



Island Breeze

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Snow Weary Crocs Ready to Take a Bite Out of the Rest of February

The past couple of weeks have shown why crocodiles are not cold weather animals. The historic snowstorms have forced the Island Creek PTA to adjust some of the activities that were planned for February. The special February 10 PTA meeting to discuss the Fairfax County school district's budget crisis has been canceled. While Friday, February 19, is still our 2010 *Box Tops for Education* collection day, our popular evening of *Basket Bingo* has been rescheduled for Friday, February 26.



Think Pink: Tomorrow (Feb. 19) Is Croc Top Day at Island Creek

Island Creek's *Baroness of Box Tops*, Toni Shipe, and her *Croc* crew of counters are eager to start counting *Box Tops for Education*. Let's help her out – tomorrow, Friday, February 19, is *Croc Top Day* at Island Creek. Each box top is worth 10 cents, and every dime goes to support educational activities for our students. The October collection brought in 9,134 box tops, and raised \$913.40 for our school. This will be the last collection of the school year, so please send your *Croc Tops* to school.



Croc Basket B-I-N-G-O Night Has Been Moved to Friday, February 26

It has been moved to a new night, but forecasters are predicting historic amounts of fun at this year's *Basket Bingo Night*. The evening of bingo fun had been scheduled for Friday, February 19, but it is now scheduled for **Friday, February 26**. Help us melt some snow by attending this hot night of entertainment and conviviality. The doors will open at 6:00 PM, and the first game starts at 6:45 PM.



Tickets are \$20.00 and include 15 regular games of skill (only \$1.33 per game). Three special games also will be played for \$5.00 each. Tickets can be purchased by contacting Lorie Kappeler at Lorie.Kappeler@inova.org, or by calling (703) 339-8882. Order forms also are available on the PTA website www.islandcreekpta.org. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. Our Bingo bonanza features Vera Bradley bags and Longaberger baskets stuffed with goodies for the winners. Throw in raffle events, door prizes and baked goods and you will be holding a winning card all evening, so mark your calendars and get ready to mark your cards.

March 2: Reflections Award Winners to Be Honored at Next PTA Meeting

Island Creek's *Reflections* winners will be honored at the PTA meeting on March 2 at 7:00 PM. Please join us as we recognize our talented young *Crocs*.

Keep up with the Crocodile PTA at www.islandcreekpta.org

February 24 & March 3: Croc Spirit Nights at *Red Hot & Blue*

There is plenty of white on the ground, so add a little color to your dining experience by visiting the Kingstowne *Red Hot & Blue* Restaurant for one of our *Croc* Spirit Nights on **Wednesday, February 24** (Pre-school, and Grades 1,3 & 5) and **Wednesday, March 3** (Kindergarten, and Grades 2,4 & 6). The restaurant has been a generous supporter of the Island Creek PTA, and it will donate 15 percent of all gift card, lunch, dinner, and dessert purchases on each of those days to the Island Creek PTA. Watch for a flyer coming soon, and simply redeem the flyer when you make a purchase to ensure credit for our PTA.



Your Help Is Needed to Make Basket B-I-N-G-O Night a Winning Card

The PTA has secured a number of great prizes donated by local businesses, but we are looking for additional help from the Island Creek community to fill our Bingo Baskets. Suggested basket themes for each grade level are listed below. Please send in any donations with your child by Friday, February 19. Collection boxes have been set up at the school for each grade.



Pre-School: Arts & Crafts

Kindergarten: Cooking & Baking

1st Grade: Gardening

2nd Grade: Family Fun Games & Movies

3rd Grade: Scrapbook & Albums

4th Grade: Beach Fun

5th Grade: Music & Movies

6th Grade: Sports & Fitness

Croc Trot 5K Road Race: Looking for a Few Good Sponsors

The PTA will host its second community-wide *Croc Trot* 5K race on Saturday, May 1 (registration opens March 15). Last year's event attracted a field of nearly 150 runners, and we expect the race to grow even larger this year. An event this big requires resources beyond the means of the Crocodile PTA, so we are looking for community-spirited companies or individuals to help sponsor this great civic event. Four sponsorship levels are listed below. If you are interested in becoming a sponsor, or if you know someone who might be, please contact Lisa Jacobs at icptapres@cox.net, or Nancy Hervey at herveypta@cox.net for additional information.



PLATINUM SPONSOR

Sponsor Commitment

\$1,000

- Benefits of Gold sponsorship, plus
- Logo exposure at start/finish line
- Link to your website from the PTA website
- Two additional complimentary race registrations

GOLD SPONSOR

Sponsor Commitment

\$500

- Benefits of Silver sponsorship, plus
- Logo exposure on T-shirts
- Mention in all media releases
- An additional complimentary race registration

SILVER SPONSOR

Sponsor Commitment

\$250 or in-kind products or services

- Sponsorship recognition on the PTA website in newspaper and radio announcements
- Opportunity to place insert or goodies in all race packets
- One complimentary race registration

BRONZE SPONSOR

Sponsor Commitment

\$150 or in-kind products or services

- Name on race T-shirts