We're hanging in there and we hope you are too!

#staystrong #stayhealthy #stayhome



Letter from Pre-G President

Dear Pre-G Community -

What is there to say that hasn't been said since COVID-19, quarantine life and social distancing became our norm? Every day I think each of these things at least 20 times a day - we are in a once-in-a-lifetime moment - this is hard and scary - homeschooling is driving the new teacher to drink - how can my house be so dirty and clean at the same time – there are some really amazing things about life slowing down - will things ever go back to normal?

While I don't have an answer for any of them, over the last five weeks we have had lots of ups and downs and one thing I have really missed is our Pre-G community. We will eventually be able to spend time together again but in the meantime, the Pre-G board is working on ideas of how to continue to build community while apart. If you have any brainstorms or want to get involved, please reach out!

Our Pre-G Board also met right before quarantine life and voted on various projects to support Pre-G and Geneva Heights. These projects will be able to mostly move forward in the fall, but we will reassess and prioritize with the school once things get closer to normal.

Lydia Wright

Social Distancing Events

So far, we have had the social-distanced egg hunt which hopefully yielded some fun family time and helped burn off energy during those neighborhood walks and drives. Congrats to our four winners – Lisa Fleury, Brownyn Garcia, Wendy Hatchell and Samantha Martin. Check out the activity section below for our next virtual event. Here is a pic of our grand prize winner! They won a kids goodie bag, a roll of toilet paper and a gift card to HG Sply Co (shout out to this restaurant group which was one of our #GenevaNights2020 auction donors!) And, we will have another neighborhood scavenger hunt for Mother's Day so stay tuned for those details!



Upcoming Events

**event locations/times on Pre-G member website

Family Yoga on Saturday, May 2 at 11 AM - Let's get virtual! Our very own Pre-G mama, Erica, is leading us through a family yoga sweat sesh with her kids. See you online! Register on our website www.pregeneva.com. Zoom link provided upon registration.

Mother's Day Neighborhood Scavenger Hunt - May 2 through May 10 - Stay tuned for details on our Facebook page, but word on the street is there will be more coloring involved for kiddos (and their moms) to post in windows for a chance to win a kids' goodie bag and wine for mom!

Virtual Member Meeting with GH Principal Mr. Ruiz - May 14 at 7 PM - Check our website/Facebook page for details. Zoom link will be provided upon registration.

Mom's Night Out - TBD. We'll check back in with our Facebook community to take a poll about who would be interested in participating.



Pre-G Family Yoga

Get your kids, yoga mat, water (or mimosa!) and join us for Pre-G family yoga taught by our very own Pre-G yogi mama, Erica! Let's get virtual! #namaste-at-home

SATURDAY, MAY 2 11:00 - 11:30 AM

RSVP: WWW.PREGENEVA.COM
ZOOM LINK PROVIDED UPON
REGISTRATION
DON'T BE LATE OR YOU'LL MISS OUT!

PRE-G GIVES BACK!

We have been putting part of the Geneva Nights funds to work to support the neighborhood and school. Did you see <u>our write-up in The Lakewood Advocate</u> that spotlighted some of our donations? Here is a detailed rundown:

Geneva Nights Fund a Need Paddle Raise - \$7,000 total was raised and all \$7K was originally designated at Geneva Heights for the rest of 2020 and the Peace Pantry. However, we had no idea in February just how critical this need would become for our community. So, here is where we distributed those funds...

Peace Pantry - \$1,000 (donated early March for XL Spring Break packs)

Peace Pantry - \$2,500 (donated to the newly organized Peace Pantry at J.L. Long serving our entire feeder pattern)

We will hold on to 50% for Fall 2020 pantry needs as originally planned.

If you follow us on social, you'll notice we have lots of Geneva Nights funds in action right now including:

Teacher Appreciation - \$520 – We matched funds with Geneva Heights PTA to gift every staff member with a \$20 Amazon gift card (We originally designated this money for Teacher Appreciation Week in May but decided it should come early this year).

Dallas Children's Advocacy Center: \$500 donation to support their advocacy work for child abuse victims – Pre-G has partnered with DCAC over the last year and saw a pressing need during the pandemic.

Parkland Medical Team Taco Breakfast: \$550 distributed to feed these service providers. We are all grateful for the frontline medical staff fighting for all of us right now. We catered 340 breakfast tacos for the ED and COVID units at Parkland Hospital.













Check out these currently funded school projects:

Junior Players - \$1,870 used for after-school arts funding for four weekly classes for six weeks.

A/V Equipment - We spent \$1,475 for new auditorium sound equipment that will be put to good use come fall 2020. Get ready for some sick beats!

This is very much appreciated!!- Angie Mcilveene

Thank you for including me in the Amazon.com Gift Card appreciation!
-- Michael Ruiz

It was a very sweet gesture. I appreciate it a lot. My best wishes for health and peace within your households. I hanks, Elvira I. I orres Villaseñor

Feels nice to be appreciated! --Cristela Nash

Thank you for Gift Card! I'm ordering a tripod for my class. This was right on time! -- Casey Griffin



Thank you so much for thinking of us during this time. It pray that you and your families are safe. The gift card is greatly appreciated.

- Nichelle Ward

I hank you so much for the gift card! It was so kind and unexpected and means so much! Rebecca Paris From the bottom of my heart, I appreciate every single thing that you have done to make us feel special! You're the best PTA I've worked with. You make me feel valued and appreciated. I feel honored to work at Geneva Heights! I hank you for brightening my day!!! Sincerely, Maria Serralde'

I am overwhelmed by your kind gesture. Thank you for all that you do to support the teachers and the kids.

- Corinne Vitz

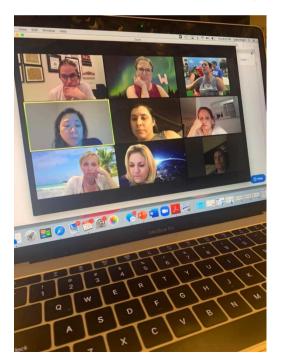
The Amazon gift cards were a welcome surprise for Geneva Heights' teachers and staff. Here are just a few thank you notes from our amazing teachers.

We have supported some critical needs in our community right now, but thanks to the generosity of our members and sponsors, and the hard work of our volunteers, we will still have plenty of funds to support the school when we are back in session. Our members, auction donors and event sponsors are our heroes! Your support in early 2020, truly paid it forward.

Please remember all of the businesses that support Pre-G when you are looking for who to support in our communities. Our neighborhood will be stronger once we are past the pandemic but our small businesses that have supported Pre-G over the years need our help now. Please check our Facebook and website for a list of these supporters. And, check out the list below of the countless businesses who have supported our events. Cheers to Pre-G. Stay healthy and sane!

- The Pre-G team

Here is your 2020 Pre-G board on our first Zoom quarantine board meeting!



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