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CONNECTIONS

Staying connected to grow our school and our children with Christian love

Redeemer Episcopal Academy Parent Association Monthly Newsletter

Dates to remember:

- 10-29-07

R.E.A. PARENT ASSOCIATION MEETING HELD AT THE SCHOOL

Words for Reflection

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much."

-Helen Keller

Classroom Representatives

1. **Serve as liaison for classroom families and R.E.A.P.A. board members.**
2. **Organize help for all holiday parties and end of the year party.**
3. **Coordinate with the teacher to establish all classroom needs and facilitate opportunities to help meet these needs.**
4. **Teacher appreciation activities and gifts for the classroom teachers.**
5. **Assist the teacher in organizing for a field trip.**

These are just a few of the responsibilities the Officers discussed during their recent meeting. A finalized list will be established with all new Classroom Representatives at later date.

Thank You

Many thanks to the parents and staff for giving of their time and talents. Without your support, the school could not have come together in such a short amount of time. Blessings to each of you!

-R.E.A.P.A. Officers

NEW ASSOCIATION OFFICERS DECIDE ON THE NEXT MEETING

The newly formed Redeemer Episcopal Academy Parent Association held its first Officer meeting Monday, September, 17, 2007.

The Officers discussed many topics to facilitate the role of the new organization. All members agreed that their mission would be to encourage, support, contribute and establish effective communication with all families and school staff alike.

The first official R.E.A. Parent Association (R.E.A.P.A.) meeting will be held on **Monday, October 29, 2007**. Topics will include a review of the Parent Association Mission Statement and Bylaws, discussion of various ways to establish school-wide communication with families, fundraising programs, introduction to Classroom Representatives and future opportunities to meet and fellowship with one another.

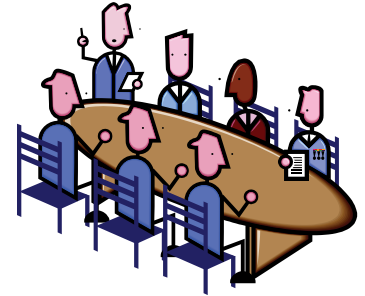
The R.E.A.P.A. Officers encour-

ages at least one parent to attend. If you are unable to attend, please contact an Officer, so that they can share the meeting agenda with you and receive your input. Childcare will be provided.

They will also be seeking ideas and suggestions for how R.E.A.P.A. can be instrumental in helping support families and staff throughout the school year.

Parent Association Officers Meeting Highlights: 9-17-07

1. Purpose statement and review of possible bylaws.
2. How to officially organize the Parent Association—501© or not?
3. Discussion of Classroom Representatives purpose & responsibilities.
4. School logo and spirit wear.
5. Student Handbook and Student Directory.
6. Fundraising possibilities from Heidi Kalpak.
7. Future meeting dates.



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Volunteer Now to be a Classroom Representative

The R.E.A.P.A. Officers established a volunteer position for all parents who would like to serve as a representative for their child's classroom.

A Classroom Representative would serve as the liaison between the Parent Association Officers and classroom parents. This position would include

coordinating assistance for the teacher with supplies, etc. The Representative will be the go to person to organize the needs of the classroom for the school year.

The R.E.A.P.A. Officers ask that you pray and consider serving in this position for the 2007-2008 school year.

If you have questions, please contact any of the Officers listed above. See the attached form to indicate your desire to volunteer for this exciting opportunity.

