

## **Central Hudson Region PTA Spring Conference**

### **CALL TO CONFERENCE/ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**

Dear Presidents:

On behalf of Central Hudson Region PTA, I am pleased to issue the call to our Annual Spring Conference of Central Hudson Region PTA. This event will be held on Thursday, May 28, 2009 at Terrace On The Hudson in West Haverstraw, New York.

Our evening will commence with a sumptuous buffet dinner, followed by Region Awards for the Stanley Marcus Youth Humanitarian and the Jenkins Memorial Scholarship For Teacher Education, our Annual Business Meeting, Installation of Officers, a training workshop in Leadership Commitment for the Advocate in Action Award and terminating with awards and door prizes.

Please recall, that as an elected PTA officer, it is your obligation to ensure that your unit or council is represented. The agenda for the annual meeting will include the election of two members and one alternate to the nominating committee. They will be elected by you, the delegates, who make up our "general membership." You will be electing the officers of Central Hudson Region PTA for the next year and will vote on amending our bylaws as well. We welcome your participation and encourage you to be a part of the process.

Boutique items will be available and we encourage you to purchase our reasonably priced jewelry to display with pride.

This mailing includes the meeting Agenda, Conference Rules, Proposed Slate of Officers, new Bylaws Amendment and the Registration Form. Registration will be available at the door, however, we strongly encourage you to register with the enclosed form. Credential cards will be available upon presentation of your membership cards and will be exchanged for voting cards prior to the Business Meeting portion of our evening.

NYS PTA VP Susan Berkow, our Area Consultant and NYS PTA Leadership Consultant, Rhea Vogel, will provide an outstanding seminar on Leadership Commitment to the new Advocate in Action Award. You will be inspired by the many ways to achieve it. This training is a must for all current as well as new PTA members and leaders.

I look forward to seeing you at Spring Conference and am confident that you will leave with a wealth of knowledge and truly inspired. This will be a great ending to a great year! Thank you all for your hard work this past year.

Sincerely,

Cheryl Lee S. Freedman  
Central Hudson Region Director

**THE NEW YORK STATE PTA HAS APPOINTED  
MERLE PAYNE AS REGION DIRECTOR FOR 2009-2010**

**PROPOSED SLATE OF OFFICERS  
2009-2010**

<b>ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR</b>	<b>LAURIE BECKER</b>
<b>ASSOCIATE DIRECTOR</b>	<b>VIC CZAJKOWSKI</b>
<b>RECORDING SECRETARY</b>	<b>ELIA SOBA-CUEVAS</b>
<b>CORRESPONDING SECRETARY</b>	<b>MAY NEILS</b>
<b>TREASURER</b>	<b>JEANNEMARIE FLANAGAN</b>

The above nominees are eligible for office and have indicated their willingness to serve, if elected.

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**SCHEDULE**

**6:00-7:00 PM**    **Registration, PTA Boutique, Buffet Dining**

**7:00-8:15 PM**    **Greetings**  
**Region Awards**  
**Central Hudson Region PTA Annual Meeting**  
**Bylaws/Elections**  
**Installation of Officers**  
**RD Presentation**

**8:15-9:00 PM**    **Leadership Commitment to Advocate in Action Award**

**9:00-9:15 PM**    **Door Prizes & Farewell**

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**\*MENU\***

Cash Bar  
Fruit/Cheese Platter  
Salad Bar  
Rolls & Butter  
Buffet-Carving Station-Roast Beef  
Beef with Broccoli in Oriental Sauce  
Chicken Piccata  
Shrimp Scampi  
Penne a la Vodka  
Assorted Grilled Vegetables  
Desert-Brownie Fudge Sundae  
Water, Soda, Coffee, Tea

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**CONFERENCE RULES – ANNUAL SPRING CONFERENCE - MAY 28, 2009**  
**REGISTRATION**

1. **MEMBERSHIP CARDS shall be presented upon request**
2. **Voting delegates must present CREDENTIAL CARDS at the registration table to receive a VOTING CARD.**
3. Upon request, voting card shall be displayed for recognition during assembly deliberations and voting.
4. Attendees will be give packets at the registration table.

**SPEAKING AND VOTING PROCEDURES**

1. A delegate wishing to speak from the floor shall go to a microphone and secure recognition from the chair, giving name of unit or council you are representing.
2. Motions must be presented in writing and signed by the maker.
3. Amendments, when offered, must be germane to the subject under discussion.
4. A delegate may not speak more than two (2) minutes on any question under discussion and not more than twice on the same question.
5. When nominations for office are made from the floor, prior consent from the nominees must be presented in writing to the chair. The nominating speech must be presented in writing to the chair. The nominating speech must be limited to two (2) minutes. No seconding speech is allowed.
6. **VOTING CARDS must be presented in order to receive a ballot.**

**GENERAL**

1. Materials cannot be distributed at the conference without prior approval of the Region Director. Materials must be submitted to the Region Director at least ten (10) business days prior to the conference.
2. Minutes of the conference shall be approved by the Central Hudson Region PTA Board at their next meeting.

**PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO CENTRAL HUDSON REGION BYLAWS**

**Presently Reads**  
**Article X – Region Board**

**Section 7.**  
10 (ten) members of the region  
board shall constitute a quorum.

**Proposed To Read**  
**Article X – Region Board**

**Section 7.**  
7 (seven) members of the region  
board shall constitute a quorum.

**Rationale:** To accurately reflect the number of board members that attend our board meetings.

**CENTRAL HUDSON REGION PTA**

**SPRING CONFERENCE REGISTRATION**

Units are entitled to be represented at the annual meeting by its president or alternate and one (1) voting delegate for each one hundred (100) members, based on this year's membership numbers as of 3/31/08. Each Council may be represented by its president or alternate. Additional members may be sent as non-voting delegates.

**Designate your VOTING members on your registration form.**

**Voting cards will be given out at the registration table after presenting membership and credential cards.**

**REMEMBER that this does not limit the number of people who may attend, only the number who may VOTE at the annual business meeting. All PTA members, parents, teachers and other interested parties are invited to attend.**

**Spring Conference Presentation**

**Leadership Commitment to the New Advocate in Action Award**

**Presented by: Susan Berkow, NYS PTA Vice President and Rhea Vogel, NYS PTA Leadership Consultant**

**Don't miss the opportunity to hear THESE dynamic speakers**

The highlights will include updated new leadership commitment award responsibilities.

This workshop is a must for all PTA leaders!

**ALL PTA OFFICERS AND CHAIRMEN ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND**

\* Tickets are \$31.00 per person

. Units are entitled to 1 voting delegate for every 100 members or a major fraction thereof and 1 for the President.

. All others will be **non-voting** delegates

. Please complete this form and mail with your check by **May 21, 2009**

. Make checks payable to **Central Hudson Region PTA**

**Mail Registration Form and Check to Corresponding Secretary:**

**Laurie Becker**

**17 Raymond Avenue**

**Chestnut Ridge, NY 10977**

**(845) 356-5650**

School District: \_\_\_\_\_ Unit Number \_\_\_\_\_

PTA Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ registrations at \$31.00 per attendee

**Table Guests Names and Voting Designation (Please Print Clearly)**

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**REMEMBER TO VOTE May 19, 2009**