

COUNCIL MESSAGES

HAMILTON COUNTY COUNCIL of PTAs

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Issue 1

October 21 HCC Program

Hot Topics in Education

Our speaker will be Mr. Bill Bogdan,
Assistant Superintendent at HCESC

10:00 a.m. at the HCESC

November 18th HCC Program

Internet Safety

Presenter will be a Hamilton County
Sheriff. Please send questions prior to
the meeting, so the deputy will be able to
present this topic effectively for us.

bfsing@cinci.rr.com

NOTE: this is an evening meeting starting
at 7 pm at the HCESC

MEMBERSHIP UPDATE

Thank you for doing such a great job on Membership last year. Our Council Units received a lot of awards, most of them given out at our annual Executive Luncheon. I hope you were there to accept the applause when your school's awards were announced.

We especially want to acknowledge and congratulate again **WILSON ELEMENTARY IN FOREST HILLS**. They received a new award, initiated by National PTA in the 2008-2009 school year, called the Phoebe Apperson Hearst Partnership Award to celebrate PTAs that are working to achieve the National Standards for Family-School partnerships. This award was presented to six PTAs throughout the nation, each representing the best in one of the six National Standards. Wilson was one of the six winners. Their award was for "Collaborating with the Community." We are proud to have them in our Council.

Now we move ahead to a new school year. We already have 10 schools who have achieved 100% Teacher membership. They are **Springmyer Elem., Bridgetown Middle, Bevis Elem., Crosby Elem., J. F. Dulles Elem., Delshire Elem., Delhi Middle, Colerain Elem., Monfort Heights Elem. and Rapid Run Middle**. Congratulations to all of them for getting us off to a great start. Please notify your Area Advisor or myself when you achieve this goal. We give out this award at each of our general meetings.

Please remember that November 30 is the deadline for membership to be sent in to Ohio PTA in order to be a PTA in good standing. Please remember your Council dues also. If you miss this date, your school will not be eligible to participate in Reflections or any of the Ohio PTA or Council Scholarships awarded this year.

Hopefully, you have created a Membership team to work on your drive and be sure to get help by using your Membership Handbook for ideas. Membership cards are distributed through the Ohio PTA office and you should have received the amount of cards equal to your Membership total of last year. REMEMBER – make sure you give a Membership card to each member and HAVE A GREAT MEMBERSHIP YEAR.

Carol Kiradjieff carolchili@fuse.net
HCC Membership Chair

PTA Take Your Family to School Week is February 7 – 13, 2010, so it's time to start planning your events. And don't forget to put together your application for the \$1897 Awards. For additional information, please call or e-mail the National PTA, 800-307-4PTA or info@pta.org

Reflections Theme Search for the 2011-2012 program. The student who submits the winning entry will receive \$100 and their theme will be presented at the 2010 National PTA Convention. Contact Ohio PTA at 800-699-6628 for deadline instructions



CONGRATULATIONS TO COUNCIL'S 2009 OUTSTANDING EDUCATORS

Elizabeth Curran
Bobbie Fairfax School
Hamilton Cty Bd. of Mental Retardation &
Developmental Disabilities

Kristin McGuire
Ann Weigel Elementary
Northwest Local School District

They were honored at the Executive Luncheon, receiving a plaque and subscription to the NPTA Magazine, Our Children.



Do you know what time it is?

IT'S EDUCATOR OF THE YEAR TIME !!!

Units, that means it's time to start your process for selecting your nominee for your district's Educator of the Year. Each of our seven school districts will submit one nominee to be their district's Educator of the Year. Each educator will be honored at the Hamilton County Council of PTAs Evening Dessert Meeting in April. Your Area Advisor will receive the nomination form and an instruction letter at Council's October 14 meeting. The nominations are due back to council by the March 10, 2010 meeting; *however*, your Area Advisor may set an earlier deadline to be turned in at the district level. So get your committee together. Solicit nominations from parents, staff and students. Make your selection and then submit your nominee to your Area Advisor. (Please check with your Area Advisor for any additional directions.) If you have any questions, please call either your Area Advisor or myself. Good Luck!

Linda Day, 352-6948 (w), Outstanding Council Educator Chairman



Council is proud to award scholarships for students and educators from the PTA units which are members of Council. All Council PTA units are encouraged to make an annual contribution to any or all of the scholarship funds. Please send contributions early so that scholarship amounts may be determined. Any donations received before February 15, 2010 will be applied to this year's awards. Please make checks payable to:
Hamilton County Council of PTAs Scholarship Fund.
Send donations to

Ms. Rosalind King, Council Treasurer
11616 Willowcrest Court
Cincinnati, OH 45251

Please mark your calendars: scholarship information will become available the first week in January. The deadline for scholarship submissions will be in early March.



Hamilton County Council of PTA's has a variety of pins available which are great for saying "thanks". There are PTA board position pins, earrings, key chains, cookbooks, and PTA note cards also. Prices vary from \$2 to \$5 Contact Lori Mueller, Ways & Means Chairman for information at

lmuller@fuse.net or 367-1069.

Did you know that HCC has a website? Check it out to get the HCC PTA information you need.
www.HCCPTAs.org

Don't forget to vote!

November 3rd