



# Patwin Elementary

March 23, 2009 Newsletter

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## Calendar of Events

| DATE             | DAY             | TIME            | EVENT   |
|------------------|-----------------|-----------------|---|
| 3/28/09          | Saturday        | 9:00 - 12:00 pm | Walkathon   |
| 4/2/09 - 4/5/09  | Thursday-Sunday |                 | Emerson Carnival<br>Cannery Park, J Street and Covell |
| 4/3/09           | Friday          |                 | 6th Grade Science Fair Projects DUE                   |
| 4/6/09 - 4/10/09 | Monday-Friday   |                 | Spring Break  |

**Patwin Walkathon  
Walk with the Stars!  
This Saturday 9 to 12!**

Registration will be on the Playground  
(MPR if raining)



### Lock Your Bikes!

Thefts have been reported at nearby Emerson Junior High. Please lock your bike!

The Patwin Newsletter is published each Monday of the school year by the Patwin PTA. The deadline to submit articles is the preceding Thursday at 12:00 noon. Articles should be e-mailed to the editors at [patwineditor@gmail.com](mailto:patwineditor@gmail.com). Please include a contact name and phone number.

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# DID YOU KNOW...?

If students are left standing outside longer than 10 minutes from their dismissal, they will be asked to go to the office. You can find them in the office or at the picnic tables.

A WASTE-FREE LUNCH includes :reusable lunch container; cloth napkins; stainless-steel forks and spoons; reusable drink containers; and reusable lunchboxes. EARTH BUCKS are given out on MAKE-NO-WASTE MONDAYS.

RUNNING CLUB meets Tuesday and Thursdays from 2:35 to 3:35. Running Club will be cancelled if it is raining up to one hour before 2:30 pm.

RECYCLE, help the earth, and support the fourth grade class's trip to Malakoff Diggins next spring! Please bring your aluminum cans to the bin outside room 15.

PTA EMAIL NOTIFICATION LIST: If you would like to add or update your email account for receiving notifications from the PTA, please visit <http://www2.dcn.org/mailman/listinfo/patwin-pta-announce/>.

## Character Education Words

**March: Self-Discipline** is being a hard worker. Someone who sets goals and works to achieve them. Someone who is very motivated and shows initiative.

**April: Perseverance** is showing persistence and determination in all situations. Someone who keeps trying until they get it.

**May: Integrity** is when someone thinks independently and does the right thing, even when it's hard; and even if no one else is looking.

**June: Good Citizenship** is when someone follows the rules and laws. Someone who is involved in family, school, community, and country.

## Patwin Day

Although Patwin Day is in June, it really is just around the corner. Please look at your schedules and try to arrange to volunteer in the morning on either Wednesday, June 3 for Kindergarten Patwin Day or Friday, June 5 for the rest of the school.

In the meantime, if you are doing some spring cleaning, don't throw out your small to medium jars (we use for Tiffany Jars) or any of your crafty-type items. We will make use of almost any craft supply. Reduce, reuse, recycle--and save money. For questions or pick up of any items, please call Ann Shuman at 758-4755. Happy Spring!

## 6th Grade Science Fair Deadline

6th Grade Science Fair Projects are due Friday, April 3rd. White poster boards may be picked up after school. There is a white poster board for every student this year. On Mondays and Thursdays, help is available in the science room from 3 to 5 PM. Students are urged to come in and get help including with the layout of their board.

## Jamba Juice Fundraiser

Gotta have Jamba Juice? Make Fridays your day to indulge! Just visit the Jamba Juice in the Marketplace and be sure to mention Patwin Elementary any Friday between now and the end of school! Jamba Juice will donation a portion of proceeds to the PTA!

## Davis Public Library Will Be Closed

In order to address the budget gap, the Davis Branch of the Yolo Public Library will be closed during Spring Break—Monday, April 6, through Thursday, April 9. Items checked out before then will have extended due dates.

# Walk for a Cake!!

The **First Annual Cake Walk @ the Patwin Walkathon** Starts at 10am on Saturday, March 28th, 2009 at the Walkathon.

## What is the Cake Walk?

A fun way to support your teachers' classroom funds. 100% of the money raised from the ticket sales will go straight to the teachers – just like the old cupcake sales!

## How will it work?

When you need a break from walking your laps, look for the signs to the Cake Walk:

### Purchase your Cake Walk tickets at the Cake Walk table

\$1 per ticket, or \$3 for 5 tickets

Get in line and get ready for the fun!

You'll see 20 numbered chairs arranged together – 20 people walk at a time!

When the music starts, everybody walks. When the music stops, find a chair.

Cake Walk leaders will pick a number out of a hat - if they call the number on your chair, you win a cake!

You will receive a "cake claim ticket" to pick up your winning cake from a nearby classroom.

You can walk as many times as you buy a ticket! But, you will need to get back in line after you've used a ticket, to redeem another one. We want to make sure everyone gets the chance to "cake walk"!

## Bake a Cake for the Cake Walk!

We will need LOTS of cakes for this fun event! The more cakes we have, the greater the chance for you to win one!

The classroom that brings in the most cake, will win a cake surprise during school. Also, individual bakers can also earn awards for the following categories:

- "The Purplest" cake – with the most Patwin school spirit!
- Most beautiful/elegant
- Most creative
- Craziest cake
- Most colorful
- Most interesting shaped cake
- "Looks like a star" cake

Cakes can be delivered to school (in the MPR) at the following times:

Friday, March 27th, from 8am - 8:45am (drop-off)

Friday, March 27th, from 2:15pm – 3:30pm (pick-up)

Saturday, March 28th, before 9am (at the Cake Walk area)

\*\* Please make sure your cakes are wrapped/sealed for overnight storage (we want to avoid ants!)



If you have questions or would like to help with the Cake Walk, please contact Amy Irvine at 758-5010, or [amy.irvine@comcast.net](mailto:amy.irvine@comcast.net). See you at the Walkathon!!

# Walkathon 2009

## Walking with the Stars

**See you this Saturday, March 28th, from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm—Rain or Shine, so come prepared! Registration will be on the playground (MPR if raining).**

Come enjoy all the wonderful entertainment—the Cal Aggie Band-uh, DHS Pep Band & Madrigals, Music Matt, Frank “Magic Man” Starsinic, and more!

It's not too late to turn in your forms and money to the box in the office, or you can even sign up at the event—but make sure a parent is there to sign the permission slip.

Everyone who raises \$25 in pledge money will receive a t-shirt.

**Remember to bring a pair of new socks or underwear (to be donated to STEAC) on Saturday to receive a free lap**

Bring some money to buy yummy food, cake walk and raffle tickets!

All registered walkers get a Patwin water bottle at check-in

**Get ready to Walk with the Stars!! Come dressed as your favorite celebrity!**

New this year, a Cake Walk! We will need LOTS of yummy baked goodies as prizes. Please sign up!

Make sure to check out the “Look Who's Walking with the Stars” sign hanging outside the MPR.

**Volunteers are still needed!** Call Grace DeMasi at 753-8609. With your help the Walkathon will be a fabulous, community-building event—something we could all use right about now!

### T-shirt Design Contest Winners

Finally, we have the winners of the t-shirt design contest: Elisa McIsaac (front) and Kinsey Nelson (back), both from Ms. Britz's class! Congratulations! Look for all the designs on the ball wall at the Walkathon.

## Forum at Davis High School

**Monday, March 23, 7:00-9:00 pm**  
**Davis Senior High School, Performing Arts Building**

“Upholding High Academic Standards in Challenging Fiscal Times”  
Keynote Speaker: Glen Thomas, California Secretary of Education

Dr. Thomas, appointed chief education advisor to Governor Schwarzenegger in January, will present an overview of recent state policy decisions and flexibility proposals affecting public schools.

The Class Size Reduction Debate  
Delaine Eastin, former California Superintendent of Public Instruction  
“The Benefits of Class Size Reduction”

As Superintendent of Public Instruction from 1995-2003, Delaine Eastin first championed and then implemented a statewide reduction in class sizes for kindergarten through third grade students. Ms. Eastin will revisit that policy initiative in light of today's economic realities.

## Free/Low Cost Health Insurance for Kids

Cover the Uninsured Week  
March 22-28, 2009  
FREE or LOW COST Health Insurance for Children!

Call the Children's Health Initiative  
Yolo County (Program of the Yolo  
County Children's Alliance)  
Toll-free 1(866)-607-4030

We have Health Access Specialist  
who can help you apply for health  
insurance for your children!

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del Condado de Yolo)  
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personas pueden ayudarle a  
solicitar seguro de salud para sus  
hijos.

## CDC Fundraiser at Dos Coyotes

On Tuesday, March 24th from  
5 to 9 pm CDC is having a  
fundraiser at Dos Coyotes  
in the Marketplace shopping  
Center. Anyone who presents  
the Patwin CDC flyer will earn  
10% of their dinner for us!  
copies of the flyer are available  
at CDC or the office.

## Open PTA Positions

It's Time Again to think about serving on Patwin's PTA Board. All Positions are open, including, President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary and Parliamentarian. Here is a brief description of each position:

### President

The President presides at all meetings of the association and executive board. Creates an environment of mutual respect in which everyone feels free to participate fully in discussing issues and making decisions. Remains impartial as the presiding officer. Delegates responsibility and gives those so delegated the opportunity to do the job, offering help only when needed. Respects others opinion and strives to improve leadership skills. Becomes familiar with basic financial procedures. Helps sets and implement PTA sponsored events through out the school year.

### 1st Vice President

Attends the (Parent/Teacher Leadership Group) PLG Meetings Monthly and reports back to the PTA at their monthly meeting. Helps the PTA President with PTA sponsored school functions.

### 2nd Vice President

Attends the Site Council meetings and reports back to the PTA at their monthly meeting. Helps the PTA President with PTA sponsored school functions.

### Treasurer

The treasurer is the authorized custodian of all funds of the association. Some responsibilities of the office are specified in the unit's bylaws and other are established by the district and state PTA procedures. Keep permanent records that track gross income, receipts and disbursements of the association, including the number of members, dues collected and the total per capita dues remitted through channels to the California state PTA.

### Secretary

Keep an accurate record (the minutes) of the proceedings of all meetings of the association and of the executive board. Read minutes of any previous meetings when called upon to do so. The minutes are the legal record of the PTA. Prepare and read a report of each executive board meeting at the association meeting. Request all motions to be put in writing.

### Parliamentarian

Acts as the time keeper at PTA Board meetings and updates bylaws (once)

If you are interested in learning more about these positions or running for office, please contact Teresa Clarke at Tclarke190@aol.com. Also, there will be full descriptions of each position on Patwin PTA's website shortly.

# Parent Project®

*Because the tougher it gets to be a kid . . .  
the tougher it gets to be a parent!*

**BEGINS Wednesday, MARCH 25, 2009**

**Harper Junior High School Library – 4000 E. Covell**

**Sponsored by Davis Joint Unified School District &  
Davis Police Department**



**Give us 24 hours!**

**It will**

**change your life!**

**10-week series:**

**Wednesdays, 6 - 9 PM**

**3/25/2009 – 6/3/2009**

(Will NOT meet Week of Spring  
Break, Wed. April 8<sup>th</sup>)

**\$50.00/person,  
includes materials,  
(Register at DJUSD Adult  
Education Office  
315 W. 14<sup>th</sup> Street  
757-5380, ask for Roberta)**

## **REGISTER NOW!**

**For more info, call the facilitators:**

Trease Petersen, Davis Police Department  
Youth Intervention Specialist,  
530-747-5432

Dr. Deborah Kimokeo, DJUSD  
Prevention & Crisis Manager,  
530-757-5400x133

Jennifer McNeil, DJUSD  
DHS Counselor & Spanish Speaker  
530-757-5400x148

Need scholarships available. Call Deb, Trease or  
Jennifer for more info.

**We provide concrete answers  
for questions you have about:**

- *How to stop arguing with your child*
- *Improving school attendance and performance*
- *How to prevent or intervene with your child's alcohol & other drugs use*
- *Find resources to help*

# The Emerson Carnival is Coming!

CARNIVAL DATE: APRIL 2 - 5, 2009  
Cannery Park at Covell and J Street in Davis

## WHAT IS THE CARNIVAL?

A CARNIVAL with about 20 fair-type Midway rides for ALL AGES. Carnival Rides include the Zipper, Century Wheel, Cliff Hanger & Loli Swings. Games and Food Concessions, and on Friday and Saturday, live music. Admission and parking are free. Rides/food/games are not.

ORDER TICKETS: You can pre-order tickets with the attached order form. Place order form and check made out to Emerson PTA in the colorful box in the office. Advance tickets are only \$20.00 for unlimited rides any one day. Free admission and parking. Tickets will be delivered to your classroom.

COME HEAR: Emerson Jr. High Jazz Band, The Love Train, Hardwater, Slice, Hotwire, J Street Jazz Band, Doodle, and more!

## CARNIVAL TIMES:

Thursday: 4 to 10 pm

Friday: 4 to 11 pm

Saturday: 11 am to 11 pm

Sunday: noon to 10 pm

## TICKETS:

Unlimited ride 1-day pass can be purchased for \$20 in advance or \$25 at the Carnival. No casts, pregnant women, or intoxicated persons may ride. There are height restrictions on some rides so people under 36" may want to buy individual ride coupons for \$1 (3 to 5 coupons needed per ride). Admission/parking are free. Rides/Games/Food are not.

Advance tickets to be traded in for a wristband at the Carnival are available at the following businesses in Davis during their normal business hours: Fleet Feet, Davis Food Coop, H2O to Go, Lamppost Pizza

## ENTERTAINMENT:

Friday: 4 TO 9 pm: Emerson Jazz Band, Slice, LOVE TRAIN (7 TO 9) AND More

Saturday: 1 TO 9 pm: J Street Jazz Cats, Hotwire, Doodle, Slice, and HARDWATER (7 TO 9)

## GAME AND FOOD BOOTHS:

BBQ tri-tip and ribs, salad, pizza, drinks, and other goodies + Carnival Food & Game Concessions!!

"THANK YOU" to: Lewis Planned Communities for donating the Cannery Park property for the event. Fleet Feet, Davis Food Coop, H2O to Go, and Lamppost Pizza for selling tickets with no benefit to them. The many volunteers and businesses that are supporting the Emerson Carnival.

# Carnival!



sponsored by:  
EMERSON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL PTA

## APRIL 2 – 5

Thursday (4:00 pm - 10:00 pm)  
Friday (4:00 pm - 11:00 pm)  
Saturday (11:00 am to 11:00 pm)  
Sunday (12 noon - 10:00 pm)  
at

### CANNERY PARK

**J & Covell, Davis**



### Carnival Ticket Sales at Patwin Order Form for Advance Ticket Purchases



You may use extra lines if you want to order for more than one family.

|   | # of Tickets (\$20 each) | Amount Due (= # tix*\$20) | Name | Address | Phone | Would you like to have your ticket order delivered in class (D) (saves postage) or mailed (M) | CHECK or CASH? Please make CHECKS payable to EMERSON PTA. (Please show check #) |
|---|--------------------------|---------------------------|------|---------|-------|---|---|
| 1 |                          |                           |      |         |       | D   | Cash  |
|   |                          |                           |      |         |       | M   | Check# _____  |
| 2 |                          |                           |      |         |       | D   | Cash  |
|   |                          |                           |      |         |       | M   | Check# _____  |
| 3 |                          |                           |      |         |       | D   | Cash  |
|   |                          |                           |      |         |       | M   | Check# _____  |
| 4 |                          |                           |      |         |       | D   | Cash  |
|   |                          |                           |      |         |       | M   | Check# _____  |

**PLEASE RETURN ALL ORDER FORMS AND PAYMENTS TO THE CARNIVAL BOX IN THE PATWIN OFFICE BY TUESDAY, MARCH 27 OR MAIL TO: CARNIVAL TICKET SALES AT PATWIN, 2222 SHASTA DR. DAVIS, CA 95616. LAST DAY TO MAIL MARCH 25**

Each ticket is good for a wrist band that entitles bearer to ONE day of admission and an unlimited number of rides for that day. No casts, pregnant persons, or intoxicated individuals are allowed on rides. Some rides are height restricted so those under 36 inches may not want to purchase the unlimited pass.

Advance purchase tickets also available at the Davis Food Coop, H<sub>2</sub>O To Go, Fleet Feet and Lamppost Pizza. One-day tickets may also be purchased at the Carnival for \$25.00 each day. In addition, tickets for individual rides will be available for purchase on the premises.

Please contact one of the following if you have questions or need assistance:  
EMERSONCARNIVAL@gmail.com  
Frances McChesney 400-4672  
Robert Lawson 753-3209



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