

The Wood Word

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Welcome Back From The President



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Upcoming Events

- First PTA Meeting
Wed. Sept. 11
@7:00 p.m. in the
Media Center
- Rosh Hashanah -
No School Thurs.
Sept. 13
- Back to School
Night - Sept. 20 @
7:00 p.m.
- Fall Fundraiser
Sept. 8th-28th

Welcome to the 2007-2008 school year at E. B. Wood. It's going to be a great year. I wish my 8th grade son were entering 6th grade this year so he could experience the full benefits of the new computerized white boards. If you haven't seen them yet, you are in for a treat. My son came home from school with his friends, and they said, "school was fun, and the white boards made learning much more interesting". Wow!!! I am grateful to be the PTA President at this time. It will be fascinating to see teaching evolve with this 21st century technology. Dr. Foose worked very hard to make sure Wood was a pilot school for the Middle School Initiative. I'm looking forward to working with her and the staff this year.

Please consider joining the PTA. There is a lot going on this year, and I hope you will enjoy many of the events we have planned. Each PTA member will get a free directory. Our PTA and the Wood staff have been working together on many positive changes for our children. There will be Parent Academy classes, a Study Circles Program, Kathryn Beich Fundraiser, The Family Fall Fling Oct. 12, RADAC (Rockville Alcohol and Drug Awareness), NAACP Get Together, Restaurant Fundraisers, E-Script & Box Tops, a Barnes & Noble Book Fair, and much more.

I am here for you - the parents. If there is anything I can do or any questions you have, please don't

hesitate to contact me. The new Board and Chairs are listed below:

Christine Manor - Treasurer
Michael Tucker - VP Administration & Membership
Sandy W. Minger - Corresponding Secretary
Elaine Parks - MCCPTA Delegate & VP of Volunteers
Boni Klosson - VP Classroom Support/2007-08 Student Directory
David Berrigan - GT Liaison
Martha Wagner - Hospitality Committee
Jenni Forrest - Cultural Arts & Co-Hospitality Committee
Vickie Carter - Fall Fundraiser
Susan Aubertin - Restaurant Fundraisers - Family Nights
Leigh Martin - Newsletter Editor & AntiBullying Coalition Liaison
Cathy Stec - Escript (Giant/Safeway) & Box Tops for Education
Roy Broussard - Cluster Representative & Co MCCPTA Delegate & Middle School Reform
Myra Dudley-Byrd - NAACP Rep.
Michael Tucker - E-Wood Moderator
Susan Jaller - Special Needs Chair
Andrea Krupinski - IC Registrar
Chris Susie Sorrells - Barnes & Noble Book Fair

Middle School PTA meetings are held every 2nd Tuesday of the month. September's meeting will be held Tuesday, Sept. 11 @7:00 pm in the Media Center.

Pauline Lamberg-Karlovsky
E.B. Wood PTA President

Stay Informed! Join the EWood

Listserv:

Just contact Michael Tucker at

301-946-1374 or

putmeonthecans@yahoo.com to join.

**Help the Wood PTA
raise money the
EASY way**

Labels for Education:

Save labels from Campbell products.

For more details visit <http://www.labelsforeducation.com/>

Box Tops for Education:

Clip and collect Box Tops from participating products. For more details visit

<http://www.boxtops4education.com/>

Giant Food Bonus Bucks:

Either call 877-366-2668, or log onto

<http://www.giantfood.com/aplus> to designate our

school (School ID 00736)

EScrip: Visit

<http://www.escrip.com/> and register

your Safeway Club Card number.

Contact Cathy Stec with any questions at

301/774.1484 or

CathyStec@netscape.net

Connected Communities

Connected Communities is a local news and information website focusing on the Norbeck, Aspen Hill, and Twinbrook areas of Rockville. You'll find news on local crime, the schools, the civic associations information from the Montgomery County Government and Important Community

Alerts. Connected Communities also hosts discussions on area issues. It's a free public service run by a local resident and parent. Log on and participate! The site can be accessed at this address: <http://connectedcommunities.us>.

Fall Fundraiser - Kathryn Beich

Our major Fall Fundraiser with Kathryn Beich Fundraising will run from Sept. 8th through Sept. 28th! We are hoping every family will participate so we can reach our goal of raising \$35,000. Your family, friends and co-workers will enjoy great values in the "Holiday Wishes" and Otis Spunkmeyer catalogs. Watch your child's backpack for more

information. Sell 10 items come to Mr. Money's Mega Party!! Sell 20 items=Pick a lucky lollipop win \$1-\$20. Sell 30 items=Spin THE MONEY WHEEL win \$1-\$100. Sell 40 items=Hummer Stretch Limo Lunch Ride. Sell 60 items bring a friend on Limo Ride. Sell 80 items = 35mm Underwater Camera. Top 3 sellers win 20 seconds in the Money Machine for a chance to catch up to \$250! All prizes are cumulative!!!

Volunteers

Wood MS needs your help! There are many opportunities during the school day, after school, and on the weekend where the school and PTA need your support. If you have not filled out a volunteer form, it's not too late! Please let me know what days and

times and areas you prefer. Additional volunteer forms may be found in the front office, or please contact me for an electronic version. Thank you!!

Elaine Parks, VP for Volunteers, elaparks@verizon.net, 301-962-0982

Hospitality Committee

The Wood staff works hard to help our students achieve and succeed. The Hospitality Committee seeks to encourage them with goodies at the start of a new school year, as well as throughout the year at monthly staff meetings, holidays, and Staff Appreciation week in May. We would love to have your help in planning, baking, or buying items throughout the year. For more information or to volunteer, please contact the co-chairs, Martha Wagner at mwagner411@netscape.net or Jenni Forrest at jforrest5@att.net.

Cultural Arts

Attention Wood Parents! It's time for the Cultural Arts Committee to plan another year of programs for our students. One 6th grade and one 7th grade parent is needed. If you are interested, please contact the PTA Cultural Arts Chair, Jenni Forrest, jforrest5@att.net, for more information.

The RFL *Rockville Fighting Rams*, a feeder team for the Rockville High School football team has been formed. The Rams are made up of mostly Wood students. Please come out and support the team. Home games will be played at Dogwood Park in Rockville on Saturday 9/15-8pm, Monday Night 9/24-8 pm, Monday Night 10/1-8pm, Saturday 10/13-8pm, Saturday 10/27-8pm; and Saturday 11/10-8pm. Away games are in Virginia. Admission is free and the snack bar is great! For more information log on to www.rfl.cc and/or www.ramsfootballclub.com and click on RFL Fighting Rams (this is the official website for our RHS Rams JV and Varsity teams). GO RAMS!!!

