

# ***East Richland Recorder***

## ***East Richland Community Unit School District No. 1***



*“Committed to Providing the Future Leaders of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century*

August 27, 2010

### **A Message from Marilyn**

We welcomed 2,174 students to ERCU#1 this month; some of which are entering school for the very first time. When I heard this poem it touched me, both as a parent and an educator. I hope it will touch your hearts as well. I know that all of you treat all of our students well!

#### **I Trust You'll Treat Her Well**

*I bequeath to you today one little girl...in a crispy dress...with two blue eyes...and a happy laugh that ripples all day long...and a flash of light blonde hair that bounces in the sunlight when she runs. I trust you'll treat her well.*

*She's slipping out the backyard of my heart this morning...and skipping off down the street to her first day of school. And never again will she be completely mine. Prim and proud she'll wave her young and independent hand this morning and say "Good Bye"...and walk with little lady steps to the schoolhouse.*

*Now she'll learn to stand in line...and wait by the alphabet for her name to be called. She'll learn to tune her ears to the sounds of school-bells...and deadlines...and she'll learn to giggle...and gossip...and look at the ceiling in a disinterest way when a little boy across the aisle sticks out his tongue at her. And now she'll learn to be jealous. And now she'll learn how it is to feel hurt inside. And now she'll learn how not to cry.*

*No longer will she have time to sit on the front porch steps on a summer day and watch an ant scurry across the crack in a sidewalk. Nor will she have time to pop out of bed with the dawn to kiss lilac blossoms in the morning dew. No, now she'll worry about important things. Like grades...and which dress to wear...and whose best friend is whose. And the magic of books and learning will replace the magic of her blocks and dolls. And now she'll find new heroes.*

*For five full years now I've been her sage and Santa Claus and pal and playmate and father and friend. Now she'll learn to share her worship with her teachers...which is only right. But, no longer will I be the smartest man in the whole world. Today when that school bell rings for the first time...she'll learn what it means to be a member of a group. With all it's privileges. And it's disadvantages too.*

*She'll learn in time that proper young ladies do not laugh out loud. Or kiss dogs. Or keep frogs in pickle jars in bedrooms. Or even watch ants scurry across cracks in the summer sidewalk.*

*Today she'll learn for the first time that all who smile at her are not her friends. And I'll stand on the front porch and watch her start out on the long, lonely journey to become a woman.*

*So, World. I bequeath to you today one little girl...in a crispy dress...with two blue eyes and a happy laugh that ripples all day long...and a flash of light blonde hair that bounces in the sunlight when she runs. I trust you'll treat her well.*

## **Welcome to ERCU#1**

Welcome back to all of you and especially those we have been able to call back. We would like to welcome the following new employees to East Richland CUSD#1 and wish them an exciting and successful school year: Lauren Baugh, ERES Counselor; MSG Michael Cavalier, ERHS JROTC Instructor; Ann Dee Bent, ERES Teacher Assistant, Melissa Buss, ERHS Teacher Assistant and Cheerleading Coach; Pat Foust, ERES Supervision Aide and Susan Medler and Dan Totten, bus drivers. We are so glad that all of you are here.

## **TRS Individual Conferences**

East Richland School District is pleased to inform you that a TRS representative will provide private counseling sessions for TRS members at East Richland Unit Office on Wednesday, October 6, 2010. Conferences will be scheduled from 9:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and will last approximately 20 minutes. Any TRS member who would like to meet with a benefits counselor needs to complete an individual conference request form. (Forms are available in each building.) Please return the conference request forms to the District office no later than Wednesday, September 15, 2010. **Do not mail the form to TRS.**

## **TRS Benefit Information Meeting**

The Teacher's Retirement System and the Regional Office of Education are pleased to offer a Benefit Information Meeting on Wednesday, October 6, 2010 at 5:00 p.m. in the East Richland High School Classatorium. The Teachers' Retirement System will provide information about your benefits as a TRS member, describe ways to optimize your service credit prior to retirement and explain the retirement process. You do not need to reserve a seat. The meeting will last about one hour and time will be provided to answer any questions you may have.

*A bright outlook opens us to a world of possibilities.*

## Richland County 2010 Start! Heartwalk

The Richland County Heartwalk is scheduled for Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup> at Olney Central College. If you would like to recruit a team of walkers to represent ERCU#1, please contact Alda in the unit office. Walkers are encouraged to collect \$150, but there is no minimum amount required or registration fees for walkers to participate. At the walk, participants enjoy refreshments, education on cardiovascular health and American Heart Association programs, plus enjoy a 2 mile walk in tribute to those with cardiovascular disease.

### WELCOME TO THE WORLD!

<p><b>Congratulations to Lindsay and Jon McDonald!</b></p> <p><b>It's a Boy!!</b></p> <p>Nolan Wayne McDonald 6 pounds, 13 ounces 19 inches long</p> <p><b>August 9, 2010</b></p> <p><b>Best Wishes to All!!</b></p>	<p><b>Congratulations to Jessica and Adrian Guzman!!</b></p> <p><b>It's a Boy!!</b></p> <p>Aiden Johnstone Guzman 8 pounds 7 ounces 21 inches long</p> <p><b>August 25, 2010</b></p> <p><b>Congratulations to All!</b></p>
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### Birthdays      **Happy Birthday to You!!!** 🎵🎵🎵

We would like to wish East Richland School District faculty and staff who celebrate birthdays in August and September **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!**

#### August

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Emily Jones Chris Mullens	2	3 Deborah Ellison Amy McVicker	4 Mickey Haynes	5 Jackie Houchin	6 Alda Ingram	7
8	9 Lisa Pampe	10 Erin Hardy Lee Laughlin	11	12 Tasha Thuftedal	13	14 Linda Lanker Sarah Whittler
15	16 Ryan Roark	17	18 Chris Simpson	19 Pam Ledeker Matt Powell	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 Alice Murry	30	31				

## September

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 Alvin Kocher	2 Linda Michels	3 Denyse Eagleson Kendra Page	4
5 Jackie Madden	6	7	8 Jessica Leaf	9 Patricia Clark	10	11 Jane Frazier
12	13 Thelma Muhs	14	15	16 Gennie Bare Christy Berger	17 Sandy Herman	18 Norman Henderson
19 Terry Whiting	20	21 Heather Wheeler	22 Nancy McClenathan Betty Stivers	23 Lisa Billington Cathy Cummins Diana Hagan	24 Cris Edwards	25 Sherri Baker
26 Joyce Michels Ashley Stafford	27 Sharon Ferguson	28 Ruth Thomann Jane Wingert	29 Darlene Herman	30		

### A Thought to Ponder. . .

*“A teacher affects eternity; he can never tell where his influence stops”*

*~Henry Brooks Adams*