

THA PTSO

(PARENT, TEACHER AND STUDENT ORGANIZATION)

WHAT IS THIS?

This organization was created to help build community, provide support for teachers and help our students have the most amazing THA experience.

WHAT DO WE DO?

- Back to School BBQ- beginning of year party
- Summer Send Off- end of year party
- Teacher Appreciation Week- special treats for all staff during national teacher appreciation week in May
- Provide Teacher Grants
- Provide Teachers & Staff holiday gifts
- School Directory- print & distribute to all families
- Welcome New THA Families- including summer welcoming event
- Random Acts of Kindness (i.e. show teacher appreciation & support)
- Coordinate Room Parents to support Teachers and Families
- Yearly Gift from PTSO to benefit THA students, staff and families.

HOW ARE THESE PROJECTS FUNDED?

Pain Free Fundraising (this doesn't cost you a thing!)

- Box Tops for Education (collect the coupons and bring them to school)
- eScrip (THA group #6633193)
- Bashas club card (THA group #24568)
- Target Credit Card

Other PTSO fundraisers

- Challah sales
- Spirit wear sales
- Mishloach Manot Bags
- Advertising sales in school directory
- School Wide Walk/Chanukah Celebration—Walk Your Latkes Off!
- Spring Carnival

HOW DO I GET INVOLVED?

- Attend monthly meeting held the first Friday of every month in the school library. (Meetings last about an hour and young children are always welcome.)
- Read the minutes from each meeting to stay up to date on PTSO events.
- Sign up to work on a committee (or even chair a committee). See attached descriptions of volunteer opportunities.

2010-2011 THA PTSO Meeting Dates

All Meetings are held at THA in the Sebold Library,
unless otherwise advertised.

Please note that all meetings will be held at 8am

8am - Friday, August 20th, 2010

8am - Friday, September 3rd, 2010

8am - Friday, October 8th, 2010

8am - Friday, November 12th, 2010

8am – Friday, December 3rd, 2010

8am – Friday, January 7th, 2011

8am – Friday, February 4th, 2011

8am – Friday, March 4th, 2011

8am – Friday, April 1st, 2011

8am – Friday, May 6th, 2011

8am - *Friday, May 27th, 2011

*Appreciation Party during last meeting

THA PTSO Challah Order Form

Save yourself a weekly trip to the bakery by ordering your challah through the THA PTSO. The Challah is made and delivered by Nadine's Kosher Bakery. If you purchase challah, a challah will be sent home with your student each and every Friday that THA is in session.

If you would like to take advantage of this convenience, please fill out the following information and return this form to the THA PTSO mailbox, or mail in to THA attn: PTSO, along with a check for made out to THA PTSO. All orders are due by Tuesday, August 17th.

1st semester dates:

8/20, 8/27, 9/3, 10/8, 10/15, 10/29, 11/12, 12/3, 12/10, 12/17

Price for 1st Semester is \$50

2nd semester dates:

1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28, 2/4, 2/11, 2/18, 3/4, 4/1, 4/8, 4/15, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 5/27

Price for 2nd Semester is \$80

Total for year \$130

Child's name _____

Grade _____

Phone number _____

Email address _____

Thanks for your support!

Challah Sale

Volunteers are needed to label and distribute challah to classes on Friday mornings, and sell challah on Friday afternoons from 3:15-3:45.

eScrip Fundraising Committee

Coordinate set up, registration, communications, and maintenance of eScrip fundraiser.

Mishloach Manot Bag Committee

Create Mishloach Manot Bags for Purim and keep track of the ordering of and delivering of the bags to THA families and faculty.

Random Acts of Kindness Committee

Send cards to family, staff, and administration for lifecycle events.

School Directory Committee

Sell ad space in school directory, beginning in the spring, for the following school year. Includes coordinating with advertisers, printer and administration to get the directory published.

Grant Writing

If you have experience writing grant applications, please let the PTSO know. There are a lot of grants out there THA could benefit from.

Spiritwear Committee

Order and assist with THA Spiritwear. (T-shirts, promotional products, etc...) and sell at school functions.

Teacher Appreciation Week – May 2011

Plan and coordinate special treats for all staff during a national teacher appreciation week in May of 2010.

Welcome/First Friends Committee

Pair each new THA family with a veteran mentor family to help them learn the routine at THA. Includes planning for summer and back to school events for the new families.

Entertainment Book Sale

This is a two- person committee and is easy. Coordinate the annual distribution and sales of e-books at THA.

JETCO Parent Committee

Approximately 60% of THA students attend with the help of some financial aid. This is where it comes from! The Jewish Education Tax Credit Organization (formerly Cheder). This committee will educate and solicit people to redirect their tax dollars to THA! Contact Nanci Levy if you have any questions nancilevy@comcast.net

EVENTS FOR THE YEAR

Tikkun Olam Award Celebration – Sunday, October 24th 2010

Solicit donors, plan décor, and overall assist the admin with this annual community fundraiser. Moved to the Fall this year! Contact Deborah Baker if you would like to participate dchaitenbaker@mac.com

Walk Your Latkes Off! – Sunday, December 5th 2010

This is the biggest PTSO event of the year. We hope to attract community wide support and participation. We need a lot of volunteers to make this event a success.

Summer Send-Off Committee– June 3rd, 2011

Plan and coordinate an end of the year party in the spring for students, families and staff. May require solicitations

Spring Carnival

Would you like to help organize a community wide carnival? We need lots of help. This event will be fun for everyone.

Back to School BBQ

Annual Welcome Back to THA. Free to all families. Work is done over the summer.

Pain Free Fundraising



Parents—we know there is a lot of info in these packet, but PLEASE read below to see how you can support THA's PTSO with these easy, profitable, fundraisers!



- 1) Have you signed up for **eScrip** yet? Parents, Grandparents, and extended family can join and support THA! **eScrip** is the largest fundraising program where participating merchants contribute each time you make a purchase. You can sign up your Safeway Club cards, Macy's card, credit cards and even earn THA money by shopping at Office Max, Eddie Bauer, Barnes and Noble and more. Visit www.escrip.com to sign up today. Our group name is Tucson Hebrew Academy and our ID# is 6633193. In previous years, we have raised \$2000.



- 2) Almost everyone shops at **Target**. If you have a Target Credit Card or Target Visa Card, link your card to THA and the PTSO will earn money each time you shop! In Previous years, we have raise \$800.



- 3) Do you shop at **Bashas**? Do you have a club card? If so, link your card to THA's Group ID# 24568 and earn money for THA!

HELP! We are always on the look-out for other pain-free ways to raise monies for THA. If you know of any...please let us know!

Gina Rosen (520-404-6751) or Kris Silverman (520-290-3243)

PTSO VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES 2010-2011

Please check off all PTSO committees, listed below, that you would like to volunteer for. You may then, e-mail your info to gerosen@cox.net or k.silverman@comcast.net or print these sheets and put the completed info in the PTSO mailbox in the front office of THA. Please, refer to the Committee Description sheets if you have any questions. Remember, all PTSO committee hours go toward completing your mitzvah points (you need 18) for the year!

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

	Mom	Dad
Walk Your Latkes Off (December 5th)	_____	_____
Jetco Jewish Tax Credit Committee	_____	_____
Back to School BBQ	_____	_____
Challah Sales	_____	_____
eScrip Program	_____	_____
Nutrition Committee	_____	_____
Teacher Appreciation Week (early May, 2011)	_____	_____
Mishloach Manot Bag Committee	_____	_____
Welcome Committee	_____	_____
Random Acts of Kindness	_____	_____
School Directory (Spring/Summer 2011)	_____	_____
Spiritwear	_____	_____
Summer Sendoff (6/11)	_____	_____
Tikkun Olam Event Committee (October 24th)	_____	_____
Welcome Committee (Spring/Summer 2011)	_____	_____
Grant Writing	_____	_____

(Turn Over)

Please list any experience that you have in fundraising, event planning, grant writing or any other area that might be helpful at THA _____

Please list any experience that you might have that you might be able to bring into the classroom (ie: Astronomy Professor that can present information to grade that is doing an astronomy unit) or connections that you may have in the community that may in some way benefit THA Students and/or faculty. _____

Friday Shabbat Lunch Program

Each Friday, the entire school eats together family-style in the cafeteria. Students and staff are served a delicious traditional Shabbat meal, with prayers and songs led by Rabbi Billy. Parents are needed to set the tables and serve the lunch each Friday from roughly 11am-1pm. One of the perks, other than having the opportunity to see this beautiful lunch program, is that you get to enjoy Brendan's lunch too! Sign up sheets are available in the office on a clipboard. Please sign up for only two lunches at a time so that every parent has the opportunity to participate. If you would like to be on the permanent substitute list, to be called if a parent who signed up is unable to volunteer, please fill in your name(s) and cell phone numbers here. Thanks!

Name _____ Cell# _____

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