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# Shawnee Mission Public Schools Lancer Newsletter

Shawnee Mission East High School

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## Empty Bowl Event Provides Food for the Hungry

The art classes of Shawnee Mission Schools are hosting an Empty Bowls event for the community. The event will be held at Shawnee Mission West on February 13. The ticket costs \$15.00 and covers dinner, which is a bowl of soup, bread, and a drink, plus a handmade bowl that you can pick out for yourself. The district art show will be installed for the evening only. There will be an auction of celebrity bowls which have been donated, and there will be music provided by Shawnee Mission musicians.

The Empty Bowls event was begun by a school in Michigan in the mid 1990s and has become a national event. The proceeds from all of these events are donated to organizations that provide food for people in need. Proceeds from the Shawnee Mission event will be donated to City Union Mission.

Food for the event will be provided by Panera. Tickets are available from the art department or can be purchased on line on the district web site.

## Senior Class DVD

We are in the process of planning the Class of 2006 DVD that will be presented to the senior class at graduation practice in May. It is our hope that every member of the senior class be represented in this DVD.

We are asking you to submit **one** (1) photograph of your child that you want included in the DVD. The photograph may be a baby picture or a more recent shot. It may also include family or friends. As long as the photograph is appropriate (e.g.,

## A Message from the Principal

**Dear Lancer Parents:**

A few weeks ago our students completed the MAP testing (Measure of Academic Performance). The MAP test will replace the old standard ITED test throughout the district from this point on.

Although there were some “glitches” in the implementation of the test, we were satisfied with the positive attributes of this assessment. The test is computerized, it is more time efficient than ITED, it modifies to the individual student, and it gives feedback within a day. As we become more proficient in this test procedure, we will get a much better picture of our students’ performances and how better to improve on them.

On another note, I want to send a BIG CONGRATULATIONS to our newspaper, the *Harbinger*. It was selected as one of the top 62 high school student newspapers in the country by Columbia University. Only one other Kansas school was among the finalists. Columbia University will name the winners of the Silver or Gold Crown at their national convention. *It's Great to be a Lancer!*

**Sincerely,**  
*Angelo Cocolis, Ed.D., Principal*

no alcohol, tobacco, or inappropriate clothing), we guarantee it will be in DVD.

Please label the back of the photograph with your student’s name, place it in an envelope, and turn it in to Mrs. Sieck’s mailbox in the school office by February 3. The photograph **WILL NOT** be returned. Later in the school year, students will have the opportunity to submit other photographs.

## Harbinger Named Crown Finalist

The *Harbinger* was named one of the 62 best high school newspapers in the country as a Columbia Scholastic Press Association Crown finalist. Columbia University in New York will name the winners of the Gold and Silver Crowns at CSPA’s national convention in New York. The

Crowns are one of the highest honors for high school publications in the country. Only one other Kansas school was among the finalists.

*Harbinger* assistant editor Amanda Allison won first place in the Kansas Scholastic Press Association News Story of the Month competition. Judges called Amanda’s entry “a well-written winning entry that sets a tone for others to emulate.”

**Late Start Day, February 7**  
First hour classes will begin at 9:40 A.M. Please arrive at SME by 9:30 A.M. Those riding school buses need to check with their drivers for adjusted pick-up times.

## News from the Library

It's that time again! Sixteen senior English classes came to the library to look for critics' statements on the books they are reading for their papers. The librarians gave a PowerPoint presentation to these students so they could locate the best resources for this assignment. District databases such as InfoTrac and Lexis Nexis on the Shawnee Mission district homepage provide many awesome resources for this research. If your student is having difficulty locating sources for this paper, encourage him/her to come see us. We'd be happy to help!

Thanks a million to the PTA for a mini-grant for the librarians to attend a reading conference sponsored by the Bureau of Educational Research! The focus of the workshop was using new Young Adult Literature to Strengthen Students Reading and Writing Skills. We returned with lots of new ideas for library books and class projects!

Due to requests, the librarians will be giving their PowerPoint presentation on Xanga pages again this month. The first presentation will be for Mill Creek Elementary School technology night on Thursday, February 9. The next will be given on Thursday, February 23 at 7:00 P.M. in the SM East Library Media Center. Contact the Parent Resource Center at 993.9315 to sign-up. The fee is \$10.00. We'd love to have you join us!

In December East parent Joyce Burner presented the Library with a huge holiday gift! Joyce reviews books for *School Library Journal* and gets to keep a copy of the books which she reviews. She has chosen to donate almost \$700.00 worth of

these books to our Library Media Center. What a super gift to our students and staff!

Thanks so much to Tricia Suellentrop, Young Adult Librarian from Johnson County Library, who came and talked to English classes about great non-fiction reads at the start of second semester! Students had an array of titles from which to choose.

Our next Cappuccino Day will be Friday, February 10. The theme, of course, will be Valentine's Day. As always, we appreciate your continued support to raise funds to expand our library collection!

The Friends of the Library Committee is ready to roll and set in motion plans for the Book Drive in March and the Used Book Sale in April. A pizza-party planning session was held in January. The group discussed the book drive among the English classes and advertising strategies for the community. We are ready to receive donations of books, CDs, videos/DVDs that you are no longer using. You can bring them to the library any school day between 7:00 A.M. and 4:00 P.M. Tax-receipt letters are available on request. Thanks so very much!

The Library Media Center welcomes the following lab assistants for second semester: Katie Byrom, Jay Piper, Jenny Abitz, Caitlin Samuels, John Owen, Bo Steadman, Bob Miller, Christine Dickinson, Erin Hall, Jayme Barajas, and Katie Schlichting. We are delighted to have these wonderful students assisting us with circulation, shelving, and a variety of jobs so we can be free to help students and staff with book selection and information needs!



## The East Fund Needs You!

If you or someone you know is interested in a leadership position with the East Fund, the Nominating Committee would like to hear from you. **The following positions will be slated in April:**

- **Governing Board:** Meets monthly at 7:15 a.m. to set policies, approve grants. Two-year staggered terms.

### **Chairmen will also be slated for the following committees:**

- 1) **Administration:** Coordinates mailings and other administrative tasks as needed.
- 2) **Communications:** Oversees all forms of communication, such as the website, Lancer News articles, and the Speakers' Bureau.
- 3) **Community Priorities:** Surveys students, faculty, and the community to determine funding priorities.
- 4) **Development:** Oversees fund-raising efforts.
- 5) **Feast for East:** Plans the annual party that is the primary fund-raiser.
- 6) **Grant Evaluations:** Studies all grant applications to make sure criteria are met. (The committee members are slated as well as the chairman.)
- 7) **Partnerships:** Looks for ways to interact with the outside community in order to increase the Fund's impact.
- 8) **Volunteer Management:** Oversees the volunteer program.
- 9) **Nominating Committee member:** Slates the positions listed above.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Position(s) you are interested in \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly tell us about any qualifications you may have, or reasons for your interest \_\_\_\_\_

Please send this form to Mary Ann Powell, Nominating Chair, 6549 Wenonga Rd., S.M., KS. 66208, or call 913.432.8135, or email mahudd00@aol.com.

# Counseling Office News

## Progress Reports, Conferences, and Grade Cards

Progress reports will be mailed to students who are earning a C- or below in any class on Friday, February 10 . . . watch those mailboxes around that date. This mailing will also have information about Parent/Teacher Conferences, which will be held on the evening of February 16 and the morning of February 17. The third quarter grading period ends on March 10. Grade cards will be distributed to students during their 4<sup>th</sup> hour class on Friday, March 24.

## College Goal Sunday—February 12, 2:00–4:00 P.M.

No matter whether your child plans to attend a traditional college, community college, or vocational or trade school, you and your high school senior can receive free advice on filling out financial aid forms at College Goal Sunday. You will learn from volunteer financial aid professionals how to get the money to pay for college. Coordinated by state financial aid professionals and sponsored by youth-oriented non-profit organizations, College Goal Sunday is the place to receive advice that makes getting financial aid easier. For more information, take a look at [www.collegegoal.org](http://www.collegegoal.org)

In order to fill out the universally accepted financial aid form, called the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), parents will utilize their 2004 income tax records. If the tax returns are not complete, students and parents can still attend and learn about financial aid options.

## Academic Recognition

### East for Excellence \*

SM East will be offering an exciting opportunity for its students as part of the East for Excellence Program. This after school program will provide students with individualized assistance in areas of need to enhance their overall educational experience. With the use of *PassKey*, students will have an individualized computer-based program that focuses on **their** needs. This program will be run by SM East teachers who are experts in their fields and is being provided at **no** cost to the student. Sessions will be from 2:50 to 3:50 P.M. on Wednesday and Thursday each week in room 503.

A late bus will depart SM East at 4:00 P.M. each day to transport students to their homes. Please complete the information sheet below and return it to the administrative offices at SM East. Sign up early, as space is limited and on a first come, first serve basis. Please call 993.6600 if you have any questions.

**\*East for Excellence is made possible through a Shawnee Mission East Educational Excellence Fund Grant.**

### East for Excellence Program

*(Complete and return to SME Administrative Offices)*

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would like my son or daughter to participate in the afterschool Mathematics program.

\_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I would like my son or daughter to participate in the afterschool Reading Comprehension program.

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Grade: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Guardian Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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## SHARE News

Thanks to all of you who helped to make Christmas 2005 a very special one for our Habitat Family. We were so fortunate to get to actually deliver all of the gifts to Larry and Rose and their three children in their new Habitat Home. The kids were darling, and Rose said it was "like a miracle." So thank you SHARE family for making miracles happen!

Over Winter Break we had a great cookie baking time with our new SHARE Alumni Group. After we sampled them to maintain quality control, the alums delivered them to the Ronald McDonald House. We're building the alumni group. If you know anyone that would like to be on the Alumni e-mail list, please e-mail Leslie Multer ([LeslieMulter@smsd.org](mailto:LeslieMulter@smsd.org)). We're so lucky to have Leslie as our new alumni coordinator. She's in the SHARE office on Thursdays and Fridays.

Also over Winter Break the SHARE SINGERS gave their first performance at Starbucks' Holiday Open House. Starbucks has been very supportive of SHARE as well as KC Reads and Toys for Tots. The students had a great time entertaining a packed house.

Our projects are going full tilt again and it's never too late to volunteer. Please have your student e-mail me or stop by the SHARE office to sign up for a project. Also, if your student has an idea for a project, have him/her talk to me about it. One of SHARE's goals is to be flexible and assure that we're responding to student's current interests.

I recently read a study that showed that people who volunteer when they are children are twice as likely to volunteer when they are adults. Another study showed that students who volunteer are half as likely to engage in high-risk behaviors as students who don't volunteer. So let's hear it for volunteering! It's great to be a SHARE Lancer!

Pat Kaufman, SHARE Director, Rm. 404

Office - 993.6820, Home - 677.1839, [eakaufma@smsd.org](mailto:eakaufma@smsd.org)

## NHS News

The Senior members of National Honor Society have been busy this year. The four officers, Jane Clarke, Annie Frizzell, Sid Kumar, and Andrew McGowan, have organized community service projects for the members to choose from. Jane's group will be working with wildlife organizations to help ensure that wildlife native to Kansas survives and with the Kansas City Zoo to get children more involved with animal care. This coming spring, this work will continue. Her group may also be working with Harvesters. Annie's group worked on a bake sale fundraiser for Hurricane Katrina relief in the fall, raising a total of \$500 for the SME relief effort. In the upcoming months they will be working at the Ronald McDonald Houses in the KC area. Sid's group tutors the students at Highland Elementary School twice a week. Tutoring will continue this spring until the end of the school year. Andrew's group has been working on restoring natural woodland habitats in the

Kansas City area. This spring they will be removing invasive honeysuckle bushes from the Swope Park glades.

This year, National Honor Society organized the Peer Tutoring Notebook available in the counseling office. All four officers worked many hours with their sponsors, Kelly and Molly Fast, to get the notebook ready for student use.

All members meet monthly to communicate about their community service projects or to work on other activities such as writing thank-you notes to their teachers. These notes were placed in the teacher's boxes before Thanksgiving break. This month, some former members returned to tell them about their college experience and answer any questions the students had about dorm life, class schedules, and managing their time.

The students who are currently applying for membership into National Honor Society are almost finished with the application

process. Their community service forms are due to Michael Pulsinelli on Thursday January 19. They will be notified of their membership status by early February. Initiation practice will be mandatory for all new members on Monday February 27 at 2:45 in the auditorium, with the initiation ceremony being held the following evening at 7:00 P.M. A reception will follow.

## Theatre News

- Don't miss the musical *Grease* which will be presented February 2-4 at 7:00 p.m. in the Dan Zollars Auditorium at SM East. There is a matinee performance at 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, February 4. Tickets cost \$7.00 and will be for sale on the north ramp during lunch, from 11:20 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. the week of January 30 to February 3. Tickets may also be purchased at the box office prior to the show. SM East students who have purchased an activity ticket may receive a complimentary ticket with their ID. SM East faculty and staff receive two complimentary tickets with their ID. The show is directed by **Brian Cappello**, theatre teacher. Musical direction is by **Tracy Resseguie**, with technical direction by **Tom DeFeo** and costume direction by **Janet Whitehead**.
- Frequent Friday, senior-directed one-act plays, continue on February 10 with **Bobby Meers'** production. **Laura Medina** will direct a Frequent Friday on March 3. The shows start at 3:00 P.M. in the Little Theater and are very popular with students.
- Auditions for the spring play, *A Hunka, Hunka Burnin' One-Acts* will be after school February 7, 8, and 9.
- A big thank you to the following Lancer families who have recently joined Theatre Boosters: **Blake, Coulson, Harper, Harrison, Sosna, and Wheeler**. Memberships start at \$35 and all proceeds benefit the theatre department. If you'd like to join, contact Teri Bavley at 913.381.3220 or [bavley@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bavley@sbcglobal.net).

## Orchestra News

Mark your calendars, the orchestra's annual Collage Concert is coming up! On

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# Lancer Athletics

Lane Green, Athletic Director  
www.smesports.com

## Spring Sports Begin February 27

Spring Sports are just around the corner with practice beginning on Monday, February 27. Sports offered include boys and girls' track, girls' soccer, boys' tennis, boys' golf, baseball, softball and girls' swimming. Please contact the head coaches with any questions.

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| Track           | Tricia Beaham   | 362.4107     |
| Girls' Soccer   | Jim Ricker      | 993.6674     |
| Boys' Tennis    | Sue Chipman     | 993.6702     |
| Boys' Golf      | Ermanno Ritschl | 993.6815     |
| Baseball        | Tim Jarrell     | 993.0800     |
| Softball        | Jennifer Horn   | 993.6671     |
| Girls' Swimming | Rob Cole        | 816.808.5248 |

## Prepare Now for Spring Sports

Now is the time to begin planning for the spring athletic season. Please keep the following in mind as you begin preparations.

- Before an athlete can practice or try out, we must have a physical examination on file. If you have already turned in a physical exam for fall or winter sports, you have already met this requirement.
- The exam must have taken place after May 1, 2005, and must be signed by both a physician and the athlete's parents. Specific forms (available at SME) must be used. This is a KSHSAA requirement.
- On a special note, please turn in your physicals to your specific coach. Do not bring them to the office at East.

## Eligibility Requirements

Participation in high school sports is a privilege that comes with certain responsibilities. One such responsibility is maintaining passing grades. Please note the following academic requirements for participation in high school athletics and cheerleading. A student must pass at least five (5) new classes the previous semester or the last semester of attendance in order to participate in athletics and cheerleading. Additionally, students must currently be enrolled in and passing in five (5) new classes during the present semester in order to participate. Please note that Lab Assistant credit does not count towards athletic eligibility.

High School students dually enrolled in colleges, who have their college hours recorded on their high school transcript, may count a maximum of five hours of college credit as two subjects of unit weight or three hours of college credit as one subject of unit weight. Summer school is not to be used for making up credit deficiencies for the purpose of becoming eligible. A student cannot have more than eight semesters of possible eligibility in grades nine through twelve.

## Know the Outside Competition Rule

Kansas State High School Activities Association Rules stipulate that an athlete who is a member of an athletic squad cannot participate as a member of an outside team or as an independent competitor in the same sport during the season. Please note that a student becomes a member of a school athletic squad when he or she first participates in a practice session. They cease to be a member of an athletic squad after his or her last contest or when the membership on a squad is terminated.

## Private-Instruction is Allowed with Certain Restrictions

Kansas State High School Activities Association rules allow private instruction in the same sport during a season. However, please note the following guidelines:

- A student may receive private instruction (not group instruction) in the same sport from non-school employees during the athletic season.

## Winter Sports Banquets

Please note the following dates for our winter athletic banquets. All will be held in the Cafeteria.

- Boys' Swimming and Diving – Wednesday, February 22
- Wrestling – Thursday, March 2
- Cheerleading – Monday, March 27
- Boys' Basketball – Tuesday, March 21
- Girls' Basketball – Wednesday, April 9

## Change in Girls' Basketball Banquet Date

For a variety of reasons the girls' basketball banquet will be held on Sunday, April 9. The banquet will begin at 5:30 P.M. Please mark this on your calendars.

## Senior Nights for Winter Sports

- Wrestling – Wednesday, February 8 vs. SM North
- Boys Swimming and Diving – Friday, January 20 vs. Columbia Hickman
- Girls Basketball – Thursday, February 23 vs. SM South
- Boys Basketball – Friday, February 24 vs. SM South
- Bowling - TBA

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- Private instruction is defined as one student receiving instruction from one person during the period of instruction.
- Other individuals may be present at a student's private instruction session as long as they are there in a supportive capacity only and not giving or providing instructions to the student.
- A student may receive instruction from his/her parent(s) at any time. A student's parent(s) may attend their student's private instruction session without violating the provisions of this rule.

We, at SM East, strongly suggest that you check with your high school coach when receiving private instruction during the athletic season.

## 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Lancer Youth Soccer

The 9th Annual Lancer Youth Soccer Camp will be held July 31 through August 3, 2006, from 8:00 to 10:00 A.M. at Mission Valley Middle School. The cost is \$65.00 per participant and includes the cost of camp, t-shirt, and a soccer ball. Checks should be made payable to SME Soccer. Proceeds go to the SME Soccer Program. For forms and more information, please check out our website at: [www.teacherweb.com/ks/shawneemissioneast/soccer](http://www.teacherweb.com/ks/shawneemissioneast/soccer).

## 7th Annual SME Football Yard/Garden Mulch Sale

The Shawnee Mission East Football Team and SME Football Parents Club invite you to save your back, keep the mess out of your car, get a head start on landscaping, and support the SME Football program by participating in our 7th Annual Mulch Sale. We will be selling 2 cu. ft. bags of First Quality Mulch—Cypress Mulch for \$4.00/bag, Cedar Mulch for \$4.50/bag Red Mulch for \$5.00/bag, Dark Oak Mulch for \$5.50/bag, and Back to Earth Mulch at \$5.50/bag. Prices include delivery to your own driveway! \* Orders will be taken by SME football players until **March 22**. Delivery is scheduled for Saturday, **April 8**. All sales must be pre-paid. Contact any SME football player to place an order, or fill in the form on our website ([www.smesports.com/mulch](http://www.smesports.com/mulch)). Mail form with payment, to: SME Football Parents, Attention: Lou Ann Baker, 5212 Somerset Drive, Prairie Village, KS 66207.

\*Our delivery area is bordered by I-435, I-35, 47th Street, and Wornall Road. If you reside outside these boundaries, please pick up your order on Saturday April 8, between 8:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M., at SM East.

## Drill Team Car Decals Sale

SME Drill Team is selling car decals with a variety of activity logos and designs. Order forms are available in the January 2006 Lancer Newsletter (also posted online at [www.ptasonline.org/sme](http://www.ptasonline.org/sme)). For more information: Kristin Anderson, Varsity Drill Team Coach, 993.6600, or Krista Rogers, 913.262.8641 or [kfr@kc.rr.com](mailto:kfr@kc.rr.com).

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Tuesday, March 7, all three of the school's orchestras will provide an evening of great music and entertainment. This is always a fun evening and a great way to see what our talented musicians have been working on. It is the orchestra's only fund raising event of the year, with proceeds helping to cover many of the expenses involved with traveling to performances, field trips, and auditions as well as providing for guest clinicians, special sheet music, and instruments. Tickets will be available through any of the orchestra students or by contacting Becky Kaiser at 403.9803 or Pam Roland at 649.7912. Ticket prices are \$6.00 for adults and \$3.00 for students and seniors. Don't miss this exciting event. The symphony orchestra has the additional honor of performing at this year's American String Teachers Association conference which is being held in Kansas City March 8-10. Check out cool information about this performance on the ASTA website at [www.astaweb.com](http://www.astaweb.com).

## Choir News

- Congratulations to these State Choir qualifiers: Michael Horvath, Brian Klinzing, and Jonathan Lerner!
- Sixty-six choir students will perform in the SME Winter Musical, Grease, February 2-4. Performances are scheduled for 7:00 P.M. each night with a 2:00 P.M. matinee on the 4th.. Tickets are \$7.00.
- There is a mandatory Ireland trip meeting for all traveling Choraliers and a parent on February 9, 6:30 pm in the East auditorium. Get all the details on the trip. Check out the Choir Boosters website for more Ireland details: [www.smechoirbooster.com](http://www.smechoirbooster.com)
- The annual Spring Concert will be March 23 in the auditorium. Plans are shaping up for another unforgettable Blue Moon production, slated for May 11 and 12. This year's show promises to be exciting with selections from *Fiddler on the Roof*, *South Pacific*,

*Wicked*, plus the always amazing individual performances. Volunteers are needed to coordinate the details. Contact Alison Coulson at 831.4200 if you would like to help. Tickets will go on sale for Blue Moon in early April.

- Join Choir Boosters today! Join the 149 families participating in this vital organization. Contact Charlene Lohmeyer at 403.8580.

## Band Trash Bags

It will soon be time for spring clean-up around the lawn and home. Trash and lawn bags are available from the SME Band. Lawn bags, 25 to a roll, \$9.00, and kitchen trash bags, 65 to a roll, \$9.00, may be purchased by contacting a SME Band member or one of the following families: Low, 362.7285, or Hamilton, 381.3463.





## Shawnee Mission East High School

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Phone: 913.993.6600

The news deadline for March is February 3. Please send your news and information for publication to Cynthia Jarrold—  
cjarrold@sbcglobal.net;  
mail or drop off to 9107 Reeds;  
or call 381.1543.



It's Great To Be A Lancer!



### Join Culver's of Kansas City in Support of Our School!

**Monday, February 27—from 5:00 to 8:00 P.M.—7953 State Line Road, (816) 444.4700**  
Come enjoy a great meal at Culver's of Kansas City and support the school at the same time. Culver's is donating **10% of all sales** during this time period to our school through SME PTA. Bring your Aunts, Uncles, Grandparents and ALL of your friends. Don't miss out on a great opportunity to help our school, see your friends and have a great meal!

#### **DON'T MISS OUR SME STAFF AS THEY BRING OUT YOUR DINNERS!**

**SME** staff will be on hand to help serve up Butterburgers and custard. And you thought they were just great teachers! Check out their talents as they bring out your meals, hot and yummy! **Hope To See You There!**

## 2006 After Prom and After Graduation Parties

These events are sponsored by the SME PTA and provide East students with a safe place to gather after the conclusion of prom and graduation. East is the only Shawnee Mission high school to offer two parties—the other schools only offer this type of safe environment after graduation.

The After Prom Party is open to all juniors and seniors, even if the student did not go to the Prom, for a very small charge. The party held at POWERPLAY, May 13, 2006, during the evening right After Prom to 1:30 A.M. The party will feature Whirlyball, Bumper Cars, Go-Karts, Laser Tag, Glow in the Dark Miniature Golf, Pool Tables, and over 200 arcade games, pizza buffet, TCBY, and Starbucks. The After Graduation Party is free of charge to all graduates. It offers the graduate a chance to spend time with his/her classmates for last time and features music and food. It is scheduled for May 24, 2006, at the Theme Party Emporium, 2420 Merriam Lane, from 10:00 P.M. to 1:00 A.M.

All SME parents are asked to financially support these parties and to encourage any students you know to attend them. Suggested donations are as follows: Parent of a freshman or sophomore—\$10.00; Parent of a junior—\$25.00; Parent of a senior—\$50.00. Of course, your generosity in any amount is greatly appreciated and will ensure the tradition of providing these parties to future juniors and seniors. All donations are fully tax deductible.

We also ask for your help in identifying businesses and other organizations in our community that want to promote an alcohol-free activity. Call either of the chairs with your suggestions: After Prom Co-Chairs—Renny Arensberg, 913.383.9305 and Sarah Blick 913.648.6355 and After Grad Chair, Peggy Miller, 913.362.2196.

Parent Names \_\_\_\_\_

Amount of donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Use donation for: After Prom \_\_\_\_\_ After Grad \_\_\_\_\_ Either \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ I can also provide an item(s) or gift certificate that can be used as a prize.

**Donation for 2006  
After Prom/After Grad**

**Please make your check payable to SME PTA and mail to:  
SME PTA, Attn.: Sara Humphrey, Treasurer,  
7500 Mission Road, Prairie Village, KS 66208**