

The Purple Page



Lanier Middle School 2600 Woodhead St. Houston, TX 77098 (713) 942-1900 January 18, 2013

UPCOMING EVENTS

Jan 21 School Holiday
Jan 22, 23 Boys' Soccer Tryouts
Jan 25 PTO General Meeting 8:15a
Jan 29 Lamar Freshman Roundup at Lamar
See electronic attachment
Jan 30 Early Dismissal
Mar 22 PTO Party with a Purpose

PTO NEWS

From the PTO President...

Welcome to the second half of this 2012-13 school year! Time sure is flying by quickly. Please take a few moments and mark your calendar with these upcoming PTO events:

- The next **general PTO meeting** is scheduled for **Friday, January 25, at 8:15 AM** in the school library.
- Our 1st annual **Lanier MS PTO Party with a Purpose** is coming up soon—**Friday, March 22, 2013**. We're hoping to get everyone involved in this fun fundraiser. In addition to donations of auction items, we're looking for donations of services, including decorating, painting, shopping, carpet cleaning, dry cleaning, etc. If you own or work for a company that might be interested in donating services as auction items, contact the auction committee at lanierptoauction@gmail.com.

Thank you for your continued support of our school! Hope to see you at our next PTO meeting.

Sheryl Moore

2012-13 Lanier PTO President

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Party with a Purpose-Auction is Friday, March 22, 2013.

We need your help to make it a success!

Our wish list...Restaurant gift cards, Ballet tickets, Movie tickets, Museum Memberships, Gift Cards of any kind. Please consider volunteering or donating an item.

Questions or Donations Drop off in Office B

lanierptoauction@gmail.com

Donor form is attached electronically

GREAT 8 NEWS

We are in full swing for creating a memorable GREAT 8 celebration, and we are working hard to collect the GREAT 8 dues. We currently have 25% participation towards our Great 8 dues. Please make every effort to get your Great 8 dues submitted.

\$80 per student payable in **one lump sum** or **four installments** with the following due dates:

- Friday, February 1, 2013
- Friday, March 1, 2013

Dues may be paid through the PTO online store at www.lanierpto.org or by submitting a check payable to Lanier PTO with your child's name/GSG teacher and "Great 8" on the memo line. You can drop off your check in Office B or mail it in to school. Thank you for supporting GREAT 8!!!!

Maryann Mueller, Mary Beth Yard and Kristin Helfand
GREAT 8 co-Chairs

PURPLE PRAISE

SCIENCE FAIR WINNERS

6TH GRADE

1st Place **Hisan Diwan**, The Effect of Sugar on H2O

2nd Place **Catherine Fang**, Density Mystery

3rd Place **Mary Polydoros**, Change of Plants

Honorable Mention

Nicole Mutt, What's Hot and What's Not

Annik Larson, Density & the Buoyancy

7TH GRADE

1st Place **Alexandra Kakadiaris** Got Vitamin C?

2nd Place **Rachel Johnson**, The Yokes on You

3rd Place **Faith Morris**, Eggsperiment

Honorable Mention

Sara Tin-U, Cierra Weathers, Fruit Batteries

Pavan Shukla, Geoff Zimmerman, Effect of Temperature on Rubber

*7th Grade Winners are eligible to participate in the Science and Engineering Fair of Houston on February 28 – March 1 at the George R. Brown Convention Center. Students that would like to participate will need to return the official entry form to their science teacher by Friday, January 25th. Good work!

ROBOTICS TEAMS MAKE GOOD AT DISTRICT QUALIFIERS

Lanier's Robotics Teams competed in the First LEGO League Qualifying Tournaments last Saturday. **Los Robos**, composed of team captain **Canyon Schwartz**, **Will Graham**, **Gerald Canario**, **Jovonny Flores**, **Nicholas Kramer**, & **Daniel Kim**, won 1st place in team work & 2nd place in strategy & innovation. **Dark Prodigy** captained by **Gan Liu**, along with teammates **Jakin Cordova**, **Shout Young**, **Nicolas Jeanjean**, **Jose Valdez**, **Devon Watson**, **Taahir Busaidy**, & **Bill Li** took 3rd place in BOTH Presentation & Robot Games. **LEGO Ladies** with team captain **Zara Huerta**, **Laura Miles**, **Camille MacLaren**, & **Yaritza Serrano** took 2nd place in

gracious professionalism. **RoboSpartans** team members **Robert Hooks, Martin Logan, Stone Lack, Jake Spivey, Michelle Lugo, Andrew Contreras, & team captain Adam Capfer** placed 11th in Robot Games. Lanier was the only school to earn the coveted Judges' Award for the qualifier.

Dark Prodigy & Los Robos earned "Golden Tickets" that will allow them to compete in the 2012 (yep!) Lone Star FLL Championship Tournament on Saturday, February 23rd. Congratulations & way to go, TEAMS!

P.S. Parents, thanks so much for all your help with coordinating the fielding of 4 teams at two different qualifiers. Your help, generosity, & support are vital to our success. ~Ms. Bogart

CONTINENTAL MATH LEAGUE TOP SCORERS

Continental Math League is a nationwide mathematics problem-solving competition. Students take one 30 minute quiz consisting of six problems. Students are competing with students at their grade level or above in their own school. Schools are also competing against other schools across the nation. The top six scores from each meet are sent to the CML headquarters, and each school receives a list of the top schools in each state and region about three weeks later.

8th Grade CML #2 (Pythagorean Division)

Jeong Han	6
Michelle Tang	6
Aileen Zhang	6
Breandan Bascon	5
Robert Brown	5
Jakin Cordova	5
Zibi Gugala	5
Alex Hoyal	5
Kenta Lindsay	5

8th Grade CML #2 (Euclidean Division)

Jeylin Romero	5
Cameron McIlhenny	4
Angel Gomez	3
Roy Ramos	3
Mary-Anne Snow	3
Max Wolfe	3

If you are interested in participating in the third 8th grade contest by January 29th, please e-mail Ms. Wu at dwu@houstonisd.org.

SIGMA CONTEST RESULTS

The SIGMA math contest consists of 8 problems to be solved in 30 minutes. The second competition seemed much tougher as there were no perfect scores this time! The following students scored the highest in their grade level on the national SIGMA math contest, and their scores will be submitted to represent Lanier.

8th Grade

Name	Score
Maya Waterland	6
Aileen Zhang	6
Graham Curtis	5
Jeong Han	5
Kenta Lindsay	5
Philip Lu	5
Ashley Mueller	5

Vishnu Narayana	5
Ally Sun	5
Michelle Tang	5
Emily Uraih	5
Joseph Buks	4

7th Grade

Name	Score
Jeong Han	6
Brian Xue	6
Claire Coffman	5
Hillary Dang	5
Chris Levitt	5
Bill Li	5
Angus McCarthy	5
Sebastian M.	5
Cyrus Shafiei	5
Lindsey Walker	5
Stone Lack	4
Sara Wells	4

6th Grade

Name	Score
Ronald Dang	6
Ewan Curtis	5
Ngan Huynh	5
Michelle Miao	5
Navya Sharma	5
Mohamad Talje	5
Joann Van	5
Alexandria Vinklerek	5
Emma Wheat	5
Rex Webb	5
Yutai Xue	5
Lucy Zhang	5

IB CORNER

Week 20: Resolution - 2. A resolve or determination: to make a firm resolution to do something. 3. The act of resolving or determining upon an action or course of action, method, procedure, etc.

<http://dictionary.reference.com/browse/resolution>

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

All information contained in the Purple Page is correct as of 7pm, January 17, 2013, and has been printed with the approval of Linda Smith, Lanier Principal.

SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

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

- Submit your word document (Arial, 10 pt) 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**.