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## From the PTO President

by Leslie Tente ■ [president@francispto.com](mailto:president@francispto.com)

**JUNE HAS ARRIVED**, and I think we can all agree that this school year has passed by so very quickly!

The PTO has had another successful year because of the support and participation of our dedicated families. The PTO is grateful to all of our families for always being willing to volunteer their time and resources to support our school. Be sure to read the Treasurer's Report to see how your contributions have benefitted our school this year!

It has been an honor and privilege to serve on this PTO board for the past three years. Because of this role, I have been able to meet so many outstanding families, and have had the opportunity to see many of the PTO goals and objectives be accomplished because of the support of this awesome school community.

I look forward to assisting our incoming board, and also look forward to all of the possibilities that the new school year will bring.

In the meantime, the PTO wishes everyone a happy and healthy summer! See you in September!

## Help keep MJF looking beautiful

### Environmental Committee Volunteers Needed!

As was mentioned in last month's newsletter, the PTO is looking for volunteers (and chairs) for the **Environmental Committee**. In early September, our school celebrates the beginning of the fall season with our annual **Mumfest**.

Our students look forward to planting colorful fall flowers around the front of the school, and they are always proud of how beautiful their school looks when they are finished!

Let's keep this wonderful tradition going!

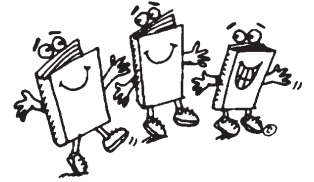
Please consider volunteering for the Environmental Committee. We would look to the volunteers to help prepare the beds for planting, and to help organize both the fall (Mumfest) and Spring Planting. Visit our website, [www.francispto.com](http://www.francispto.com), to sign-up to volunteer!



## From our Principal

by Lloydanne Leddy, Principal ■ [lalleddy@epschoolsri.com](mailto:lalleddy@epschoolsri.com)

**SUMMER IS HERE** and I would like to inform all families about the opportunity to participate in the Weaver Library Summer Reading Program. This program is free and designed to promote reading during the summer months. This year the theme of the program is **Make A Splash! Read!** Students chart the books they have read over the summer and The Weaver Library designs fun and free activities for the children centered on the theme. I strongly encourage all families to participate in this program.



The East Providence School Department has purchased a subscription to a research-based standards mastery program called **Study Island**. Your child or children in grades 3, 4, and 5 may access Study Island free of charge anywhere that Internet access is available. Study Island is aligned with Rhode Island Grade Level Expectations and is a great way for students to have fun, learn, and prepare for NECAP testing in October 2010. This program will benefit all students and I encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity.



You can use Study Island anywhere you have a computer with internet access. Go to the EP School Department website: [www.epschoolsri.com](http://www.epschoolsri.com)

1. Click on Students then go to: Study Island
2. Enter: Student name *example: Lloydanne Leddy*
3. Enter: Your Study Island user name:  
firstandlastname.epstudent (*lower case letters*)  
*example: lloydanneleddy.epstudent*
4. Enter: Your Study Island password:  
*\*each student has been given their password number*
5. Then click: Submit

The children have enjoyed using this program in school!

In closing, I'd like to thank all of the families that attend Francis School for your involvement and support. I wish our fifth graders and their families who will be attending Martin Middle School next year all the best. I hope everyone has a restful, relaxing and enjoyable summer.

## Cool to be Kind

**AT MYRON**, we think it's pretty cool that many of our teachers, students and families are so active serving and donating to our community so we want to say thank you for all that you have done this year!

Here are some of the many things done by our school community this year:

- Performed over 2,500 good deeds
- Collected and donated nearly 1,000 food items for the hungry
- Made 150 bagged meals for the homeless
- Raised over \$3,400 for charitable organizations

Most recently, we would like to thank all Myron families who so generously made our Spring Baby Shower such a success. All items were donated to the East Bay Community Action Program (EBCAP) a non-profit corporation that provides a wide array of health and human services to area families.

## 2010-2011 Board Members

**THE PTO IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE** the following officers for the 2010-2011 school year:

**Co-Presidents:** Jo-an Cox and Sherri Silverstein

**Vice President:** Pam Heatherton

**Treasurer:** Sonda Pimental

**Secretary:** Mary Cabral



## Treasurers' Report

**MAY AND JUNE** are busy months with all the year-end activities.

Family Fun Night earned \$1,327, yearbook sales raised \$1,355, Roller Skating Night \$174.50.

Expenses included Field Trips for all grades \$6,160, Student Planners for next year \$783, Sparkey's Puppets for K celebration \$450, 5th grade promotion \$350, Mad Science show \$450, Safety Patrol recognition \$325, Non-Profit 501(c)(3) filing fee \$850, Music Recorder Rewards Belts \$178, Field Day \$183, 3rd grade Casey Farm Science program \$140 (baby chicks).

We are so excited to report that the PTO has exceeded our fundraising goal of \$25,500. **The total raised for the school year was \$28,556!** Thank you to everyone who volunteered throughout the school year to make our events and activities fun and successful. Without the support from parents and the community, this would not have been possible.

**\$28,556**

**\$25,500  
GOAL**



Here is a summary of what the PTO was able to provide to the school, students, and teachers with the money earned from fundraising:

- ★ Field Trips for all grades
- ★ Magazine holders
- ★ First Day Celebration
- ★ Laser thermometer for Nurse Betty
- ★ Field Day
- ★ Student planners
- ★ 11 rolling white boards
- ★ Art supplies
- ★ 3 wall projector screens
- ★ Physical Ed. supplies
- ★ Repaired broken listening center
- ★ Quick Word handbooks
- ★ Books
- ★ Teacher classroom start up gift cards
- ★ 160 youth calculators
- ★ Biomes fish tank
- ★ 1 horseshoe table
- ★ Mad Science show
- ★ 6 folding tables
- ★ Music Recorders and Rewards belts
- ★ 17 printers
- ★ Sparky's Puppets
- ★ 3 overhead projectors
- ★ *Weekly Reader* for all grades
- ★ Overhead transparencies
- ★ Kindergarten classroom timers
- ★ 3rd grade Casey Farm Science Program

★ **IMPORTANT:** The school start time for the 2010-2011 school year will be 8:55 A.M. ★