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General PTO Announcements – Rose Hornung

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- Welcome and Introductions
  - Explanation of 50/50 Raffle - to help off-set childcare expense for PTO Meetings(Supervised childcare for children (4 years Old and up)
  - Attend PTO Meeting and receive one hour towards volunteer credit
  - A free dress pass is given to parents for attending PTO meeting.
  - PTO meetings are the second Tuesday-Every month. Except December.

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General School Announcements – Mrs. Tapp

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- Mr. Thomas, who is the owner of E.H. spoke to the PTO bringing awareness to the school's website <http://www.educationalhorizons.net> Additional information such as PTO Minutes and Newsletters and business sponsors will be added to the website. – thanks Mr. Thomas!

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- September 17 – 5th Annual Chili Cook-off and Dessert Contest
  - 6:00-8:00 pm @ Melbourne Village AHF Hall
  - Volunteers needed for planning committee, setup and cleanup.
  - Sign-up sheet presented at meeting
- PTO voted for the purchase of a PA System
- TIMELINE is a Montessori program that is traditionally held in October. This program allows students (1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> Grades) to research a character in history, dress up and prepare a speech of their character. Additional information is forthcoming.

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Science Fair – Dr. Michael Grace

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- Dr. Grace discussed the Science Fair Fundamentals
  - There are two types of scientific studies/methods:
    - Observation
    - Experimental
  - The general process for establishing a science fair project:
    - Develop questions
    - Develop a hypothesis
    - Create experiments
    - Draw conclusions
  - Suggested Project Ideas:
    - Biological Science
    - Environmental Science
    - Physical Science
  - Recommended websites:
    - [www.brev.org/websites/science.htm](http://www.brev.org/websites/science.htm)
    - [www.lib.fit.edu/pubs/scifair/portal.htm](http://www.lib.fit.edu/pubs/scifair/portal.htm)

- Key points from Dr. Grace
  - Keep original notes
  - Find a topic that will interest your child
  - Parents guidance should be minimal
  - Review guidelines for Human/Animals studies
- A science fair conference on September 18th, at FIT (Gleason Auditorium) in Melbourne for students in grades 5-8, their parents, and teachers to find out what it takes to do a successful and award winning Science Fair Project. Get science fair tips from the experts! Over 1/3 of participants in previous years went on to win at the science fair! This day of fun and information is open to middle school students... and it's free!
- E.H. Science Fair schedule for Jan 21<sup>st</sup> for Grades 3<sup>rd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> ;
- District Mar 22-24
- Volunteers needed for judging

### Treasurer's Report – Teri Stone

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- End of August balance - \$6,113.67
- Purchased School T-Shirts \$400.32

### Fund Raisers – Rose Hornung

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- Box Tops – Mr. Crocker encouraged all parent to start collecting those Box Tops. Go to the website to download coupons: <http://www.boxtops4education.com>
  - The following is just a sample of stores participating in the Box Top Marketplace, so when shopping at the store or online, ask them to look up Educational Horizons and they will credit the donation.  
<http://www.boxtops4education.com/earn/marketplace/BrowseStores.aspx>

Avon-7% donation	Magazines.com 20% donation
babygap.com 2% donation	Office Depot 3% donation
Barnes & Noble.com 2.5% donation	OfficeMax.com 3% donation
Chadwick's 2.5% donation	Old Navy.com 2% donation
FTD.com 7.5% donation	Oriental Trading Co 4% donation
Gap.com 2% donation	Overstock.com 3% donation
Hallmark Flowers & Gifts 7.5% donation	PotteryBarn 3% donation
Hickory Farms 5% donation	Sears 1% donation
Highlights Catalog 4.5% donation	Staples 2% donation
homedepot.com 2.5% donation	Target 1.5% donation
JCPenney 3% donation	Wal-Mart 1.5% donation
K-B Toys 2.5% donation	
Lands' End 3.5% donation	

- Pennies for PTO – Stacey Jellison will be coordinating the collection. Kids are encouraged to collect loose change from around the house or cars and bring them in. Each classroom is equipped with a collection bin.
- School T-Shirts for sale in the office for \$10. Students can wear this t-shirt one day a week instead of their uniform shirt. See PTO or front office if interested.

## School Clubs – Rose Hornung

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- Lego Robotics – Club Leader: Mr. Fidler
  - This is a competitive club for older children that meets on Thursday 3-4:30.
- Nature Club – Club Leader: Mrs. Grace
  - This club is suitable for all ages and is currently meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month
- Stacking Club – Club Leader: Mrs. Crider
  - This club is currently meeting on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month
- Suggested Clubs needing club leaders are Art, Drama, Chess, Spanish or Lego.
- If you are interested in leading a club, establishing a new club or would like more information, please contact the school or the PTO.
- Remember if you want to be a volunteer leader; you must enroll in the VIPS database. To do so, log on to the computer in the office and fill out the form on the VIPS system.

## PTO Officer Election – Rose Hornung

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- The nominees were invited to the front to introduce themselves and share a little about their children and their interests. After all have spoken a ballot was passed out and at the closing of the meeting, the PTO voted for the officers.

### **Nominees:**

President - Rose Hornung

Vice President - Saul Hornung

Treasurer - Teri Benedix-Stone, Vivien Hector, Melissa Senise

Secretary - Leslie Guerry, Angel Donato

## 50/50 Raffle Winner – Mr. Crocker

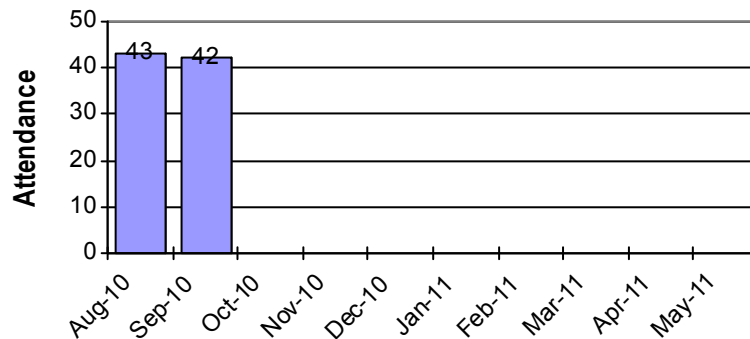
## PTO Officer Election Results

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- The ballots were counted and here are the final results:  
President - Rose Hornung  
Vice President - Saul Hornung  
Treasurer - Teri Benedix-Stone  
Secretary - Leslie Guerry

## PTO Attendance Report – Rose Hornung

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**Next PTO Meeting – October 12, 2010**