



PTO Holiday Party/Meeting Maria Selma Restaurant 1617 Richmond Avenue Tuesday	12/1	Gugliani's Poe Nights, Tuesday and Wednesday SDMC Meeting, Art Room, Tuesday	12/15 & 16 12/15
School Spelling Bee Wednesday	12/2	Winter Parties, Friday	12/18
Poe Nights at Hungry's Restaurant	12/5 -13	Winter Holiday	12/21 -
PITK December 14 th Submission Deadline, Monday	12/7		1/4/10

Hungry's for Poe

Visit Hungry's Restaurant at **2356 Rice Blvd:** 713-523-8652 for dinner from **Saturday, Dec. 5th thru Sunday, Dec. 13th,** and 10% will be donated to Poe.

This offer is limited to dinner-time only, but we will get credit for take-out and delivery orders. **NOTE:** In order for us to get credit you must turn in the flyer advertising this event to your server. The flyers will be in your child's Monday folder and attached to the email blast sent a few days before the event.

Book Fair a Success

The Book Fair was a HUGE Success! Thank you to co-chairs Grace Olmos and Lisa Shurter. They had a fantastic team with Jody Numata – bookmark contest; Sahar Seyedi – volunteers, teacher wish lists; Christine Sherer – children's art, counting contests, and Family Night activities; Frank Fossella – donated food from Whole Foods Bellaire, Carrabba's, Gugliani's; Chrysi Polydoros and Alicia Bye – Grandparents Day. Grandparent's Day food was donated by Stone Mill Bakers. Additional thank you to the Administration and Teachers for bringing Fancy Nancy and Literacy Night; Cecilia Baylon for the use of the Science Room for a week; all the entertainers – Musical Theatre Group, Poe Dancers, Hip Hop, Violinists; and Leah White. The final thank you to all the volunteers working a shift at the book fair and bringing desserts.

December PTO Holiday Party/Meeting

The PTO is having a Holiday Party for the December Meeting Tuesday, December 1 at Maria Selma Restaurant from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm. Maria Selma is located at 1617 Richmond 713-528-4920. The December Meeting is a full PTO meeting. All parents are encouraged to attend, dues paying PTO members may vote. The Executive Board would like to take a vote of the membership at this meeting. We would love to get your vote. If you would like to be added to the PTO membership and vote at the December 1 Holiday Party/Meeting, submit your membership form online at www.poepto.org or drop the form in the VIPS box in the office. Membership starts as low as \$10. A current list of PTO members is posted on the PTO bulletin board in the front hallway.

Directories Have Arrived

The 2009-2010 directories were distributed in Monday folders on November 16. A directory is provided to each family, with the directory going to the oldest child in the family. Thank you to Directory Chairs Elaine and Alan Mut. The directory includes contact information for students, teachers, administration, and PTO. It also includes Important Dates as of the printing of the Directory. These dates may be subject to change, so look at the calendar on the Poe and PTO websites for the latest information on events. A big Thank You also goes to the underwriters of the Directory and the Advertisers including the Poe Directory Business Patrons. Look on page 108 for the Business Patrons, many who are Poe Families. The underwriting and advertising enables every family at Poe to receive a Directory!

Magnet Week a Success

Thank you to Janet Flood, Magnet Chair, Amy Aulbach and Anjanette Blewer for showing Poe to the prospective families during Magnet Week. Thank you also goes to Judy Britt, Magnet Coordinator, Marsha Bauman, Mrs. Gonzales, and Pam Ondruch for joining the tours and visiting with the families. It was very successful, with a family commenting that they liked Poe and hope to come here next year.

VIPS Volunteer Hours

The VIPS Chairs are happy to announce that all VIPS hours will be tracked. In order to do this, we need your assistance. Please sign-in at the office under the yellow tab that says VIPS. Be sure and put the time you arrived and when you left. There is no need to sign in under the Visitor tab when you are volunteering at the school. Thank you for your assistance in tracking volunteer hours!

The Student Council Announces Officers for 2009-2010

President - Jillian Thomas
Vice President - Audrey Heitmann
Secretary - Isabella Goodman
Assistant - Secretary Hannah Guilfoyle
Treasurer - Kira Lam
Assist. Treasurers - Peggy Polydoros and Isaac Davidson
Congratulations! The Next Student Council Meeting will be Dec. 4th at 7:15am in Ms. McQueen's class. We are looking forward to all Student Council Members attending.



Everybody's Somebody at Poe
Auction 2010

Come one and y'all!!!
Auction Meeting
Monday, December 7th
7:00 pm
Armadillo Palace
Everybody's welcome!

Use Merchant Rebate Cards for Holiday Shopping

Do your holiday shopping at the following merchants to earn big bucks for Poe.

Amazon.com contributes 4% of sales of items purchased through Amazon.com and Marketplace (note that caps and exclusions apply). Make sure to shop through the link at www.poepto.org to make sure Poe receives credit!
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Kroger Link your Kroger card to Poe's code by scanning the Kroger bar code at checkout for a 1% contribution. Flyers with the bar code are at www.poepto.org

Office Depot Tell the cashier to designate Poe (**code:70098337**) to receive 5% of your total purchase. Office Depot will credit the Poe Account with funds that can be used by the Poe staff to buy office supplies.

Randall's Link your Randall's card at the Courtesy Desk or check out to the Poe code (**2244**) for a 1% contribution.

Target - Target Card or Target VISA. Designate Poe (**code:98754**) to receive contributions; 5% of Target purchases and 1% of others will go to Poe.