

Insect Installation

I am proud today to once again install a wonderful group of dedicated volunteers as Officers of the _____ Council of PTAs. My theme is the Insect Kingdom or should we say Queen-dom and I will try not to “bug” you for too long and keep it short and as sweet as “a bug in a rug.”

First up is....

- **Daddy Long Legs Spider** – _____ (*name*), Advisor – His long legs allow him to reach the many facets of education in our school district, therefore he is well qualified to advise the _____ Council of PTAs.
- **Ladybug** – _____ (*name*), Legislation, It is this Lady’s job to bug you with important leg info.
- **Scorpion** – _____ (*name*), Parliamentarian, - Now this a much feared insect, maybe its’ those scary bylaws she knows so much about. However this insect is rather shy, unless you misbehave at the meetings and then you are likely to feel the wrath of her bite!
- **Katydid** – _____ (*name*), Historian wants to know what hours and activities that "Katy did" as well those of our president, vice president and the Board and let’s not forget all our unit folks.
- **Firefly** - _____ (*name*), Treasurer, like the firefly the treasurer lightens and brightens the mood of all those she writes her checks for. And this Firefly will light up like a Christmas tree when you have all your receipts and paperwork in order!

- **Dragonfly** - _____ (*name*), Financial Secretary - this person's work will "drag on and not fly" if you don't give her all your payments and paper work.
- **Damselfly** - _____ (*name*), Budget and Finance - It is this damsel's job is to make sure that all the monies and bills are in line with the budget
- **Mayfly** - _____ (*name*), Auditor lets us know if everything in our Council and Unit books are in order so that all our audits "may fly" on to District.
- **Ant** - _____ (*name*), Recording Secretary - this worker ant slaves tirelessly to record every word that makes up the _____ Council of PTAs Meetings...and these folks have been know to do some talking!
- **Cricket** – _____ (*name*), Corresponding Secretary, like a cricket, this person has to make lots of noise because she has to get the word out about Council Meetings and events.
- **Cicada** - _____ (*name*), 7th VP, Director of Communication as this is the noisiest insect in the kingdom because it is this director's job to communicate to Council members as well as all the units all the important work of the PTA.
- **Honey Bee** – _____ (*name*), 6th VP, as the Director of Hospitality, this honey not only provides sweet things for our all our Board of Directors meetings but also organizes the food for all Open Council Meetings.
- **Walking Stick** – _____ (*name*), 5th VP, Director of Health - "Hand me down my walking cane." (sing song) As the Walking Stick, this

VP helps keep _____ Council of PTAs walking and moving in the right direction towards good health.

- **Grasshopper** – _____ (*name*), 4th VP, Director of Community Concerns, Ah the grasshopper.... (Say in oriental voice) hops from agency to agency, helping all that she can.
- **Centipede** – _____ (*name*), 3rd VP, Director of Education She uses her hundreds of legs like hundreds of arms to reach out and provide units with important educational information
- **Termite** – _____ (*name*), 2nd VP, Director of Leadership – She will try with all "her t'her-mite"(that is a combination of determination and might) to help and lead the units and our Council in the PTA way
- **Praying Mantis**- _____ (*name*), 1st VP Director of Organization and Program works and prays that all her organization and programs will meet the needs of the Council and its units.
- **Madame Butterfly** - _____ (*name*), President ...What would an installation for you be without some kind of crown? Now this PTA butterfly has a season that is a little different than the normal butterfly season.

The butterfly cocoons in the Summer, rejuvenating herself and hatching her plans for the next school year.

She breaks out in the fall as the many footed caterpillar, scurrying here, there and every where around her PTA units as well as her District obligations.

Our president then morphs by winter into the beautiful **Madame Butterfly**. This event is so inspiring and she is so wonderful that a musical has been

written about it! Her beauty and strength truly motivates all of us insects in her Queen-dom into action.

It is said that most “Butterflies are free” but _____ (*name*), we are lucky that we have you in our Council’s net as our President for one more year.

Well there you are folks, the Bzzzziest bunch of PTAers. You are all duly installed and ready to lead us for the next year. CONGRATULATIONS!