



# PTA Freedom Elementary Communique

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## **Treasurer's Report September/October 2008**    Nov. 2008 • Vol. XXVIII, No. 2

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| Balance August 31, 2008:  | \$10,361.81 |
| Receipts:                 | \$18,430.34 |
| Disbursements:            | \$ 9,330.03 |
| Balance October 31, 2008: | \$19,462.12 |

*Income:* Membership Dues: \$2,496 (312 Members – 1; total of 337 members), Read-a-thon: \$13,567.75 (budgeted \$12,000), Market Day: \$1,246.06 (Sept: \$662.15; Oct: \$583.91), Restaurant Night: \$307.00 (Rita's: \$167.00; Ledo's: \$140.00), School Supply Kits: \$636.24 (profit of sales), Holiday Boutique: \$175.00 (7 Vendors), Interest: \$2.29 (Sept: \$1.28; Oct: \$1.01)

*Disbursements:* State & National Dues (\$3.25/member): \$1,053.00, Checks/Supplies/Paper/Postage: \$14.22 (flash drive for treasurer), Membership: \$8.00 (returned check of a member), Bank Fee: \$10.00 (bounced check), Web page: \$95.40, Restaurant Night: \$153.50 (Rita's & Ledo's split with school), School Supply Kits: \$24.30 (compasses), Sales Tax: \$262.14 (on school supply kits), Ground Maintenance: \$1,000.00 (pond improvement), Accelerated Reader: \$76.48 (supply for AR store), Summer Reading: \$44.25, Cultural Programs: \$1498.75 (Cosmic Adventure: \$1248.75; MD Science Center \$250.00), Field Trips: \$800.00 (3<sup>rd</sup> grade China day: \$425.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> grade Reptile World: \$375.00), Movie Night: \$75.00, Sunshine: \$183.68 (gift cards, greeting cards, teachers' luncheon supplies) Classroom Support: \$1,105.83, Student Publications: \$2,777.22, Holiday Boutique: \$148.26 (Supply for Gift shop)

### **Administrative Update**

-Please keep in mind that during American Education Week (Nov. 16-20) there will be no formal parent visitation times. We strongly encourage you to visit your child's class at anytime during the year. This was done last year and the flexibility allows parents to truly see a normal school day. Please contact the teacher ahead of time to ensure that your visit will be during a normal school schedule and not during assemblies or other events.

-16,000 Campbell's Soup Labels were collected from parents, teachers, and friends which accumulated enough funds for the Physical Education Teachers to select new jump ropes, skip-its, speed stacks, and floor hockey sticks.

-The playground committee will be meeting on 11/18/08 at school and plans are in the preliminary stages at this time. We anticipate including the upper grades in addition to kindergarten age in the design

### **Student Directory Update**

Congratulations to winners Maggie Zimmer and Jessica Queen! Their artwork will be printed on the front and back covers of our student directory. The directory is currently in the printing stage. Look for it to come home soon!

### **Read-a-thon a Great Success!**

The Read-a-thon Fundraiser raised over \$13,000. There was 57.7 % participation, which was a slight increase from last year. There were 1,390 hours of reading, 83,451 minutes. Mrs. Gibson's class won the pizza party, raising \$1,091. Mrs. Smith's class won the Sweet Treat, with greater than 90% participation. Six classes had more than 75% participation, and will receive extra recess for this great effort.

### **Restaurant Nights**

There was a \$180 profit from the Chili's restaurant night fundraiser. Many thanks to those who participated. Please note the next Restaurant night will be at **McDonald's on Monday, December 8<sup>th</sup>**. Mark your calendar and look for more information to come home.

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### **Box Tops Program**

There were \$937.30 earned by the Box Top program (9,373 tops). The goal for May 2009 is 50 box tops per student. Please keep saving them...we appreciate it!

### **Market Day**

112 Pies were sold in November, which earned our school \$1.75/pie. Our profit from this event was \$818.00. Thanks for your support Freedom School!



### **Accelerated Reader Store**

In October, 88 students visited the AR store and spent a total of 395 points. Please encourage your child to read books from the AR list, which can be found on Freedom's website [www.carrollk12.org/fes](http://www.carrollk12.org/fes) and take a quiz on that book to earn points, that they can then spend at the AR store. Students can take the AR quiz in the computer lab or in their classroom.



to...

- Nicole Smoot and Sue Trageser for volunteering to chair the Celebration Books program.
- Nicole Smoot for organizing the Movie Night early this month.
- Sue Trageser for all her work in organizing the Market Day Fundraising and everyone who volunteers in the Market Day program...it's greatly appreciated.
- Janelle Frantzen, Jeanne Patterson and the fundraising committee for their hard work and dedication to the Read-a-thon this fall.
- Tonya Bouley and Amy Daise for the Holiday Boutique...Lots of fun had by all!

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**Next PTA Meeting: Wed., December 3rd, 2008 7:00 pm  
Please Join Us!**