

ALA Parent Council

Legacy- August 2006



- Vickie Peterson-President
- MaryAnne Davis-President Elect
- Michelle Reinhold-Secretary
- April Sherrod-Treasurer
- Keri Dautel-Board of Trustee Liaison

Important Dates:

- Aug 3 PC Volunteer Kick-Off Dinner and General Parent Council Meeting; 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm
- Aug 3 ALA Board of Trustee Public Meeting; 7:30 pm
- Aug 9-10 Open Registration; 8:00 am – 5:00 pm
- Aug 21 ALA Open House; Time to be announced
- Aug 22 SCHOOL BEGINS Grades 1st – 12th
- Aug 24-25 Kindergarten Assessment
- Aug 30-31 Meet the Teacher - Core Knowledge Night; 3:30 pm – 7:00 pm
- Sept 4 Labor Day – No school
- Sept 7 September General Parent Council Meeting; 6:00 pm – 7:30 pm
- Sept 7 ALA Board of Trustee Public Meeting & Board of Trustee Election; 7:30 pm

Parent Council President's Message:

Summer vacation is coming to a close; I hope all of our families have enjoyed the break. We are about to start a new school year on the 22nd of August. The Parent Council is very excited about the upcoming events our school coordinators have started planning. These events will need parental support. We want our children to enjoy their school years; they will remember the great activities that they participate in. The process of making them wonderful has a great deal to do with parents who take the time to become involved. This is a great opportunity to be with our children in their educational environment.

Our school coordinators will have sign up sheets for various areas in which they will need help. All three schools are in need of parent volunteers. Many of us are very busy with life, which is definitely justifiable. However, sometimes we just need to schedule time to do things that bring about memories for our children. The Parent Council has tried to accommodate busy schedules by having sign up sheets with monthly planned events. Each event will require a chairperson to organize the committee, and parent volunteers who will both plan and carry out the activity. We encourage all parents to attend our August 3rd kick off dinner, where we will have the sign up sheets available for review. Each family has been requested to fulfill a minimum of 40 hours of service for ALA. There will be several activities and service opportunities to help fulfill this requirement. If every family will participate, we will not over-burden a select few parents who always seem to come through for our children and the school.

I am grateful to serve another year as the Parent Council President. I welcome your opinions about the Parent Council's strengths and weaknesses. We are in this together, and if any parent has ideas of how we may improve the organization, we look forward to hearing from you. After all, this is our school and we want to make it a very desirable place for every student and parent to be.

We are all looking forward to a great year.

Sincerely,
Vickie Peterson
ALA Parent Council President

THANK YOU!!!!

The Parent Council Executive Board would like to thank Ann-Marie Mair who served as the Tile Project Committee Chair last year. The tiles will be hung in the schools starting August 14th. We appreciate her dedication and service to the school and Parent Council. Ann-Marie will continue to serve the Parent Council in the coming year as the Publicity Committee Chair.

We would like to say thank you to Karl Reinhold who served as the Work Committee Chair last year. We wish him well in his future endeavors.

New Web-site:

The school's new website is now available. The Parent Council would like to encourage all parents to visit the school's new website at americanleadership.net.

The Parent Council section of the website has information on:

- PC Board Members
- PC Organization and Structure
- PC Bylaws
- Meeting agendas and minutes
- Volunteer Needs & Opportunities
- PC Newsletters
- Upcoming PC Events

We would like to thank Johnny Williams for his assistance in creating this new website that will benefit all ALA families.

PARENT COUNCIL BOARD POSITIONS:

The Parent Council Board is in need of committee chairs for the Fundraising Committee and the Work Committee. If you are interested in chairing one of these committees, please contact Vickie Peterson, PC President, by e-mail at vpeterson@americanleadership.net

AUGUST KICK-OFF DINNER:

The Parent Council will be holding the annual Volunteer Kick-Off Dinner and Meeting on August 3, 2006, in the Junior High School Cafeteria. Dinner will be served at 5:30 pm and the meeting will start at 6:00 pm.

Committee and volunteer sign-ups will be available that evening. We would like to encourage all parents to volunteer in the schools next year, even if in a limited capacity. All parents have been asked to volunteer a minimum of 40 hours per year.

Volunteer of the Month:

The Parent Council would like to announce the creation of a "Volunteer of the Month" and a "Volunteer of the Year" program.

Each month a parent volunteer will be announced and spotlighted in the PC Newsletter, on the website, and at the General Parent Council Meeting.

Any parent, teacher, staff member, director, or committee chair may nominate a parent volunteer. Please e-mail a candidate name to Maryanne Davis, the PC President Elect, at mdavis@americanleadership.net