

BULLDOG BULLETIN



December 2013

CALENDAR

**Fri., 12/20,
2:30 pm
Holiday
Sing-a-Long**

**Fri., 1/17,
9:30 am PTA
Business Meeting.
All invited.**

**Fri, 2/14
Classroom Valen-
tine's Day Parties**

**Wed, 2/19,
LES Science Fair &
Expo**

**Fri., 2/21,
9:30 am PTA
Business Meeting.
All invited.**



President's Message

"May your walls know joy, may every room hold laughter, and every window open to great possibility." Maryanne Radmacher-Hershey

During this time of year, we want to express our gratitude for all of the help LES families give to the school. This month we had the Holiday Shop and Desert Day for Teachers, two of the most popular events for LES students and staff.

We appreciate your contributions in the classroom, at the Bulldog Store and Bank, in the media center and throughout the school. This is the season for giving, but at LES the giving goes on all year and for that we are grateful.

As we close out 2013 and look ahead to 2014, we are focused on reducing the amount of printed materials and on "going green". As a result, you will notice that the *Bulldog Bulletin* is shorter. We understand that everyone is busy so our goal is to make the Bulletin a concise, "to the point" communication. You will continue to receive the *Cyber News*, the PTA's e-newsletter, and weekly communications from the LES principal and teachers. If you do not currently get *Cyber News*, join the PTA (download a form from the PTA section of the website) and you will automatically be subscribed. We also encourage you to "Like" our Facebook page and visit the LES website often. These sources will give you information on upcoming PTA events, volunteering and other opportunities to help.

Its a small step, but every effort to go paperless means less paper that comes home in the backpack to be recycled!

"You must be the change you wish to see in the world." ~Mahatma Ghandi

Happy Holidays to all of our LES Families, Friends and Staff!

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LES SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY EXPO COMING IN FEB

It's time to start thinking of fun science projects! The LES Science and Technology Expo will be held Wed, Feb. 19, 2014. Detailed information about the Expo, along with registration forms, will be sent home in early January.

Please remember that the Expo is non-competitive; the science projects will not be judged. All participants will receive recognition for their participation. Students may enter individual, group or family projects. All are welcome and encouraged to participate.

If you have any preliminary questions, and/or if you would like to volunteer to assist prior to or the day of the Expo, please contact the chair of this year's Expo, Stefanie Bednarczyk at stefaniebednarczyk@gmail.com.



DESSERTS FOR LES STAFF A SUCCESS

LES staff enjoyed many delicious desserts on Monday thanks to the efforts of our Hospitality Committee, led by Stephani Johnson, and to all LES families who contributed desserts and gift. We would also like to thank Kim Braun, Kay DoCouto, Kathleen Songer, Liz McClure, and Debbie Shelley for volunteering their time.

THANK YOU HOLIDAY SHOP VOLUNTEERS

Our LES students were able to experience the joy of holiday gift shopping last week! It wouldn't have been possible without our Holiday Shop Chairs, Kim Braun, Cathleen Marose, Gigi Moss, and all of our parent volunteers: Donna Chee, Patti Twemlow, Ann Derryberry, Dena Wychulis, Kari Primozić, Kathleen Songer, Shannon Hockey, Susan Keeley, Andrea Bruno, Tina Lutz, Nicole Clagett.

