

The Purple Page



Lanier Middle School 2600 Woodhead St. Houston, TX 77098 (713) 942-1900 April 12, 2013

UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 15-19 Teacher Appreciation Week
Apr 15,16 Workshop: Dance Company,
Team, Ensemble 3:30-6
Apr 16-17 Book Fair at Barnes & Noble 3:45-8p
Apr 16 Advanced Drama Parent Mtg. 6p
Apr 17 Workshop: Coed Hip Hop Crew 3:30-6p
Apr 18 Dance Company,
Team Ensemble Auditions 3:30-7p
Apr 19 Coed Hip Hop Crew Auditions 3:30-5p
Apr 22 Open Drama Dept. Auditions 3:45-5:30p
Apr 26 Open Drama Dept. Callbacks 3:45-5:30p
Apr 30 Drama Dept.'s Murder Mystery
Dinner Show 6p
May 1 Drama Dept.'s Murder Mystery
Dinner Show 6p

PTO NEWS

LANIER NIGHTS AT CALIFORNIA PIZZA KITCHEN!

Dine at **California Pizza Kitchen** in the River Oaks Shopping Center (1997 W. Gray) and CPK will donate 20% of Lanier sales to the Lanier PTO! Eligible purchases include dine in, carry out, and catering! Bring the attached flyer to CPK during this **FUNdraiser which runs from Sunday April 14th through Wednesday April 17th** to earn money for the PTO while enjoying a delicious meal!

California Pizza Kitchen hours are 11 a.m. to 10 p.m.

MAKE A NIGHT OF IT...WITH THE SPRING BOOK FAIR

Tuesday, April 16 & Wednesday, April 17
3:45 – 8:00pm

We look forward to seeing everyone at **Barnes and Noble** at 2030 West Gray where Lanier will have a table upstairs near the kids section. Each child will receive a flyer and purple voucher to bring to the book fair. The voucher will have the Book Fair ID # for Lanier to present at check out.

“Free Dress Day” pass to every student who attends the Book Fair!!!

The Literacy teacher with the greatest number of students at the Book Fair will win a special prize!!

Parking is not a problem – Barnes and Noble has a free parking garage connected to the bookstore just off of Shepherd.

We've made it easy with several ways to shop at Barnes and Noble so that Lanier earns a percentage of all sales! You can purchase anything in the store (books, music, movies, and merchandise), or Café. You can even purchase on-line! On-line sales run from April 16th through April 22nd. The electronically attached Book Fair flyers have “shop on-line” instructions as well as additional information and Book Fair ID Vouchers.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Maryann Mueller (maryann@useraid.com) and Mary Beth Yard (mary.yard@att.net)

PURPLE PUP SPORTS

LANIER GIRLS LACROSSE

On Sunday the girls lacrosse team was victorious over Klein. Scorers included: **Maddie Spence (3), Nakeeya McCardell (3), Erin Sheena (3), Jewls Stefan (2), Madison Fertak (1) and Christina Broeckelmann (1).** Way to go girls!

The girls lost a hard fought battle against Kingwood Tuesday night. Scoring a goal for Lanier were: **Renee Shohet, Christina Broeckelmann, Maddie Spence, and Nakeeya McCardell.**

Next up is a play day against Stratford and Spring Branch. Good luck, Pups!

SOFTBALL LADY PUPS STILL #1!

The Lady Pups continue to have a spectacular year. They won their last four games, defeating Johnston (12-0), West Briar (7-0), Black (15-0), and West Briar (10-1 in their 2nd matchup). The Lady Pups' record this season is 11 wins and 1 loss with just two district games remaining. The team is working very well together, and the girls' enthusiasm is evident on and off the field. **Congratulations, Lady Pups, for earning the top spot in HISD!**

Come out to Pershing Middle School for the HISD season-end tournament. It's scheduled for 4:30 PM on Monday-Wednesday, April 15-17. Help cheer on our Lady Pups to a district championship!

PURPLE PRAISE

Straight out of the Drama Department comes news that Lanier's Drama Department captured **2nd place** among all competing HISD middle schools at the UIL 2012 District championships, the *second time in two years!* Lanier walked away with several awards:

***Best Crew**

***Best Actor: Lorenz Lopez**

***All-Star Cast Member: Sven Baldwin**

***Honorable Mention All-Star Cast Member: Jamie Perkins, Mackenzie Graham**

Congratulations to our great UIL One-Act Play cast and crew!

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW 7TH CHINESE NATIVE SPEAKER CLASS

Attention 6th graders! If you are a native Chinese speaker, mark your calendar! The Chinese entry assessment will be held on April 29th Monday during SL. **If you are interested in taking the class in 7th grade, sign up now! Contact Mrs. Lin at SLIN@houstonisd.org or stop by R136. Spread the word! Only you can make it happen!**

ALGEBRA 1 SUMMER CAMP

To all 6th, 7th and 8th grade students considering Algebra 1 next year-- Lanier will be conducting two different Algebra Summer Camps this summer. **The first Summer Algebra Camp will be offered July 29 – August 1 and the second Summer Algebra Camp will be offered on August 5 - 8.** Algebra 1 summer camp is a four day course that will be held at Lanier Middle School to provide students with the basic Algebra concepts to start off and succeed in high school Algebra 1.

The camp will cover algebraic concepts and terminology used in Algebra, problem solving with abstract concepts, use of technology to help solve algebraic problems, understanding assessment system used in high school Algebra, and learning study and time management skills needed for abstract concepts. The camp will use TI-84 graphing calculators along with hands-on manipulatives to describe exponents, variables and number concepts.

Limited space is available for morning or afternoon sessions. The cost is only \$125 for one week, all 4 days, of the 8:30-11:30 A.M. morning sessions or \$125 for one week, all 4 days, of the 12:30-3:30 P.M. afternoon sessions or \$200 for one week, all 4 days, of both morning and afternoon sessions. Financial assistance is available. **Please contact Mr. Wisniewski at the email bwisniew@houstonisd.org or ski.boyd@gmail.com for application forms or you can download them at: <http://www.freewebs.com/lms-wisniewski/>**

CARNEGIE VANGUARD HS- TEXAS PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PROJECT

Carnegie High School would like to invite Lanier parents, students, and teachers to see their juniors presenting their TPSP projects at Carnegie throughout the week of April 15th – 20th. During the fall semester, Carnegie juniors select a topic of interest to research, find a mentor in their chosen field, conduct research on their topic, and finally write a paper synthesizing their research. During the spring semester, they create a product that is real-world applicable, solves a problem, provides new information, and ultimately is truly unique. Students will be presenting their projects and you are invited!

The schedule is as follows:

Monday, April 15th – Friday, April 19th

4:30 – 8pm

Saturday, April 20th

8am – 4pm

IB CORNER

IB WORD OF THE WEEK

Week 31: Personal Project - a significant piece of work that is the product of the student's own initiative and creativity. Each project must reflect a personal understanding of the areas of interaction. Students apply the skills acquired through one of these areas as well as approaches to learning. Students are expected to choose their project, which can take many forms, and take the process through to completion under the supervision of a teacher in the school. This involves planning, research, and a high degree of personal reflection. www.ibo.org

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES FOR THE PURPLE PAGE

Please follow the guidelines below for any submission to the Purple Page:

- Submit your article to purplepageeditor@gmail.com.
- **All articles are subject to approval by Ms. Smith.**
- All submissions are due by **5:00pm on TUESDAY**, but **EARLIER is BETTER!!** Later submissions must have principal approval.
- If your submission needs to be translated, it must be submitted **by Tuesday 9:00am**.

Please create a Word Document (Font: Arial, size 10) for all submissions as an attachment to your email.

All information contained in the Purple Page is correct as of 9pm, April 10, 2013, and has been printed with the approval of Linda Smith, Lanier Principal.