

The Purple Page



Lanier Middle School 2600 Woodhead St. Houston, TX 77098 (713) 942-1900 April 20, 2012

UPCOMING EVENTS

Apr 25 NJHS Induction Ceremony	6p
Apr 27 Progress Reports	
May 2 Lanier Dance Spring Show	6:30p
May 5 New Student Meet and Greet	9-11a
May 7-15 Stanford 10 Testing	
May 17 SDMC Meeting	3:45p
May 18 Great 8 Dance	
May 19 Debate Banquet	
Lanier Math Tournament	

PTO NEWS

SPRING BOOK FAIR AT BARNES AND NOBLE

The Book Fair was a wonderful success!! We want to thank everyone for coming and supporting Lanier. We would like to thank Katy Perez and Evette Wesley for all of their help at the Book Fair.

Congratulations to Ms. Kemp who was the winner of the teacher contest.

Happy Reading! See you next year!
Maryann Mueller and Mary Beth Yard

DO YOU HAVE A PTO QUESTION?

Simply go to www.lanierpto.org and click on the "Contact Us" button on the left side of the page or email asklanierpto@gmail.com.

LANIER LINES

CLUSTER 6C CHARITY YARD SALE

Lanier's Cluster 6C is sponsoring a huge charity yard sale on Saturday April 21 from 9AM until noon here at Lanier. Students, teachers and parents will be sponsoring 75 + tables filled with clothes, books, toys and furniture and all the money we raise will be spent on supporting two charities: Heifer, International and The Salvation Army. If we raise enough money, in fact, we may be able to help impoverished families – both here and around the world – improve their quality of life and their economic standing.

And there are great deals to be had, too...

It should be a fun time for a great cause, so please show your support for Cluster 6C by bringing your friends and family up to school on Saturday and shop around for hidden treasures. We will be here and we hope you will be, too.

WHAT: Lanier's 5th Annual Charity Yard Sale
WHEN: Saturday, 21 April – 9AM – Noon
WHERE: Lanier Middle School Cafeteria
(Rain or shine!)

2012 LANIER MATH TOURNAMENT

The 1st Annual 2012 LANIER MATH TOURNAMENT will be held on SATURDAY, May 19 at Lanier Middle School (2600 Woodhead St. Houston, TX 77098). Schools are invited to register 5-member teams of students in grades 5-8 to compete face-to-face. The opportunity for students to grow mathematically is unsurpassed, the problems are clever, engaging, and challenging, and the atmosphere is exciting for student and teacher alike.

Sponsored by the Lanier Middle School MathCOUNTS Club, the 2012 LANIER MATH TOURNAMENT will accept up to 20 teams of 5 students each. The registration deadline is May 5. Since space is limited and acceptance is on a first-come, first-registered basis, schools should enroll all their teams as quickly as possible. Teams can consist of students from different grade levels—within elementary and middle grades— and different schools. The registration fee is \$50 for a 5-person team or \$15 per individual. Students who sign up individually will be randomly grouped into 5-person teams for the team round.

Each team must be accompanied by a teacher or chaperone who will proctor a team from another school. Students and teachers should bring their own lunches and pencils. Mid-morning drinks and snacks will be served.

Calculators will not be permitted. Every student will receive a certificate of participation, and awards will be given to high scoring individuals and teams.

For further information, call Diane Wu at 832-519-8458 or email laniermathtournament@gmail.com.

The tournament website is:

<https://sites.google.com/site/laniermathtournament/>

CHEERLEADING/ MASCOT TRYOUT INFORMATION

Attention parents of 7th grade students interested in trying out for the 2012-2013 8th grade LMS cheerleading squad or mascot:

There will be mandatory parent informational meetings on April 25 and 26, 2012 at 6:00pm in the Lanier cafeteria. You only have to attend one of the nights, but a parent or guardian must attend the entire meeting for your child to be eligible to try out for the squad or for mascot.

Cheerleading tryouts will be May 14-17, 2012 after school in the Lanier gym.

Have questions or need more information? Email swolfe1@houstonisd.org or see Mrs. Wolfe in the dance room.

LANIER DANCE SPRING SHOW

The Lanier Dance Spring Show is May 2, 2012 at the Delmar Stadium Field House. Tickets are now on sale for \$7 each in the dance room. Tickets sold at the door will be \$10 each.

GOT MATH? PROVE IT.

Come to our inaugural Math Circle.
(challenging math and fun galore)
Ms. Wu's Room (#241)
Fridays, 3:40-4:30 pm
Starting April 20th
Presented by Reasoning Mind

PURPLE PUP PRAISE

H-E-B TOURNAMENT OF CHAMPIONS SUPPORTS LANIER BAND

This week, H-E-B Tournament of Champions recognized Lanier Band with a \$2,500 contribution to the Lanier Friends of Music. Thank you Mr. Jackson and all our wonderful band students for your hard work and positive contribution to Lanier Middle School!

MODEL UNITED NATIONS CLUB

The Model United Nations club attended the Global Classrooms conference on Thursday, April 5th. The club researched different countries, debated from that country's viewpoint, and tried to solve world problems such as trafficking of wild animals, environmental refugees, sustainable energy, child labor, Israel/Palestine situation and more. Students had to work with other students from around the city in order to solve these problems. The following students won best position paper, honorable mention or best delegation awards in each of their committees:

Security Council:

Honorable Mention: Jason Lan and Robert Brown
Best Delegation: Lauren Nyquist and Greg Pauloski

United Nations Development Program:

Honorable Mention: Agnus McCarthy, Nicole Harai, Kenneth Moreno, Ethan Tran, and Lekha Sunder
Best Delegation: Ben Teague and Beckett Gonzalez

Economic and Social Council

Honorable Mention: Luke Lawyer, Joie Ling, Camille Calabrese, and Mackenzie Graham
Best Delegation: Lyle Derden and Hugh Hakdik

United Nations Environment Program-

Best Paper: Elsy Laureano and Matthew Capistran
Honorable Mention: Dylan Anderson and Zoe Dark-Fox
Best Delegation: Noah Scantlebury and Grant Lurix

UNICEF

Best Paper: Micah Gielow and Andrew Casella

Congratulations to all the delegates and thank you for all your hard work this year!

UH DEBATE TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Extemp.

Lehka Sunder - 1st
Connor Selna - 2nd
Samuel Tekie - 3rd
Gregory Pauloski - Finalist
Hugh Hajdik - Finalist
Robert Brown - Finalist

Sr. Impromptu

Luke Lawyer - 1st
Connor Selna - 2nd
Jason Lan - 3rd
Tommy Yi - 4th
Jorge Montemayor - 5th
James Feng - 6th

Sr. Poetry

Amy Yao - 1st
Amy Jia - 2nd
Stephanie Oyolu - 3rd
Lauren Sonik - 4th
Betsy Broaddus - 5th
Madeline Muhlherr - 6th
Chan Golla - 7th
Kira Lam - 8th

Dramatic

Maddie Spence - 1st
Alfred Grimaldo - 2nd
Amy Yao - 3rd
Eric Shi - 4th

Sr. Prose

Jillian Thomas - 1st
Betsy Broaddus - 3rd
Madeline Muhlherr - 4th
Lauren Sonik - 5th
Dikla Taylor - 6th
Litzell Juarez-Palestino - 7th
Alfred Grimaldo - 8th

Jr. Impromptu

Stephanie Oyolu - 2nd
Nikki Goldin - 3rd
Zibi Gugala - 4th
Curtis Yao - 6th

Jr. Prose

Elise Lanier - 1st
 Stephanie Sonik - 2nd
 Jia Zhu - 3rd
 Kaylie O'Connell - 4th
 Nikki Goldin - 6th

Religious Text

Alfred Grimaldo - 4th

TV Commercial

Jorge Montemayor - 3rd
 Zibi Gugala - 7th

TV Comm. Spanish

Litzell Juarez-Palestino - 2nd
 Olga Marquez - 3rd
 Miguel Covarrubias - 4th

Audition Spanish

Litzell Juarez-Palestino - 2nd
 Jessica Aguilera - 4th

Spanish Soapbox

Jorge Montemayor - 1st

Spanish Storytelling

Jessica Aguilera - 4th

Jr. Poetry

Alisa Lu - 2nd
 Elise Lanier - 3rd
 Nikki Goldin - 5th
 Stacey Yard - 6th

Oratory

Ariana Fletcher-Bai - 1st
 Olivia Cardenas - 2nd
 Lehka Sunder - 3rd
 Sofia Hernandez - 4th
 Mahavir Bhakta - 5th
 Jorge Montemayor - 6th

Humorous

Stephen Murphey - 1st
 Jamison Miles - 2nd
 Cameron Biggart - 3rd
 Jacob Van Brunt - 4th
 Larry Zhang - 5th
 Amy Jia - 6th

Duo Improv

Grimaldo & Shi - 1st
 Ho & Covarrubias - 3rd
 Tekie & Tabibzadegan - 4th
 A. Yao & Lam - 5th
 Nathan & Hixson - 6th

Audition

Tirthana Khedkar - 1st
 Rachel Jama - 2nd
 Daniella Ramos - 4th

Soapbox

Cindy Zhou - 2nd
 Mackenzie Aden - 3rd
 Jakin Cordova - 4th

Group Improv

Luke M., Alex H., Thomas, Q., Michael T., Jorge M. - 1st
 Athene, Kaylie, Catherine, Vega - 4th

Vocals

Lauren Sonik - 6th

Readers Theatre

Katherine N., Nikki, Catherine, Ally, Sara, Athene, - 1st

Group Lip-Sync

Khurana & Muehlherr - 1st

Speaker Awards

Alfred Grimaldo - 1st
 Jorge Montemayor - 2nd
 Litzell Juarez-Palestino - 3rd

Dance

Luke M., Alex H., Thomas, Q., Jorge M. - 4th

Storytelling

Stephanie Sonik - 1st
 Nikki Goldin - 2nd
 Rachel Jama - 3rd
 Eric Shi - 4th
 Alfred Grimaldo - 5th
 Amy Jia - 6th

Declamation

Tomas Arango - 3rd
 Rukmini Kalamangalam - 4th
 Mackenzie Aden - 5th
 Chan Golla - 6th

Dramatic Duo

Broaddus & Spence - 1st
 Jama & Juarez-Palestino - 2nd
 Grimaldo & Jia - 3rd
 Shi & Yao - 4th
 Reagan & Nugent - 5th

Lincoln-Douglas Debate

Lucian Li - Semifinalist
 Jason Lan - Quarterfinalist

Public Forum Debate

Sam Tekie - 1st
 C. Fontenot & Tan - 2nd
 A. Liu & L. Nyquist - Semifinalists
 A. Del Vecchio & Zhou - Semifinalists
 Aden & Zhang - Quarterfinalists
 Chen & Du - Quarterfinalists
 Del Vecchio & Shah - Quarterfinalists
 Cardenas & Sheena - Quarterfinalists

Congress

Connor Selna - 1st
Tomas Arango - 2nd
Luke Lawyer - 3rd

IB CORNER

THEME OF THE WEEK: CONCEPTS

– 1 : something conceived in the mind : thought, notion
2 : an abstract or generic idea generalized from particular instances

<http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/concept>

PURPLE PUP SPORTS BOX

GIRLS LACROSSE

Apr 22 Lanier at Friendswood	3:00p
Apr 28 Woodlands Tournament	8-5p

GREAT 8 NEWS

GREAT 8 DUES

Please pay your Great 8 dues if you have not done so by now. You can pay the \$80 online at www.lanierpto.org or send a check to Office B payable to LMS PTO and with your child's name and "Great 8" on the memo line. Thank you!

GREAT 8 UPDATE

It's time to dust off your dancing shoes...practice your moves...May 18th will be here before you know it!!

We are working on assembling a decorations committee - if you are interested in helping out, please contact Laurie Geston at lgeston@sbcglobal.net.

DIGITAL PHOTOS NEEDED

We are collecting digital photos for the Great 8 celebration. Please send electronically any photos of your 8th grader to great8photos@gmail.com. Pictures can be from school events or from outside of school. Thank you!

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

All information contained in the Purple Page is correct as of 8pm, April 18, 2012, and has been printed with the approval of Linda Smith, Lanier Principal.

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 and include as an attachment to your email.