

# Carpenter E-notes 1/27/17

Hope everyone has enjoyed the warmer temps!

Stop by and take a look at our fundraising gauge for the year! Our goal for the year is about \$36,000 and as of the New Year we have raised just under \$14,000! We have a big fundraising push in February, so stay tuned!

Here is a look at what is coming your way from the PTO!

## Upcoming Events:

**Tuesday, January 31<sup>st</sup> – Deadline for general registration for Girls on the Run** - If you have a girl in 3rd - 5th grade who you think would benefit from our curriculum based program please make sure you sign her up before January 31st. Our cougars will meet on Mondays and Thursdays from 4:00pm to 5:30pm starting March 6th. Ten weeks x twice a week = 30 hours of instruction!\*\*Don't forget that there is financial aid for anyone who needs it. Your registration fee could be as low as \$20 if your family qualifies. The scholarship application only takes a minute and is right in the registration form.

**Friday, February 3<sup>rd</sup> – Little Ceasars Pizza Kits Arrive** – Pizza Kits will be available for pick-up from 4-5:30pm outside the MPR, just in time for super bowl! Pizza kits must be picked up during that time since we will not have refrigeration after that time.

**Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup> – PTO General Membership Meeting** – Join us in the MPR from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. Childcare and pizza provided. **We are in need of some help with Child care at this meeting-anyone interested can contact Amanda Gebhardt at [mitcheam@gmail.com](mailto:mitcheam@gmail.com)**

**Monday, February 6<sup>th</sup> – Friday, February 10<sup>th</sup> – School Wide Coin Challenge** – Do you have some spare change lying around? If so, consider sending it in with your student! Each grade will compete to see who can raise the most funds for our school. Prize for winning grade will be announced at a latter date!

**Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> – Count Day** – Please make sure that your student arrives on time that day! Thank you!

**Wednesday, February 8<sup>th</sup> – PTO Executive Board Meeting** - 8:00 p.m., Carpenter Library

**Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup> – NAAPID** – Join us at the school to take an active part in your child's education. Stay tuned for more information.

## Monday, February 20<sup>th</sup> – Presidents Day – No School

**Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup> – Leo’s Coney Island Dine to Donate** – Help our community support our 5<sup>th</sup> grade camping trip. During the evening our teachers will work as the servers and all tips will go directly to camp fundraising. More details to come!

**Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup> – Kindergarten/Young 5s Round Up** – 6:00pm-7:30pm Please Save the Date

**Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> - Disability Awareness Workshop** - The Disability Awareness Workshop is a half-day program to teach 4th graders an empathetic understanding of physical, developmental, and learning disabilities. The hands-on activity based program is designed to help students understand how difficult and complex daily living can be for individuals with "diverse abilities". **23 volunteers will be needed.** The time commitment is short but the impact on our 4th graders can be lifelong. Visit <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/409044ea4af22a57-disability> to learn more and share your time!

**Tuesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> - SCIENCE FAIR IS COMING!!!** Attention Cougars! The Science and Special Interest Fair is only two months away! This year's fair will be on March 17 and will coincide with our spring Book Fair! Now is a great time to start those science projects so you are ready to join us for the Science Fair. All are welcome! Watch for registration flyers at the end of January.

Please continue to follow the [Carpenter Facebook page](#), for the latest information, volunteer sign-up information, and parent discussion! If you are not a part of that page, please consider joining! Updates are being made to our [PTO webpage](#)! Please check out the updated information and consider this another great information resource for our community! Please make sure to check both often to stay informed on all the great happenings around our school and community.

At Carpenter, *we BELIEVE* that with great community support awesome things can happen! ~The Carpenter PTO

### Community Events:

[NAAPIDFlyer2017.pdf](#) [NAAPID Flyer 2017](#)

### [Drawing for Youth: Winter Wonderland Snowmen - Oil Pastels](#)

Sunday January 29, 2017: 1:00 pm to 2:00 pm -- Downtown Library: 4th Floor Meeting Room; This event is intended for grade 1–5

Join us for a directed drawing activity for youth every Sunday in January with artists from the Ann Arbor Art Center!

## [GameStart Workshop: Minecraft Java Programming](#)

Sunday January 29, 2017: 2:00 pm to 3:30 pm -- Downtown Library: Training Center;  
This event is intended for grade 3–8

Ever think that you could improve Minecraft? In this class we will give you the tools to try! Take a peek at the code "Notch" himself wrote and modify it to make Minecraft your own!

**“Magical” Mother Son Dance!** Friday, February 10, Pittsfield Township Community Center for ages 4-10. Dancing, Games, Pizza, Magic Show!

Register at <http://www.pittsfield-mi.gov> or in person at the community center (701 W. Ellsworth).

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