



# ERIE ELEMENTARY PTCO NEWS

MARCH 2011



<http://www.erieelementaryptco.com>

## PTCO Nominations

PTCO Nominations for next year are underway. Please consider volunteering as a PTCO officer, coordinator, committee chair or member for the 2011-2012 school year. Positions range in time requirements from a few hours per month to dedicated routine commitments.

All nominations are confidential and you may nominate yourself, a friend or someone with whom you may know that would be a great asset to the PTCO (Parent/Teacher/Community Organization). If you would like to be involved in the PTCO next year, or would like to submit a nomination, please contact any one of the nomination committee members. The nomination committee members are: **Jenny Maggert** – [jennymaggert@gmail.com](mailto:jennymaggert@gmail.com), **Julie Nelson** – [nelson\\_juliea@yahoo.com](mailto:nelson_juliea@yahoo.com), **Michelle Kendall** – [michellekendall\\_2@hotmail.com](mailto:michellekendall_2@hotmail.com), and **Tammy Russell** – [TLR3468@aol.com](mailto:TLR3468@aol.com).

Elections will be held at the PTCO Meeting on Thursday, April 14th at 6:30 p.m. in the school library. The nomination committee will present a slate of candidates who have registered by March 25th. After this date, only floor nominations will be accepted. Please email or hand deliver this form to a nomination committee member, or send it to your child's teacher, or to the school office. Nomination forms are available on the PTCO bulletin board at school, or can be downloaded from the PTCO File Cabinet page on our website, [www.erieelementaryptco.com](http://www.erieelementaryptco.com).



## Upcoming Events

- **Zamparelli's All-School Fundraiser**  
Feb. 28th – March 3rd
- **PTCO Meeting**  
Thursday, March 10th  
6:30pm in the Library
- **Spring Talent Show**  
Friday, March 11th  
6:30pm at EMS
- **Spring Carnival & Silent Auction**  
Friday, April 8th
- **Chick-fil-A Night**  
Tuesday, April 12th
- **PTCO Elections**  
Thursday, April 14th  
6:30pm in the Library

## Inside this issue:

|                            |   |
|----------------------------|---|
| PTCO Nominations           | 1 |
| AVID4 Adventure            | 1 |
| Free Money                 | 2 |
| Water Bottle Exchange      | 2 |
| Talent Show                | 2 |
| Yearbook Cover Art Winners | 2 |
| Restaurant Nights          | 2 |
| Silent Auction             | 3 |
| SVVSD News                 | 3 |

## AVID4 Adventure



AVID 4 Adventure's Outdoor Intensive Base Camp will be coming to Erie Elementary in October 2011! This outdoor education immersion program will introduce students to non-competitive active outdoor lifestyles using experiences that provide personal development and environmental understanding.

In order to secure a spot on Avid4 Adventure's full schedule, the PTCO committee called for a motion to approve the

allocation of funds for this purpose, at the February PTCO Meeting. The membership voted unanimously to allocate funds, not to exceed \$8,000.00 towards this program.

At the PTCO Meeting on March 10th we will have a special presentation by Sarah Pekala, Day Camp and School Program Director for AVID4 Adventure. Please join us to learn more about this exciting program.

For more information on AVID4 Adventure and their programs, visit their website at [www.avid4.com](http://www.avid4.com).

## Free Money



Erie Elementary has fallen to 2nd place in the Shopping 4 Students contest at The Orchard Town Center. You can help us get back into 1st place without spending a dime!

During March, visit The Orchard's Facebook page at [facebook.com/OrchardTC](https://www.facebook.com/OrchardTC) and click "Like". Select the Discussions tab, then select Erie Elementary and post a reply. Each post will receive 1,000 points (limit one post per person) and the school with the most posts by March 31, 2011 wins an extra 20,000 points! For more information on The Orchard or their events and programs, visit their website at [www.theorchardtowncenter.com](http://www.theorchardtowncenter.com)

## Talent Show



### Erie Elementary's Got Talent...

The Erie Elementary Talent Show will take place at Erie Middle School on Friday, March 11th at 6:30pm. Contact Michelle Toledo,

[sheltoledo@comcast.net](mailto:sheltoledo@comcast.net) with questions or to volunteer.

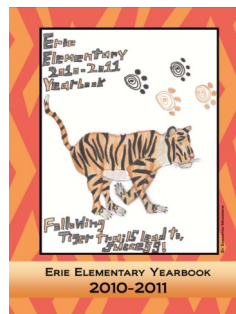
## Water Bottle Exchange



**SPIRIT SHOP**

Erie Elementary Spirit Gear is offering free water bottle replacements. At the time these were purchased it was not clear that this type of water bottle should be hand washed. As a result we received feedback that bottles have melted in the dishwasher. Contact Jolene Taff at [jolenerie311@aol.com](mailto:jolenerie311@aol.com) to arrange for free replacements but please note, bottles are not dishwasher safe.

## Yearbook Cover Art Winners



Congratulation to Samantha Mackinaw for her winning entry in the Yearbook Cover Art Contest. Her design will be featured on the front cover. Congratulations as well to the four additional finalists, Alyssa Hewell, Kayla Davis, Elizabeth Davids and Daniel Vera.

Look for their designs on the back cover. Our yearbook pre-sales campaign has ended. Books will arrive in mid-May and be distributed to students in their classrooms.

## Restaurant Nights

There are several Restaurant Nights on tap in the upcoming months. During these events, a percentage of your bill (excluding alcohol where applicable) will be donated back to Erie Elementary School. Relax, feed your family, and give back to Erie Elementary with some great food!



**Zamparelli's**  
ITALIAN BISTRO

**Zamparelli's Italian Bistro: Monday February 28th - Thursday, March 3rd during business hours.**

When you eat lunch, dinner, or take home a pizza, be sure to let them know you are participating in the Erie Elementary promotion. Zamparelli's is located in the Atlas shopping plaza in Lafayette (southwest corner of Arapahoe Road and 95th street).



**Chick-fil-A: Tuesday, April 12th from 5:00 - 8:00 pm.**

The Larkridge Chick-fil-A, located at 16670 Washington St. in Thornton, is hosting an all-school fundraiser (drive thru orders qualify too).



Erie's local favorites, Snowcap and Parkway Sports Grille will host all school fundraisers on May 3rd - 5th. Look for more details to come as it gets closer.

## Silent Auction Baskets



March 21st to allow families to get a sneak peek of the baskets prior to spring break. If you have any questions concerning the Silent Auction, contact Kristin McKenzie-Toothaker, [kristin@toothaker.net](mailto:kristin@toothaker.net) or Theresa Johnston, [theresa.johnston@live.com](mailto:theresa.johnston@live.com).

The Spring Carnival and Silent Auction will be held on Friday, April 8th.

## Leadership St. Vrain & District News

### Leadership St. Vrain February, 2011 meeting updates:

- The expanded SVVSD Summer Program is still in the works and will include options for students that are struggling and for those seeking enrichment.
- In 2009, the Colorado Department of Education presented a set of new education standards -Colorado P-12 Academic Standards. These can be found at <http://www.cde.state.co.us> The new standards are more rigorous, fewer in number, and written more clearly.
- St. Vrain Valley School District (SVVSD) will experience a reduction in state funding this school year of

approximately 15 million dollars. The District is considering and implementing various short-term and long-term solutions.



Grassroots St. Vrain is hosting a meeting titled "More State Cuts to Education Funding ... Is it OK?". The meeting will be held **March 3, 10:00 to Noon** at the Longmont Public Library.



Prompt

Professional

Personal

**Individual and Business Tax,  
Accounting and Consulting**

1885 Oak Avenue • Boulder • 303.862.9366 • cell: 303.514.5127  
[mike@mikeconroycpa.com](mailto:mike@mikeconroycpa.com) • [www.mikeconroycpa.com](http://www.mikeconroycpa.com)

The Erie Elementary PTCO is proud to endorse Mike Conroy, Certified Public Accountant and Professional Advisor.

Tax season is upon us! Please remember your contribution earlier this year to the Jog-A-Thon is tax deductible. For reporting purposes, the PTCO's tax id number is 98-11583-0000. The PTCO will be shredding the Jog-A-Thon envelopes currently on file. Please contact Angie Crookshank, [angiecrookshank@comcast.net](mailto:angiecrookshank@comcast.net) prior to April 15th if you have questions concerning your contributions.