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WWJH Gala and Auction

Are you a future **Westwood Warrior**?
 Come out and meet other Westwood families and support WWJH!

Save the Date!

WWJH Gala and Auction
Saturday, February 26th
Fellowship Bible Church on Arapaho across from WWJH

A night of food, drinks, auction & live jazz!

Contact Linda West for tickets nickandsimonsmom@sbcglobal.net.



Westwood Pancake Supper



SAVE THE DATE!

**Wednesday, February 16th
6:00 PM - 7:30 PM
Westwood Jr. High Cafeteria**

It's our annual pancake dinner where all the Westwood Coaches cook for our student/athletes and their families. Mark your calendars and stay tuned for more information.

We need all the donations and volunteers we can get to make this another success.

This is our Booster Clubs main fundraiser so we need your support.

Contact: Catherine Sentell, sentell@sbcglobal.net or Dave Brown, dave.g.brown@mac.com

WWJH 2011/2012 PTA Board Sign up

Hi 6th grade parents! It's time to think about what position you want on the Westwood Junior High PTA board next year. If you think being on PTA is important in elementary, it's even more so at Westwood. **Why?** ... Because this is junior high. You will no longer see your child's teacher at 3 o'clock each day, you will not get emails and newsletters spelling everything out, and your child will not be coming home offering tons of updates. It is also a great way to get to know your child's friends' parents – something that becomes more and more important as your child ventures out on his/her own.

Please reply ASAP as we are behind due to weather. Open positions are listed below; contact any member of the nomination committee with how you'd be interested in helping:

- 1st VP Aide
- 3rd VP Membership
- Secretary
- Parliamentarian
- Council Delegate
- PAC representative
- Arts in Education
- Arts in Education Assistant
- Citizenship and Legislation
- Clothes Closet Assistant
- Educational Services/TILT
- Event Coordinator
- Hospitality
- Hospitality Assistant
- Marquee
- Parent Education
- Publicity
- Spirit Wear
- Spirit Wear Sales
- Volunteer Services
- Ways and Means – Fundraising

Thanks for your continued commitment to your child's best education. We could not do it without you.

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Going, going, but not quite gone!

The NHE PTA is wrapping up our online fundraiser through Amazon.com, but you still have time to place any last minute orders as long as the link is still active. Remember NHE automatically earns between **4% and 10% on all purchases** made on Amazon.com **originating from the link on our NHE PTA website @ <http://www.nhepta.org>**. This is a convenient way to shop and help out the school at the same time without any additional cost to you!

You must start from the NHA PTA website anytime you want to place an Amazon.com order for us to receive credit for the purchase. Spread the word to your friends and family, since anyone can participate.

Thank you for all of your support!

Used Book Fair



Used Book Fair

When: February 17th through 20th
Where: Dal-Rich Shopping center
(SE corner of Belt Line and Coit)



The RISD Used Book Fair is scheduled for February 17 through February 20, 2011. It will be in vacant space in the Dal-Rich shopping center on the SE corner of Belt Line and Coit. **PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR** to stop by that weekend.

Starting on Tuesday, January 18, 2011, please bring any used books, CDs and DVDs to the front hallway at NHE. There will be a collection area for donations for the Used Book Fair. Items can be donated at NHE until February 2, 2011. You can also take any donations to the Mum Shop in the Spring Creek Village shopping center on the NW corner of Belt Line and Coit between 10 and noon on M, W and F until February 4 for your convenience. Please look for more information in Tuesday folders.

NHE Spring Auction

What do the following have in common...

- **Prestonwood Country Club Cotillion classes**
- **\$100 Aquazoom gift certificate**
- **Weekend at the Las Colinas Four Seasons**
- **2 dozen Sprinkles cupcakes**
- **Honorary RHS Eaglette**

They will all be available for bidding at this year's annual spring auction! And we need more! That's where you come in.

Do you own a business? Do you have any connections, tickets to a sporting event, vacation home? Ready to put together a group dinner or kids' party? Please consider donating your item to the auction.

Remember, money raised at the auction goes for assemblies, field trips, teacher appreciation dinners, teacher grants, Multi-Cultural Night, Pancake Supper, facility and grounds improvements, Red Ribbon Week, Reflections, Lone Star Challenge, Think Tank, library books, AR tests, and **lots of other cool stuff for YOUR kids and YOUR school!!**

To donate, fill out the Donor Form at <http://nhepta.org/auction.asp> and leave it in the NHE office to the attention of Linda West. (Form is also attached to this eNewsletter email).

This year's auction and casino night is **4/16/11**. The theme is a cruise theme, "**Set Sail with NHE Aboard the USS Falcon.**" Watch for your invitation coming soon!

Upcoming NHE Night at Cici's – Support Dinner



Night Out at Cici's!

NHE Support Dinner

Join us! Northwood Hills gets 10%!



Join us for lunch or dinner at Cici's Pizza (Coit & Spring Valley) on the 3rd Wednesday of each month. Sign your receipt and place it in the NHE box and Cici's gives back 10% to support our PTA projects.

Next Event: February 16th

Historian Scrapbook!

We are collecting pictures to assemble an Historian Scrapbook for Northwood Hills Elementary! Pictures from the Walk to School Day, Fairy Tale Dress-Up Day, any of the events from Red Ribbon Week, and Bingo Night or any other school events.

Please submit your pictures to Lisa Shatz, at lisa.shatz@utdallas.edu or if you only have prints please contact Lisa and pick-up from school will be arranged.
Thank you for your support!



Terracycle: Waste to Products and support your school



Have you seen teenagers carrying those cute purses made out of CapriSun packs? Well, guess what... There is a company that recycles candy wrappers, Ziploc bags, Aveeno products, and more, into cool, eco-friendly products (like a bicycle chain picture frame!) AND they pay schools and nonprofits for used packaging. That's where we come in!

If this program interests you, go to <http://www.terracycle.net/>, sign up to collect items, indicate that you are benefiting NHE, they send you a prepaid shipping label, you send in your items, and they pay NHE \$.02 per item!

Their minimum shipping numbers are pretty high (500 CapriSun pouches per shipment), so it would be great if someone was willing to head up a collection site for the whole school. Let me know!

Linda West

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How can you support your school!?

Clip Box Tops and Labels for Education all year long!

Send into your teacher anytime!

Contest runs all year – ice cream parties for top earning classes!

Box Tops for Education



* Expiration date matters!

* **Make sure the date is visible and not in the past.**

* Don't clip too small! **Cut each box top at least 1" wide.**

* *Cheerios, Betty Crocker, Pillsbury, Ziploc, Kleenex, Juicy Juice and more!*

Labels for Education







* **Full barcode must be visible** (see picture).

* But we don't need the entire label!

* Campbell's, Swanson, Prego, V8, Spaghettios and Pepperidge Farm.

Earn funding for NHE on your everyday purchases!

	Tie your Target REDcard to NHE at Target.com .
	Link your Tom Thumb Reward card to charity #3797 .
	Scan barcode with your Kroger Plus card at the start of each school year. Print the barcode here!
	Shop with NHE ID #70096135 at Office Depot .

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

Join NHE PTA

Join NHE PTA Today!

Family Membership \$16

Single Membership \$9

Local dues go to NHE, and benefit YOUR children, teachers, and YOU:
Just to name a couple, did you know TX PTA members receive:

14% off T-mobile monthly fees
5% off Southwest Airlines Travel

Join TODAY and find out more!

Thank you!

Questions? Elba Morgan-Knox, epmk@sbcglobal.net

NEW Online Volunteer System!



RISD launched a new Volunteer Online Application for the 2010-11 school year. Prospective volunteers can access the Volunteer Application by navigating to the RISD website at <http://www.risd.org/www.risd.org>. Click on **Community-Volunteer Opportunities**. At this point, you can elect to proceed in English or Spanish, and any RISD school can be selected as a preference. The information submitted will be used not only for the background check, but also allow schools to contact approved volunteers for their specific school needs.

This application will only be active for the current school year, through 6/30/11, at which time it will be purged and volunteers will be asked to submit new information for the following school year. NHE is very appreciative of ALL of our volunteers, and appreciate your cooperation and understanding during RISD's transition to this new system!

NEW! At NHE this year! PTA en Espanol!

NHE will now have general meetings in Spanish the Friday morning after the MONTHLY General meetings. The same information covered in the General meetings will now be covered in PTA en Espanol meetings, as well as a Q&A period for Spanish-speaking parents/caregivers. Please forward this article to anyone you know that could benefit from this information.

The next meeting will be scheduled in the NHE Library.

Nuevo Este Año en NHE! PTA en Espanol!

Estan invitados a asistir las reuniones en Espanol. Haga Preguntas, y Aprenda informacion acerca de la escuela. Las reuniones solamente seran mensuales.

Los Viernes por la manana en la biblioteca.

Registrese en la oficina y la junta sera en la biblioteca de 8:15-9:00 am.

If you like this E-News, you should check out our website...

www.nhepta.org !

Stay informed and updated with NHE information. You can view calendar of events and meetings, as well as general school information. Bookmark it today!

Quick Links

Northwood Hills Elementary School - www.risd.org/schools/nwhe/index.htm

Richardson Independent School District (RSID) - <http://www.risd.org/>

Westwood Junior High - www.risd.org/schools/wwjh/index.htm

Richardson High School - www.risd.org/schools/rhs/index.htm

