



# Old Post PTA News

September/October 2009

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## One World, One District, One School

**Welcome back** Old Post families, both new and old. The Oswego 308 school district's theme for the year is Diversity: One World, One District, Oswego 308 and Old Post is following their lead.

The PTA would like to welcome all parents and teachers to be a part of this theme to help our school, and our students, work as ONE throughout the year to make Old Post Elementary the best it can be. It is the intention of this year's Executive Board to use the PTA website more regularly to update our members, post meeting minutes, post newsletters and current budgets. The goal of publishing the budget is to allow parents to plan their participation in fund raising and bring awareness of what the funds are used for. If you have any questions or ideas for the PTA please contact us and make sure to get involved, [opptanews@gmail.com](mailto:opptanews@gmail.com). Have a great school year!



### Last Chance to Order Old Post Spirit Wear

On Curriculum Night the following Spirit Wear will be available for you to order. Join in the fun and show your school spirit! Sizes will be available on Curriculum Night and please remember to bring your checkbook or cash.

- Navy hooded sweatshirt with white distressed lettering, " OLD POST XXL ATH. DEPT" - Youth \$20, Adult \$25
- Flannel pants in navy and gold plaid with "Wildcats" going down the side - Youth \$20, Adult \$25
- Nylon string backpack with the paw print and " OLD POST WILDCATS" - \$10
- T-Shirt, white with navy lettering "2010 OLD POST WILDCATS" – Youth \$10, Adult \$15
- T-Shirt, gray with navy and gold lettering. Has paw print with "WILDCATS" going through it and "OLD POST "around it. - Youth \$12, Adult \$15



Send PTA Newsletter information to [opptanews@gmail.com](mailto:opptanews@gmail.com). The next deadline for submission is November 13, 2009 – Visit: [www.oswego308.org/schools/oldpost/parents/pta/](http://www.oswego308.org/schools/oldpost/parents/pta/) for more PTA information.

## **PTA Membership**

We have started off to a great year and are up to 81 members who have joined PTA. Our goal is 200. The most important benefit of membership is being a part of an organization that advocates for ALL of our children. Research has shown that the most important indication on how well a child will do in school is the level of parental involvement in that child's education. Being a part of PTA is one way to be involved. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

Dues: \$10- Individual Membership  
\$15- Family Membership  
\$5- Oswego 308 staff member

## **Labels for Education**

### **Mmmmm, Mmmmm, Good!**

It's time to send in all of those Campbell's Labels for Education that you've been saving all summer. We will be making a submission soon! Thank you for your continued support by saving labels from Campbell's product such as Goldfish crackers, soups, Prego, V-8, Spaghetti-O's and more! Any questions, please contact Patty DeGarmo at (630)263-6426. Visit <http://www.labelsforeducation.com>

### **"We HAVE to have Rosati's tonight Mom!"**

Have you heard this in your home yet? Many of us parents have. Throughout the year we will announce Rosati's Pizza Night, Culver's Night or a Jimmy John's Night. These are nights that each venue has agreed to donate a portion of their sales that evening to our school. The money raised from these special events goes into a general fund for Character Counts activities. Thank you all for your continued support of these events and enjoy a night out to help our school!

## **Harlem Ambassadors are Coming to Oswego!**

The internationally-acclaimed Harlem Ambassadors will be visiting the Chicagoland area for a game at Oswego East High School on October 18, 2009 at 6PM. For Oswego's event, the Ambassadors have partnered with Celebrate Differences to help raise funds for children with special needs.

The Harlem Ambassadors offer a unique brand of Harlem-style basketball, featuring high-flying slam dunks, dazzling ball-handling tricks and hilarious comedy routines. The Ambassadors set themselves apart from other "Harlem-style" basketball teams by working with local not-for-profit and service organizations and holding Harlem Ambassadors shows as community fundraising events. Please join us!

### **The Harlem Ambassadors VS The Ability All-Stars Sunday October 18, 2009**

#### Advance tickets:

Students/ Seniors: \$5.00

Adults: \$6.00

#### At-the-door:

Students/Seniors: \$7.00

Adults: \$8.00

(Kids 4 and under admitted for FREE)

Tickets may be purchased on line at [www.basketballgame.eventbrite.com](http://www.basketballgame.eventbrite.com) or by calling Rebecca Christiansen at 630-885-3006.

## **Upcoming Events**

Sept. 21: Market Day

Sept. 22: Curriculum Night 6:30pm

Oct. 6: School Improvement Day 11:55

Dismissal: No Kindergarten

Oct 8: PTA Meeting 7pm- LRC

## **Pencil Grams for Sale!**

As always, Pencil grams can be purchased in the office at anytime during the school year. Don't miss out on sending your child a special note for their birthday or "just because". The cost is \$2 for a regular Pencil Gram and \$3 for Birthday or Holiday Pencil gram. Proceeds go into a fund for a PTA sponsored annual Scholarship for Old Post Alumni that will be graduating this year from OEHS or OHS.