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LITTLE CEDARS ELEMENTARY PTA

PTA Unit 7.6.32

DECEMBER 2015

Upcoming Events

December

- 10 3rd/ 4th Grade Concert
- 11 Holiday Affair
- 18 Half Day
- 21- Winter Break
- 31

January

- 1 Winter Break
- 4 Back to school!
- 15 Movie Night
- 18 MLK Jr. Day - No school
- 20 PTA Meeting
- 29 Spelling Bee

Membership Meetings

Jan 20, Mar 22, May 24
7-8pm in the Library
Free childcare provided

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PTA Membership News

It's hard to believe our first 3 months of school are already behind us! The year has already been full of lots of learning and fun events. Our members are amazing, we have managed to sponsor a large percentage of LCE Staff and Teachers. Thank you! We haven't met our 100% goal just yet. We'd love your help to get to that goal. Here is a list of who remains to be sponsored...



Visit the membership page to download the form, fill it out and send it in with your student.

<http://littlecedarspta.org/Page/Membership/Membership>

Fundraising Update

LCE PTA would like to give a huge thank you and shout out to our amazing families! Our Fun Run was our big fundraiser for the year and with your generous donations we were able to raise 85% of our goal! Thank you for your pledges and donations. These funds will help us continue to offer support to our LCE students with field trips, playground equipment and much more.

Now that the "Big One" is over, remember we have many silent fundraising opportunities as well. Fred Meyer loyalty, AmazonSmile and Box Tops (we raised \$967 with the first collection!) are just a few and for a limited time, we have partnered with Mixed Bags!



It's easy to order your favorite bags and gift wrap. Like our other silent fundraisers, we get to keep a portion of the sales. Check out their great products here:

<http://littlecedarspta.org/Page/Fundraising/MixedBags>

Volunteer of the Month

One of the ways LCE PTA likes to show our volunteer appreciation is by recognizing a Volunteer of the Month. We have so many wonderful volunteers and their hard work and time does not go unrecognized! Selected volunteers will be featured in Wolverine Weekly, get their name on the school reader board and have a special reserved parking space for the month!

It's easy to nominate a volunteer. Just email littlecedarspta@gmail.com with the name or names of volunteers you feel go above and beyond along with a short summary of why you are nominating them. Each month, we will select from the submissions.

The **November** "Volunteer of the Month" award went to...

Amy Mann

Amy has two kids at LCE (3rd and 6th graders) and can be found at the school every Thursday helping out with Popcorn. Come rain or sun, she is out there passing out bags of popcorn to our eager students, putting smiles on their faces! She has helped out with Lego Club in the past, as well as volunteered at several PTA events and always steps up when asked to help. Recently, Amy diligently helped the entire 6th grade class with putting up their hallway display before conferences (this means she put up 110 name tags & backgrounds in one day).

Thank you so much Amy, for making a difference for our students and teachers!

The **December** "Volunteer of the Month" award goes to...

Julie Jorde

Julie has been involved with Robotics programs at LCE for 3 years now and has coached for 2 of these years. Julie is an anchor for this program with coaching, coordinating events, helping out in EVERY way she can, and even opens up her home for anyone to participate in practice sessions, etc. In addition, her husband has helped the team to win scholarships from Philips Ultrasound group in Bothell as well as provide a great STEM field trip to their facility's Engineering Days in February. Julie and her family are crucial to the success of the growing LCE Robotics Program.

Holiday Affair — December 11, 6:30-8:30pm MPR

Want to spread some holiday Cheer? Maybe make a gift for your Mom or Dad? You are in luck, the Holiday Affair is right around the corner! Please join us and visit multiple craft/gift stations to make a gift for everyone on your list. Prices for the crafts range from \$.50 to \$3.

As always, we cannot put on these events without our amazing volunteers. Please sign up for a shift to help this fun event run smoothly! Help for an hour and still have plenty of time to craft with your kiddo!

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0e4daba62aa1f85-holiday2>

We are giving back to our community again this year with our Warm Hands Drive! Please bring a pair of gloves or mittens (child or adult size) for our Caring Committee to donate to the Snohomish Community Food Bank and the Snohomish Cold Weather Shelter. Let's share the warmth of this holiday season!

For each pair of gloves or mittens you donate you will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win an amazing gingerbread house made by Jenny Liddington! The more mittens you bring in, the more tickets you'll receive! Hope to see You There!!!



Calling All Volunteers

Volunteers have a huge impact on how successful our events are here at Little Cedars. THANK YOU to all who have volunteered! We couldn't do what we do if it wasn't for all the fabulous volunteers!

If you are looking for a way to get involved, please consider volunteering or chairing the next school event. A chair of an event is the point of contact for all volunteers associated with the event. As events draw near we send out a Signup Genius link and event info via Wolverine Weekly and FB as well as posted on the PTA website. That allows you to sign up to help and/ or chair right on that events page! We have a binder with details for every event to help plan. Super easy and you will have lots of help from our VP of Events, Erika Keating!

The next event needing a chair is Movie Night – January 15th!

For questions or to help, contact Erika Keating: napa2002@hotmail.com

Stay Connected

Like the "Little Cedars PTA" page on **Facebook** and follow us on **Instagram!** "littlecedarspta"

Email LittleCedarsPTA@gmail.com and ask to be added to the **Wolverine Weekly** email newsletter.

Opt in for text messages - Text "follow LittleCedarsPTA" to 40404. If you get "junk texts", text "Discover OFF". You will still receive LCE PTA updates. (*Please note: You DO NOT need a twitter account to follow @LittleCedarsPTA)