

A d v o c a c y	Lead: Katie Herndon			
	Committee	Volunteer(s)	Updates	
	Advocacy	Volunteers needed: additional members welcome	Providing t-shirts to students, front office snack donations, book fair books for students	
Lead: Katie Richards				
C o m m u n i c a t i o n s	Committee	Volunteer(s)	Updates	
	Family Engagement Chair	Ben Murphy	A 'Recruitment Team' has been organized to handle beginning of year outreach and engagement. The Recruitment Team consists of Membership (Mary), Grade-Level Parent Coordinator (Sarah), and Engagement and Volunteering (Ben). We successfully reached many new and returning families at events including Popsicles on the Playground, Meet the Teacher Days, and Spirit Night at DiFara. Checking in with people who have expressed interest this week. We are looking forward to the events coming up in September and October. We need volunteers for the Walk 2 School, Farmer's Market Fall Festival, and Trunk or Treat, among other opportunities.	
	Grade Level Parents	Sarah Chung Ben Murphy	The Grade-Level Playdates will be coming up later this semester. We need volunteers for K-4th grade who would like to be in charge of grabbing some snacks and facilitating the playground playdates in partnership with the Grounds Committee and Recruitment Team.	
	Hispanic Liaison	Viviana Valle	Outreach and support for primarily Spanish-speaking community members.	
	Newsletter/Announcements	Katie Richards	August & September newsletters emailed to contact list, September newsletter in Monday folders 9/11. Will continue on a monthly basis.	
	Social Media	Sergio Marti	Manages the PTA Facebook page - facebook.com/caryelementarypta	
	Teacher Liaison (s)	Sarah Ralph Maddie Emmerich Chelsea Cadman Mackenzie Garton	Teachers who work closely with the PTA bridging the gap between school staff and parents.	
	Website	Nathan Mapes	Managing the caryelementarypta.com website	
	Lead: April Farley			
	P r o g r a m s	Committee	Volunteer(s)	Updates
5th Grade Celebrations		Katie Richards NEED: Additional Committee Members	Any parents/caretakers are welcome to join this committee! Design and order 5th grade shirts, legacy gift, 5th grade celebration planning, etc.	
Book Stop		Karen Thomson	Scheduled to open 10/10. Volunteers are welcome to sign up for individual dates, same day each week, etc. WCPSS Volunteer clearance required.	
Cultural Arts		Lauren Tannenbaum Whittaker	Increased budget to give more flexibility and options for grade level art programs. Starting to schedule programming for this school year.	
Events - Trunk or Treat		Viviana Valle Sergio Marti Ashley Graney	Date: 10/28. Staff and families can sign up to decorate a trunk. Food truck (s) schedule to attend with food for purchase. PTA to provide treats, hot cocoa, games.	
Events - Talent Show		NEED: Lead Kara Hand	Still need a new volunteer to lead this event. Takes place in early Spring.	
Book Fair		Bonnie Gambardella Valorie Carothers	New vendor: Bedford Falls. Dates: 11/13-11/17	
Lead: April Farley				
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S e r v i c e s	Student Directory	Celia Schweizer	Will organize, publish and disseminate a list of Cary Elementary families and their contact information.
	Grounds/Paw Patch	Bonnie Gambardella	Cary Garden Club is collaborating with teachers to provide garden opportunities for students. Grounds clean up on 10/7. Need volunteers for work days, weeding, clean up, etc.
		Valorie Carothers	
	Hospitality	Dana Cassell	Provided lunch to all the staff from Satori Meals during a staff training day before school started back. Also restocked the breakroom with drinks and snacks.
	Membership	Mary Buckner	Current membership total = 100, Goal = 200. Raffles for membership incentive. Renew membership yearly. Voting requires membership.
	Teacher Appreciation	Sally Nicol	Organizing a week-long event to show our deep appreciation for teachers and staff. The National Week is May 8-12.
Kara Hand			
		Lead: Beth Dickerson	
T r e a s u r e r	Committee	Volunteer(s)	Updates
	Audit	Volunteer Needs: Lead Chair and 2 additional committee members	Time Commitment: 1-2 hours every 2 months or quarterly.
		Lead: April Farley	
W a y s & M e a n s	Committee	Volunteer(s)	Updates
	Events - Fun Run	Tara Mink	Primary fundraiser. Dates: March 4-15. 4-6 weeks prior the date of the run will be determined. Looking for feedback from admin and school families on our big fundraising goals.
		Megan Van Hook	
	Fundraising - Sponsorship	Val Murphy	Monetary Sponsorships = \$5,700; Gift Card Donations for Hospitality: \$2,350, Services = \$7,000+. Dasa's pressure washing donated \$6,800 worth of powerwashing!
	Passive Fundraising	Sergio Marti	Harris Teeter Vic Card Link & Memberhub Givebacks.
	Spirit Nights	Val Murphy	First Spirit night was at Di Fara -- raised \$135. Next spirit night is at Geluna Gelato on 9/17, a Sunday! 9/26 @ Dairy Queen
	Spirit Wear	Sarah Edgerton	Currently low or out of stock in a couple of sizes: Youth small & Adult Small. Next order tentatively in early Fall. Will provide opportunities for pre-ordering at in person events and online.