



# The Staples Scoop



Wednesday, February 18, 2009

Produced by the PTA

## CALENDAR @ A GLANCE

Thurs., Feb. 19	4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade Winter Choral Concert; 7 pm; Cafetorium
Fri., Feb. 20	Monthly PTA Meeting; Easton Library Community Room; 9:15 am; all welcome
Thurs., Feb. 26	EARLY DISMISSAL; Professional Development; 1 pm
Thurs., Feb. 26	Kindergarten Registration Packet Pick-up; 9:30 am – 3 pm
Thurs., Feb. 26	PTA Night @ Uno's Chicago Grill; coupons on PTA website
Fri., Feb. 27	School Store Open
Tues., March 10	Monthly Easton Board of Ed Meeting; 7:30 pm; HKMS Media Center
Sat., March 28	Annual SSES Art Show; 10 am – noon; SSES First floor



### Grade 4 and 5 Winter Choral Concert is **Tonight**

The Fourth and Fifth Grade Chorus Concert is tonight -- Thursday, Feb. 19<sup>th</sup> -- in the SSES cafetorium. 4<sup>th</sup> grade performance begins at 7 pm; 5<sup>th</sup> grade at approximately 7:30 pm. 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade parents should have received an email detailing arrival times and dress code. Questions to Mr. Cooper or Mr. Russo.

### Kindergarten Registration for 2009-2010

Registration information is online at <http://www.er9.org/sses/>

### Attention All Aspiring Easton Idols (and their Fans)!

Save the date: The Talent Show will be Wed., June 3rd.

## THE PTA SCOOP

### PTA Spring Bulb Fundraiser

Look for your spring bulb sale order form the last week of February. Orders are due by April 1 and the bulbs will be in by the end of April. The PTA receives 50% profit on all bulbs sold. The top 3 winners will receive a gift certificate to the school store. Please contact Sharon Stemme at [sharonstemme@earthlink.net](mailto:sharonstemme@earthlink.net) or 371-4491 if you have any questions.

### Diversity Day Volunteers Needed

The 4th grade will experience SSES' 3rd Annual Diversity Day on Thurs., April 2nd. Parent volunteers from every grade are welcome; this is a rewarding way to help out for a small block of time if that's all you have. Sign-up form is online at [http://www.eastonpta.com/pdf/diversity\\_day\\_2009.pdf](http://www.eastonpta.com/pdf/diversity_day_2009.pdf)



### Autism Support Group Forming

Parents and others who love a child with an autism spectrum disorder are invited to join our group for conversation and support. Contact Stacy Varvaro at [pvsav@optonline.net](mailto:pvsav@optonline.net) or 373.9411

### Important Websites

[www.er9.org/sses/](http://www.er9.org/sses/)

[www.eastonpta.com](http://www.eastonpta.com)

[www.er9.org](http://www.er9.org)

## **You Don't Know What You're Missing ('til You See It In the Lost & Found!)**

Please stop by and take a look in the Lost and Found, located behind the Cafetorium near the Teacher's Lounge. The PTA is about to make another donation of unclaimed items to a local charity, and some of this stuff you would want back if it's your child's! Please feel free to contact Shannon Barnett at 373-0263 with any questions.

## **Submit 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Yearbook Photos by Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>**

Details at [http://www.eastonpta.com/pdf/fifth\\_grade\\_yearbook.pdf](http://www.eastonpta.com/pdf/fifth_grade_yearbook.pdf). Questions to Jodi Forte.

## **Join the Birthday Book Club!**

Information and form is online at <http://www.eastonpta.com/committees.html>

## **Design Your Own Notecards**

If you need a new order form, they are available on [www.eastonpta.com](http://www.eastonpta.com) -- extra "picture forms" are available in the office or through Susan Discipio or Hilde Azarian. Proceeds benefit Diversity Day initiatives; deadline is Feb. 27<sup>th</sup>.

## **THE TOWN SCOOP**

### **Lacrosse Orientation & Open House for Boys & Girls is This Saturday**

Curious about lacrosse? Want to know more about the RE-LAX league? Come out to RE-LAX Day! Boys and girls ages 6 to 15 and their parents from Easton and Redding who are interested in learning about RE-LAX are invited to come meet players and coaches and learn about this exciting sport. Registration will be available. This Sat., Feb 21<sup>st</sup> from 4 - 6 pm for boys, 5-6 pm for girls at the Redding Community Center. Questions, visit: <http://re-lax.org/>

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Easton Boy Scouts' Gourmet Breakfast**

Easton Boy Scout Troop 66 will host their 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Gourmet Breakfast on Sat., March 14, from 8 am to noon at the ECC. Made-to-order omelets, Belgian waffles, crepes and Danish Evelskivers as well as traditional pancakes, bacon, sausage and beverages. Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$10/adult or at the door \$12/adult, \$8/senior (65 and over) and \$8/child (10 and under). Advance tickets are available directly through the scouts. More information contact Kathleen Magner at 452-9190.



### **ECC Gala Honors Dr. Fossbender at "Graduation" on Sat., March 14<sup>th</sup>**

On Saturday evening, March 14<sup>th</sup> the ECC will toast Dr. Allen Fossbender on his impending "graduation" as superintendent of Easton and Redding schools. Cocktails, dinner and dancing at Brooklawn Country Club in Fairfield. Watch for your invitation in the mail this week!

### **Tiger Cubs Collecting Items for Animal Shelter**

Tiger Cub Scout Den #2 is collecting the following donations for the Easton Animal Shelter through March 1st: old blankets and towels, flea and tick collars, kitten chow, canned dog/cat food, kitty litter. Please place items in collection bins in the SSES lobby. If you have any questions, please contact Lynn Petrino or Jean Wergeles.



### **Youth Art and Talent Show is March 15th**

The Easton Arts Council presents the 10th Annual Youth Art & Talent Shows, incorporating the first annual Youth Film Festival. Sunday, March 15th at the Easton Library Community Room.

For more information and an application, please visit <http://eastonartscouncil.org/upcomingevents.htm>

### **Jewish Community Center Gala**

The JCC in Bridgeport will host its annual Gala with Auction to benefit its Early Childhood Department on Saturday, March 7th at 7:30 p.m. The event features live music, dancing, dinner and drinks. Complimentary babysitting from 7:30-9:30 pm. For information and details, please contact the JCC.



## Two Ways to Register for Easton AYSO Soccer 2009 Spring Season

- 1) In-Person Registration:

Sat. Feb. 21	9 – 11:30 am	HKMS – outside gym
Tues, March 10	5:30 – 7:30 pm	Easton Community Center
  
- 2) *New!* On-Line Registration at [www.eayso.org](http://www.eayso.org)

Volunteers Needed! Please contact Tom Auray ([tom@bptfittings.com](mailto:tom@bptfittings.com)) or Fred Tencic ([fred@salzmanco.com](mailto:fred@salzmanco.com)). No experience necessary - Easton AYSO provides free training!

*The small print:* Season begins Sat., April 25<sup>th</sup>. All players must be at least 4 years old by April 25th. If you are new to the program you must present a birth certificate at registration, as well as the phone number of your local pediatrician. The registration fee of \$75 includes end-of-season trophy and picnic. All players must have shin guards to play. Soccer cleats are preferred but not required for U-5 and U-6. All other players must have cleats. All players must register by March 20th. (Players registering after this date will be placed on a wait list.) Contact Tom Auray ([tom@bptfittings.com](mailto:tom@bptfittings.com)) or Elise Nappi ([elisenappi@hotmail.com](mailto:elisenappi@hotmail.com)) with questions regarding registration.

### Easton Learning Foundation (ELF) News

- Good with number\$? ELF is looking for a Treasurer! The time commitment is only about four hours a month. And it's a great way to help our schools from home and perhaps rejuvenate some skills before reentering the workplace! To learn more (no obligation!), please call Bernadette Waterman at 445-1337 or Ann Leibell at 371-4940.
- ELF and The Sports Center of CT are teaming up on Sat., March 28th from 10 am -1:30 pm to benefit ELF. A \$25 "Fun Pass" allows access to all of the sports center facilities: skating (with rentals), batting cages, Lazer Tag, golf and bowling. Plus, a pizza lunch with soda is included. The Sports Center of CT is generously donating \$15 from each pass to ELF. For more information and to buy your Fun Pass online, visit [www.eastonlearningfoundation.org](http://www.eastonlearningfoundation.org)
- Thursday, May 14th from 7-9 p.m. at the SSES Cafetorium is The First Annual ELF Town-Wide Trivia BEE, and it'll bee swarms of fun! BEE curious on our website: [www.eastonlearningfoundation.org](http://www.eastonlearningfoundation.org). ELF is looking for worker bees. If you are interested in helping, please give Ann Leibell a buzz at 371-4940.

#### The Scoop Scoop

[ssesscoop@yahoo.com](mailto:ssesscoop@yahoo.com)

Contact Cathy Dunsby at  
above email or 292.3692.

Next issue: March 4<sup>th</sup>  
Deadline: March 1<sup>st</sup>



Samuel Staples  
Elementary School

515 Morehouse Rd.  
Easton, CT 06612  
phone: 261.3607  
fax: 452.8403