

PENINSULA DISTRICT PTA

DIRECTOR'S CORNER ~ Melissa Nehrbass

Thank goodness we have finally come into some warmer weather. I was beginning to feel we were never going to have spring. Hopefully you are closing out your PTA business for the year and units are holding elections and installations for officers for next year. Peninsula District has just what you need. **FREE TRAINING!!**

This time of year is so busy for all parents with sports and end of year festivities. I know how hard it is to add anything to your calendar. You may have already made the ultimate commitment to serve as a member of your PTA board for next year and the time that will take. Therefore, I totally understand how hard it is to take an evening to come out for PTA training but I promise in the long run, it will save you lots of time in the future.

During training we give you the tricks and trade secrets we have learned over many years of PTA involvement. We help you to understand the paperwork that is required to be filed along with the how and where to find resources to make your PTA stronger and better at meeting the needs of our children. We also try to throw in a little fun and of course the opportunity to network with fellow volunteers - just like you.

Please take the time to go through this newsletter and fill out the required registration form. You can register onsite but we cannot promise we will have handouts for those not pre-registered. Dinner is optional and provided as a convenience for those attending that may not have time to get dinner before coming. Therefore, you must register in advance for meals as we will only provide for those with advance orders. It is a great time to network with other leaders in attendance.

Thank you all for everything you do for the children in our area. I know you have all worked very hard as advocates and supporters for education on the Peninsula. Most areas will have some local elections in May. I encourage you to educate yourself on the candidates for office and then to fulfill your civic duty and go **VOTE!**

Melissa
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"If you aren't lighting any candles, don't complain about the dark."

SAVE THE DATE

June 5, 2014 FREE Peninsula District PTA Training

Yorktown Middle School – 5:30pm

July 10-12, 2014 Virginia PTA Annual Conference Training/Business Meeting

Richmond Marriott
Check vapta.org for more information

Special points of interest:

- Annual Conference Registration is Now Open! (pg 2)
- Peninsula District PTA Annual Training (pg. 3-6)

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2014 DISTRICT DINNER A SUCCESS

The annual meeting event was held on Thursday, March 27, 2014 at Jamestown High School in Williamsburg, VA.

Scott Rhyne, Virginia PTA Secretary, was in attendance to bring greetings from the Virginia PTA Board of Managers. Greetings from the Williamsburg/James City Council Public Schools were given by Dr. Steven Constantino.

The delegates elected the 2014-2016 officers for the Peninsula District PTA. The following individuals have agreed to serve;

- Melissa Nehrbass, District Director
- Glenda Evans, Assistant District Director (representing Hampton Council District)
- Faith Gilliam, Secretary/Treasurer (representing Newport News Council District)

Volunteer of the Year winners for both Elementary and Secondary were announced and we celebrated our student Citizenship Essay Award winners and our Reflections Arts Program winners.

Many thanks to the Williamsburg/James City County Council of PTAs and Jamestown High School for hosting us at this wonderful event. Remember attendance at this annual event is a legitimate PTA expense. Make sure to budget for this event in your 2014-2015 budgets.

2014 VIRGINIA PTA ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Early Bird Registration for the 2014 Virginia PTA Annual Conference is now open. Visit the Annual Conference webpage for all the conference information and to save MONEY, Register Now! Don't forget hotel reservations - use the convenient link on the webpage for \$99 plus tax/night rooms at the Richmond Marriott - Downtown.

Visit Virginia PTA's website at <http://vapta.org/events/annual-conference.html>.

REGISTRATION

Early Bird - until 11:55pm May 24	\$125
Regular - May 25 until 11:55pm June 18	\$150
Late - June 19 until 11:55pm July 1	\$200
One Day - until 11:55pm June 18	\$85
One Day - June 19 until 11:55pm July 1	\$100
On-Site - July 2 and after	\$200
Boot Camp	\$45
Student	\$75

leadership
 dedication motivation discipline
 excellence drive heart passion

Step Up
 Leadership
 Students
 Teachers
 Train
 Leadership
 Reflections
 Communicate

Virginia
PTA
 "everychild deserves"

Stand Up
 Diversity Passion
Start Up

Educate
 Parents
 Empower
 Advocate
 Leadership

TEAM UP!
 2014 Annual Conference Richmond, Virginia
 Volunteers Voice Motivate Lead Up
Speak Up children Membership

CONNECT WITH US!

Peninsula District PTA recognizes there are many forms of communication to reach our members and we want to be able to communicate efficiently and effectively. So remember to logon and either sign up for our 'News Flash' on our webpage or 'Like' us on Facebook.

Ways to stay informed and updated on all things PTA:

Peninsula District PTA Webpage - <http://worknotes.com/VA/Peninsula/PeninsulaDistrictPTA/h6.stm>

Peninsula District PTA Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/PeninsulaDistrictPTA>

Virginia PTA Webpage - <http://vapta.org/>

Virginia PTA Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/VirginiaPTA>

Virginia PTA Twitter - <https://twitter.com/VirginiaPTA>

National PTA Webpage - <http://pta.org/>

National PTA Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/ParentTeacherAssociation>

National PTA Twitter - <https://twitter.com/NationalPTA>

You can also find useful videos on YouTube and Pinterest. Check us out. PTA is here for YOU!



PENINSULA DISTRICT PTA TRAINING

Welcome Leaders! Our number one priority is to provide volunteer leaders, across the district, with the knowledge and skills they need to be successful in their role within PTA. Access to quality educational resources is a key component in supporting this success, as well as continuing to build strong Local PTAs.

There is no cost to attend our upcoming training; unless you order dinner. Anyone is welcome to attend any training regardless of their current PTA position. Attending workshops is an important part of becoming a responsible and informed leader.

The following pages will provide you information on how to register, deadlines and workshop offerings.

Whether you are remaining in your position – incoming or outgoing board member, please be sure to share this important information with all board members. This is a legitimate PTA expense.



PENINSULA DISTRICT TRAINING INFORMATION

Peninsula District PTA Training - *FREE* (Registration required)

Thursday, June 5, 2014 5:00 P.M.

Yorktown Middle School, 11201 George Washington Memorial Highway, Yorktown, VA

Save this sheet for reference the evening of the event

Training Materials will be available online after May 25, 2014

Please print a copy and bring the copy with you if you want the materials. They will not be provided at the workshops.

Training Session One:

President's Training: Part I - I'm elected, what do I do now? Learn the answers to this and many more of your questions. Learn how to effectively and efficiently run your PTA.

Treasurer's Training: Part I - The ABC's of being a Treasurer, Audits, Budgets, and Controls. Learn about regulations and requirements of safeguarding PTA funds

Secretary Training - Do your minutes contain the information you really need? Understand the importance of concise, accurate records.

Membership - Basics of how to run a successful membership campaign. Learn efficient ways to run your program and important dates to remember.

Reflections - Get all the information on the basics of running a successful Reflections program in your school.

Building an Electronic Presence - Presentation on website, social media, eNewsletters.

Training Session Two:

President's Training: Part II - continued

Treasurer's Training: Part II - continued

Bylaws Training - A quick session for revisions or amending your unit's bylaws.

Reflections – Repeat of Session One

PTA Programs - Creative and effective programs

Save this sheet for reference. Please mail in registration form (page 3). If purchasing a meal, please send payment and page 4. Meal Order Form MUST BE POSTMARKED/RECEIVED by May 28th. Training questions, contact: Glenda Evans, Peninsula Assistant District Director 619-602-0819 or glendaпта@aol.com. We look forward to seeing you there!

Peninsula District Training Event Dinner Orders

EVENT DATE: JUNE 5, 2014

This is a legitimate PTA expense

Deadline May 28, 2014 (Postmarked)

Our training event is free, however, as a courtesy to our attendees, if you would like a boxed dinner from Jason's Deli, you MAY purchase one by mailing in this form along with your PTA or personal check payable to Virginia PTA in the amount of \$10.00. You are not required to purchase a meal to attend. Deadline for this order form to be postmarked is: May 28, 2014

Please write the attendees name and their meal preference below and mail (may be mailed with registration form on page 3 if you wish) to: Glenda Evans, Peninsula Assistant District Director, 114 Pine Creek Drive, Hampton, VA 23669. You may also email the information to Glenda at glendaпта@aol.com.

Boxed dinner choices from Jason's Deli

Select one per attendee

- **Sandwich Box (Sandwich, Chips, Pickle, Chocolate Chip Cookie)**
 - Oven-Roasted Turkey Breast
 - Premium Ham
- **Garden Wrap (Organic wheat wrap w/organic field greens, guacamole, pico, cucumbers, red & yellow bell peppers, asiago w/balsamic vinaigrette (Baked chips, pickle, seasonal fruit)**

Local PTA Unit Name: _____

Attendee Name: _____

Choice: _____

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Attendee Name: _____

Choice: _____

TOTAL NUMBER OF MEALS: _____ X \$10.00 PER MEAL = \$ _____ (TOTAL ENCLOSED)

*Deadline for meal orders is May 28, 2014

All Questions regarding purchase of meal can be directed to Glenda Evans at [619] 602-0819 or via email: glendaпта@aol.com

