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Silverlake Homeowner's Association, Inc. Newsletter

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## 5th Annual Silverlake HOA Halloween Decorating Contest Winner!

Thanks to all the Silverlake residents who decorated their homes for Halloween. The final decision was a difficult one due to all the spooky houses to choose from, but the winner of the 5th Annual Halloween decorating contest is Barrera family of Waterbury. As the official winner, Barrera's will receive \$100 cash prize and bragging rights for the year.

Congratulations!



## 5th Annual Holiday Decorating Contest



The Silverlake HOA is pleased to announce the 5th Annual Silverlake Holiday decorating contest. If you would like to have your home decorating judged, please send your name, address and phone number to [SilverlakeHOA@gmail.com](mailto:SilverlakeHOA@gmail.com) by December 14th, 2012. Judging of homes will begin on Saturday, December 15th after dark and continue until all the entries have been judged. The lucky winner will receive \$100 cash and bragging rights for the year. Good Luck!

## Breakfast with *Santa*



Mark your calendars!

Breakfast with Santa and Toy Drive  
December 8 from 9 am to 12 noon.  
Silverlake Clubhouse/ Recreation Center  
(2715 Southwyck Parkway)

Bring unwrapped toy(s) to benefit  
the Brazoria County Women's Center.

Volunteers needed! Please email [SilverlakeHOA@gmail.com](mailto:SilverlakeHOA@gmail.com) if you would like to help.

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### ARTICLE INFO

The Silverlake News is mailed monthly to all Silverlake HOA residents. Residents, community groups, schools, etc., are welcome to submit information. Personal news is also welcome. All submissions will be reviewed for content and approved by the Board of Directors and Newsletter Committee Chair. The deadline for submission is the 8th of the month before publication.

## Silvercrest Elementary School NEWS

### Website

The best resource for Silvercrest Elementary PTA news can always be found on our website at [www.silvercrestpta.org](http://www.silvercrestpta.org). The website includes all upcoming PTA events in a calendar format, flyers sent home with your child, helpful resource links to websites used for PTA activities, contact information for PTA officers, volunteer information and much more. Please check it out and save it to your bookmarks page so that you can refer to it for all PTA news and information throughout the year.

### Fundraising

Spring Creek BBQ presented Silvercrest PTA with a check in the amount of \$1,100 from our fall spirit night! Thank you,

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## Silverlake Elementary School DECEMBER EVENTS

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|---------------|--|
| <b>DEC 5</b>  | Fall Choir Performance 9am<br><br>Raising Cane's spirit night    |
| <b>DEC 6</b>  | PTO General Meeting 7pm<br><br>Fall Choir Performance 7:30pm     |
| <b>DEC 7</b>  | December Birthday Bash   |
| <b>DEC 11</b> | PTO Executive Board Meeting 7pm                                  |
| <b>DEC 14</b> | Jingle Bell Fun Run during PE<br><br>Holiday Movie Night 6pm     |
| <b>DEC 18</b> | Holiday celebrations in classrooms 12pm<br><br>Early Release 1pm |
| <b>DEC 19</b> | Christmas Break (NO SCHOOL)                                      |
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## Berry Miller Jr. High

Congratulations to ALL FOUR of our Girls' Volleyball Teams for winning 1st Place at the District Tournament (7A, 7B, 8A, 8B)! Our 7A team took it even a step further, as they did not lose a single set all season! Coach Sharee Shepherd stated, "Our coaching staff could not be more proud of this fabulous group of girls!" Go Bobcats!

Our PTA Hospitality Committee "thanked" our fabulous teachers during November with homemade fall baked goods, juices, hot apple cider and sweets.

"Career Night" will be held at the school December 6th from 6:00-7:30 p.m. All 7th and 8th grade students (along with parents) can meet with businesses volunteers to learn more about their education, careers and experience. Over 20 companies will be represented (Houston Zoo, FBI, University of Houston, Exxon, Wells Fargo, MD Anderson and Sound Connections DJs and more). Students enrolled in Mrs. Barajas' Career Connections course will receive extra credit for attendance.

The Bobcat Band will perform its Winter Concert December 12th at 7:00 p.m. in Pearland Jr. High South's Auditorium. (Rogers Middle School's Band will perform at 6:00 p.m.) Both sets of band parents are welcome to attend the other school's performances.

The nationally PTA sponsored "Reflections Art Contest" was judged in November by renowned area artists Michael Slattery, Natascha Notesky and photographer Victoria Lind. Due to press deadline, winners will be announced in the next issue. Congratulations to all of our artists!

Berry Miller's Robotics Club will host an exciting qualifier event for the First Lego League of the South Texas - Houston region January 19th. This program, for 9-14 year olds, is designed to get students excited about science and technology, and teach them valuable employment and life skills. More news to come!

### *Dates for your calendar:*

**Thursday, December 6th** – Career Night 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, December 11<sup>th</sup>** – Holiday Choir Concert 7:00 p.m. (at Berry Miller Jr. High)

**Wednesday, December 12th** – Winter Band Concert at Pearland Jr. High South

**Tuesday, December 18th** – Early Release 1:45 p.m.

**Wednesday, December 19th** – Tuesday, January 1<sup>st</sup> – Christmas Holidays

**Wednesday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>** – Staff In-Service (student holiday)

**Thursday, January 3<sup>rd</sup>** – Back to School!

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Spring Creek BBQ and a big thank you to all of the Silvercrest families that attended our event. The PTA would also like to thank all of the teachers that participated that evening. The winning classes from that night are: Mrs. Holder, Ms. Langston & Ms. Vasquez! Congratulations to each of those classes.


Please join us for the next retail partner event at Gringo's on Tuesday, December 4th. Be sure to mention that you are dining on behalf of Silvercrest Elementary, and a portion of the proceeds will be donated back to the PTA.

We collected over 20,000 box tops in October. Great job parents and students! Congratulations to the classes of Delaportilla, Alexander, Iannuzzi, Franklin, and Daigle for collecting the most box tops. Enjoy your extra recess. We will begin collecting box tops for our next contest in January, so keep clipping.

### **Yearbook**

It's time to order the yearbook. This year's book price will be \$25.00 each. Go to [balfour.com](http://balfour.com) and type in Silvercrest. Select Silvercrest from the drop down menu. You will then choose yearbook on the following page. You have the option to purchase a 1/8 page dedication for \$5 each. You must complete the ad at the time of purchase. You will also have the opportunity to donate a yearbook

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## PTA Meeting

Please plan to attend our next PTA general meeting on Thursday, January 17, at 6:30pm in the Silvercrest cafeteria. Get news on upcoming PTA events, find out how the PTA works on behalf of our school & how you can get involved.

## Santa Night

Mark your calendars for Santa Night on December 13th from 6-8pm in the cafeteria. Stallion scrips gift cards will be available for pickup during the event. We also will have an artwork table available for students to create cards to send to our Troops.

## Community Closet / Swap Shop

Come and participate in our clothing swap/exchange program. The Community Closet will also allow parents to

pick out clothes without swapping. For vouchers, please see your School Nurse / CIS rep / Counselor, Principal or talk to the PTA Community Closet Coordinator. It is located at Pearland Junior High West (2337 N. Galveston Rd.) in the gray building behind the school and across from PACE. The upcoming dates are November 27, December 11 and January 29th, 5-7 pm. Donations are always welcome.



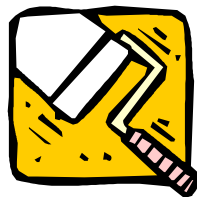
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## Massey Ranch Elementary School NEWS

The PTA would like to say thank you to all the lunchroom volunteers! The Massey Ranch Elementary staff appreciates the extra helping hands during lunch. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer for the lunchroom, please contact Anita Moore at 281-727-1700.

The PTA is also looking for volunteers for Faculty Staff meetings. This is an opportunity to help out your teachers and staff by watching their kids for about an hour during their monthly staff meeting. If you are interested, please contact Anita Moore at 281-727-1700.

### PTA Swap Shop Information

The Swap shop located behind Pearland Jr. High West in the brown building across from PACE is available to PISD parents to offset the cost of purchasing school clothes within the dress code policy,

and to allow parents the opportunity to "trade/swap" their outgrown school clothes for something fresh for their growing children. As the district grew and families in need grew, PTA Council started a voucher program; The Shop is now able to give away articles of clothing for our district families in need. For more information, visit [www.pearlandPTA.org](http://www.pearlandPTA.org) or Frances Caballero 832-385-2685, [frances@movewithfrances.com](mailto:frances@movewithfrances.com)

Save the date for the Massey Ranch Elementary PTA spring fundraiser!

A Night Under the Stars: A Campfire Adventure  
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## Going Green Gardening

by Marylee Olson

*Silverlake resident, master gardener/wildlife enthusiast*

The trees in Silverlake have matured and we now have many feathered friends as neighbors! Our area is directly under the migratory paths of many exotic birds in both spring and fall. Several types of sparrows, mourning and ring-necked doves, mockingbirds, bluejays and even hawks are in our area year-round. As winter approaches, these birds are seeking safe places to nest during our few cold months. Berries, seeds and bugs are becoming scarce; so bird enthusiasts should keep birdfeeders filled and birdbaths full of fresh water. Birds also love bread, many fruits and nuts. Birdhouses and other forms of shelter will be welcomed. Wildlife encircling a home brings warmth and an increased natural habitat to your family. Welcome our feathered friends through winter, and in the spring you'll be rewarded with birdsong, clutches of baby birds and new life all around. With urban sprawl, birds can really benefit from our help and reward us with their presence.

### FUN BIRDING CRAFT FOR KIDS!

- Gather fallen pinecones.
- Roll them in peanut butter (or shortening) and then birdseed.
- Tie with string and hang from trees.
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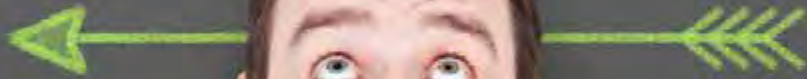
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