

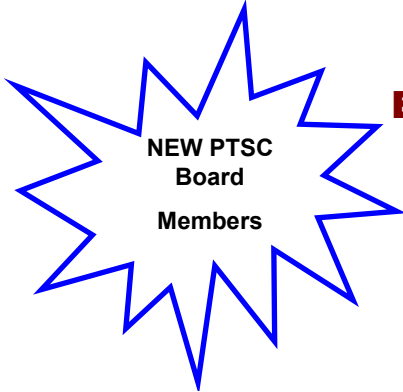
# EAGLES LANDING

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As you can imagine, to meet all our goals, we need AC-TIVE participation. We hope that you can find the time to become an active involved member of our school community. Studies have shown that when parents get involved in their children's education, grades go up, test scores increase, there are few discipline issues and children are more likely to succeed in their academic future.

## END OF THE YEAR...PTSC NEWS!

Won't you join us? Becoming active is really easy and it makes a difference! With that said, we'd like to introduce our 2011-2012 PTSC board members serving the next school year.

President- Vacant

Vice President- Shannon D'Anna

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Duluth Campus: Andrea Davis

Norcross Campus: Paulina Lee



## SPELLING BEE CHAMPIONS

### First Grade

1st Place: Kevin Calahan

2nd Place: Sky Hunt

3rd Place: Imani Waruiru

### Second Grade

1st Place: Neel Reddy

2nd Place: George Schlicker

3rd Place: Raven Toney

### Third Grade

1st Place: Alex Wright

2nd Grade: Annika

3rd Place: Matthew Bong

## Scholastic Warehouse Sale!



Scholastic is having a customer appreciation warehouse sale the biggest sale of the year on Thursday May, 19-21 at the Gwinnett Center at 6400 Sugarloaf Parkway in Duluth. The sale starts Thursday and the hours are from 9 a.m. -t p.m. Thursday thru Friday and 9 a.m.-3 p.m. on

Saturday. For more information, please call 800-241-1448. This is a great opportunity to get your summer reading books at a very low cost.

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### Special points of interest:

- May 18-20: Rock Eagle Field Trip (Grades4-6)
- May 24: Kindergarten Graduation I
- May 27: Last Day of School

**HAVE A GREAT SUMMER!**



## Teacher Appreciation Week—Appreciated

As a new teacher at New Life Academy, my first Teacher Appreciation Week was an extra special event! Although the parents of New Life Academy have always made me feel appreciated, Teacher Appreciation Week really brought that fact into focus. Receiving a surprise every day made me smile; I found myself looking forward to what each day would bring. I also really enjoyed the delicious dinner

that the PTSC put together for us. Additionally, I really found myself feeling very thankful for the extra hugs and smiles from my students throughout the week; they too seemed to know that something special was in the air. I know that we are a part of a great team here at New Life, one which consists of our parents, our staff, and our students. I also believe that one week isn't enough to express my

appreciation for that support! So, I want to say thank you to everyone for making Teacher Appreciation Week — as well as this whole year—so meaningful.

Yours truly,

Wai Siak  
Kindergarten teacher  
Norcross Campus

“An event like Earth Day, can only further one's inspiration to live green”.

## Did You Miss Kids Fest Earth Day?

Those who came out to last month's *Earth Days Kids Fest* at the Chattahoochee Nature Center had a day of wonderful weather and outdoor fun! The festival was an exciting hands-on, environmental education experience where our youth were encouraged to take the first steps in becoming environmental stewards. There were engaging activities

and performances for kids of all ages including up-close, live animal presentations such as of the Great Horned Owl, learning about gardens and planting their own seed, and canoeing on Beaver Pond. NLAE families met midday in the picnic area for lunch and fellowship. An event like Earth Day, can only further one's inspiration to live green. -A. Taylor



## Summer Child Care Available

If you are looking for summer care for your children please consider supporting one of our fellow NLAE parents. Summer Fun with “Miss Mandi” allows your children to enjoy their summer vacation with lots of fun in the sun, free play, educational and creative activities, and a loving environment! Miss Mandi has

been a full time nanny for the past seven years. A devoted mother of three, children are her passion and she strives to give them an environment that will become like their second home. Hours of operation are Monday-Friday 8 a.m.–5p.m. (extended hours are available); \$90 Weekly rate. For more information contact:

“Miss Mandi”  
mandi.banks@yahoo.com



## NLAE's Student Community Service Club

The New Life Action Eagles, NLAE's student community service club, recently presented a week of education and fundraising focused on diabetes awareness and making healthy lifestyle decisions. Members of the club visited classrooms at both campuses to present information about making sensible nutrition choices. They did a great job and we

thank the teachers for welcoming them into their classrooms. On Friday, the Duluth campus also hosted an educational assembly regarding active and healthy living. In addition, to the educational activities, the Action Eagles had a Wacky Week fundraiser during which students from both campuses could dress out of uniform for a donation of \$1.00 per day. We

had great participation from both campuses and raised \$1500 which will be donated to national and local organizations that help to fight diabetes and promote healthy lifestyle choices for children. Thank you to all of the students, parents, teachers, and staff that made our first community service project a great success!  
-J. Wurschinger



## Your PTSC Dollars at Work

We do many wonderful things as a PTSC. Some of our accomplishments and activities this year include the purchase of:

- Document cameras
- Middle School Science Equipment
- Bulletin Boards
- 1st grade Social Studies Curriculum Supplements

- Chairs for Kindergarten reading tables
- Playground equipment

We also sponsored events such as:

- Winter Snow Ball Dance
- Chinese New Year Program
- Earth Day Kids Fest
- Teacher and Staff

- Appreciation Week
- Field Trips

It is our hopes to continue the PTSC legacy by meeting the needs of our school community. Please make sure you join PTSC and continue to support our events because without YOU there is no US!



## 2nd Graders Have Done it Again...

The 2nd grade students and teachers were able to raise \$2,500 to fund their entire field trip to the Wild Animal Safari in Pine Mountain, GA. Their goal has always been to alleviate the pressure of parents coming out of pocket and through parental partnerships, they were able to raise enough money within a weeks time.

Thanks to all the parents who assisted with the lemonade and fruit sale during carpool. Just ask any 2nd graders who experienced the joy of earning the money -if the reward was worth it!

A Special thanks to the PTSC for helping fund their first field trip to Telus Museum.—H. Brown



**PTSC BOARD MEMBERS**

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Please feel free to email any  
questions to [nlae.ptsc@gmail.com](mailto:nlae.ptsc@gmail.com)

**Did You Know PTSC is Moving?**

To accommodate those parents wishing to buy and sell gently used uniforms, the PTSC Yahoo Group will remain active through the end of May. Effective June 1, 2011, this account will be deactivated. In order to better communicate with parents, we are shifting to Groupvine Parent Express. Please register at [https://www.groupvine.com/ptsc\\_nlae/@@registration](https://www.groupvine.com/ptsc_nlae/@@registration). In order to be effective, we need to use one source of communication.

**Need to Keep the Kids Busy this Summer?**



The school year is coming to a close and our children will be out of school for three months— yes people three months! What are we going to do? When school lets out, children sometime think summer should be non stop fun but the reality is that most of us adults don't get the summer off. PTSC has come up with a solution just for you! We have listed

resources of activities and events for you to enjoy. We can't take full credit as many of these ideas were either lifted from websites or highlighted from a document created by a NLAE parent— Donna Blanton. She created a fine document with summertime fun ideas that are mostly free. Visit the PTSC page for the a copy. Due to the vast amount of information, we can't highlight everything, however, we encourage you to visit the website. Please refer to the links below for a complete compilation of activities.

Summer Activities  
<http://www.fieldtripswithsue.com>

Need things to do around the

house? Summer Tub of Fun is a collection of things found around the house for creating crafts. Supplies for the tub can range from pipe cleaner, glitter, and recycled items to tissue paper, cotton balls and beads. Plastic bags help keep similar things stored together and everything organized. Place the bagged items in a tub and store in a location that children can access at their leisure. I

Someone once said, "In the past, our parents had lots of desire with little opportunity. Now today's youth have lots of opportunity but very little desire". The best motivator in your house is YOU! Get your children in some type of activity even if they don't