



PTA News

January 2010

President's Message:

With this January newsletter, we find this school season almost half over. The PTA is looking forward to a very busy part of this year approaching. This month holds our first Reading Is Fundamental event. PTA volunteer readers are always needed, especially for our older grades. Please consider coming to your child's class to read. It is also the final month for our scheduled games for the PTA basketball program. Watch for the future playoff dates and come out and cheer for Lehman Jackson.

Remember Friday, January 22nd, will be our PTA holiday dinner at The Metro in Dallas. We hope many of you will come out for the evening. It is a great way to get to know your fellow PTA members outside of our school.

And finally, with 2010 just beginning, I would like to wish you all a healthy and Happy New Year!

Best Wishes-
Jill Hoyt
PTA President



Reading is Fundamental

Our first PTA RIF event will be Friday, January 29th. For those of you not familiar with RIF, it is the oldest and largest children's and family nonprofit literacy organization in the US. RIF prepares and motivates children to read by delivering free books and literacy resources to those children and families who need them most. Although our school does not qualify for federal funding, we do receive some funding from UGI and RIF to purchase books for our first grade classes. Through this year's fundraiser, the PTA will purchase books for the remaining grades. Each student will have the opportunity to chose a book to take home.

What the Lehman Jackson PTA is trying to do with RIF is help our students to read and to understand that it's just not about sitting down and reading a novel. We hope to also introduce and encourage readings of poems, music lyrics and letters, to name a few.

Our PTA holds three RIF events each year. This year we did not have the appropriate opening in December to hold our first event so we have moved it to January 29th. If you are a member of the PTA and would like to volunteer to be a guest reader in your child's classroom, please contact Nancy at 674-5455. If you have previously signed up to volunteer, but do not receive a call, PLEASE be sure to call Nancy at least one week prior to the event, if not before. The children LOVE to see their family and friends read to their classrooms so we hope to hear from all our PTA members!



2009-2010 Yearbook

WE NEED YOUR PICTURES!!!! If you have attended any events at the Lehman Jackson Elementary school this year and have pictures, please e-mail them to Lauran at jbhall@epix.net or copy them to a CD and send them into the PTA mailbox in the school's office! We'd like to make this the best yearbook yet! Also, if you have a 6th grader, please send in a baby picture of your child. Be sure to write the child's full name and classroom section (6-A, B or C) on the back of the photo so that it can be returned. Also, if your 6th grade child had Mrs. Thompson or Ms. Bombick (a/k/a Mrs. Hynick) for Kindergarten, please e-mail Lauran as we need their Kindergarten class photo for the yearbook.

PTA Holiday Dinner:

Enjoy a dinner out after the holiday rush at the PTA Holiday Dinner on Friday, January 22nd at Metro. Happy Hour is at 6 p.m. with dinner at 7 p.m. Look for information to be sent home.

Basketball

Basketball is in it's final month of scheduled games. For information on dates and times check the PTA website. Future dates and times for playoffs

will be posted there as well as soon as they are available.



Spirit Wear

We have received numerous requests for another order of the plaid flannel pants. If you are interested in ordering a pair of these pants, please call or e-mail Lauran at 696-1999 or jbhall@epix.net. They are flannel, black and gold plaid, with white lettering on the upper left thigh. Black elastic waistband. Youth small, medium, large and extra-large are \$18.00 each and Adult small, medium, large and extra-large are \$20.00 each.

Ski Club

The Lehman Jackson Elementary would like to start a ski club. We are looking for a representative to coordinate dates and organize ticket sales with a local ski resort in order for us to receive a discounted group rate. If interested, please contact Lauran Hall at 696-1999 for information.

Kindergarten Readiness:

The third session of the 2009-2010 Kindergarten Readiness Program will be held Thursday, February 4th at 9 a.m. Children who will enter Kindergarten in the 2010-2011 school year, along with their parents, are invited to attend.

PTA Meetings:

The next General meeting will be held February 3rd, 2010 at 6:30 in the music room. We look forward to seeing you there! Babysitting will be available.

Kindergarten Registration:

Kindergarten registration for the 2010—2011 school year will be held Monday, February 22nd at 9 a.m.

Book Fair

The next Scholastic Book Fair is scheduled for the week of February 22nd. If you are a member of the PTA and are interested in volunteering, please call or e-mail Lauran at 696-1999 or jbhall@epix.net. Further information will be sent home with the students in mid-February.

Chairperson Information:

Any chairperson who would like to have information posted to the website or put in the newsletter is to contact Christin Snyder at 696-2180 or at cws@backmtnguide.com. Also any chairperson who would like to have their event covered for the newspaper is to contact Jill Hoyt at 674-7915 as soon as they have the information pertaining to the event.

Nominating Committee:

PTA members are needed for the nominating committee. This committee will nominate officers for the 2010—2012 PTA board. If you are interested please attend the February meeting or contact Jill Hoyt.

PTA Website:

Please visit the PTA website which can be located through the school website or www.lje-pta.com.

