

## Quarterly Drew PTA Newsletter

### February 2016

Greetings Drew Charter School Families!

We are writing to inform you that Drew's PTA will be hosting its second fundraising auction on Saturday, April 23, 2016 so mark your calendars! This will be an adult- only event held at Avondale Towne Cinema in Avondale Estates, Georgia. Tickets will go on sale in early spring. More details and information regarding ticket sales will be forthcoming!

We are looking forward to an evening of fellowship, music, food, beverages, and FUNdraising! As you know, all of our fundraising efforts go to enrichment programs, classroom materials, teacher support, parent resources, and social events for the Drew community. We really want you to join us and invite your family, friends, neighbors, and business associates to join us as well.

We also need your support in donating items for our auction. Some suggested items are:  
Homemade items like quilts, baby blankets, beauty products, toys, art work, or pottery,  
Cool, one of a kind items that you don't mind parting with,  
Any service your business offers,  
Frequent flyer miles, timeshares, weekend getaways (The PTA will work with you regarding any cleaning fees or change fees.),  
Offers to babysit, do housework, or yard work,  
Unused Gift Cards in any amount to any business, and  
Personal Chef or Concierge Services.

If you own a business, please consider ways that you can contribute to our auction. If you know a business owner that may be interested in donating a service or item, please feel free to circulate this information. We welcome creativity! We also have sponsorship opportunities available to spotlight and promote our sponsors!

Please let us know by February 29, 2016 if you are able to contribute an item or service, so that we will have adequate time to prepare our auction catalogue. Be on the lookout for communication about other ways that you can get involved—set-up, ticket sales, assistance the day of the event, etc. We are so very grateful for the support that you have shown the PTA throughout this school year. We are looking forward to this awesome event, where we can both fundraise and celebrate!

Check out our auction website at:  
[www.charityauctionorganizer.com/auction/DrewPTA2016](http://www.charityauctionorganizer.com/auction/DrewPTA2016)

If you have any questions or would like to confirm a donation, please contact the Auction Committee at [DrewPTAAuction@gmail.com](mailto:DrewPTAAuction@gmail.com). Thank you in advance for your support. We are looking forward to a really fun and unique evening on April 23, 2016!

-2016 Drew PTA Auction Committee

***Want to be a Drew PTA Officer?***

***DREW NEEDS YOU!***

*The Nominating Committee is now accepting nominations for PTA officers.*

*We need enthusiastic and committed individuals who want to make a difference in the Drew community from Elementary Academy through Senior Academy.*

***DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION IS MARCH 1st.***

*We need candidates for the following offices: President/Co-President, VP-Elementary Academy, VP-Junior Academy, VP-Senior Academy, Secretary, Treasurer, & Chair/Co-Chairs of Communications.*

***ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD AT THE PTA MEETING ON APRIL 14.***

*The nomination form will be available on the PTA website soon and info on basic duties for each position will also be posted.*

*If you are interested in being nominated or would like to nominate a person for a position, please complete a nomination form and return to Nominating Committee Chairperson, Tracy Nailor at*

***[tracy.e.nailor@gmail.com](mailto:tracy.e.nailor@gmail.com).***

## UPCOMING PTA EVENTS



**First Friday Teacher Appreciation & Half Day/  
Parent Conferences 02/05**

**Summer Camp Expo 02/06 11:00 AM-1:00 PM**

**Winter Break-no school 2/12 through 2/16**

**Dedication of Dr. Charles R. Drew Memorial Sculpture  
02/25 10:00 AM**

**Auction Donation Deadline 2/29**

**Nominations for PTA officers Deadline 3/1**

**Georgia Walk to School Day 3/2**

**Red & White Ball 3/12 @ 6:00 PM**

**Daylight Savings Time 3/13**

**STEAM DAY 3/25**

**DesignORama 3/26 @ 11:00 AM**

**Spring Break 4/2 through 4/10 no school**

**PTA General Body Meeting 4/14 @ 6PM**  
Elections for 2016/2017 PTA officers

**PTA Silent Auction 4/23 @ 6:00 PM (time may change)**

**Screen on the Green 5/13**

There are several ways you can support your PTA. Use the link for the PTA's Amazon Smile account when shopping, and the PTA will receive a percentage of the sale:  
<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/58-2577634>.

Support the new PTA Fundraiser Sale- Check backpacks!

The PTA receives 20% of all Mabel's Labels customized labels purchased through [www.mabelsfundraising.com/c/23207](http://www.mabelsfundraising.com/c/23207).

If you want to write a story for or get an event published in the PTA newsletter, the PTA website or the PTA email, please contact Currey Hitchens @ [currey.hitchens@gmail.com](mailto:currey.hitchens@gmail.com). The next PTA Newsletter will be out in April. Newsletter submissions due April 1. Submissions due every Friday for the PTA email going out the next week to same email address.



SAVE THE DATE

February 25, 2016

10:00 a.m.

Charles R. Drew Charter School Junior and Senior Academy

300 E. Lake Blvd, SE, Atlanta, GA 30317

Join us for the dedication of the Dr. Charles R. Drew Memorial Sculpture. This student lead event, hosted during Black History Month, will commemorate the tremendous contributions of Dr. Drew, a medical and science pioneer.

Thanks to the many Drew Charter School parents for "Going Above and Beyond" to support the 2013-14 Family Giving Campaign that made it possible.

Mr. Colbert, the Director of Drew's Fine Arts Department, is seeking parent volunteers to assist the Fine Arts Department with ongoing updating of its website.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Mr. Colbert at [reginald.colbert@drewcharterschool.org](mailto:reginald.colbert@drewcharterschool.org).

## SUMMER CAMP EXPO

**Join the Drew Charter PTA Saturday  
February 6 from 11 am until 1 pm**

**In the Upper Campus Cafeteria  
Speak to Representatives from over 40  
Summer Programs for all ages in all areas of  
interest AND in all price ranges. The full list of  
Camps is on the PTA website.**

Questions? Emails [maggiels@bellsouth.net](mailto:maggiels@bellsouth.net)

