

# Rieke Elementary PTA



*September 14, 2011*

# What is the PTA?

- PTA is an organization of more than 5 million parents and concerned adults, working to support parent involvement in schools so children succeed and learning environments improve.



# The PTA Story

- For more than a 100 years, Parent Teacher Association (PTA) has provided support, information and resources to families focused on the health and education of children.
- The organization was founded in 1897 in Washington DC as the National Congress of Mothers.
- By whatever name it has been known, National PTA was created to meet a profound challenge: to better the lives of children. And today, it continues to flourish because PTA has never lost sight of its goal: ***to change the lives of children across our great nation for the better.***



# Why do people join the PTA?

- PTA builds bridges between homes and schools, integrating the efforts of parents with principals and teachers
- When you get involved in PTA, not only does your own family benefit, but you are also positively affecting:
  - Your child's school
  - Your community
  - Your state legislation
  - Your nation's education policies



# The Role of the PTA

- PTAs help parents become knowledgeable about issues and effectively participate in local and district school decisions:
  - School construction and modernization
  - School safety
  - High-quality teachers
  - After-school programs
  - ... And much more
- Rieke PTA has
  - Funded teaching staff and enrichment programs
  - Provided Parent Education opportunities
  - Sponsored events such as the Art Fair, Carnival and Science Fair
  - Provided for families through field trip scholarships, sponsored yearbooks , etc.



# PTA Mission

- The PTA Mission: The Overall Purpose Of PTA
  - A powerful voice for all children
  - A relevant resource for families and communities
  - A strong advocate for the education and well-being of every child



# PTA Dues

- Your dues go toward projects that you, the Rieke membership, decide to focus on.
- Your dues also support the creation of resources and advocacy efforts at the state and national levels.
- Dues are \$15 each – both parents are encouraged to join.
- \$5.50 remains with Rieke PTA and becomes part of our Income budget.



# What is the Foundation?

- Completely independent from the Rieke PTA, The Rieke Foundation is our school's chapter of The Portland Schools Foundation (PSF).
- The PSF is a community-based fundraising organization with the mission to mobilize resources, leadership and support to ensure a world-class public education for every child, in every school, in every Portland neighborhood.
- The Rieke Foundation works closely with the Rieke PTA to ensure the best use of all funds raised.
- Foundation is the ONLY way to fund teachers.
- 1/3 of funds raised by the Rieke Foundation after the first \$10,000 go directly to under-served schools in PPS.





# 2011/12 Budget

- Income \$27,000
  - Special Events (Art Fair, Carnival, etc)
  - Fundraising (Restaurant nights, Scrip, etc)
  - Donations
  - PTA Dues
- Expenses \$22,080
  - Enrichment: Technology - \$9K
  - Enrichment: Music - \$4K (matched with RAT race funds to deliver a year-round music program)
  - Library Books Grant – \$1K
  - Teacher Grants – \$1,800
  - Special Project - \$4,450
  - Parking Lot enhancement project - \$550
  - Operating Expenses - \$1,280
- Goal is to run PTA budget at a zero balance



# How can you get involved?

- Sign up for PTA membership!
- Come to PTA meetings
  - Next meeting: Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm
- If you are able, donate to the PTA
- Join a committee:
  - Wish List – help make teacher’s wishes come true
  - Fundraising – make recommendations regarding fundraising efforts
  - Parent Education – organize parent education series
  - Student Enrichments – after school activities run by parent volunteers
  - Science Fair – students display science projects
  - Art Fair – Artists sell their products and Rieke shares in the profit
  - Volunteer in your child’s classroom



# How can I find information?

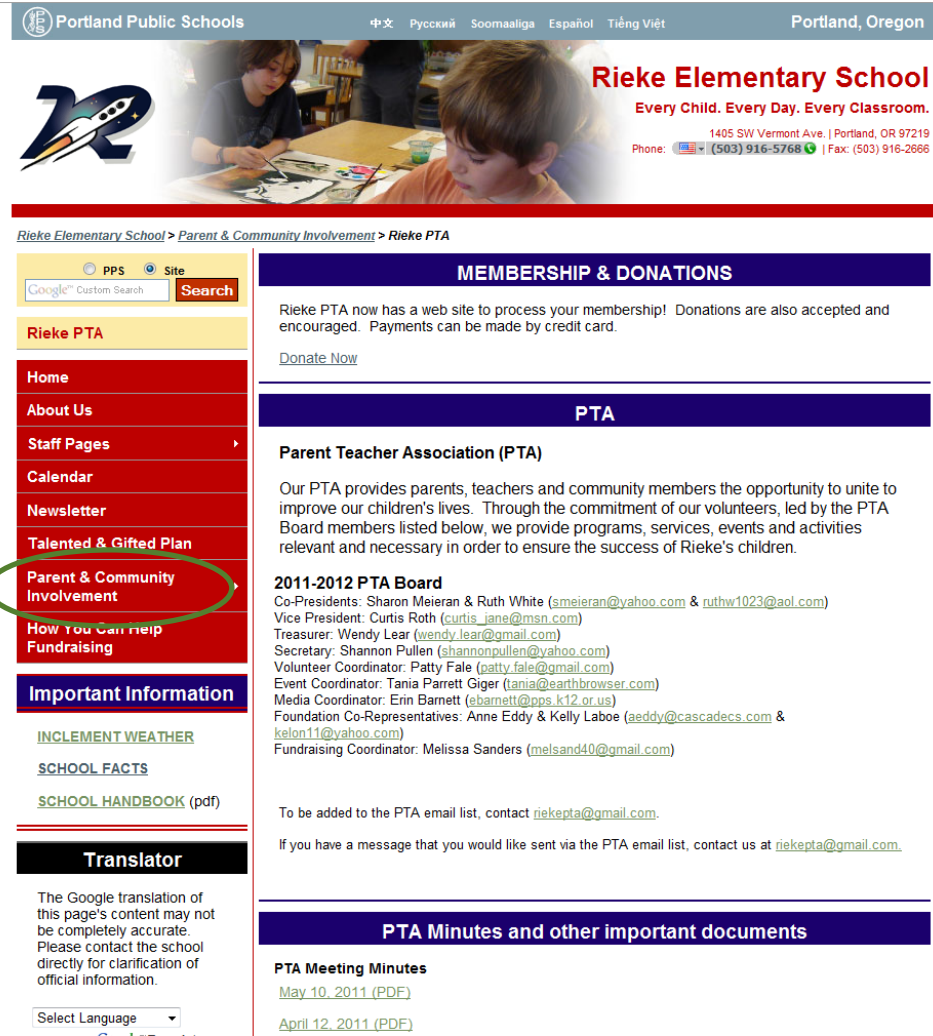
- Visit the PTA's web page!
- [www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/rieke](http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/rieke)

## Parent & Community Involvement

Rieke PTA

Rieke Site Council

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**Rieke PTA**

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**Important Information**

- INCLEMENT WEATHER
- SCHOOL FACTS
- SCHOOL HANDBOOK (pdf)

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**MEMBERSHIP & DONATIONS**

Rieke PTA now has a web site to process your membership! Donations are also accepted and encouraged. Payments can be made by credit card.

[Donate Now](#)

**PTA**

**Parent Teacher Association (PTA)**

Our PTA provides parents, teachers and community members the opportunity to unite to improve our children's lives. Through the commitment of our volunteers, led by the PTA Board members listed below, we provide programs, services, events and activities relevant and necessary in order to ensure the success of Rieke's children.

**2011-2012 PTA Board**  
Co-Presidents: Sharon Meieran & Ruth White ([smeieran@yahoo.com](mailto:smeieran@yahoo.com) & [ruthw1023@aol.com](mailto:ruthw1023@aol.com))  
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Fundraising Coordinator: Melissa Sanders ([melsand40@gmail.com](mailto:melsand40@gmail.com))

To be added to the PTA email list, contact [riekepta@gmail.com](mailto:riekepta@gmail.com).

If you have a message that you would like sent via the PTA email list, contact us at [riekepta@gmail.com](mailto:riekepta@gmail.com).

**PTA Minutes and other important documents**

**PTA Meeting Minutes**  
[May 10, 2011 \(PDF\)](#)  
[April 12, 2011 \(PDF\)](#)

## Parent Education Series

- Joan Marquis PPS, ***Teaching Responsibility and Decision Making***: Tuesday, October 18<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm
- Trudy Ludwig, ***Bullying***: Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> at 6pm
- Kathy Masarie, ***Compassionate Communication***:  
Wednesday, February 29<sup>th</sup> at 6pm
- Amy Ruona-Banister, ***Transitioning to Middle School***:  
Tuesday, April 10<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm



Thank you for being part of the Rieke community!

***Mark your calendar!***

***Next PTA Meeting:***

***Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup>***

***6:30pm in the Library***

