

# ZILKER ELEMENTARY NEWS

## JANUARY 29, 2010

### **SPRING FLING SAVE THE DATE AND INFORMATIONAL BREAKFAST**

Mark your calendars and schedule your babysitter! Join us at the Belmont on April 30<sup>th</sup> at 6 pm for a silent auction and entertainment by our very own Matt the Electrician and Radiostar. We are currently seeking Sponsorships, Volunteers and Auction Items.

Come learn more at the Spring Fling Informational Breakfast Thursday, February 4 in the library after drop off – 7:45 ish.

In the last two years this event has raised over \$35,000 for Zilker and has provided major improvements in Technology, Campus Beautification and Enrichment programs on our campus!

Questions? Contact your kiddo's teacher or Shelly Grabe at [sgrabe@austin.rr.com](mailto:sgrabe@austin.rr.com)

### **ZILKER OPEN HOUSE AND 60<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

Mark your calendar! On Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 6:30 pm Zilker will mark its 60<sup>th</sup> year with a party, opportunities to meet and reminisce with former students, and a showing of student-produced movies commemorating the event. Following the celebration will be a classroom open house where students will show their work to family and friends. PTA also will also have a brief general meeting. Parents and students are encouraged to attend. More details to follow soon.

### **SPANISH LANGUAGE ADVOCATE COMMITTEE (SLAC)**

#### **Atención! Atención!**

We have a Spanish Committee here at Zilker, whose mission is to implement an in-school Spanish language program to begin next Fall. If you have questions or would like to receive information, please contact Bev Redden at [bevredde@yahoo.com](mailto:bevredde@yahoo.com) or Shelby Schreiber at [jschreiber@austin.rr.com](mailto:jschreiber@austin.rr.com).

### **ZILKER ELEMENTARY ART AUCTION**

**Do you Paint or Illustrate, Sculpt or Sew, Photograph or Photoshop, Carve or Create? If so, we need your donations to make the Z a success!**

#### **What is the Z?**

The Z is none other than the infamous **Zilker Elementary Art Auction** - one of the best Art Auctions just west of SoCo. We've got it all... paintings, illustrations, jewelry, sculpture, photography, literature, music and more.

#### **When is the Z?**

Thursday, February 25, 2010 • 5PM - 7:30PM (in the Zilker Cafeteria)

### **Who benefits from the Z?**

**All Zilker Students.** 100% of the money raised by your donation goes directly to the PTA Arts in Education Fund, which allows us to provide the Circle of Light Holiday Concert, performances by One World Theater, African Drumming and Dance lessons, Yoga, Martial Arts and much more.

### **How do I donate to the Z?**

You may deliver your donation to Zilker Elementary - attention Jamie Pettit, Zilker Art Department. Or, if you prefer to have your donation picked up, please contact one of the following committee members and we will be happy to accommodate your needs:

- Michele Hoelscher ([michelehoelscher@austin.rr.com](mailto:michelehoelscher@austin.rr.com))
- Sage Baker ([sage@sagebakerconsulting.com](mailto:sage@sagebakerconsulting.com))
- Andrea Ewen ([andreasartclass@fusebox23.com](mailto:andreasartclass@fusebox23.com))

### **When is the deadline for making a donation?**

Friday, February 12, 2010

*Please make sure to include a Z Art Entry Form included in the Z Art Brochure. The brochure is attached to this week's ZEN. You may also print out a copy from the Zilker Website or pick up a hard copy from the front office.*

### **ZILKER ULTIMATE CLUB**

The Spring season of Ultimate at Zilker begins on Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>.

- *Ultimate is a non-contact, highly aerobic, self-regulated team sport, played with a flying disc.*
- *Ultimate is highly cardiovascular and will initiate development of personal physical fitness.*
- *All boys and girls aged 8-14 are invited to join the Ultimate Fun.*
- *Participants will learn the rules and physical skills of Ultimate Frisbee and will practice the responsibility of self-regulation.*
- *Students will receive a nutrition lesson and a healthy snack each week.*

Boys and Girls in 3rd grade through 5th grade are invited to join the [Zilker Ultimate Club](#).

The Club will meet on **WEDNESDAY** afternoons at Zilker Elementary School from 2:45-4:00pm **February 10-March 24th, 2010.**

To participate , each player must complete the [Zilker Player Registration Form](#)

**NO meeting on Wednesday, March 17th.**

Ultimate. Play the Game...LIVE the Spirit!

<http://www.UltimateSpirit.org>

### **NEW YEAR, NEW OPPORTUNITY TO JOIN ZILKER PTA**

Meant to join the Zilker PTA last semester but just never got around to it? It's not too late! Your PTA dues directly support the PTA programs that make Zilker unique, fun, and academically excellent, from after-school tutoring to field trips to new art around the campus. Dues are \$8 for individuals, \$12 for families. PTA membership forms can be found on the PTA bulletin board next to the front doors or online at [Zilker PTA Membership Form](#)

### **ZILKER SPIRIT FRIDAYS**

Show your Panther pride! Every Friday, the PTA encourages students, teachers, and parents to wear their Zilker t-shirt or school colors (maroon and gold or tie dye) to show support for our great school.

### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

February 4 – 7:45 am – Spring Fling Informational Breakfast

February 9 – 6:30 pm – Zilker Open House & 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration

February 12 – NO SCHOOL – Student Holiday – Staff Development

February 15 – NO SCHOOL – Student Holiday – Elementary Parent Conference

March 15-19 – NO SCHOOL – Spring Break

EVERY FRIDAY – Zilker Spirit Days! Wear your school t-shirt or colors