



# PSO News

## Mary Woodward Elementary



**May 5, 2017**

### Message from the PSO President

Happy Boys' Day! Back in March I wrote about how we celebrate Girls' Day in Hawaii. Well, it just so happens that we celebrate Boys' Day on May 5<sup>th</sup>, and I couldn't have planned this better even if I tried, because tonight is the **Son Dance**. It's a chance for our boys to have rocking-good time. Thank you to **Kim Strine** for organizing this evening's festivities!

Thank you is not enough to express my appreciation to **Heather Listy, Carrie Mantel,** and **Nicole McNutt** and their team of Oompa Loompas for the endless hours that they devoted to our Spring Auction event. It was a spectacular evening of food, drink, and fundraising!

And Mahalo to **Jana Gateley** and her menehunes for organizing this week's Staff Appreciation Week. Everyone enjoyed the tropical atmosphere and the outpouring of gratitude for our wonderful staff!

Our final **PSO meeting** is on Friday, May 19<sup>th</sup>, 8:30 AM in the cafeteria. Dan Busch, Fowler Middle School Principal, will be here to answer any questions parents might have about the transition from 5<sup>th</sup> grade to middle school. We will also elect our board members for next year. If you or anyone you know is interested in getting more involved please let us know and come to the meeting!

Happy Cinco de Mayo!

**Wendy Jenkins, PSO President** ([mwpsopresident@gmail.com](mailto:mwpsopresident@gmail.com))

### Save the Date for Menchies

**Thank you to all that have helped make our specialty fundraisers a success!**

We are pleased to report that our MOD Pizza fundraiser on 4/18 earned \$454.98 for our school. So far, our total yearly sales for these restaurant/business fundraisers is at: \$5,575.98!

Please save the date for the last fundraiser for the year:

**Menchies Frozen Yogurt**  
**Tuesday, May 23, 3pm-8pm**

20% of your purchase will be donated to Mary Woodward. We hope to see you there!

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### Stay in the Know!

**There are many ways to keep tabs on PSO activities:**

- Visit our website ([www.marywoodwardpsoc.com](http://www.marywoodwardpsoc.com))
- Like us on Facebook ([www.facebook.com/woodwardpsoc](http://www.facebook.com/woodwardpsoc))
- Read this newsletter
- Come to a PSO meeting

## World of Pure Imagination was a huge success!

**We can't thank everyone enough for all your support & bringing your checkbooks to the auction! We raised so much for our kids to Imagine big at school.**

We don't have the final amount made yet but will in the next few weeks and will let everyone know the results. This took a lot of people, and time away from our families & friends to pull this off, and we couldn't have done it without you. We wanted to personally thank the following people for having a big part in this year's auction:

Aimee DeCastro, Amanda Pileri, Chris Borisch, Nancy Wittgow, Laura & Rob Wiekling, Heather Jordan, Cheryl Reed, Jenny Herman, Kacie Capellas, Judy Swiger, Sarah & Rob Vannice, Beth Schuff, Sarah Hertzog, Jennifer Ornelas, Lindsey Greene, Wendy Jenkins, Cheryl Payne, Jana Gateley, Taylor Hughes, Melissa Brown, Susie Wright, Leanna Reiling, Maureen Sibaja, Helen Cadman, Lindsey Weehunt, Tavia Service, Holly Capelle, Kayleen Mendenhall, Erin Lynch, Nicole Tangkjaer, Jenna Palamino, Michelle DeFabio, Kari Vandergriff & all the teachers and staff of Mary Woodward Elementary.

Thank you again so much for your love & support for our children & school!

**Cheers! Heather Listy, Nicole McNutt & Carrie Mantel  
Auction Co-Chairs**



## Celebrity Walk + Bike to School Day

Our Celebrity Walk + Bike to School Day for the month of May has been moved to **May 10** so that our school can participate in [National Walk + Bike to School Day](#).

**For this national celebration we are very fortunate to be joined by... Tigard Mayor John Cook!**

[Mayor Cook](#) will join the walk departing from the Summerlake dog park. Our school mascot Baldy will lead the walk departing from the TVF&R Station on Walnut St. (See attached route maps.) [Western Bikeworks](#) and representatives from the City of Tigard will also be in front of the school that morning handing out prizes to participants. All walking school buses and bike trains depart for school at 7:35 a.m., and this event will happen rain or shine. At 8:05 am, there will be a group pic with the mayor!

Once again, we will be competing against Alberta Rider, CF Tigard, Metzger, Durham and Templeton elementary schools for a chance to win the Golden Sneaker, which is an award given to the school with the highest percentage of students participating in Walk + Bike to School Day. The sneaker currently resides at Templeton -- let's win it for our trophy case this year!

On the attached flyer you will see some fantastic artwork that was created by fourth grader Elise Abouzeid. Elise's artwork was the winning entry to our January ArtLit competition, and these flyers are now on display all over the city of Tigard. Congratulations, Elise!

**For more information, please contact Jennifer Vasicek at [jen.vasicek@gmail.com](mailto:jen.vasicek@gmail.com). See you May 10!**



## The Mary Woodward Carnival needs your help!

Little work by many.....makes this event a success! Here are some volunteer opportunities for you to consider:

**Become a Booth Representative** - You can do this from home. Recruit volunteers to help make a poster for the booth (either at the school or at home), decorate a ticket can (we have the cans), set up the classroom booth, volunteer for three 1 hour shifts (shift times are up to you and what works for your classroom parents), and booth tear down and clean up. More information is provided to help you successfully manage this job. We need 13 more classroom representatives in order to fill out the carnival booths.

**Volunteer for a shift in your classroom booth, or another classroom's booth, if your booth is full.**

**Volunteer to help to one or more of the following:**

1. Decorate - work with carnival co-chair, Kari Vandergriff, in charge of decorations
2. Set up - work with carnival co-chair, Cheryl Payne.
  - Help move games down from carnival loft into gym after school Thursday,
  - Help set up booths starting around noon on Friday. Help set up inflatables around 3 pm Friday, set up tents, bring games into the respective booths,
  - Help move tables, desks and chairs to booths in the gym (starting around noon on Friday) and out on the blacktop outside (after school on Friday),
  - Help move cafeteria tables to undercover area
3. Tear down - work with carnival co-chair, Cheryl Payne, after the carnival closes (8:00 pm)
  - Help move games back up to carnival loft
  - Move tables, desks and chairs back to where they came from
  - Cafeteria tables brought in from outside
  - Help pack up inflatables and take down tents

Most booths are easy enough that kids can help out. Aunts, Uncles, Grandparents....all are welcome to help out.

Even if you have just 1/2 or 1 hour of time available, every bit of time helps. If I know your availability and what you'd like to help with, I can make sure to get you prepared before you arrive at the school to help you hit the ground running when you arrive.

**If you aren't sure what you can do, please reach out to Cheryl Payne at [woodwardcarnival@gmail.com](mailto:woodwardcarnival@gmail.com) and ask the question. Your time and consideration is much appreciated.**

## Upcoming Events

### May

1-5: Staff  
Appreciation Week  
5: Son Dance  
8-19: Art Lit Gallery  
10: Celebrity Walk +  
Bike to School Day  
19: PSO Meeting (8:30  
am)  
22: Scrip Orders Due  
23: Menchie's  
Fundraiser  
26: Box Tops Contest  
#3 ends  
26: Cultural Fair  
29: No School

### June

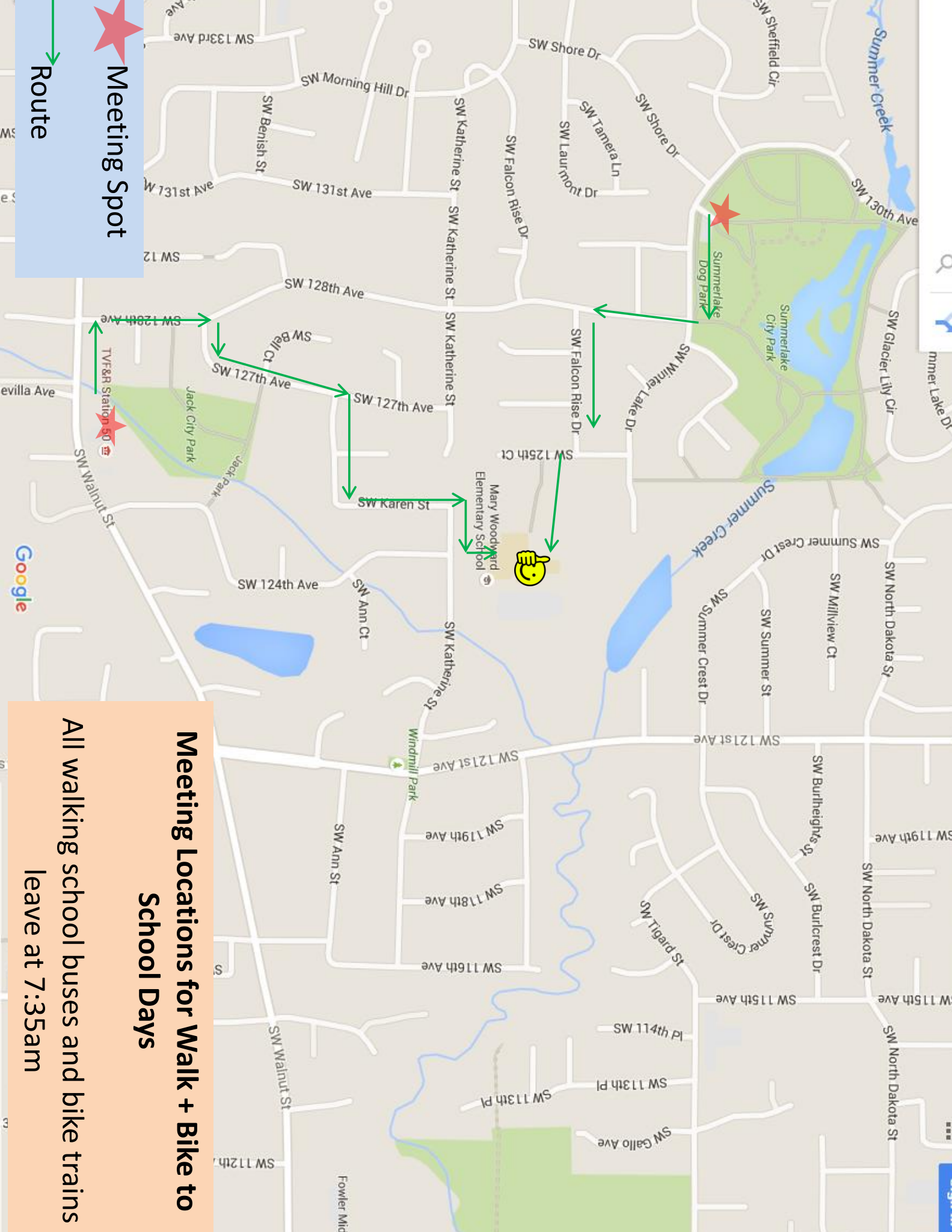
2: Carnival  
5: Scrip Orders Due  
9: Yearbooks delivered  
15: 5th Grade  
Celebration  
16: Kinder Field Day  
19: 1st-5th Field Day  
20: Last Day of School

**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).

Meeting Spot

Route



**Meeting Locations for Walk + Bike to School Days**

All walking school buses and bike trains leave at 7:35am

# Walk + Bike Meeting Locations

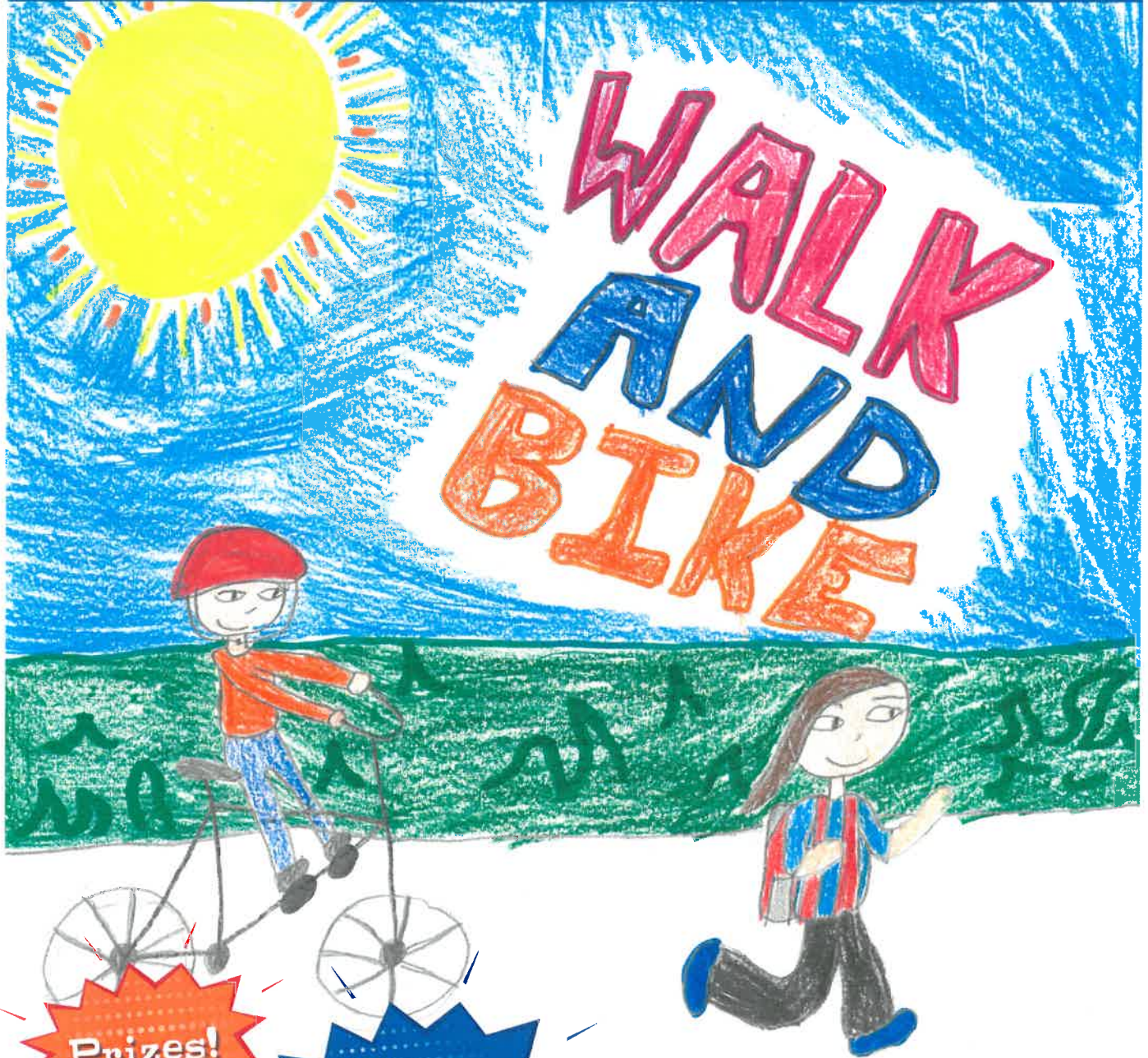
All walking school buses and bike trains will  
leave at 7:35am

1. TVF&R Station 50\* – 12617 SW Walnut
2. Summerlake Dog Park (parking lot)\* – 11450 SW Winter Lake Dr.

While there will be volunteers at each site to help guide the walk, we encourage you to walk or bike with your student.

\*You can park and walk from this location

# National Walk and Bike to School Day



Prizes!

Tell your  
Parents!

**WEDNESDAY**  
**May 10, 2017**

FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT:  
[www.tigard-or.gov/srts](http://www.tigard-or.gov/srts)



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IT'S THE BIGGEST PARTY OF THE YEAR!!!

★ MARY WOODWARD'S ★

**MIDWAY  
MADNESS  
CARNIVAL**

★ FRIDAY, JUNE 2<sup>ND</sup> ★ 5:00-8:00PM ★

**FOOD**

★ Little Caesars Pizza ★ Barbecue by Brisket Boy ★  
★ Snow Cones ★ Cotton Candy ★ Churros ★ Popcorn ★ Espresso ★

**ATTRACTIONS**

★ Obstacle Course ★ Inflatable Slide ★ 6' Hi Striker ★  
★ Pie Eating Contest ★ Dunk Bucket ★ Airbrush Tattoos ★  
★ Dance Performance by Moonstar ★



**GAMES**

★ Lollipop Pick ★ Bean Bag Toss ★ Ring Toss ★  
★ Marble Maze ★ Fish Bowl Toss ★ Frog Flinger ★  
★ Wheel of Fortune ★ Ducky Derby ★ Catch-a-Ball ★  
★ Indy 500 ★ Coin Toss ★ Junk Food Walk ★ Fishing Booth ★



Check your child's backpack for the pre-sale flyer and envelope on May 12th!  
Questions? Contact us at [woodwardcarnival@gmail.com](mailto:woodwardcarnival@gmail.com)

# SON DANCE

Friday, May 5th

DOORS OPEN AT 6:00



\$10/FAMILY



**Join us for an exciting sports themed evening! Though jerseys are encouraged, feel free to wear anything that is comfortable! The evening includes:**

- **Dancing**
- **Hula hoop contest**
- **The limbo**
- **Freeze dancing, and more!**

**There will be light-up gear for \$1.00.**

**Exact change is greatly appreciated**