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# PTO News

Kilby PTO: Parents Making a Difference

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# Welcome Back!

We are excited to start another wonderful year at Kilby! Your PTO Executive Committee has been hard at work all summer preparing for the new school year in hopes of making it one of Kilby's best yet. With your donations and with your help, the Kilby PTO will continue to provide cutting-edge technology, educational learning experiences, and fun-filled events for Kilby students, families, and faculty. We look forward to getting to know all of you and your children, and we are excited about working with you as we strive to continue Kilby's excellence.

## Back-to-School Bash

The Back-to-School Bash swim party will be held Friday, August 19, at Forest Hills Pool (rain date: August 26). Kindergarten-3<sup>rd</sup> graders will swim from 6-7:45 p.m. and 4<sup>th</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> graders will swim from 8:15-10 p.m. Each student will receive a bottle of water and a snack.

To get to Forest Hills Pool from Cox Creek, turn onto Cloverdale Road. Take a right on Wright Drive and then a left on Fritts Street. At second stop sign, take a left on Crestwood Drive and then a right on Shirley Drive. Forest Hills pool is up on the right.

Come enjoy time with old and new friends!

#### Save the Date!

PTO Mtg./Open House

Tuesday, Aug. 23
Join us for a brief
PTO meeting and
then visit your
child's classroom.

Labor Day Holiday
Monday, Sept. 5
Kilby and UNA
will be closed for
the Labor Day
holiday.

Frostbite Fundraiser **Tuesday, Sept. 13**Frostbite Frozen
Yogurt will donate 10% of the day's sales to Kilby.

# Kilby Reunion

In an effort to establish the long-standing history and tradition of Kilby School as a part of UNA, we will host the first-ever Kilby Reunion September 23 and 24 in conjunction with UNA's homecoming activities. On Friday night, we will host a movie night at Kilby. On Saturday for the homecoming parade, we will have a Kilby Cubs float as well as a Kilby alumni float. Following the parade, we will host a luncheon at the Kilby campus complete with musical entertainment from Dillon Hodges, a Kilby alum; inflatables, face painting, and balloon animals for the kids; and a silent auction with lots of great items to bid on. Tshirts will also be available for purchase.

To find out more and to purchase tickets for the luncheon and game, please visit alumni.una.edu/kilbyalumni and click on the reunion tab. If you have items or know of items for the silent auction, please e-mail kilbypto@una.edu. A special thanks to Anna Champagne for spearheading this important event!

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#### Announcements

- Congratulations to Holly Persell and the 2010-11 PTO, who received an Honorable Mention from PTO Today for Outstanding New Event for the Kilby 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run. Great job!
- We have a new music teacher this year. Be sure and welcome Ms. Cousart to our amazing Kilby family!
- PTO is in need of a chair for the Book Fair committee and a co-chair for the Box Tops committee. If you are interested in serving, please contact Carole at kilbypto@una.edu.
- If you have not received an e-mail from PTO this summer, please send an e-mail to kilbypto@una.edu.
- To conserve paper and save printing costs, future newsletters will be posted on the Kilby website the first week of every month. A few paper copies will be available at the office.

### PTO Says Thanks!

#### Playground Update

We would like to give a big thank you to Beckie McGee, PTO vice president, for finding free mulch for our playground. The new mulch will make the playground safer for our students. And thanks to Mrs. Frederick and Ms. Wicks' father for helping Beckie spread the mulch. Well done!

#### SMART Boards are coming!

The SMART Boards for K, 1<sup>st</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> grades have been ordered and should be installed the first few weeks of school. Thank you to Sara Huntley, chair of the technology committee, for researching and ordering these for us. We are excited about providing this technology for our students and teachers.

# PTO Needs You!

Donations from Kilby parents are the backbone of the PTO. Because students do not participate in door-to-door fundraisers, the PTO depends on your \$200 donation per child to provide enrichment classes, such as art, music, and swimming. PTO donations also enhance Kilby technology through the laptop program and classroom SMART Boards.

In addition to classroom enrichment, Kilby PTO provides activities for students and families that are memorable, educational, and, most importantly, fun!

- Back-to-School Bash
- UNA Homecoming Activities
- Book Fair
- Breakfast with Santa
- School Assemblies
- Kilby 5K and 1 Mile Fun Run
- Fun Day

If you are a UNA employee, you can have your donation deducted directly from your paycheck. Also, Kilby PTO now has an account with the UNA Foundation, which allows you to donate by check, EFT, or credit card. For this option go to alumni.una.edu/kilbypto to donate.

However you choose to donate, Kilby PTO works hard to put all donation dollars to use for the students and the betterment of the school.

PTO also needs you to volunteer your time in the classroom, at school activities, and on PTO committees. If every Kilby parent makes a commitment to volunteer in some capacity this year, whether it be on a PTO committee or signing up for computer lab in the classrooms, our amazing school would become even more amazing. So volunteer today!