

# Leo R. Croce PTA Monthly Newsletter

March 2020

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←		Conference Week		→
←	Book Fair Family Night & Mountain Mike's Dine Out 5:00-7:30pm	Dr. Seuss Book Fair!  Run Club Glow in the Dark Charm 1:30pm		→
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16	17	18 KONA ICE Sales After 2:00pm	19 PTA Meeting 7:00pm in Library	20 Coffee w/the Principal 8:40am
23 Dine Out at The Habit 3:00pm - 10:00pm	24 Spring Picture Day 📷	25	26	27 Talent Show 8:45am, 1:30pm, & 7:00pm
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## Announcements

We are planning for 2020-2021 and would like to have Board nominations by March 19th so we can vote members in on April 16th. If you would be able to step up and help please let us know!:

- President: Alexis Vandewerfhorst
- **VP: NEED TO FILL**
- Secretary: Bethany Specht
- Treasurer: Briana Spitzer
- Volunteers: Jaime Osborn
- **Fundraising: NEED TO FILL**
- Auditor: Candice Murray
- Historian: Erin Lockhart
- Membership: Raelene Avelar
- Hospitality: Kirsten Zoerhoff
- Events: Anisa Suttora (*looking for a co-chair!*)
- Communications: Ashton Stockstill
- **Parliamentarian: NEED TO FILL**

## Committees' Update

PTA Committees are still looking for help - it's not a huge time commitment, but has a huge impact on our kids and our school. If you can spare even just one hour a month, please reach out to one of the people below:

- Technology Committee. Contact Kristina Wooten at [kwooten@lvjUSD.org](mailto:kwooten@lvjUSD.org) for more information.
- Book Fair Chairpersons for 2020/21. For more info, contact [leocrocebookfair@gmail.com](mailto:leocrocebookfair@gmail.com)
- Maker Space, please contact [croceptapresident@gmail.com](mailto:croceptapresident@gmail.com)
- Gardening is looking for some help on March 2nd and 16th from 11:40am-12:20pm. Contact Pam Ferrucci at [ppferrucci@gmail.com](mailto:ppferrucci@gmail.com)

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## IMPORTANT!

Spring Conferences will be held on March 2nd, 3rd, 5th & 6th.

- **TK & Kindergarten** will be dismissed at:  
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday - 1:10pm  
Wednesday - 1:30pm
- **1st - 5th Grades** will be dismissed:  
Monday - Friday: ALL students dismissed at 1:30pm

## Events

Check out our PTA Facebook page and Instagram (@leocrocepta) for more descriptions, details, and how you can get involved!

- March 2nd-6th will be our Dr. Seuss-themed Scholastic Book Fair to coincide with Dr. Seuss' birthday and Read Across America Day! Every student at Croce will receive a **\$6 coupon** to go towards a book! We will have before school hours starting at 8:00am and a Family Night on Tuesday, March 3rd from 5:00-7:30pm with raffles, mystery readers in the MPR (hint: our mayor and other "local celebrities" will make an appearance), games, and free hot cocoa and cookies.

- Support 4th Grade Science Camp 2020/21 by ordering pizza from Mountain Mike's during Tuesday's Family Night. Enjoy your pizza in the MPR while listening to our mystery readers.

Click [here](#) to help volunteer and **earn \$5 in Book Bucks** for yourself for every shift you work to use at the Book Fair!

- Run Club is Monday & Friday before school (8:00-8:20am) and Wednesday after school (1:30-2:00pm)
- Support 4th grade by attending Paint Night in the MPR on March 20th starting right at 6:30pm. This will be a step by step instructor - led session; pre-registration is required (sign up genius to come soon!) and admission will be \$10 per person, cash payment at the door. *All proceeds will go to Science Camp 2020/21!*
- Our March Dine-Out Fundraiser is at The Habit! We'll be dining from 3:00 to 10:00pm on Monday, March 23rd.
- We have a General PTA Meeting on Thursday, March 19th - we'll be looking to nominate a few board positions for next year.
- Coffee with the Principal is Friday, March 20th - join Principal Helsley for a warm treat & sweet chat.

## Volunteer Spotlight

Our volunteer spotlight for March is 1st grade mom, **Chandra Canning!**

*First, tell us a little bit about yourself:* I was born in Coalinga, California and moved to Livermore in 1978 to become a Nanny for my aunt. I went to college at Las Positas where I met my husband Michael Canning. We have three kids - Jordan, 18 years, Brianna, 12 years, and Gavin, 6 years. When I have some free time, I like to sit and read a book. I also enjoy cooking and crafting. I love going to the beach.

*What is the best part about volunteering?* I love to volunteer because I get to hang out with all the kids as well as spend more time with my own kids. This is my way of giving back to the school that my family loves so much. We have really enjoyed being a part of Croce.

*Do you have any advice for anyone considering volunteering?* Come join us! There are so many ways you can volunteer. It might seem a little intimidating, but it really is a lot of fun. The kids really enjoy seeing you there and that's what matters.

*Can you tell us about a positive volunteering experience you've had that has come from volunteering?* A positive experience I have had was during our classroom Halloween Party. Our class has a lot of food allergies and we

were worried about how to plan a party that wasn't surrounded by food. So we played a few games and then at the end of the class we decided to have a glow dance party. We had all these cool glow in the dark items, turned on the music, and just let the kids dance their hearts out and boy did they! Their laughter filled the room. You could tell they were really enjoying themselves and that is my favorite moment of the year so far.



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