



## Mark Your Calendar

- 12/1 Ledo's Spirit Night
- 12/4 Interims sent home
- 12/9 Winter concert at CHS
- 12/9-11 Holiday Shop
- 12/11 Relay for Life Festival of Trees Silent Auction
- 12/14 Christmas Letters/ Winter Wishes Grams Due
- 12/16 Dental Clinic
- 12/17 Papa John's Spirit Night
- 12/21 Winter Wishes Grams Distributed
- 12/22 2 Hr Early Dismissal
- 12/23-1/1 Winter Break

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### **“Join The Stampede And Help Our PTA Succeed”**

Our Mustang Corral now has 338 member! Thanks for helping us get closer to our goal of 450 members.

**Congratulations to Mrs. Bowles' and Mrs. Cedar's classes for rounding up the most members to join the MES PTA in our November Class Contest!**



Membership Forms are available in the school office or at [www.mutualpta.com](http://www.mutualpta.com) or contact Jen Roush at 410-586-9780.

# Mutual Matters

Mutual PTA Newsletter

[www.mutualpta.com](http://www.mutualpta.com)

December 2009



Happy Holidays! With the holiday season and colder weather comes the snowflakes, school delays/closings and Winter Break! If your child comes home missing coats, hats, gloves or scarves, please check the Lost and Found in the cafeteria! It

gets full fast!

We would like to extend a big THANK YOU to all that shopped and volunteered at the PTA Book Fair. The Fair was a big success with lots of happy shoppers and book winners! Congratulations to all the students that took home books and posters!

On Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>, there will be holiday extravaganza at Mutual. On that day, our Relay for Life team will be closing out its auction of the Relay for Life Festival of Trees, the Relay Team will also be hosting a Craft Workshop for students (must pre-register), and the MES PTA Santa Shop will be open. Please be sure to check information that came home about times!

Our Mutual Spirit Nights continue to be a success because of your participation. We hope you can join us tonight at Ledo's from 4-8pm or on December 17th by ordering from Papa John's in Prince Frederick!

And, don't forget, since there is no General PTA Meeting in December, our Mighty Mustangs for the months of Nov. & Dec. will be recognized at the January meeting.

We wish everyone a WONDERFUL HOLIDAY SEASON! See you in 2010!

Thanks and have a great December!

*MES PTA Board*



The Yearbook needs tons of smiles for the 2009-2010 book. Pictures can be dropped off at the office. Please send in photos to the Yearbook Committee, Attn: Katie McManus or you could email them to [mcmansk1@calvertnet.k12.md.us](mailto:mcmansk1@calvertnet.k12.md.us).

### READING INCENTIVE PROGRAM

The Second Quarter logs are due January 13th! Until then... **KEEP READING!!**

If you've misplaced your reading log these forms are available at [www.mutualpta.com](http://www.mutualpta.com) under the 'Parent Resources' link.



### **We Appreciate...**

- \* Everyone who helped make the Mutual Mash Dance such a success. Whether you donated items or your time, without people like you, this could not be done.
- \* Brenda St. Thomas (a.k.a. D.J. Scratch) & Abigail Kelley for all their hard work playing great tunes at the dance.
- \* Our Fall Book Fair coordinators and volunteers for lending a hand to create a successful event.
- \* Our Fall Book Fair patrons who purchased over \$20,000 worth of books to support our school!

## Holiday Shop

**December 9-11th**

Our Holiday Shop is a great place for your child to pick up inexpensive gifts for the family. The Holiday Shop will be located in the MES guidance office from 10-3:30 on Wed/Thurs. and from 10-6 on Friday. Students may also come in during their recess time. Free gift-wrapping is available!



## Festival of Trees

**December 2nd-11th**

Mutual's Relay for Life Team\* is sponsoring a Mini Festival of Trees at our school with 3-4ft artificial trees decorated by our students! The trees will be on display in the front hallways from December 2nd—11th. On Friday, Dec. 11th, there will be a silent auction for the trees with refreshments and holiday music. All proceeds will go to the American Cancer Society.



*\*The PTA supports the mission of the MES RFL team.*

## Cultural Arts

Our first PTA-sponsored assembly, a Native American story-telling program by Dovie Thomason, was held Monday, November 30th. Our students truly enjoyed her performance last year and this year it proved to be another mesmerizing event for all.

## Spirit Nights

You can meet your Mighty Mustang friends at Ledo's Spirit Night on the 1st Tuesday of each month! And now, we've got even more 'spirit' with Papa John's Spirit Night on the 3rd Thursday of each month! Just mention 'Mutual Elementary' when ordering and they'll donate 20% on carryout & 10% on delivery orders back to Mutual!



*Food for You = Funds for Mutual*

## Ways & Means

Send in your Campbell's labels for Education until December 18th to help support Mutual! The class that turns in the most labels will win a special treat!



*We appreciate your participation & support!*

## CALLING ALL CELL PHONES!

Mutual PTA recycles cell phones for you! Please send your used, working cell phones (4 years old or newer) in by January 15<sup>th</sup>. You may send them in with your child or place them in the cell phone collection bin in the Mustang Room. Please send in ONLY the cell phone and the battery that came with the phone. NO extra batteries or accessories. Also, please remember to delete all personal information from the phone. Thank you for your support!



*To learn more about MES Recycling, please contact Kathy Brennan at 410-586-8476*

## PTA MEETING

Parents and children are invited to our next General PTA Meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 12th at 7PM in the cafeteria. Our November & December Mighty Mustang of the Month students will be acknowledged and you can learn about upcoming school events as well as enjoy refreshments while meeting other students, parents and faculty. We hope to see you there!



## MES PTA Spring Fundraiser

### Mystery Dinner Theater

*Put on your super sleuth hats and join us for a night of mystery!*



We'll be hosting a wonderful night to enjoy some adult time at a fun-filled evening solving a 'crime' and sharing a delicious meal with family and friends! The theater performance will be led by professional actors from a traveling theater group who will engage the dinner guests in a unique and exciting "Who done it?" to raise funds to support our Mutual Mustang students and staff!

*Look for more information about this event to come home after our winter break!*

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