

Mantua PTA Alert News, continued



EARN MONEY FOR MANTUA WHILE YOU SHOP!

These stores in our area offer an EASY way to support our school. Please take a few minutes to newly enroll **or renew** and earnings will accumulate all year long.

Giant's A+BonusBucks (October 5 – April 3)

Visit www.giantfood.com and click on "A+ BonusBucks." Designate Mantua (code: 01887) and follow the easy instructions. *You can enroll or renew in a Giant store as well.*

Safeway's Club Card for Education

Visit www.escrip.com and, whether you are newly enrolling or just renewing, click on "Renew Now." To renew, enter EITHER: your e-mail address, your phone number, or your card number – and your renewal will be immediately confirmed. To enroll for the first time, just select "sign up now" and follow six easy steps (Mantua's ID is 6662473). *Another way to enroll or renew is by calling 1-800-801-4973.*

Harris Teeter's Together in Education

Go to www.harristeeter.com and, along the top bar, click on "Community" and then "Together in Education." Select "Link to your school" and enter personal data and Mantua's code: 4458. *You may also give our code to a store clerk to link your VIC card.*

Target's Take Charge of Education

If you have a Target RedCard or Target Visa card – or wish to apply for one – Target will donate 1% of your purchases to Mantua. Go to www.target.com and scroll to the bottom of the home page to the "Company Information" heading; click on "Community". Select "Education" followed by "Take Charge of Education" and "Find/Designate a School." **At this point, you are prompted for your RedCard # or you can apply for one if you do not yet have one.** Scroll past the option of entering school name, state, and zip code; near the bottom, enter the school ID# (103675) and click "Search." When Mantua ES appears, click "Designate this school." *You can also take care of this at a Target store.*

IF YOU NEED HELP WITH ANY OF THIS, CONTACT DONNA YUDKIN AT 703-641-8779.

Big Gift to the Earth, Rainforest!

Orangutans in Borneo need your help! How can you help? Girl Scout Troop 4214 is collecting empty standard size non-crushed 20 oz soda bottles, no water bottles. For every soda bottle collected \$.05 will be donated to the Big Gift to save the natural habitat of these endangered animals. 1000 bottles equals one acre protected! Look for the collection boxes around the school and bring in your empty soda bottles! For detailed info go to <http://www.earthsbirthday.org/biggift/where.asp> or contact Jeriann Stone MikeSh.MasterMind@SmartiesR.us.

Take Home Reading Program

For students in Kindergarten, and Multi-Age Classes (K-1, 1-2)

What is it : A reading program designed to allow your child to read to an adult every day at school and then bring the book home to read to you.

How it works: The program runs M-F in the morning beginning around 9am. A list of students and their reading level is provided as well as the books for each class. Each child is read with individually. The book goes home and then is returned the next day.

Volunteers: Sign up with your child's teacher and let them know your availability. Flexible scheduling is fine, so sign for one day a week, every other week or once a month. Two volunteers a day are appreciated, particularly in the Kindergarten classes.

Contact Mary Townley, 703-204-2254 or metownley@aol.com with questions.

Drama Club/Perceptions 2006

Don't forget the deadline to apply for Drama Club is Sept 15th. Go to <http://SmartiesR.us> for detailed information!

Foreign Language Classes Beginning

Habla espanol? Parlez-vous francais? FLEX Foreign Language Classes will begin in October for students in grades 1-6. The languages will be taught through conversation using games, songs, drama, drills, dialogues, maps and culturally-related activities. There will be approximately 10 to 15 students in each class. The classes will be held once a week, before or after school, (schedule not yet final) for 15 weeks. Tuition is \$128.

Cavalier Cruise Fall Flower Sale

The Cavalier Cruise Fall Flower Fundraiser is underway and offering colorful mums and pansies for your garden. Mums (purple, white, yellow, red, and rusty orange) in 8" pots are \$5.50 each. Pansies (purple, blue, white, yellow, and rose) are available by tray (15, 4" pots) for \$28 or by pot (4") for just \$2.50 each. Just place your order with a check by Monday, September 18th and pick up on Saturday, September 30th from 9:00 am to noon in front of Woodson. Orders over \$30 can be delivered for an additional \$10. Order forms are available in the main office, on the PTSA web site at wtwoodsonptsa.org, or by emailing TwoD3cpo@verizon.net. You can mail your check and order to Fall Fundraiser c/o Donna Cipicchio, 3823 Glenbrook Road, Fairfax, VA 22031. Cavalier Cruise is W.T. Woodson's 2006 all night drug and alcohol free graduation celebration.