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## FROM THE BOARD

Fall is here! There you are: dreaming of pumpkin spice lattes, or cider donuts. While we're seeing flying monkeys, cowardly lions, tin men...yes it's Halloween season, but for us, it can mean only one thing: the Scholastic Book Fair is here! We hope you'll join us at Family Fun Night on 10/26.

Thanks to everyone who has renewed their Galway PTSA membership for the school year! If you haven't, please consider doing so, as it's the best way for us to ensure you get communication from us.

School Banking is off to a rip-roaring start! Did you know that not only do our students see benefits, but the school does too? The Credit Union donates to the school each time a new account is opened. More on page 2.

There's a lot in store; so, don't you turn that dial...

# UPCOMING EVENTS

- PTSA Meeting: 10/11/2023 6:30pm (Galway Library)
- **Book Fair Family Fun Night:** 10/26/23 5:30-7:30pm
- Book Fair: 10/26/23-11/02/23 (during school)
- Galway Halloween-Harvest Festival: 10/28/24 11-4pm at the Dockstader Field; trick-or-treating starts at 1pm

## NEWS & ACTION

**Book Fair:** Education and reading are transformative: as magical as a pair of ruby slippers...

Family Fun Night: 10/26/23 - Join us from 5:30-7:30pm for a free night of family fun! [The book fair itself will be open for business during family fun night. Cash/Credit accepted.]



Students PreK-8 will be visiting the book fair during school with their homeroom. Please check with your child's teacher for their date if you've not yet been made aware. eWallets or cash are accepted when the kiddos' shop. Want to learn more about eWallets? <a href="https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/content/fairs/ewallet.html">https://bookfairs.scholastic.com/content/fairs/ewallet.html</a>

#### Fall Fundraiser:

- The fall fundraiser closes 10/11. Orders should be delivered around 11/6.
  - For orders that were shipped to school:, details about disbursement is forthcoming.
- Did you miss the order window, or simply didn't see anything to your liking--but still wish to support the PTSA, we accept monetary donations at any time via our CheddarUp https://ptsadonations.cheddarup.com --or-- checks made out to GalwayPTSA. Thank you for your support! As a reminder, as a 501c3 organization, donations to PTSA are eligible for charity matches, if your company does that.



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## NEWS & ACTION continued...

### Our PTSA Membership Drive is ongoing for the 2023-2024 year:

- Each membership is only \$6. \$2 is a donation to our PTSA, we must remit \$4 for state & national membership fees.
  - o Why Join? Membership awards you voting rights for Galway PTSA business, allows you to handle money as a volunteer at events, and ensures regular communication from us.
- The most important part of your membership is your email address! That's how we communicate directly with you.
- See the Calendar of Events for all PTSA meeting dates/times: please consider attending.



Join online today!

## School Banking:

- Banking can be done every Wednesday during school.
  - o Elementary School banking is outside the ES cafeteria on Wednesday mornings.
  - o Jr/Sr. HS banking: is outside the HS cafeteria, during lunch periods. [The first day was 10/4]
  - o Reminder: deposits can range from \$0.25-\$10 per transaction.
- Curious about KID\$ banking (in partnership with First New York Federal Credit Union)?
   Do you want to learn more? Check out the website for the benefits and how-to apply: visit <a href="www.firstnewyork.org">www.firstnewyork.org</a> click "Become a Member" on the home page. You can also email our FNYFCU point of contact: <a href="michelle.lavoy@firstnewyork.org">michelle.lavoy@firstnewyork.org</a>

# CALENDAR OF EVENTS

\*PTSA meetings are at the Galway Public Library unless otherwise noted.

#### October

- Fall Fundraiser Ends on 10/11
  - o Delivery should be early November.
- \*PTSA Meeting: 10/11/2023 6:30pm\*
- **Book Fair Family Fun Night**: 10/26/23 5:30-7:30pm
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#### November:

\*PTSA Meeting: 11/08/2023 6:30pm\*

• Picture Re-take Day: 11/09/23

#### <u>December</u>

• Holiday Gift Shop: 12/06-12/08/23 (during school)

#### January

- \*PTSA Meeting: 01/10/2024 6:30pm\*
- Spring Dance session begins (Exact date TBD)

### February

- \*PTSA Meeting: 02/07/2024 6:30pm\*
- Spring Fundraiser: 2/8/24-2/28/24 (Info to come)

#### March

\*PTSA Meeting: 03/13/2024 6:30pm\*

#### <u>April</u>

\*PTSA Meeting: 04/10/2024 6:30pm\*

#### May

\*PTSA Meeting: 05/08/2024 6:30pm\*

Book Fair Family Fun Night: 05/09/24 5:30-7:30pm

• Book Fair: 05/09/24-05/16/24 (during school)

• District Appreciation: 5/16/24

### June

\*PTSA Meeting: 06/12/2024 6:30pm\*

[School Banking is every Wednesday.]

### **BOARD MEMBERS**

President: Kara Reed
VP: Trisha Hopper
Treasurer: Amber Eaton
Secretary: Becky DiCaprio



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