## Mantua PTA Alert News for March 25, 2008

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1. A big thanks to all the volunteers who made the Mantua Basketball League such a success this season. You are an asset to our school!

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## 2. Donations For Soldiers

Brownie Troop 2416 is collecting donations for soldiers. There's a box in the school lobby. We're asking for travel-sized toiletries, used books, used DVD's, beef jerky, hard candy, potato chips, fruit snacks, protein bars, etc. A full list is posted in the school lobby. We will be collecting until April 4th.

3. The 8th Annual

**RACCOON RUN is coming!!** 

Saturday May 10, 2008

Look for Pledge Program envelopes in the Tuesday Folder. This is a great way to raise money for a great cause. Once again, all our profits and donations

will benefit Life with Cancer in memory of our Mantua teacher, Roberta Romano.

All are invited to an organizational meeting on Wed March 26 at 730pm at the school. On line registration is available at: http://raccoonrun.mantuapta.org/

Contact Jennifer Lewis-Cooper, jalcooper@aol.com, Joyce Montgomery, mojody84@cox.net or Amber McClain, amberjaymc@msn.com for more information.

4. Virginia Lottery Super Teacher Award: The Virginia Lottery is conducting a Super Teacher Award contest. Nominations must be submitted on or before April 11, 2008. The PTA believes we have many Super Teachers at Mantua and is working on several nominations. The Virginia Lottery has chosen the following criteria to use in their selection process:

Passion and commitment to the teaching profession

Innovation and creativity in the classroom

Involve parents and families in their students' education

If you would like to nominate a teacher, please contact Mary Jo Kavjian at kavjianPTA@aol.com for more information.

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5. Sneaker Recycling for Unique Project

RECYCLE your old, worn-out tennis shoes, sneakers, running shoes, and basketball shoes. For one week only, Junior Girl Scout Troop 4333 will collect old sneakers to be taken to a Nike recycling center. Nike turns the shoes into "Nike Grind" which in turn becomes playgrounds and basketball courts. All brands of

| shoes are accepted. Please make sure there are no metal parts. Look for the box in the lobby. Thanks for helping out!                                                                                                                                                                                          |
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