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**WILDCATS**

February 2007

Lake Wilderness Elementary

**PTSA**

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**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

February 13  
PTSA meeting

February 15  
Wa State PTA Focus Day

February 16  
Early Release

February 19-23  
Mid-Winter Break

February 26  
Spring Fundraiser

***President's Message***

Hello Everyone,

Wow this year is flying by so fast. Only five more months and it will be summer vacation. Our last half of the year is going to be jammed packed full of events so I bet the next 5 months will go by just as fast as the first.

This year has been going so great I think we should recap some of the wonderful events that have happened. We've had a couple of successful fundraisers which contribute to such things as improving the play field at LWES. Missoula Children's Theater helped the kids put on a wonderful production. The Holiday Breakfast was a hit and heaps of eggs and stacks of pancakes were served.

So, what's on the horizon for Lake Wilderness Elementary? Cookie dough!!! It's almost time for the Cookie Dough Fundraiser to begin. I remember very well how tasty the cookies and other treats were, especially because it took next to no effort to prepare them. This fundraiser starts on February 26th right after Mid-Winter break.

Remember, we have PTSA Board meetings every month and anyone is welcome to visit and observe. The next meeting will be February 13th in Library A at 7pm. Feel free to join us and see what the PTSA does on a monthly basis.

Talk to everyone again next month,  
Chris and Grey Warnock

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Lake Wilderness PTSA is run by parent volunteers and led by parent volunteers. Meetings are in the library on the third Tuesday of each month and everyone is welcome to attend. If you would like more information, please visit our website at [www.lwptsa.org](http://www.lwptsa.org), or contact Whitney Henne at [hennes@comcast.net](mailto:hennes@comcast.net) or Chris Warnock at 425 413-5889.

## **Spring Fundraisers**

Our favorite spring fundraiser starts soon...Gourmet Delights (Preportioned Cookie Dough and Treats) and The Cook's Collection (Unique Tools for the Cook).

Money earned will help the PTSA support Lake Wilderness Elementary and it's students.

It starts February 26 and ends on March 12 with delivery of products on March 27 from 4PM-7PM (location at school TBD).

Future Fundraiser: Flowers, Vegetable plants, Strawberry plants and Hanging Baskets will be pre-sold in April/May. All proceeds from this sale will go into our Grounds/Field Improvement Fund.

## **Newsletter Submissions**

For submissions to the February newsletter, send your notes to Mary Anne Hoben at [maryanne@3storygarage.com](mailto:maryanne@3storygarage.com) by February 19th.

# ***PTSA and legislative advocacy for our children***

We all joined PTSA to help our children succeed. One way to accomplish this is to get informed and involved in the decisions being made at the state and federal level. Washington State PTA has identified five key goals to work towards this year. These goals are:

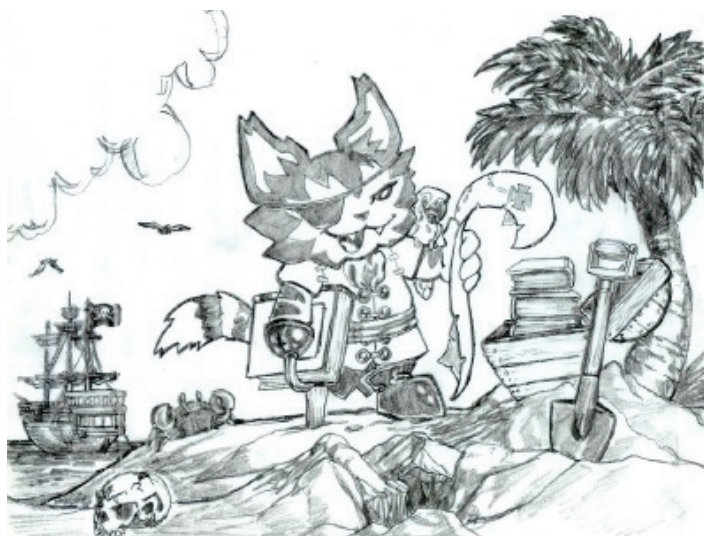
1. K-12 Education Funding-WSPTA shall initiate and/or support legislation or policies that establish an updated definition of basic education and a basic education funding formula that reflects current education practices and requirements.
2. Mathematics and Sciences-WSPTA shall initiate and/or support legislation that strengthens science and math education.
3. Simple Majority for School Levies and Bonds-WSPTA shall initiate and/or support legislation that will allow people to vote on the Simple Majority issue.
4. Reduce Class Size-WSPTA shall initiate and/or support legislation or policies that secure smaller class sizes for students.
5. School Recess-WSPTA shall initiate and/or support legislation or policies that would require recess periods during the school day.

One way to make your opinion heard is to travel to Olympia on February 15th, from 9am to 3pm for the annual Washington State PTA Focus Day. This event will allow you to speak to legislators, listen to presentations and meet other parents who advocate for our children.

Another way to become involved is to learn more and have an opinion on the decisions being made about our state's education. Visit the PTA Region 9 Legislative website to learn more at <http://r9leg.home.comcast.net>.

## ***Wildcats PRRR***

Keep on reading! We have so many great kids reading in our school. Reading is a treasure that never stops giving! Remember **Read** for 20 minutes, **Record, Return** on the 1st Thursday of the next month, and get your **Reward**. If you have questions, please contact Sondra Bingham at [slbingham@comcast.net](mailto:slbingham@comcast.net).



# Art Docent Corner

Please come to the 2nd Annual Lake Wilderness Art Walk. Come and celebrate your child's art from the art docent program. Thursday March 15th from 6-8PM. Admission is free. Please watch for the flyer coming home in your child's backpack.

From Art Docent Joanna Benner:

Mrs. Tughan's third grade class created large canvas paintings using acrylic paint. Students worked in groups and had to create a picture inspired by the artist Jean Debuffet. Debuffet started his paintings by doodling with no intersecting lines and only painting organic shapes. Tugan's Thinkers had a real treat, they got to paint outside. The use of african colors and listening to african music as they painted tied into their lessons about Africa. Each group of students had to name their artwork. Come check out the awesome work these students have created, as well as their very creative titles. The artwork is hanging in the hallway by library B. Way to go Tugan's Thinker's!

## Join PTSA

Membership is what you want it to be. Busy but want to be informed? Have some extra time and want to help out occasionally? More commitment, want to chair a committee? We just want you to be a part of our PTSA to make a difference for our kids. We welcome you at any stage that life brings! Please consider joining us today!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Child(ren) \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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Your personal information is protected, never sold or given to outside sources, will be used only for PTSA business.

Payment enclosed (please circle): Individual membership - \$10 Family membership - \$18  
Staff/Faculty membership - \$8