Coming Up

**Wednesday, February 8**
PTA General Meeting
ASL interpreters and childcare provided
6:30 - 8 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 15**
LSAT Meeting - SY18 Budget Walkthrough
6:30 - 8 p.m.

**Thursday, February 16**
Performance by Discovery Theater’s *How Old is a Hero, A Children’s Civil’s Rights Story*
Two Performances 1:30 & 2:30.

**Friday, February 17**
Professional Development Day
No School for Students

**Monday, February 20**
Presidents Day
No school for students, teachers and staff

**Friday, February 24**
Family Unity Dance
6:30 - 8 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 1**
Myschooldc Lottery Closes

**Friday, March 3**
Parent-Teacher Conference Day
No School for Students

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**Congratulations to Brent’s National Geographic Finalist**

Last Friday, ten students competed in Brent’s National Geographic Bee. Nat Geo Bee winner was Jude Martin, with Sophia Smith as the runner-up. Congrats to the 10 finalists: Oscar Murray, Ishan Hsu, Jack Meltzer, Amelia Solomon, River Adams, Jude Martin, Claire Davis, Quinn Gibson, Teddy Greene and Sophia Smith. Jude has already completed his state-qualifying exam, and will be notified in early March if he moves on.

**PTA General Meeting Tomorrow Night**

Please join us for the February PTA meeting tomorrow (2/8) night. Agenda topics include Black History Month and middle school updates. Also, Brent staff members Sara Ewbank and Sara Yokum will present on the importance of developing critical reading skills in the younger grades. Childcare is provided at this meeting.

**Brent Students Visit Library of Congress for an Event with Dr. Carla D. Hayden**

Brent students joined several other schools at the Library of Congress on Thursday, February 2, 2017 to
celebrate the start of Black History Month with Dr. Carla D. Hayden who is the First African American woman to run the Library of Congress, America’s oldest federal cultural institution. She was nominated by President Barack Obama for the position and confirmed by the United States Senate in 2016. Students heard personal anecdotes and participated in a Q&A with Dr. Carla Hayden. We expect that the program will be taped and can be viewed on the Library of Congress Youtube channel in a couple of months. See photo on front page.

Capitol Hill Little League’s Spring 2017 Season - Registration Open
Registration is now open for Capitol Hill Little League’s spring 2017 softball season for girls ages 7-14. Teams will be determined based on age, player experience, and coach evaluation of skills. Beginners welcome! Register now at http://chlldc.org. Please email chllsoftball@gmail.com with any questions. Registration closes March 1st and our workout day to help with team placement is March 13th at Randall Field. Join us!

An Awesome Can’t Miss Kid Event at the Building Museum
Discover Engineering Family Day Saturday, February 18, 2017 10am - 4:30pm
Kick off National Engineers Week with a fun-filled day at the Museum. Drop in to meet real engineers and to test out your ideas with over 20 hands-on engineering activities. You can launch rockets, meet an astronaut, make slime, pop popcorn, and more. Visit the Discover Engineering Family Day website for more information. This event is free.