



January 23, 2015

Calendar of Events:	
January 23	Movie Night-Movie "Boxtrolls"
January 24 (Sat.)	Cornell Book Fair Library 10:00am-1:00pm
January 24 (Sat.)	AMS "Back to the Future"-Parent Dance
January 26	Cornell's Got Talent- Audition #1-Lunch Recess
January 26-30	Cornell Book Fair-Library
January 30	Cornell Book Fair-Family Night-6:00-8:00pm
January 30	Book Fair Author-Anne Nesbet-7:00pm
January 27	Parent Ed Night-7:00-8:30pm
January 27	AUSD Board Meeting-7:00pm
January 31 (Sat.)	Cornell Crew Work Party-9:00am-12:00pm
February 2-4	Pt. Bonita trip (4th grade)
February 4	100 th Day of School!
February 4	Community Time
February 9	Cornell's Got Talent-Audition #2-Lunch Recess
February 14	AEF & ACF Chocolate & Champagne Gala
February 15	Cornell Bowling Party-10:00am-12:00pm
February 16-20	Mid-Winter Break

MOVIE NIGHT IS TONIGHT-MEET THE BOXTROLLS IN THE MPR "Boxtrolls," a 2014 American stop-motion animated film is sure to be a hit with kids of all ages. The usual dinner (pizza, wraps, rolls, and sandwiches) and snacks (popcorn, candy, juice boxes, etc.) and a new addition, glow sticks (!!!) will be available for purchase. A \$4 suggested donation at the door enters you into a raffle to win the movie at the end of the night. Doors open at 6:00pm, cartoons shortly thereafter, and the movie starts at 6:30pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

PARKING/DROPPING YOUR STUDENT OFF AT SCHOOL We are receiving phone calls from our neighbors that parents are pulling into their driveways to turn their cars around on our tiny little street rather than driving to the end of the block (Marin Ave. or Solano Ave.). This is a serious safety issue for you and especially for our children. We also have noticed that some parents are parking in the staff parking lot right next to the school. All of these spaces are assigned to teachers. When you park there, you are taking a spot from a staff member. Do not park in this lot even if it's "just for a few minutes". Thank you for taking the time to do the right thing.

THE SAN FRANCISCO OPERA GUILD ASSEMBLY "FLUTE FOR TWO" returned to Cornell this week on Wednesday with an interactive show about the Magic Flute for our younger grades K-2. The show was absolutely fabulous! We are so grateful to the PTA for bringing such talent to our school!

GALLERY WALK Have you recently noticed the terrific hallway bulletin boards at Cornell. Teachers, classrooms, and students complete such beautiful work to share what they know and it's often displayed in our hallways. We hope you can take the time to take a walk and slowly take a look at what they've accomplished. Often the work rotates and it's so nice.

CORNELL PTA HUNDRATHON Our 5th annual Hundrathon campaign has begun. This is Cornell PTA's biggest fundraiser of the year. **HELP US MEET OUR \$30,000 FUNDRAISING GOAL BY DONATING TODAY!** Donating is easy-No parent volunteering necessary! Cornell PTA is asking you to donate \$100 per child before the 100th day of school. It really is that easy! There are many ways to donate:

- Write a check. It's tax deductible. (Don't forget employer matching.)
- Return your envelope to your child's teacher.
- Drop it in the office in the PTA safe.
- You can also donate online at www.cornellpta.org/hundrathon
- Drop your donation every Wednesday morning before school at the picnic benches by the MPR

The campaign ends on the 100th day of school Wednesday, February 4th-so donate soon! NOTE: We fully understand that not every family is in a position to contribute. All we ask is that you give what you can - any amount is appreciated. If you have any questions contact Danielle Eichner - danielleeichner@hotmail.com or Petra Martin - petrasarahmartin@gmail.com Thank you everyone!

BOOKS INC. BOOK FAIR STARTS THIS SATURDAY, JANUARY 24TH The Book Fair is open Saturday January 24TH from 10:00am to 1:00pm; every school day January 26TH-30 from 8:00am to 12:30pm & 12:55pm to 3:30pm (2:30 pm on Wednesday). Family Night is Friday, January 30 from 6:00pm to 8:00pm, featuring a presentation by Anne Nesbet at 7:00pm. Anne is the author of two popular children's books: *The Cabinet of Earths*, and *A Box of Gargoyles*. Visit Anne's website: <http://annenesbet.com/> All families, friends, grandparents, and neighbors are welcome! Proceeds of the fair directly benefit Cornell library; this is our library's major source for new book purchases. Support our Library and come shop!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE BOOK FAIR Thanks to all who already signed up to help at the Books Inc. Book Fair! We still need many slots filled Monday, January 26TH to Friday, January 30th. Please don't wait to sign up. Any amount of time you can help is MUCH appreciated. Book Fair coordinators will be present every day to help and train you. Go to <http://vols.pt/HVncje> to sign up. If you prefer to not sign up online, please contact Wieneke at wienekegorter@yahoo.com or (650) 387 1708. Thank you all for your help! Ms. Staton (Cornell Librarian), Dandy Conway, Kim Bollin, Sui-Ling Angelidis, Wieneke Gorter.

PARENT EDUCATION EVENING-UNDERSTANDING YOUR CHILD'S DEVELOPMENT Tuesday, January 27th, 2015, from 7:00pm to 8:30pm, in the Cornell School Multipurpose Room, Patricia Contaxis will build on talks she has given at Cornell and Marin Elementary. She will briefly review the arc of childhood development from early childhood through adolescence, and the important developmental tasks of elementary school-age children. The focus of the talk will be how parents can apply these basic concepts of development to strategies for providing age appropriate structure that protects children while decreasing conflict between parent and child. Please RSVP (required!) to Jessica Cross (PTA President) jmessieacross@yahoo.com by Friday, January 26th, to let us know if you will be using our childcare services. Give us the name of your child(ren) and their ages/grades. Children attending the childcare must be 4 years or older and potty-trained.

ALBANY CHOIRS PRESENT THEIR WINTER SING-A-LONG MOVIE NIGHT DISNEY'S FROZEN Wednesday, January 28th, at 6:45pm. Location-Albany High School Little Theater located on Key Route Blvd., just north of the main entrance to the high school. Price-We ask that you donate what you can. Proceeds will go towards AHS & AMS travel scholarships. There will be refreshments available to purchase. Come sing-along with Anna, Elsa, Olaf and Kristoff to save their kingdom from winter's cold grip.

CORNELL CREW PARTY SATURDAY JANUARY 31st, 9:00am to 12:00pm Join the Cornell Crew in the first "Crew Work Party" of 2015. We will focus on lots of outdoor work including: refreshing soil in the edible garden, gardening/weeding, landscaping, and a small painting project. Come even if you can only help for an hour. As always, this is also a chance to impress your family with your selfless volunteer efforts in support of our school. We will meet at the outdoor picnic tables (rain or shine). Please bring work gloves, weeding tools, garden tools, painting clothes, etc. If you already have a Cornell CREW T-shirt please be sure to wear it to the work party. New members receive a FREE T-shirt. Refreshments will be served. RSVP- Please email cornellcrew@yahoo.com to let us know whether you can make it. For questions call Kevin Reindl (619) 322-3368.

VOLUNTEER WITH PICK-UP TRUCK NEEDED Cornell Crew is in need of a volunteer who owns a pick-up truck or trailer to help haul materials for Cornell Crew work parties. This person would be asked a few times per year to help pick up materials (e.g. wood chips/mulch, wooden stumps, large plants, etc.) from various locations and bring them to Cornell. Times are flexible, and would be coordinated with Cornell Crew. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Kevin Reindl (619) 322-3368 or cornellcrew@yahoo.com

CORNELL BOWLING PARTY SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 15th-10:00am to 12:00pm-ALBANY BOWL Take the kids bowling and help support the Cornell PTA! Grab your 'pin pals' & head on over to Albany Bowl for a fun morning of strikes & spares. \$10 gets you a shoe rental and two games of bowling. Half of all proceeds go back to Cornell PTA to support our many programs & activities. RSVP to Beth Ellis-Dickson- beth.ellisdickson@gmail.com

LOOKING FOR SOME OFFICE SUPPLIES We really need **blue** painter's masking tape (3/4" wide) to hang signs around our school and Ticonderoga #2 pencils. We thank you!

SUBMIT TO THE e-PINKIE Want to submit an article to our e-Pinkie? You can find an easy link on our web page. Look down on the left under LINKS and you'll see it there. Go the [LINK](#) and enter your article by Wednesday at noon. Directions are on the website.