

# The Eagle's Nest

Abingdon Elementary PTA Newsletter

January/February/March 2016



## President's Message

Happy New Year AES Families! I hope your new year is off to a great start! It's finally starting to feel like it should in January.....COLD! We have a few activities planned for the cold winter months. In February, we will have the Mother/Son Dance, and in March we will have a Family Bingo Night. More information for both of these events to follow. Flyers will be sent home through your child's folder. I'd like to thank all the families that came out to support our Holiday Shop and Cookies with Santa. A good time was had by all!

I know it seems a long way off, but spring is right around the corner! Spring means field trips and field trips mean parent chaperones/volunteers. If you want to be considered to be a chaperone, you must complete the volunteer training. **There will be a training session at our March 9<sup>th</sup> PTA meeting ~ 7 p.m. in the multi-purpose room.** At the end of the volunteer training session we will be having a Q/A session for any parents who have questions about Edgewood Middle School. The panel will consist of parents who have or had children at Edgewood and their experiences.

As we announced in the beginning of the year, we would like to bring back the Spring Fling! We have a date of June 3rd set and planning has begun. We would really like to see this event happen, as it was always a good time for the kids in previous years. With that said, it is going to take more than a date and planning.....we need VOLUNTEERS! Lots of them. I say lots of them because we would like everyone to have the opportunity to enjoy the Spring Fling with their families and be able to pitch in to make the event happen. We will be having sign ups at the Mother/Son Dance to get the ball rolling. **Without volunteers we won't be able to have the event, so please consider giving 30 minutes of your time!**

The PTA is always looking for new ideas, members and committee chairs. If you have ideas and are willing to help implement them, please join us at our meetings held once a month at the school or contact one of our board members. Please join us for our next meeting on Feb. 10<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room. We will have a guest speaker who will be presenting information on Cyber Safety.

Thanks for your time!

Angie Stump

## Upcoming Events

**February 7** – Family Fun Night at the Hippodrome “Phantom of the Opera”

**February 10** – PTA meeting 7pm

**February 11** – Family Fun Night at Chick-Fil-A

**February 12** – Spirit Day – Patriotic Day

**February 12** – Early Dismissal

**February 15** – No School

**February 19** – Mother/Son Dance 7-9pm

**March 4** – Spirit Day – MD Day

**March 4** – Early Dismissal

**March 4** – Family BINGO Night 7-9pm

**March 9** – PTA meeting 7pm plus Volunteer Training and Q&A session

**March 14** – Family Fun Night at Panera Bread

**March 21-25** – Spring Break

**March 28** – No School

## PTA Monthly Meetings

7:00 pm in the Multi-purpose Room

**February 10** ~ guest speaker, Jessica Young, presentation on Cyber Safety

**March 9** ~ Volunteer Training & Q/A session for parents about Edgewood Middle and High School

**April 20**

**May 18**

**June 15**

## **BINGO!**

We are excited to announce our Family BINGO Night! The event will be on Friday, March 4th from 7 to 9 p.m. in the school cafeteria. More information to follow via backpack mail!

**AESPTA Blog:** [aespta.wordpress.com](http://aespta.wordpress.com)

**AESPTA Facebook Page:**

[www.facebook.com/groups/abingdonelementarypta/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/abingdonelementarypta/)

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## News from our Committees

### **Dances**

AES MOTHER/SON Dance!

Come have a great time dancing with your SON, NEPHEW, or grandson!

When: February 19, 2016

Where: Abingdon School Gym

Time: 7:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Pictures start at 6:30

Cost: \$5 per student (1 Adult is included)

Exact change only – no checks

Ticket sales will end at 11:00AM on 2/12/2016 (or earlier if we reach capacity).

Limited space available. DJ BJ will provide the music.

Refreshments will be sold in the café.

### **Yearbook**

Online ordering is now available!

[Ybpay.lifetouch.com](http://Ybpay.lifetouch.com)

ID Code: 12593616

Preordering is the best way to guarantee that your child receives a yearbook. There are also many upgrades and add-ons to choose from this year, including hard cover and personalization. Order forms with all of the pricing info and options will be coming home soon!

Don't forget to send all of your pictures to

[aesyearbook399@gmail.com](mailto:aesyearbook399@gmail.com)

We would love to include them in the yearbook!

### **Spirit Wear**

Our spring Spirit Wear sale will be online only, beginning February 1st. Please visit [yorktownesports.com](http://yorktownesports.com) and click on Abingdon Elementary's team web store to order. Please be sure to include your child's name and teacher in the comments section of your order.

### **Spirit Days**

*Feb. 12\* - Patriotic Day*

*Mar. 4 - Maryland Day*

*Apr. 15 - AES Day*

*May 6 - Rainbow Day*

*\*\*Note\*\* Please, no props or distracting accessories.*

### **Family Fun/Spirit Night**

Upcoming Family Fun/Spirit nights will be held on February 11<sup>th</sup> at Chick-Fil-A and March 14<sup>th</sup> at Panera Bread. Look for flyers to come home with your child. If you would like to purchase discounted tickets to Beauty and the Beast at the Hippodrome and support AESPTA, here is the link - <https://oss.ticketmaster.com/aps/baabal/EN/link/promotion/home/6ed6afdbdee4725a7870ed9438b4f0b535b4928f> password: aespta

### **Spring Fling**

The Spring Fling chairs are seeking members to join the committee. Interested?

Please contact Emily Kulaga at [embo2199@gmail.com](mailto:embo2199@gmail.com) or Barb Wirsing at [rwirsing371@gmail.com](mailto:rwirsing371@gmail.com) for more information.

### **Receipts**

Keep sending in those Box Tops, Labels for Education, and Tyson labels! We are doing great, AES! I am in need of a few volunteers to help count the box tops and labels. If you are interested please let me know. I can be reached at [angstump@msn.com](mailto:angstump@msn.com). Also we will need someone to take over this committee for next year. If this interests you, now is the time to step up so that you can learn the process. It is not difficult - just takes some of your time. Perfect committee for the parent who can't always make it into school during the day!