



Mary Woodward Elementary

Parent Support Organization Newsletter

FEBRUARY 21, 2020

MESSAGE FROM THE PSO PRESIDENT

I hope your February is going well! Thank you to all our Room Parents and volunteers for putting on amazing Valentine's Day parties and the Ambassadors for staffing the Val-o-Gram sales. The kids were so excited to get warm fun messages from their friends!

Thanks also to the daughter dance committee for all their work making the evening a huge success! Everyone had a great time! Next up is a chance for the boys to have a memory making evening with their chaperone on March 13.

Coming up on April 4 is our annual MW Auction. Lindsay Clough will be needing more volunteers to help with this main fundraiser for our school. She is still accepting donations and can be contacted at mweaglesauction@gmail.com. I hope you have been able to purchase your tickets!

The MW Carnival is scheduled for May 29. This event cannot happen without a team of volunteers. If you are interested in helping out with the carnival this year, please reach out to **Liz Young** at woodwardcarnival@gmail.com.

By the end of 5th grade most kids are very familiar with the story of Stone Soup. A very short summary of the story is the soup starts with a small stone and each friend adds a small amount of something (broth, seasoning, vegetables) to make a wonderful dish to share. The soup is greatly improved by the contribution of each



person with the end result being a wonderful meal to be shared by many. This concept can also be applied to our school. As each person contributes an ingredient (time, organization, donation, effort) the whole school benefits. We are so fortunate to have such a supportive staff at Mary Woodward but they cannot make a fabulous soup on their own. They need parental support (PSO) help! Think about what ingredient you can add to help make the Mary Woodward "soup" and bring your idea to any PSO board member or come to a meeting!

Thank you to **all our volunteers**, we couldn't accomplish so much without you!

Cyndi Clere, PSO President (mwpsopresident@gmail.com)

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STAY IN TOUCH!

There are many ways to keep tabs on PSO activities:

- Visit our website (www.marywoodwardpso.com)
- Like us on Facebook (www.facebook.com/woodwardpso)
- Read this newsletter
- Come to a PSO meeting

DO YOU HAVE YOUR AUCTION TICKETS YET?



Don't forget to visit the Hollywood Nights auction website for Buy-In Parties and Buy-It Now Items!

- **Buy-In Parties:** MW Garden Tea, Bread Making, Board Games with Ms. McConnell, Coffee & Knitting, STEAM, Bunco Game Night, and Puppet Pals with 2nd Grade Teachers!
- **Buy-It Now Items:** VIP Parking Spot, Front Row Seats to MW Music Performances, Monthly Reader Board, Birthday Parties, Math Tutoring with Ms. McConnell, and Bedtime Stories with Mrs. Rice!

Register today at <https://marywoodwardpso.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/HollywoodNights/tabid/1103910/Default.aspx>

Wine Donations Need for Auction!

The Auction Committee is collecting wine donations to stock the Auction Wine Wall. Wine donations can be dropped off at the school front office anytime up thru April 1st, 2020. There will also be a "Stock the Wine Wall" event at Hillside Pub on Friday, February 28 from 5-7pm.

DO YOU LIKE BEING THE FIRST TO KNOW ABOUT THINGS?

Hey parents! Do like being "in the know" with what's happening in our school? Do you wish you could volunteer more at Mary Woodward, but want the flexibility to do it on your own time? Are you techy, or just wish you were more techy (and would like some training)? This may be the perfect job for you!

Our current webmaster and newsletter coordinator is moving on to Fowler next year, and is looking to get someone to carry on the role for 2020/2021. This could be either two positions, or a combined position if someone wants to take on both. Training provided for both. **Please get involved so this position doesn't go away!**

Please contact kayleen@booyahcreative.com for more information.

ARE YOU PASSIONATE ABOUT READING?

The 2020-2021 OBOB committee needs additional members to plan next year's school-wide **Battle of the Books** tournament. If you're interested in helping out, please email mwpsovolunteers@gmail.com. You will be joining a well-established group of volunteers who can show you the ropes!



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TTSD COIN DRIVE HELP NEEDED

The Foundation Coin Drive is coming the last week in April.

This is a fundraiser for the district. We are looking for volunteers who can help Ambassadors collect change in the morning and afternoon for a week. There will need to be marketing beforehand-flyers and getting the information out in newsletters, supervising Ambassadors make posters and coordinating deposits with the Assistant Treasurer.

Don't want to commit to heading it up? Volunteer for one 30 minute shift. I swear, we won't make you do the whole thing! If we got 5 parents/grandparents/any willing adult, it would be minimal commitment. Please volunteer. The money counter machine is scheduled to roll in for the week of April 27th-May 1st.

Thanks, Your Ambassador Team:

Kim, Meredith and Tanya (mwambassadors@gmail.com)

UPCOMING DATES TO PUT IN YOUR CALENDAR

- Caring Closet Collection March 31st- April 8th
- Waterfall Book Collection May 11th – 15th

There will be more information to follow, but if you are interested in helping out or have questions, please contact Judy Swiger at swiger@comcast.net.

THE SON DANCE IS COMING MARCH 13

Our annual son dance is coming up!

Please join us **March 13th from 6 to 8 pm** for dancing, games, refreshments and some amazing raffle prizes!

Dance entry is \$10, and digital photos will be available for \$10. A pre-order form is attached to this newsletter, and can be used to purchase entry tickets, photos and raffle tickets. Pre-order forms are due by Thursday, March 5.

Don't forget to bring cash so you can purchase glow items and additional raffle tickets.

Please wear your favorite sports wear and come ready for a glowing good time!

See you there!



UPCOMING EVENTS

February

- 3-21: Box Tops Contest #2
- 21: Movie Night (Trolls) - 6:00 pm
- 26: Multicultural Fair Planning Meeting (3:30-4:30)

March

- 4: Walk + Roll to School Day
- 6: Conferences
- 13: Son Event
- 20: PSO Meeting
- 23-27: Spring Break
- 31-April 4: Caring Closet Collection

April

- 1: Walk + Roll to School Day
- 4: Hollywood Nights Auction
- 17: PSO Meeting
- 17: Cultural Fair
- 18: Garden Clean Up
- 21-24: Spring Book Fair
- 27-May 1: TTSD Coin Drive

MULTI-CULTURAL FAIR PARENT PLANNING MEETING

It's time to start planning! All families are welcome to join, as we need many volunteers to make this day a success!

Come to the planning meeting on **February 26 from 3:30-4:30 pm** in the library, and bring a friend! Light refreshments will be provided. Our fair will be held on April 17, 2020.

For more information, contact the school office at 503-431-4700.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO CHOOSE NEXT YEAR'S MOVIES?

Tonight is the final Family Movie Night of the year, and the PSO is looking for a group of volunteers to take over the planning for next year.

The volunteer committee chooses the movie titles, decides on the concessions and handles the advertising. Most of the planning can be done from home and outside of school hours.

If you'd like to learn more, please contact Jennifer Vasicek at mwpsovolunteers@gmail.com.



WALK + ROLL TO SCHOOL DAY: MARCH 4



As the weather improves and the days get longer, you may be looking for an excuse to get up and get moving in the morning. Look no further!

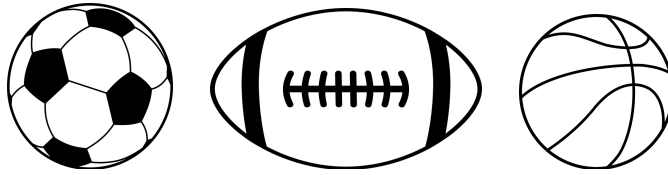
You and your student can walk or roll to school with friends on Wednesday, March 4.

Walking or rolling to school is great exercise, makes you ready to learn, improves the air quality around our school, and is a lot of fun!

If you live outside comfortable walking distance but would still like to join the fun, there are two meeting locations (the TVF&R Station on Walnut and the Summerlake Dog Park) where you can park and then walk or bike with your student. All walking school buses

and bike trains leave for school at 7:40 am. Walk + Roll to School days happen rain or shine.

Please see the attached map for more details, and contact Jennifer Vasicek (jen.vasicek@gmail.com) with any questions.



Mary Woodward Son Dance

Dance Entry \$10 ~ Digital photos \$10 ~ Raffle Tickets \$1

Pre-order forms due by Thursday March 5th

Submit completed form with cash or check payable to "Mary Woodward PSO"

Please join your friends for a fun night of dancing, games, refreshments and glow in the dark fun! Don't forget to dress in your favorite sports wear.

Student Name(s)/Grade(s) _____

Chaperone _____

Email* _____ Phone Number* _____

*In case we need to contact you about your order please print clearly

Below you can add on digital photos and raffle tickets*

*Preordered raffle ticket will be available for pick up at the door.

REMEMBER TO BRING CASH FOR PURCHASING GLOW ITEMS AND ADDITIONAL RAFFLE TICKETS

TOTAL SALES

Item	Price each	Quantity	Total
Dance entry	\$10	1	\$10
Digital photos	\$10		
Raffle Ticket	\$1		
			Total Due
			Total Paid