auction: Hays Convention and Visitors Bureau (Sternberg Museum of Natural History, Tea Rose Inn Bed and Breakfast), Kansas Cosmosphere and Space Center, Brickyard Barn Inn at Topeka, Combat Air Museum in Topeka, Byron V. Garrett – National PTA Chief Executive Officer, Benton Kansas Prairie Rose Chuck Wagon, Sunflower House, Apache Elementary School, Mary and William DeNooy, Salina PTA Council, Randy Weller – Director of Kansas Bullying Prevention Program, KC Royals, Hazel Grove PTA, Dee Shead, Shawnee Mission Area Council, Shawnee Mission West PTA, Junction Elementary KCKS PTA, Early Learning Center of Munee, Giovanny’s Hair Salon, IHOP in KCKS, Debbie Lawson, Jan Long, T-Rex Cafe, Kansas City Kansas Council, Chipotle Restaurant, Four Legends Movie Theater, Nick and Willy Pizza Legends, Ernie Goerend, Turner Council, Arrowhead Middle School PTA, Brookwood Elementary PTA, and Oak Grove Elementary PTA.

We did receive information from various agencies around the State of Kansas that provided opportunities for family activities that do not cost anything. Even though baskets were not created, each agency expressed their tremendous support for Kansas PTA. We would like to thank the following agencies: Connie Borchers – Abilene Conventions Bureau, Geary County Visitor’s Center, Brian Hoffman – Executive Director for Pratt Area Chamber of Commerce, Rikki Hess – Executive Vice President for Labette/Parson’s Chamber of Commerce, Aldean Baker and Kay Homewood – Interim Directors for Russell County Visitor’s Bureau, and Leilani Thomas – Director for Colby County Visitor’s Bureau.

Without the support, scholarships would not be possible for our future teachers.

Thank you for making this year’s Silent Auction a success.

Monica Crowe               Lauri DeNooy
2009 Kansas PTA Silent Auction Co-Chair             2009 Kansas PTA Silent Auction Co-Chair

Apply for a PTA Healthy Lifestyles Award!

This November, plan an event that promotes healthy habits among students and families and your PTA could win up to $1,000 to support those plans. Go the National PTA website at www.PTA.org and go to Rewards Programs and get all of the details. Now is a great time to plan an event that promotes learning and discussion on health issues. Registration deadline is September 11. START YOUR PLANNING TODAY!!

Denise Sultz,
2007-2009 Kansas PTA Health and Wellness Chair

NEW OFFICER FORM REMINDER!

Have you submitted the new officer form to the State PTA office with the officers for 2009-2010 school year? Again, this year, in order for your unit to receive the summer packet material – we will need this form turned. Don’t be left out, there is amazing information to help your unit grow and be even better than it already is!

A link for the form is available on the Kansas PTA website – front page –left hand side - www.kansas-pta.org. Please fax, email or mail this form to the Kansas PTA office today!
A nonprofit’s duty to its members, the community, and its donors, is significant and this should have strong consideration when determining whether to prosecute or not.

Fraud costs U. S. organizations over $400 billion annually. The average organization loses approximately 6 percent of its total annual revenue to these abuses.

**How do you prevent theft, fraud, and embezzlement?**

Every organization should have a strong system of internal controls. Internal controls are not only for large organizations; there are steps small organizations can take to protect their assets as well. They may not have enough volunteers or employees to maintain strict segregation of duties but internal controls are still possible. Without good internal controls it could take months to become aware of a problem.

**Internal controls**

* A process designed to provide reasonable assurance regarding-
  * Reliability of financial reporting
  * Effectiveness and efficiency of operations
  * Compliance with applicable laws and regulations

**Provide assurance that fraud will be –**

* Discovered on a timely basis
* Perpetrators will be identified
* Act as a strong deterrent to improper activities

**That loss will be –**

* Covered by insurance (lack of internal controls is grounds for denying insurance claims)

Steps to take to prevent fraud-

- Open and review the bank statements – someone independent of the check processing should receive the unopened bank statement and review the activity before passing it on to the person responsibility for the reconciliation.
- Reconcile bank accounts monthly - They should be completed monthly and presented to the executive committee, finance committee, or similar committee.
- Verify wire transfers – work with the bank to set-up a system of verifications of wire transfers.
- Counting cash - have a second person involved in verifying the cash count.
- Make daily bank deposits – it’s the organization’s money and they should have access to it as soon as possible.
- Review the accounts payable vendor list – review periodically for suspicious names and addresses.
- Protect checks – store checks in a secure area; **never pre-sign checks**; limit the number of check signers and bank accounts; use pre-numbered checks; watch for missing checks or checks used out of sequence; do not make checks payable to cash.
- Paying bills – requests for payment should be well documented; invoices should be marked paid; paid invoices with documentation should be filed timely; do not pay a photocopied invoice; do not pay an altered invoice; description of service on invoice should be clear and understandable; do not make unauthorized refunds.
- Preparing financial statements – financial information should always be timely and complete.
- Ask for proof of payment – if the organization has employees ask for proof of timely tax payments or other payments such as sales tax, incorporation fee.
- Ask for proof of filing – if the organization is required to file a Form 990 and/or other legal documents ask for proof of timely filing.
- Prepare a budget – use your budget as a control document for comparison to actual expenditures.

Don’t be afraid to ask questions. Don’t assume you are the only one that does not know the background of a
transaction. If you are a board member you have a fiscal responsibility for keeping the organization healthy and ongoing.

**What are some of the reasons fraud is not reported?**
- Many organizations fear the effects of negative publicity if they file an official report of insider theft.
- A nonprofit may be threatened with civil or criminal action by the offender for defamation, false arrest, violation of privacy, and more.
- In many cases the offender has children in the school and the organization may not want to cause them embarrassment.
- Concern for personal safety if the abuser becomes aggressive.

**What is the downside of not prosecuting?**
- This may set a precedent that causes additional fraud later on.
- It may create an environment that encourages fraud rather than deters fraud.
- This may cause loss of credibility and respect for the organization among the members, community, partners, and donors.
- This may void the insurance policy if it requires prosecution of theft.

**Impact of fraud**
- Financial loss
- Cost of investigation in actual dollars and time lost
- Lost opportunities
- Damaged reputation
- Damaged relationships with vendors, partners, members, community
- Loss of donors
- Litigation

Investigate all suspected fraud and decide if sufficient probable cause exists to prosecute. You may want to get an attorney involved from the beginning to make certain evidence of possible fraud is properly preserved. They can advise the organization on the likely success in civil court. They will be able to protect the organization from causing themselves more trouble from improper actions against the suspect by violating their civil rights.

Don’t be afraid to talk about fraud and make it well known that theft will not be tolerated and that prosecution may result. Promote safeguards to reduce incidences of fraud. And encourage people to come forward if they suspect irregularities.

**What are some of the action steps to consider should fraud occur?**
- Determine if insurance covers the loss.
- Consider whether to call the police.
- Consider whether to call the district attorney.
- Consider whether to meet with the individual.
- Consider whether repayment is sufficient.

Have a written policy with procedures describing how future incidences will be handled. Check the insurance policy before you have a problem to see if it requires prosecution in order to recover a loss. You should also check the policy to see if it will cover losses if you do not have written controls in place or what happens if the controls are not followed. Many times this is grounds for denying a claim. You may want to check your state law to see if there are provisions that you may want to incorporate in your policy.

**Specific to PTAs**

**Warning signs**
- Treasurer’s report delayed or non-existent
- Budget monitoring reports delayed (may be part of the treasurer’s report)
- Delayed deposit of cash receipts
- Missing supporting documents
- Multiple corrections to the cash book
- Checks bouncing when there should be sufficient cash
- Lifestyle or behavior changes of staff or volunteers

**What to do first if you suspect fraud or theft**
- Do not make accusations
- Risk management: determine what other access the suspect has, what other types of fraud schemes the suspect could have perpetrated, the likelihood of collusion, the possible duration of the schemes discovered
- Do not make accusations; document all allegations
- Gather facts, documents, interviews
- Identify all bank accounts involved and consider closing or freezing the accounts
- Follow steps in policy developed to cover such matters
- Contact the authorities
- Contact insurance company

Sharon Rakos,
2007-2009 Kansas PTA Treasurer

Marie Thomas,
2009-2011 Kansas PTA Treasurer
The Changing Face of Kansas Public Education – Broadcast will air statewide this September!

Kansas Learning First Alliance and KTWU TV 11 are collaborating on an important project! This September public broadcast stations across Kansas will air an exciting program focusing on the changing face of Kansas Public Education. The broadcast will involve three panels (parents, businesses and educators) and moderators to discuss this important topic. The first broadcast will occur simultaneously on all 3 Kansas PBS stations. The intent is to kickoff a statewide conversation on the changing face of public education in Kansas.

Be on the lookout for more information. The exact date of the statewide, simultaneous broadcast is still to be determined. Everyone concerned with this important topic is encouraged to organize a “watch party” and conduct their own community conversation. What a great way to kick off the 2009-2010 school year! Resources for these conversations will be available electronically.

Laura Kaiser
2007-2009 Kansas PTA Immediate Past President

2009–2010 Reflections Program Documents

Unfortunately Kansas PTA did not receive the Reflections documents prior to producing the Summer Packet. Since the distribution of the Summer Packet the Reflections documents have been made available.

Kansas PTA will be sending an email blast to all the Unit and Council Presidents with the documents attached. The units may then add these documents to the Summer Packet CD so all the valuable information the units need for the coming year are in one place.

You may also go to www.kansas-pta.org or www.pta.org to download these documents.

Beth Brown
2007-2009 Kansas PTA VP of Member Services

The Official PTA Kit—PTA’s Big Box of Possibilities

As of June 6th – 69 units have registered for The Official PTA Kit. If you are not one of those units please go to this website: http://www.pta.org/ptakit_register or call the PTA Information Center at (800) 307-4782 during regular business hours. You will need your unit ID number and confirm that you are authorized to order the kit for your unit.

You don’t want to miss out on this opportunity – the kit has wonderful information to help your unit get off to a good start – and it’s free – but there is a deadline to register for it. So make sure your unit isn’t left out.

For more details about the delivery and contents of The Official PTA Kit, go to PTA.org/OfficialKit.

The Official PTA Kit is available exclusively to PTAs in good standing.
Timber Creek PTA

Debbie Lawson, Kansas PTA President Elect installs Timber Creek Elementary PTA Board

Overland Park, Kansas - On March 26, 2009, members of the newly established Timber Creek Elementary PTA in the Blue Valley School District met to nominate and elect their first slate of officers. Debbie Lawson, Kansas PTA President-Elect, was on hand to preside over the election and installation of the new Timber Creek PTA Executive Board.

Timber Creek Elementary School is scheduled to open in August 2009. Dr. Pam Bakke has been named as the principal of the newest elementary school in the Blue Valley School District. The Timber Creek Elementary PTA Officers for the 2009-2010 school year are: Jennifer Boutte- President, Laura Fornelli- President Elect, Laura Butler- VP Ways & Means, Sheryll Gianino- Secretary, Sandy Johnson-Treasurer, Michelle Boerner- VP Volunteer & Membership, Gwynn Repp- VP Educational Programs & Activities, Julie Gettings- Treasurer Elect, and Jennifer Thomason- President Advisor.

Front Row: Debbie Lawson-Kansas PTA President Elect, Dr. Bakke-Timber Creek Principal, Julie Gettings- Treasurer Elect, Gwynn Repp-VP Educational Programs & Activities, and Laura Butler- VP Ways & Means. Back Row: Jennifer Boutte- President, Michelle Boerner- VPVolunteer & Membership, and Jennifer Thomason-President Advisor

Highland Park High School PTSA

Jan Long, Kansas PTA President installs Highland Park High School PTSA Board.

Topeka, KS - On April 21st, 2009, members of the newly established Highland Park High School PTSA in the Topeka USD #501 met to nominate and elect their first slate of officers. Jan Long, Kansas PTA President, was on hand to preside over the election and installation of the new Highland Park PTSA Executive Board.

Highland Park High School PTSA, Parent Teacher Student Association, is proud to announce their charter and first slate of officers. Highland Park High School PTSA organized in order to give additional support to students and staff through the PTA slogan “Every Child, One Voice”. PTA as the largest and oldest advocacy group for students is proud to welcome our newest PTSA in Topeka! The Highland Park PTSA officers are: Teresa White-President, Shanita Trice-Vice President, Janel Johnson-Treasurer, Deletha Kelly-Secretary.

Janel Johnson-Treasurer, Teresa White-President, Shanita Trice- Vice President, Deletha Kelly- Secretary & Jan Long-Kansas PTA President.

Chris Akin, Kansas PTA Region 6 Vice President
Forest View Elementary PTA

Debbie Lawson, Kansas PTA President Elect installs Forest View Elementary PTA Board

Olathe, Kansas - On May 14th, 2009, members of the newly established Forest View Elementary PTA in the Olathe School District met to nominate and elect their first slate of officers. Debbie Lawson, Kansas PTA President-Elect, was on hand to preside over the election and installation of the new Forest View PTA Executive Board.

Forest View Elementary School is scheduled to open in August 2009. Dr. Mark Heck has been named as the principal of the newest elementary school in the Olathe School District. The Forest View Elementary PTA Officers for the 2009-2010 school year are: Emily McBee- Co President, Teresa Kremer- Co President, Clarissa Hughes- 1st Vice President, Allison Hewitt- Secretary, Mae Draney- Treasurer, Shanita McAfee- VP of Ways & Means, Kathy Anderson- Vice President of Communications, Robin Dublin- Vice President of Membership & Amy Pace- Vice President of Advocacy.

Front row: Allison Hewitt- Secretary, Teresa Kremer- CoPresident, Debbie Lawson- Kansas PTA President Elect, Emily McBee- Co-President, Mae Draney- Treasurer, Dr. Heck- Principal. Back row: Shanita McAfee- VP of Ways & Means, Clarissa Hughes- 1st Vice President, Amy Pace- VP of Advocacy, Kathy Anderson- VP of Communications, Robin Dublin- VP of Membership

Membership Card Distribution

It’s that time of year again! In July your unit will receive membership cards for the 2009 – 2010 membership year. A new policy regarding the distribution was approved by the Board of Managers in February of this year. The following details the new policy.

- Each unit will receive an initial allotment of 100% of their membership cards based on the previous year’s membership (rounded up to the nearest 10). (i.e. if your unit turned in dues in 08-09 for 85 members, your unit will receive 90 membership cards for the 09-10 year.)
- After the initial allotment, if your unit requests more membership cards prior to October 1st of the current membership year, then your unit must have remitted dues for 50% of your initial allotment of cards for the current membership year. (i.e. if your unit received 90 cards in your initial allotment, then more cards are requested prior to October 1st, your unit must turn dues for 45 members prior to receiving the additional membership cards.)
- After the initial allotment, if your unit requests more membership cards after October 1st of the current membership year, then your unit must have remitted dues for 100% of your initial allotment of cards for the current membership year. (i.e. if your unit receive 90 cards in your initial allotment, then more cards are requested after October 1st, your unit must turn in dues for 90 members prior to receiving the additional membership cards.)
- Any additional membership cards that your unit requests, MUST NOT EXCEED MORE THAN 50% of membership dues submitted to the state office for the current membership year. (i.e. if you unit has turned in dues for 90 members, your unit cannot request more than 45 additional membership cards.)

These policies have been put in place because Kansas PTA receives an allotment of membership cards from National PTA at no charge, if Kansas PTA requests more cards from National PTA, there is a fee incurred.

Beth Brown
2007-2009 Kansas PTA Membership Chair

Shelly Pennington
2009-2011 Kansas PTA VP of Member Services
New Tool Kits available for Red Ribbon promotion

Kansas Family Partnership, Inc. and the Red Ribbon State Planning Committee have made celebrating Red Ribbon Week easy with the new Tool Kit, a bag filled with educational supplies. The Tool Kit will prepare Red Ribbon Coordinators in schools and communities with the necessary materials to celebrate Red Ribbon Week. The national campaign, Red Ribbon Week, promotes drug-free behavior and is celebrated October 23-31 annually.

Each Tool Kit includes enough materials to accommodate 25 students. Materials include a jump drive with materials that can be downloaded for duplication, a Red Ribbon Coordinator booklet, age appropriate brochures and/or coloring books, awareness bracelets, mechanical pencils, “Must Be 21” cards, red ribbons and double-sided tape, pledge cards and a DVD PowerPoint from the Kansas Traffic Safety Resource Office entitled “Ride Like A Friend...Drive Like You Care.” A folder will also be included with additional information.

The Tool Kit is available for purchase, for $25 each. For additional information and to order, contact Maria Torrez Anderson, Kansas Red Ribbon State Coordinator. Contact Maria at: mt Anderson@kansasfamily.com or (800) 206-7231.

Kansas Family Partnership is a highly-respected, non-profit organization that provides science-based alcohol, tobacco and drug prevention information and training opportunities for Kansas families and organization. Visit us online for more information about prevention resources and training opportunities at www.kansasfamily.com.

Do you know bout...afterschool?

Did you know....

More than 14 million school age children (25%) are on their own after school, including more than 40,000 kindergarteners. In Kansas, 35% of youth, 183,500 children, are unsupervised after school (Afterschool Alliance, 2004).

The hours between 3 p.m. and 6 p.m. are the peak hours for juvenile crime and experimentation with drugs, alcohol, cigarettes and sex (Fight Crime: Invest in Kids, 2002).

Out-of-school time is primetime for juvenile crime for those youth who do not have access to afterschool programs (Fox & Swatt, 2008).

Over three-quarters of Americans (76%) agree that members of Congress, state and local elected officials should increase funding for afterschool programs (Afterschool Alliance & Lake, Snell, Perry & Associates, Inc., 2008).

Did you know...

A compliment of early education and participation in afterschool programs can reduce initiating drug use among youth by nearly 50% while reducing the likelihood of them skipping school by half (Investing in Our Young People, University of Chicago, 2006).

Using evidence-based approaches were consistently successful in producing multiple benefits in youth, including improvements in children’s personal, social and academic skills, as well as their self-esteem (The Collaborative for Academic, Social, and Emotional Learning, 2007).

Seventeen concerned Kansas citizens, including three youth, attended the Afterschool Challenge in Washington, D.C. in April. Congressional visits were held with all Kansas legislators and support for afterschool was strong. Learn more about afterschool at www.kansasenrichment.net. Together, we can achieve affordable, quality afterschool programs for all!

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CIS and Kansas PTA

Communities In Schools of Kansas (CIS of Kansas) is a non-profit organization dedicated to providing students with the resources they need to stay in school and prepare for life. CIS affiliates bring services, programs, and activities to schools in a personalized, coordinated, and accountable way—allowing teachers to focus on teaching, and giving students a network for success.

Laura Kaiser, immediate past president of Kansas PTA, has served on the Board of Directors of CIS of Kansas for many years and has played an integral role in the development of the organization. Kaiser stated, “Communities In Schools is an outstanding program connecting community resources to ensure every child has access to the ‘five basics’: A one-on-one relationship with a caring adult, a safe place to learn and grow, a healthy start and a healthy future, a marketable skill to use upon graduation, and a chance to give back to peers and community.”

Parent involvement is one of the cornerstones of service delivery for CIS of Kansas. Parents become more involved with their children’s education and have a variety of school-related volunteer opportunities. CIS also provides important resources to parents through a partnership with the Kansas Parent Information Resource Center (KPIRC).

Parent involvement also includes activities like Parent/Child Game Night where families may work together to create a “Bucket List” of activities to do during the summer such as books to read to each other, places to visit, and projects to complete. At CIS of Ottawa, parents joined students for a lesson on anti-bullying put on by a magician. At CIS of Marion County, parents are participating in a seven-part series called Conscious Discipline that will help them effectively and compassionately manage their child’s behavior.

Communities In Schools is a national program that is proven to increase graduation rates, decrease dropout rates, and improve proficiency in fourth and eighth grade math and reading scores. Here in Kansas, CIS provides services for more than 25,800 students in 93 schools. Among tracked CIS students, 99% were promoted to the next grade, and 100% of potential dropouts stayed in school.

To learn more about CIS of Kansas, visit www.ciskansas.org.
Submitted by Communities in Schools of Kansas
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IMPORTANT DATES

Legislative Training
September 26, 2009
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