



Schedule of Events

October 1, 2007

Informational meeting. Understanding those dang audiology reports! 8:45—10 a.m. in the Professional Education Room.

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Great Lakes Scrips Fundraiser. Fliers will be sent home!

October 5, 2007

Fall Picnic! 5-7 p.m. Fliers will be sent home!

October 8, 2007

No school. Columbus Day!

October 12 & 26, 2007

Pizza Day!

October 15, 2007

Informational Meeting. For Cochlear Implant Users: What is all this stuff? Bring complete accessories package! 8:45—10 a.m. in the Professional Education Room.

October 17, 2007

Support Group Meeting. 9-10:30 a.m. in the Professional Education Room with Mary.

October 18, 2007

Coffee Morning. Parents are welcome to join us at Kaldi's coffee shop at Boone's crossing from 9—10:30 a.m.

October 22, 2007

Informational Meeting. Making a Year's Progress In a Year's Time. 8:45—10 a.m. in the Professional Education Room.

October 29, 2007

Informational Meeting. Being with Family and Friends: How to explain things/What do I say? 8:45—10 a.m. in the Professional Education Room.

October 31, 2007

Halloween Party. 2 p.m.—3 p.m. Please see sign up sheet on the PTO bulletin board!

Notes from PTO

Happy October!

Last month we started off the year right! I just wanted to say thank you to everyone who participated in the September activities, including the PTO meeting. Several people attended the first PTO meeting and were able to share some great stories about our upcoming fundraisers. Thank you everyone for sharing your thoughts and providing us with some helpful feedback!

We were able to get to know the new families entering the Moog school during our Welcome Breakfast. I just wanted to thank everyone for participating and attending the morning. I hope

everyone enjoyed themselves!

Our main fundraiser for September was Sally Foster. We were able to raise almost \$700.00! Great job everyone!

October is filled with several activities, including our fall picnic, fundraising, and our first parent event. This month's PTO meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, October 2, 2007 in the Kid's Café from 8:45—10 a.m. We will be discussing upcoming events, along with this month's activities. We hope to see you there!

Sincerely,
Tracie Hood



PTO Expenses

- Beginning balance: \$2,427.67
- Welcome Teachers: \$24.67
- Office: \$54.74
- Pizza Day: \$248.28
- Welcome Breakfast: \$250.42
- Credits: \$1,197.35 (pizza money)
- Ending balance: \$3,046.91

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The excitement of children and adults at this time of year sometimes makes them forget to be careful. Simple ideas can do a lot to stop anything from happening. The following are helpful tips on having a safe Halloween!

Before Halloween: Getting ready for the big day!

- Plan costumes that are bright and reflective and make sure everything fits well; not too loose and not too tight! Especially for our kids, nothing should be in the way of their device (i.e. Strings, straps, and masks) so that they get ample sound!
- Secure emergency identification (i.e. Medical cards or medical bracelets) discreetly within Halloween attire or on child.
- Make sure to stock up on reflective tape, light sticks, or batteries for flashlights. This way these safety tools can be placed in decorations and costumes to make it fun for the children!



Check all devices before leaving the house!

Before Nightfall On Halloween: The day of!

- Check all hearing devices! Make sure nothing is obstructing their microphones, cords, or magnets! Check all batteries prior to leaving the house and place some in your purse or bag just in case they go out while you are having fun!
- Prepare your FM system! If you have one, make sure it is

in working condition! This is a great time to use one since the kids will be excited and wanting to run ahead of you!

- Serve a good, fun “Halloween” meal prior to parties and trick-or-treating. This will discourage children from filling up on treats that have not been checked!

When Trick-or-Treating:

- A parent or responsible adult should always accompany young children!
- Remind Trick-or-Treaters: use a flashlight so that they can see and be seen, stay with your group so that they can hear what is going on, and not eat treats before they have been checked!

After Trick-or-Treating:

- Wait until children are home to sort and check treats!
- Try to apportion treats for the days following Halloween.

Talk to your child about the day. Use it as a conversational tool to really prepare them for what’s to come. Then talk to them afterwards about what they experienced.

Submitted by Tracie Hood

Ongoing Fundraiser Activities

Sally Foster: Our Sally Foster fundraiser is complete. I will input all orders in next week and we should receive our items around October 23. We have raised approximately \$700. I talked with our sales representative about the \$150 delivery charge and she said that was their standard shipping rate. They do not offer different rates or shipping company. Thanks to all who participated. *Submitted by Teresa Ball.*

Great Lake Scrips: Don’t Forget to order your scrip gift cards! Orders are due by Monday, October 8th. Up to 21% of the purchase amount will go directly to Moog PTO.

Schnucks: If you haven’t done so already, pick up a Schnucks Community Card from the school office. Present the card to the cashier every time you shop at Schnucks and for every dollar you spend, Moog PTO

receives up to 3% of your purchase amount. Yes, it is that easy. So pick up a card today. *Submitted by Deb McDonough.*

Box Tops for Education: We have a new chairperson for all of our label fundraisers, Kelly Reynolds! Thanks, Kelly, for taking this over. Box Tops labels have to be sent in to the company for reimbursement by the end of the month. If everyone could get their labels in by October 19th, this will give Kelly enough time to get it all together and sent out! *Submitted by Tracie Hood.*

Morris Press Cookbooks: Thanks to all who turned in recipes. The cookbook will hold almost 150 recipes from parents, relatives, students, staff, and alumni. They will, hopefully, be sent out for publishing next week and up for sale during the holidays for \$10 each. Currently, with reserved copies we have made almost \$200! *Submitted by Tracie Hood.*

All My Children

After reading our last newsletter an interested parent asked if I could include an article in this month's copy about the show's storyline titled "Crash." I, personally, do not watch the show but here is everything I do know! Unfortunately, these shows have aired September 20-24 but the storyline is still there, if anyone is interested. Previously aired show's recaps can be found at <http://abc.go.com/daytime/>.

The storyline focuses on a deafened toddler whose parents explore cochlear implants. A variety of medical options, obstacles and parent's decisions will be discussed. In fact, according to this news item, cochlear implants will be heavily featured in the storyline, as implanted actors are featured along with support groups for parents.

One Life to Live star Kassie DePaiva has been consulting with *All My Children* sharing her real life experiences raising her son, James Quentin ("JQ"), who was born profoundly deaf. He has been implanted since 18 months and is now 10. JQ will guest star in upcoming shows featuring Erica Kane's (Susan Lucci) talk show, *New Beginnings*, which will be dedicated to the theme deaf children.

The show will also produce episodes featuring support groups for parents with deaf children. Deaf actors and actors who have received cochlear implants will be cast in all applicable roles. The show will be consulting with the League for the Hard of Hearing.

Reference www.movieweb.com



All My Children
airs on ABC
weekdays at
12:00 CST.

October Activities

Fall Picnic

The Fall Picnic is Friday, October 5th from 5-7:00 p.m. We have booked the pony rides and petting zoo again. Also Sunshine the Clown will be doing face painting and balloons. If anyone has a stick horse that we could borrow for games, please let me know! I thought it would be fun to have a stick horse race. Bandana's will cater the barbeque and we will also be serving hotdogs. We would love for volunteers to bring in their favorite dessert or to sign up on the PTO bulletin board. Please let me know by October 3rd if you plan on attending.



Parent Event

A coffee morning is scheduled for Thursday, October 18th at Kaldi's in Boone's Crossing. It will be from 9-10:30 a.m.

Halloween Party

The Halloween Party will be held on Wednesday, October 31st. The kids will begin the parade at 1:45 and the party will be from 2-3:00 p.m. There will be games, crafts, and snacks for the kids. If you would like to help with the party or send something in, a form will be coming home soon or you can sign-up on the volunteer sheet on the PTO bulletin board.

Submitted by Teresa Ball

Scholastic Book Club

Here is the information for September's Scholastic orders.

Yippee!!! Thanks to parents, teachers, and friends of Moog Center, we had sales of \$451.05 (our largest since I started!) and earned 2,274 points (we had several 600 point bonuses based on sales!). We used 975 points to give 9 teachers \$44.55 in free books. We have 6,233 points saved in our account. We also earned \$20 of free books from both Seesaw and

Lucky order forms. That means we earned almost \$85 free in books. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU! Keep orders coming!

October's order forms should be sent out soon so look for them to come home in your child's backpack! This month we have a chance to earn free books for each child to take home!

Submitted by Rebecca Williams



Interesting Web sites

www.hearingexchange.com

Paula Rosenthal's Web site

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Paula Rosenthal's contact email

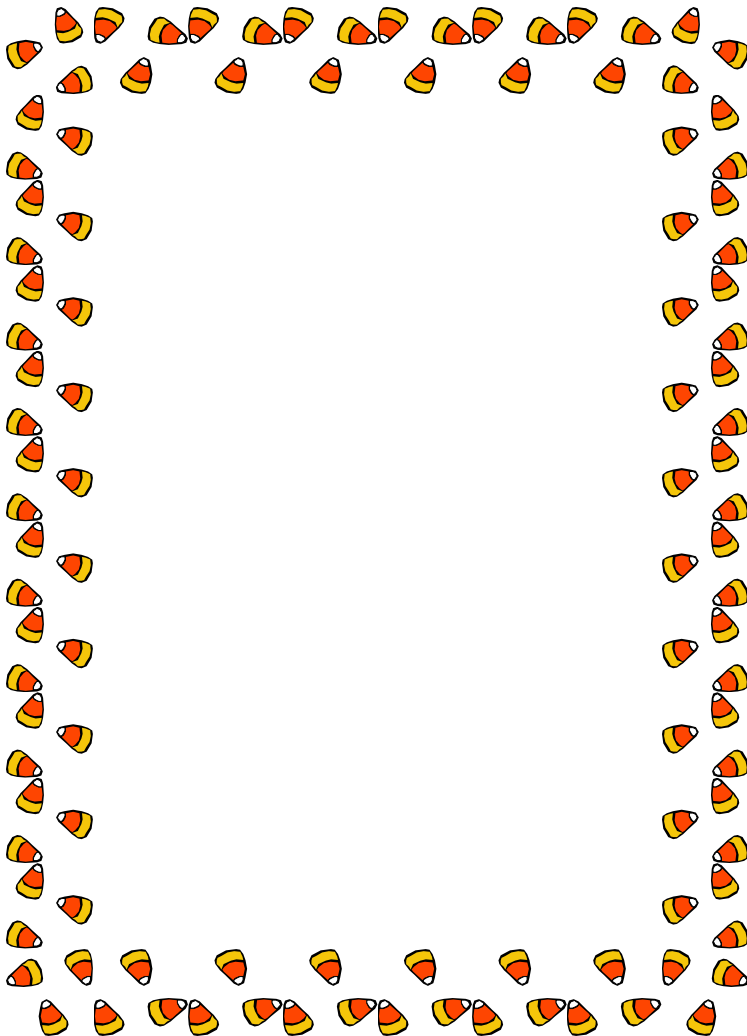
www.listen-up.org Great Information for mainstreaming.

CI circle chat group found on yahoo groups is a great tool to connect with other CI users.



Thank you to everyone who participated in all of last month's activities. This month is filled with several activities and fundraisers! We look forward to seeing everyone at the Picnic, Parent Event and all of the meetings! This is a great opportunity to connect with other parents from the school!

The fundraisers are off to a great start! We were able to earn almost \$700 from Sally Foster! Thank you for all of your great recipes for the cookbook, it is shaping up to be a great fundraiser! Don't forget to get in all of your labels, order your Scrip cards, and shop at Schnucks for an easy way to earn the PTO money!



Little Facts

Did you know:

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