



PTA NEWSLETTER

CRESTVIEW ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

JANUARY 2011

President's Notes...

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a great winter break and enjoyed the snow days!

Without a doubt, this year's Winter Wonderland was a hit! Throughout the night, I observed Crestview kids laughing, dancing, singing, clapping, smiling, and demonstrating "I'm having fun" behavior. I also observed parents smiling, cheering, laughing, and clapping - especially in the Auction room! This event doesn't just happen - it takes careful planning and coordinating. It involves the help of parent and teacher volunteers. It takes active audience participation from both kids and parents. It takes YOU! Therefore, I'd like to extend a thank you to everybody involved with the planning and execution of this annual event. Thank you parents and teacher volunteers who worked the front check-in desk, served food, popped popcorn, sold PTA memorabilia and assisted at the photo booth. YOU made it happen! Special thanks extended to Annie Andrews and Valerie Abbott, for putting this night together. For the silent auction I would personally like to thank all of my K-5 Room Parents for putting together such wonderful baskets; and area businesses who generously donated wonderful items to our Silent Auction.

Finally, it's NOT TOO LATE to join the PTA! For \$5, you can become an active member of a thriving and busy organization. Your membership fee goes towards funding this year's budget. OR, you can still join Crestview's Cardinal Club. If you want more information on membership and/or the Cardinal Club, please visit our website at www.crestviewpta.org.

Ali Brown, PTA President
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"Snow Better Time to Read!"

Crestview Students and Families
are invited to join
Crestview Teachers and P.T.A.
for a fun-filled evening promoting literacy!



Crestview Elementary School
Tuesday, January 18
6:30 PM - PTA General Membership Mtg
7:00 PM - PTA Program



In addition to taking home a free book and participating in arts & crafts activities, students are encouraged to wear pajamas and bring a blanket, pillow pet, or favorite stuffed animal. Hot cocoa will be provided.



Family Fun Day & Night

Monday, January 17
3:00 - 9:00 p.m.
At Chuck E Cheese's
9030 W. Broad Street

This is a PTA fundraiser.
Chuck E. Cheese's will donate a percentage of all sales,
so invite your family, friends and neighbors too!

Sales include all food, merchandise and token deals
purchased at the register. Make sure you notify the
cashier that you are with Crestview!!!

Remember to bring the Chuck E. Cheese's sticker and
receive an extra 10 FREE tokens!!

SCHOOL IS OUT ON THE 17TH!



Thank you to all who donated their time and items to the Silent Auction, including:

Families and Friends

Staff

Room Parents

Businesses

Committee Members: Valerie Hendricks, Bridget Cunningham, Lisa Kubyako, Kim Hynes, Courtney Kuester & Ali Brown

And a special thank you to Beth VanStory who chaired the event!

WOW!

**OVER \$3,300 RAISED
BY SILENT AUCTION**

FROM THE LIBRARY...

December was a busy and exciting month in the library. Our Book Bowl team participated in the county competition on December 1 at Deep Run Recreational Center. Four students represented Crestview by reading a preselected list of books organized by genre, discussing the story elements, and exchanging ideas and feelings about the material. We played three matches, won our first game and lost the other two, but we made the other teams sweat!! Many thanks to Ali Brown for providing transportation and to the other family members who attended and applauded our efforts. Thanks to Caleb Brown, Walker Speer, Christopher Stinnett, and Jennifer Tran for their hard work.



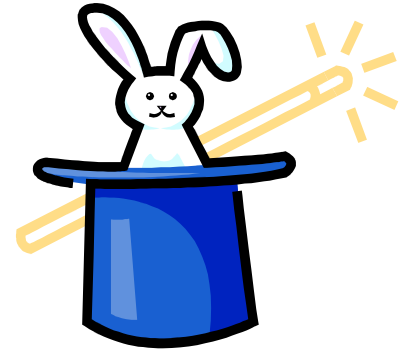
December 15 was the date of the Book Fair at Barnes and Noble. This year the library received three donated books: *Fancy Nancy Ooh La La!*, *It's Beauty Day*, *Spy Cat*, and *The Ugly Truth*. We appreciate these greatly and want to thank the families who made the donations.

Our updated web site also became fully functional in December. From the Henrico County Public Schools web site for Crestview Elementary, you can click on the Library link at the left and read all about us! There are also active links to our on-line catalog, e-learning resources, and One Search, our federated search engine. Be sure to look at our list of Accelerated Reader quizzes, which are sorted by title and reading level.

January promises to be just as fun filled as December. Mrs. Cannell, our Library Assistant, will be honored at the January 13 School Board meeting. She will receive an ABCD award for consistently performing Above and Beyond the Call of Duty.

Please join us on Tuesday evening, January 18, for PTA Literacy Night. I will be providing guidelines for choosing appropriate read aloud material for your child. We also plan to have a create-a-snowflake station and serve hot cocoa. Parents may choose a book to take home for each child in attendance, and Mrs. Cannell and I will be available to help with book selection. Students may wear their pajamas and bring their blankie, pillow pet, or favorite stuffed animal. Sue Van Tassell, Head of Children's Services for Tuckahoe Area Library, will be present to answer questions about programs at the public library and to assist with book selection. We look forward to seeing you there!

**Mrs. Betty H. Ring
Library Information Specialist**



Crestview PTA Winter After School Enrichment Making Magic Happen & Balloon Twisting

Are you ready for some fun? Crestview PTA has an exciting winter after school enrichment program for students in grades K – 5. Master balloon twister and slight of hand magician, Mike Klee, will be teaching a magic class and show you how to make your own balloon creations. This is a class designed for beginners to intermediate levels that anyone can learn. Magic and balloon twisting are great motivational tools and wonderful self esteem builders that will enrich any child's life. All material used in this class are provided by the instructor. Mike Klee is a favorite at after school programs throughout the greater Richmond area.

Classes will be held in the cafeteria on Thursdays from 2:15 – 3: 15 beginning January 20th and ending February 24th. The cost of the six week class is \$55.00.

Please complete the registration form and return it to your child's classroom teacher today. If you are paying with cash, be sure to place the money and registration form in a secure envelope. **Checks should be made out to Mike Klee** and returned with the registration form.

Children can be picked up promptly at 3:15 in the cafeteria. Please be sure to arrive on time for dismissal! YMCA Fun Club members will return to Fun Club immediately after class. Crestview will not arrange transportation to other after-school programs; therefore, be sure to make any necessary transportation arrangements and indicate this information on the registration form.

If you have any questions, please contact Treva Thomas at 285-8935 or enrichment@crestviewpta.org.

(Detach and return this bottom section only. The top portion should be kept for your records.)
Magic and Balloon Twisting, Thursdays, 1/20 – 2/24 in the Cafeteria.

Student's name: _____ Grade: ____ Teacher: _____

Parent/guardian contact: _____ Phone _____

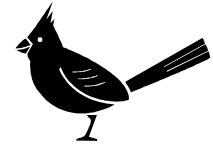
My child will: ____ attend YMCA Fun Club immediately after class

____ be picked up by _____

(parent signature)

Email Address (print clearly): _____

**Crestview Elementary School
PTA Officers
2010-2011**



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**Virginia PTA Day at the General Assembly
Monday, January 31, 2011**

Questions??? Contact Kathy Burcher, VA PTA Legislation Chair (legislation@vapta.org)
or visit <http://vapta.org/component/content/article/50-legislation/125-pta-day-at-the-general-assembly.html>

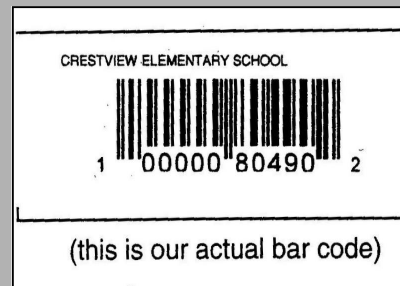


Thank you to all who contributed to the Silent Auction, including the following businesses:

- American Taekwondo**
- Barksdale Theatre**
- Café Caturra**
- Car Pool**
- Ceco Salon**
- Chic -fil-a**
- Colonial Granite Works**
- Core Kids Academy**
- Dave's Comics, Inc.**
- Flemings**
- Flying Squirrels**
- Handcraft Cleaners**
- Judith McIrvin Fiber Art**
- Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden**
- Martins**
- Romp n Roll**
- Tweed**
- Village Exxon**
- Weinstein JCC**

?ARE YOU A KROGER SHOPPER?

You can earn great stuff for our school without spending one extra penny. The next time you shop have the checker scan your Kroger Plus card and then this bar code. You only need to do this once. After that, each time you use your Kroger Plus card you earn points for Crestview! It's just that easy!



SAVE THE DATE

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| January 3 | SCHOOL REOPENS |
| January 17 | SCHOOL CLOSED
(Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday) |
| | Family Fun at Chuck E. Cheese's |
| January 18 | General Membership PTA Meeting (6:30)
Snow Better Time to Read Program (7:00) |
| January 20 | Magic & Balloon Twisting
Enrichment Begins |
| January 31 | STUDENT HOLIDAY |

FEBRUARY NEWSLETTER DEADLINE IS MONDAY, JANUARY 24

Contact Ellie Speer: newsletter@crestviewpta.org or 282-4919