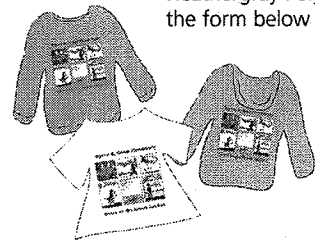


**Get Your Gecko Wear Today** Our T-Shirts and sweatshirts are here for you and your family just in time for fall! All t-shirts are white 100% cotton with full color backs and our sweatshirts are a Heathergray Poly/Cotton blend with your choice of either a pull-over crew or a full zipper front hoodie. Please fill out the form below and send it in to school or drop by the office and pick one up.



T-Shirt Details:

Sizes: Youth Small, Medium, Large, Adults Medium, Large, X-Large

Price: All T-shirts \$8.00

Sweatshirt Details:

Sizes: Youth Small, Medium, Large  
Adult Small, Medium, Large, X-Large, XX-Large

Style: Crew and Zipper Hoodie  
(sorry, Youth Med. & Youth Lg Zipper Hoodie Sweatshirts **SOLD OUT!!**)

Price: Youth Crew \$15 or Youth Hoodie \$22  
Adult Crew \$18 or Adult Hoodie \$25



--- Cut Here and send Order Form in with your payment ---

Child Name	Teacher	Room #
<b>Gecko Wear Item/Style (t-shirt, sweatshirt)</b>	<b>Quantity</b>	<b>Youth Size</b>
<i>(example) sweatshirt - crew</i>	<i>1</i>	<i>Large</i>

**Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Please make checks payable to Green PTA-Geckowear



**~ Important Dates to Remember in February 2006 ~**

- February 1 – Jump Rope for Heart Assembly (Jump Rope for Heart Event on Wed. Feb. 15<sup>th</sup>)
- February 7 – PTA Board Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
- February 13 – President’s Holiday – NO SCHOOL
- February 20 – President’s Holiday – NO SCHOOL
- February 21 – PTA General Meeting – 6:30 p.m.
- February 22 – Awards Assembly – Grade 1-3, (9:20-10:20 a.m.); Grade 4-5, (10:20-11:20 a.m.)
- February 24 – Deadline for Box Tops
- February 27 – Fitnessgram Testing Begins



The next San Carlos Creamery date for Green Elementary is Wed. February 8<sup>th</sup>. Remember that 25% of the proceeds go to our school!

The next issue for the Gecko Gazette will be March 2006. The deadline to submit information for that issue will be Tues. Feb 21, 2006. E-mail Patty Rios at [plrcakes@yahoo.com](mailto:plrcakes@yahoo.com) or Heather Williams at [williams795@cox.net](mailto:williams795@cox.net)



**Upcoming Event!**  
The Jog-A-Thon will be held May 17<sup>th</sup>.  
Look for more information coming soon!

# Gecko Gazette

**OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER • MYRON B. GREEN ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

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**Michele Simon, PTA President**



**NOTE FROM THE PRESIDENT**

The holidays are now behind us and we are moving on toward Spring and Summer. There are a lot of upcoming events to keep the students (and parents!) busy, including the Jump Rope for Heart on February 15, Donuts for Dads on March 2, Junior Olympics during the week starting March 27, "No TV Week" in April, STAR Testing starting in April, Jog-A-Thon on May 17, and Swim Lessons during the last 6 weeks of school. Please remember to bring your camera when you attend these events - you can forward pictures to Heather Williams for the yearbook (she's always looking for photographic assistance).

As you know, as a PTA we are committed to sponsoring and providing educationally enriching programs for the students here at Green. Fundraising is the necessary evil that allows us to accomplish these goals. There are fundraising programs available for everyone's level of participation - and they all still benefit the school. Some of the programs, such as the cookie dough and Jog-A-Thon, involve money out of pocket, but we also have programs that will cost nothing more than a bit of effort - such as the Box Tops collection program, E-scrip, and the programs to collect plastic bags and Keil's grocery receipts. It *all* helps!!

As a reminder, the next Green Day at the San Carlos Creamery will be Wednesday, February 8. Thank you for your continued support with this.

Also, the next general PTA meeting will be on Tuesday, February 21. We will be joined by Mrs. Kenyon and some of the students, who will be demonstrating some of the new musical instruments they recently received! Please plan to join us.

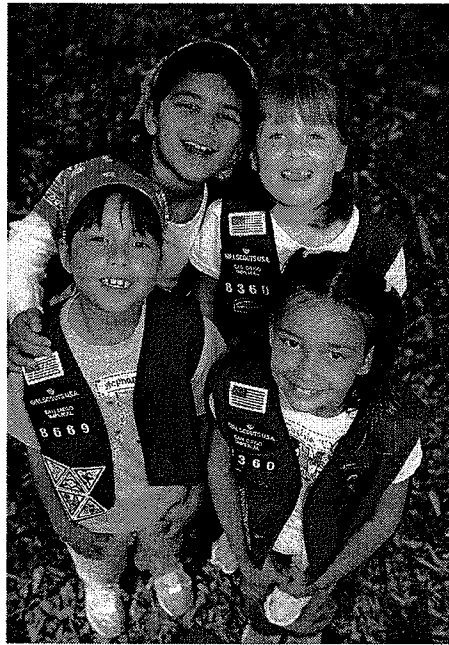
**UPCOMING EVENTS**

Just a reminder that February is an odd month for our routinely scheduled events... the Green Day at San Carlos Creamery is a little early on February 8, 2006, and the General PTA meeting will be held on Tuesday, February 21, 2006 due to Valentine's Day falling on the regularly scheduled meeting day.

**FAMILY GARAGE/RUMMAGE SALE**

Here's a new idea... Green Elementary will be holding its first Family Garage/ Rummage Sale this spring, with the proceeds benefiting the school. You have an opportunity to do your spring cleaning and bring in items for donation... getting rid of the old and ready for the new! You can bring in items for this event as soon as you would like - Ms. Norma and Ms. Cindy are already clearing space!! Stay tuned to find out when, where, and how you can help!

(PTA continued – see inside)



**Girl Friends! Girl Fun!**

**Girl Scouts!**

All girls age 5-17 and adult volunteers welcome!  
Contact Beth Bicknese [bbicknese@cox.net or  
(619) 461-6369] or visit  
[www.joingirlscouts.com](http://www.joingirlscouts.com).



**We have collected \$340 in General Mills Box Tops  
this year - GREAT JOB!**

**And there's still 6 months left!!!**

**We can raise even more free \$\$ if you sign up for the  
Booster Club by Feb. 12<sup>th</sup>! (Check your email to see  
the instructions**

Please send in your General Mills boxtops -  
next classroom collection will be  
Friday, February 24<sup>th</sup>, 2006.

**NEW - Look for Box Tops on Zip Lock products.**

**Thanks again for your support! Val Quick, Boxtops  
Coordinator**

**\*\*\*Our school receives 10¢ for every boxtop\*\***



**Attention Green Drivers**

A few things to be aware of:

When dropping off/picking up your child and you are parking on the street, please make sure to leave at least 3 feet from your car and all surrounding trash cans on trash day. There was a local resident that was unable to get their trash emptied by the garbage trucks due to lack of space.

Another parent raised concern regarding the speed of cars in the small parking lot. Please drive slowly and carefully when dropping off/picking up.

Police are monitoring the corners of Belle Glade and Wandermere (corner of Kinder playground). Parents are parking in areas not allowed during school hours and they have been ticketed. Look up and see signs posted. Not all curbs are marked in red.

One last thing, please drive slowly around the campus streets and use crosswalks when coming to and from school.



The Library is Looking for a few Helpful Hands!

On Sunday, February 26 we are looking for volunteers to help mend old books and to help log in/cover new ones. It will be from 9am-12. We will have stations set up for each process and we are hoping with a dozen or so people we can get these books out on the shelves soon for our children to enjoy.

Please let Cindy Clippenger at 460-5755 or Heather Williams at williams795@cox.net know if you are able to help.

**(PTA CONTINUED)**

**NEW, NO-COST FUNDRAISING PROGRAMS**

As a school, we have recently signed up for two additional fundraising programs that are cost-free to everyone!

One program is to recycle plastic shopping and grocery bags from any store. Any color and type of bag is welcome. Please bring in clean, dry plastic shopping and grocery bags and either place them in the collection bins (not yet available at press time) or take them to the office. We can exchange 60-gallon bags of bags for cash through this Wal-Mart Program.

The second program is to accrue "points" for each dollar of Keil's cash register receipts that we turn in, and we can then use those points in exchange for equipment for the school. The cash register receipts can be sent in via your child's folder, or placed directly in the Box Tops collection box. The cash register receipts will be collected at the same time as the Box Tops.

These two programs will be ongoing through the end of April 2006. However, we still have ongoing fundraising efforts with our Box Tops collection and E-scrip!! There are plenty of opportunities to help us with fundraising, without spending a dime!

**MUFFINS FOR MOMS**

On Wednesday, January 25, 2006, each Green Elementary class was treated to books being read by many, many mothers, aunts, grandmothers, and other loved ones. The readers were then themselves treated to Starbucks coffee, tea, muffins and pastries and some time for socializing before heading out for the day. Many of the readers brought in and donated books for our newly refurbished library... for a grand total of 92 books! Michele Ebue did a great job coordinating this year's events, including the signs, the decorations (did you see those flower arrangements!), and hostessing. Thank you to Michelle, and to everyone who participated, including the readers, those who helped set up, and those who helped clean up.

Can the dads out-do the moms with books for the library? We'll see... the Donuts for Dads event is scheduled for Thursday, March 2.

We also want to thank Thomas Jarboe, manager of Starbucks Coffee at 10406 Friars Road, for donation of the coffee (regular and decaf) and tea, cups, creamer, etc., etc. The coffee was a big hit.

**UNION-TRIBUNE RACE FOR LITERACY**

Be sure to save May 6, 2006 to join the "Green Team" for the Kids Magic Mile. Watch for information coming home in the next several weeks!



**Congratulations Ms. Maze!**  
Green's Teacher of The Year 2005-2006  
We appreciate everything you do!

She will be honored on May 9th at the  
Education Center.



The Kiwanis Club of Grantville - Allied Gardens  
A group of men & women dedicated to changing the  
World - one community & one child at a time.

Join us for breakfast at the  
Allied Gardens Rec Center  
Every Thursday morning at 7:00 AM  
For more information, call 800-297-2266

**2005-2006 Yearbooks on Sale Now**

\$17 per book with \$3 for Love Lines. Flyers went home last week 1/27, but you can get another order form from the office and soon on the web. Love Lines will not be available after March 20th but you can still order a yearbook while supplies last. Any questions on ordering or placing an ad in the book, please contact Heather Williams at 743-5073 or williams795@cox.net.