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BINGO! Tuesday is Twitchell PTA Family Night

Don't miss this year's BINGO night, Thursday March 12th from 6:30 until 8:00 pm.

Free!

Bingo is FREE to all Twitchell

Family Fun!

students, staff and families. There will be lots of great prizes and a special surprise guest BINGO caller

Prizes!

or two! Even if you are on track break, join us and bring your family and friends to PTA's Bingo Night!

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14	26	43	57	70
5	23	FREE	55	66
7	30	36	56	67
6	29	42	58	64

Have You Purchased Your

If you haven't purchased your tile, you are in luck! The due date has been extended to Thursday, March 12th!

Twitchell PTA is sponsoring two evenings for families to show off their creativity! A local ceramics company will

be at Twitchell to assist with the painting and decorating of 6-inch ceramic tiles.

The decorating dates are Tuesday, March 17th and



Thursday, March 26th, both from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

The decorated tiles will be detailed, fired and then permanently installed in the

Spring Carnival - April 23rd

Get ready for Twitchell PTA's all new Spring Carnival! The fun begins on Thursday, April 23rd at Twitchell Elementary!

This year, each teacher and their class will have the opportunity to host a booth at the Spring Carnival.

All of the money that is earned by the teachers at their booths will go back to the teachers to use in the classroom.

There will be food vendors and lots of fun for all.

Be sure to save the date!



Thanks, Mr. Price!



All of the students and families that attended PTA Family Night featuring Mr. Price would like to thank Mr. Price for sharing his time and talents with them. It was a fun evening, and a special treat to have Mr. Price at Twitchell again. Thank you, Mr. Price!

Have You Re-Linked Your Albertsons' Card?

Even if your Preferred Savings Card has been linked to Twitchell PTA in the past, **you MUST relink your card number in order for PTA to continue to earn funds.** There are two ways to relink your card to our school's partner ID # 49000123514:

By Phone: Call Albertson's Customer Care line at (800) 696-6419 and hit "O" to talk to a Customer Service Agent.

Online: Go to www.albertsonscp.com. Click on "Enter and Register Your Preferred Card," enter your card number and then follow directions from there. If you don't know your card number, call (877) 932-7948.

There is a link to this website on www.twitchellpta.org. Please re-link your card so Twitchell PTA doesn't lose this important source of donations!

Last Month for fresh&easy™

This is the LAST MONTH to collect your fresh&easy™ receipts and send them in to school!

For every \$20 that you spend per visit at a local fresh&easy™ Neighborhood Markets, our school will earn a \$1 cash donation. Purchases must be made be-

tween February 1, 2009 and March 31, 2009. The participating school that raises the most money in Nevada will receive an additional \$5,000 cash bonus. Receipts can be turned in to your student's teacher or to the box in the school office. **All receipts must be in by Friday, April 3rd, 2009.**

Shop to Educate - Competition is HOT!

Don't forget to turn in your receipts from any purchase at Galleria at Sunset Mall!

You can make the difference; turn in every receipt from all purchases at the Galleria Mall so that Twitchell will receive points for the money that you have spent at the

mall. This includes all shops and restaurants and coffee shops!

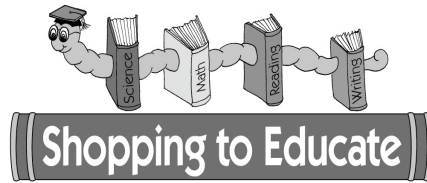
You can either turn your receipts in at the Customer Service booth

in the mall close to the Food Court, or you can drop your receipts in the handy box

located in the school office. (If you want your receipts returned,

put your name, your student's name and their teacher on the back of the receipt.) You have 60 days from the date of purchase to get credit for your purchase.

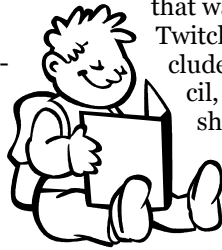
At the end of October 2009, the school with the most points earns \$1,500!



168 Students Caught Red Handed - Reading!

Over 165 students got "caught" by volunteers during this year's Nevada Reading Week!

Many thanks to chairperson Jill King and to our great volunteers who "caught" the readers. Thank you, as well, to the many teachers that



called their own students. Each student that got caught reading earned a special prize that was provided by Twitchell PTA, which included a bookmark, pencil, eraser and pencil sharpener.

Congratulations to our great readers!

Tasty Luncheon Provided by PTA Volunteers

Twitchell PTA hosted our annual Teacher Appreciation Holiday Luncheon in honor of Valentine's Day!

Twitchell's teachers and staff enjoyed the home-made soups were provided by PTA volunteers.

Our thanks go to chairperson Mary Ruetten for her work and organization.

Special thanks go to all of the volunteers that gave their time and culinary talents to provide a tasty lunch for our favorite teachers and staff!



Online Safety - NetSmartz to the Rescue!

Are you and your children ready for the Internet?

Now is the time to start setting expectations and guidelines for your child's internet use. Many of us are aware of the benefits of the internet, but we may not be aware of the risks of the internet that our children may face. Risks include internet predators, cyber bullying, and the

possibility of a child becoming a cyber bully. A free website that can help parents and kids address these risks is www.netsmartz.org, which provides online and offline learning activities for parents to facilitate discussions with their children and teens about Internet safety. In addition, take a look at a great online resource for parents: www.netsmartz411.org.

This site is available for parents who want to learn about Internet safety, computers and about the web. You can search for answers to questions like, "What is a blog?" "How do I access my child's MySpace profile?" and "Is it unsafe to post family pictures of children online?" NetSmartz also offers fun, interactive online games and

videos for kids at www.netsmartzkids.org that teach them about internet safety.

A special site for teens, www.nsteens.org, provides similar content in an age-appropriate format. For more information on this and other topics, take a look at "Parent Resources" at www.pta.org.

Twitchell PTA Events

Thu., Mar. 12 th , 6:30 p.m.	Twitchell PTA Family Night - BINGO, <i>Twitchell Multipurpose Room</i>
Tue., Mar. 17 th , 6:30 p.m.	Twitchell PTA Family Night - Tile Decorating & Fundraiser, <i>Twitchell Multipurpose Room</i>
Thu., Mar. 26 th , 6:30 p.m.	Twitchell PTA Family Night - Tile Decorating & Fundraiser, <i>Twitchell Multipurpose Room</i>
Tue., Mar. 31 st , 9:00 a.m.	PTA General Membership Meeting, <i>Faculty Lounge</i>
Thu., Apr. 16 th , 9:00 a.m.	Room Parent Coffee, Tracks 2-5, <i>Faculty Lounge, Teacher Appreciation Week Information</i>
Thu., Apr. 23 rd	Spring Carnival, <i>Twitchell Elementary School</i>
Mon., May 18 th -Fri., May 22 nd	Teacher Appreciation Week, <i>Tracks 1, 3, 4 & 5</i>
Mon., June 1 st -Fri., June 5 th	Teacher Appreciation Week, <i>Track 2 and Specialists</i>
Mon., June 15 th -Fri., June 19 th	Student Appreciation Week