



HAWK TALK

HIGHLAND OAKS PTSA'S WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Highland Oaks
Parent Teacher Student Association

PTSA

May 12, 2010

Upcoming Events at Highland Oaks

- May 12** Honorary Service Awards, MPR, 7:00pm
- May 18** PTSA Meeting; 8:45am; MPR
- May 20** *Open House*
- May 21** "Cirque du Highland Hawks" Carnival
- May 25 & 27** Movie Ticket Distribution, front of MPR, 8:15 - 8:45 and 2:15 - 2:45
- May 28** *Minimum Day, Report Card Data*
- May 31** *No School, Memorial Day Holiday*

Designing Dads 15th Annual Fundraiser



Successful Thanks to You!

Friday, April 23rd was our school's 15th Annual Designing Dads Performing Arts Fundraiser. The event held at the Santa Anita Race Track's Chandelier Room was well attended with close to 200 guests. Parents and teachers alike enjoyed lively entertainment by Big Band Theory, scrumptious food and irresistible silent and live auction items. Thanks to the generous support of our community, over \$61,000 was raised for our school's amazing performing arts program. These funds will not only pay for the salaries of our very talented music teachers and cultural field trips for all grade levels but will also support other valuable programs at our school as well: Book Battle, Foundations in Art and the Caring Community Program. Heartfelt thanks for your support in making this year's fundraiser so successful!

Designing Dads Committee

HOPTSA President Posting

Last PTSA Meeting of the Year May 18th

Join us for our final Association meeting of 2009-2010 on Tuesday, May 18th in the Multi-Purpose Room at 8:45am. If you are interested in becoming more involved next year, or just want to find out more about what HOPTSA does for our school, this meeting is a great opportunity for you to do so. We will be discussing program options for next year. Come share what is important to you and your child at Highland Oaks and the direction you would like to see PTSA go in the future. Everyone is welcome!

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Scrip of the Week



Outback Steak House

Offered in increments of \$25

5% of your purchase comes back to Highland Oaks

See Mrs. Barrett in the office to order SCRIP

Highland Oaks PTSA needs you!



The following is a list of programs that HOPTSA needs your help to run next year. Please take a look at the list and let me (Amy Stone at amykstone@sbcglobal.net; 446-5899) or any HOPTSA board member know if you are interested in helping with a program for 2010-2011. If you have questions or want to know more about a program, please don't hesitate to ask. There will also be a box in the office if you would like to write your name, contact information and the name of the program which interests you and drop it in the box. I will contact you to answer any questions you may have.

Thank you!

COMMITTEE

Honorary Service
Installation (for the new HOPTSA board)
Teacher Appreciation
Rockin' Recess
Rolling Readers
Family Reading Nights
Friends of the Library
Orientation (for new parents)
Kindergarten Welcome Wagon
First Day Coffee
Generations Day
Book Fair
Fifth Grade Party
Fifth Grade Yearbook
Family Fun Nights
Carnival
Reflections
Foundations in Art
Green Circle

Talent Show
Literacy Week Liaison
Hawk Talk
HOPTSA.com
Directory
List-Serv
Hawk Walk
Direct Donation Fundraiser
Movie Tickets
Restaurant Nights
Student Store
A.E.F. Liaison (also coordinates e-scrip)
Child Health Council
Red Ribbon Week
Red Cross Drive
Can You Help Food Drive
HOPTSA Membership Drive
Legislation

"Foundations in Art" Celebrates Student Creativity! HO Artists Shine at District Art Fair, Open House Art Show

Spring is the season for celebrating art at Highland Oaks! Our school participated with an impressive display at the annual AUSD Art Fair (launched on April 16) which showcases selected artworks from all Arcadia schools. Highland Oaks contributed more than 100 pieces, the largest group district-wide. The artworks on display represent all grade levels (including some spectacular work from the Special Aide program!) and the whole spectrum of the "Foundations in Art" curriculum. We congratulate all talented students who are representing their school so beautifully. Special kudos to the four recipients of this year's Superintendent's Art Awards: Evan Nelson (K), Maggie Sun (1st), Daniella Rodriguez (4th), Melinda Zhao (5th)

The exhibit is on view at the Arcadia Public Library until Sunday, May 16. Invitations to all participants were sent to the classrooms, and each will receive a Certificate of Recognition for their participation.

All Highland Oaks families are invited to visit the **annual School Art Show on Open House night, in the Multi-Purpose Room**. Come enjoy a panorama of student creativity, as materialized through the HOPTSA art docent program! This will also be an opportunity to buy a copy of the Highland Oaks Community Cookbook, featuring illustrations by this year's graduating 5th grade students.

We are grateful to all dedicated art docents and aides who make "Foundations in Art" possible. This is a program that inspires and touches every student at our school. The children love it!

Lauren Hinds, Marianna Nikolaidou and Lisa Senft
Chairs, "Foundations in Art"