



# PTA Press



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## Pres Says...

PTA... what is PTA?



Parent Teacher Association  
**MISSION OF PTA**

• Support and speak on behalf of children and youth in the schools, in the community and before governmental bodies and other organizations that make decisions affecting children.

• To assist parents in developing the skills they need to raise and protect their children.

To encourage parent and public involvement in the public schools of this nation

### OBJECTS

• To promote the welfare of children and youth in home, school, community and place of worship.

• To raise the standards of home life.

• To secure adequate laws for the care and protection of children and youth.

• To bring into closer relation the home and the school, that parents and teachers may cooperate intelligently in the education of children and youth.

• To develop between educators and the general public such united efforts as will secure for all children and youth the highest advantages in physical, mental, social and spiritual education.

I hope you will attend our first meeting; Tuesday September 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Golf media center. (Enter through the door on the north side of the building.) I would like to invite all teachers and families to join the PTA. We offer free babysitting for school-aged children.

Watch future newsletters and

Minutes of the meetings to keep up with what is going on in the district. Please do not hesitate to contact me. Thank you for your support.

—Debbie Gilbert, PTA President

## Fall Fund Raising News

### Sally Foster Gift Sales

**Fundraiser:** The major fundraiser for the PTA is again Gifts, Wrapping Paper, and Magazines through Sally Foster Gifts. Students earn prizes based on the level of sales.

Forms and money are due October 4 at your school office.

Gifts ordered on-line through [www.SallyFoster.com](http://www.SallyFoster.com) will also earn students prize credits through October 4.

On-line sales continue through January 15.

The PTA earns 40 to 50 \% of each sale. Please support this important activity.

Donald India and Jennifer Wheeler

## 4th Annual Block Party!

Mark your calendars for the Annual Back to School Block Party **Saturday, September 16th 1pm to 5pm @ Hynes.** Look for flyers to pre-register. There will be games, prizes, entertainment and food. Volunteers are needed for setup, games, food, ticket selling, face painting, and cleanup. If you are able to volunteer even for just an hour please contact Karen or Gregg Fucik at (847)581-9257.

## Room Parents Still Needed!

We still need Room parents for classrooms—1st-7th grades. Keep an eye out for forms. It's a wonderful way to support your child's class and teachers. You will

## September Calendar

- Sep. 1** Market Day Orders Due
- Sep. 4** Labor Day--NO SCHOOL
- Sep. 5** Market Day Pick Up  
3:30-5 pm @ Hynes
- Sep. 11-29th** MAP Testing
- Sep. 12** PTA Room Parent Meeting 6:15 pm  
PTA Meeting 7:00 pm & Meeting w/ Superintendent Search Committee all @ Golf
- Sep. 16** PTA's 4th Annual Block Party 1-5 pm @ Hynes
- Sep. 21** Board of Ed Meeting 6:30 pm @ Golf
- Sep. 26** NTDSE Meeting, 7 pm @ Molloy
- Sep. 29** Market Day Orders Due
- Oct. 2** NO SCHOOL
- Oct. 3** Market Day Pick Up 3:30-5 pm @ Hynes
- Oct. 4** Sally Foster Order Forms and Payments Due
- Oct. 9** Columbus Day  
NO SCHOOL
- Oct. 9-11** Jewel Shop N Share Days
- Oct. 11** PTA Book Club 6:15 pm  
PTA Meeting 7:00 pm @ Golf

be notified to attend the Room Parent meeting on September 12th, prior to the first PTA meeting of the year, which we encourage you to attend as well. We will review the role of the room parent.

Samina Hussain

## More Fundraising News



**Entertainment Books:** The PTA will again sell Entertainment Coupon Books. This year the price is \$20 with the PTA earning \$8 for each book sold. There are many money saving coupons within Morton Grove and Niles including \$20 of coupons for Dominick's.

One (1) Entertainment Book was sent home to every family. We encourage the support of the PTA and hope you send the \$20 to school to pay for the book instead of returning the book.

Donald India and Jennifer Wheeler

**Cartridges for Kids:** Recycle your printer cartridges, PDAs, laptops, and cell phones through the Cartridges for Kids program and raise money for PTA! Just drop off these items at the school office or send them with your child. These items will be sent to the recycling center and PTA receives a check within 2 weeks. Contact your MIS department at your work and let them know about this opportunity.

**Boxtops for Education:** This is another ongoing and easy fundraiser. Simply cut the Boxtops labels from hundreds of food items and drop them off in the PTA mailbox at school—or send them in an envelope with your child. You can learn more about this program by visiting [boxtops4education.com](http://boxtops4education.com) OR call Noel Sucherman @ (847) 965-5922 if you have any questions.

**Restaurants:** Keep on the look-out for flyers featuring Fundraising Nights at various neighborhood restaurants. A great way to eat out after a busy day and help PTA! We will feature various eateries throughout the year.

## Market Day News!!

Welcome back to school! Receive a free 4-pack ChicNSteaks with a \$35 purchase—one of our top sellers. Now that the kids are back in school, look for convenient lunch items or after-school snacks. And there are great dinner choices for those hectic days.

Market Day orders are due on September 1st and pick-up is on September 5th. If you have any questions regarding Market Day or would like to volunteer, contact Janet Steffens @ (847) 581-1043 or visit [www.marketday.com](http://www.marketday.com).

Janet Steffens  
Market Day Chair

## The Best Resource for Parents

As the largest volunteer child advocacy association in the nation, National Parent Teacher Association (PTA) reminds our country of its obligations to children and provides parents and families with a powerful voice to speak on behalf of every child while providing the best tools for parents to help their children be successful students.

National PTA does not act alone. Working in cooperation with many national education, health, safety, and child advocacy groups and federal agencies, National PTA collaborates on projects that benefit children and that bring valuable resources to its members.

## Calendars Are Ready!!

The PTA Calendars are ready for distribution! Keep up with school events, holidays and PTA activities with your PTA 2006-2007 Calendar. Every member gets one calendar with membership dues.

Donald India and Maria Bickers

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## Join PTA Today!!

Parents & Teachers: PTA membership is still underway. Please remember the various programs PTA supports that help supplement your child's educational experience: Block Party, Book Fairs, Field Trips, Picture Program, Calendar and Directory, 8th Grade Play, Class parties, 8th Grade Celebration, Variety Show, BINGO, Market Day, International Celebration of Cultures...and so much more!

The significance of a man is not in what he attains but in what he longs to attain.

—Kahil Gibran