



# PSO News

## Mary Woodward Elementary



### Message from President

There is nothing like an Ice Day early in the season to shake things up!

Thank you to **Tracy Sandford and Kim Markozen** for rescheduling the Science Fair so quickly and smoothly! They both spent many hours creating projects for the students to get them excited for the amazing event.

Thank you to all of **the families** who had breakfast for dinner at Biscuits Café and helped raise more funds for our PSO programs. Thank you to **Amanda Pileri and Jennifer Feeney** for organizing the great night.

Thank you to **Amanda Pileri and Jennifer Feeney** also for planning the Despicable Me 2 showing at Family Movie Night. It is so fun to see all the kids and their blankets on the cafeteria floor enjoying a movie.

Thank you to **the Ambassadors** for directing such a successful Food Drive last month. So much food was collected, counted, and sorted. Thank you to all **the families** who generously donated so that hungry local families can have food to eat.

Please consider baking cookies for the special annual Cookie Exchange event on December 17. Each staff member will fill a platter with baked goodies and then enjoy them during the holiday season. It is a fantastic way to show our appreciation for the amazing work they do with our students.

I can't wait to hear who won the Box Tops collection contest that ends today! I hope you enjoy the upcoming Winter Break with your family.

Karen Emerson  
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### Rocket Fizz Fundraiser

**Are you looking for a sweet treat to buy someone for the holidays? Or are you in need of a unique item to put in a stocking?**

Join us for a Mary Woodward fundraiser at Rocket Fizz on Friday, December 12th from 3:00pm-8:00pm. They are located in the Progress Ridge Town Square. 10% of all purchases during that time will be donated to Mary Woodward. Hope to see you there!



## December 5, 2014

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### PSO December meeting cancelled

The PSO meeting scheduled for Monday, December 8 has been **cancelled**.

If you have any concerns about this, please contact Karen Emerson at [karenemerson@frontier.com](mailto:karenemerson@frontier.com) or 503-579-3955.

## Fundraising Tip of the Month

If you do a lot of holiday shopping on amazon.com, the PSO can really use your help! If you go to [www.marywoodwardpso.com](http://www.marywoodwardpso.com) and click on our amazon.com link before you shop, then the PSO can earn up to 15% of your purchase.



## Candy Donation Program Update

Great job bringing in your left over Halloween candy to donate. We brought in 557lbs of candy to Wilson Orthodontics. We will find out later in the month if we won the grand prize. Since we met our goal, keep your eyes peeled for Mr. Nihill to dress up in his funny costume in the next couple of weeks!!

## Cookies, Cookies, Who's Got the Cookies?

### Join us for the Annual Staff Cookie Exchange!

We're looking for bunches of bakers to bring in 3 dozen cookies or treats on **Wednesday, December 17** so our staff can take home a tasty selection of goodies from the annual staff appreciation cookie exchange. Please plan to have your cookies at school by 2:00 so we can be ready to go after the busses depart.



**Sign up online!** Visit <http://bit.ly/1BeLCrK>

**Sign up via email!** Contact Laura Wieking at [mwstaffappreciation@gmail.com](mailto:mwstaffappreciation@gmail.com)

**Sign up in the office!**

Thank you for helping us to make this popular event happen. We can't do it without you!

## Yearbook Cover Contest Results

The yearbook committee would like to thank all the very talented 4th and 5th grade students who submitted artwork for the cover contest. We were very excited by all the vibrant and creative entries. We would like to announce that the winner of this year's contest is....

### Katie Bunnell

We would also like to announce that Kali Kisor and Megan Pileri were the two runners up and will be featured inside the book. All entries will be scanned and displayed on one of the yearbook pages. Thanks for all your hard work!

## 2014-2015 MW PSO Executive Committee & Board Support

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## Next Scrip order date is Monday, December 8

**Start preparing for the holidays!** Purchase gift cards through the scrip program and Mary Woodward will benefit! Amazon, Target, and Best Buy are just a few of the vendors you can purchase gift cards for through Scrip.

**LIMITED TIME OFFER: For every 1 Columbia Sportswear \$50 Gift card purchased, you will receive 1 pass to the Employee Store good for up to 4 people.**

### Next Scrip order date is Monday, December 8.

Order forms can be found on the PSO website, [www.marywoodwardpsa.com](http://www.marywoodwardpsa.com), under Events & Fundraisers. For check orders, please leave the order form and payment in the Scrip box in the office by 2:30 pm. To pay by credit card via PayPal, place your order online at [www.marywoodwardpsa.com](http://www.marywoodwardpsa.com). Orders will be available for pick up on the morning of Friday, December 12. You can also choose to have your order mailed to you.

## Upcoming Foundation Events

The Foundation for Tigard Tualatin Schools is excited to begin a partnership with the Portland Trailblazers this year, and to continue with Broadway Across America offering tickets to incredible shows that travel to Portland's Keller Auditorium.

### TRAILBLAZERS

We are selling tickets to a popular match-up - the LA Clippers, Wednesday, January 14, 7 pm. Same prices to general public, with a portion benefiting the Foundation and our schools. Every ticket purchased through the FTTS program will get to come down on the court after the game and take a foul shot! Select children of TTSD will also get the chance to high-five the Blazers as they enter the court before the game!

### DIRTY DANCING

How many of us remember this movie? Great dancing. Patrick Swayze. Songs that you still find yourself singing along to when you hear them. The Foundation is selling tickets to this Broadway production that is complete with the classic dance moves for Sunday, January 18, 6:30 pm. A portion of each ticket bought through the program will benefit our kids. The last few years, these Broadway shows have netted \$1,000 or more for TTSD.

**BOTH MAKE GREAT GIFTS - holiday, birthday, thank yous, anniversary, and coaches/teachers/bosses/co-workers. A portion of ticket sales to LA Clippers, Jan. 14th game and Dirty Dancing at the Keller Auditorium, Jan. 18th will benefit The Foundation and our students. Both great fun for our community, your friends and co-workers. For more info and how to buy, read the attached flyers or visit: [www.the-FTTS.org](http://www.the-FTTS.org).**

## Upcoming Events

### December

5: Box Tops Contest #1 ends  
8: Scrip Orders Due  
12: Rocket Fizz Fundraiser  
15: Scrip Orders Due  
17: Staff Cookie Exchange  
22-31: Winter Break

**Making Our School Better, Together.** The Mary Woodward Parent Support Organization (PSO) was established to promote quality education, communication and understanding among the students, parents, faculty and the community of Mary Woodward Elementary School. The PSO sponsors various academic and social programs, coordinates volunteer activity and conducts fundraisers, all in the spirit of providing enrichment for our students and assistance for the work in the classroom. All parents and legal guardians of enrolled Mary Woodward students are invited to participate in the PSO. There is no cost for membership. Meetings are usually held the second Monday of each month.

For more PSO news online, visit [www.marywoodwardpsa.com](http://www.marywoodwardpsa.com).