

Riverside Parents Association

Volunteer Opportunities 2006 - 2007

President: Robin Virtue

Vice President: Kendra McCrary

Secretary/Treasurer: Lynda Erwin

ART ENRICHMENT

Chair: Cindy Glover

Volunteers spend one hour per month (Oct., Nov., Jan.-May) showing famous artwork in the classrooms. Volunteers pick up artwork each month at an instructional program at the Cummer Museum. Volunteers do not have to have a formal background in art...just an interest!

ART PROJECT

**Chair: Kristi Awad
Catherine Silsby**

Parents are able to purchase items - cards, magnets, totes, etc. - that showcase their child's artwork. Volunteers will help process orders.

CAMPUS BEAUTIFICATION

Chair: Renee and Dick Schwalbe

Working with school staff, this committee keeps the RPDS campus looking its best. They coordinate campus workdays as needed.

CAPERS DINNER/AUCTION

**Co-Chairs: Gretchen Woodward
Rebecca McNeil
Sally Hart
Darlene Hampton, Auction**

The Capers fundraising event will be a gala adult dinner/auction held on March 3rd at The Terrace Suite at Alltel Stadium. Committee members are needed to help with set-up, ticketing, operations, silent and live auction items, catalog, breakdown and dinner.

CLASS PICTURES

Chair: Patty DeStephano

Volunteers assist the photographers and teachers on class picture days.

DADS' CLUB

Chair: Keith Daw

This committee of RPDS dads works on projects for school enhancement and also initiates and plans a special Dads' Club project.

EYE SCREENING

Chair: Peggy Kennon

Volunteers assist in this one-day eye screening for RPDS students held at the school in the fall.

FACULTY and STAFF APPRECIATION

Chair: Elizabeth Edge

This committee hosts a breakfast or luncheon the week prior to the opening of school and after school closes for the faculty and staff. It also attends to the needs of the faculty and staff lounges.

FIELD DAY

Chairs: Karen and Bill Trammell

Volunteers are needed to staff the spring Field Day games in coordination with the physical education coaches.

ELC FIELD DAY

**Chair: Mary Chupp
Amy Beaver**

Volunteers are needed to help plan and staff the spring ELC Field Day games.

GIFT WRAP SALE

Chair: Claire Franson

Volunteers are needed to help organize and distribute gift-wrap orders for one day in mid October.

GRADUATION RECEPTION

Chair: Kendra McCrary

A committee of fifth grade parents plan, prepare and host the Graduation Reception in Kissling Hall held after RPDS graduation.

HOMEROOM PARENTS COORDINATOR

Chair: Katherine Forrester

Parents work with their child's classroom teacher to assist in planning and implementing class parties and events. They also help coordinate volunteers for field trips.

LIBRARY AIDES

Volunteers assist in the Media Center one morning a month.

Chair: Mary Garcia-Bengochea

NEW PARENT WELCOME COMMITTEE

Committee members help new RPDS families feel comfortable with the school. They are also linked with a new family to help them get to know the school and other parents.

Chair: Robin Barco

WELCOME BACK ICE CREAM SOCIAL

This committee plans and coordinates the back-to-school Ice Cream Social and Classroom Open House.

Chair: Terry Walton

OCTOBERFEST

On Friday Evening October 20th, RPDS students, parents and guests will gather at the school for an old fashioned carnival complete with games, food and entertainment. Volunteers are needed to staff games, sell tickets and decorate for the event.

Chair: Leigh Smith

PARENTS IN TOUCH

Parents In Touch meet the first Thursday of each month following the RPDS Chapel service. At the beginning of the year, prayer cards containing ten students, faculty or staff names are given to each member of the group.

Contact: Chrissie Pattison

SCHOLARSHIP SPAGHETTI DINNER

Volunteers are needed one evening to help set-up and serve the dinner at the January Open House. Proceeds from this dinner go to support RPDS financial aid.

**Chair: Darden Grant
Ken Mattiace**

SIXTH GRADE LUNCH PROJECT

6th grade parent volunteers are needed to distribute school lunches one Monday each month. The Monday lunch program raises money for special 6th grade activities.

Chair: Sharon Vinyard

SOCIAL EVENTS

Volunteers on this committee bake and serve refreshments for special events such as New Student Orientation in late August, Parent/Faculty Nights in September and Grandparent's Day in November.

Chair:

If you have any questions concerning any of these volunteer opportunities, please call the committee chairs, Karla Newton or Lane Dawkins in the RPDS Development Office (353-5511).

2006-2007 DATES TO REMEMBER

Welcome Back Ice Cream Social and Classroom Open House

Sunday, August 20th

Octoberfest

Friday, October 20th

Capers

Saturday, March 3rd

RIVERSIDE PRESBYTERIAN DAY SCHOOL

2006-07 VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES FORM

If you have not already done so, please fill out this form and return to
RPDS, 830 Oak Street, Jacksonville, FL 32204

Mother's Name _____ Telephone _____

Father's Name _____ Telephone _____

Name(s) of Children _____ Grade _____

_____ Grade _____

_____ Grade _____

Please express your interest by checking as many areas as you wish and return this form to the school office. See the attached sheets for a description of each volunteer opportunity.

_____ **Art Enrichment**

_____ Grades 1 - 6

_____ PK3-K

_____ **Art/Card Project**

_____ **Campus Beautification**

_____ **Capers Dinner/Auction**

_____ Auction

_____ Solicitation

_____ Copy Writer

_____ Invitations

_____ Ad Sales

_____ Set Up

_____ Break Down

_____ Student's Art Projects

_____ Baskets

_____ Patron Party

_____ Underwriting

_____ Wish List

_____ **Class Pictures**

_____ **Dads' Club**

_____ **Eye Screening**

_____ **Faculty / Staff Appreciation**

_____ **Field Day**

_____ **Gift Wrap**

_____ **Graduation Reception**

_____ **Homeroom Parent**

Grade Level _____

Child's Name _____

_____ **Library Aid**

_____ **New Parent Welcome Committee**

_____ **Octoberfest**

_____ Decorations

_____ Set-Up/Break-Down

_____ Food

_____ Ticketing

_____ **Parents In Touch**

_____ **Program and Plays**

_____ Set Design

_____ Costumes

_____ **Scholarship Spaghetti Dinner**

_____ **Sixth Grade Lunch Project**

_____ **Social Events**

_____ Server

_____ Food Preparation

_____ **Spring Fling – ELC Field Day**

_____ **Welcome Back Ice Cream Social**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COMMITMENT TO RPDS AND OUR STUDENTS!

May 11, 2006

Dear Riverside Parents,

We have had a successful and prosperous year due to the dedication of our outgoing officers, project chairmen and committee members of the Riverside Parents Association. Catherine Stiefel, our 2005-2006 President, deserves our heart-felt thanks and appreciation as an organized and innovative leader of the Riverside Parents Association volunteers. Our volunteers have contributed their time, talent and resources in support of the school's goals and the students. The incoming officers of Riverside Parents Association, Kendra McCrary, Lynda Erwin, and I feel fortunate to transition into such a strong and vital organization that has had the benefit of focused leadership and participation by its members.

For the 2006-2007 school year, the Riverside Parents Association promises to build on those strengths and develop new areas of participation. We look forward to a wonderful, fun-filled year with events such as our Back-to-School Ice Cream Social/ Student Orientation, Octoberfest, Capers and Field Day. Without the support of Riverside parents, the additional enrichment and social activities our children experience, as well as the professional development opportunities and volunteer assistance our faculty receives would not be possible. We welcome everyone's involvement and hope you will take this opportunity to fill out a volunteer form. With your generous support we can accomplish much for our children and their school.

Sincerely,

Robin E. Virtue
RPA President, 2006-2007