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# Mantua PTA Alert News

## April 20, 2010



## School Pictures Wednesday

Get the combs ready: pictures will be taken tomorrow, April 21st.

## Thank You to Our Administrative Professionals This Week

Just a reminder to take the opportunity to thank our wonderful office staff for the work they do. They work hard and are greatly appreciated!

## Family Fun Night April 23rd

The PTA is sponsoring a Family Fun Night Book and Toy Swap on Friday, April 23, 2010 from 7:00 to 9:00 in the school cafeteria. Clean your rooms and closets. Find those gently used books, comic books, magazines, puzzles, board games, DS games, Pokemon cards, Legos, Hot Wheels, Webkinz, Beanie Babies, Polly Pockets, or any wanted book or toy. Bring your items to the family fun market to trade, sell or give away. Lots of fun things will be found. Children must be accompanied by an adult. If a language translator is needed, please contact Ken Moles at kenmoles@cox.net. Any questions, contact Kathleen DeCarlo at kdecarlo@verizon.net.

## Raccoon Run: 10 Years and RUNNING!!

On May 8th, the RACCOON RUN celebrates 10 years of supporting our community and LIFE with CANCER in memory of Mantua's 5th grade teacher, Roberta Romano!

Please register to run and join ROCKY and the community on Mother's Day weekend SATURDAY for the FUN RUN at 8am and the 5K RACE at 8:30am.

Online registration is available at: [www.racepacket.com](http://www.racepacket.com).

If you prefer to download a registration form and to obtain more information, please visit [www.raccoonrun.mantuapta.org](http://www.raccoonrun.mantuapta.org).

Drop off the form in the school office or mail it in.

Please make CHECKS for registration payable to "Racepacket."

All pledges and donations, can be made payable to Life with Cancer.

Thank you once again for your support!!!

Questions contact Jennifer Lewis-Cooper 703.426.2490 or [orjalcooper@aol.com](mailto:orjalcooper@aol.com).

GLORY DAYS GIVES BACK

in support of the 10th anniversary of the RACCOON RUN!!

Bring in your receipts for dining at GLORY DAYS (Pan Am) from APRIL 30 to MAY 7 and GLORY DAYS will donate 15% of the sale to LIFE with CANCER in support of the RACCOON RUN.

A box will be located in the office to collect receipts.

## Hello Volunteers!

Mantua Elementary is so proud of its dedicated volunteers who provide so many opportunities for our students and families.

The Mantua PTA is looking for chairpersons for these Committees for the 2010-2011 school year:

- Alert News
- Mentorworks
- Reflections
- Odyssey of the Mind
- Student Directory Editor
- Auction Coordinator
- Mantua Spiritwear
- Yearbook

The PTA has also identified a new position:

Family Data Processing: Help process the student & family data from the front office, checking for accuracy(especially email addresses) and developing the "paper copy" family list for the Alert News.

For more information about any of these programs, or if you would like to chair or assist with running any of these committees, please contact Monica Cameron (monica.cameron@cox.net), Amy Ivey (a.m.ivey@att.net) or Teresa LeMair(Teresalemair@aol.com).

## Mantua Teacher a Finalist in Let's Dish Teacher of the Year: Vote NOW!

Our teachers work so hard before, during and after school. They are patient, persistent and share their vast knowledge so that our children are prepared to contribute in society. I imagine we've all had many teachers who have touched our hearts and helped our children. One in particular has been nominated and is in the top 5 of Fairfax County finalists--Mrs. Grice, a 6th grade Language Arts and Social Studies teacher. She is kind, a great communicator to children and parents and uses an effective approach to teach writing.

What a great honor to make it this far, but she certainly deserves it. With your vote to Let's Dish she may end up being THE Fairfax County Teacher of the Year and win a FREE 8-meal Let's Dish session just in time for Teacher Appreciation Week...and Mother's Day. Vote before April 28 at [www.letsdish.com](http://www.letsdish.com)

A win for Mrs. Grice may help lessen the load after school when she goes back home to take care of her family with yummy, prepared meals from Let's Dish.

## Strategies for Success Presented on April 21st

This week, the meeting of Mantua United to Support Special Education will feature a discussion by a School Psychologist who will present and answer questions regarding different processing disorders, disabilities, and strategies that maybe successful.

April 21, 2010 6-7 pm

## Important Upcoming Events

4/19-4/25 School Administrative Professionals Week

4/21 School Picture Day

4/21 Mantua United to Support Special Education Presentation, 6-7 pm

4/23 PTA Event: Community Spirit "Family Fun Night"

## Alert News Contributions

Send items via email to [alertnews@mantuapta.org](mailto:alertnews@mantuapta.org).

Submissions appreciated by the Friday before distribution.

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