



### From the President

As report cards are sent home this month, you may find yourself wondering how you can help your child do better in school. One of the easiest things we can do at home is to read to our children and encourage them to read to us. Ask your child how many Accelerated Reader points he has! Congratulations to the following students who earned the points and average to make it onto the Accelerated Reader Rainbow in September and October.

#### Grade 2

Alyssa Accomando

Madeline Garcia

#### Grade 3

Bethany Barto

Jacob Bridgewater

Layla Daniels-Smith

Tyler Evans

Kaiya Goss

Asha Jackson

Tavon Olds-Sample

Veronica Tsang

Anthony Vecchio

Taylor Yoder

#### Grade 4

Dana deHaan

Aili Harris Joshua Jung

Devin Huang Jack Saunders

Caitlin Jefferson

Matthew Wright

#### Grade 5

Brianna Banks

Kyle Davis

# Thalia Elementary PTA November Newsletter

### Membership

Please join our PTA as a member for \$4.00 if you have not yet done so. We currently have 352 members; 88 of those members are teachers and staff. We have approximately 600 students at Thalia!

Parents—we need your support!! Your membership \$ helps us provide family programs and enrichment for our children. Please help us make Thalia the best place for our kids!!

### Fundraising

Value Check Fundraiser ended October 7. We had approximately 100 books that were not returned on time and over 70 that are still not paid for.

PLEASE SEND IN YOUR CHECK FOR \$12 TO PAY FOR THESE BOOKS!! We can NOT return them to the Value Check company, and it has resulted in a budget shortfall of approximately \$1,200.00!!

Innisbrook order forms will be sent home this month. Order your Christmas presents early!

## Veterans' Day

### Military Appreciation Breakfast

Tuesday, Nov. 10

Please return registration forms to your **child's teacher!**

### Parent Resources!

pta.org

vapta.org

VBparents.com

### VIE: Volunteers in Education

Thank you to everyone who sent in baked goods for the PTA Bake Sale and volunteered to help sell them at the picnic. We are currently seeking volunteers to help with math remediation from 8:10-8:30 in the mornings.

### October's Volunteer of the Month:

*Shannon Barnard*

Shannon volunteered to monitor the hallways during all four days of Stanford 10 Testing. Afterwards, she helped with a project in the office. In addition, Shannon is a room parent. Thank you for all you do for Thalia, Shannon!!

### Treasurer



Current checkbook balance as of Oct. 31, 2009: \$4,841.00

When writing checks, please place them in a sealed envelope labeled "Thalia PTA", make them payable to THALIA PTA, and include a current address and phone number.

### Chick Fil A Cashola

Tuesday, Nov. 10

5pm-8pm

Save the Turkey, Eat More Chicken!

### Eat at Zero's Week

Nov. 16-20th

### Holiday Lights at the Beach

Order forms will be sent home soon. Buy your tickets from PTA at a discount!



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### Partners in Education / Community News

Thank you to *Thalia Fire Station* for coming out to join us in our Red Ribbon Parade!

Thank you to *Wilkins School of Dance* for a wonderful performance at our Family Picnic!

Thank you to *Total Health Center* for providing free massages during our picnic!