



# CADDO DISTRICT PTA NEWSLETTER



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Margie Rayburn, President  
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## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The annual Caddo District Awards Ceremony was held on May 4, 2010, in the Lel McCullough Auditorium of Caddo Middle Magnet. Listed in this newsletter are the



winners of Educator of Distinction, Caddo District PTA Scholarships, Outstanding Newsletter and Website Awards, and Honor and Outstanding Units that were presented at this special meeting. Membership Awards for local PTA units who reached membership totals of 500 members or more and 100% membership were also presented awards. There were some special awards in membership which were also presented. The best part of the program was watching all the winning children receiving their trophies for the Reflections and Safety Drawing programs.

I hope that all the delegates who attended the Louisiana PTA State Convention have some memorable experiences and enjoyed meeting PTA Friends from across the state of Louisiana.

The Caddo District PTA Summer In-Service is scheduled for August 7, 2010, in the Caddo Parish School Board Room. Registration is from 8:00 thru 8:45 AM. The information and registration form can be found in this newsletter.

This will be the last newsletter sent out until September. We hope you have enjoyed this informative way of communicating with local unit PTA Presidents and Principals, as we strive to bring information of interest to keep you informed as well as the information you need to run your PTA smoothly. If for any reason you need assistance or need questions answered, please don't hesitate to contact a Caddo District Board member, who will assist you or will know someone they think will be able to assist you. On another note about the Caddo District PTA Newsletter, our editor, Charlotte Echols, received an award at the Louisiana PTA State Convention for all the hard work she does in the newsletter:

Congratulations Charlotte for a job well done!!!

If you know of someone who might be interested in serving on the Caddo District PTA Board, please contact: Margie Rayburn, Caddo District PTA President, 8305 Forest Cove Drive, Shreveport, Louisiana 71107. or call 318-929-5313 (H) or 318-458-4179 ©. Have a great summer and we'll see you at Summer In-Service in August.

*Margie Rayburn*, President

Visit our Website:

[www.caddodistrictpta.org](http://www.caddodistrictpta.org)

FROM THE DESK OF  
DR. GERALD D. DAWKINS  
SUPERINTENDENT



On behalf of Caddo parish's teachers and staff, I would like to extend our sincere appreciation for the support, both individually and collectively, of our parents this school year. As we work to shape the future for our 72 schools and 43,000 students, we appreciate the PTA's participation and support of our Vision 20/20 process and community meetings and thank them for their help and assistance during recent testing periods.

We have seen time and again that when parents are involved, things change for the better for our children. As we prepare to close the book on another school year, I wish you a safe and enjoyable summer with friends and family.

All the best,

**2010 SPRING GRADUATION SCHEDULE  
CADDO PARISH PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS**



Fair Park Tuesday, May 18, 2010--5:00 p. m., Convention Center  
Green Oaks Tuesday, May 18, 2010-- 7:30 p. m., Convention Center  
BTW Wednesday, May 19, 2010-- 5:00 p. m., Convention Center  
Northwood Wednesday, May 19, 2010-- 7:30 p.m., Convention Center  
Woodlawn Thursday, May 20, 2010-- 5:00 p.m., Convention Center  
Southwood Thursday, May 20, 2010-- 7:30 p.m. Convention Center  
Hamilton Terrace Friday, May 21, 2010-- 7:00 p.m., C. E. Byrd Auditorium  
North Caddo Friday, May 21, 2010-- 7:30 p.m., North Caddo Stadium  
Huntington Saturday, May 22, 2010-- 9:00 a.m., Convention Center  
Captain Shreve Saturday, May 22, 2010-- 12:00 p.m., Convention Center  
Caddo Magnet Saturday, May 22, 2010-- 3:00 p.m., Convention Center  
C. E. Byrd Saturday, May 22, 2010-- 6:00 p.m., Convention Center

Summer school information can be found on our website:

<http://www.caddo.k12.la.us/files/news/Caddo%20Summer%20School%20Programs%202010%20-%20Other.pdf>

**"A SPECIAL NOTICE" FROM THE IRS**

**LOCAL UNITS MUST FILE A 990-N**

**IF YOUR UNIT HAS GROSS RECEIPTS OF \$25,000 OR LESS**

Small Tax-exempt non-profit organizations must file a 990-N, E Postcard with the IRS by the end of their PTA physical year end - **now**. If this is not filed you will lose your tax-exempt status

with the IRS and have to pay Federal tax to the IRS. Some schools have already received letters from the IRS about this issue.

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**2009-2010 Honor Units and Outstanding Units**

**C. E. Byrd PTSA**

**Caddo Middle Magnet PTSA**



# SCHOOL BOARD NEWS



If you can't truthfully say "we're in it for the children," then maybe we're in it for the wrong reason. Hopefully, you're not in it for the fame, the acclaim, the paycheck. My hope is that we in the field of education, board members, administrators, teachers and support personnel put up with the hassles, the stresses, and the long hours of work to make a contribution, to help children succeed, to do our part in shaping the future.

From the moment students enter a school, the most important factor in their success, should not be the color of their skin, the income of their parents, the neighborhood where they live, nor the neighborhood school they attend. "It's the person standing at the front of the classroom." The presence of a highly qualified, certified teacher with a love for children and a passion for teaching is vital to the success of students. When a school has to use a large number of substitutes, student achievement suffers. The toll teacher absences takes on student learning has long been suspected. According to Raegen Miller of the Center for American Progress, students whose teachers were absent 10 days during the school year tended to have a "significant loss in student achievement." The report also showed that students taught by low-qualified substitutes and by substitutes stepping into classrooms with no advance help from the teacher they're replacing, typically have lower achievement.

School boards and administrators can have tremendous influence on teacher quality in the district. The question is: are we willing to make the

effort? Some things that can be done are:

- Partner with local colleges: We need to take advantage of this proven way to improve teacher quality. Student teachers are more successful when they go through intensive residency programs that are closely supervised by university faculty and district mentors.

- Cast a wide net: We need to continue to consider nontraditional candidates for teaching positions, such as career changers or retirees from business, the nonprofit sector, the military to name a few. Our obligation is to make sure that their training prepares them for the rigors of teaching and they, like all teachers are fully supported throughout their careers.

Provide real professional development: To be effective, staff development must be hands-on, rigorous and on-going, and it must involve teachers and their mentors/trainers in the real work of the classroom.

If we are to improve our world for the many generations to come, if we are to encourage others to improve, if we are to help the needy, the incapable, then together (school personnel, PTA's, the community), we must model what we want to see in others. As educators, our work is a MISSION. As a community, a quality education for all is a NECESSITY. Yes, I'm in it for the children. Are you?

Lillian Priest, President  
Caddo Parish School Board

## 2010 CADDO DISTRICT PTA NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE WINNERS

### Outstanding Newsletter Awards

Elementary Division: **Forest Hill Elementary School**

Middle/Junior High Division: **Caddo Middle Magnet**

Senior High Division: **C. E. Byrd High School**

### Outstanding Website Award

**Forest Hill Elementary School**



# Membership Matters

Eppie Adams, 1st V.P. Caddo District PTA/Membership

## **“OUT-OF-THE BOX” MEMBERSHIP**

Several exciting ideas came out of membership workshops at the Louisiana State PTA Convention.

**TARGET GROUPS:** Have your PTA focus on 1 or more of the following groups to increase membership & volunteers. Tool Kits for most of the groups can be found at [www.pta.org](http://www.pta.org).

- Men
- 20 - 30 year-old parents
- Early Childhood Education
- Urban-Rural Development
- Military Families
- Latinos
- Youth Participation
- Special Education PTAs
- Grandparents
- Teachers

**FACULTY & STAFF:** Let's face it, support from the Administration, Faculty & Staff is crucial to a successful PTA. We need their support, just like they need ours. So, make one of you're membership goals to put the "T" back into PTA/PTSA.

**STUDENTS:** How are you're students involved in PTA: as members only, volunteers, on committees, etc. Do they have an active say in what your school's PTA does for them? Give them opportunities to lead, share ideas, develop talents, & practice citizenship

Note: Any student (including Elementary School students) can be a member of their local PTA. The unit does **not** need to be a PTSA. So, if the parent(s) become members, the students should too and vice versa.

**CORPORATE MEMBERSHIPS:** Develop Membership packages for business partners. Also consider making donations to membership available to businesses and individuals. More information on Membership Packages will be available at the August In-Service.

**FACEBOOK:** develop a Facebook Page for your PTA. It's a great tool to keep every one connected.

## **REMINDER!**

It is not too late to order Memberscrolls for those all important volunteers. Remember that the bulk of this nominal \$10.00 fee goes to help fund scholarships. Contact Kathy Baberousse @ Fairfield Magnet - 868-9826.

## **CALLING ALL PTA PRESIDENTS**



Please complete this form as soon as possible after your election of new officers is held.

This information is vital for new presidents to receive information and mailings from District, State and National PTA. Note: Even if the person is serving a second term, we need this form filled out and sent in. Please mail to Caddo District PTA, 8305 Forest Cove Drive , Shreveport, LA 71107 or **e-mail to [lapta@comcast.net](mailto:lapta@comcast.net)**.

School Name \_\_\_\_\_

President's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

(Home) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (Work) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Number \_\_\_\_\_

Pager or E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

## COMMUNITY NEWS

### A Special Thanks...

Thank you for making **Sheriff's Safety Town** a resounding success! In just sixteen months, more than 8,000 second graders have experienced this wonderful program and gained invaluable, life-saving skills. More than 5,000 others, ranging from three to ninety-two years of age, have visited and in many instances participated in some of our other unique safety programs, which include the following courses/camps:

- AARP Driving Course
  - Bicycle Rodeos
  - Hunter's Safety
  - Kid's CSI Camp
  - Summer Safety Camp
  - Women's Self Defense
- And numerous mini safety courses

### New Programs and Additions...

Beginning this summer, we will open our new Fire & Weather Safety Building, which is designed to simulate fire and severe weather events during which participants will demonstrate how to remain safe during such dangerous situations. This innovative addition will allow us to improve on our existing program.

We've recently acquired a two-seat electric cart that allows us to safely accommodate physically-challenged participants in the motor vehicle safety / seatbelt component of the Safety Town program. More specifically, these children will ride in the passenger seat of an instructor-operated vehicle allowing them to experience this very exciting aspect of the program from the same vantage point as other child participants. We don't want any child to miss out due to issues beyond his/her control.

### Future Programs and Additions...

We're in the process of developing an Impairment Awareness Program designed to provide high school age participants, perhaps as an addition to existing Driver Education courses, with greater insight into the dangers associated with impaired driving. The program will incorporate informative videos, impairment games, and the operation of an electric vehicle through obstacle courses, first while unimpaired and then while impaired. Impairment goggles will be used to simulate both alcohol and drug impairment of program participants. This is an audience we have yet to effectively target/reach, so through this

unique approach, our goal is to provide vitally important safety awareness to these teens in a fun, interactive format – keeping with the new tradition that is Sheriff's Safety Town.

Another unique device we seek to acquire soon is a special needs tricycle, which is designed specifically for physically-challenged individuals. By making such a device available, participants who might otherwise be unable to safely operate a conventional bicycle will be provided an opportunity to participate in the bicycle safety component of our program.

### In Closing...

By staying on the cutting edge of safety education, we continue to develop new and innovative methods of delivering life-saving lessons to both our child and adult participants. Thanks to the support of wonderful people like you, we keep moving forward.

For additional information on Sheriff's Safety Town, please feel free to contact us at 318-698-SAFE (7233). We welcome your questions and comments.

*Respectfully submitted by Lt. Richard Corbett and our grateful Safety Town staff.*

**SUMMER IS COMING ...SWIMMING IS A BIG PART OF A CHILD'S SUMMER.**

Home swimming pools are the most common site for a drowning to occur for a child between the ages 1-4 years.

In the summer, between May and August, drowning deaths among children increase 89% over the rest of the year.

No one should swim alone. Designate an adult as the "water watcher" each time children are in a pool or hot tub.

Children should stay away from pool and hot tub drains. Tie up long hair to guard against drain entrapment.

Keep a cordless, water resistant phone in the pool area with emergency numbers.

When riding in a boat everyone needs to wear a U.S. Coast Guard approved personal flotation device.

Angie Wilson  
Child Welfare & Safety

## COMMUNITY NEWS CONTINUED

### PARTNERS IN CARING



As the 2009/2010 school year draws to a close, I thought it worthwhile to reflect on the ways our partnership (Community Renewal) has continued to flourish in so many ways with **Caddo Parish Schools**. We began in the fall with our annual We Care Essay contest where students compete at the elementary, middle, and high school level to show why and how they care for others. The winning students were recognized at the Caddo Parish School Board meeting in December. The winners were also featured in our spring 2010 Renewal News newsletter which is distributed to 20,000+ homes in Northwest Louisiana.

During the fall, in partnership with **J. S. Clark MicroSociety Academy** and **Queensborough Elementary Schools**, we launched our first We Care Chapters at the school level. Thanks to the leadership of Principal **Patrick Greer (J. S. Clark MicroSociety Academy)** and **Principal Beverly Cole (Queensborough Elementary)** and their respective faculty and staff, the We Care Chapters are off to a great beginning. The We Care Chapter helps raise the visibility of caring and connects students, faculty & staff, parents, volunteers, and others in caring for one another.

And our annual Celebration of Caring (15<sup>th</sup> year), renamed this year the Maggie Lee Henson Celebration of Caring, was the best Celebration yet. The success of the Celebration is due in no small part to the participation of Caddo Parish Schools. Thanks again to James Willet of **Byrd High School** & Joe Cagle of **Captain Shreve High School** (Jazz Bands), and Kimberly Whetstone of **Herndon Elementary/Middle Magnet** (High Steppers Dance Line) for providing the entertainment.

Community Renewal looks forward to growing our partnership with Caddo Parish Schools in the 2010/2011 school year and in the years to come.

Tom Watts



C. E. Byrd High School Jazz Band performed at the Maggie Lee Henson Celebration of Caring



### Summer Mini-Camps at Sheriff's Safety Town June 1<sup>st</sup> through July 29<sup>th</sup>

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders: Mondays, 9 AM – 11 AM or 12 PM – 2 PM

Camps offered: 9-1-1, Gun Safety, Stranger Danger, Water Safety, Animal Safety, Fire & Smoke Safety, Motor Vehicle/Seat Belt Safety

3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Graders: Tuesdays, 9 AM – 1 PM  
Camps offered: 9-1-1, Gun Safety, Stranger Danger, Water Safety, Animal Safety, Motor Vehicle/Seat Belt Safety, Bicycle Safety

5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Graders: Wednesdays, 9 AM – 1 PM  
Camps offered: 9-1-1, Internet Safety, Gun Safety, Stranger Danger, Water Safety, Animal Safety, Motor Vehicle/Seat Belt Safety, Bicycle Safety

7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Graders: Thursdays, 9 AM – 1 PM  
Camps offered: 9-1-1, Internet Safety, CSI Mini Camp, Motor Vehicle/Seat Belt Safety, Bicycle Safety

Participation is free-of-charge.  
Pre-Registration is required as space is limited.  
For additional information and/or to register,  
Please call 318-698-SAFE (7233).

Amy Wilson  
Child Welfare & Safety

## SCHOOL NEWS

**A.C. Steere** fourth-graders, **Hannah Dauzat**, **Davis Gallagher** and **Rachel Hewitt** launched the Book Nooks club in January. "We want to encourage younger kids and others to read more," Hannah explained, being joined in chorus by Davis and Rachel about two words into the club's mission statement. "Being a good reader helps with everything," Rachel said, "Especially the LEAP."

The fourth-graders — who meet three days each week during recess — said they try to read a new book every week. The group assigns a chapter to each member to read and prepare a reading response on the chapter to present for discussion during their meetings. Additionally, they each read other books on their own. The group participated in reading to younger classes on Dr. Seuss Day.

The trio said they get a great deal of encouragement from parents and teachers and plan to continue with the club next year as fifth-graders. But they aren't looking toward expansion.



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### 2010 CADDO DISTRICT OUTSTANDING GRANDPARENT

**Mary Anderson of Southern Hills Elementary School** is this year's Outstanding Grandparent recipient. Mrs. Anderson has volunteered at Southern Hills since 1983 as a parent, aunt, grandmother and great-grandmother. She assists with field trips, book fairs, counts pizza money, works with the school carnival and Mardi Gras Jambalaya Dinner/Talent Night and is great about attending and chaperoning events. Thank you for all you do and congratulations from Caddo District PTA.

### CONGRATULATIONS !! 2010 LOUISIANA PTA EDUCATORS OF DISTINCTION

**KEITH BURTON**  
SOUTH HIGHLANDS MAGNET ELEMENTARY

**PAM CAMP**  
UNIVERSITY ELEMENTARY

**TRICIA WHITE-BRATLIE**  
CADDO MIDDLE MAGNET

**NANCY YODER**  
C. E. BYRD HIGH

### 2010 CADDO DISTRICT PTA SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Caddo District PTA is proud to announce the Scholarship recipients for 2009-2010. Seven deserving high school seniors will be receiving a one-time \$500 scholarship from Caddo District. Congratulations to the following outstanding high school seniors.

**Ann Wolf Scholarship**  
**Hunter Hopkins**, C. E. Byrd-  
LSU, Pre-Med

**Eddie Jones Award**  
**Jessica Stills**, Captain Shreve-University of  
Louisiana Monroe, Pre-Med, Psychiatry

**Rachel Sinclair**, Caddo Magnet High-  
Louisiana Tech, Mathematics

**Aaron Barr**, C. E. Byrd-  
LSU-Engineering

**Olesya Ekshyyan**, Caddo Magnet High-  
Centenary, MD Endocrinologist—Biology

**Christopher Richardson**, C. E. Byrd-  
LSU-History Teacher

**Hillary Terrill**, C. E. Byrd-  
LSU-Physical Therapist

## THE OFFICIAL KIT FROM NATIONAL PTA

### REGISTER NOW FOR A YEARS WORTH OF RESOURCES

The *Official PTA Kit*—PTA's Big Box of Possibilities—is back again for the 2010–2011 school year, with the resources you need to run your unit and serve your community: *PTA Quick-Reference Guides*, membership materials, program and advocacy resources, and special offers from national partners. Learn how to register for your PTA's kit.

All local, council, district, and regional PTAs must register to receive their kit. The registration form, available now at [PTA.org/OfficialKit](http://PTA.org/OfficialKit), asks your incoming PTA president or other authorized leader to provide your unit's preferred shipping address and date. This process helps ensure that the kit gets into the right hands at the right time. *And the kit is still free!*

Kits will start shipping in late June, based on unit orders. We recommend ordering the kit as soon as your 2010–2011 PTA leadership is determined so you have the kit for the start of the new PTA

year. The order form will be available through **September 17**.

To register for your *Official PTA Kit*, go to [PTA.org/OfficialKit](http://PTA.org/OfficialKit). [Read the FAQs](#) for more details about kit delivery.

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## NATIONAL PTA CONVENTION REGISTER NOW AND SAVE!



Register for the 2010 National PTA Convention by Friday, May 14 to save *at least* \$150. Registration includes entrance into:

- General meetings, with featured speakers and important PTA business
  - [Six workshop sessions](#) offering leadership training and tools
  - An exhibit hall with more than 200 vendors
- Plus, if you register by May 14, you'll be able to attend the delegates Welcome Reception and Exhibit Hall Reception **for free**. (Additional fees apply for ticketed events.)

**Go to [PTA.org/Convention](http://PTA.org/Convention) to register today.**

Already registered? Plan your convention schedule in advance. Select from more than 50 workshops, and don't forget to take advantage of the wonderful complimentary offerings: **How?** Register online by Friday, May 14 using the special web link and instructions sent to you by National PTA at the end of April. This offer is good for all new units established in the 2009–2010 membership year.

## A SPECIAL NOTICE CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2

I have been sharing this information with all units about this for the last three years and this is the final year to file the 990-N or the IRS will take away your PTA's tax exempt status.

This is a very simple and straightforward form to file for. **YOU** will need the following information:

- Organization's legal name
- Any other names the organization uses.
- Organization's mailing address.
- Organization's Web site address, if it have one.
- Organization's employer identification number (also referred to as a taxpayer identification number) **EIN**
- The name and address of a principal officer.
- Organization's annual tax year.
- Answer to the following questions
  1. Are your gross receipt normally \$25,000 or less?
  2. Has your organization terminated or gone out of business.

If you need assistance filing for this, please contact Margie at **929-5313** or e-mail: [lapta@comcast.net](mailto:lapta@comcast.net) for help.

## JUST BETWEEN FRIENDS HAS JUST GOTTEN BETTER

The Just Between Friends system is a free tool to help you manage your member data, communicate effectively with your entire school, create directories, recruit and retain volunteers and participants, and track and renew memberships easily. Over the past year, National PTA and Just Between Friends have been listening to comments from units using the system and have been working on system enhancements. Based on this feedback, Just Between Friends will make member management easier than ever. Enhancements include the capability to:

- Attach files to e-mails generated by the system
- Create groups and select which groups will receive various e-mails
- Schedule how often and when automatic reminders should be sent
- Have all members view deadlines and events that are automatically posted on a calendar
- Create paper directories or secure online directories with powerful search capabilities for

multiple last names in the same family and multiple contact phone numbers and e-mail addresses

- Add parental controls  
Administer volunteer and participation management using a module that satisfies [Three for Me](#) requirements  
Integrate with [Reflections](#) (coming soon)

Just Between Friends will be bringing some great, family-friendly fundraising opportunities to your PTA. All of its sponsors will provide you with the materials you'll need to make these opportunities successful programs. Look for upcoming announcements for the next school year.

Current users, now is the time to update your officer information and take advantage of training webinars, tools, and other assets at [learnjbf.com](http://learnjbf.com). New users can get started by visiting [JustBetweenFriends.com/PTAquickstart](http://JustBetweenFriends.com/PTAquickstart) and entering your unit ID.

## JUNE IS NATIONAL INTERNET SAFETY MONTH

As the popularity of the Internet increases daily, so does the number of children who are being solicited by online predators. Although the Internet can be a great resource for children and families, it can also be a minefield of unwelcome and unwanted activity.

Research has shown that prevention efforts do work. By following these suggestions parents can help to ensure that their children practice safe and smart habits when using the Internet.

- Establish clear rules as to what information they should not give out, how long they can spend on the computer, who they can and cannot chat with, etc.

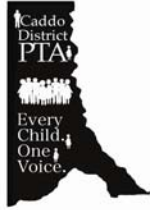
- Keep control of screen names and passwords.
- Keep computers in a room where they can be monitored.
- Have open communication with your children.
- Report suspicious and inappropriate contact.

Prevent Child Abuse Louisiana offers Internet Safety workshops for parents and children. To get involved, call our KIDLINE at 1-800-CHILDREN (244-5373). For more information on Internet Safety, please visit [www.pcal.org](http://www.pcal.org) or call 225.925.9520.

**Alison M. Ruth**, Program Intern

### Reminder!

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### Important: Summer In-service - August 7, 2010

To: Principals, PTA Leaders  
CPSB Representatives

From: Margie Rayburn, President  
Caddo District PTA

Date: May 1, 2010

Re: Summer In-service,  
August 2010

**Please forward this to the 2010-2011 PTA President and other officers for the upcoming year.**

It is **urgent** that we receive the incoming president's name, mailing address, email, and phone numbers immediately for distribution of all correspondence. **A form is on the website at [www.caddodistrictpta.org](http://www.caddodistrictpta.org).**

Submit new president information to **Margie Rayburn** and In-service registration to **Kim FitzGerald, 10141 Thornwood Drive, Shreveport, 71106, or [kim.fitz@comcast.net](mailto:kim.fitz@comcast.net)**

Please mark your calendar and invite all your officers and chairmen (**especially the President, Treasurer and Membership Chair**) to attend our training session on Saturday, August 7, 2010, at the Caddo Parish School Board. Registration is only \$5.00 per person.

The District PTA calendar for the year will be distributed which contains many very important dates and contest deadlines. Additionally, you will receive your procedure book with updated and useful treasurer and membership information. **Your attendance at this meeting is vital.**

A tentative schedule is listed below:

#### Saturday, August 7, 2010

Registration and Vendor Visitation 8:00 – 8:30 AM

Greetings from Dr. Gerald Dawkins, Superintendent – 8:30 – 8:40 AM

Opening Session 8:40 – 8:55 AM

First Breakout Session 9:00 – 9:30 AM

Vendor Visitation and Refreshments 9:30 – 10:00 AM

Second Breakout Session 10:00 – 10:30 AM

District Information and Door Prizes!! 10:35 AM – 11:00 AM

Breakout Sessions include: "Presidents' Pointers", "PTA Money Matters" and "Membership: Great Ideas to Increase your Numbers!". Each attendee will select **TWO** breakout sessions. Be sure to attend this fun, lively, and informational meeting!!

Registration  
Caddo District PTA Summer In-service  
August 7, 2010

Local PTA Unit \_\_\_\_\_

Names: \_\_\_\_\_ cost per person \$5.00

1. \_\_\_\_\_

2. \_\_\_\_\_

3. \_\_\_\_\_

4. \_\_\_\_\_

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8. \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Deadline: August 1, 2010

Make checks payable to Caddo District PTA

Mail to: Kim FitzGerald, 10141 Thornwood Drive, Shreveport, LA 71106

Caddo District PTA In-service - Saturday, August 7, 2010

Registration: 8:00 - 8:30 AM

Meeting begins promptly at 8:30 AM

Location of meeting:       Caddo Parish School Board  
                                  1961 Midway  
                                  Shreveport, LA



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### *CALENDAR OF EVENTS*



#### **May**

- 18 Caddo District Board of Directors Meeting—Room 1—9:30am
- 27 Last Day for Students
- 28 Teacher work day

#### **June**

- Internet Safety Month
- 11-14 National PTA Convention, Memphis Tennessee



#### **August**

- 7 Caddo District PTA in-service, Caddo Parish School Board Board Room, 1961 Midway, Shreveport, LA
- 11-12 & 15 Teacher In-service
- 16-17 Professional Development Day
- 18 **All Students Return to School**