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### Important INPTA Dates to Remember

June 30, 2010  
End of the fiscal year  
Financial records need to be audited and the **Annual**

## Indiana PTA Good News Email

Dear Nichole,

This is the Indiana PTA Good News Alert that goes out every Sunday night throughout the year. Please feel free to pass this on to your PTA contacts!

We are looking to highlight PTAs and Councils across the state that are excelling at membership, projects, or just have a great idea to share! We also hope this keeps you up to date on deadlines and events for Indiana PTA.

### Indiana PTA Update



#### HELP INDIANA PTA RECEIVE A \$100,000 GRANT FROM THE WAL-MART FOUNDATION

Indiana PTA is honored to be a finalist in the first annual Wal-Mart Associate Choice Program (ACP) for a \$100,000 grant from the Wal-Mart Foundation. Walmart and Sam's Club associates in Indiana will have the ability to vote during an online poll conducted in the month

of July. Each associate will have one vote. The organization that receives the most votes will be identified as that state's "Associate Choice Winner" and will receive a \$100K grant.

#### YOU CAN Help us get VOTES!

- If you know a Wal-Mart employee (in Indiana) ask them to vote for Indiana PTA. **(See these GUIDELINES before you start, so Indiana PTA doesn't get disqualified!)**
- Spread the word to parents at your school.
- Visit our [WalmartVotes webpage](#) and find downloads that you can use to promote the vote to your members including a display page and fliers.
- Share the contest on your Facebook page! Just click "Share" when you see an Indiana PTA status about the vote.

**Financial Report** needs to be submitted to the office by September 30th.

**July 10th**

Northwest Region Leadership Conference, 9:00 AM Twin Branch Model School

**July 14th**

Northeast Region Training 6:00 PM Allen County Public Library, Main Branch

**November 15, 2010**

Federal Form 990 is due to the IRS.

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· Share the contest on your Twitter page using the hashtag #VoteINPTA. Feel free to link to our WalmartVotes webpage on your social networks!

**WATCH FOR THE JULY ISSUE OF THE IPT - INDIANA PTA NEWSLETTER**

The Indiana PTA PR and Marketing team is working hard to publish the next issue of the bi-monthly newsletter, the IPT. This newsletter serves as a resource to those who are new to PTA, those that want to find out more about PTA, or for those wishing to highlight the benefits of PTA. We encourage all of you to read the IPT and send it on to a friend!

Included in this month's issue: National Standards for Family-School Partnerships, H.R. 5211, The 2011 Legislative Conference, and a special section on promoting male involvement in your schools and PTAs.

**DON'T FORGET TO COMPLETE AND RETURN YOUR 2010-11 OFFICER'S LIST [HERE...](#)**

## Region News and Updates

**PRESIDENT'S PACKETS, PRESIDENT'S CDS, AND MEMBERSHIP CARDS ARE BEING DISTRIBUTED DIFFERENTLY**

This year, each region will be hand-distributing the President's Packets and CDs. The Region Vice Presidents will handle the distribution. If you have questions about how your Packets will be passed out, please feel free to contact your Region Vice President and they will be happy to help you.

Northwest - CeCe White, [cwhite@indianapta.org](mailto:cwhite@indianapta.org)

Northeast - Julie Klingenberger, [jklingenberger@indianapta.org](mailto:jklingenberger@indianapta.org)

Central - Sharon Wise, [swise@indianapta.org](mailto:swise@indianapta.org)

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**NORTHEAST REGION TRAINING SCHEDULED**

The Northeast Region has scheduled its first Training Session of the year for Wednesday, July 14th at 6:00PM at the Allen County Public Library, Main Branch, at 900 Library Plaza. In addition to great leadership training, you will also receive your unit's President's Packet and President's CD, PTA Membership Cards, and FWAC Discount Cards. This training is for all Presidents and other officers in each unit. Please plan to attend, as this training is mandatory. Questions? Email Julie Klingenberger at [jklingenberger@indianapta.org](mailto:jklingenberger@indianapta.org).

**NORTHWEST REGION LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE SCHEDULED**

Mishawaka Council PTA is hosting a Northwest Region Leadership Conference on Saturday, July 10, 2010 from 9:00 A.M. - 12:00 P.M. . The conference will be held at Twin Branch Model School, 3810 Lincolnway in Mishawaka. **All are welcome.** Please RSVP to CeCe White at [cwhite@indianapta.org](mailto:cwhite@indianapta.org)

***This is the time that PTA's/PTSA's will need to pick up the President's Packet including Membership Cards. The President's Packet and Membership Cards will not be mailed this year.*** Topics included in the training are Advocacy, Awards,

Forms, Membership and Programs.

**More trainings will be listed as they are scheduled. Check the Indiana PTA website for updated information.**

## INDIANA PTA SUCCESS STORIES

**The Evansville Area PTA** sponsored their Fourth Annual Golf Scramble on Friday, June 18th at Eagle Valley Golf Course in Evansville. There were 12 teams participating and lots of great prizes and fanfare. Golf bags, Tom-Toms, DVD players, a beautiful Citizen's men's watch and many other prizes were given away. Companies like Lewis Bakeries, Coca Cola, Pepsi, Frito Lay and local school. Oak Hill Middle School played in the annual event. The Westside Walmart was the host of the scramble and helped to raise over \$8,000.00 for the **Evansville Area Council PTA Clothing Bank**. Next year's date has already been set.

### ***This Week's Question - Summer Planning...Do you have summer board meetings?***

Having been involved in PTA for a number of years **Scott Middle School PTSA** has really learned the value of **not** forgetting about PTA from June to August. Their summer plans include 2 "Meet n' Greet" community membership drives. They plan to canvas the streets of the community and present the opportunity to join their PTSA to local businesses and community members. They have planned 2 Saturdays for these events with a Board Family picnic at the end of each campaign. There, they will be swap stories, strategize, socialize and plot their next in the areas of membership and community involvement.

They are already even looking forward to next summer! They are planning an incoming family "Welcome Wagon" festival. Being a middle school PTSA they are hoping to making the transition from elementary easier and more family friendly. The Scott MS Board sees this as their first opportunity to share what PTSA does and how parent involvement is crucial to success during the transitional middle school years with new parents while in a fun environment!

**\*NEW!\*\*** Each week, Indiana PTA will ask you a question about your units. Respond to [GoodNews@indianapta.org](mailto:GoodNews@indianapta.org) and let us know your ideas! Then check back next week to read other great ideas from around the state.

**Next Week's Topic:** Community Partners - Do you work with any Community Partners? What are some ways that a community partnership can help your PTA unit?

**Are GREAT things happening in your PTA? Send your stories, ideas, and comments to [GoodNews@indianapta.org](mailto:GoodNews@indianapta.org).**

## NATIONAL PTA UPDATE

**CONTINUE TO SUPPORT H.R. 5211**

At National PTA Convention in Memphis we experienced a great call in day in support of HR5211 - the Family Engagement in Education Act. Over 2,000 PTA members responded to the request to call their representatives, asking them to co-sponsor the bill.

Help us keep the message moving forward. Please continue to contact your legislators and ask them to call their representatives in Congress asking them to support this important legislation. Promote this effort to your membership and ask them to contact their legislators, also. The more **voice** we have, the louder we can be heard. More can be found on our website [HERE...](#)

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**GOOD THINGS ARE HAPPENING IN INDIANA PTA! WE ARE EXCITED FOR THE NEW IDEAS AND PROGRAMS THAT CAN HELP YOUR UNITS!**

NOTE: How do I get my school featured in an Indiana PTA Good News Alert? If you have a great story that you would like us to use, contact us directly at [GoodNews@indianapta.org](mailto:GoodNews@indianapta.org) or let your Region VP know and we will highlight your PTA in one of our weekly emails! Contact your Region VP at: Northwest: CeCe White ([cwhite@indianapta.org](mailto:cwhite@indianapta.org)), Northeast: Julie Klingenberger ([jklingenberger@indianapta.org](mailto:jklingenberger@indianapta.org)), Central: Sharon Wise ([swise@indianapta.org](mailto:swise@indianapta.org)); Southern: Natalie Jones ([njones@indianapta.org](mailto:njones@indianapta.org)).

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