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**Important Info and Upcoming Dates**

Auction 2017, "RCE Goes Gatsby", is just three and a half weeks away! This is our largest fundraiser held every other year, and it funds our PTA budget for two years. Our auction team is spending countless hours making final preparations for an evening that you won't soon forget in order to raise as much money as possible to maintain our standard of excellence at RCE. It's going to be an absolutely amazing event. If you haven't purchased your tables/tickets yet please do so ASAP! Be sure to read all the communications coming down regarding auction for the latest information you need to know. The success of this event takes ALL of us, and benefits our amazing school and children!

Please visit [www.rcepta.com](http://www.rcepta.com) and be sure to like the "Rummel Creek Elementary", "RCE Auction", and "RCE Life Events Team" Facebook pages.

**UPCOMING DATES (extended calendar at [www.rcepta.com](http://www.rcepta.com)):**

[Click here](#) to go to the calendar and select "Subscribe" at the bottom to sync the PTA Calendar with your calendar so you never miss out!

Date	Event	Time
1/19	Pre-K Informational Meeting	9:00 a.m.
1/19	GT Parent Session: "How To Parent So Children Will Learn", Ad Bldg. (repeat session on 2/7)	11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
1/20	Science Fair Registration Forms due	
1/21	Bookworm Festival for Young Readers at Spring Oaks MS	9:00 a.m.
1/22	Deadline to order "RCE Goes Gatsby" Candid Cameo photos	
1/26	Science Fair	
1/27	PTA Staff Appreciation Luncheon	
1/31	Cultural Arts Program "Swing, Jive, and Pop Into Dance"	8:15 and 9:30 a.m.
2/1	Kindergarten 100 Day Parade	8:05 a.m.
2/1	Pre K to SBISD Ag Center	10:00 a.m.
2/1	2nd Grade to SBISD Ag Center	12:00 p.m.
2/1	Author Visit - Jerry Pallotta, grades PK-3	
2/3	PTA General Meeting (kiva)	9:00 a.m.
2/7	MMS Parent Information Sessions for 5th Grade Parents (at MMS)	11:30 a.m., library 6:00 p.m., auditorium
2/7	GT Parent Session: "How To Parent So Children Will Learn", Ad Bldg.	5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
2/8-14	PTA Staff Appreciation Smooch Bags distributed	
2/11	RCE Auction at Westin Memorial City	6:30 p.m. (VIP 5:30-6:30)

**Congratulations to Erin Hiner - RCE School Bell Nominee**

Congratulations to 1st grade teacher, **Erin Hiner**, RCE's 2016-17 School Bell Award nominee. Since joining RCE last year, Erin has already

supported our PTA in numerous ways, assisting both the Fall Festival and Auction committees, including the creation of our amazing "RCE Goes Gatsby" logo! These events could not have been as successful without Erin's participation! Erin was surprised in her classroom with flowers by several of our PTA members following the last meeting on January 6th to announce her nomination. She will be honored at the SBISD Council of PTA's Founder's Day dinner to be held here at RCE on February 16th, with an opportunity to be named SBISD's School Bell Award winner! Thank you, Erin, for all you do to for our PTA and school!!

## Message from the Principal

- The election/lottery for CIT 2017 is upon us.
- The timeline for the CIT 2017 election/lottery is attached.
- Please see the following link for more information:
  - <https://cms.springbranchisd.com/plan2012/campus-improvement-team>

### PreKindergarten at Rummel Creek for NEXT SCHOOL YEAR 2017-2018

Do you have a child who will be 4 years old on or before September 1, 2017?  
If so, you need to get on the list for PreK at Rummel Creek.

How do you do that?

- 1. January 4-30** Parents sign up for lottery. We have two PK class at Rummel Creek for 48 students. If we have more than 48 students sign up, we will have a lottery drawing. Priority will be given to children with an older sibling expect students who are currently in 5<sup>th</sup> grade and are attending middle school next year.
- 2. January 31** Lottery drawing at 8:00am in the library.
- 3. February 1-28** Notification to lottery winners to complete the pre-registration process. \$50 deposit is required unless the child qualifies for free PK\*\*\*
- 4. February 1-28** Pre-registration of children at Schools for Early Learning
- 5. March 1** Parents of children on *waiting list are* contacted for pre-registration if space is available.
- 6. March 1-31** Parents of children on waiting list pre-register if space is available.

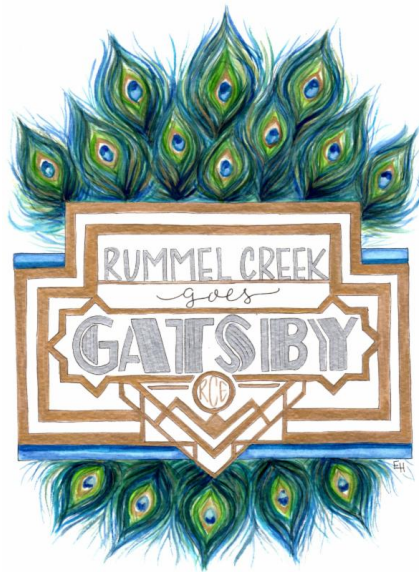
All parents must come to registration which begins in mid-August.

\*\*\*Full day PreK is from 7:55-3:00. It is tuition based unless the child is eligible for free PreK.

Eligibility criteria for free PK:

1. Limited English Proficiency
2. Qualifies due to Income
3. Homeless
4. Military Families
5. Children Protective Services Custody

LOTTERY →	PREREGISTER WITH DEPOSIT →	REGISTER IN AUGUST →	BEGIN PK
Jan 31	Feb 1-28	Mid-August	Late Aug



### SNEAK PEEK FEATURED ITEM: Summer Camps

Camp Champions	Admission for a family (up to 6) for Family Camp 2017
Camp Cho Yeh	Free week of 2017 summer camp
Camp Olympia	Full term tuition - Olympia offered two options. Term 3, which is July 9-29th or term 4 which is July 30th-August 12th
Pine Cove	Attendance for one first-time camper to Pine Cove Overnight Youth Camp, your choice of week 1-6 summer 2017

### AUCTION TICKETS & TABLES are now on SALE!

- There are only individual VIP Tickets left! VIP Tables are SOLD OUT!
- Whole General Tables are Available- you can upgrade to VIP with the VIP Access Add-On Ticket while they are still available
- Click Here to Buy Tickets or visit [bidpal.net/rcegoesgatsby](http://bidpal.net/rcegoesgatsby)
  
- Everyone who is attending must register on [www.bidpal.net/rcegoesgatsby](http://www.bidpal.net/rcegoesgatsby)
  - Registering on Bidpal gives you access to bid!
  - You can donate money to the Auction
  - Purchase tickets or tables (VIP tables sold out)
  - Pre- Purchase Wine Pull and Raffle Items (Wine Cellar, Whiskey, Scotch & Bourbon Basket, Michele Watch)
  - Browse our Featured Items

### Wine Pull:

- While at Spec's ask for the Rummel Creek registry to donate a bottle of wine for our wine pull OR contact Scarlet McGeorge 713-526-8787/ [smcgeorge@specsonline.com](mailto:smcgeorge@specsonline.com) to donate directly

- Have a bottle of wine you'd like to donate? Contact Laurie Davis: [lyjacksonm@yahoo.com](mailto:lyjacksonm@yahoo.com)

NEW! Wine Cellar Raffle:

- We are seeking high end (\$40+) or rare wines for our wine cellar raffle. If you'd like to donate to this new raffle, please contact Ashley Marshall ([ashleyk.marshall@yahoo.com](mailto:ashleyk.marshall@yahoo.com))

Whiskey, Scotch and Bourbon Raffle:

- This auction, we will be raffling a whiskey, scotch and bourbon basket. If you'd like to donate to this great raffle, please contact Laurie Davis [lyjacksonm@yahoo.com](mailto:lyjacksonm@yahoo.com) or Ashley Marshall [ashleyk.marshall@yahoo.com](mailto:ashleyk.marshall@yahoo.com)

NEW!!! Beretta 686 Silver Pigeon I 12 Gauge Break-Action Shotgun features break action with a 2-round capacity, a 28" barrel length and a select walnut stock with a semi beavertail fore-end. The shotgun also has a gold-plated single selective trigger, a metal bead sight, an integrated Mobile choke and bore system, manual safety, rubber butt plate and engraved satin nickel Monobloc-design receiver.

HELP! Wish List Items (donated items we are in need of):

- Airline Tickets or Airline Gift Cards

Volunteers! Volunteers! Volunteers!

- Acquisitions:

- o Volunteer to help package and bundle auction items

- Décor/ Logistics:

We have LOTS of fun jobs to be completed the night of the event. Our event is full of fun games, raffle ticket sales, as well as silent and live auction, including a big board, etc. We are in need of volunteers to assist with these activities and events, in order for our event to run smooth and most importantly, generate revenue for RCE.

Décor Assembly, Setup and Teardown:

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0F4DADA92DA2F49-auction](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0F4DADA92DA2F49-auction)

Night Of:

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0F4DADA92DA2F49-auction1](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0F4DADA92DA2F49-auction1)

Thank you! We are looking forward to celebrating this exciting event with you while raising money for RCE!

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The **SBISD Character Without Question Award** Program was started to recognize students who make a difference in our schools, our communities and in the lives of others. These students are selected not based on isolated acts of kindness or heroism, but rather for demonstrating an enduring commitment to any or all of the following character traits: Honesty, Integrity, Responsibility, Dependability, Respect, Perseverance, Effort, Courage, Caring, Kindness, Citizenship, Civic Virtue.

To be a Character Without Question student is a great honor. At RCE, 5th grade students are nominated by the teachers and staff and interviewed by a Character Without Question Committee. It is the duty of this Committee to choose one student to represent RCE at the District Board Meeting on Feb. 27nd.

This year our top Character Without Question nominees are: Ella Niemann, Hailey Tacker, and Tatum Marye. Each of these students is a winner at RCE! However, only one student from each school in the district can be recognized at the February 27nd district board meeting. Our representative this year is **Tatum Marye**.

We hope that all students will follow the example of these 3 nominees by always treating others as they would like to be treated. Please congratulate these students when you see them!

### RCE Science Fair January 26th, 2017



Dear Students and Parents,

RCE Science Fair will be held on **January 26, 2017**. Registration forms are due by this Friday, January 20th.

All students are encouraged to participate. Students may work individually or with 1 or 2 partners.

Good luck with your science adventure!

[Click here for registration form.](#)

### Kindergarten Roundup - Save the Date

Do you or someone you know have a child that will be in Kindergarten next year? Please plan to join us for the **Kindergarten Roundup!**

**Thursday, February 23rd**

**12:25 p.m.  
in the  
Kindergarten classrooms**

Please spread the word to your friends and neighbors!

**GT Parent Sessions**

GT Parent Education Seminar:  
"How To Parent So Children Will Learn"  
Presented by Pamela Johnson, Director - Advanced Studies for SBISD

2 opportunities to attend (both presentations at Ad Building)...

**11 a.m. to 12 p.m. on Thursday, January 19**  
(feel free to bring a sack lunch to enjoy during presentation)

or

**5:30 to 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 7, 2017**

This session is appropriate for K-12 parents and will provide no-nonsense advice on how to:

- Parent with a united front
- Work with teachers and schools
- Set limits for children
- Encourage independence without overpowering students

To RSVP, click [here](#) and reply with "How to Parent" in the Subject line and specify which date you plan to attend.

**Memorial Middle School Information Sessions**

**Parents of 5th Graders**

Please mark your calendars for  
Memorial Middle School Parent Information Sessions

**Tuesday, February 7th**

**11:30 a.m. in the MMS library**

or

**6:00 p.m. in the MMS auditorium**

**Watch DOGS**



Calling all RCE Dads/Watchdogs.  
Please join us for Happy Hour  
**Monday, February 20th from 7-9 p.m.**  
Caliente (next to Fleming's in Town and Country)  
790 W. Sam Houston Parkway, Suite 112

Caliente will be serving some complimentary hor d'oeuvres for those that show up early. This is for all RCE Dads, whether you have been a WatchDog or you are thinking about being one this spring or next year. This will be a good chance to hear from how the day goes and more about the program. We will have a short talk about 7:45 to cover a few things of importance, but mostly this is just a chance for all us WatchDogs to get together and enjoy a cold drink and some networking. Make sure you wear your WatchDog T-shirt if you have one already.

No dinner will be served but bring cash for soft drinks, tea, cold beers & margaritas.

\*\*Plenty of parking in the parking garage (Tickets will be given to those that park in garage.)

## SBEF Sporting Clay Tournament



REGISTER ONLINE: [HTTPS://SBEF.EJOINME.ORG/SPORTINGCLAY](https://sbef.ejoinme.org/sportingclay)

# JOIN US

## MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2017

GREATER HOUSTON GUN CLUB • 6700 McHARD ROAD • HOUSTON, TX 77053

EVENT CHAIRS:  
DOUG GOODSON  
ROB STEWART

### SCHEDULE OF SHOOTING EVENTS

11:30 A.M. - REGISTRATION & LUNCH  
12:30-12:45 P.M. - SAFETY BRIEFING  
1 P.M. - SHOTGUN START  
AWARDS CEREMONY IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING

FOR MORE  
INFORMATION:  
713-251-2381



SBEF is a non-profit 501(c)(3) public charitable foundation. Your gift will be tax-deductible to the extent provided by law.

[Click Here for More Information](#)

Daddy Daughter Dance



The Wildcats Dance Team presents

# Daddy Daughter DANCE

February 10<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30 pm

*"The first true love any girl has is her father"*

Please join us for an evening full of dancing, prizes, and memories  
with the special girl in your life.

Westchester Academy for Int'l Studies  
901 Yorkchester Dr. Houston, TX 77079

Tickets per couple: \$35, \$40 without RSVP

Additional \$10 per daughter

Light refreshments will be served and a photographer will be present  
to capture the special moments.

ATTIRE: Girls, K-6<sup>th</sup> grade, wear your fanciest dress.

Dads wear a Suit and Tie. It will be a night to  
remember when you dance with your cutie pie.

Show off your best  
moves to win a  
tiara and sash!

Items include:  
Bouquets of Flowers  
Chocolates  
Stuffed Animals  
Valentine's Day  
themed Baskets  
Tickets to events

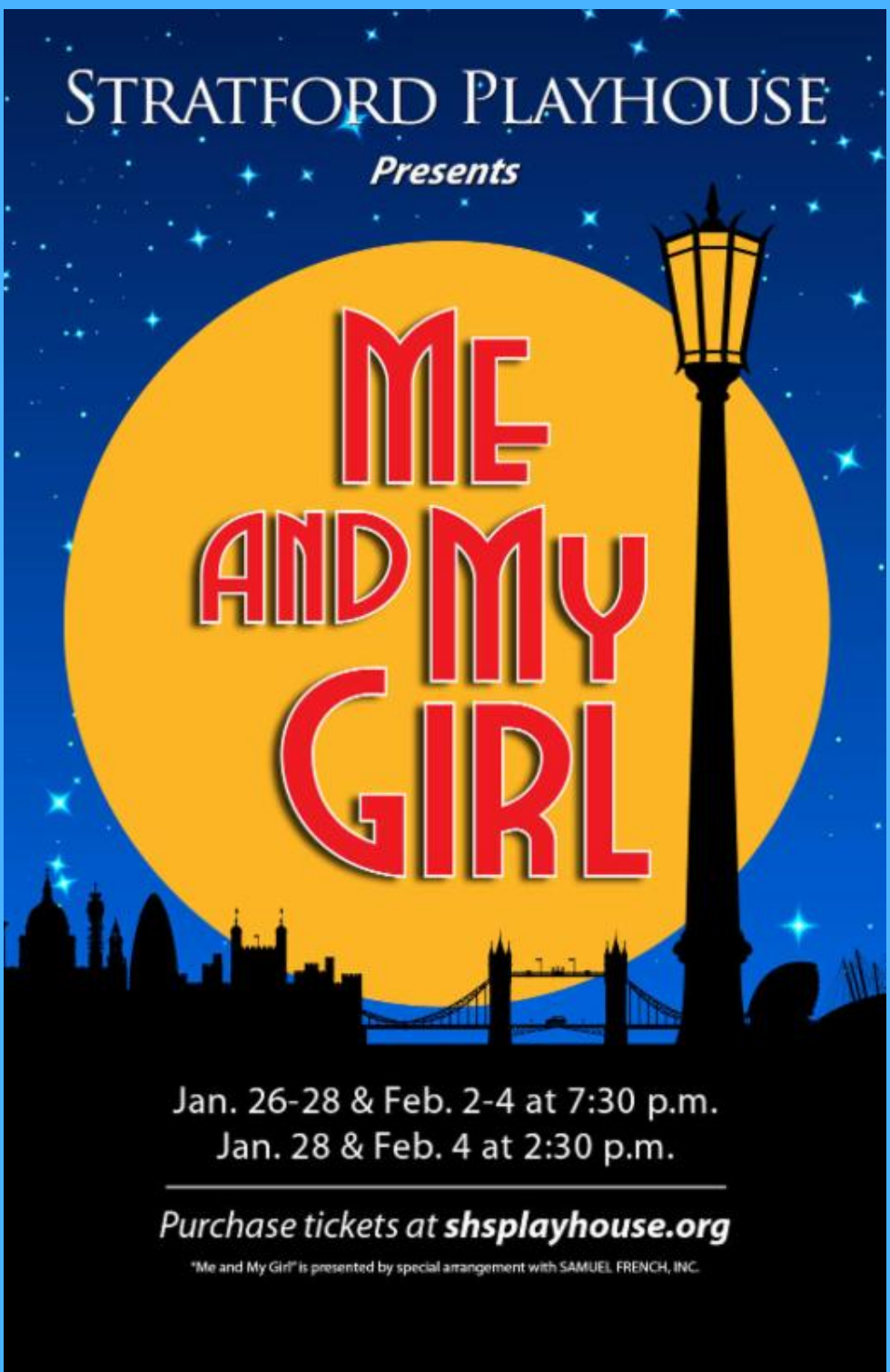
RSVP at [www.waisdance.weebly.com](http://www.waisdance.weebly.com), by emailing [Olivia.henry@springbranchisd.com](mailto:Olivia.henry@springbranchisd.com) or  
mailing in RSVP form to 901 Yorkchester Dr. Houston, TX 77079 by **FEBRUARY 8, 2017**.  
You may pay at the dance or mail payment to address listed above addressed to Olivia Henry Checks  
are to be made out to WAIS PTA. If student's father is unable to attend, an adult male relative or close  
family friend may attend in his place.

This organization and its activities are not related to or sponsored by the Spring Branch Independent School District

Stratford Playhouse

STRATFORD PLAYHOUSE

*Presents*



ME  
AND MY  
GIRL

Jan. 26-28 & Feb. 2-4 at 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 28 & Feb. 4 at 2:30 p.m.

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*Purchase tickets at [shsplayhouse.org](http://shsplayhouse.org)*

"Me and My Girl" is presented by special arrangement with SAMUEL FRENCH, INC.