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## **Volunteer News**

*Marc Tonti*

*PTA President*

Welcome to Moiola's 1st PTA newsletter of 2007-2008! I want to begin by thanking all those who have already stepped up to volunteer positions. We have such a terrific group of parents and staff, and I am proud to have my name on the executive board roster. I'd like to welcome each and every one of you to attend our PTA meetings and share your ideas with us. Our next PTA meeting is on Tuesday, November 13th from 3-4 PM in room E-7.

Thanks to all of you who participated in our magazine fundraiser, especially our V.P. of Ways and Means, Kelly Selle, for her efforts in making it such a successful endeavor. Also, a special thank you to Kristi Gristchuk and Nadine Doran for their hard work in coordinating our recent Book Fair. These and other major fundraisers such as scrip, the basket raffle, and the Jog-a-thon, provide the needed funding for the many PTA-sponsored activities our children enjoy.

The PTA plans and provides funding for after-school clubs, music programs, Art Masters, Junior Achievement, Family Nights, and school assemblies, as well as assisting with other school needs such as field trips and teacher supplies. Recently, we were asked by the staff to purchase some new computer software and we will be making a decision at our next meeting.

November brings our annual Special Persons' Day with classroom presentations and our famous basket raffle, planned for Wednesday, November 21st, the day before Thanksgiving. We hope you will invite any out-of-town guests, as well as local relatives, to enjoy this delightful day. This month we will also be scheduling our first educational assembly, "Sparx Audio Adventures", presented by Tony "Sparx" Palermo, along with a one-hour show the same night. Details on that Family Night will be forthcoming.

Lastly, our Moiola website is a wonderful resource for news, contact info, and upcoming events. It is run by Mark Flores and can be found at [www.moiola.org](http://www.moiola.org). If you are interested in becoming more involved with Moiola PTA, or any of these programs, please contact me for more information.

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## **Ways and Means**

*Kelly Selle*

*V.P. --Ways and Means*

Fundraising news from the Pink Pig Lady:

Our Magazine Gift Extreme Fundraiser was a huge success. The goal was \$40k and we have ended at \$41,101 and counting. That means Mr. Markel will be kissing that live pig, Yippee! If any Moiola student has a pet pig or has a friend or relative with a pet pig, please let me know via email (kellarad3@yahoo.com).

Finish one fundraiser and another begins. This year we have changed the name of our Annual Basket Raffle to the Moiola KISS Basket Raffle or the Moiola Keep It Super Simple Basket Raffle. Instead of having a theme for each classroom and people donating things we have asked each and every child to donate \$2 dollars or more if possible. With the money we receive in donations, I am going to create some surprising baskets that will be unveiled at Special Persons' Day. Raffle tickets will still be sold ahead of time and a flier will go out with that information. I am absolutely confident that the baskets will be just as spectacular as always. I am looking forward to making this another successful fundraiser for Moiola. Thank you all in advance for your support!

## **Fall Bookfair**

*Nadine Doran & Kristi Gristchuk*

This year, Moiola's Book Fair Blizzard was held during the week of October 15 - 19th. All the kids got to come "chill out" with their classes to view the wonderful selection of books and other items available from Scholastic. We also had a family event during the book fair, Lunch on the Lawn. Many parents stopped by after lunch with their kids to shop for books. It was a great turn out, and we're looking forward to our next book fair, coming this May. Also, a huge thank you to all the parent volunteers who helped make this book fair a huge success!!

## **Ralph's Community Contribution**

*Stacey Yoshinaga*

If you haven't done so already, please take a minute to register your Ralph's Club Card number on-line. By doing so, Moiola gets a rebate off of the total purchases. It's easy. 1. Just go on-line to [www.Ralphs.com](http://www.Ralphs.com) 2. Click on "Community Contributions" 3. Click on "Participant Sign-Up" 4. Enter our non-profit organization # (NPO):81378 5. Enter your name, address, and Ralph's Club Card number (you'll need this number, not your telephone number to verify that it is you!) Again, this is an easy way for Moiola to raise funds for our students!