

# Oak Lawn PTG

November 2016

## *Season of Gratitude*

Thankful for the Oak Lawn Community

As we race around, trying to meet the demands of our busy schedules, and facing our individual challenges it is sometimes easy to forget all we have to be thankful for this holiday season. The Oak Lawn community is full of reasons to be grateful: the dedication of a talented, kind

has been overwhelming, and indicates all we can accomplish together. A special thank you to Amy Falcone, Amie Ashegh, and Nina Riccio. There is so much work these women are always doing to keep the PTG moving forward; as well as raising funds and

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faculty and staff, the generosity of the students and their parents. A sincere thank you to all who have contributed to what we have accomplished this year: a record breaking Walk-a-Thon fundraiser, a successful bake sale on election day, an extremely spirited Eagle has Landed fundraiser, and a profitable book fair to name a few. The amount of support

turning them into memories for the students and their families.



Wishes to everyone for a safe, happy, and healthy holiday season.

## *Upcoming Events*

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### **01Dec2016 – Polar Express Movie Night**

Join us at the Cranston Public Library (Main Branch) for a viewing of the Polar Express. Children are encouraged to wear their pajamas as they sip cocoa, munch goodies, and enjoy a holiday favorite. Please RSVP to Ruthanne Farina via email, [rujeca524@cs.com](mailto:rujeca524@cs.com).

### **Week of 05Dec2016 – Holiday Gathering**

Look for a communication regarding the PTG holiday gathering. Take a moment to relax and share in the holiday spirit.

### **Holiday Shop**

The Holiday Shop should be opening soon. This is always a fun opportunity for the students to buy for their loved ones.

## Committee Updates

### Sunshine Committee



The Sunshine Committee (Ruthanne Farina, Sara Bogdon, Melanie Zeitounian, Andrea Liu Spatuzzi, and Yvonne Ricci) has had its first meeting, and is already in action. Surprise coffee and thankful treats were hand delivered to the faculty and staff on the Wednesday before Thanksgiving to express the appreciation we have for all they do for the students. A Family Movie Night has been planned, and keep an eye out as Oak Lawn is transformed into a Winter Wonderland.



### Enrichment Committee

The Enrichment Committee will have their first meeting Wednesday November 30<sup>th</sup>. Discussion will be around ways to enhance and support the current curriculum at Oak Lawn. Much of this will rely heavily on parent volunteers. As many parents are already balancing work, family, and extra-curricular schedules we know the challenges with volunteering. We will look for ways to spread the responsibility in order to accommodate schedules. If we each find a way to give a small amount of time, we can achieve big

things!

### Getting Involved

If you would like to join a



committee, please contact Jennifer Trabucco (jltrabucco@verizon.net).

### Budget Update

We have made great progress towards our goal. To date, the PTG has raised approximately \$4700 of the \$7250 needed to cover planned expenses. There will be various fundraisers in the new year to complete the job.

### *The Eagle is Back Home*

*Thank you Nina Riccio for keeping the Eagle in flight, and sharing this as well as many other photos to the Oak Lawn PTG Facebook page.*

