

# Rogers-Binford PTO Newsletter

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### Upcoming Dates to Remember

- ◆ **February 12<sup>th</sup>**  
PTO Meeting @ Binford Library  
6:30 p.m.
- ◆ **February 16<sup>th</sup>**  
NO SCHOOL - Professional  
Development Day
- ◆ **February 19<sup>th</sup>**  
Spring Open House--Rogers
- ◆ **March 2<sup>nd</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>**  
Spring ISTEP Testing
- ◆ **March 5<sup>th</sup>**  
PTO Meeting @ Rogers Library  
6:00 p.m.
- ◆ **March 16<sup>th</sup> - 20<sup>th</sup>**  
NO SCHOOL - Spring Break
- ◆ **April 8<sup>th</sup>**  
Early Dismissal - 12:40 p.m.
- ◆ **April 17<sup>th</sup>**  
SCHOOL CARNIVAL

Mark your calendars for  
the annual Rogers/Binford PTO

# Carnival

Friday, April 17<sup>th</sup>  
from  
5:00pm - 8:00pm

All proceeds from the Carnival and the Raffle directly benefit the schools!

## ~ ~ ~ Carnival Support ~ ~ ~

### Sponsor a Booth

The Carnival Committee is offering the opportunity to sponsor one of the many booths at the Carnival.

The support of your business or your family will be appreciated by hundreds of carnival attendees, and your generosity will greatly defer the expense of putting on our fabulous carnival!

A \$50 family sponsorship will include your family's name being mentioned on all carnival advertising, as well as a professional sign displayed at your booth.

A \$100 business sponsorship will include your business' name on the committee t-shirts, the opportunity to display coupons or brochures at the ticket sale table, as well as the benefits of the \$50 sponsorship.

E-mail Lori Brinegar at [l.brinegar@att.net](mailto:l.brinegar@att.net) for your sponsorship application.

### SAVE the RAFFLE

Last year's RAFFLE raised over \$13,000. This money is used by our principals to fund projects, programs and/or special events that MCCSC money allocated to our schools does not cover. Past uses of the money include the Binford Badgers t-shirts for all Binford students and Rogers bringing in the mobile planetarium.

If we are to continue having a raffle, we must have parents volunteer for the committee.

**Unless parents are willing to help, PTO will be forced to cancel this year's raffle.**

Please e-mail Stephanie Oyler ([slo109@aol.com](mailto:slo109@aol.com)) or Julie Curry ([juliec13@comcast.net](mailto:juliec13@comcast.net)) if you are willing to help out.

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## 2008-09 PTO Board Members & Volunteers

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Directory: Carey Behne

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K--Julie Hunt

1<sup>st</sup>--Michele Newquist

2<sup>nd</sup>--Tammy Berger

3<sup>rd</sup>--Penny Trilling

4<sup>th</sup>--Diane Sirota

5<sup>th</sup>--Jan White

6<sup>th</sup>--Angie Cantrell

Kroger Cares Card Coordinator:

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Newsletter: Maria Schmidt

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Special Projects: Kari Costello

Alternate Fundraising: Donna Nagy

Student Assistance: Jennifer

McBride & Sarah Ramusack

Teacher Appreciation Chair:

Lisa Brafford

Teacher Representatives:

Lana Cummings, Lisa Beams,

Carey Behne and Mike Love

Volunteer Coordinator:

Michelle Hoffman

Website Coordinator:

Elaine Kennedy

Welcome Coffee: Stephanie Oyler,

Julie Curry

Welcome Packet: Tammy Berger

We're on the Web!  
[www.mccsc.edu/~binrogpt](http://www.mccsc.edu/~binrogpt)

## ~ ~ ~ ~ PTO HAPPENINGS ~ ~ ~ ~

### PTO Parent Spirit Award

The *PTO Parent Spirit Award* is given to the Rogers or Binford classroom with the most parents in attendance at a PTO meeting. In addition to displaying the award in their classroom, each child receives a special Rogers-Binford logo cup, only available to the winning classroom(s)!

The January winning classroom was Mr. Summers!

### Teacher/Staff Appreciation Luncheon

The Rogers' library was transformed into a Paris café for the annual Teacher/ Staff Appreciation Luncheon. This Parisian escape was the backdrop for a lovely lunch made possible by donations from local businesses and parents.

Thank you to our terrific parents for providing food and assistance.

And...**THANK YOU** to the dedicated Rogers and Binford faculty who take such good care of our children.

Rogers/Binford Teacher Appreciation

### Thanks for Shopping at Kroger

Thanks to all the Rogers/Binford shoppers for using their Kroger Cares Gift Card. To date, we have been able to add over \$1700 to the PTO budget to support teachers, programs and students.

Kroger Cares Gift Cards are available at all PTO Meetings, or by contacting Angie Cantrell [dac-alc94@comcast.net](mailto:dac-alc94@comcast.net)

Get your card now, and start supporting our schools. Keep refreshing those cards!

### Spirit Wear Now Available

Get your Rogers Rockets and Binford Badgers spirit wear; sweatshirts, T-shirts, PJ pants and shorts, car decals and backpacks. See the bulletin boards outside the school offices and watch for order forms coming home with your child.

Show your school spirit with some new threads!!

### Next PTO Meeting

Thursday, February 12<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30 p.m. in the Binford Library.

## ~ ~ ~ ~ SCHOOL NEWS ~ ~ ~ ~

### Scholastic Book Fair - Thanks!

Thanks to parents, teachers and students who helped make the 2008 Rogers Book Fair successful! Our cash profit of \$1502.58 will be used to purchase new library materials.

In addition, we received \$140 worth of bonus books. Thanks to the parents and students who participated in the "Teacher Wish List Program" to purchase books for classrooms.

Jean Heidt, Rogers Librarian

A big thank you to all of the 2008 Binford Book Fair volunteers. We made a little over \$1,000 for the library. Hurrah!

A drawing for books was sponsored by the PTO. Books for 25 children were purchased through these funds.

Comments from students who won the PTO drawing:

"Thank You! Thank You!"

"Yes! Yes! Yes!" (arms pumping)

"I love you." (with tears in her eyes)

"Any book? Really, a book? WOW!"

"Awesome, a new book!"

"Now I have a present."

Melinda Hamilton. Binford Librarian

### Thank You Cub Scouts

Rogers Elementary would like to thank the 4th grade Cub Scouts Den #3, Webelo #1 troop and their den leaders Keith Danielson and Chris Dixon for the landscaping in front of Rogers. Claire Tafoya was the contact person who organized the event in which they provided Rogers with bulbs, plants, mulch, and hard work. We cannot wait until Spring to see what all they have done. Thank you very much!

Mark Conrad, Rogers Principal

### Homework Help Available

Monroe County Public Library offers homework help Monday-Thursday 3:30 - 7:30 p.m. and Sunday 1:30 - 4:30 p.m. on a drop in basis. For more information contact Rebecca Daniel 349-3100.

### Trip to India

Mrs. Hitchings (Kindergarten teacher at Rogers) is currently on an extended journey through India with her daughter. Follow their travels at

[www.indiaadventure09.blogspot.com](http://www.indiaadventure09.blogspot.com)