

# THE GATOR GAZETTE

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## A Letter from our PTA President

Dear Swift Creek parents,

The PTA's annual Winter Carnival will be held on Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. This is a huge event which needs lots of volunteers! In order for this to be a successful event for our children, 130 volunteers and 300 baked goods are needed. For the first time, your PTA is handling signups online. Please visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20107> to select a time and game or activity. Signups for baked goods donations are also available online. We really do need your help!

Hopefully, you have already joined our PTA. I realize how time slips by, and maybe you intended to join at the beginning of the year but kept putting it off. It's never too late! Not only does your \$5 membership fee help pay for events and programs for our teachers and students, but there are other direct benefits as well. All members of the PTA receive a membership card (refer to the back of the card for membership discounts) and a school directory. If you would like to join our PTA, please send in \$5 per member in an envelope marked PTA (with the member's, student's and your child's teacher name listed on the outside).

As always, please feel free to contact me anytime with questions or comments.

Go Gators!

Wendy Lively

President

wendylively@comcast.net



## SCES SKATE NIGHT

March 9<sup>th</sup>

6:30pm-8:30pm

Skate-A-Way

All proceeds from this event benefit the Kindergarten Teachers  
Come out and support your school while having a blast!!



# Volunteers needed for Winter Carnival

There is still time to help with the carnival, even if you can't be there. We are still in need of baked goods. They can be either homemade or store bought cakes, cookies, brownies, etc. We are also in need of more parent volunteers.

Remember that it is your help that makes this event a success for all the children. Please sign up at [www.signupgenius.com/go./20107](http://www.signupgenius.com/go./20107).

If you have any questions, please contact Tasha Miller at 419-6914 or [tashamiller3@comcast.net](mailto:tashamiller3@comcast.net).

## After School Enrichment

I hope everyone is enjoying their after school enrichment class. We have make-up days scheduled for the classes missed due to snow days.

Tuesday classes will be made up March 16. Wednesday classes will be made-up March 17 and the 24th.

We will also be making up two skateboarding classes on March 18 and the 25.

Thanks to everyone who participated.

## Congratulations to our two Volunteers of the Month Joyce Atkins and Angela Avgeros

Each month our Swift Creek Elementary Teachers, Staff and the PTA Board nominate their choice for a Volunteer of the Month.

These two lucky winners were chosen by Dr. Bechtel and Ms. Bray to receive a small token of our appreciation!

**We are proud of you.**

Thank you for all you do!

## Talent Show auditions coming soon!!

Are you in 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, or 5<sup>th</sup> grade? Do you have a talent? Do you and your friends want to show what you can do?

Talent Show auditions are coming in April, so get your act or your friends together and start practicing.

If you have any questions, contact Tasha Miller at 419-6914 or [tashamiller3@comcast.net](mailto:tashamiller3@comcast.net).



TUESDAYS are

# FAMILY FUN NIGHT at Swift Creek Elementary!

First Tuesday  
March 2nd

CiCi's Pizza  
at Commonwealth Center

5:00-8:00 pm  
Drop your receipt in the box and ENJOY!

Second Tuesday  
March 9th

SCES SKATE NIGHT

6:30pm-8:30pm  
Skate-A-Way  
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Third Tuesday  
March 16th

Inflation Nation

10810 Paulbrook Blvd. (next to Skate A Way)

4:30-8:30 pm

SCES families receive a \$2.00 off the admission  
price.

Prizes for the class with the best attendance!

Fourth Tuesday  
March 23

Jalapeno's Restaurant  
Waterford Plaza

Dine all day and evening! Please be sure to place  
your receipt in the box provided!

Each Tuesday of the month offers a different way to relax, have fun and enjoy your family while supporting your SCES PTA! Each of the above establishments will return between 20%-50% of the sales from that evening's event!



## Interested in Volunteering?

Looking for ways to get more involved and support your child?

You want to help -  
but don't know with whom to speak or what you can do???

Please contact:  
Deann Champagne  
adchampagne@gmail.com  
893-3137

There are several opportunities, one time or ongoing, where you can get involved even with a busy schedule.



### GATOR SPIRIT WEAR

Gator Spirit Day is the first Friday of every month.

Spirit Store open same day from 9:05-9:20 am

Contact Laurie Van Cleve @ lvancl1966@aol.com

## Swift Creek Gators Go Green!

Are you interested in helping the school make money and protecting the environment?  
Become a part of the eco-revolution!

What can you do?

- In an effort to save the Earth and earn money for the school, we have joined forces with TerraCycle. TerraCycle will purchase all of the empty Kashi boxes/wrappers, juice pouches (any brand) and chip bags of any size from Frito Lay for up cycling into products you can find at your local stores. Students and staff can place empty juice pouches and chip bags in the designated bins in the cafeteria. You can even send in these items with your children. They can drop them off on their way to their classrooms in the mornings. **For more info on this great program visit [terracycle.net](http://www.terracycle.net).**
- **Recycle your aluminum cans and newspapers.** Bring your cans and newspapers to the school and place in the large container in the parking lot. The PTA also receives funds from these collections. Students can also place cans in the recycling bins in the cafeteria if they have any canned drinks for lunch. Large quantities need to go to the large bin in the parking lot..
- **Volunteer for these programs.** We need your help with collecting, sorting, cleaning and packaging these items to be shipped. You can sign up at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/terracycle>. This is not a long process and all the help we get brings in more money to our school.
- Please contact Pam Rodda at [stuandpam@verizon.net](mailto:stuandpam@verizon.net) if you would like to help make our school a greener place.



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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Fit for Life 3:45-4:30 pm</li> <li>▶ Pennies for Patients Begins</li> </ul>	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Family Fun Night CiCi's Pizza @ Commonwealth Center 5:00-8:00 pm Drop your receipt in the box!</li> </ul>	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Roots and Shoots 8:00-9:00 am cafeteria</li> </ul>	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ 3rd Grade SOL Night 6:30 pm</li> </ul>	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Spirit Store 9:05-9:20 am</li> <li>▶ Chess Club 8:30-9:00 am in cafeteria</li> <li>▶ Fit for Life 3:45-4:30 pm</li> </ul>	<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Winter Carnival 12:00-4:00 pm</li> </ul>
7	<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Fit for Life 3:45-4:30 pm</li> </ul>	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Skate Night 6:30 -8:30 pm Proceeds to Kindergarten</li> </ul>	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Roots and Shoots 8:00-9:00 am Cafeteria</li> </ul>	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ 5th Grade PE Demonstration 7:00 pm</li> </ul>	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Fit for Life 3:45-4:30 pm</li> </ul>	13
14	15	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Family Fun Night Inflation Nation 4:30-8:30 pm SCES \$2.00 off admission</li> <li>▶ After School Enrichment Make-Up Day</li> </ul>	<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Roots and Shoots 8:00-9:00 am Cafeteria</li> <li>▶ After School Enrichment Make-Up Day</li> <li>▶ *CHANGE* No Early Release</li> </ul>	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ ARTSTOCK 6:30-8:00 pm</li> <li>▶ After School Enrichment Make-Up Day (skateboarding)</li> </ul>	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Chess Club 8:30-9:00 am in cafeteria</li> <li>▶ Fit for Life 3:45-4:30 pm</li> <li>▶ Pennies for Patients Ends</li> </ul>	20
21	<p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Fit for Life 3:45-4:30 pm</li> </ul>	<p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Family Fun Night Jalapeno's Restaurant All Day! Drop your receipt in the box!</li> </ul>	<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Roots and Shoots 8:00-9:00 am Cafeteria</li> <li>▶ After School Enrichment Make-Up Day</li> </ul>	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Kindergarten Musical 7:00 pm Shinn, Saum, Donlavy and Stanton</li> <li>▶ 2nd Grade to Science Museum Hoang, Bockisch</li> <li>▶ 3rd Grade Vision &amp; Hearing test at 9:30 am</li> <li>▶ After School Enrichment Make-Up Day (skateboarding)</li> </ul>	<p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Fit for Life 3:45-4:30 pm ( LAST ONE! )</li> <li>▶ Kindergarten Musical 7:00 pm Armes, Best, Parrish and Horton</li> <li>▶ 2nd Grade Science Museum Witham, Ludlow</li> </ul>	27
28	29	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Richmond Symphony 3rd-5th Grade 9:30-10:15 am</li> <li>▶ Theatre IV The Velveteen Rabbit K-2nd Grade</li> </ul>	<p>31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▶ Battle of the Books 4th-5th Grade 9:30 am</li> </ul>			

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