

SSA GREEN GAZETTE

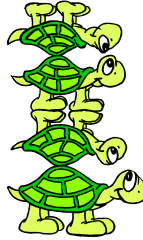
Spoele School Association's Weekly Flyer

January 29, 2010 - February 05, 2010

TURTLE TRIBUTE FUND

Thank you for your generous contributions to the SSA Turtle Tribute Fund.

100% of your contributions go directly into the SSA Grant Fund.



Donations through January:

In honor of: **Robert and Teddy Branom**

From: Steve, Becci, Kevin and Emma Goldman

In honor of: **Lynda Guthrie**

Happy Holidays!

From: The Stern Family

In honor of: **Betty Dageforde**

Happy Holidays!

From: The Stern Family

In honor of: **Mr. Heyman**

Thank you for being a great influence on my life. 3H Rocks!

From: Jack Moehrle

In honor of: **Ms. Johnson**

Thanks for all that you do. 2J Rocks!

From: Jack Moehrle

In honor of: **Ms. Eilermann**

Still loving the K-1 Family

From: Jack Moehrle

In honor of: **Dr. Arnold**

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In honor of: **Mrs. Dolan and Mrs. Tischler**

Idea Lab Rocks!

From: Jack Moehrle

In honor of: **Amanda and Michael Lucier and Gabe Smith**

Thank you for your generosity and kindness!

From: Loie and John Riehl, Jennifer and Jonathan Deutsch



Nurse Cindy needs your help!

The nurse's office is in need of gently used clothing articles, such as socks, sweatpants, sweatshirts, and t-shirts. Please bring any donations to Cindy Woodruff! Thank you!

Calendar

January 30, Saturday

1st Grade Parent Potluck Party

February 2, Tuesday

SSA Meeting, Library, 7:00 p.m.

February 5, 19, & 26, Fridays

Spoele Spirit Days - Friday Assembly, wear Spoele Spirit Wear or green & white

February 6, Saturday

3rd Grade Parent Potluck Party

February 9, Tuesday

Passport Night Parents' Meeting
Library, 7:00 p.m.

February 10, Wednesday

Chevy's Fresh Mex Fundraiser
11:00 a.m.—10:00 p.m. (lunch or dinner!)

February 11, Thursday

Valentine's Day Class Parties
2:00-3:00 p.m.

February 12 & 15, Friday & Monday

No School

February 19, Friday

5th Grade Popcorn Sale

February 20, Saturday

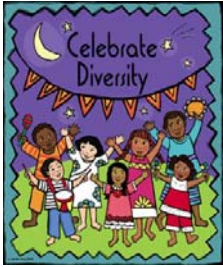
Kindergarten Parent Potluck Party

February 24, Wednesday

Kindergarten Coffee
LECC, 9:15 a.m.

February 27, Saturday

5th Grade Parent Potluck Party



The third annual Passport Night is coming up....

Help us share our multicultural community with an evening of fun, food and celebration taking place on Friday, April 16, 2010.

Do you want to present to the rest of the Spoede family a country or a culture that is special to you? Please join us for an orientation meeting at the Spoede library, on **Tuesday, February 9, at 7:00 p.m.**

Already presented in the past and don't need an orientation? That is great. Just let us know what country/culture you would like to present by e-mailing danatoib@gmail.com. Any questions? Call Dana Toib 314-600-7778 or Zarmeena Ali 314-994-0596

SSA MEETING

Please join us for the SSA meeting on **Tuesday, February 2, 7:00 p.m.** in the library! Come learn from district administrators about the bond proposition which will be on the April ballot. We will also vote on grant proposals, discuss upcoming restaurant "fun-raisers," and get updated on the Spoede Spring Soiree!

Your attendance at the meeting could help your child's teacher win a \$50 grant to be used in his/her classroom. Due to victory in the November SSA Showdown, Ms. Cadieux purchased a digital voice recorder to help students with reading fluency and story ideas, and Mr. Joachimstaler plans to purchase new books for his classroom library.

The meeting agenda is attached to this edition of the *Green Gazette*. If you would like to review the minutes from our 11/17 meeting, you can find them on the Spoede website: www.ladue.k12.mo.us/spoede/ssa.

The next BOX TOPS drawing will be here soon.....

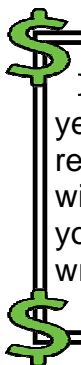


Dierbergs special BOX TOPS offer.... for 70 bonus BOX TOPS!!

Shoppers must purchase 10 participating** General Mills products in a single shopping trip between **1/26 and 2/1** to earn 70 bonus box tops.

Participating products include: **General Mills Cereal Honey Nut Cheerios (12.25 oz), MultiGrain Cheerios (9 oz), Cheerios (14 oz), Total (10.6 oz), Total Blueberry Pomegranate (15.25 oz), **Fiber One** Toaster Pastries, Chewy Bars, 90 Calorie Chewy Bars, Frozen Muffins, Pancake Mix, **Nature Valley** Nut Clusters, **Chex Mix** Bars, Milk 'n Cereal Bars, Cheerios Snack Mix, **Chex Mix** Select, **Gardetto's**, **Chex** 100 Calorie, **Betty Crocker** Fruit Flavored snacks (all varieties).

*Win pizza for your class and help
Spoede School!!*



It's almost tax time! Did you know that you can deduct the dues you paid to the SSA last year on your tax return? All you need to support your donation to the SSA is a copy of your bank records (or cancelled check) that shows your contribution. In the interest of being green, the SSA will no longer issue paper acknowledgements for dues contributions that were made by check. If you no longer have supporting bank records--or if you made a cash donation--and would like a written acknowledgement of your donation, please send an e-mail to ['SSATreas@sbcglobal.net'](mailto:SSATreas@sbcglobal.net).



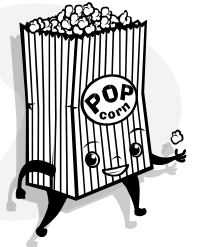


The Spring session of Girls on the Run is near! Girls on the Run is a unique program that seeks to prepare and educate girls for a lifetime of self-respect and healthy living during their critical years of development (ages 8-14). Through health/wellness education, along with training for a noncompetitive 5K run event, girls are empowered to believe in themselves and embrace their full potential as they mature. This program is open to 3rd-5th grade girls and is set to begin the week of March 1, tentatively on Wednesdays and Fridays after school. Please email your interest to Ms. Paula (pmcmaster@ladue.k12.mo.us) or Kristan Greenberg (kristangreenberg@charter.net) and we will forward information to you; please also indicate if you would be willing to have your daughter participate on Early Release Days. Girls who have participated previously are welcome to participate again as we use a different curriculum in the spring!

Ladue Middle School will be holding their annual Charity auction, Art With Heart, at Plaza Frontenac February 7th through the 15th. We would like to invite you to come by to view the beautiful pieces on display. They are all available for bidding, with the proceeds going to the charity of the artists' choice. Please join us for a reception on Wednesday, February 10th from 4:00-7:00 p.m. with a ensemble orchestra performance at 5:00 p.m.



The 5th grade will be selling popcorn at lunch on February 19th for \$1.00 a bag. Please support Spode's Class of 2010!



thank
you

Three cheers for **Katie Otto**, who has tirelessly churned out the *SSA Green Gazette* every week for the past year! She is taking a break from the Gazette, while she shifts her energy towards co-chairing the *Spode Spring Soiree*. Katie has never allowed a "thank you" to herself to be printed in the Gazette, but now that she isn't calling the shots, here it is . . . **THANK YOU, Katie!!!** We welcome **Vickie Shuchart** to the helm. She has graciously and seamlessly taken on the role as Gazette editor.

If you would like to submit an article or announcement to the *SSA Green Gazette*, please continue to use the same email address: ssagazette@yahoo.com. All articles must be submitted by **Monday** of the week you wish them to be published. You may access the complete Gazette guidelines on the SSA website, www.spodeschoolassociation.com.

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*Spoede School Association
General Meeting Agenda
February 2, 2010
7:00 p.m., Library*

- I. *Welcome*
- II. *Approval of November 17, 2009 General Meeting Minutes*
- III. *Principals' Report—Dr. Connie Brawley & Dr. Tony Arnold (7:05-7:10)*
- IV. *Presidents' Report—Jill Hunt & Kristen Wild (7:10-7:15)*
 - A. *Grants*
 - 1. *Grants passed by SSA Executive Board*
 - a. *St. Louis Symphony Orchestra—Kinder Konzerts (\$356)*
 - b. *Membership to Reading A-Z (\$84.95)*
 - c. *MLK assembly (\$325)*
 - d. *Clothing for nurse's office (\$350)*
 - 2. *Grant requiring vote of general membership*
 - a. *Third grade field trip to Daniel Boone's Home (\$670)*
- V. *Upcoming Events (7:15-7:45)*
 - A. *Restaurant "Fun-raisers"—Feb. 10 and more!—Marjie Chuchola*
 - B. *Spoede Spring Soiree, March 6—Katie Otto & Ashley Schneider*
 - C. *Book Fair, March 8-12—Sara Bernstein*
 - D. *Parent/Child Breakfast, March 12—McKay Mills*
 - E. *Passport Night, April 16—Dana Toib*
 - F. *Election of 2010-2011 SSA Executive Board Officers, April 27—Kari Vincent*
 - G. *Marketplace, May 1—Jamie Omahen*
- VI. *Outdoor Learning Center—Sarah Martin, Sharon Buchanan & Martina Stern (7:45-7:50)*
 - A. *Grade assignments*
 - B. *Plant Sale, May 1*
- VII. *Treasurers' Report—Sarah Friesen & Maureen McGinnis (7:50-7:55)*
 - A. *Budget update*
 - B. *Tax receipts*
 - C. *Matching gift contributions*
- VIII. *Corresponding Secretary's Report—Jennifer Deutsch (7:55-8:00)*
 - A. *Grade level potlucks*
 - B. *Turtle Tribute Fund*
 - C. *Thank you notes*
- IX. *Proposition O—Dr. Marsha Chappelow (8:00-8:20)*
- X. *Campaign for Proposition O—Commit2Ladue.org Committee Representative (8:20-8:30)*
- XI. *Adjourn*

Next SSA General Meeting: Tuesday, April 27, 2010

SSA Fiscal 2010 Budget Summary
 Year to Date Income / Expenses are through January 26, 2010

Inc/Exp	Category Description	Proposed Budget FYE 7/31/10	Actual Year to Date Income / (Expense)	2009 - 2010 Chair(s)
	TOTAL DUES	\$4,000.00	\$5,770.00	
Income	Book Fair, Net	\$2,000.00	\$0.00	Janie Spirtas <janiespirtas@sbcglobal.net>; Susan Holt <fiveholts@sbcglobal.net>; Sara Bernstein <jtseb@sbcglobal.net>; Shelli Netherton <obamamom7@gmail.com>; Jill Starr <JDoll555@aol.com>;
Income	Box Tops, Net	\$1,000.00	\$863.35	
Income	Gift Wrap Sale, Net	\$7,000.00	\$6,211.68	Susie Brandt and Circe Diggs
Income	Schnucks-eScrip Rebate	\$1,800.00	\$650.84	Shelley Simon <shelleysimon@charter.net>
Income	Turtle Tribute Fund	\$500.00	\$140.00	Jennifer Deutsch <jdeutsch@sbcglobal.net>; Kari Vincent <karivincen@att.net>
Income	Restaurant Night	\$0.00	\$550.06	Marje Chuchola
Income	Spring-Primary Fundraiser, Net	\$18,000.00	\$0.00	Ashley Schneider <schneider@charter.net>; Katie Otto <kotto@marisnet.com>
	TOTAL FUNDRAISERS	\$30,300.00	\$8,415.93	
Income	Cookbook	\$0.00	\$150.00	N/A
Income	Other misc (School Store, SchoolKidz)	\$0.00	(\$362.17)	Maria Anagnostopoulos <maria11560@sbcglobal.net>
Income	Parent-Child Breakfast, Net	\$0.00	\$0.00	McKay Mills <mckaymills@aol.com>; Alice O'Bryan <aliceobryan@sbcglobal.net>
Income	Spirit Sale, Net	\$0.00	\$2,419.00	Kathy Karasick <divermsk@aol.com>; Kim Bussard <kimbussard@sbcglobal.net>
Income	5th Grade Party - excess contributions	\$0.00	\$1,556.18	Amanda Lucier <amandalucier5@yahoo.com>; Maria Anagnostopoulos <maria11560@sbcglobal.net>
	TOTAL MISC INCOME	\$0.00	\$3,763.01	
	Income Total	\$34,300.00	\$17,948.94	
Expense	Administrative (includes Insurance)	(\$1,000.00)	(\$466.70)	N/A
	TOTAL ADMIN EXPENSE	(\$1,000.00)	(\$466.70)	
Expense	Family Fun Night (Fall)	(\$1,500.00)	(\$926.94)	Susie Horowitz <Susie11466@sbcglobal.net>; Tracy Berg <tberg@sbcglobal.net>; Lisa Deutsch <ldeutsch@sbcglobal.net>
Expense	Family Fun Night / Skate (Winter)	(\$300.00)	(\$277.50)	Lisa Fister <lisa.fister@att.net>
Expense	Passport Night	(\$600.00)	\$0.00	Dana Toib <danatoib@gmail.com>; Zarmeena Ali <zarmeena_a@yahoo.com>
Expense	Ice Cream Social / Boo Hoo Yahoo	(\$700.00)	(\$489.38)	Laura Helmer <lhelmer@sbcglobal.net>; Deb Kienstra <debmk1@charter.net>;
Expense	Grade Level Parties	(\$300.00)	\$0.00	Jennifer Deutsch <jdeutsch@sbcglobal.net>; Kim Bussard <kimbussard@sbcglobal.net>
Expense	Picnic	(\$1,800.00)	\$0.00	Alissa Shoultz <bearc@sbcglobal.net>
	TOTAL COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES	(\$5,200.00)	(\$1,693.82)	
Expense	Assembly - Drug Awareness	(\$1,000.00)	\$0.00	N/A
Expense	Show-Me Science (1st/2nd grade)	(\$200.00)	(\$200.00)	Tracy Creer <creerm@sbcglobal.net>; Marje Chuchola <marjiemarie@charter.net>;
Expense	Family Support-Caring Links	(\$400.00)	(\$59.06)	Carys Guy <carysguy@live.com>
Expense	Hospitality-Hospitality (Parents, Teacher Lunches)	(\$1,500.00)	\$0.00	Jamie Hastings-Omahen <omahen@earthlink.net>; Laura Smock <123smock@gmail.com>
Expense	Ladue Education Foundation	(\$350.00)	(\$350.00)	N/A
Expense	Library-Library	(\$2,000.00)	(\$1,511.03)	Wendy Valerote <wvalerote@msn.com>
Expense	New Families	(\$350.00)	(\$75.16)	Nnena Achilefu <achilefu@sbcglobal.net>; Jada Mutic <jadamutic@yahoo.com>
Expense	Play Day	(\$150.00)	\$0.00	N/A
Expense	Room Parents	(\$1,250.00)	(\$1,237.50)	Lisa Ashkar <lisa@ashkar.com>
Expense	Winter Peace Celebration	(\$750.00)	(\$689.95)	Jessica Spielberg <Jspielberg7@yahoo.com>
Expense	Staff Appreciation	(\$900.00)	(\$63.96)	Ashley Schneider <ca.schneider@charter.net>
Expense	Teacher Support - New	(\$200.00)	\$0.00	N/A
Expense	Testing Snacks - Enrichment	\$0.00	\$0.00	N/A
	TOTAL TEACHER / FAMILY SUPPORT	(\$9,050.00)	(\$4,186.66)	
Expense	Grants-Teacher Grants (could incl Tech)	(\$15,000.00)	(\$4,055.60)	N/A
	TOTAL GRANTS	(\$15,000.00)	(\$4,055.60)	
Expense	Yearbook	\$0.00	\$0.00	<jshuchart8@gmail.com>; Michelle Langley <MLangley@Vandover.com>; Laura Bonham <llb40@yahoo.com>; Lisa Fister <lisa.fister@att.net>
Expense	Buzz Book	(\$300.00)	(\$525.00)	Sharon Goldberg <goldberg4@earthlink.net>
Expense	Spirit Days	(\$100.00)	(\$21.59)	Amy Rich <ASWYNNER@aol.com>
Expense	Website	(\$250.00)	\$0.00	Melissa Pesce <thepesces@sbcglobal.net>
Expense	Miscellaneous	(\$1,000.00)	(\$49.64)	N/A
Expense	Principal's Discretionary Fund	(\$1,500.00)	(\$1,500.00)	N/A
	TOTAL MISCELLANEOUS	(\$3,150.00)	(\$2,096.23)	
	Expense Total	(\$33,400.00)	(\$12,499.01)	
	Grand Total	\$900.00	\$5,449.93	

Expended from Prior Year Funds / Reserves:

Class T-Shirts (Pd July, cleared Sept) (\$400.00)
 Grant for C. Eilerman (Pd June, cleared Sept) (\$258.96)
 Mobile Workstation Grant (Approved & Pd Sept) (\$24,099.00)

Current balance: \$ **36,883.01**