

Carman Trails

PTO Newsletter

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Spring Bookfair Update

Thank you to all of the volunteers and shoppers that made our spring book fair a success. We brought in \$6069.53 of total sales. Our book profits allowed each of the classrooms and Mrs. Mendelson to spend \$50. The remaining \$1,100.00 went to purchase books for Leveled Reading that benefits all children in the school!

PTO Executive Board

- *Sharon Gray, Co-President*
- *Archana Patton, Co-President*
- *Lori Ditto, Co-Vice President*
- *Amy Nolte, Co-Vice President*
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- *Tammy Quinn, Treasurer*

Parkway South Area Advisory

All may attend on Thursday, April 2, from 9:30–11 a.m. at South West Middle School. The topic is "Experience Parkway's 21st Century Classroom Technology," presented by Tom Swoboda, Coordinator of Technology Integration. The presentation includes a hands-on demonstrations. Superintendent Robert Malito will also provide district news and Paul Tandy, Director of Public Affairs, will give a brief update on Project Parkway. Please call 314-415-8077 with questions.

Carman Quick Calendar

March

25– 4th grade MO History Night

30– PTO Board meeting

April

7– PTO General Meeting, 9:30 a.m

23– Spotlight Night

24– NO SCHOOL

Earn an additional 3% for Carman Trails

From now until April 12th, every time you purchase any KRAFT cheese products from Schnucks you can help support our school. When you use your Schnucks E-Scripts card at the time of purchase, an additional 3% of your KRAFT cheese purchases will be donated to Carman Trails.

Annual PTO Used Book & Video Sale

This annual PTO event will be held during summer school at Carman Trails. It's a great opportunity for kids and parents to stock up on inexpensive books for summer reading. But we need books and videos! Due to lack of storage, all leftovers were donated to charity last year.

Please go through your books and videos and see if there are any you can donate to this cause. There will be a collection bin outside the office in the front hallway. We are especially looking for adult fiction, as well as children books, adult nonfiction, memoirs, cookbooks, old computer games and videos. Please no textbooks or out of date reference books that are hard to sell. Thanks for your support! Any questions, call Karen Gissy at 391-8506.

CARNIVAL THANKS!

Thank you to all of the volunteers who worked at Carnival. The kids enjoyed the great games, prizes and food thanks to your efforts. We couldn't have done it without you!

A huge THANK YOU to Beth Speckman and Melinda Davis for pulling it all together. They may be persuaded to run Carnival next year if everyone volunteers to work their shifts again!

Please contact Beth at speckman@sbcglobal.net with any suggestions or comments about carnival.

BLOOD DRIVE

Please be a volunteer donor for the American Red Cross on April 10th. Carman Trails will be hosting a blood drive to support our community. Contact the school nurse, Mrs. Connie McCluskey, to sign up to be a donor at 314-415-6110.

Save your Campbell's Soup labels including the bar code and Box Top Points for the spring contest.



Recycle your cardboard, plastics, aluminum and much more in the bins in the parking lot. We receive \$\$ for every pound we recycle.



Clean out your closets and help the PTO raise money by dropping used clothing and linens in the box in the parking lot.

Plant Sale

Remember to save space in your garden for greenery from the PTO Plant Sale on May Day. Plants are a perfect gift, just in time for Mother's Day!

PTO General Meeting

Please join us on **April 7th at 9:30 a.m.** for an informative PTO meeting. The guest speaker, Maureen Pfeiffer, will be discussing healthy food choices for kids, school lunches, and tips for snacks at home.