



# Perry Hall Middle School PTSA

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Welcome 2008—2009

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## A Message From the President

Hello and welcome to Perry Hall Middle School! I am excited about all of the prospects attainable for our PTSA this year. I hope you will join me in making the Maryland PTSA's annual theme "*Let's Get Growing!*" a reality for Perry Hall Middle School.

Our PTSA promotes and sponsors so many events and activities for our students, including an annual Talent Show, Maryland Science Center assemblies for each grade, and monthly Family Social events. In addition, through your support the PTSA is able to offer funding for educational enhancement materials for teachers, and to fully fund Student Planners for each student. We show our appreciation for teachers with weekly coffee service and a monthly breakfast. We show our appreciation for students by involving them in social events, enhancing their learning experience, and offering a scholarship program for past PHMS students. We show our pride in Perry Hall Middle School by involving parents and students in semi-annual School Clean Up activities, which help build school spirit while allowing students to earn much-needed community service hours.

Amazingly, all of this is accomplished

through the work of volunteers! Although we are always searching for active volunteers, if you have only a few occasional hours, don't despair! We are currently seeking volunteers to assist with hospitality functions and Market Day set up/distribution, as well as our Fall School Clean Up. Your few hours of time could be a tremendous asset to your PTSA.

However, don't be discouraged if your schedule is too busy to allow you to volunteer your time. There are still many things you can do to show your support for PHMS PTSA. The first thing you can do is JOIN the PTSA! For just a \$5 investment, you are helping to support our many events and activities. Or you can save Campbell's soup labels and BoxTops for Education and turn them in regularly. (See the link on our website under Fundraising for all of the specific products included.) You can also support our Market Day monthly fundraisers, Barnes & Nobles Night, Chick-Fil-A Spirit Week, and our Razen Fundraiser. Or if you choose, you can support the PHMS PTSA with a tax-deductible donation. Whichever way you decide to support the PTSA, please join us and "*Let's Get Growing!*"

Heather Patti,  
PTSA President

### SIGN UP FOR e-NNOUNCEMENTS

Would you like to receive PHMS PTSA e-announcements for the 2008-2009 school-year? Would you like to receive our newsletter electronically? To subscribe please go to our award-winning Web site at [www.phmsptsa.org](http://www.phmsptsa.org) and look for the "Sign Up" icon (pictured at right).

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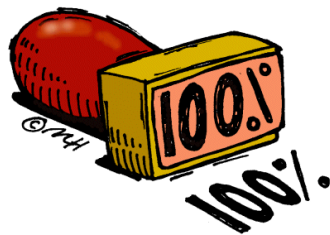
While you are visiting our Web site, check out all the other useful information such as a Calendar of Events, Fundraising Information, Meeting Dates, Parent Resources, and much more.

<i>SEPTEMBER CALENDAR OF EVENTS</i>		<i>2008-2009 BOARD MEETINGS</i>
Wednesday, September 3, 2008	Back-To-School Night Grade 6/PTSA General Meeting	Tuesday, September 9, 2008
Thursday, September 4, 2008	School Pictures by Life Touch, Day 1	Tuesday, October 14, 2008
Friday, September 5, 2008	School Pictures by Life Touch, Day 2	Monday, November 10, 2008
Tuesday, September 9, 2008	Market Day order forms due back to school	Tuesday, December 2, 2008
Wednesday, September 10, 2008	Back-To-School Night Grades 7/8	Tuesday, January 13, 2009
Thursday, September 11, 2008	Market Day internet orders due by noon	Tuesday, February 10, 2009
Thursday, September 18, 2008	Razen Fundraiser Kick-off Assembly	Tuesday, March 10, 2009
Monday, September 29, 2008	Professional Development Day; Schools & Offices Closed	Thursday, April 16, 2009
Tuesday, September 30, 2008	Rosh Hashanah; Schools & Offices Closed	Tuesday, May 12, 2009

**2008-2009 MEMBERSHIP DRIVE  
WILL YOUR CHILD'S HOMEROOM  
SUCCEED IN ACHIEVING  
100% MEMBERSHIP?**

Our PTSA Membership Drive is already under way. All parents and students are encouraged to join the Perry Hall Middle School PTSA. Grandparents, aunts, uncles, other relatives, and friends can show their support by becoming a member. Memberships cost only \$5.00 and automatically includes a membership to the Maryland PTA and National PTA. There is no obligation to you once you join, although you are invited to join us at any meeting you choose (see above for Board Meeting dates).

Our goal is 100% participation. Homerooms with 100% PTSA membership by October 31, 2008 will receive a special party! (100% membership consists of each student and at least one parent/guardian per student.)



Please complete the membership slip (found on page 3), make your check payable to "PHMS PTSA" for the amount of \$5.00 per membership, and send to school in an enveloped addressed to "PTSA Membership." Please be sure to include the student's name, your name, and the homeroom teacher's name on the membership slip. Thank you in advance for your support.

**PTSA COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSON  
AND VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!**

We are actively seeking a chairperson for our **Business Liaison Committee**. This volunteer would assist in seeking out, maintaining, and building relationships with local businesses, with the purpose of soliciting assistance and support for PTSA events and activities. If you are interested in chairing or co-chairing this committee, please email [volunteer@phmsptsa.org](mailto:volunteer@phmsptsa.org) or contact Heather Patti at 410.335.5613.



We are also actively seeking volunteers for the following committees:

- Hospitality (assist in set up and/or serving of refreshments)
- Beautification (assist with general gardening and decorations to school)
- Family Social (assist in set up and/or chaperoning)
- Market Day (assist in set up and/or distribution)

If you have time to donate to any of the above committees (even on an as needed basis!) please email us at [volunteer@phmsptsa.org](mailto:volunteer@phmsptsa.org) or contact Heather Patti.

**PLEASE SUPPORT THE RAZEN FUNDRAISER THIS FALL!**

Our Razen Fundraiser kicks off on Thursday, September 18, 2008. Please support your PTSA, which in turn helps support your student(s).

You may wonder why we need a fundraiser during and after a successful Membership Drive. In actuality, the Membership Drive only provides \$1.25 to PHMS PTSA per each \$5.00 paid membership. The remainder is split between The Maryland PTA and The National PTA.

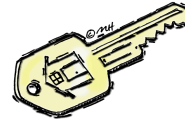


Since we sponsor so many beneficial programs and activities, it is necessary for us to conduct additional fundraisers. We ask that students participate in the fundraising to whatever extent is possible for him or her. If you are not comfortable with this, please feel free to make a donation directly to the PHMS PTSA. Remember, your donation is tax deductible.

With everyone's support, PHMS PTSA can assist students to achieve a great learning experience!

**SEPTEMBER IS LIBRARY CARD SIGN-UP MONTH!**

It's that time again... time to head back to school. But, does your student have the most important school supply of all? September is Library Card Sign-Up Month, so stop by your library today and get the smartest card of all... your library card! With it you get access to great books, DVDs, homework help and more. Your card is your key to a world of opportunity and quality family time. Get it. Use it... together at your library!



**The PTA Parent**

To register to automatically receive National PTA's *The PTA Parent* newsletter every two weeks via your email address, visit the National PTA Web site, [www.pta.org](http://www.pta.org), and click on the 'Newsletters' icon located near the bottom, right-hand side of the homepage.



Perry Hall Middle School

**Membership Form 2008-2009**



(\*List at least one student and homeroom teacher even if unpaid. Circle Grade. Please print)

Student\*: \_\_\_\_\_ Gr. 6 7 8 HR \_\_\_\_\_ Dues \$5 \_\_\_\_\_

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Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Dues \$5 \_\_\_\_\_

Parent Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Dues \$5 \_\_\_\_\_

Other (aunt, grandparent, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_ Dues \$5 \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Tax-deductible\* donation \$ \_\_\_\_\_ \***

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_ **Total paid: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

Email address (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

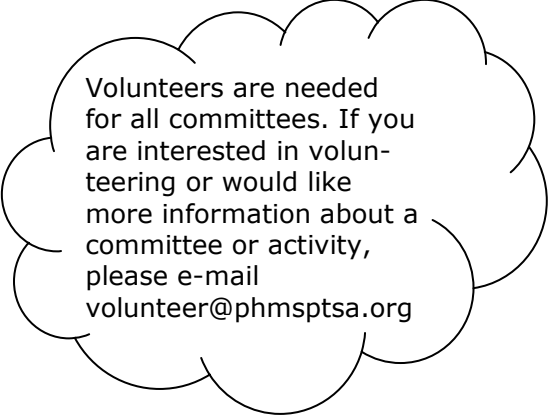
Please fill out this form and return it to school with your payment in an envelope marked "PTSA Membership". Checks are preferred. Please make checks payable to "PHMS PTSA." Thank you for your support!

\*All monetary donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. The Perry Hall Middle School PTSA is a local unit of the Maryland Congress of PTAs and is a registered 501(c)3 organization.

## PTSA Board Members

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Talent Show, Star Search  
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Toys for Tots (faculty rep)  
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Karen Wisniewski & Regina Ciattei  
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Sharon Rogowski  
Jenn Mayfield  
Deb Main  
Terri Smith  
Al Zink  
Deana Giannelli  
Seth Barrish  
Sharon Sacra



Volunteers are needed for all committees. If you are interested in volunteering or would like more information about a committee or activity, please e-mail [volunteer@phmspts.org](mailto:volunteer@phmspts.org)



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