

CHANGO PTA

2011-2012 Activities and Events

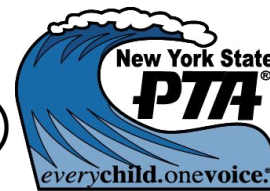








<p><u>After School Enrichment Program (ASEP)</u> <u>(Mar/2012)</u> Chango's after school fun program enhances the students' education by offering fun, mini courses not included in their existing curriculum. If you have an idea for an activity, please let us know. We need many volunteers to make this program a success.</p>	<p><u>Bulletin Boards</u> We have 2 bulletin boards that need monthly updating to keep our Chango community informed of upcoming events. The boards are located (1) near the road, and (2) inside the main school entrance. Sign up to do one or more and help keep everyone "in the know".</p>
<p><u>Arts in Education (all during the year)</u> This program introduces children to cultural activities in the Capital District area. The children attend performances outside of Chango as well as ones brought to the school. Volunteers are needed to assist with "on campus" arts performances and guest speaker presentations. Help can be in the form of event monitor, set-up/clean-up duties and other roles as needed.</p>	<p><u>Chango Breakfast</u> Get up and out early to have breakfast at school with your kids. Nutritious way for all of you to start your day. Helpers needed to plan this event and coordinate the crowds on the morning of the breakfast.</p>
<p><u>Awards and Recognition</u> <u>(June 2012)</u> Volunteers needed to coordinate ordering the end-of-year 4th and 5th grade student awards. Also responsible for having the PTA Lifetime Membership plaque engraved.</p>	<p><u>Chango Nights Out</u> Volunteers are needed to organize family nights out at local restaurants. In addition, families are invited to come for dinner at the participating restaurant. The restaurant donates a portion of the proceeds to our PTA. It's great fun to eat dinner with your school friends and families.</p>
<p><u>Back to School event (9/23/11)</u> Dinner provided at school. Families can come to the school to eat, socialize, & watch the teachers duke it out against Chango parents in a softball game. Volunteers needed to help organize, set-up, hand out food and clean up for food portion.</p>	<p><u>District Committees</u> Chango representation is needed on the following Shen District Committees: Legislative, Preschool, PTA Council and the District Health & Wellness. Connect with the PTA Board for details of each committee (some of these are currently filled).</p>
<p><u>Banking (all during the year)</u> Great program to teach children how to use a real bank savings account through Cap Com. Volunteers are needed one morning a week to collect money and electronically deposit funds (training will be provided).</p>	<p><u>Election Day Bake Sale (11/8/11)</u> Voters look forward to this bake sale every year. Baked goods are donated by Chango parents and the proceeds are used towards PTA programs for the year. Volunteers are needed to bake items and to sell items the day of the event.</p>
<p><u>Box Tops for Education</u> ✕ <u>Campbell Soup Labels</u> ✕ <u>Tools for Schools</u> Great collection programs that help Chango redeem points towards wonderful school and classroom equipment.</p>	<p><u>Chango Fun Day (formerly Field Days) (June 2012)</u> The children are treated to a fun time of outdoor games followed by fruit & popsicles. Volunteers assist the coaches in June.</p>
<p><u>Boys Bowling (2/4/12 & 2/5/12)</u> Chango boys get the chance to invite their favorite adult lady to the bowling alley for fun and pizza. Volunteers required to coordinate bowling details and food.</p>	<p><u>Fundraisers (Fall & Spring)</u> Chango PTA has two major fundraisers each year to raise money for the upcoming school year. The funds are put towards the Arts in Ed program and other educational programs for the students. Volunteers are needed to hand out the fundraiser packets, collect orders/money and distribute the merchandise.</p>



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	<p><u>Lunch with your First Grader</u> Have lunch with your first grader in the cafeteria and see what they really eat! Chairperson needed to coordinate lunch dates/times.</p> 
<p><u>Health Screening (TBD)</u> Each fall the school nurse needs volunteers to help her with health screenings.</p> 	<p><u>Shen All-In – Staff Basketball Game (Apr. 2012)</u> Come cheer for your Chango teachers as they challenge the other elementary schools to a duel...by means of basketball games. Chairperson needed to coordinate event with other elementary schools. Volunteers needed to help with selling tickets and at the event.</p>
<p><u>Hospitality Committee</u> Volunteers are needed to help at events and meetings where we set up a "Welcome" table. In addition, volunteers will help keep track of our events supplies (paper goods, popcorn, coffee, etc.).</p>	<p><u>Math Mystery (March 2012)</u> Make math fun by helping with this program that both reinforces students' math skills and piques their curiosity to solve math problems and win prizes. Volunteers needed to help with program and coordinate distribution of math activities/prizes.</p>
<p><u>Ice Cream Social (5/14/12)</u> The Ice Cream Social is an annual event enjoyed by students, families, and faculty. It coincides with the school's Science Fair making it a great time to discover new things, socialize and enjoy treats! Volunteers are needed to serve the ice cream.</p> 	<p><u>Membership</u> Membership in the Chango PTA is one of the best investments you, as a parent, can make in the education of your children. For just \$5, you're showing your support for our children and our enrichment programs. Becoming a PTA member does not mean you are automatically being volunteered for events (but you can be a member and volunteer!).</p>
<p><u>Kindergarten Registration (Jan 2012)</u> Great way to assist new families with registration at the school district office. Help make sending their child to kindergarten a pleasant experience.</p> 	<p><u>Movie Nights</u> Children have the opportunity to bring their families out to the movies. The cafeteria is converted to a movie theater! Bring blankets and pillows to sit on the floor to watch a currently released family DVD. Volunteers needed to organize the movie nights and help with refreshments, set-up and clean-up.</p>
<p><u>Ladies' Dance (4/27/12)</u> This is a night for Chango girls to get all dressed up and invite their favorite male to accompany them to this special dance. Help is needed to set-up, clean-up and serve refreshments during the dance.</p> 	<p><u>Newsletter</u> The Chango PTA newsletter is designed to keep parents informed about what the PTA and their children are doing. You can contribute articles to this for any school related activities in which you are involved. Deadline for submission is the 22nd of each month. Drop articles off in the PTA mailbox in the main office or email them to news4chango@yahoo.com</p>
<p><u>Lucky Leprechaun Bingo (3/16/12)</u> Come try your luck at Bingo and have a family fun night at the same time. Volunteers needed to assist with Bingo and serve refreshments.</p> 	<p><u>PARP (Parents as Reading Partners) (Jan 2012)</u> NYS PTA sponsors this program to encourage reading at home as a supplement to school programs. Help our committee create a program to allow children to discover that reading can be fun and informative.</p>

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<p><u>Pizza Hut Reading Program</u> BOOK IT! motivates children to read by rewarding their reading accomplishments with praise, recognition and pizza. Volunteers needed to coordinate distribution of tracking charts and rewards to classrooms.</p> 	<p><u>Soup Day (1/27/12)</u> Teachers and staff enjoy delicious hot soup for lunch made by parent volunteers. The soups are served in numerous crock pots in the staff lounge or cafeteria. This is a way for the PTA to thank our teachers and staff who work with our children. Volunteers needed to coordinate this event and provide soup</p> 
<p><u>Pre-K Program (May 2012)</u> The Chango Pre-K program acquaints incoming kindergartners with the school, the faculty, and helps them feel at ease in the classroom. Volunteers are needed for 1 hour/week for 4 weeks in May from 3:30-4:30 (on either Tues. or Thurs.) to read stories, assist with crafts and help with administrative tasks.</p>	<p><u>Spirit Sale</u> Spread the spirit of Chango & Shen T-shirts, sweatshirts and other items are sold during PTA events as a fundraiser. Child and adult sizes available. Volunteers needed to coordinate the order process and run sale tables at PTA events.</p>
<p><u>Reflections (Fall 2011)</u> Reflections is an arts program sponsored by the National PTA. Relating to a theme, it encourages students to use their creativity in creating drawings, taking photographs, composing music and writing poetry/stories. Every student is eligible to enter and entries are judged to qualify for regional competition. Details will be sent home in October.</p>	<p><u>Teacher Appreciation Luncheon (5/11/12)</u> The PTA provides a delicious luncheon for teachers and staff during National PTA Teacher Appreciation Week. Volunteers are needed to make/bring food, help set up, serve and clean up during the afternoon. It's another way to thank the teachers and staff for their great work with our children.</p> 
<p><u>Scholastic Book Fair (Nov. 2011)</u> Book fairs provide students with the opportunity to purchase books at school. A book list is sent home with students prior to the sale. Students select books and return order forms with payment or they may purchase books in person at a designated time for their class to visit the Book Fair. Volunteers needed to help children with purchases.</p>	<p><u>Turn off TV Week (4/23 -4/27/12)</u> A family event during the spring to show the students that there are alternative activities to do other than watching TV. Volunteers are needed to help organize and coordinate this effort (ideas for fun alternatives are always welcome).</p>
<p><u>School Pictures (10/14/11; retakes 12/1/11)</u> The children love to have their pictures taken, and all who help with this truly enjoy themselves. Volunteers are needed on picture day (and retake day) to assist children to and from classes, fix hair, straighten clothes, and make sure students have a great smile</p>	<p><u>Variety Show (2/10/12)</u> Great venue to give Chango students a chance to show us what they've got! The talent show is held at Gowana Middle School (real stage and everything). Volunteers are needed to help with rehearsals, set-up, clean-up, and during the main event.</p> 
<p><u>Shen Inventors (Winter 2011)</u> This district-wide program is aimed at bringing out the "inventor" in our students. Students (individually or in teams) identify a problem, brainstorm the solutions, and create a model of their invention. All models are displayed at Clifton Commons. Models are judged based on creativity, novelty, usefulness, and presentation.</p>	<p><u>Yearbook – Photographers (all during year)</u> Chango publishes a yearbook each year for all students. Volunteers are needed to take photos at school events and submit them to the yearbook staff to help create great memories. We are also looking for someone to help co-chair this event.</p> 