



The Flash

A NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL

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Next Week

AT PARK VILLAGE

Monday (9/22)

AUTUMN BEGINS / FAMILY DAY

Tuesday (9/23)

- 1:40 p.m., Early Dismissal

Wednesday (9/24)

- School Picture Day
Grades 2, 2/3, 3 and 4

Thursday (9/25)

- Lego League Applications DUE
- GATE Parent Meeting
6:30 p.m., MP Room

Friday (9/26)

NATIVE AMERICAN DAY

- "Fit Friday" - Walk to School
- Ice Cream Sales 3:20 p.m.

How Do You Say "NO" To Drugs????

Park Village will be celebrating **Red Ribbon Week October 6-10**. The purpose of this week is to raise awareness about drug use prevention across the country. To promote Red Ribbon Week this year, the PTA invites all students to think about what they would say if someone (a friend, stranger, acquaintance) were to offer them drugs/cigarettes/alcohol. Students should write down their best "one-liner" on a piece of paper, write their name, teacher and grade on the back and place it in the box in the office under the "Catch of the Day" bowls. Entries will be accepted **September 22nd-October 3rd**. The hope is that this activity will spark some dialogue at home and equip our kids with quick come-back lines and ways to say "no" to all sorts of things they might be faced with as they go out in the world.

Each student that submits a "one-liner" will receive a RR Week prize during RR Week and 3 lucky Penguins will be randomly chosen to receive an additional prize. Be sure to look for YOUR one-liner posted around campus starting October 6th. Questions? Contact Ann Misuraca, Community Concerns Chair, at 484-8444 or annmizz@san.rr.com.



Penguin Patrol Volunteers NEEDED

Morning Penguin Patrol needs volunteers to help keep traffic flowing smoothly in the parking lot during the morning drop-off. The commitment is minimal, but greatly needed! Two volunteers are needed per morning Monday through Friday from 8:35-8:55 a.m.

If you are interested please contact Ralph Simon at ralphsimon2006@yahoo.com.

VONS Receipt Collection and Grocery Club Card Program

By Cindy Zalar, Grocery Club Card Program Chair

Once again I am amazed by the overwhelming number of VONS receipts the school has received in response to our request! As mentioned in the last *Flash*, the receipt collection for VONS has been extended until **October 12th**! We will continue to raffle 4 prizes every Friday until the 12th so please remember to ask friends, neighbors, and family members for their receipts. Please put your child's name and teacher or room number, so we can identify who has won the latest prize!

Also, we are now collecting Ralphs and Albertsons numbers as part of our Grocery Club Card program. All you need to do is fill in the form below and turn it in to your child's teacher along with the VONS receipts, and I will do all the work! Once signed up, every time you shop at any one of these stores 4% goes right back to our school! Last year we made almost \$8000. Please help us to reach our goal of \$10,000 this year! Thanks so much for your continued help and support of the Park Village PTA and the education of your child!

Grocery Club Cards (return to your child's teacher)

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

VONS Card # _____

Albertsons Card # _____

Ralphs Card # _____



Your Support Is Needed For Art, Music, Science & Technology!

By Greg Seckington, PVEEF VP - Public Relations

The Park Village Elementary Educational Foundation (PVEEF) is holding its annual **Penguin Pledge Drive**. So far the contributions received reflect the care and generosity of our school community, but we need your continued support! Our goal is to raise **\$100 per student** to fund programs like:

- * Meet the Masters and Arts Attack art programs
- * Coach Mark's physical fitness and education
- * Mr. Hodge's music classes
- * Science Nights for each grade level
- * Library resources
- * Classroom technology like computers, document cameras, etc.

Contributions are tax deductible! You can write a check payable to "PVEEF" and send it to the school, or for your convenience **visit our website at <http://www.powayusd.com/pusdpves/pveef/donations.asp> to give via credit card**. You can even spread your gift out over **10 months** in regular installments. And don't forget to check with your employer for their matching gift program!

Thank you in advance for supporting the best education possible for our kids!





Reflections Update

By Denise Falkenthal, Reflections Chair

More than 70 students attended the Reflections Workshop on Tuesday, September 9... way to go Penguins!! Thank you to Kim Wilkins, Cat Cusack, Kim Hansen, Birgit Neukirch, Leah Fung and Jennifer Myers for helping with the workshops. Additional thanks go to Jennifer Myers, Janet Shalinsky, Kelly Lasho and Annette Inouye for giving our aspiring artists some helpful hints when creating their masterpieces. Last, but not least, I'd like to thank Ms. Sanchez, Ms. Palin, Ms. Morales and Ms. Fredrick for the use of their classrooms.

Entries will be collected **Thursday, October 2 from 8:15-9:00 a.m. in the Multipurpose Room.** I look forward to seeing your creations!



Park Village Penguins Lego League Teams!

We are excited to announce that, after a successful inaugural year last year, Park Village will participate in the Lego League robotics tournament again this year - www.firstlegoleague.org! We have received donations from BAE Systems, Gary & Lande Real Estate, Family Karate, Crawford Insurance Agency & Mario Alberti, DDS. We are looking for enthusiastic, creative students who want to explore science and technology. Applications are in the school office, and include more detailed information. They must be received back in the office on or before **Thursday, September 25th**. Contact Cathy Rongey at crongey@san.rr.com if you have questions.

SMILE

for Picture Days!

School picture day is this Wednesday, Sept. 24th for grades preschool, 2, 2/3, 3 and 4. Bring your smiles!



FIT FRIDAY

Attention all Park Village Penguins! Keep your heart healthy and save gas! **It's Fit Friday on Sept. 26.** Walk or ride your bike to school and earn a catch!

It's Almost Time For Park Village PTA Family Portrait Days!

By Beth Kiernan, VP Ways and Means

Update those family portraits just in time for beautiful holiday cards. Reserve your outdoor sitting for the **weekend of November 1-2**. Portraits will be taken in town in a beautiful park setting. Your family will enjoy a professional photography session with Sunset Hills parent and professional photographer Shannon Dickson. Check out her portfolio and book your session online at www.shannonsdigitalphotography.com. Just click on "Schedule" and be sure to book your appointment before October 15th to receive the special discounted sitting fee of only \$20 (all of which is donated directly to Park Village PTA)! Shannon's full-service website allows for online booking, portrait viewing and ordering. You'll find her prices very reasonable.



Did You Know?

Source: PUSD Nutrition Nuggets

There's one vitamin that's best obtained outside. It's vitamin D, an important nutrient for growth and development. The best way to get vitamin D is from sunlight, so make sure your kids spend some time outdoors each week. Other sources include milk or cereal fortified with vitamin D, salmon, tuna fish, and eggs.

Celebrate Family Day on Monday, September 22, 2008!

Family Day -- A Day to Eat Dinner with Your Children -- is a national movement to inform parents that the parental engagement fostered during frequent family dinners is an effective tool to help keep America's kids substance free. Family Day reminds parents that Dinner Makes A Difference!

California State PTA and National PTA are pleased to be partners in promoting this day. Maria Shriver, California's First Lady, is the Honorable Chair for this event in California. For more information about this event visit <http://casafamilyday.org>.



Entertainment Book Sales Continue

Entertainment books are available to purchase for \$20 or \$40. Please turn in the form below and a check made out to PVPTA or cash to the office. Books will be delivered to the classroom. If you have any questions, contact Debra Schmidt at dschmid4@san.rr.com.

Entertainment Book Order Form

Student's Name: _____

Teacher: _____ Rm # _____

_____ # of Value Books @ \$20 each

_____ # of Entertainment Books @ \$40 each

_____ Total Books _____ Total Paid

Cub Scouts Is All About Fun!

Cub Scout Pack 675 will have its first meeting on **Tuesday, Sept. 23rd at 7 p.m.** in the Park Village MP Room. All parents and children are invited to attend. We will have activities for the children and handouts explaining all about Cub Scouts.

Cub Scout Dens generally meet 1-2 times per month for one hour, usually at one of the scout's homes. A Den consists of 5-10 boys all in the same grade, and at least 2 adults. Cub Scouts work on specific crafts, develop skills, and work on skits and songs during the den meeting. Parents are always welcome and encouraged to attend Den meetings. Pack Meetings occur once a month and have award ceremonies, games and usually involve a special activity.

Please visit our meeting and find out what scouting is all about! For more info, contact Steve Schmidt at (858) 220-2572 or Steven.L.Schmidt@saic.com.

New Fliers on the PV Rack:

(located outside the office)

- ◆ Poway Valley Gymnastics
- ◆ Rancho Family YMCA
- ◆ SD Park & Recreation Department: Fall 2008 Programs & Events
- ◆ Southern California Youth Ballet Presents *The Nutcracker*

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