

# SCIOTO RIDGE PARENT TEACHER ORGANIZATION

# SCIOTO SCOOP

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## A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



### JANUARY

- 12 - End of Second Quarter
- 15 - NO SCHOOL - MLK Day
- 16 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher Work Day
- 25 - 2 HOUR LATE START

### FEBRUARY

- 7 - Cultural Fair (6:30-8:30pm)
- 9 - Classroom Valentine Parties
- 13 - PTO Meeting (7 pm)
- 19 - NO SCHOOL - President's Day
- 20 - NO SCHOOL - Curriculum Day
- 20 - Ice Skating@Chiller (2-4pm)
- 26 - NO SCHOOL - due to Conferences
- 27 - Parent Teacher Conferences
- 27 - Staff Appreciation Dinners

### MARCH

- 1 - 2 HOUR LATE START
- 8 - Parent Teacher Conferences
- 8 - Staff Appreciation Dinners
- 9 - Winter Dinner & Dance
- 13 - PTO Meeting (9:30 am)
- 23 - End of Third Quarter
- 26-30 - NO SCHOOL - Spring Break

### APRIL

- 6 - NO SCHOOL
- 10 - PTO Meeting (7 pm)
- 11-20 - Spring Book Fair
- 18 - 2 HOUR LATE START
- TBD - Talent Show
- TBD - Write Shop

### MAY

- 5 - Carnival
- 8 - PTO Meeting (9:30 am)
- 14 - Teacher Appreciation Week
- 17 - Staff Appreciation Luncheon
- 22 - 2 HOUR LATE START
- 26 - NO SCHOOL - Memorial Day

I hope everyone had a wonderful holiday break. Between flying back and forth between Chicago, Texas, and Ohio it hardly seemed like a break to me, but it was fun none the less. I hope everyone has returned rejuvenated and ready for the last half of the year. We still have a lot of fun events ahead. COSI on Wheels is this week, our Around the World celebration is coming up, Ice Skating at the Chiller is in February, and March will bring our Luau Dinner and Dance. That is all in just the next few months so there should be lots of fun to choose from.

This is the time of year when we all start to lose a little steam, but I encourage you all to pick an event to attend. All of our wonderful volunteers and administration put a lot of work into all of our school events. They could not take place without their efforts. This is why I urge each of you to get involved in some small way this last half of the year. It is such a great feeling to participate in something that benefits our children.

As many of you may have read in last month's newsletter, we are being relocated again. I write this with a heavy heart as Powell feels like home to me. We felt welcome here from the start. My daughter started 1st grade here and being her 3rd Elementary school already, did so with some trepidation. She was welcomed immediately as was I. Within months of being in the school I found myself agreeing to the request to take on the PTO Presidency. Many may have thought I was crazy 😊, but it was one of the best decisions I made since moving here.

Being involved with the PTO has brought a wealth of friendship to my door as well as the ability to help shape what we offer here at Scioto Ridge for our children and faculty. It has been a pleasure and two years later an opportunity I am grateful for.

With that being said, it will soon be time for me to pass on the torch. Though I will stay on as President until we move, we would like to have someone start now with us on the board to assure a smooth transition. I know that the position can seem daunting, but take it from a newcomer, a supportive board and helpful faculty can make a world of difference. If you are even slightly interested, I would love to talk with you about the position. It is a necessary one and one that we hope to fill before I leave.

I just want to again thank everyone that welcomed me to the school when we arrived. Relocating is hard, but I will always remember Powell as a warm and welcoming place that I was glad to call home even if just for a short time.

Sincerely,  
**Jennifer Reck**  
PTO President

SUBMISSIONS FOR NEXT ISSUE  
ARE DUE NO LATER THAN:  
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9TH.

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ALOHA!

Winter Dinner & Hawaiian Luau Dance  
Friday evening, March 9, 2007

Also, the **Planning Committee** is now forming so if you are interested in having some fun as a committee member or simply want to help out that evening **please email or call the chairpersons: Christina Lombardo Ray - [Christina@LifeTrekCoaching.com](mailto:Christina@LifeTrekCoaching.com) 614.332.9747, or Traci Carlino - [tcarlino@columbus.rr.com](mailto:tcarlino@columbus.rr.com) 614.932.9987.**

ICE SKATING AT THE CHILLER

Tuesday, February 20th, 2-4pm

Looking for something fun to do with the kids on their day off? Come to **Chiller** and join other Scioto Ridge students in an afternoon of ice skating.



FROM THE CULTURAL DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

SOMETHING NEW

Take a minute to visit the **Cultural Awareness Display** the next time you visit Scioto Ridge. The display case is located near Dr. Cook's office and the contents change every couple of months. The items currently on display are representative of the **games and toys** that children play with from many different countries and cultures.

AROUND THE WORLD WITH SCIOTO RIDGE

The **Second-Annual Cultural Fair** is  
**6:30-8:30 PM, Wednesday, February 7th.**

Bring the whole family for a fun night of learning about cultures from around the world! You can tour the continents and listen to Scioto Ridge parents share their expertise on a variety of cultures. It will be a fun filled evening for all! **Contact Dr. Doug Cook, 740-657-4810, [Doug\\_Cook@olentangy.k12.oh.us](mailto:Doug_Cook@olentangy.k12.oh.us)** with questions.

**Kroger Cares Gift Cards**

A quick and easy way to earn money for the school is to purchase and use the Kroger Cares card. It is a rechargeable gift card that earns the SRPTO 5% on all purchases, including GAS! All you need to do is order a card for \$5 (there's already \$5 on the card) and then recharge the card at the service counter or check out lane before you buy your groceries. Why not buy 2 - one for you and one for your spouse - we earn \$2 with every \$40 of gas! With just a few current participants we are earning hundred's of dollars. Some local schools earn thousands of dollars each year. Just think if we all used the Kroger Cares Card when purchasing our food this Holiday Season!!!

To order a card, **please send \$5 per card** to school with your child and in 1-2 weeks you will receive your card in your child's backpack. Please make the **checks payable to SRPTO** and include the following information with your check:

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

Student Name \_\_\_\_\_

# of Cards \_\_\_\_\_

Teacher Name \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you!

Patricia Hawke, SCRIP Chair