

**Parents for Education Plus**

**September 2016 Newsletter**

**President's Note**

Hello!

My name is Michele McKinnie and I am the President of Parents for Education Plus this year. I value all the wonderful programs that Parents for Education Plus presents, especially now that I have a new grandson! After taking many years away from the group after my children were grown, I am happy to be involved once again.

Olga Jensen is the past president and I would like to thank her for all the work that she has put into the position. For the last two years she has organized OMSI day, which is a big job. We welcome back Dee Kinkade as Treasurer, Jennifer Barrington-Gallup as Secretary, Olga Jensen as Membership, and new Board Members at Large, Nathan Gibson, Maria Murphy, and Ludmila Schuster Provaznikova. All of the board members deserve a big thank-you for all the work that they do to make this organization function.

Parents for Education Plus (PE+) is entering its 30th year of bringing educational programs to the students of Corvallis. Only through the use of volunteers can we make programs like chess tournaments, writing workshops, OMSI in Corvallis, overnight trips to the Evergreen Space Museum, and OMSI Astronomy Day possible. These are just a few of the programs that have been presented in the past 30 years.

During the 2016-2017 school year we will be presenting an overnight trip to the Oregon Coast Aquarium on October 14, 2016 (look for the registration form in this newsletter), a chess tournament in February, and OMSI in Corvallis in March. We are always looking for ideas for new educational programs. If you have an idea for a program that you would like to see us present, you can email it to PE+ at parents4educationplus@gmail.com, call one of the board members, or come to the next meeting.

This year board meetings will be held once a month at 12:00 p.m. upstairs in the Market of Choice building on the corner of Circle and 9th in Corvallis. Our next meeting will be September 15th. Please feel free to come. We welcome all!

Michele McKinnie

We are actively seeking NEW BOARD MEMBERS to help PE+ in its continuing effort to bring exciting programs to the children in the Willamette Valley! We are not looking for fund-raising but for “idea-raising!” Do you have programs you would like to see your child or children experience? Then we could use your help! Please consider emailing Michele McKinnie at parents4educationplus@gmail.com or call her at 541-758-5038!



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Dee Kinkade

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Jennifer Barrington-Gallup

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**Member at Large**

Nathan Gibson

Maria Murphy

Ludmila Schuster Provaznikova

**Membership**

Olga Jensen

**New Facebook Page:** Follow us on Facebook! Search “Parents for Education Plus”.

**PE+ Calendar**

***October 14-15, 2016:******Oregon Coast Aquarium - Sleep with the Sharks***

Spend the night sleeping in the Passages of the Deep tunnels! There will also be a guided indoor tour, scavenger hunt, and a behind the scenes tour. Meals and admission to the aquarium are included. Read the enclosed flyer for details about this exciting program.

***February 2017:******Chess Tournament***

***March 18th, 2017:******OMSI Super Science Saturday***

Small engineering, physics, and biology classes and labs for kindergarten through sixth grade.

**Next Board Meetings: September 15, 2016 and October 20, 2016 at noon upstairs at Market of Choice. Any PE+ member who wants to attend is welcome, call 541-758-5038 for details or email** [**parents4educationplus@gmail.com**](mailto:parents4educationplus@gmail.com)**.**

**Is it time to renew your membership?**

Check the mailing label on the front of this newsletter for your family’s expiration date. PE+ membership is for one year and costs $10.00 for the entire family.

Being a member entitles you to discounts on many of our wonderful programs, access to our newsletter, an invitation to come to PE+ board meetings, and the ability to have input on which programs we select. Members may also help serve on a program committee and are eligible to be nominated to serve on the board. More importantly, it is a donation to our non-profit organization and a wonderful way to support the children in our community.

To renew your membership, please detach this portion and mail it with a $10.00 check to PE+ to:

Parents for Education Plus

PO Box 1952

Corvallis, OR 97339

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**Please indicate your personal areas of expertise or interest (mark as many as apply):**

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\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_PE+ Board Member

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How did you find out about PE+?

What other kinds of educational programs would you be interested in seeing PE+ sponsor or present?