



# PSO News

## Mary Woodward Elementary



### Mary Woodward's Carnival Needs You!

**Our Carnival cannot happen without you!!!**

We are still looking for volunteers for one of these positions:

- Chairperson
- Decorations
- Concessions
- Ticket Sales

If you would like to be involved, please contact Jill Weinstein at 971-404-7970 or [jill\\_weinstein@frontier.com](mailto:jill_weinstein@frontier.com)



### Please Join Us for the Next PSO Meeting

The Mary Woodward PSO will host its monthly meeting:

**Monday, February 11 at 6:30PM in the library**

All are welcome to come and get involved. We hope to see you there!

### Father/Daughter Dance

**March 1, 2013  
6:30pm-8:30pm**

\$10/family at the door  
\$20 or \$25/family with photo

Cake, cookies & punch will be served!



### Mother/Son Sock Hop

**March 8, 2013  
6:30pm-8:30pm**

\$10/family at the door  
\$20 or \$25/family with photo

Cake, cookies & punch will be served!



**February 8, 2013**

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#### 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.marywoodwardpso.com](http://www.marywoodwardpso.com).

## Upcoming Events

### February

11: PSO Meeting (6:30 PM)  
14: Valentine's Day Parties  
21: Science Fair (6:30-8 PM)  
22: Science Fair All School  
25: Scrip Orders Due

### March

1: Father/Daughter Dance  
8: Mother/Son Sock Hop  
11: PSO Meeting (8:30 AM)  
13: Box Tops Contest II Ends  
15: Conferences  
18: Scrip Orders Due  
21: 5th Grade Music Program  
25-29: Spring Break

## BOX TOPS & LABELS Contest Update

The second contest of the year has started and the early leaders are:

**Langeliers, Smith and LeBaron.**

The 3 classes with the most Box Tops per student by March 13 will earn **Popcorn and Jelly Bean** parties to be held before Spring Break!

Check out the poster in the cafeteria to see how your class is doing.

Questions? E-mail Karen at [karenemerson@frontier.com](mailto:karenemerson@frontier.com).



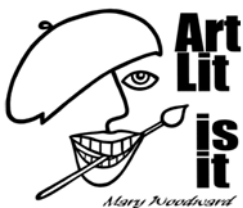
## Art Lit Featured Artist: Vincent Van Gogh

**"I often think that the night is more alive and more richly colored than the day." - Vincent Van Gogh**

Vincent Van Gogh (Van-GO) was a Dutch **Expressionist** painter who is best known for his use of vibrant color, **impasto** style (very thick paint with intense brush strokes) and emotional honesty. His work wasn't accepted during his lifetime, but it had a far-reaching influence on 20th-century art. In just over a decade, he produced more than 2,100 artworks, consisting of 860 oil paintings and more than 1,300 watercolors, drawings, sketches and prints. His work included self-portraits, landscapes, still life paintings of sunflowers and his famous paintings of the night sky.

Vincent Van Gogh was born in Zundert, Netherlands (Holland) in 1853. In 1880 he decided to move to Belgium and become an artist. In 1886, Vincent moved to France, where he created his famous Sunflower and Starry Night pieces. Vincent died tragically in 1890, at the age of 37. It wasn't until years later that his work was widely accepted and appreciated.

In 1889, Vincent painted **Starry Night** from his bedroom window. This is one of the most well-known images of modern art. It is also one of the most copied and desired prints in the world. There is the night sky filled with swirling wind, stars ablaze with their own luminescence, and a bright crescent moon.



For the month of February, students will create their own version of **Starry Night** using an **impasto** paint style. Students will be reminded that Van Gogh's paintings evoked feelings that further emulate the characteristics of **Expressionism**.

If you still haven't signed up to help with Art Lit, it's never too late! Please contact [artlit@marywoodwardpsd.com](mailto:artlit@marywoodwardpsd.com) for more information.

## The Science Fair is Coming!

Thursday, February 21, 6:30-8:00 pm

Please plan on coming to this great family event. Display your science project – see others' science projects and some great demonstrations!

We also need parent and staff volunteers! We especially need parents and staff to help review projects after school and to help with demonstrations at the event.

Reviewers are needed after school Thursday Feb 21 from 2:30-4:30pm. If you can't stay the whole time, even a half hour of your time is appreciated. The more volunteers we have the faster we can get it done!

We also need a handful of volunteers to help in shifts for extra demonstrations the night of the Science Fair.

If you can volunteer, please contact one of the Science Fair Chairs:

Tracy Sandford at [tracy.a.sandford@gmail.com](mailto:tracy.a.sandford@gmail.com) or Kim Markozen at [gene.markozen@gmail.com](mailto:gene.markozen@gmail.com)

## Mary Woodward PSO Auction

Plans are underway for a fabulous auction this year on April 20.

We need your help getting fun and interesting items to auction! What kind of donations are we looking for?

- Multi-night stays at your rental property
- Concert tickets
- Sporting event tickets
- Products or gift certificates from your employer
- Products or gift certificates from your home-based business (be sure to include your business card and catalog)
- Invitations to a themed party hosted by you
- Restaurant gift certificates
- Theme park, water park, or skiing passes
- Other unique experiences or family friendly items

We need to receive all auction items by Friday April 5, and we appreciate early contributions! Please deliver all items to the Mary Woodward office with the donation form attached to this newsletter.

If you have any questions, or want help coming up with a great donation idea, contact Karen Emerson at 503-579-3955 or [karenemerson@frontier.com](mailto:karenemerson@frontier.com).



"Wait, wait, before you mix them, you have to say, 'Pow!'."

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