

PTA Express

Forest Park PTA Newsletter

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Get Smart, Stay Fit and Join PTA!

President's message

Dear Parents,

PTA is happy to announce that "Science Night" is almost here. On April 3rd we will have Lawrence Hall of Science present the "Icky, Goopy exploration of Human Body". Parents and siblings are welcome to attend this event. As you all know this year we did not have a Cookie Dough Fundraiser in December and with Jumpstart, we did not meet our goal of raising \$50,000.00 for this year. We are planning to have a "Math-a-thon" fundraiser in April, which will involve our children. During these Budget crises PTA and the school could use all the help parents can extend. Please attend our association meetings, which are held on every third Tuesday. It is important to stay informed and involved in PTA. Make your voice heard and your vote counted.

Sincerely,
Shobana Ramamurthi
President

PTA Science Night

Lawrence Hall of Science presents - "EWW GROSS! AN ICKY INVESTIGATION OF THE HUMAN BODY" on Friday, April 3rd. Please join us in the Multi-Purpose Room for an evening full of excitement, investigation, and experiments.

Please note the grade level timings.

5.30pm to 6.20pm – K - 2

6.45pm to 7.35pm - 3, 4

8.00pm to 8.50pm – 5, 6

Each presentation will be approximately 50 minutes long.

Parents and siblings are welcome. Entry is free for PTA members and a \$5 fee will be charged per family for Non-PTA members.



Upcoming Events in April 2009

3 – Science Night

9 – Minimum Day

10 – Holiday

13 -1 7 – Spring Break

April 27 – May 12 – STAR Testing

Hospitality News

At the last PTA meeting we celebrated the recipients of the **Founder's Day Awards** as well as **sixth grade parents** who have contributed their service to various PTA events. We all enjoyed light refreshments. We would like to thank **Starbucks in the Newark Safeway** for donating 2 coffee travelers.

At the last Coffee with the Principal on March 11, Starbucks in the Newark Safeway donated one coffee traveler. We sure appreciate their generosity.

There will be one last **Coffee with the Principal** on May 13 for this school year. We hope to see you there and we will serve Starbucks coffee, juice and pastries.

Shelly Dunn & Reena Balse
Hospitality Committee

District Art Show

FUSD celebrated art in schools at the 2009 Art Show. Forest Park PTA proudly displayed samples of art work produced by students during the Fame-ous presentations at the District Art Show on Thursday, March 25th, 2009. The show was held in the District Office Board Room on 4210, Technology Drive in Fremont. There were amazing examples of art done by the students of many FUSD schools.

Thanks to all the volunteers who helped collect the samples and display them. We had approximately 80 pieces of art on display.

Anjana Desai & Sharmila Roy
FAME-ous Co-ordinators

PTA Board for 2009-2010

The PTA approved slate for 2009-2010 is as follows:

Vice President - Ms. Shobana Ramamurthi
Financial Secretary - Mr. Ketan Mehta

Treasurer - Ms. Anupama Saraf
Historian - Ms. Neha Shah

The following positions are filled but are yet to be approved;
Secretary - Ms. Ciny Joy

Auditor - Ms. Parul Desai

The position of **PTA President** is *still open*. Without a PTA President, the Forest Park PTA will cease to exist. In the light of current budget cuts, it is crucial that the school receives financial support through the PTA. In the absence of PTA, the school will miss out on all of the following much needed activities:

- Teachers startup fund for Individual classrooms
- Funding for Music Program
- Funding for PE
- Funding for Science Lab
- Funding for Computer Lab
- Funding for Library
- Friday Folders
- Monthly Assemblies
- United Nations Day
- Respect Week
- Coffee with the Principal
- FAME-ous (Art and Music) program
- Funding for Emergency Supplies
- Fun activities such as Movie Night, Science Night, Health & Fitness Night, end of the year Carnival, Muffins for Moms, Donuts for Dads
- Reflections
- and much more....

So parents, please, seriously consider applying for this position. The elections will be held next month on April 21, 2009.

Thanks,
Kavita Agrawal
Parliamentarian

Online Newsletters

The Forest Park PTA Newsletter is going to be online from the month of March, 2009. **We are going green!** The PTA board voted to take this measure to do our bit for ecological awareness. Enjoy reading our newsletters online in the future. We do also archive previous issues of the PTA Newsletters. They can be found in our website.

Student Section

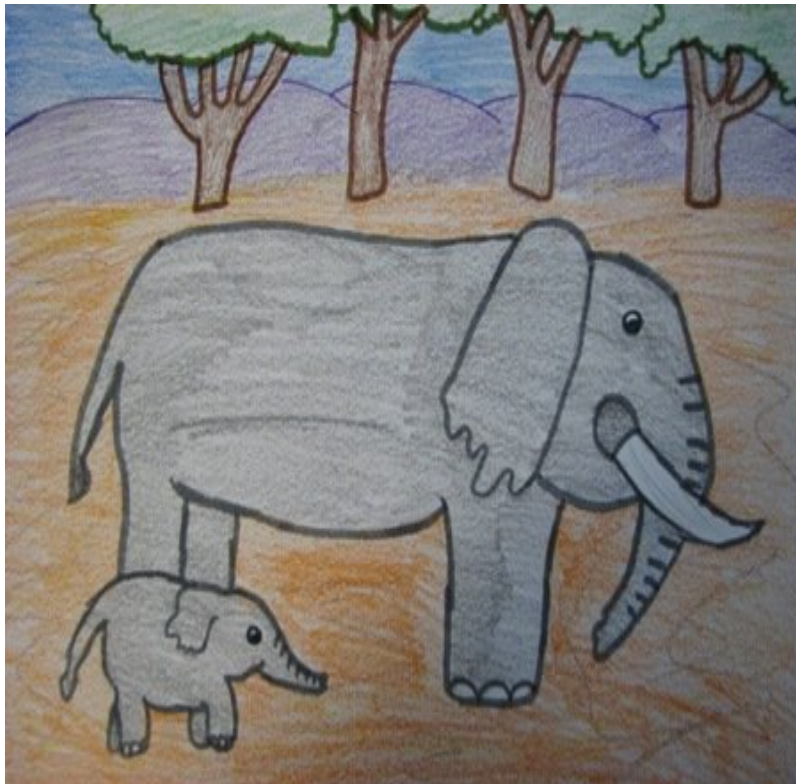
In April, we will print the original work of second and third graders. Email submissions, especially articles, in **word documents**, to meena6001@yahoo.com (preferred method for all submissions) or turn in art work only in the Front Office by 4/24/2009. The categories are Poetry, Comic strip, Drawing, and Fiction. All entries must be **no longer** than a half page.

Thank you,
Meena Annamalai
Newsletter Editor

Joe Montana

Joe Montana was born June 11, 1956, in New Eagle, Pennsylvania. He started playing football at the age of 9. Joe went to Waverly Elementary School, Finleyville Junior High, and Ringgold High School. In Ringgold High, he played basketball, football, and baseball. In college, he was drafted by Notre Dame. In the NFL, he was drafted by the 49er's in the 3rd round. He led the 49er's to 4 Super Bowls and won all of them! His passing rate was 95.3 and he made 273 touchdowns. Joe went to 9 Pro Bowls and got 3 Super Bowl MVP Awards. He also got 2 NFL Awards. He got many other awards including the Bert Bell Award, UPI NFC Offensive Player of the Year, and Comeback Player of the Year. He was added to the NFL Hall of Fame in 2000. In the picture below, you can see him display his super bowl rings. Joe Montana is one of the greatest football Quarter Backs ever in NFL History!!!

By: Aadi Annamalai
Rm. 408



"Mommy & Me"

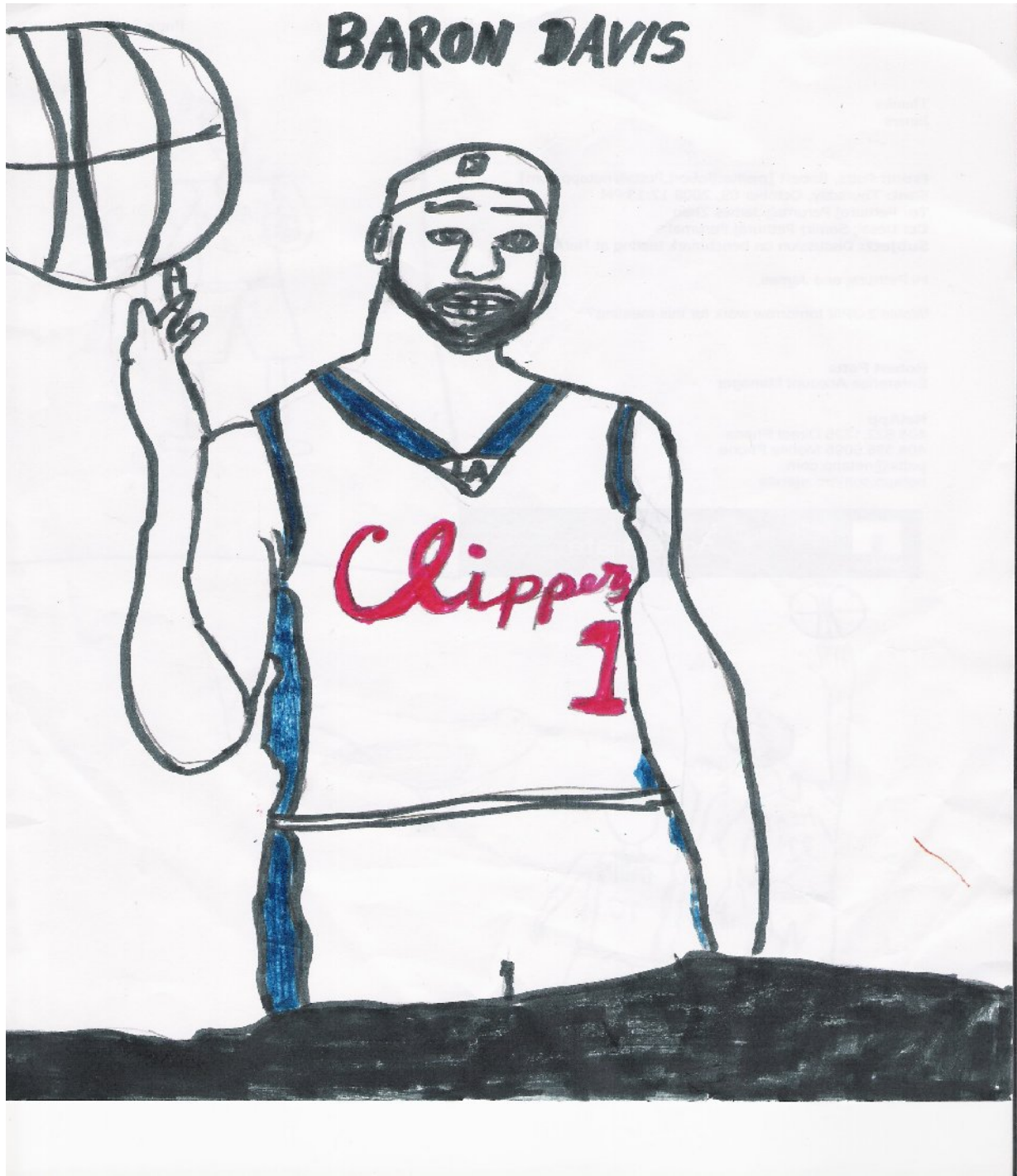
By: Rebecca John
Rm. 403

My Favorite Sport

Basketball is my favorite sport
You run, shoot, and dribble in court
You can be any size short or tall
To play my favorite game basketball
As I play I find people to stall
So they can't pass or shoot the ball
You need lots of practice
And learn certain tactics
To play this game
And attain a name
Basketball is a sport that is so much fun
I just can't stop until the game is done
So now my friend the next time you see a ball
Just pick it up and start playing basketball

By: Bhavana Kunisetty
Rm. 407





“Baron Davis”

**By: Yash Desai
Rm. 403**