



LASA High School is pleased to bring you *Lots of LASA*, a weekly electronic newsletter designed to keep you updated with important news, dates and links. To unsubscribe please send an email to unsubscribe-pflasa@yahogroups.com.

Sunday, December 14th

This week's schedule: See final schedule listed below.

VISITORS: Be sure to bring your ID with you and sign-in to get a visitors pass.

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- Results of Kiss the Pig Fundraiser
- Congratulations – Model UN, Band members who made Area bands.
- Volunteer Wrappers Needed (to benefit Project Graduation 2009)
- PFLASA NEWS - Thanks and Happy Holidays!

LASA families,

Can you believe it? The entire first semester has flown by. Just four short days till the end of the semester and the winter holiday break. I hope that your students have had great semesters and have all of their college and scholarship applications on their way by now and that all of the grades will settle down for a long, nice winter's nap. Have a great, much deserved break! ~Rene

Thank you to all the students and parents who contributed to the Kiss the Pig Fundraiser.

As you will see below, our students provided three charities with over \$2500 as we go into the holidays. I am very proud our community could rally at this time of year to help out those that could use it.

Congratulations to the band and choir who hosted holiday shows this week. They were very entertaining and thank you for all your hard work.

Sci Tech will hold its end of the semester presentation in the cafeteria and then the dungeon from 6:00 to 8:00 pm on Wednesday, December 17.

Choir will perform at the Trail of Lights on Thursday, December 18 at approximately 7:45 pm

First Semester's Final Exam Schedule

15-Dec	Monday	
8:00	10:00	2nd Exam
10:10	12:10	4th Exam
12:10	1:10	Lunch
1:15	2:25	6th
2:30	3:40	8th

17-Dec	Wednesday	
8:00	10:00	5th exam
10:10	12:10	7th exam

18-Dec	Thursday	
8:00	10:00	6th exam
10:10	12:10	8th exam

16-Dec	Tuesday	
8:00	10:00	1st exam
10:10	12:10	3rd exam

Beginning on Tuesday for the early release times, LASA students will ride Capital Metro

buses. Not the yellow school buses that AISD provided during the Ike early release.

UPDATED STOPS AND PICKUPS FOR LASA STUDENTS

- BEGINS ON JANUARY 19TH.

Route	Change	Implementation
757	Remove stop at Duval & 48th	1/19/09
757	Add stop at Duval & 45th	1/19/09
757	Add stop at Speedway & 43rd	1/19/09
757	Add stop at Speedway & 40th	1/19/09
801	Remove stop at former Oak Hill Park & Ride	1/19/09
867	Remove stop at former Oak Hill Park & Ride	1/19/09
702	Remove stop Oak Hill Park & Ride	1/19/09
702	Add stops at Silvermine & Red Willow	1/19/09
702	Add stops at Scenic Brook & Stone Ledge	1/19/09
702	Add stops at Scenic Brook & SH 71	1/19/09

On January 6, when students return, they will report directly to their Forum class. Then, they will follow a C day schedule when the bell rings to dismiss them. The following day, January 7, is also a C day and the bell schedule returns to normal.

Interested in learning more about Northwestern University? LASA alum and current Northwestern student Jesus Salazar will be on campus Monday, December 15th at 1:30 p.m. to meet with juniors and seniors. Students must sign up in the LASA office by the end of lunch if they wish to attend the information session.

SAT Fee Waivers – Any fee waiver eligible students wanting to take the SAT on January 24, 2009, must pick up their fee waivers from Ms. Kocian before leaving for the holiday break. The regular registration deadline for the January test is Friday, December 26, 2008.

Mark Your Calendars! ALUMNight will be held on Wednesday, January 7, 2009 at 6:00 p.m. in the Library. Students and parents will have the opportunity to ask questions of LASA graduates about their college and campus life experiences. *If you know of any LASA alumni who might be interested in sharing their college experiences with current students, please have them contact Ms. Kocian at 512-414-1903 or by email: Jamie.Kocian@austinisd.org.

PIG KISSING FINAL RESULTS We raised \$2,811.54!!!!

DeHolton had 1300 points
Gross had 382 points
Flowers had 160 points
Pace had - 4 points
(totals are approximate)

Humane Soc. of Austin – \$1107

Safe Place – \$1107

Capital Area Food Bank -- \$553

CONGRATULATIONS!

LASA Model UN Team coached by Social Studies teacher Mr. Moody!

LASA won the "honorable delegation" award for the second year in a row at MUNSA out of 31 school delegations and approximately 1,000 students who participated. (This is the equivalent of 3rd place in what is essentially the state conference.)

In addition to the big award, LASA had star delegates in their committees who received individual awards. The rankings Best Delegate (1st), Distinguished Delegate (2nd) and Honorable Delegate (3rd).

Jacob Porter, Best Delegate - World Health Organization

Jordan Sessler, Distinguished Delegate - The Historical Security Council

Lukas Koube, Distinguished Delegate - UN Industrial Development Organization

Lee McClenon, Distinguished Delegate - Economic and Social Council

Katie Jaycox, Distinguished Delegate - Committee on the Peaceful Uses of Outer Space

Marcos Villareal, Distinguished Delegate - World Trade Organization

Zane Rankin, Honorable Delegate - UN Environmental Program

Zoe Wolszon, Honorable Delegate - UN Industrial Development Organization

Alex Guermoche, Honorable Delegate - UN Human Rights Council

Sasha Heinen, Honorable Delegate - UN Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization

Hutch Freeland, Honorable Delegate - Special Political Committee

LBJ Band students who participated and placed in the December 4th District Competition:

These students advanced to AREA competition in San Antonio on January 10th (one step before all-state):

Amanda Lester (first chair Trombone)

Steven Foley (first chair English Horn)

Alice Kim (second chair Clarinet)

Nicole Kurka (first chair Alto Sax)

Jeff Kim (second chair Trumpet)

Leah Weiser (fourth chair French Horn)

Joseph Gilbert (first chair Bass Trombone)

Symphonic Region Band (top ranking band) LBJ qualifiers are:

Ana Hernandez - Flute

Kevin Wang - Flute

Scott Fennel - Alto Saxophone

Alex Coto - Trombone

Concert Band members from LBJ are:

Wallis Robinson - Flute

Kartik Hattangadi - Flute

Ben Wolfson - Tenor Saxophone

District Band members from LBJ are:

Lydia Truitt - Alto Saxophone

Merek Johnson - French Horn

Lauren Vunderink - French Horn

Bookstop at Central Market has agreed to let LBJ Project Graduation 2009 wrap Christmas gifts as a fundraiser.

Bookstop provides all the supplies and we get to keep the donations. Our time is Sunday, December 21 4-8 p.m. Students may get NHS hours by helping with this project as well as earn money for the party. I am planning on one hour shifts with a minimum of 3 people per shift. Please help make this a successful fundraiser by volunteering an hour of your time. To volunteer, please contact Penny Sutton @ pennysutton@austin.rr.com.

PFLASA NEWS

On behalf of PFLASA, we would like to thank all of the school and parent community for their generous contributions of time, energy and resources, helping to strengthen and enrich our entire student body. It is a privilege to be a part of this committed and generous community. We extend our very best wishes to all for a Healthy and Happy Holiday Season!

Co-Chairs, Ann S. Graham and Sharon Dunn

Get Connected

- www.LasaOnline.org is the parent run website that has Lots of LASA archived, a list of teacher's e-mails and phone numbers in the directory (top right) and much, much more!
- **PTSA Jaguar Tracks E-newsletter** Send a blank email to PTSA-News-subscribe@lbjptsa.org
- **PFLASA Yahoo Group (Parents and Friends of LASA)** Send a blank email to pflasa-subscribe@yahoogroups.com. (Note: This is an Announce-only list)
- **Class of 2009 Yahoo Group** Send a blank email to lbjlasa2009-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.
- **Class of 2010 Yahoo Group** Send a blank email to lbjlasa2010-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.
- **Class of 2011 Yahoo Group** Send a blank email to lbjlasa2011-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.
- **Class of 2012 Yahoo Group** Send a blank email to lbjlasa2012-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

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If you have suggestions for this publication, please contact Karen Foree at editorLOL@grandecom.net
Please have items in by Thursday afternoon if you want something listed that week.