

# TIGER NEWS

Combined School and PTSA Newsletter

J.R. Tucker High School

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## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

It's that time of year already when the PTSA starts planning for the next school year. In addition to the nominating committee seeking individuals for next year's board, there are a lot of other activities going!

The PTSA nominating committee is still seeking individuals to serve on the 2010\2011 PTSA board. If you or anyone you know may want to serve, please contact Lisa Cherlin at [membership@jrtuckerptsa.com](mailto:membership@jrtuckerptsa.com). This is a great way to get involved in your child's education. There are positions available for all interests and time commitments.

As I write this article, the PTSA's budget shortfall is over \$13,000. What does that mean? At this month's board meeting, we will have to decide what programs we will need to cut. We delayed the following: teacher grants, student scholarships, and student agendas for 2010/2011 until the end of the year. We hope that we can still fund these activities. One third of the PTSA's budget goes to our Party All Night (After Prom Party). This is an important event to keep our students safe and we continue to strive to make it an event that students want to attend.

**Event planning continues.** The Dance-a-thon scheduled for earlier this month was cancelled due to the lack of student participation. As was mentioned in last month's newsletter, several students donated what they collected for the dance and were rewarded with some of the prizes collected by student reps, Valentina Vega and Brittany Lythgoe. We earned \$580 due to their generosity. We used the remainder of the items collected by them as prizes at our first ever Bingo game on 3\26. I hope that you were able to attend this fun night! We made \$980 on this event for Party All Night.

**Party All Night plans continue.** We are still in need of volunteers, cash, and prize donations! Please help if you can. You can contact [Partyallnight@jrtuckerptsa.com](mailto:Partyallnight@jrtuckerptsa.com) with any donations.

We are having a planning meeting for our May 14th, second annual Roar Rally on Wednesday, 5/21 at 4:30. We would love to have some help planning this end of the year celebration. This will be a fun night with live musical performances, carnival style games, and food. It will be a beach party theme!!! Mark your calendars!!!

We are always open to new ideas from students and parents as to what types of events, programs and efforts the PTSA should focus on next year!!!

Whew! That was a lot to say! Please get involved with the PTSA! That could be as making a tax deductible contribution, attending one of our events or spirit nights, volunteering, or serving on the board. TOGETHER we are all Tigers and are a strong pride!

Helena Lythgoe  
President

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## 2010-2011 JR TUCKER PTSA SLATE OF OFFICERS

The following is the slate of officers proposed by the nominating and approved by the executive committee. The election for officer positions will take place at the 5/14, Roar Rally. We are still accepting nominations and there are lots of open committee positions as well.

President – April Ball  
1st VP Programs – Helena Lythgoe  
2nd VP Membership – Katie Schmid  
3rd VP Ways & Means – Karen Savage  
Treasurer – Anne Britt  
Secretary – Kathy Winston  
County Council Rep. – Angela Hedrick  
Lay Advisory Rep. – Open

## Special Edition

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### Attention all Tigers!

If you would like to submit a school event, sports results, information about your club, photo, artwork or a news article for inclusion in an upcoming issue, contact Suanne M. Brady, Newsletter Chairman at [newsletter@jrtuckerptsa.com](mailto:newsletter@jrtuckerptsa.com)

Have you heard about the Tiger's Den?

It's the PTSA bookstore.



In The Den your student can find:

- school supplies,
- hoodies,
- afternoon drinks and snacks
- spirit items!

Have your student drop by and check it out. It's located at the end of building 3.



[WWW.JRTUCKERPTSA.COM](http://WWW.JRTUCKERPTSA.COM)

The PTSA website is up-to-date with PTSA news and opportunities as well as a calendar of events for the 2009-2010 school year. The website also has quick links to all PTSA forms and to other websites that may be of interest to parents.

There is a new "Just for Students" page that includes Community Service Opportunities complete with an email alert option that will notify students of community service opportunities as they are posted on the site.

Patricia Hutcherson  
PTSA Web Mistress

Check out what the PTSA is all about at [www.jrtuckerptsa.com](http://www.jrtuckerptsa.com)



# CALENDAR

Date	Time	Event	Location	Comments
4/15/2010	4:00-7:00pm	Spirit Night - Tropical Smoothie	Parham and Broad	
4/17/2010	8:00-11:00PM	Prom	Renaissance Center	
4/17/2010	11:00pm-4:00am	Party All Night	Tuckahoe YMCA	
4/19-23/2010		Administrative Professionals Week		
4/24/2010	9:00am-2:00pm	Refresh Clean Up Day	JRT	
4/29/2010	4:00-7:00pm	Spirit Night - McDonald's	Broad and Stillman	Put receipt in Tucker jar
5/3-7/2010		National Teacher Appreciation Week		
5/3-14/2010		AP Testing window		
5/3/2010	7:00pm	Freshman Welcome	JRT	
5/5/2010		Principal's Coffee: Wrap-Up/Plan Ahead for 2010-11	JRT	
		National School Nurse Day	JRT	
		Spring Choral Concert		
5/6/2010		Blood Drive		
5/8/2010		Band Car Wash		
5/11-20/2010		SOL Testing Window		
5/13/2010	5PM	MCJROTC Awards		
5/13/2010	7PM	Spring Orchestra Concert @ Freeman		
5/14/2010	6:00pm-9:00pm	Tiger Roar Rally	Between Cafe1 & 2	
5/15/2010		Band Car Wash		
5/17/2010	7PM	Senior Night		
5/17-21/2010		National Education Administrators Week		
5/18/2010		One Act Play Festival		
		Spring Band/Choral Trip		
5/22/2010	11:00am	Golf Tournament	Belmont Country Club	
5/22/2010	All Day!	Barnes & Noble Book Fair	Any Location	Must have Tucker ID #, see attached flyer for details
5/26/2010	7PM	Spring Band Concert & Awards		
5/27/2010	9AM	NHS Assembly		
6/13/2009	2:00-5:00pm	Baccalaureate	St. Michael's Church	Located on Springfield Rd.
6/14/2010	7:00pm	Volunteers/Award Reception	TBD	
6/15/2009	7:00pm	Graduation		

PROM: April 17th  
Renaissance Center  
8 PM  
Party All Night After



...REFRESHING...

Come out to the JR Tucker High School Spring Clean-Up Day

When: Saturday, April 24th

From 9am to 2pm

Come out and refresh your school!

We will be painting, planting, and plowing.

Students can earn community service hours.

The first 100 people get a free t-shirt!

**FREE lunch!**

## SPIRIT EVENTS!

Why so many spirit nights?? Many questions are asked as to why the PTSA has so many spirit nights. Spirit nights are a great way to get the community out together and getting to know each other. There is very little labor required by PTSA volunteers and is pure profit for our budget. We also offer lots of options due to various schedules and food interests. Come out and join the fun!



4/15 - Tropical Smoothie

4PM-7PM Broad & Parham- no flyer no receipt just show up and eat

4/29 - McDonald's 4PM-7PM Broad & Stillman-put receipt in tucker box

5/20 - McDonald's 4-7 Broad & Stillman- receipt in box

5/22 - Barnes & Noble Bookfair exhibits at Broad & Libbie, buy from any location and online this day, use Tucker's bookfair ID# 101 700 17. This is good at any B&N so out of town relatives can help too! Good time to buy graduation gifts.

6/03 - McDonald's 4PM-7PM Broad & Stillman-receipt in box



On-Going Starting Now Cupertino's NY Bagels & Deli

3621 Cox Fd Twin Hickory Shopping Center (btwn Al's and Maxx nails). Tell the waiter or cashier that you are from JR Tucker and they will keep a talley of every order! They'll be letting us know every few weeks how much Spirit we're showing.

## J.R. TUCKER PTSA SPRING GOLF CHALLENGE

**BENEFITING TUCKER  
OUTREACH PROGRAMS**

Saturday, May 22nd

11:00 a.m.

Belmont Golf Course

1600 Hilliard Road

Richmond, VA 23228

Registration Deadline: 5/15/10

Fee: \$45 per person. The fee includes green fees, golf cart, snacks, drinks and lunch. The tournament begins at 11 a.m. with a shotgun start. Prizes will be award at the end of play. Space is limited to 120 players so sign up early!



The PTSA Outreach Committee works closely with our school staff to identify needs and issues in our community that we can support. The Outreach Committee offers support such as teacher grants, student scholarships at Tucker, and, in support of the Henrico County Council, Thanksgiving dinners for families in need, our "stuff a bus" program, where we collect school supplies for our students in need as well as support another Henrico county schools. This is just a short list of the activities that the PTSA has supported over the years.

