



THE ELL-SALINE ECHO

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HEART OF AMERICA LEAGUE HONORS VOCAL

If you are looking for an evening of excellent high school vocal music entertainment then this will be the ticket for you.

On Thursday, October 8, Ell-Saline High School will host the HOA Honors Vocal Concert. The day will begin with students from each of the league schools working with a clinician and ending with a public concert. This year there will be a separate clinician to work with the girls' and the boys' groups separately and another clinician to work with the group as a whole. It is anticipated that there will be approximately 120 students from across the league participating. The HOA League consists of the following schools: Bennington; Berean Academy; Canton-Galva; Goessel; Inman; Little River; Moundridge; Peabody; Remington; Sedgwick; Trinity-Catholic; and Ell-Saline.

The concert begins at 7:00 p.m. and will be held in the Bernie White Gymnasium. It will last about 45-minutes and is a free concert open to the public. I encourage you to take this opportunity to hear some outstanding vocal students from our area.

MARCHING BAND AT STATE FAIR

In recent years, the Ell-Saline Band has stuck to what they know best: pep band. But this year's band decided to step it up a little and try something new. The first idea to come to mind was to march. The band worked daily on tone, rhythms, breathing, articulation, and more. They watched videos over marching techniques and practiced stepping uniformly. Probably the greatest challenge was memorization.

On September 8, 2008, the Junior and Senior High Ell-Saline Band, consisting of 44 members, attended the Kansas State Fair and competed in a marching band competition. The competition was held in Hutchinson and there were a total of 106 bands from all over Kansas with 6,000 students participating. The competition offers a great opportunity for each band to demonstrate their musical talent as well as to showcase their hard work and team effort. This year was no exception, as the Ell-Saline Band marched downtown playing Smoke on the Water in front of 3 judges. In musical competitions, a 1+

is the best rating you can receive and the Ell-Saline Band received a 2+ rating overall.

The judges' comments on the band's musical performance were very good, with such things as great breathing and use of air, good intonation, great balance, great articulation and tone, and wonderful memorization. They also commented on how well the band marched in step and tempo with the right body posture and instrument carriage, and the percussion cadence was a big plus. The band's overall appearance and uniformity were good as well. All three judges agreed that the sound of the band was awesome!

The band enjoyed their marching experience and is definitely hoping to compete again next year with an even greater outcome.

Submitted by a Ell-Saline High Band Student



BOARD OF EDUCATION UPDATE

September 8 Board Meeting Report

All members were present. Action taken was on a 7-0 vote unless noted otherwise.

7:00 P.M. REGULAR MEETING

AUDIENCE WITH THE BOARD
None

REPORTS

BOE – Geena Kejr passed around blank forms and encouraged all board members to provide a recipe for the Booster Club Recipe Book fund raiser.

Mr. Alexander – His report included: school year is off to a good start; students are working hard and are buying in to the new rules; STUCO will be asked to provide input into the new dress code rules; positive comments had been heard regarding the whole staff in-service on the Olweus Bullying Prevention program and the building team will now be attending two days of additional training; the Site-Council has met and they had considerable discussion on the possibility of installing security cameras in the building; MAP testing is going on; many activities are taking place; the entire MS/HS attended the state fair and the band received a “2” rating; sports are going well; we will be hosting the HOA Honors Vocal concert on October 9; Lee Weis was featured on the front page of the Neighbors section of the *Salina Journal*; Mr. Laas will be meeting with seniors individually starting this week; on September 29 we will have an all-school assembly on decision making/choices; and there had been some Power School issues that were not allowing the parents to see their child’s grades but that has now been resolved.

Mrs. Sprinkle – Her report included: MAP testing is taking place; the Site-Council has met and they looked at data trends and writing narratives; Krista Russell has organized a morning marathon; the Book Fair/Ice Cream Social took place; the gym shoe procedures are going smoother as the year goes on and that Steve Stegman (custodian) has seen a positive change in the condition of the gym floor because of it; both MAP and last year’s state assessment results will be shared with parents at the PTC’s later this month; the building team will be attending two days of Olweus Bullying Prevention program training; they also are encountering some Power School issues; the year has gotten off to a good start; and the new staff are a great addition.

Mr. Minneman – His report included: current enrollment of 464 students that is down 5 from the same time last year; reminded the board of the staff recognition at half-time of this Friday’s football game; the MS activity bus seems to be going well again this fall; the KASB Fall Regional meeting on Thursday, October 9, at Moundridge; distributed HOA league passes and a KASB survey; and shared a list of meetings out-of-the-district he will be attending before the next meeting.

BUSINESS

Facilities — Considerable discussion again took place on the plan for building improvements as presented by the Site-Council/Patron Facilities committee. Items added to the discussion were the configuration/location of additional parking space and relocating the baseball field at the elementary school and storm shelters at both schools. In the end it was the consensus of the board to support the plan in its entirety, review it with the Site-Council/Patron Facilities committee, and aim for it to be on the ballot at the April election. No official action was taken.

Out-of-District Students — Two out-of-district students attending USD 307 for the first time this year and enrolled since the August board meeting were approved.

FFA Out-of-State Travel — The request for the FFA officers and others to attend the National FFA Convention in Indianapolis and the Western Stock Show in Denver was approved.

Staff Out-of-State Travel — Brian Bell’s request to attend the Technology + Learning Conference in Seattle was approved.

Supplemental Positions — The following were approved: Erin Marshall, Sr. Class Sponsor; Wyoma Henry, So. Class Sponsor; Nick Taylor, Asst. HS Girls’ Basketball Coach; and Jason Mohn, Drama Sponsor.

Resignation — Kevin Patrick’s resignation as Asst. HS Boys’ Basketball Coach was accepted.

Board Policy Updates — The first reading of proposed changes to numerous board policy was held. Since this was the first reading no action was taken. They will be brought back at the October meeting for action.

Executive Sessions — There was one each for Land Acquisition and for Student Matter. Following these and back in open session, motions were made to amend the agenda and to add Land Acquisition to the agenda.

Land Acquisition — Mr. Minneman was directed to enter into negotiations with Mr. Walters for the purchase of his property that lays just to the west of the MS/HS grounds in Brookville.

There were three Executive Sessions (Land Acquisition – 2, Student Matter – 1).

The meeting adjourned at 10:08 p.m.

The next regular meeting will be Monday, October 13, 7:00 p.m. in the District Office. If anyone wishes to have an item added to the agenda, please contact President Marty Kramer, Vice-President Geena Kejr or the District Office one week prior to the meeting.

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT’S DESK

Welcome to autumn from Ell-Saline USD 307. The daylight hours are becoming fewer, there is a definite coolness in the air as evening approaches, we have had moisture that will be beneficial to the wheat fields that will soon be planted, spring crops are changing colors and before long will start to be harvested, shotgun blasts are heard as doves are flying and yellow school buses are going everywhere. Ah, autumn is such a great time of year!

It is hard to imagine that by the time this reaches you September will be behind us and that we have been in school for more than a month. Where has the time gone and what has been accomplished? Normally when time goes so quickly it is because of being busy and of things going smoothly and this has been the case this year. Overall it has been one of the most positive beginnings to a year that I have been a part of for a while. The atmosphere in the buildings is one of calm and order and the staff and students are working hard. Our students have taken the MAP assessment, DRA assessment, attended STARBASE, had a Book Fair, are running a

marathon, attended the state fair, played volleyball and football games, been on FFA and yearbook trips, ordered sophomore class rings and senior graduation announcements, went on a science field trip, worked on an all-school math thematic unit, and have learned about Bullying Prevention. Our staff has attended several out-of-district workshops, as well as several meetings within their buildings or the district, to learn more about new programs that we are starting. It is a busy, productive start to the school year.

Again last year the joint effort among the staff, students and parents points out the strength of our academic programs as both our elementary school and middle/high school met the targets on the state reading and math assessments that are counted for making AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress). This is nothing new for us as we have done so every year the assessments have been given. In addition to the accomplishments on the state assessments, our high school students that took the ACT exam had a Composite Score close to the state average. All of this helps illustrate not only the strength of our faculty and curriculum in grades K-12 but also the importance that you as parents place on the education of your children by encouraging and helping them with their studies. We appreciate all that you do to help make our jobs more rewarding.

As a district we are only as strong as all parts working together are. Last week there was another great opportunity for this to happen. That opportunity was in taking part in Parent-Teacher Conferences. It was again refreshing to see the large turnout and the serious approach that our parents/guardians take in the education of their children.

Another opportunity for us all to work together in the education of our children will be in the proposed additions and remodeling of our existing facilities. The Board of Education has given its consensus approval to move ahead with the proposed plan. By the time this ECHO reaches you, the Site-Council/Patron Facilities Committee will have met again on Tuesday, September 30, to review the changes by the board and to look at funding options. The committee will then report back to the board at its October meeting. At the boards September meeting they discussed placing the question on the ballot at the April elections. Between now and that time there will be numerous opportunities for you to be involved in the process and to learn about the facilities needs of the district. Watch for more information to be coming out by mid-October.

Thank you for your continued trust and confidence in the EII-Saline USD 307 school district. You can be assured that your children are receiving a quality education. Please call or stop in so we can visit about the good things going on in the district and we can get to know each other.

AFTER PROM

The September After-Prom meeting was held September 22 at 6:30 pm in the HS Cafeteria. Those in attendance were Gina and Brian Bell, Susan Reiff, Margaret Shaver, and Lisa Armstrong. It was decided to hold after prom at the bowling alley again. Lisa was to call about reserving it. The cost is \$700 for rental. Businesses will be solicited for donations with the first round of letters going out in October. Mr. Dodd's class is being contacted about helping with these. Last year \$4,500-\$5,000 in donations were given by individuals and businesses so a major fundraiser wasn't needed. Additional games will be set up at the bowling alley so ideas are being tossed around about those but no decisions were made. Also, cinnamon rolls are being sold at the home football games with profits going to the account. Thanks to Becky Walters and her staff for preparing the rolls. The next meeting is October 13th at 6:30 in the HS Cafeteria. Additional parents are welcome to attend. We're doing all of this with the students in mind so they will have a safe and memorable night.

Submitted by Margaret Shaver

STUDY SKILLS: WHAT PARENTS CAN DO AT HOME

Parent involvement in a child's education can mean the difference between success and failure. Helping your child with his/her study skills can make a difference.

The following are suggestions that you, the parent, can use to help your child study at home:

1. Help your child realize that studying is a "do-it-yourself" project. However, show willingness to assist your child when the need arises.
2. Help your child to consider and decide what time of day is most effective for study, and to plan accordingly.
3. Help your child plan time for fun activities and television so that these can have their place. A child's attention span can be short, so vary activities.
4. Help your child by creating an environment in the home conducive to study.
 - A. Let your child choose a place to study, preferably furnished with a desk or table.
 - B. Provide a good light and a straight-back chair. Study time is not a time to relax or daydream.
 - C. Have available all of the materials and reference books that may be needed, such as paper, pencils, encyclopedia, dictionary, etc.
 - D. Insist that the TV, record/tape player, or radio be turned off during study time.
 - E. Explain to other members of the family the importance of being quiet during study time.

These few tips will assist your child in completing a successful school assignment. Work with your child. Developing good study habits can pay big dividends for your child in school.

CPTA MINUTES

for Monday, August 25, 2008

Attendance:

Julie Weems	Mendee Kramer	Darcy Bradley
Darci Ditto	Angela Hopkins	Kerry Basinger
JaNae Basinger	Lisa Wilvers	Desiree O'Shea
Amber Fourd	Andrea Rhodes	Dana Edgerton
Dana Sprinkle	Courtney Clifford	Dawn Peterson
Jana Winter	Cher Richards	Casie Cox
Mindy Schneider	Dawn Pierce	Angela Allen
Julie Mangels	Julie Work	

Minutes were read from the May meeting. Darcy Bradley made motion to approve these and Angela Allen seconded. All approved.

Treasurers Report:

Checking Balance: \$11,654.79

Library Fund Balance: \$3,135.64

Angela Hopkins reviewed and explained the budget reports.

Motioned by Courtney Clifford, seconded by Darcy Bradley to except the budget as it was presented. All approved.

Angela Hopkins also reported that there will now be reimbursement forms in the office by the CPTA mailbox or online. If anyone needs reimbursed by CPTA for anything, they must complete a form. No checks will be issued without this form completed.

Mrs. Sprinkle's Notes:

*The students are getting into the swing of the new year and things are going well.

*August 26th is instrument showing for 5th graders.

*September 1st- No school.

*Sept 2nd- MAPP testing begins in grades 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th; these will be done prior to parent/teacher conferences this year.

*Sept 2nd- Conference notes will be sent home to all students

*Sept-2nd- Mrs. Russell will begin a "marathon" program. Students will be given the opportunity to walk/run before school 7:45am-8:05am, and students who ride the bus will also be given an opportunity to participate. The students will total 26 miles at the end of the program.

*Sept 8th -Roundtable discussion will begin at the elementary school. This is so that students can get more involved in the decision making process at school. Once a month Mrs. Songer and Mrs. Sprinkle will meet with a representative from 4th, 5th, and 6th grades, they will eat lunch and discuss topics.

*September 9th-Book Fair and Title Reading meeting

*Many new faces to the district we have a total of 25 new students in grades 1-6 and 9 new families in kindergarten. Mrs. Sprinkle encourages families who already attend the school to please introduce yourselves to the new families and make them feel welcome.

Mrs. Sprinkle requested any feedback from "Back to School Night". The following suggestions/comments were made:

- Liked not having it on two nights
- Spent a lot of time waiting to meet with teacher. Mrs. Sprinkle suggested maybe next year having the 5th and 6th grade do 2 sessions
- Liked the introductions of all the staff
- More tables need to be put in gym so everyone can have a place to sit and listen
- Schedule of the evening would be good at enrollment

OLD BUSINESS

Teacher Appreciation Week

Angela Allen reported that the week was a great success and for anyone who would like to help out this year to sign up for her committee. Discussion was held on giving the teacher's the scholarships at the beginning of the year instead of during Teacher Appreciation Week so that they can use the money when needed the most. The funds are already in the budget so the committee can decide when to give out the scholarships.

Movie Ticket Sales

Darci Ditto reported we sold 103 sets of movie tickets and made \$409.08.

School Supply Sales

Darci Ditto and Angela Hopkins reported all supplies were given out and there was a need for more. Next year they will purchase more per class. Discussion was held that it needs to be publicized more that it is for conveyance and not for low income families.

Volleyball Camp Follow-Up

Darcy Bradley reported that 18 girls participated in volleyball camp and they were all given a T-shirt for their hard work.

Enroll/Yearbook/BTS Follow-up

Darcy Bradley reported enrollment went well. Courtney Clifford reported we still have 26 of last years yearbooks left over. They will be sold for \$10 a piece. The books this year will be \$14 per book and a full color book. Total last year 153 books were sold. It was decided to again make sure all teachers, the library, and Mrs. Sprinkle get a free book. Discussion was had about what to do with the 26 left over, a note will be sent home with students and if these do not sell, then they will be put in the carnival.

Spring Events, Library Fund, Fundraising Chairman Elections

Motioned by Darci Ditto, seconded by Julie Weems for Cher Richards to be the Chairman of the Spring Events. All approved.

Motioned by Desiree O'Shea, seconded by Angela Allen for Dana Edgerton to be the Chairman of the Library Fund. All approved.

Motioned by Angela Adams, seconded by Mindy Schneider for Casey Cox to be the Chairman of the Fundraising Committee.

NEW BUSINESS

Book Fair Update

Amber Fourd informed the group that the date was printed wrong; the date of the Book Fair is September 9th. She is still in need of volunteers to help set up the book fair, but has plenty to help the night of the event. If anyone is interested they can just show up after school on the 9th to help.

Teachers again will have their "wish list," last year if a teacher did not have a book purchased for them, CPTA bought them a book.

Motioned by Angela Allen, seconded by Casey Cox, that CPTA will purchase a book for any teacher that does not have one donated to the class during the book fair. All approved.

Amber reported that they will be doing "Books for Chapman" at the book fair where they will be asking for families to donate to buying books for the tornado ravaged town of Chapman. They will be asking for financial donations. It was requested that CPTA match this up to a certain amount.

Motioned by Courtney Clifford, seconded by Julie Work, to give up to \$100 to the "Books for Chapman". All approved.

Classroom Volunteers

Julie Weems reported that there were still open spots for people to sign up for treats, drinks, games, or classroom communicator in many classrooms, the sheets were passed around. The carpool sheet that was filled out will be distributed to all families that signed it so they can collaborate as they wish.

Carnival Update

Mindy Schneider reported that the carnival is set for October 4th; the theme is year is "Cardinals of the Caribbean". If you volunteer to be a chairperson of a committee, you receive a T-shirt. The food this year will be hamburgers, hotdogs, and chips. If anyone knows of any junior high or high school students that would like to volunteer to help, please have them contact Mindy.

Box-Tops Goals

Darci Ditto reported our goal for this year is to collect 1000 box tops. She will be sending a note home with all students about box tops, soup labels, and water bottles. Soup labels turned in must have the UPC code on it. Mrs. Russell is collecting Nestle PureLife water bottle labels and can be turned into the office along with the box tops and soup labels.

Hospitality Sign-up

Dawn Pierce sent around the sign up sheet.

Team Sign Ups

Darcy Bradley gave a review of what volunteers are needed for each team.

Mailbox System

Darcy Bradley reported that there is a mailbox in the

Elementary school office for the CPTA and will be checked by the officers regularly.

Other New Business

Mrs. Sprinkle reported that the climbing wall is in and will be constructed very soon so the students can begin to use it.

Angela Allen reported that the Booster Club is putting together Ell-Saline cook books. They are asking that all families submit a recipe or several, the forms were passed out. The deadline is September 15th for all recipe to be into Booster Club.

Fundraising Goals

Discussion was had about what goal or goals we would like to look at for this year. Some of the big items that were discussed were:

- * Walking Path around the school
- * Purchasing more Elmo machines for the school
- * PA system in the gym
- * A marquee sign with school name and place to list up coming events.

These items will be discussed more at next meeting.

Door Prize

WINNER OF THE \$20 GIFT CERTIFICATE TO MOKA'S - DAWN PETERSON!!!

Meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Next CPTA Meeting, Monday, September 15, 2008 at 6:30

Submitted by Secretary Mendee Kramer

CPTA MINUTES for Monday, September 15th, 2008

Attendance:

Julie Weems	Mendee Kramer	Darcy Bradley
Darci Ditto	Angela Hopkins	Ben O'Shea
JaNae Basinger	Kim Parks	Desiree O'Shea
Susie Omli	Andrea Rhodes	Mary Ellen Muninger
Dana Sprinkle	Lisa Wilvers	Dawn Peterson
Wendy DeArvil	Danette Newton	Kim Berry
Mindy Schneider	Dawn Pierce	Myra George
Karla Alley	Michelle Schrock	Casie Cox

Minutes were reviewed from the August meeting. Ben O'Shea made motion to approve these and Wendy DeArvil seconded. All approved.

Treasurers Report:

Checking Balance: \$11,360.19

Library Fund Balance: \$4,292.70

Angela Hopkins reported that the only thing to come through the budget was a couple of carnival checks at this time. We did have a charitable donation of \$100 to Chapman.

Mrs. Sprinkle's Notes:

- September 19th is the cheer camp; the kids will be cheering at half time of the football game. Dawn Cox is coordinating this even.
- There is no school on September 23, 24, and 25th.
- October 2nd is picture day.
- October 4th is Carnival.
- October 16th is the end of the first nine weeks.
- CPTA officers have contacted families that are new to the school district and this has been well received and appreciated by the families.
- The first round table discussion was held today, September 15th. 12 students, 2 from each class participated. The group ate lunch together and had discussion. Some of the topics of discussion were playground equipment and recess. Mrs. Sprinkle reported that the kids did a great job discussing and respecting each others opinions. These topics will be reported to the teachers.
- Mrs. Sprinkle reported that staff went to training on a Bullying Prevention Program.
- A request was made from Mrs. Grant, for volunteers for the K-3rd grade program. Volunteers would need to help with props and craft items.
- Another request was made for volunteers to help during the program with the Kindergarten class; this is a very big class. The topic of dye cuts was brought up. Darcy Bradley reported that we have \$150 budgeted for dye cuts. Kim Parks will order these for the teachers.

OLD BUSINESS

Classroom Communicator Packets

Julie Weems reported the packets will be out soon. She is waiting on a few teachers to return surveys, and she will have these out after conferences.

Carnival Update

Mindy Schneider reported that tickets will be sent out to all students again this year and flyer will be sent out with prices of games and food. T-shirts will be sold with the Mighty Mini Cardinal on it at the carnival.

Book Fair

The book fair was a success. Income was \$4,391 and expenses were \$3,235, profit came out to be \$1,157. This amount was comparable to last years.

NEW BUSINESS

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Conferences are September 23rd and 24th. CPTA will be providing the meal for the teachers on these days. Sandwiches, pasta salad, chips, and pop will be provided. Angela Allen is the chair of this committee and will be contacting committee members for donations.

Fall Pictures

There have been numerous volunteers to help with Picture Day. This is much appreciated. Mrs. Sprinkle reported that there really only needs to be 2 volunteers at a time helping.

Sock-Hop/Monster Mash

The dance this year is October 27th from 6:30pm-8pm. Mr. Jim Fletcher will be the DJ for the event. Parents are asked to bring treats. A parent MUST be present the whole time of the event. You can not just come and drop your student off.

Elementary Sports Night

October 17th is Elementary sports night, where all youth who participate in fall sports at the elementary level will be announced at the High School football game. Amber Fourd will be doing a flyer for this event with more information.

Fundraising Update

Several fundraising options were presented to the CPTA. Uncle Jerry's T-Shirts, Home Interior Candles, and Tupperware. All of these options the profit would be 50%. After everyone had time to review the material, a vote was taken and majority voted to move forward with the Home Interior Candles. Desiree O'Shea motioned we sell candles for our fundraiser this year, and Kim Parks seconded. All approved

Other New Business

Fundraising Goals

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- * PA system in the gym
- * A marquee sign with school name and place to list up coming events.
- *Landscaping front of the school, additional trash cans for playground area, and posters for the halls.

Discussion was help on what to focus our money on for this year. It was determined that we have enough money in the account to focus on numerous items. The three main things decided on were, the marquee for the front of the school, school improvement, such as landscaping, trash cans, and posters, and purchasing additional Elmo's for the school.

Susie Omli motioned that we put together a committee for the 3 main items we would like to work on, Kim Parks seconded. Landscaping committee, Kim Parks, Mendee Kramer, and Holly McKain. Marquee committee, Angela Hopkins, and Elmo committee, Mrs. Sprinkle.

Door Prize

WINNER OF THE \$20 GIFT CERTIFICATE TO THE BREAK BASKET - MINDY SCHNEIDER!!!

Meeting as adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Next CPTA Meeting, Monday, October 20, 2008 at 6:30

Submitted by Secretary Mendee Kramer

CPTA EVENT REMINDERS

Elementary Carnival

Are you ready for a swashbucklin' good time? It's Carnival time again, Matey! Come enjoy a few hours of games, food and fun for all ages. We will also have a large selection of raffle items and some great items on our auction table. See you on Saturday, October 4th from 3:30-7:00 at ESE.

CPTA October Meeting

Our next CPTA meeting is on Monday, October 20th at 6:30 in the music room at ESE. As always, there will be free childcare provided for kids 6th grade and younger and refreshments. We will also have a drawing for a gift certificate to the Bread Basket on Iron St. You can view the agenda on the school website, under Elementary, CPTA. Hope to see you there.

ESE Sock Hop

The ESE Sock Hop will be on Monday, October 27th from 6:30-8:00 pm. The sock hop is part of the school's Red Ribbon Week festivities. All elementary students are asked to bring a parent, a snack to share, and a canned food item for the Food Bank. It is a great time for all.

CPTA BOX TOPS/SOUP LABELS UPDATES

Box Top Goal

Our Box Top goal for this year has been set at 1,000 Box Tops. If we all work together and cut out all our Box Tops, we can easily achieve this goal. We want to thank Darci Ditto for all her hard work. We also want to thank everyone who sends Box Tops to school for Darci to send in. Ask all your friends and relatives to collect them for us. We redeem our Box Tops for funds that go directly into the school's Reading Renaissance Program.

Soup Labels Redeemed

Our soup label coordinator, Darci Ditto, used our points this summer to purchase recess balls for the school. We had enough points to purchase 10 various-sized rubber balls, 2 footballs, 2 basketballs, and 2 soccer balls. Thank you to everyone who clips labels and turns them in to the school. Every label helps!

CPTA PURCHASES

New Indoor Rock Climbing Wall

Soon, you will see something new in the gym at the school. CPTA purchased a new 40 ft. rock climbing wall for the south wall of the gym. The wall has mats that will fold up so that students can not climbing on the wall when unsupervised. We are very excited about this new addition to our school.

Picnic Tables

If you have been over to the grade school, you might have noticed the 4 new picnic tables on the playground. Last spring, CPTA used fundraising money to purchase these red and black tables for the students and parents to enjoy. We would not be able to raise the



money needed to do projects like this without the families of EII-Saline. Way to go Cardinals!

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING SUPPORTERS

For all their help during the Labor Day Celebration at the park in Brookville:

US Cellular	Get-R-Done Trash
Gargill	Advance Auto Parts
KBI	Smart Portable Storage
CJ Trucking	UMB Bank
Bennington State Bank	Phillis Loder
Keith Teasley	Bennett Autoplex
Auto Zone - Ohio St.	Great Plains Mfg.
Auto Zone - 9th St.	Outlaw Cycles
Joe & Jody Bradley	Donna Vanier
Tractor Supply	EII-Saline High School
Claude Lecklider	Steve & Rosalie Lorson
Great Plains Federal Credit Union	
Mid-Kansas Tool and Electric	

Special thanks for those who helped throughout the day:

<i>Jerry & Collette Bogart</i>	<i>Gary & Debby Edgerton</i>
<i>Wes & Bessie Woodson</i>	<i>Margaret Reimer</i>
<i>Allen & Anita Phelps</i>	<i>Kay Vanderbilt</i>
<i>Scott & Larinda Hays</i>	<i>Shannon Mik</i>
<i>Chris Carazo</i>	<i>Lee Johnson</i>

Brookville City Council Submitted by Joyce Wagner

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Check for changes at www.ellsaline.org

Oct. 1	9:00 STARBASE	Oct. 17	NO SCHOOL—Teacher Workday
Oct. 1	FFA @ Manhattan	Oct. 17	7:00 HS FB Inman @ Ell-Saline (Elementary Sports Night)
Oct. 1	6:30 KU Honors Dinner at Salina Country Club	Oct. 18	9:00 MS VB Tourney @ Minneapolis
Oct. 2	Elementary Fall Pictures	Oct. 18	TBA HS VB HOA League @ Berean Academy
Oct. 2	6:00 MS FB @ Solomon	Oct. 20	5:00 HS JV VB @ Ell-Saline (Minneapolis/Bennington)
Oct. 3	7:00 HS FB @ Trinity Catholic	Oct. 20	6:00 HS "C" VB @ Inman
Oct. 4	7:00-5:00 W.A. White at Emporia	Oct. 20	6:00 HS JV FB @ Inman
Oct. 4	3:30-7:00 CPTA Carnival at Ell-Saline Elementary	Oct. 20	6:30 CPTA Meeting at Ell-Saline Elementary
Oct. 6	6:00 HS JV FB Trinity Catholic @ Ell-Saline	Oct. 21	5:00 HS VB @ Bennington (Minneapolis)
Oct. 7	4:00 HS VB @ Canton (Inman)	Oct. 22	HOA Leadership @ HCC
Oct. 9	FFA @ Concordia	Oct. 22-25	National FFA Convention @ Indianapolis
Oct. 9	5:00 MS VB @ Trinity Catholic	Oct. 23	5:00 MS VB Bennington @ Ell-Saline
Oct. 9	6:30 MS FB @ Trinity Catholic	Oct. 23	6:30 MS FB Bennington @ Ell-Saline
Oct. 9	7:00 HS HOA Vocal Honors at Ell-Saline	Oct. 24	HS FB Washington @ Ell-Saline (Fall Sports Parent Night)
Oct. 10	7:00 HS FB Remington @ Ell-Saline (Homecoming)	Oct. 24	United Nations Day
Oct. 11	Homecoming Dance	Oct. 25	ACT Test Date
Oct. 12	Columbus Day	Oct. 25	HS VB Sub-State
Oct. 13	FFA @ Beloit	Oct. 27	6:30-8:00 Elementary Sock Hop
Oct. 13	5:00 HS JV VB @ Sacred Heart	Oct. 28	TBA MS VB HOA League @ Sedgwick
Oct. 13	6:00 HS JV FB @ Remington	Oct. 30	8:30 Elementary Halloween Parade/Parties
Oct. 13	6:30 After Prom Meeting at Ell-Saline High School	Oct. 30	HS FB @ Sterling
Oct. 13	7:00 BOE Meeting at Ell-Saline District Office	Oct. 31	NO SCHOOL—Teacher In-Service
Oct. 13	Columbus Day—Observed	Oct. 31	HS VB State
Oct. 14	4:00 HS VB @ Ell-Saline (Bennington/Inman)	Oct. 31	Halloween
Oct. 16	5:00 MS VB @ Remington	Nov. 1	HS VB State
Oct. 16	6:30 MS FB @ Remington	Nov. 1	All Saints Day
Oct. 16	End of Quarter		

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