

Mustang Matters

The Maxey Elementary School Parent Teacher Organization Newsletter

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Welcome

Mustang Matters is the newsletter of the Maxey Elementary School Parent Teach Organization (PTO). Creation of the newsletter is dependent on input from PTO leaders and members contributing items of interest to the Maxey student body and its parents & caregivers. If you have an item of interest please submit it to Greg Donovan at gregsdonovan@yahoo.com by 5:00 of the Friday preceding the week it is to be shared. Mustang Matters is normally distributed on Wednesdays.

Coming Soon

Date

August 29 (noon)

September 10

September 15-16

Event

Extended deadline for POGO card orders

Picture Day

Bug School afterschool enrichment classes begin

Pogo Cards for Special Education

Pogo Cards are available from the Maxey PTO. Pogo Cards have over 1350 uses at 170 businesses, including golf courses and restaurants. The 2008 Pogo Cards feature 60 new locations! Still only \$20, Pogo Cards are a great value and \$10 from each card purchased will support Special Education at Maxey. We will be taking orders through noon on Friday, August 29. Please see the attached flyer, the August Packet, or visit www.maxeypto.org for more information. Please contact Lanny Boswell (483-4244 or pto@theboswells.org) with any questions.

Picture Day: Wednesday, September 10th

Order forms will be coming home with your child the week before the scheduled date. If you are ordering pictures you need to fill out an envelope for **each** of your children. Please have the envelope in by September 10th. Orders received after that date will not be guaranteed to be returned before re-take day. Re-takes are scheduled for October 16th. Group pictures for clubs, chorus, band, strings, etc. will be taken on re-take day. Questions? Please contact Jane Little @ 489-3554 or e-mail jltaxgal@aol.com.

Bug School: Afterschool Class

Most of us have the initial reaction to kill every insect we see, however, did you know that every third bite of food we consume comes as a direct result of an insect's action. Without bugs over 70% of the worlds food would not exist. Even mosquitoes are valuable as a source of food for many animals. Frogs, lizards, and fish eat mosquitoes. Yes even these pesky insects are important in the balance of nature. Bug School, an after school class, will teach your child these and other interesting facts in an interactive opportunity.

The cost of this course will be \$100, due at registration. This may be expensive, however so are the insects, their environment, and other educational tools needed. Each student will receive an insect net, a collection jar, and a field guide to insect identification as theirs to keep. Many types of live insects will be shown in class. Praying mantids, grasshoppers, spiders, beetles, butter flies, crickets, bees, ants, as well as many exotic insects will be covered.

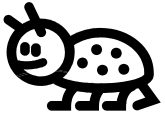
If your son or daughter wishes to participate in this class please turn in the attached registration form Classes will start Sept. 15 and 16, 2008. I plan on meeting for 10 weeks. I will have room for approximately 25 students in each age group. Classes will meet on Monday's grades K-2 and Tuesday's grades 3-5 until 5 pm. On the first day of class a calendar of meeting days will be sent home. If there are more than 25 students per class I will use a lottery system to determine class participants.

The course is taught by Jenny Stebbing, the immediate past President of the PTO, who holds a Doctorate in Entomology (insects). Jenny has a minor in Agricultural Education and is a substitute teacher for LPS. She also have a Master's degree in Agronomy (utilization of plants for food, fuel, feed, and fiber), grew up in rural central Nebraska, and loves the outdoors.

Questions? Contact Jenny at stebbing@neb.rr.com or 540-2506. If class fills, a lottery will determine participants and money will be refunded in full to those not selected.

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BUG SCHOOL



Student Name _____ Grade _____ Teacher _____

Parents Name _____

Phone No. _____ Cell Phone No. _____

Address _____

Email (optional) _____