

# THE TUES. NEWS

1-10-2017

## BRENT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL MUSEUM MAGNET PROGRAM

### Coming Up

#### **Wednesday, January 11**

PTA General Meeting  
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
Childcare provided

#### **Thursday, January 12**

Jefferson Academy Parent Meeting  
Facilities Planning @ Jefferson  
6 - 8 p.m.

#### **Friday, January 13**

Brent 3rd Annual Spelling Bee  
9:30 a.m.  
Parents welcome to attend

#### **Monday, January 16**

Martin Luther King Jr. Day  
School Closed

#### **Thursday, January 19**

Professional Development Day  
No School for students

#### **Friday, January 20**

Inauguration Day  
School Closed

#### **Wednesday, January 25**

Winter Concert: PS - 1st  
6 - 6:45 p.m.  
ASL Interpreters Provided

#### **Thursday, January 26**

Winter Concert: 2nd - 5th  
6 - 6:45 p.m.  
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#### **PTA Annual Fund**

The Annual Fund Drive is at 68% family participation and \$108,600 raised. There is still time to donate! The great news is we are ahead of our fundraising goal, which means more funding to support our students! And, we are focused on getting closer to 100% family participation by the end of the drive. High participation shows an active school community, which is important on its own and helps in raising foundation money

*Photos: Ward 6 Bird Count this past Saturday. Congratulations to Brent science teacher Mike Mangiaracina for another amazing event.*

for Brent. If you haven't yet, you can give on the Brent website or drop a check in the PTA lock box in the front office. All families who contribute by the end of January, including families who have already given, will be part of a raffle for 6 tickets to the National Museum of African American History and Culture.

## Gala Survey Results

You said it and we heard it!

Thanks for taking your time to complete the survey; who knew that so many Brent families enjoy dancing to Michael Jackson? We also learned that many of you LOVE spending time visiting with fellow parents and the high quality food but would appreciate the event on a less busy weekend. So here's what we've done— the 2017 Gala will be an elegant evening at the National Building Museum on Sat. April 8, 2017 at 7 p.m.

Ticket sales open on January 23, 2017 and there are early bird and group discounts for extended family and friends. This extraordinary event includes tasting plates from your favorite DC restaurants, wine pairings, and dancing. Items will be available for auction. Proceeds benefit Brent Elementary School PTA.

## Brent's 3rd Annual School Spelling Bee

Brent's 3rd Annual School Spelling Bee - Friday, January 13, 2017 at 9:30 AM in the Multi-purpose Room, 1st Floor (Participants are students from Grades 3-5). Students from Grades 2-5 as well as parents are invited to attend.

## Reminder: Winter Concerts Coming Up!

Brent's Winter Concerts have been rescheduled:

Wednesday, January 25

Winter Concert: PS - 1st

6 - 6:45 p.m.

Student arrival with concert attire (white top and black bottom):

5:30 p.m.

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## 3rd Grade Trip to the Department of Transportation

The third grade visited the Department of Transportation and learned more about its role in the Executive Branch. Students learned about the department's main functions and responsibilities, as well as how our country's transportation system has changed throughout history as well as future projects. During the visit, students learned more about driverless cars, ships, trains, bike safety, and how the Department of Transportation monitors air traffic. A huge thank you to James Corless for arranging this wonderful opportunity! See photos.

