

Savannah-Chatham County Public School System

Coming Soon

To A School Near You.....

March 2, 2009

District Events

Phonebook Recycling Drive

Keep Savannah Beautiful and SCCPSS have teamed up for their annual phonebook recycling drive. All schools are participating, but some don't have their own collection points. Red and green or yellow bins are stationed at the following locations: **Alternative School:** Coastal GA Comprehensive Academy; **Elementary Schools:** Bloomingdale, Butler, Gadsden, Garden City, Georgetown, Haven, Hesse, Howard, Islands, Isle of Hope, Juliet Low, Largo-Tibet, Marshpoint, Southwest, J.G. Smith, and West Chatham; **Middle Schools:** Bartlett, Coastal, DeRenne, Myers, Southwest, and West Chatham; and **High Schools:** Beach, Jenkins, Johnson, Savannah Arts, and Windsor Forest. Phonebooks, newspapers, magazines, catalogs, books and white office paper are being accepted now through Tuesday, March 31, 2009. Officials are also asking you to remove the materials from boxes or plastic and paper bags before placing them into the bins. To support a school not mentioned above, just drop off your materials at SP Recycling located at 10 Hoss Drive in Garden City. It's also very important to specify which school you are making the donation to, in order for them to receive credit. Recycling proceeds will benefit each school's PTA. SP Recycling's hours of operation are: Monday through Thursday from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Fridays from 7:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. For more information, the company can be reached at 964-4224.

Students' Art on Display at Savannah Mall

As part of National Youth Art Month (YAM), Savannah Mall will feature the works of public school students. Their designs will be displayed on the second floor, near the food court. Exhibit dates are as follows during regular hours at Savannah Mall: **Middle and High Schools: Now - March 16 and Elementary Schools: March 16 - April 13.** For more information contact Laura Victore, Teacher Specialist for Visual Arts, at 659-6725.

School Social Work Week - March 2-6

March is Social Work Month and March 2-6, 2009 has been designated as School Social Workers Week. School Board President, Dr. Joe Buck, will make a special proclamation to honor the efforts and dedication of social workers in the school system at the monthly school board meeting Wednesday, March 4, 2009.



Odyssey of the Mind Regional Competition Winners

On Saturday, February 21, 2009, 67 teams from elementary, middle, and high schools participated in the regional Odyssey of the Mind tournament at Johnson High School. Eight schools are eligible to represent SCCPSS in the state round of competition Saturday, April 4, 2009 at Columbus State University. The following schools placed first, second or third in their respective categories: Earth Trek Division I: first place: Georgetown Elementary; Teach Yer Creature Division I: first place: May Howard Elementary, second place: Charles Ellis School; Teach Yer Creature Division II: first place: DeRenne Middle School; Teach Yer Creature Division III: first place: Savannah Arts Academy; The Lost Labors of Heracles Division I: first place: Marshpoint Elementary; The Lost Labor of Heracles Division II: first place: Coastal Middle School, second place: DeRenne Middle School, third place: Charles Ellis School; Shock Waves Division I: second place: May Howard Elementary School; Superstition Division II: first place: DeRenne Middle School, third place: Coastal Middle School; Superstition Division III: first place: Savannah Arts Academy, second Place: Islands Elementary.

Monthly School Board Meeting

The Savannah-Chatham County Board of Public Education will meet in regular session Wednesday, March 4, 2009. The Executive Session, which is closed to the public, begins at 11:00 a.m. The Informal Session begins at 1:00 p.m. and the Formal (Regular) Session follows at 3:00 p.m. All meetings are held in Building G of the Whitney Administrative Complex at 2 Laura Street.

School Board Appreciation Week March 9-13

The SCCPSS school board along other school board officials around Georgia will be honored for their hard work and dedication during School Board Appreciation Week March 9-13, 2009. Our current school board members include: President – Dr. Joe Buck, District 1 – Mrs. Susu Cox, District 2 – Mr. Floyd Adams, Jr., District 3 – Mr. Alexander Luten District 4 – Mr. Gregory V. Sapp, District 5 – Mrs. Irene G. Hines, District 6 – Mrs. Lori L. Brady, District 7 – Mrs. Julie Gerbsch and District 8 – Mrs. Ruby Jones.

School Events

Windsor Forest Elementary Student Mentoring Program

Twenty Windsor Forest High School students are traveling to Windsor Forest Elementary once a week to work with second grade students. The high school students have been trained in a special program called Teen Trendsetters Reading Mentors, and will mentor the second grade students as well as tutor them in reading. They will work with the students for 45 minutes each session now until June. For more information contact Dee-Ann Baldwin, Windsor Forest Elementary School counselor, at 961-3353.

Georgetown Elementary Celebrates Dr. Seuss' Birthday

Georgetown Elementary School staff and students will take part in Read Across America with Dr. Seuss March 2-6, 2009. Activities will include: Mulberry Street Monday, Top Hat Tuesday, Wacky Wednesday, Favorite Character Thursday, and Fox in Socks Friday. The Cat in the Hat will also stop by to read Dr. Seuss stories to Kindergarten and first grade students on Friday, March 6, 2009. For more information contact Mary Anne Rhoades at 961-3475.



Pooler Elementary Celebrates Read Across America

Pooler Elementary School will celebrate "Read Across America" March 2-6, 2009. Dr. Seuss-themed trivia questions will be asked each morning. On Monday, the school's principal will read the Dr. Seuss classic "Green Eggs and Ham" following the morning announcements. Monday-Thursday students will be encouraged to create a "green" Dr. Seuss character. The drawings of earth-friendly characters will be shown Friday on the school's education channel. Tuesday-Friday short clips from a Dr. Seuss video will be shown following the school's morning news broadcast. For more information contact the school at 748-3625.

Green Eggs & Ham Breakfast at Haven Elementary

On Monday, March 2, 2009 Haven Elementary School will celebrate Read Across America with a special Green Eggs and Ham Breakfast at 8:30 a.m. Dr. Seuss books will also be read throughout the day. For more information contact the school at 395-6501.

West Chatham Elementary Celebrates "Read Across America"

West Chatham Elementary School will celebrate "Read Across America" Monday, March 2, 2009. Members of the school's community partners will visit and read with classes. Staff and students are also encouraged to dress up as their favorite Dr. Seuss character. For more information contact the school at 748-3601.

Juliette Low Elementary Celebrates "Read Across America"

Juliette Low Elementary School will celebrate "Read Across America" Monday, March 2, 2009. Many community leaders, school leaders, parents, grandparents and friends will stop by to read with the students. For more information contact the school at 395-6380.

Jacob G. Smith Elementary Students Learn Dental Hygiene

On Tuesday, March 3, 2009 Dr. Sandra Adam-Smith's office staff will teach good dental hygiene habits to Pre-K, Kindergarten and first grade students at Jacob G. Smith Elementary. Demonstrations will be held in the school's Media Center from 9:30-10:30 a.m. For more information contact the school at 395-6530.

Awards Program at Pooler Elementary

Pooler Elementary School will hold an Awards Program Thursday, March 5, 2009 at 9:30 a.m. to recognize the achievements of their students during the Second Marking Period. For more information contact the school at 748-3625.

Wonderful Waffles at West Chatham Elementary

Waffle House employees will visit West Chatham Elementary School Thursday, March 5, 2009 at 9:15am to cook waffles for the school's top Accelerated Readers and most improved students. For more information contact the school at 748-3601.

Science Speakers to Visit Charles Ellis

Each Friday during March (6, 13, 20 & 27) guest speakers who work in the field of Science will speak with Charles Ellis students in grades 4-6. For more information contact the school at 201-5470.

Puppet Show at Pooler Elementary

On Friday, March 6, 2009 the Pilot Club of Chatham County will present Brain Minders Puppet Show to students in kindergarten through second grade beginning at 2:45 in the gym. For more information contact the school at 748-3625.



Jacob G. Smith Elementary Hosts Blood Drive

On Friday, March 6, 2009 second graders at Jacob G. Smith will sponsor a community blood drive. The event will be held from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. in the school's gymnasium. Everyone is encouraged to participate. For more information contact the school at 395-6530.

Kids Art Fair at West Chatham Elementary

West Chatham Elementary School will host a Kids Art Fair Friday, March 6, 2009 from 3:30 to 7:00 p.m. The event will feature an art gallery displaying the works of student's, a silent art auction (by a local artist), a family portrait activity station and a brick and paver painting/decorating station. For more information contact the school at 748-3601.

PTA Garage Sale at Hubert Middle School

The Hubert Middle School PTA will sponsor a Garage Sale Saturday, March 7, 2009 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the school. For more information contact the school at 395-5235.

Windsor Forest High School Recognized by SchoolTube

Windsor Forest High School has been named a "Featured School of the Day" by SchoolTube. On Tuesday, March 10, 2009 projects by WFHS students will be featured on the website www.schooltube.com. For more information contact the school at 395-3400.

Pizza Night for West Chatham Elementary School

West Chatham Elementary School's PTA will hold Pizza Night Friday, March 13, 2009 from 6:00-8:30 p.m. at Domino's Pizza. Money raised from the event will go toward building an "outdoor classroom" at the school. For more information contact the school at 748-3601.

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