

THE WEEKLY TIE-DYE

THE OFFICIAL NEWS OF FREMONT OPEN PLAN

LOOKING AHEAD

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Wed, Dec 4 – Minimum Day
 Sat, Dec 7 – Celebration of Lights Parade
 Fri, Dec 20 – Minimum Day; Peace Assembly/Peace Feast
 Mon, Dec 23 through Fri, Jan 10 – No School
 Mon, Jan 20 – No School
 Thu, Jan 23 – PAG Meeting @Fremont Library (6pm)
 Wed, Jan 29 – Minimum Day

FOP FUNDRAISER EVENT

MAKE PLANS NOW!

Hey dolls and fellas, have you heard the news? FOP is kicking off the 2020's with a Roaring 20's Soiree!

- ★ What: Our biennial fundraiser event
- ★ When: **The evening of Friday, March 6, 2020**
- ★ Where: Modesto Masonic Hall on Rose Avenue
- ★ Why: To raise funds to create our "dream classrooms"
- ★ How: With your help!

This event will take you back in time to enjoy an adults-only evening of food, drink (Prohibition was repealed in 1933!), entertainment, silent and live auctions, and more! Think speakeasies, flappers, swanky parties, The Great Gatsby, the jazz age... and remember, dressing up for the theme is encouraged (but not required!) Schedule your sitters, invite friends and family, and make plans now not to miss it! Watch for more info coming soon, including ticket sales and how each of you can help make this event successful.

★★★ The very important first order of business is to begin asking for donations. In today's Tuesday folders you'll find an official donation letter which tells potential donors about our event. You may wish to copy this letter and keep several with you so that when you visit local businesses or speak to individuals who may agree to donate goods or services, you'll have one handy. Donations you obtain will be used primarily as auction items. Many businesses wish to make donations prior to year-end, so please think about who you can contact – personal service providers like hairdressers or estheticians, professional services, local restaurants, breweries, entertainment and activity centers... the sky is the limit! Many FOP families are also business owners, and we would love to have donations from you also. It's a great way to introduce people to your company. ★★★

- ★ Direct questions/donations to Sylvie Orlando (209-495-2148)
- ★ Fun Facts: The Roaring 20's got their name from the exuberant, freewheeling popular culture that defines the decade. It bought dramatic social and political change, flare and freedom to women, and advances in science and technology. It was a decade of economic growth and widespread prosperity.
- ★ This party will be the bee's knees!

PEACE ASSEMBLY/PEACE FEAST

WILL THIS BE YOUR FIRST?

Our beloved Peace Assembly will be held on the **morning of Friday, December 20** at the Modesto High School Auditorium. If you've not yet attended one of FOP's Peace Assemblies, you're in for a treat! The kids and teachers in each department work hard for weeks to prepare special songs and presentations. Make sure to invite family members to this memorable event. The timing is loose, as the kids have to wait for the busses to arrive after their regular routes, but generally things get started at the auditorium around 9:15. Immediately following the Peace Assembly is the Peace Feast, held on the FOP campus. Families bring food to share with others in their departments and enjoy a delicious feast with friends. Each department plans its own feast, so please be on the lookout for info in department notes about how you can help and what food is needed. Peace Assembly/Peace Feast day is one of the best days of the year! Your hearts will be full!

PEACE ASSEMBLY MUSIC

It's not just the kids who sing at the Peace Assembly! There are several sing-along songs that the audience can get into also. If you'd like to hear them and practice with your kids, search YouTube for "FOP Music" (the description is "the FOP songs you love to sing along to") and click on FOP Music. Then click on the Playlists button, and choose the playlist called "Peace Assembly '17 – Sing Along Songs." There you'll find five songs. Enjoy!

CELEBRATION OF LIGHTS PARADE

HELP DECORATE THE FLOAT

The Celebration of Lights Committee is gearing up for a great parade! If you can help finish decorating the Candyland-themed float, please come to the Louis home at 301 Judith Lane in Modesto **this Friday, December 6 at 6:00pm**. The float is already looking amazing, but we need your help for the finishing touches. The float decoration will happen rain or shine, and there will be hot chocolate for all the helpers!

JOIN IN THE PARADE

The parade event will be held on Saturday, December 7 in downtown Modesto. The parade starts at 5:30pm, but FOP students who want to participate in the parade should arrive at the staging area no later than 4:45pm. Our assigned staging area is on 16th Street between H and I Streets, in front of the First United Methodist Church. Enter 16th Street from H Street and it will be about the third float on your right. As in previous years, bikes, scooters and wagons are allowed (please remember helmet laws!) and we have some awesome light-up peace signs that you can attached to your wheels if you'd like (pick one up when you arrive at 4:45). Dress warm and wear tie-dye if you have it! FOP is really going to stand out this year! Contact Ashley Thompson (209-505-9828) with questions.

FOP HOLIDAY DRIVE - IT'S THE SEASON FOR GIVING

To help out some of our school's families who are struggling this holiday season, we are collecting cash and gift cards which will be used to purchase essential items that the families need, as well as perhaps fulfilling a few wishes of the kids. Please deliver cash or gift cards to Sarah in Room 3 by no later than Friday, December 20 (but the sooner, the better, for shopping purposes!) and check in with Sarah if you have questions. Thank you for your generosity!