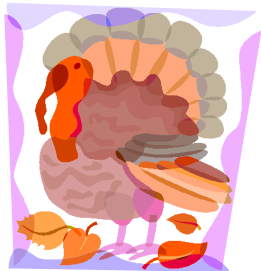


# Fred Moiola Elementary PTA Newsletter

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## Presidents Update

Thank-you to all the volunteers who have been spending their time to help make Moiola Elementary School the best place it can be for our children. When everyone pitches in, it makes all the activities run much more smoothly.

We recently had Red Ribbon Week and a terrific Lunch on the Lawn. Upcoming is Special Person's Day and the Basket Raffle. They are both held on Wednesday, Nov. 22, 2006 - the day before Thanksgiving break.

We urgently need some volunteers to help with stuffing Monday packets. We have almost 600 students and each one has their own packet going home every week with important papers. Volunteers are needed each Friday for a few hours during school time. If you can help out, please contact Aimee

Golden @ [shescraftee@socal.rr.com](mailto:shescraftee@socal.rr.com).

Spellman the Magician is entertaining at Family Fun Night on Wednesday, Nov 15 at 7:00 p.m. Please, buy your tickets now! We need to know approximately how many people will be attending. It's only \$7.00 per person, but will be \$8.00 at the door. It is a first-class show and well worth the money. We had the Spellman Magic Show two years ago and you and your children will be amazed. Also, we are selling pizzas for only \$5.00 for those who do not want to cook that evening.

**SPECIAL TIME:** Our next PTA meeting will be held on Tuesday, Nov 14th at 3:00 p.m. in E-7. We are holding this meeting earlier to make it easier for some teachers and parents to attend. There will be no December PTA meeting.

*Reported by: Marc Tonti*

## Principals News

Today I just want to report and give my views on a variety of Moiola events and issues.

### Remediation Classes

We currently have six classes in math or reading being taught before or after school. The teachers are Mrs. Blake, Ms. Sinay, Mrs. Kim, Mr. Doherty, Mrs. Brummett, and Mrs. Yu. There are almost 80 children taking advantage of this opportunity.

### California Content Standards

I'm looking for a volunteer, perhaps someone with teaching experience, to do a clerical project that could make a huge difference to our school. Call me if you are

interested and want more information - 378-4272.

### Yearbook

Our yearbook this year will be produced by a group of 6th, 7th, and 8th graders under the guidance of Mrs. Abir Kim and Mr. Jeff Doherty. They have some very exciting plans to make the '06-'07 yearbook one for the ages.

### Donation from Ralph's

Last month Moiola received a \$2500 donation from Ralph's Supermarket as part of that store's grand re-opening in Fountain Valley. This was a great surprise and the funds will be used for computer software and remediation materials

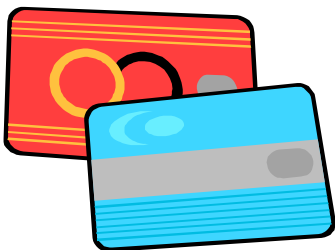


**TGIF!**  
Ice Cream treats  
every Friday – only  
\$1.25

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*Our Winter Box Top  
contest is coming  
soon...Keep collecting  
those  
Box Tops!*

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*Use SCRIP for everyday  
shopping, Thanksgiving  
feasts or as a gift!*

## Membership Update

### *Why Join the PTA?*

The number-one reason to join the Parent Teacher Association is to benefit your child. In doing so, you also help your school. But, there are many more advantages to joining...here are a few:

**Get Connected** - There's no better way to know what's happening in your school.

**Discover Great Resources** - The PTA offers a variety of programs designed for parents, as well as students.

**Tap into a Network** - Parenting is not easy—it helps to share ideas, concerns and experiences with other parents and

educators in the community. PTA functions are opportunities to meet other parents and teachers, building rapport and discussing issues that are on your mind.

**Watch Yourself Grow**- By volunteering with your PTA, you gain valuable experiences. It's an opportunity to put your skills and hobbies to good use for a good cause.

**Make a Difference** - Because the PTA is a forum for exchanging ideas, you are encouraged to make suggestions. PTA can be a way for you to more effectively suggest change at your child's school.

## PTA Events

### Junior Achievement

We are proud to be bringing the Junior Achievement program to Moiola again this year.

Junior Achievement is a business & economics program open to all grades, that teaches practical lessons in money management to our students.

Volunteers (including grandparents, aunts or uncles who are interested) are

needed to present the lessons in the classrooms. Each lesson takes about one hour, is completely scripted, and is filled with colorful handouts, stickers, etc.. The kids really enjoy the sessions and learn very practical lessons about money, banking, etc

If interested, contact your child's teacher or Kate Tran @ 375-3821.

*Reported by: Kate Tran*

### Special Persons Day

*Thursday, November 22*

Special Person's Day is an annual tradition at Moiola, held the day before Thanksgiving break to honor the special people in our students' lives. This year's theme is "Let's Celebrate America!"

On this day, each student is allowed to invite to school their special people - parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles - whoever is special to that child.

This year, Special Persons Day will be held on Wednesday, November 22nd starting at 7:45 with a continental breakfast and followed at 8:15 with a performance program in the Bowl put on by the Moiola students.

We will also be picking out raffle tickets for the winners of our great Baskets!

After the program, visitors may go to each students' classroom for a tour. The students really get a kick out of showing off the school and their work to the special people in their lives.

A letter went home in the Monday, November 6th packet asking for parents to please let us know how many special people might be attending and to sign up to donate a breakfast item.

If there are any questions please contact Laura Hill at 714-962-2154.

*Reported by: Laura Hill*

## Fundraising News

### Basket Raffle

The 5th Annual Basket Raffle is on its way! Every year this fundraiser creates a quite a buzz from students, family and teachers.

Each class has been given a theme and a wish list of items for their basket and the baskets are looking amazing. The baskets are raffled off at Special Persons Day on November 22.

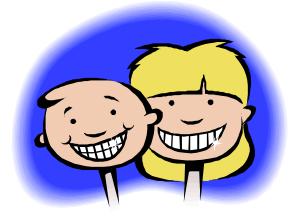
We will be taking pictures of each basket and posting them on the Moiola PTA website with detailed descriptions, so be sure to check [www.moiola.org](http://www.moiola.org) during the week of November 13th. Raffle ticket sales will begin after school starting Monday November 13th.

We will also have several of the baskets for viewing at the Magic Show on Wednesday November 15th and will be selling raffle tickets there.

Tickets are only \$1 each....so find the basket you crave and buy those tickets! The proceeds from this event go 100% to Moiola and will help fund many of the activities designed to enrich Moiolas' academic community.

So come on down and join the festivities and try your luck with one (or all) of the wonderful baskets up for raffle and a special THANK YOU for all your support!

*Reported by: Kelly Selle (the lady in the flying pig hat!)*



**SMILE!**  
Fall Picture Make-ups  
are November 21

### Holiday Boutique

I would also like to take this time to let everyone know about our *1st Annual Moiola Mustangs Holiday Boutique*.

This fun holiday shopping event will be held Thursday, December 7th from 12:30pm to 6:30pm. Information went out in the Monday November 6th packets.

This will be a great opportunity for your family, friends and neighbors to come

and purchase affordable holiday gifts. We will feature a wide range of hand-made and holiday-focused items.

Each vendor will be donating a raffle prize worth \$25 dollars and raffle tickets will be sold at the door for \$1 dollar.

Look out in future Monday packets for more details on the Boutique as we get closer to the event date.

*Reported by: Kelly Selle*

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*Don't forget to tell  
your kids' Special  
Persons to mark  
November 22 on their  
calendars!*

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### Ice Cream Fridays

I scream, you scream, we all scream for Ice Cream!

Yes, it's true, Ice Cream Fridays are back again. Every Friday, the PTA, with help from our Room Moms, sells ice cream and popsicles for the lunch-time crowd. It costs just \$1.00 for their

choice of Big Stick, Sno-Cone, Push-up, Ice-cream Sandwich or Drumstick.

It's a special Friday treat for the students and earns about \$300 per month for great activities and programs for our kids. So don't forget to send the \$1.00 in their Friday backpacks!

*Reported by: Shannon Arne*



*Find the perfect  
gifts at the **Moiola  
Holiday Boutique**  
on December 7*

### Scrip

Thanksgiving is coming up and Scrip is a fun and easy way to do your Thanksgiving feast shopping. Use them to entertain family and friends or as a special hostess gift.

By purchasing scrip, a percentage of what you spend will go directly back to the Moiola to support our great school activities and programs.

## Award-Winning Website



Show your **SPiRiT**  
with Moiola Spirit  
Wear

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*"Let their success be  
your inspiration"  
Junior Achievement  
Program*

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Yes, that's right, our Moiola PTA website is an award-winner! Our site has received an "Award of Excellence" from the Fourth District PTA whose jurisdiction includes all of Orange County and portions of LA County.

The judges really liked how quickly new information is posted to our site and that the website is always being updated. They were especially impressed with our implementation of the Moiola PTA Online Forums.

We incorporated this full-featured bulletin board to allow parents and teachers to exchange ideas, comments and hold discussions about school and PTA issues. It's a great place for people to seek advice from other parents and get answers to commonly asked questions. The more participation we get on these forums, the more useful and beneficial they become. We ALWAYS welcome your input. Share your thoughts—they count!

Another feature is the PTA Survey on the website homepage. This is one great way you can give input to questions and issues raised by the PTA Board.



[www.moiola.org](http://www.moiola.org)

The website - [www.moiola.org](http://www.moiola.org) - is full of useful information about our school, PTA programs and what we do to help benefit the Moiola academic community. Anything about the Moiola PTA, such as, who to contact about a particular PTA event or what's happening where and when can be found here!

Because the Moiola PTA is involved in so many school activities, we believe this is a perfect 'one-stop' depot to get all of your PTA news and info.

So come on by and visit us at [WWW.Moiola.Org!!](http://WWW.Moiola.Org!!)

*Reported by Mark Flores, Moiola PTA Webmaster*

Thanks for all the hard work on our great website Mark!

### Information on the Moiola PTA Website

- ◆ Forms for Scrip and many PTA sponsored events
- ◆ Helpful reminders with important event info
- ◆ Upcoming Events (updated daily)
- ◆ Online version of the weekly Stampede
- ◆ Info on scheduled meetings
- ◆ Helpful links for other PTA sites
- ◆ PTA Newsletters
- ◆ PTA Contact Info for Board Members and Program Coordinators
- ◆ Local weather
- ◆ PTA Surveys to help us do a better job
- ◆ Lunch Menus and other school info
- ◆ And much more!.....