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# ALKI CURRENTS

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October 30, 2008

## ***Congratulations***

*... to all of you who made the commitment and joined the Alki PTA! We are over 160 members strong. Is your name missing and you still want to join? It is not too late! Just fill out the Membership Application on the Alki website and send it in. We would love to have you join us.*

*--Diane Fields - PTA Membership Chair*

### **Alki Elementary School PTA Membership 2008-2009**

Tsegaii Abraha  
Margit and David Anderson  
Avery Ash  
Erika Bennett  
Scott Berry  
Dan and Jill Billharz  
Tia Blackmon  
Heidi Bornstein  
Linda Braddock  
Tracey and Mark Breslich  
Cheryl and Jeff Brown  
Brenda Brynildsen  
Stacia Bushman  
Kendra Carlile Leers  
Allison and Lars Carver  
Joe Cederna  
Kate Cissna  
Anna Coghill  
Kelly Coulibaly  
Heather David  
Beth DeDonato  
Lauren and Steven Denelsbeck  
Pamela and Jason Douras  
Lori and Alex Draper  
Susan Eastly  
Colleen English  
Beth and Tom Farmer Phillips  
Jen and Alex Fernandez  
Diane Fields  
Masako Flood  
Claire Foster

John and Karen Friederich  
Katie Fuller  
Gary Geselchen  
Stacey Giacometh  
Kathleen and Don Goulet  
Benjamin Greene  
Myrtle and Robert Griffiths  
Mark Gunlogson  
Heather and Gary Gutierrez  
Sheryl and Peter Guyon  
Meg Haggerty  
Jen and Ken Hey  
Karen and John Hinkey  
Jannette and Steve Hoberecht  
Alexander and Claire Hochart  
Barbara Holder  
Juanita Hoskins  
Beth and Artie Huycke  
Chris and Stephanie Jacobs  
Torrey John  
Shirlee Johnson  
Rick Joseph  
Judith Kaufman  
Ed and Lynda Keegan  
Carla Kord  
Kordell and Rayna Kubo  
Mary Pat Lawlor  
John Leers  
Karna Leinbach  
Max Lemke  
Heatheranne Likout

Desiree Loughlin  
Mark Lovre  
Soroya and Timothy Lowry  
Gerald Lutz  
Kathy and Joe Maggiora  
Brendan Mahaffey  
Tim and Sandy Dennis Marsden  
Nick and Sharon Matarangas  
Hominee and Jason Matheny  
Ginny Matthews  
Mike McComb  
Heidi McWatters  
Lance and Sandra Merkin  
Paul and Ana Caugin Moseley  
Kathleen Mullaney  
Eric and Lisa Nobis  
Kathy Nordgren  
Judy Oehling  
Mark and Susan Perry  
Karen Pfeiffer-Bush  
Audrey Querns  
Linda and Mike Rackner  
Laurie and Andy Rasmussen  
Gary Reifel  
Lisa Renoe  
Akila Reysan  
Michelle and Paul Rodriguez  
Jennifer Rosholt  
Emily Rough  
Erika Shearer-Haberly  
Jeff and Doreen Sifferman



Janet and Steve Smith  
A. Renee Smith  
Rachel Spain  
Gena and Roger Starkweather  
Joe Sullivan  
Kristina and Ryan Surface  
Jason and Morgan Timblin  
Matt and Stephanie Trinneer  
Jennifer and David Trise  
Wudase Uebre  
Tina Urso  
Maria Vassiliou  
Diane Ventimiglia  
Felicia Von Drak-Olsen  
Chris Wain  
Carmon and Orly Waller  
Jean and Tim Williams  
Tim and Nancy Woodland

## ***GLOBAL GALA ALKI AUCTION***

### **Get Those Tickets!**

Buy yours while they last! This is the perfect opportunity for grandparents, neighbors and friends to join you for a festive evening to celebrate our school. You should have received an order form in kid-mail by now, or you can find them next to the school office and on the website. You won't want to miss this ... we hope to see you there!

### **Why Should I Come?**

The auction is our biggest PTA fundraiser of the year and it is a truly fun evening. It's your chance to mingle, dine and party with other Alki parents! Our goal is to raise \$50,000 to support programs like After School Activities, our music, drama and dance programs, Family Fun nights and activities, facilities improvements and much more.

### **Anything Else I Should Know?**

The Global Gala Auction will be held Friday, November 21st at the Hall at Fauntleroy.

If you need more information or have questions, please contact Doreen Sifferman at [dsifferman@comcast.net](mailto:dsifferman@comcast.net) or 938-2230.

*Thank you to everyone who has donated an item or their time and talents to the auction (or has gotten their friends, family and/or local businesses to donate). Everything little and large helps us to reach our \$50,000 goal!*

### **Walking to School With Mayor Nickels!**

On October 8, more than 150 students, teachers, parents and community members walked six blocks to school as part of the worldwide Walk This Way Day.

Many thanks go to Principal Hill, Coach McChesney, Crossing Guard Marianne Clark, Laurie Rasmussen, Pam Douros, Allison Carver, Kim Schwarzkopf, Angie (for muffins), Katie Fuller, Nancy Woodland, lots of teachers and school staff, Mayor Nickels, the Seattle Police Department, the Seattle Fire Department, Deb Will of Safe Kids South King County and every person who joined us for the walk.

Getting to and from school should be an easy and safe thing for all of our children. *Please remember that 59<sup>th</sup> Ave SW directly in front of the school is for School Buses Only at pick-up and drop-off time.* Driving our cars safely and dropping kids off in the right spot is key to keeping everyone safe and sane during those busy times when children are crossing the streets to get to Alki.

**Dads and Donuts** - Over 70 dads and friends of Alki made it to our first Dads and Donuts event. Wow! Thanks to Justin Leggett, Steve Denelsbeck, Bob Griffiths, Andy Smith, and Andre Laranang for helping make it a marvelous morning. We'll make sure to have a lot more donuts next time!

**Student Directory** - Thanks to the hard work of Lance Merkin, Pam Douros, and Lori Draper, our 2008-2009 Alki Student Directory will be coming home soon. Watch for it!

**Kindergarten Social** - Our very first 'grade level' social of the year went wonderfully. A special thank you to Linda Bradrick and Kristina Surface for pulling it all together, and thanks to all the Kindergarten families who attended.

**Front Entry** - The front entry of our school looks extra fabulous thanks to the artistic flair of Rossi Donesky, Hominee Matheny, Emily Rough, Susan Hamilton, and Shirlee Johnson. Thank you!

**Two Hour of Power** - A huge thank you to Sharon Matarangas for her many hours working on our new Two Hour Power volunteer program. (You've definitely fulfilled your two hours by now—extra lightning bolt for you!) ☺

**Sally Foster** - Thanks to Karna Leinbach for making Sally Foster such a great success. We raised over \$7,000.00 to support programs at Alki ... way to go! And thank you to Heatheranne Likout, Pam Douros, Lori Draper, Kathleen Goulet, Andre Laranang, Lynda Keegan, Hominee Matheny, Tracy Breschel, Katie Fuller, Lisa Renoe, and Mary Brodahl for helping with all the various areas of Sally Foster.

**Entertainment Books** - Thank you to Heatheranne Likout for working endlessly and enthusiastically on our first Entertainment Book fundraiser. We made over \$1300.00 ... great work!

*A terrific time was had by all at our annual Harvest Party! A huge thank you to Linda Rackner for her fantastic planning, decorating and organizing of the event. It was a very "spook-tacular" evening!*



### **From Linda Rackner, Harvest Party Chair**

"A big thank you to all of the parent and student volunteers who helped make the Harvest Party such a success this year!

Special appreciation goes to: Mark & Tracey Breslich, Ginny Mathews, Susie & Mark Perry, Rachel Spain, Gerald Lutz, Dawn St. Aubyn, Kathy Maggiora, Colleen English, John & Karen Friederich, Hominee Matheny, Stacia Bushman, Margit Anderson, Laurie Rasmussen, Andre Laranang, Rayna Kubo, Mike Rackner and all of the unsung heroes who stayed to help clean-up. If you pass by our illustrious custodial crew, please extend a warm thank you as they had to endure a little extra clean-up duties and did so with a smile.

Thank you to our corporate partners who generously donated their time and/or products:

Gail Ann Photography

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PCC Natural Markets

We also thank Seattle Popcorn & Carpinito Brothers Farm for selling their products to us at a significant discount.

If you are interested in learning more about the science experiments or purchasing the supplies for fun at home, you can visit Steve Spangler Science online. He has great free ideas on the website, some fun videos and all of the items we used in the Creepy Science Labs for purchase."

## **Don't Forget Election Day November 4<sup>th</sup>**

Thanks to all the volunteers who have donated their time and baking skills to the Alki PTA Election Bake Sale. It's not too late to help ... volunteer opportunities are still available. Please contact Shan Needham at 206-799-3666 or shan@keithlyelectric.com for more information.