

# District 37 Dialogue

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## From Our Director

It is a strange summer to say the least, weather-wise. I hope everyone has been able to spend time with their families and enjoy the outdoors when Mother Nature has allowed. By now, your books should be closing and audits scheduled so the new year can begin fresh. Make sure the end of year reports have been collected as well so plans of work may be created for the 2011-2012 year. Remember, your PTA goals and plans of work are what will be used to create the budget, so it is imperative that these are completed.

We now have quite a few more knowledgeable PTA members from the turnout of our June trainings! District 37 holds these trainings for your benefit. Be sure to suggest attending them to all your PTA members and even non-members. The more informed everyone is, the more successful we can all be on our mission of enriching all children's lives. Trainings are scheduled for September as well and if more are needed, the trainers are willing to accommodate the district needs. Due to recent changes voted on at Illinois PTA and National PTA conventions as well as the ever changing IRS regulations, it is always a good idea for all members to take refresher courses to stay up to date.

Finally, August 2nd we will hold Packet Orientation, which is being held at Plum Grove Junior High of Northwest Suburban Council in Rolling Meadows this year. It will begin with registration at 6:00 p.m. All presidents are required to attend to receive the packet of information from Illinois PTA. Membership cards will be distributed. This year we will also be discussing ideas for working with the membership dues increase and how to make this year more successful than last

year. Please note that Illinois PTA is continuing to be green, so all packets will be on CDROM unless you contact the state office (ptamembsvs@ameritech.net) to ask for a hard copy of the packet. We will be holding workshops for treasurers and secretaries as well as for membership, Reflections, volunteers and advocacy/legislation so be sure to bring these people and others with you.

Have a great remainder of summer break!

*Nicole*

Nicole Fentem  
Illinois PTA District 37 Director

## **DATES TO REMEMBER**

- August 2, 2011 – Packet Orientation 6:00 PM  
Plum Grove Jr. H, Rolling Meadows
- September 13, 2011 – PTA Road to Success 6:30 PM  
D15 Administration Building, AH
- September 14, 2011 – PTA President Course 6:30 PM  
D15 Administration Building, AH
- September 19, 2011 – PTA Money Matters 6:30 PM  
D15 Administration Building, PAL
- September 21, 2011 – PTA Council Course 6:30 PM  
D15 Administration Building, PAL
- October 17, 2011 – Annual Meeting 6:30 PM  
Cotillion: 360 S. Creekside, PAL

## MEMBERSHIP – Lori Filby

With summer upon us, it's easy to let important PTA dates slip by. Here are a few membership related dates that you'll want to pay special attention to.

**June 25** - All unused membership cards were due back to the state PTA office by June 25. Along with the cards each unit should include a completed Membership Card Return Transmittal, your final dues payment and a final membership list. If you missed this deadline, you'll still need to send these items in as soon as possible.

**June 30** – We're now in the Grand Slam phase of our Get In the Games membership initiative. This stage runs through June 30. The winner of this part of our initiative will receive two free dinners at the Annual Meeting in October. This is also the final opportunity for your unit to play along and gather some points toward the Gold, Silver and Bronze awards that will be presented at the 2011 Annual Meeting. By the way, congratulations to Adlai Stevenson PTA from the Schaumburg Township Council for winning the Face-Off stage that concluded April 30!

**August 2** - Our 2011-2012 membership materials will be distributed on August 2 at district Packet Orientation. This year's event will be held at the Plum Grove Jr. High in Rolling Meadows at 6:00 p.m. In addition to receiving your cards for the new school year, you'll also get all the details on our new membership initiative and you can attend one of the many workshops offered. This is a great event for not only local unit Presidents and Membership Chairs, but for anyone in your unit who wants to get a head start on the new PTA year.

So mark your calendars and enjoy the summer! We look forward to seeing each of you at our August 2 event!



# Get in the Games!



**Illinois PTA District 37 Membership Initiative  
July 1, 2010 - June 30, 2011**

**Grand Slam** — Attend Convention!

**May and June**

**Submit report by July 15, 2011.**

Winning unit receives two free meals at the 2011 District 37 Annual Meeting in October, 2011.

Help us reach our goal of a 3.7% increase in membership district-wide so we can enjoy an all-family game day. More information is available on the District 37 website: [www.ilpta-d37.org](http://www.ilpta-d37.org).

## TECHNOLOGY – Brent Fentem

*Make Technology work for your PTA*

As society continues to change and advance through technology, make sure your PTA is doing so as well. Stay relevant and communicate with your members the most convenient way for them, not necessarily you. The following are just a few ideas you may want to consider for your PTA.

- ✓ obtain your members' email addresses (possibly even cell numbers for texts)
- ✓ send out electronic newsletters
- ✓ survey your members using free online survey services
- ✓ create a PTA website
- ✓ use the JustBetweenFriends package offered free to PTAs through National PTA
- ✓ use the website and email to personally invite everyone to your PTA meetings and events
- ✓ email an advance meeting agenda to all members
- ✓ send your members a synopsis of the last PTA meeting
- ✓ build a database of volunteers and what they are interested in doing: contact them
- ✓ ask them if they would like text messages about PTA activities

## TREASURER – Barb Quinn

### SIMMERING FOR SUMMER?

While PTA may be taking a "summer vacation" and there are no activities right now, it is a good time to revisit your check-list for wrapping up this year and preparing for next year.

So, here are some "tips for treasurers":

- Have you written all checks for outstanding expenses for the current fiscal year?
- Have you prepared an "annual report" showing all receipts and expenditures for the current fiscal year?
- Have you prepared the information necessary for the audit?
- Have you prepared the information necessary for the IRS informational return?
- Have you changed the signature cards at the bank to reflect the incoming officers?
- Have you completed an End of Year Report?
- Have you met with the incoming treasurer (if you are not returning to that position)?
- Have you met with the Budget & Finance committee to prepare a tentative budget for the new fiscal year?

In preparing for next year, think about the goals of the PTA and work with the leadership to determine what activities you will undertake to fund those goals.

Each of these items can seem overwhelming, so remember that help is just around the corner! If you are part of a Council, those leaders can be a resource to you, as well as the members of the District Board.

## LEADERSHIP – Cindy Giambarbaree

Next Leadership Training:

Packet Orientation/Workshops

August 2, 2011

Plum Grove Junior High, Rolling Meadows

As you continue planning for the upcoming school year, please continue to check our website: [www.ilpta-d37.org](http://www.ilpta-d37.org) for the most up to date information. In the meantime, I want to make you aware of some important upcoming events. District 37 will be holding training courses in September at the Palatine District 15 Administrative Building upstairs. All courses begin at 6:30pm and will last approximately three hours. The courses being offered so far are:

PTA Road to Success – September 13<sup>th</sup>

Presidents Course – September 14<sup>th</sup>

Money Matters – September 19<sup>th</sup>

Council Course – September 21<sup>st</sup>

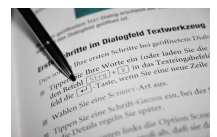
These courses provide the basic understanding, the legal requirements, and the financial concerns of PTA. It is required in your bylaws that all officers take the Road to Success course. If you belong to a Council, every member of the board (officers, presidents and chairmen) needs to take the Council Course to be in compliance with the Council bylaws. If you would like additional trainings throughout the upcoming months that are not listed here, please contact Nicole ([nfentem@ilpta-d37.org](mailto:nfentem@ilpta-d37.org)) right away so that we can get them scheduled for you. These classes are offered so that you can continue to have successful PTAs year after year. Remember, the more your members know about PTA the more successful you will be as a whole.

## SECRETARY – Michele Sheppard

PREPARE FOR THE

UPCOMING YEAR!

Come visit me at Packet Orientation on August 2, 2011 and learn what the role of a secretary of a PTA entails.



Whether you have been a secretary in the past or will be a secretary for the first time, you'll be sure to leave the workshop with a fresh perspective on your duties as a secretary.

Presidents, please be sure your secretary(s) attend this workshop, it is yet another opportunity to make your job easier. The more each of us knows, the smoother the year will proceed.

## HEALTH

In June a new food icon was announced, MyPlate. This replaces MyPyramid. [MyPlate](http://www.choosemyplate.gov) gives us a visual reminder to fill half our plate with fruits and vegetables, along with protein, whole grains and dairy. Check out the website

([www.choosemyplate.gov](http://www.choosemyplate.gov)) for great ideas and in the meantime remember the importance of:



### ***Balancing Calories***

- Enjoy your food, but eat less.
- Avoid oversized portions.

### ***Foods to Increase***

- Make half your plate fruits and vegetables.
- Make at least half your grains whole grains.
- Switch to fat-free or low-fat (1%) milk.

### ***Foods to Reduce***

- Compare sodium in foods like soup, bread, and frozen meals — and choose the foods with lower numbers.
- Drink water instead of sugary drinks.

## REFLECTIONS – Joan Scovic

When children express themselves through words, pictures, music, dance, and other art forms, they grow intellectually and socially. They learn to analyze their thoughts, feelings, and ideas; learn to look at things, people, and experiences in a fresh and exciting way; and become more interested in the ideas and works of others.



The PTA Reflections Program is designed to enhance a quality arts education by providing an opportunity for students to explore their artistic talents and receive positive recognition for their efforts.

Each year, the PTA Reflections Program challenges students to create art inspired by a specific theme. Themes are selected from hundreds of ideas

submitted by students to the PTA Reflections Program Theme Search. The theme for 2011-2012 is “Diversity Means. . .”

Students participate in the Reflections Program by submitting entries to a local PTA or PTSA in good standing. Nationally, the program has six arts areas—dance choreography, film production, literature, musical composition, photography, and visual arts—and four grade divisions—primary, intermediate, middle/junior, and senior.

Students can start their projects this summer, and should watch for more information from their local PTA Reflections Chairs at the beginning of the school year.

### **General Guidelines**

Please note that:

- Students may submit entries only through a PTA or PTSA in good standing.
- All entries submitted must be original works and must relate to the current year’s Reflections Program theme.
- Each entry must be the work of only one student. Assistance from teachers, parents, or friends is not permitted except in special cases (such as students with physical disabilities).

### **A Word to Parents**

As with any student activity, parent involvement and support are very important. But parents must remember that student artists need to be responsible for their own work. Children must make their own decisions about what to create and what to enter in the Reflections Program. By producing their own literature, musical compositions, photographs, films, dance routines, and visual artwork, children learn about the arts and, more importantly, they learn about themselves. Students should simply do their best; crooked lines, incorrect musical notes, or misspelled words do not disqualify anyone.

PTA’s Reflections Program helps parents encourage the creativity and continuous self-discovery process of their children. Supporting the Reflections Program is one way you can support the arts in your home, school, and community.

## **Reflections Dates for the 2011-2012 School Year**

- Tuesday, August 2: Reflections Kick Off Meeting at D37 Packet Pick Up. (Plum Grove Junior High in Rolling Meadows)
- Friday, November 11: Deadline for local unit chairs to give their portfolios to their council chairs.
- Friday, December 9: Deadline for council chairs and non-council local units to give their portfolios to the District 37 Reflections Assistant.



## **LEGISLATION – Matthew Rodriguez**

*Source: Chicago Daily Law Bulletin; June 6, 2010*

By: Sarah Zavala, Special to the Law Bulletin

### **Some concerned about the registration requirements**

SPRINGFIELD — Sex offender registration requirements were a hot topic for lawmakers last week.

Before the Illinois General Assembly adjourned last week, lawmakers passed a bill addressing sex offender registration requirements, while holding another. Both bills sparked fiscal concerns from many.

Under House Bill 1253, which was sent to Gov. Patrick J. Quinn for final action, sex offenders who have never previously been required to register have a duty to register if the person has been convicted of any felony offense after July 1.

But, the sex offender registration bill, Senate Bill 1040, didn't do as well in this year's legislative session. The measure, which would have required sex offenders to register for a 15- or 25-year period or natural life, was held on concurrence in the Senate.

Both bills attempted to bring Illinois closer in compliance with the Sex Offender Registration and Notification Act (SORNA) requirements. SORNA is Title I of the Adam Walsh Child Protection and

Safety Act (AWA), which provides standards for sex offender registration and notification.

HB 1253 went through several revisions. The first draft of the measure would have removed the effective dates that guide when an offender must register, a move that would force all offenders to register, regardless of when they committed the sex offense. It also would have required any sex offender who commits any sort of misdemeanor or felony to register.

Previously, SB 1040 would have created a three-tier system because the Illinois law currently requires sex offenders to register on the state list for either 10 years or life.

On top of making registration for sex offenders either be 15- or 25-year periods or a lifetime registration, this bill also would have added federal offenses to the list of offenses that trigger lifetime registration.

The original language in HB 1253 and SB 1040 did not pass. And even with the passage of HB 1253, Illinois is still not in compliance with federal legislation.

The fiscal impact of the legislation was brought up in many committee meetings and it appeared to be a major concern for lawmakers and other groups like the Illinois State Police (ISP) and Juvenile Justice Initiative (JJI).

"[SORNA requirements] are so strict that most states are not following them and that's the bottom line," said Elizabeth E. Clarke, President of the JJI.

The U.S. Department of Justice awards the Edward Byrne Memorial State and Local Law Enforcement Assistance Grant Program to states who comply with the SORNA standards. But as of July 1, states will lose 10 percent, about \$1.6 million, of the Byrne Grant funding for not being in compliance. "Most states across the country are concluding that it is not worth the \$1 million," Clarke said, adding that a couple of weeks ago only seven states were deemed in compliance — Ohio, Delaware, South Dakota, Florida, Michigan, Nevada and Wyoming.

"I think the message is pretty clear to Congress that the states don't find this a great policy and they don't find the cost benefit worth while," Clarke said.

However, Tracie Newton with ISP said, in regards to Illinois and SORNA requirements, the state is "ahead of the ball game."

The ISP said because Illinois already has a registry and a website that it will not cost as much.

"A big hiccup for many states under SORNA is that it requires juveniles to register," Newton said, adding that Illinois already requires juvenile registration.

Newton said Illinois has to make a few changes to be in full compliance with SORNA.

"Reclassification and re-tiering of people is one part of SORNA," Newton said. "And the other is retroactivity."

Under SORNA, every state has a minimum requirement of a 15-year registration period.

She said making a 15-year registration period in Illinois doesn't mean all the people under a 10-year registration can move into the 15-year category.

Another large aspect of SORNA is e-mail notification. Newton used the example of a person requesting e-mail notification of information for every time a sex offender moves into the neighborhood. Newton said the e-mail notification system is "tricky" and will take some time to work out.

Newton added that there are other minor requirements under SORNA like collecting more data and palm prints.

Clarke said it is true that Illinois is already in compliant with some of the major parts of SORNA, because they already have a sex offender registration system, but there are other costs.

The mailing for notifying the existing offenders of the change is going to be costly, Clarke said. In Ohio, for example, \$450,000 was spent in notifying offenders, she said.

Newton said there are about 27 thousand offenders in Illinois and the ISP would only send about 14,000 to 15,000 letters of notification because many offenders are out of state, in prison or homeless. Newton added that the cost would not be that high.

Even though the grant is only \$1.6 million, Illinois will lose that money each year they are not in compliance.

"We are just here as a department to enforce what is required by law," Newton said. "That's what we do."

HB 1253 awaits action from Quinn. SB 1040 was held on concurrence, but action on this bill can still take place during the veto session.

"At least they are going to think about it over the summer," Clarke said of the lawmakers waiting to take action on SB 1040. "I think that is really responsible."

Clarke said the deadline for states to be in compliance with SORNA has been extended before, because so few states were in compliance. The deadline for SORNA requirements is July 1.

### **Delegates Pass a Dues Increase**

National PTA delegates voted in favor of a dues increase at convention in June. After more than a decade of National dues remaining at \$1.75 per member, the dues per member will now be \$2.25 effective July 1, 2011. *Please consider this when creating this year's budget.*

The dues increase will enable National PTA to continue its high-impact work. Every child benefits from the influence of PTA on policies that affect the education, health, and welfare of children. National PTA remains the only association that advocates for all children—something it has done for 115 years.

### **What This Means to Each Local Unit**

All local PTA units will now submit \$4.25 per member to the Illinois PTA instead of the \$3.75 that was submitted last school year.

## **NATIONAL PTA NEWS**

### **National PTA Elects New Leaders at Annual Convention**

[National PTA](#)® installed [Betsy Landers](#), of Memphis, as the association's 52nd President, as well as elected [Otha Thornton](#), of Smyrna, Ga., as President-elect and [Laura Bay](#), of Bremerton, Wash., as Secretary-Treasurer at its 115th Annual Convention and Exhibition in Orlando (June 9-12). Thornton becomes National PTA's first-ever male, African-American President-elect.

### **Other National Leaders**

As eight members of National PTA's Board of Directors finished their two-year term, PTA delegates elected the following eight new members to join the National PTA Board of Directors:

- [Scott Allen](#), Bellevue, Wash.;
- [Nancy Cox](#), Lake Mary, Fla.;
- [Kim Hunt](#), Plymouth, Mass.;
- [Kathy Nevans](#), Independence, Mo.;
- [Esther Parker](#), Odenton, Md.;
- [Shannon Sevier](#), Mantel, Germany (European PTA);
- [Debra Strauss](#), Inverness, Ill.;
- [Sophia Waugh](#), Agua Dulce, Calif.

Delegates also elected the following two new members to the Nominating and Leadership Development Committee: [Tina Hartman](#), Fort Wayne, Ind.; and [Helene Robson](#), of Fargo, ND.

### **Parents Vote on Topics Affecting Children**

PTA members held debate and voted on the adoption of two national resolutions; *Sexting: Legal Consequences*; and *Head Injury Reporting*.

Resolutions are proposed by PTA members and approved by the National PTA Board of Directors to be voted on by convention delegates. National PTA has adopted hundreds of resolutions and positions on a wide variety of education, health, and safety issues since its first convention in 1897. Summaries of the resolutions are below. They will be posted in their entirety at [www.pta.org](http://www.pta.org) within the next couple weeks.

*Sexting: Legal Consequences*—PTA will work with school systems and law enforcement to prevent kids from sexting by educating students and parents about the legal consequences.

*Head Injury Reporting*—PTA will educate families and school personnel about the seriousness of head injuries and the need report them to families. PTA will also work with education agencies to establish communication procedures to contact families when a child injures their head at school.

### **National PTA President, Chuck Saylor Announces New National PTA Executive Director**

I am pleased to announce that on June 8th, the board unanimously approved the appointment of National PTA's new executive director, Eric Hargis.

Hargis brings more than 30 years of association experience to National PTA. Hargis has worked for the Muscular Dystrophy Association, the American Diabetes Association, the Arthritis Foundation and most recently, the Epilepsy Foundation of America.

For over 10 years Hargis served as the President and Chief Executive Officer of the Epilepsy Foundation of America, Hargis led the 80 million dollar national volunteer agency that was comprised of a 75 member staff and state-based affiliated organizations that supported funding research and finding a cure of epilepsy.

Prior to joining the Epilepsy Foundation, Hargis worked for 10 years at the Arthritis Foundation where he served as the Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, the Senior Vice President of Operations and the Group Vice President for Financial Development.

Hargis attended the University of San Diego where he majored in English and Philosophy. He lives in Maryland with this wife and has two children.

Please join me in welcoming Eric Hargis who will assume the Executive Director position on July 5, 2011.

## DISTRICT 37 COUNCIL CORNER

### Schaumburg Township Council of PTAs

Going once...Going twice...SOLD...That was the phrase heard repeatedly at the Schaumburg Township Council of PTAs (STC) silent and live auction that was held in March. The theme was "A Night on the 19<sup>th</sup> Hole." There was dinner, silent auction baskets and many live auction items. All 27 schools that comprise the STC donated items for the auction. The goal was to raise money for the high school and elementary scholarships we award every year. A secondary goal was to elect our 2011-2012 Executive Committee Officers. Additionally, a good time to be had by all was accomplished. This year's auction was very successful. We elected our officers, attendees had fun **AND** we were able to raise over \$20,000 for our scholarship fund.

Fast forward to May...the STC Scholarship Dinner. We awarded 12 high school students who had attended District 54 schools \$2,000 scholarships for college. This is always exciting, and even more so when, a scholarship is awarded to a student who attended one's own local elementary school! Additionally, STC awarded 53 Elementary students in grades 4-7 partial scholarships towards summer camps. It is a great feeling to know that we are helping students across the district achieve their goals to learn more. The Scholarship Dinner also served as the venue to install the 2011-2012 STC Officers, as well as, to introduce the 27 School District 54 Local Unit Presidents.

The evening also included PTA recognitions for valued volunteers, board members and retiring administrators. STC is very fortunate to have so many dedicated individuals serving our children!

Now, this new STC President is busy thinking about goals for STC, open committee chairs, how to build a strong and supportive council and how to fit in time to enjoy summer with my kids.

*Lisa Guagenti*  
2011-2012 President

### Northwest Suburban Council of PTAs

Northwest Suburban Council celebrated a successful school year at our Spring Fling general membership meeting and dinner on May 16. Illinois PTA President Debra Strauss was our featured speaker, and District 15 Superintendent Scott Thompson also thanked the PTA members for their service to the schools. We were pleased to recognize the accomplishments of our "Shining Star" local units: four PTAs won the Bronze Star Award for "Being Right on Track", six PTAs won the Silver Star Award for "Going the Extra Mile", and seven PTAs won the Gold Star Award for "Reaching for the Stars". We also honored outgoing VP-Legislation Julie O'Hara for her two years of service on our Executive Committee, and the program concluded with the installation of NWSC's officers for 2011-12: Tracey Coleman, President; Lyn Bremanis, VP-Programs, James Carr, VP-Legislation, Joan Scovic, Secretary; and Margo Ban, Treasurer.

This year, responding to renewed interest from the local units, NWSC brought back workshops to the Spring Fling evening. Selecting topics that were both timely and likely to be of greatest need, we offered six different sessions: Creating Family Events; My Child's in Junior High – Now What?; Cultural Arts, Assemblies, Programs and More; Printed Publications; Extra! Extra! Publicizing Your PTA Events; and Room Parents. Experienced PTA leaders as well as members of District 15's staff and local journalists shared their expertise with representatives from the local units.

To conclude our year, NWSC held a "get acquainted" board meeting on June 6 for the 2011-12 local unit presidents and council committee chairs. Everyone has questions as they start a new term, so hopefully we addressed all of the immediate needs and everyone is energized and ready to go!

We're looking forward to being the host council for District 37 in 2011-12, and we hope to see all of you at Plum Grove Junior High on August 2 for Packet Orientation!

*Tracey Coleman*  
NWSC President

## DISTRICT 37 COUNCIL CORNER, continued

### Arlington Heights Council of PTAs

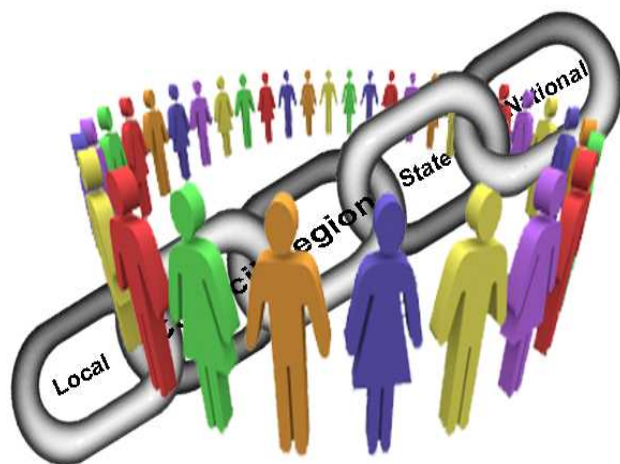
Thank you for all you have done, the Arlington Heights Council of PTAs, for assisting us this past year to achieve so much for the students and their families here in District 25. For your help, support and leadership to provide our school district the Family Internet Safety Night, Wellness Fair, Gala, Cultural Arts Fair and Scholarship Luncheon. Each event helped a student or family to enhance their knowledge and cultural understanding or gave those high school seniors additional funds to further their education.

We would like to thank our past Executive Officers for their help on this journey, especially, Jody Stautzenbach, Carole McKinney, Shannon Silverman and Liisa Gary. In turn, we are looking forward to a very bright future on the Arlington Heights Council of PTAs, as these people said YES in providing leadership for 2011-2012:

Jody Stautzenbach and Shannon Silverman (Co-Presidents), Krysta Zyck (1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of Programs), Julie Birenbaum (2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of Training), Lori Tangney (Secretary) and Barbara Morrison (Treasurer).

Enjoy the best of summer!

*Sue Coops and Joyce Stenzel  
AHC Co-presidents, 2009-2011*



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## Illinois PTA District 37

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### *Illinois PTA District 37 Local Unit Packet Orientation*

*August 2, 2011*

*Registration begins at 6:00PM*

*Plum Grove Junior High*

*2600 Plum Grove Rd, Rolling Meadows, IL  
60008*

**Each local unit president, or a representative, is expected to attend this meeting. The Local Unit Packet will be reviewed, important information highlighted and questions answered. You will also receive the membership cards for your unit.**

*Director's Welcome begins promptly at 6:30 PM*

This year District 37 will also be presenting six workshops immediately following the welcome.

***Legislation Workshop***—Promoting advocacy - making it real for kids

***Membership Workshop***—Membership Incentive and Q & A

***Reflections Workshop***—Deadlines, rules and sharing of ideas

***Treasurers' Workshop***—Money Procedure and important financial topics

***Secretary Workshop***—What I am really supposed to be doing and how

***Volunteer Workshop***—How do I recruit, maintain and utilize volunteers

Please be sure to invite your Legislation, Membership and Reflections Chairs and Treasurer and Secretary . ***All PTA members are welcome!***

**If no one from your local unit is able to attend, please contact me. I will be happy to work with you to schedule a time for you to pick up your materials. *These materials will not be mailed.***



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