### Newsletter of the Laytonsville Elementary School PTA

## **BULLDOG BULLETIN**



February 2014

CALENDAR

Fri, 3/14, 6:30-8:30 pm International Night

Fri., 3/21, 9:30 am PTA Business Meeting. All invited.

**Fri., 4/4, 7 pm,**LES Variety Show,
Magruder High
School

Fri., 4/25, 9:30 am PTA Business Meeting. All invited.



### President's Message

Snow, Snow, and more Snow! Happy Winter of 2014!

Well we can't say that 2014 started out boring. The kids and teachers are getting to use their "flexibility" skills as they adjust their schedules each week to a day off or a morning off each week. Don't let the weather fool you though. The LES PTA is in full swing and getting ready for some big events.

The LES Science and Technology Expo last Wednesday night had a record number of participants with more than 200 student scientists. Hats off to the entire LES community for this fantastic show of participation. We are really proud to be part of such an engaged community.

March 14th is International Night where we explore cultures from around the world. We can't wait to see our families showcase diverse and interesting aspects of many countries (don't forget the amazing FOOD!!).

Our Variety Show is on April 4th at Magruder High School and the Spring Festival planning is starting to simmer, so mark your calendars now and come out an enjoy the fun on May 17th.

We want to highlight that none of these fantastic events can happen without the support of our LES families and volunteers. Thank you very much to our event coordinators! If you are not already in

involved, please take a look at the volunteer opportunities and let us know how you can help.

Speaking of volunteers. It isn't too early to look to next year. The LES PTA Board is looking for a treasurer. We would like the new treasurer to have an opportunity to shadow our current treasurer so please volunteer now. We know you want to - don't hold back!!!!! Call us for more information. An accounting degree is not necessary for this position, nor do you need to be at the school often during the day. Our current treasurer will show you what to do.

As we sign off for this month we want to say thank you again to our wonderful community of family and staff. We are thankful to be a part of such an amazing school and are looking forward to the fun events lined up over the next few months.

From two people who love winter, we leave you with a reminder to enjoy the beauty of the season and all that it brings!

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# EXPLORE THE WORLD AT LES INTERNATIONAL NIGHT—FRI, MAR. 14

Share your culture and explore the world at one of the LES PTA's most popular events, International Night on Fri., Mar. 14, 6:30-8:30 pm. This will fun-filled family event will feature international foods, cultural entertainment, crafts and more. Participation forms went home in backpacks or can be downloaded from the PTA section of the LES website at montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/laytonsvillees/pta/. Participation forms are due Mon., March 3.



If you are interested in helping or have any questions, please e-mail Liz McClure at **boblizjack@aol.com** or Laura Henning at **lhenning@comcast.net**.

### LES VARIETY SHOW ON FRI, APRIL 4

The Variety Show will be on Fri, April 4 at 7 pm at Magruder High School. All students are welcome to participate. This is a great experience for students. They can perform on stage with their friends in a fun environment in front of their families and the ever-supportive LES community. If your child would like to participate and perform in an act, please contact Cathleen Marose at <a href="mailto:catmarose@comcast.net">catmarose@comcast.net</a>. Guidelines, rules, permission forms and sign ups can be found on the LES website at <a href="mailto:montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/laytonsvillees/pta/">montgomeryschoolsmd.org/schools/laytonsvillees/pta/</a>.

#### KIDSART FUNDRAISER—ORDERS DUE MAR. 10

Looking for a creative gift idea for Mother's or Father's Day (grandparents too!)? Your child can design his or her very own note card!

With KidsArt note cards, each student's note cards will be professionally printed—in classic black on ivory paper—and offered to parents at an extremely attractive price. The 4 ½ x 5 1/2" note cards with matching envelopes will be packaged 50 to a set, wrapped in sparkling, star-studded cellophane, and topped off with a glittering golden ribbon to create a beautiful package ready for gift giving. You may purchase as many sets as you wish for \$20 each. A substantial portion of the profit from every sale will benefit our school. Siblings and friends (including adults) are welcome to submit orders as well by completing the enclosed blank note card picture form (USE BLACK INK ONLY, PLEASE!)

Information went home in backpacks the week of 2/10. Order forms, artwork, and payment are due by **Mon., March 10.** All notecards will go home with students the first week of May.