

The Purple Page



Lanier Middle School 2600 Woodhead St. Houston, TX 77098 (713) 942-1900 May 25, 2012

UPCOMING EVENTS

May 28 Memorial Holiday - No School

May 30 Great 8 Field Trip

**May 31 Great 8 Breakfast and Awards Ceremony
Last Day of School**

PTO NEWS

COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE CAMPAIGN – A FINAL THANK YOU!

Another school year has almost come to a close, hard to believe! A final thank you to all of you who contributed generously to the annual Commitment to Excellence Campaign. As you know this is a very important way that the school is able to provide classroom technology, teacher training, and other necessary educational benefits. This year we raised just over \$32,000 dollars. Thank you, everyone, who made that happen. We can't do it without you!

Below is a list of those who have contributed at the Scholar level and above, new names are listed in bold:

Scholar

Andrews, Robert
Bonte, Vonda
Carlin, Amanda
Dong, Lei
French, Cathy
Hajovsky, Martin
Kakadiaris, Ioannis
O'Connor, Kari
Poet, Melynda
Quen, Rachel
Thomas, Jenna
Williams, Lesley

Star

Aaronson, Lisa
Allen, Shannon
Assel, Nancy
Barron, Mona
Bash, Jodi
Biggs, Jennie
Breitbeil, Karen
Brown, Suzy
Cagley, Maureen and Chris
Carroll, Kristine
Collins, Patricia
Dao-Jeanjean, Thu Hang
Dreyfus, Helen
Flatt, Ava

Garcia, Tomas and Elena
Gay, Samuel
Hennings, Kristen
Hughson, E. Jane
Jefferson, Eddricka
Judah, Tonya
Kinsella, Rocio
Liu, Vivien
Marsden, Christina
Moreno, Susan
Numata, Jodyl
Orsak, Carol
Parra, Camilo
Redepenning, Allison
Ross, Becky and Robert
Rummel, Bay
Schwierking, Cynthia
Selleck, Sarah
Siegel, Bettina
Thompson, Anne and Peter
Vyner, Lainie
Walker, Connie
Waterland, KeShil
Yard, Mary Beth
Yokley, Pam
Yuanfang, Liu

Super Star

Atasi, Yasmin
Bickart, Stephanie
Dietrich, Sarah
Doughty, Dick
Dunn, Marguerite
Elston, Denise
Harrison, Kathleen
Introligator, Michélie
Kelly, William and Krystal
Kennedy, Monica
Klavers, Kristine and Rik
McCarthy, Kevin
Nathan, Mandy
Odegard, Turi
Perkins, Cerole
Tindall, Carol
Wagner, Scott
Ward, Molly
Watson, Joanna

Champion

Baker, Natalie
Barrall, Suzanne
Broaddus, Nancy
Coffman, Bonnie and Bruce
Geston, Laurie
Giunta, Rick
Hollenberg, Gregg and Christine
Hwang, Jessica and Brent
Hwu, Kathleen
Kennedy, Cammie
Kohlhase, Janet
Lewis, Vi
Moore, Sheryl
Risoli, Wayne
Wittig, JA and LB

Poet Society

Chambers, Beth
Chi, Julianne
Helfand, Kristin
Melo, Stella
Nugent, Mary Flood
Rose, David and Kelly
Symonds, Williston
Van Kerrebroek, Mary

Sidney Lanier Leadership Society

Hajdik, Heather & Brock
Miles, Renee
Tribble, Brittney
Youngdahl, Sara

Please email jodibash@gmail.com (Jodi) or
jgbiggs@gmail.com (Jennie) with any questions.
Thanks again!

USED UNIFORMS

Donations of gently used uniform shirts, shorts, skirts, and pants would be appreciated. Please drop them off in Office C anytime the school is open. Thanks!

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.

PURPLE PUP PRAISE

LANIER 2011-2012 DRAMA AWARDS

Best Actor in UIL One Act Play – Lorenz Lopez
Best Actress in UIL One Act Play – Emily Hwu
Best Supporting Actor in UIL One Act Play – Charlie Wannall
Best Supporting Actress in UIL One Act Play – Keowee McNiel
Best Technician in UIL One Act Play – Alex Parris
Best Actor in a Comedy – Emerson Nance
Best Actress in a Comedy – Francie Zenner
Best Supporting Actress in a Comedy – Diane Harrison

Best Supporting Actor in a Comedy – Zach Currier-Martin
Best New Actress – Hannah Thorn-Harris
Best New Actor – Sven Baldwin
Best Actor Overall – Lorenz Lopez
Best Actress Overall – Emma Dorfman
Best Student Director – JaDa Johnson & Taylor Sidney
Best Technician Overall – Dillon Allen
Best Parent Volunteer – Ms. Hauser
Best Thespian – Indigo Ghonima
Best Set Designer – Kennedy Boyd, Maddie Davet & Nina Odegard
Best Costume Designer – Dinah Baum, Camille Chargois & Maya Waterland
Best Attitude – Carson Cash
Best Memory – Daniel Sharpe
Hardest Worker – James Perkins
Most Improved – Emma Dorfman
Best PTO Member – Judith England Nance
Best Class Ensemble Member – Tegan Scott, Logan Shiller, Olivia Cardenas, Joseph Chandler & Nicole Gonzalez
Most Encouraging – Hannah Thorn-Harris
Most Prepared – Ben Solis
Most Supportive Faculty Member – Ms. Apple
Most Supportive Audience Member – Lopez Family
Most Likely to Succeed in Theatre – Indigo Ghonima
Lanier Drama Angel Award – The Perkins Family
Lanier Drama Legacy Award – Jordan Hilder

TEXAS HISTORY DAY SPECIAL AWARD RECIPIENT

7th grade student, Maiya Archie, represented HISD at the Texas History Day competition in Austin, Texas on May 5, 2012. Maiya was the only student in the entire state of Texas to receive a special award from *The Institute of Texan Cultures* for her project: *Rebuilding the Galveston Seawall*. Your Lanier family is very proud of you. Congratulations and thank you for your hard work and dedication.

LANIER MATH TOURNAMENT RESULTS

Ms. Wu wants to congratulate all Lanier students with great results at the First Annual Lanier Math Tournament!!!

Individual results:

Michelle Tang - 1st
Aileen Zhang - 2nd
David Lok - 6th
Sonya Tkachman - 7th
George Tang - 10th

Team results:

Lanier MX22J47 (Michelle Tang, Sonya Tkachman, Jonathan Trujillo, Andrew Alexander, Jakin Cordova) - 1st
Lanier B (Aileen Zhang, Veean Chen, Jenny Xin, Oulu Li, Camille MacLaren) - 5th
Lanier D (Benjamin Schweirking, George Tang, Maya Waterland, Zibi Gugala) - 6th
Lanier A (David Lok, Litzell Palestino, Amy Jia, Rachel Jama, Tirthana Khedkar) - 10th

IB CORNER

THEME OF THE WEEK: ONE WORLD

– the realization that everyone is connected and that our actions have consequences. The choices we make impact everyone, not just ourselves.

LANIER LINES

8A SCIENCE GREAT CARDBOARD BOAT REGATTA

Cluster 8A science students recognize the importance of using what they have learned in class and applying it to a real world problem. The students will test Archimedes' principle by building a boat made only of cardboard and tape that will sustain the weight of two people in water. Parent(s) email sparker@houstonisd.org to reserve a seat. Limited space is available. The Regatta Race is Friday, May 25 at 3:45pm.

COUNT DOWN TO SUMMER READING!



Lanier Purple Pups are being challenged to read at least five books within their Lexile range during the summer break in an effort to prevent summer reading loss.

Lanier literacy teachers will distribute the Millionaire Club certificates (shown above) to students before the last day of school. Students need to record the titles on the back of the Millionaire Club certificate or a piece of notebook paper, and bring the completed and signed certificate back when they return to school in August.

Each student who completes the program and brings back his/her form in the fall will receive a FREE DRESS PASS!

GREAT 8 NEWS

ATTENTION ALL 8TH GRADE STUDENTS!

Tuesday, May 29, 2012 is High School Choice T-Shirt Day. Students are allowed to wear (brag) about the high school they will be attending by wearing their high school t-shirts.

T-shirts will not be sold on campus, so students will have to purchase them from their new high school.

Have fun and show your high school spirit!

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!

NOTES FROM THE EDITOR

All information contained in the Purple Page is correct as of 8pm, May 23, 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.