## October 2019 Newsletter

# Rocky River Early Childhood PTA

#### Message from the President Kelly Frindt <u>rockyriverecpta@gmail.com</u>

I feel I should be writing about how fall is finally here and we are enjoying all it has to offer but it is still super warm in Rocky River so I'm hoping all of our wonderful things planned get me into that Fall Spirit, along with my Pumpkin Cream Cold Brew from Starbucks! Homecoming at RRHS is **Friday**, **September 27**<sup>th</sup> and is always a good time with food trucks, crafts, activities and the High School Parade. Tailgate kicks off at 4:30pm and the parade begins at 6:15pm. This is a great way to get our Little Pirates ready for what is to come. Boyert's Farm visit is scheduled for Saturday, October 5th, so make sure you get a spot on CheddarUp! Also get your tables for our Fall Kids Kloset which will be at RRHS on **Saturday**, **October 12<sup>th</sup>**. The Halloween Party is set to be some spooky fun, minus the spooky, and will be held at Goldwood on Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>. As always, we will have some fun adult wellness activities, field trips, and community service planned for the month of October. Don't forget Santa sign-ups are at the meeting on October 1st at 7pm, Finally, our ECPTA Holiday Party will be on Wednesday, December 4th at Market.

Big shout outs to the CIYC co-chairs (Jacke and Meryl) for two successful playdates already this year and March with the Band was a huge success so thank you to Katie Kuhn!

I can't wait for fall weather to arrive but until then have a great time at all the events planned by our wonderful members and I will see everyone on **Tuesday**, **October 1**<sup>st</sup> for our next meeting!

## \*Don't forget a bag of fun tricks or treats (made in a peanut-free facility) to the meeting!\*



## **Upcoming Events**

#### September 27th at 4:30pm

**RR** Homecoming

#### October 1st

Board Mtg (6pm) Sign-Ups (7pm) Gen Mtg (730pm) \*\*Bring used children's books to donate\*\*

#### October 5<sup>th</sup> at 10am

**Boyerts Farm** 

October 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:15pm & 6:30pm

Field Trip to BAYarts

October 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30am

Fall Kids Kloset Resale at RRHS

## October 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:15pm & 6:30pm

Field Trip to Rocky River Public Library

#### October 17<sup>th</sup> at 10am

Field Trip to Rocky River Fire Station

#### October 17th at 7pm

Adult Wellness Whiskey Island Night Out

#### October 18<sup>th</sup> at 10am

**CIYC Squeaky Sneakers** 

#### October 19<sup>th</sup> at 10am

Boyerts Farm (Rain Date)

#### October 20<sup>th</sup> at 2pm

Community Service Trick or Treat at Rockport Senior Living

#### October 26<sup>th</sup> at 10am

Halloween Party (Goldwood) \*\*Bring canned good & used children's books to donate\*\*

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## Vice-President of Parties Cathleen Grossman <u>rrecptaypparties@gmail.com</u>

Fall is almost here, so get ready to party! Our first two parties of the year are in October- come enjoy! Our annual trip to Boyert's Farm is right around the corner on **Saturday**, **October 5th from 9:30-12:30pm**. It's a great time with hayrides, pumpkins, donuts and more! Thanks so much to Emily Mayock and Liz Kasnekaw for organizing this special day. Check out Liz and Emily's blurb in the newsletter for details, directions and a rain date.

And then don't miss the Halloween Party on **Saturday**, **October 26th**, from **10:00am until noon (9:30am for children with special needs)**! Dress your kiddos up in their favorite Halloween outfits or costumes, and come enjoy trick-or-treating, crafts, games and lots of fun! Erin Arra and I have been organizing what should be a spooktacular morning. Check out that blurb in this newsletter for more details.

#### Membership Applications Erin Arra Erin.Arra@gmail.com

Please complete your online membership application <u>before</u> <u>October 1st</u> to be included in our RRECPTA Directory and to avoid the membership dues price increase! The form is on our website: <u>https://www.rrecpta.org/join</u>

Dues (tax-deductible minus the PayPal Fee):

- \$35 / year (plus \$1.10 PayPal fee)
- \$40/year after October 1st (plus \$1.20 PayPal fee)

Facebook: After paying your dues please request to join our Facebook page. Facebook won't allow us to invite you. Please make sure to answer membership questions indicating the name indicated on your membership form when signing up for RRECPTA.

Treasurer			
Liz Kasnekaw <u>rrecptatreasurer@gmail.com</u>			
Beginning GL Balance Total:	8/1/2019	\$18,898.13	
Receipts:		\$3,098.87	
Disbursements:		\$2,891.51	
Ending GL Balance Total:	8/31/2019	\$19,105.49	
Further Detail of Account Available Upon Request Treasurer			

Further Detail of Account Available Upon Request. Treasurer forms and guidelines are on the website

(<u>https://www.rrecpta.org/</u>) in the Members Only section under "Committee Resources & Treasurer Forms". Contact <u>mailto:rrecptanewsletter@gmail.com</u> for password.

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## **Upcoming Events**

#### November 4<sup>th</sup> at 1pm

Field Trip at What the Cupcakes

November 6<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

Early Childhood Expo

November 9<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am

Honor Our Vets at RRPL

November 13th at 9:30am

Field Trip at Playgrounds

November 15<sup>th</sup> at 10am

CIYC at Bay Village Library

#### November 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

Speakeasy Auction (Around the Corner)

#### November 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm

Field Trip at RRAP Pack & Sort

#### November 21st at 6pm

Adult Wellness Holiday Cookie Baking Class at Annie's Signature Sweets

#### December 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

Mom's Holiday Party at the Market

#### December 6<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

All Aglow at Rocky River Memorial Hall

#### February 7<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm

Family Pool Party at Rocky River Rec Center

#### February 9th at 9am

Donuts with Dad

#### March 7<sup>th</sup> at 4:30pm

Fall Ice Skating Party at Hamilton Ice Arena

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## Vice-President of Programs Melissa Mayer <u>rrecptavpprograms@gmail.com</u>

A BIG thank you to all of you who came out to our first meeting. It was so great catching up with old friends and meeting our new members.

Our next general meeting is set for **Tuesday**, **October 1st at 7:30pm** in the RRMS commons. Our speakers for the evening are Sarah Saunders and Dr. Heather Dukes-Murray from Megan Barlow & Associates. They will be talking about how to manage challenging behaviors and keeping healthy boundaries with our kids.

Remember to arrive early to the meeting to sign up for field trips and volunteer opportunities. Free babysitting will be provided courtesy of Magnificat High School, but you must contact me prior to the meeting if you will be needing those services, ideally at least 24 hours before the meeting.

If you are planning to attend, please donate one bag of NUT FREE (manufactured in a nut-free facility) candy for the RRECPTA Halloween Party.

Look forward to seeing everyone at the meeting and social!

## Adult Wellness Anamarija Machesky <u>amachesky@yahoo.com</u> Christine Knific <u>Christineknific@gmail.com</u>

We're looking forward to our upcoming adult social events! More to be added in the future. Hope to see you there!

October 17<sup>th</sup> at 7pm - Whiskey Island Night Out - @2800 Whiskey Island, Cleveland - Join us for some fun and the beautiful view at Whiskey Island Still & Eatery while we still have the weather! 8pm, spouses/partners welcome.

November 21<sup>st</sup> 6-8pm - Holiday Cookie Baking Class at Annie's Signature Sweets - @ 3619 Walton Ave, Cleveland - Ann LoParo, award-winning pastry chef and owner of Annie's Signature Sweets, is hosting a private class for the RRECPTA in her Ohio City location. We will learn to make biscotti, thumbprints, and kolacky cookies for the holidays. Space is limited to 12 bakers, \$65 per person. Welcome to bring wine/beer/mimosas. Signup links available shortly.

## Sign-ups & What to Bring to Oct Meeting

- Field Trips (Oct. & Nov.)
- Community Service
  - Trick or Treat at Rockport
  - Veteran's Day Storytime
- Raffle Tickets to Light the All Aglow Tree (for RRAP)
- Santa Visits
- Volunteer (Kid's Kloset, All Aglow, Halloween Party)
- Items to Bring:
  - 1 Bag of Candy or Treats from a Nut-Free Facility
  - Used Kid's Books & A Few Dollars for a pass the hat to purchase new books
  - Used Baskets & Frames for Auction
  - Donations for RRECPTA Kid's Kloset Table

## **Sunshine Committee**

Rachael Stafford & Emily Richmond

#### rrecptasunshine@gmail.com

There were no new babies in the month of September. If you are expecting a baby and would like a meal delivered to you and your family OR if you are someone who would like to deliver a meal to a family with a new baby in their home, please let us know using our website form:

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#### October & November Field Trips rrecpta.fieldtrips@gmail.com

Listed below are field trips planned. Sign-ups start at the PTA general meetings. At the meeting, sign up with your name, email address, and phone number. Following the meeting, all who signed up will be given the payment links and 24 hours to complete payment. Afterwards, if spaces remain, you can sign-up (https://www.rrecpta.org/). If you wish to be added to the waitlist, please email the field trip group.

#### BAYarts - Classes full, waitlist available

#### Monday, October 7th from 5:15-6:15pm & 6:30-7:30pm

@ Huntington Playhouse Dr, Bay Village
 For ages 3-6. You and your child will be creating a seasonal themed project together.
 -Cost: \$20 per adult/child pair with an additional \$5 charge per child. Limit: 20 people per class.
 RSVP by Monday, September 30<sup>th</sup>

#### Story Time & Craft at Rocky River Public Library – Classes full, waitlist available

#### Tuesday, October 15th from 5:45-6:30pm & 6:30-7:15pm

@1600 Hampton Road, Rocky River
 For ages 2-5. The children will be read a Fall/Halloween themed story and will sing songs and make a craft.
 Cost: FREE. Limit: 15 children.
 RSVP by Tuesday, October 8<sup>th</sup>

#### **Rocky River Fire Station Tour**

Thursday, October 17th from 10:00-10:30am @ 21012 Hilliard Blvd, Rocky River Meet some RR firefighters, tour the station and check out both a fire truck and an ambulance. The firefighters would LOVE pictures thanking them for the tour! -Cost: FREE. Limit: 20 children per tour. RSVP by Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup>

#### What the Cupcakes Kitchen Tour & Cupcake Decorating

#### Monday, November 4th at 1pm

@ 36795 Detroit Road, Avon

Take a tour of the What the Cupcakes kitchen and stay to decorate your own cupcake. Lemonade and/or cocoa will also be provided. Dietary needs can be met upon request.

-Cost: \$5/child. Any adult decorating a cupcake will be an additional \$5. Limit: 20 participants. **RSVP by October 25<sup>th</sup>** 

#### **Playgrounds Cafe**

#### Wednesday, November 13th, 9:30-10:30am

@ 15715 Madison Avenue, Lakewood

Playgrounds offers coffee drinks, children's snacks, baked goods, & have dairy-free & gluten-free options. Parking available on the street (bring change for meters) or free in their rear lot. Their play space has a train table, large doll house, play kitchen, puzzles, etc. Outside food is not permitted.

-Cost: FREE. Limit: Adult seating limited to 14 people.

#### **RSVP by November 8th**

#### **RRAP Pack & Sort**

#### Tuesday, November 19th, 6:30-7:30pm

@ 20120 Detroit Road, Rocky River

For ages 5+. You and your children will help sort through food donations and pack groceries for the RRAP's Thanksgiving Distribution. Food donations accepted by the pantry at this time!

-Cost: FREE. Limit: None

#### RSVP by Friday, November 15th

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#### Healthy Rocky River Katie Stelmak Kleciejewski@gmail.com

We will share upcoming events in the monthly newsletter to make sure everyone is informed of local healthy activities and talks.

#### **Squeaky Sneakers**

Come play in the "Big Gym," at the Don Umerley Civic Center. There will be balls, mats, climbing toys, a parachute, and more! Great time to run off all that energy and meet other families **Date/Time: September 30- December 20, 10-11:30am on Mondays and Fridays** Information/Registration Here

#### **Baby's First Foods**

Nutrition during the first year of your baby's life is important for proper growth and development. Join a free class at the Fairview wellness center led by a certified pediatric registered dietitian from the Cleveland Clinic Children's to learn about proper introductive. Advance registration is required. Register online or call 440.356.0670 option 4.

Date/Time: Thursday, October 3, 6-7:30 pm

Information/Registration Here

#### Your Picky Eater- The Toddler

Learn best practices to encourage healthy eating so you will know your picky eater is maintaining adequate nutrition at the Fairview Wellness Center. Advance registration is required. Register online or call 440.356.0670 option 4.

Date/Time: Thursday December 12, 6 to 7:30 pm

Information/Registration Here

#### **Quickie Ways to Banish Your Stress**

This class at the Fairview Wellness Center introduces you to easy techniques and practices to beat worry, stop second guessing yourself and learn to calm down. This class is led by Mary Lous Stricklin, MSN APN, FAAN. Advance registration is required. Register online or call 440.356.0670 option 4. **Date/Time: Wednesday, October 30, 6:30 to 8 pm.** 

Information/Registration Here

## Come If You Can Playdates

Jacke Wiedemer <u>jacke.wiedemer@hortonww.com</u> & Meryl Baskin <u>Merylbaskin@gmail.com</u>

All CIYC Playdates are fun, relaxed meet-ups. There is no need to RSVP; just Come If You Can! CIYC playdates will primarily be advertised and updated on Facebook. Most dates/times are weather permitting. New members this is a great way to meet other members!

October 18 <sup>th</sup>	November 15 <sup>th</sup>	December 13 <sup>th</sup>
Squeaky Sneakers	Bay Village Library	Lake Erie Nature & Science Ctr
January 17 <sup>th</sup>	February 14 <sup>th</sup>	March 13 <sup>th</sup>
Kidsplay Indoor Fun	Little Explorers	Rocky River Library
(Pin Oak Pkwy Avon Lake)	(Great Northern Mall)	
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	
Elmwood Park	Rocky River Park	

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## **Community Service Events**

Maggie Male & Daina Grimaldi rrecptacommunityservice@gmail.com

## Trick or Treat at Rockport Senor Living

#### Sunday, October 20th, 2-4pm

@20375 Center Ridge Road, Rocky River

Children should wear their costumes and bring a trick or treat bag and cards to share with residents. There will also be crafts to do with residents. Evite to follow.

#### Honor Our Vets at Rocky River Public Library

#### Saturday, November 9th, 10:30-11:15am

@1600 Hampton Road, Rocky River

Children will have story time with Mrs. Fisher and do a craft to give to our Veterans to thank them for their service. Sign-ups at October meeting.

#### Raffle to Light the Tree at All Aglow

Enter the raffle to have cookies and milk and TURN on the holiday lights with the Mayor at All Aglow on December 6th. Picture your family standing up and plugging in the tree — better yet, picture the picture of your family doing it!

1 chance to win = \$5 3 chances to win = \$10 7 chances to win= \$20

All funds from the raffle tickets sales are donated to the Rocky River Assistance Program Scholarship Program. Want to support but cannot attend All Aglow? Direct Donations are also accepted.

Tickets are on sale at the October meeting, Early Childhood Expo sign-ups and at Auction.

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#### **Community Service Donations**

#### Maggie Male & Daina Grimaldi rrecptacommunityservice@gmail.com

Ideas for community service? Please let us know. We would love ideas to get kids involved!

#### Two Ways to Help

#### Rocky River Assistance Program

Did you know... more than 1000 Rocky River residents fall below the poverty line? The Rocky River Assistance Program's pantry provides food and personal items to our neighbors in need! Summer is a slow time for donations. Please bring in canned food items and non-perishables for donation to the Halloween Party (October 26<sup>th</sup>) at Goldwood. Let's help those in need in Rocky River!

Current High-Need Items			
<ul> <li>Baking Items (Flour, Sugar, etc.)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Pasta</li> </ul>	Evaporated Milk	Pumpkin Pie Mix
<ul> <li>Spaghetti Sauce</li> <li>A high need item for months</li> </ul>	Pie Crusts	• Stuffing	Canned Yams

**Other ways to help:** Volunteer at a <u>Pack & Sort Date</u> or Make your tax-deductible contribution <u>online</u>. You can also give to RRAP by mail. Send checks (payable to: Rocky River Assistance Program) to: P. O. Box 16724, Rocky River, OH 44116

#### Cleveland Kid's Book Bank

**GET YOUR KIDS INVOLVED!** Sit down with your child and have them pick out books they no longer want or need to give to other kids who need books!

The Cleveland Kid's Book Bank accepts new and gently used books in good condition:

- Board Books (cardboard pages, durable)
- Picture Books (books parents would read to their children)
- Beginning Readers (ex. Step Into Reading, I Can Read)

\*\* Critical need is books for babies through early readers (board books, learn to read books) and books showing diversity.\*\*

**Note:** The Cleveland Kid's Book Bank cannot accept adult books, magazines, textbooks, encyclopedias, coloring books, or books with torn covers.

Bring new and gently used books to the October meeting (you may win a gift card) and to the Halloween Party (October 26<sup>th</sup>) at Goldwood.

# Donation drop-offs also welcome at 21484 Kenwood Avenue, Rocky River. Leave donations in the brown bin on the patio! Thank you for your donations!

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## Boyert's Farm

Emily Mayock <u>emilydhanna@gmail.com</u> Liz Kasnekaw <u>elizabeth.kasnekaw@gmail.com</u>

There's still time to register for the annual day at Boyert's Farm, where we'll enjoy doughnuts, apple cider and wagon hayrides. Plus, everyone (over age 1) can pick a free pumpkin from the pumpkin patch to take home! **Registration closes Friday, Sept. 27<sup>th</sup>!** 

Saturday, Oct. 5, 9:30 am-12:30 pm (rain date Oct. 19) Boyert's is a "come when you can" event - - last hayride is at noon 4557 Paradise Rd, Seville Register online <u>here</u>. Kid ticket (age 6 + under) - \$8/person Kids under 1 are free (does not include pumpkin) All persons over age 1 require a ticket to enter the grounds.

## **Halloween Party**

Cathleen Grossman <u>cbackus13@gmail.com</u> Erin Arra <u>erin.arra@gmail.com</u>

Halloween is just creeping around the corner.... Our annual Halloween party will be: Saturday, October 26th from 10am-noon \*\* Goldwood Primary School Cafeteria

Brace yourselves for spine-chilling tricks and treats! We hope you mark this event on your calendars! An Evite will be sneaking into your inbox in early October.

There will be games, crafts, trick-or-treating, a balloon bender and a photo-booth to capture the fun! If you are able to help with setup on Friday night (October 25, 6-8pm) or clean-up after the party Saturday, Please sign-up to help <u>here</u>.

A donation of used books for Cleveland Kid's Book Bank and/or non-perishables for Rocky River Assistance Program are suggested.

#### Early Childhood Education Expo Melissa Sahnd & Daina Grimaldi preschoolrrecpta@gmail.com

Join us for the annual Early Childhood Education Expo on **Wednesday, November 6th at 7pm at Rocky River Middle School.** This year, Rocky River ECPTA and Lakewood ECPTA are co-hosting the event. Over 25 organizations will be represented at this **free** event! This is a perfect way to learn what resources are available for your preschool or Kindergarten aged child. Opportunities are available to explore childcare, before- and after-care programs, supplemental programs and more. The Early Childhood Education Expo is open to all parents, guardians or caretakers of young children in the area so spread the word! Hope to see you there! Homecoming <u>Erin Meisenzahl</u> <u>Rachael Stafford</u> <u>Dixie Trunko</u> <u>Emily Richmond</u>

Please join us at RRHS for a fun community night of live music, food trucks, face painting, raffles, and more!

Friday September 27th from 4:30 to 7pm Lakewood Dental Presents Rocky River Homecoming Food Truck Tailgate. Hot Dogs, Burgers, Pizza, BBQ, Gourmet Sandwiches, FroYo and More! Meals and desserts from \$5-\$10, raffle tickets 6 for \$5.

Featuring:

River Dogs Mobile Cookout The Manna Truck Sauced Wood Fire Pizza Smokin' Rock 'N Roll Little Penguin

Pre-Sale food and raffle tickets available <u>here</u>!

Same day food and raffle tickets available (cash only)

Parade will be 6-7pm

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#### Kids Kloset Catherine Hartzell & Jessica McGreevey rockyriverkidskloset@gmail.com

Time to clean out your basements and playrooms! 2019 Fall Kids Kloset Resale **Saturday October 12th 7:30am – 11:30am** Rocky River High School

Table price will increase on October 1st! Lock in your member rate and table spot today: RRECPTA Members: \$20.00/table Non-members:\$30.00/table Buy your table <u>here</u>.

Volunteer shifts are available now, Sign-up <u>here</u>. \*\* Volunteers for shifts shop early!! \*\*

Registration form and addition information can be found on the RRECPTA website: <u>https://www.rrecpta.org/kids-kloset</u>

#### Kids Kloset RRECPTA Resale Table Maria Gentile <u>mariabgentile@gmail.com</u> Danielle Gurgol <u>dmhaenel@gmail.com</u>

Want to shop Kids Kloset early? Looking for a few easy scholarship hours? Volunteer for the RRAP Kids Kloset Table! We're looking for a few members to help set up the PTA table and help with sales! Have a few hours to spare? Sign-up <u>here</u>.

Not selling but have gently used clothes to pass along? Donate to the RRECPTA Kid's Kloset table. Proceeds of all sales go directly to support the PTA!

Drop off donations anytime before the sale to Maria Gentile at 18880 High Pkwy (Leave donations in bin on porch tagged PTA Sale) or Danielle Gurgol at 20315 Westover Avenue (Leave donations in bin by back door). **Be sure to mark donations with your name - anyone who donates will be entered to win a Gift Card!** 

## Kids Kloset Bake Sale Table Jaci Bloom jaclyn.r.bloom@gmail.com

Volunteers are needed for the Bake Sale! Please consider baking cookies, cupcakes, bread, breakfast bars, or any other favorites! Not a baker? You can pick something up from the grocery store and bring it to the high school on *Friday, October 11th from 4:00-6:00pm or Saturday morning at 7:30am.* Please label dairyfree/gluten-free/nut-free items. If you bring a baked good, you will receive ONE hour of volunteer time. Sign-up to bake <u>here</u>. Bake sale table shifts are also available now, Sign-up for a time here.

## Area Resales

#### Westlake ECPTA Fall Kiddie Kloset

When: Saturday, Oct. 5, 8am-12pm Where: Westlake HS, 27830 Hilliard Blvd., Westlake Cost: Early Bird (8am-9am) \$5; General Admission (9am-12pm) \$1

## Parma ECPTA Fall ReSale

When: Saturday, Oct. 12, 8am-1pm Where: Parma HS, 6285 W. 54th St., - Parma Cost: Early Bird (8am-9am) \$5; General Admission (9am-1pm) \$1

#### Avon ECPTA Fall Kids Closet

When: Saturday, Oct. 19, 7am-12pm Where: Avon Middle School, 3445 Long Rd, -Avon Cost: Admission; \$2

## **Kids Kloset Volunteer**

Volunteers are needed for the set-up on October 11<sup>th</sup> and the sale on October 12<sup>th</sup>. Sign-up <u>here</u> (and shop early)!

Volunteer for:

- Friday October 11th -4:30pm to 7:30pm
- Saturday October 12th
   7:00am to 9:30am or
   9:30a 12:00pm

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#### Auction Jess Massari & Lauren Barbour rrecptaauctioncoordinator@gmail.com

Join us for a night at the Speakeasy Auction!

Come as a flapper or come as you are, dress as a gangster, or silent screen star. It's going to be fun, no matter the dress. Just bring yourself and we'll do the rest! Soiree ends when the spirits run dry. <u>Get your tickets today</u>! **Prices go up after October 1**<sup>st</sup>.

#### Saturday, November 16<sup>th</sup> at 7pm

Around the Corner 18616 Detroit Road, Lakewood Costumes or cocktail attire are encouraged.

Have an idea for a donation? Download a donation request letter and form <u>here</u>. All donations are appreciated and help raise money for the RRECPTA. Past bestsellers include golf, tickets to the theater or sporting event, night-out packages, salon and spa gift certificates, etc.

If you want to volunteer or have a connection to a local business who may be willing to donate, please contact Jess Massari or Lauren Barbour.

## A-Tisket A-Tasket Auction Needs Your Baskets (& Picture Frames)

Our auction is a silent raffle of generously donated community items. To display those items at auction, we need baskets and picture frames from all of you. If you have any baskets or picture frames (5x7 or larger) you are willing to donate, please bring to the October meeting or deliver to: 21484 Kenwood Avenue, Rocky River (Leave in brown bins on the patio). Thank you.



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#### Santa Visits Kelci Cotter & Krystal Massey <u>RRECPTASantaVisits@gmail.com</u>

Surprisingly, Christmas is right around the corner! Santa will be making house calls **beginning on November 25th**. This is a magical event watching the face of your little ones light up when Santa walks through the door!

We also need Santa Helpers -- volunteers (Moms or Dads) to drive Santa to each house for his visits. This is a great way to get involved and is so special to see other kids experience a very exciting time.

This year we have a **strict** number of visits due to Santa's busy schedule. We will do our very best to accommodate as many as possible -- the best way to ensure you get a visit this year is to **attend and sign up at the October 1st meeting**. The price is \$30/visit and forms are available <u>online</u> -- please fill it out <u>prior</u> to the meeting to expedite the process as forms will not be available at the meeting. Mail in forms will be accepted beginning October 2nd for Current Members (if spots are still available). Former Members no longer eligible to join the RRECPTA will be offered any remaining slots at an increased rate beginning October 8th. **Checks Only.** 

**NOTE:** The only field you need to fill out when printing is this one:

Will your child be giving Santa a gift for donation to the Twice Blessed Free Store (optional): Y / N

PLEASE DON'T FORGET (and please give to the Twice Blessed Free Store this Holiday Season)!

If you and your little one(s) would like to pick out a gift to donate to the Twice Blessed Free Store, please indicate on the form and Santa will collect during his visit and deliver! The Preferred New Toy List for Christmas Toy Drives Benefiting the Children (ages 0-12) of Twice Blessed Free Store Families:

Baby Dolls (multiethnic)	Barbie Dolls (multiethnic)	Basket/Foot/Soccer Balls		
Cars & Trucks	Children's Board Games	Craft Kits for 8-12 year olds		
Lego Sets for 8-12 year olds	Marvel/DC Toys	Matchbox/Hot Wheels Cars		
Shower Gel/Body Lotion	Star Wars Toys	STEM Toys (All Ages)		
(Older Girls & Boys)				
Toddler Toys	Toddler Wooden Puzzles			

Note: <u>All Toys should be unwrapped.</u> You may provide Gift Bags, Tissue, and/or Wrapping Paper separately. No stuffed animals, please.

## All Aglow

#### Jen Rieker <u>imontyrieker@gmail.com</u> Kelly Frindt <u>rockyriverecpta@gmail.com</u>

All Aglow is scheduled for **Friday**, **December 6th starting at 6pm**. Food trucks, cookies and the Big Guy will accompany the lighting of the lights at City Hall! Your family could have cookies and milk and then TURN on the lights with the Mayor, you must buy raffle tickets at the October meeting, the Early Childhood Expo sign-ups, or Auction for a chance to win! Picture your family standing up and plugging in the tree — better yet, picture the picture of your family doing it!

1 chance to win = \$5 3 chances to win = \$10 7 chances to win= \$20

All funds from raffle tickets sales are donated to the Rocky River Assistance Program Scholarship

**<u>Program</u>**. Want to support but cannot attend All Aglow? Direct Donations also accepted.

Contact Jen Rieker or Kelly Frindt to volunteer making cookies, soliciting donations, or setting up.

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## Newsletter & Website Maggie Male <u>rrecptanewsletter@gmail.com</u>

Have a newsletter item? Email me. The newsletter is sent monthly during the school year (even on months with no meeting). The website is updated on an ongoing basis. Here are the remaining newsletter deadlines for the 2019-2020 school year:

Newsletter Edition	Article Submission Deadline	Newsletter Sent
November	Thursday, October 24 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday, October 29 <sup>th</sup>
December	Thursday, November 21st	Tuesday, November 26 <sup>th</sup>
January	Thursday, December 26 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday, December 30 <sup>th</sup>
February	Thursday, January 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Tuesday, January 28 <sup>th</sup>
March	Thursday, February 20 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday, February 25 <sup>th</sup>
April	Thursday, March 26 <sup>th</sup>	Tuesday, March 31st
May	Thursday, April 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Tuesday, April 28 <sup>th</sup>

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