



### PTSA Membership Form

By becoming a member, you support your child's school curriculum with second field trips at every grade level, teacher allotments (\$100 per year) and 1/3 of Camp Casey costs. As well as supporting student relief, building improvements, skate parties, WASL brain food, family events and more. To join, simply complete and cut out this form, slip it into an envelope with your membership fee, and send it back to school with your student.

THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR SCHOOL COMMUNITY!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Child(ren): \_\_\_\_\_ Teacher(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # (optional): \_\_\_\_\_ Email (optional): \_\_\_\_\_

Payment enclosed (please circle): Individual Membership \$10 LWES Staff Membership \$8

When you join PTSA, you join a community that encourages student achievement and enriches the learning environment. We believe in building partnerships between our families and our school. Together we can make a difference!

## October 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Wildcat Cash Booth Open 9:30-11am
2	3	4	5	6 Fall Fundraiser Kick-Off	7	8
9	10	11 Scholastic Book Fair in Library B, Oct. 10th-13th	12	13	14 No School	15
16	17	18 PTSA General Membership Meeting 7pm	19	20 Fall Fundraiser Orders Due	21 PTSA Family Night Bingo 6:30-8pm	22
23	24	25	26	27	28 Early Release Costume Night, 5-7pm	29
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Popcorn Mondays: available at first recess  
10¢ for kindergarten  
25¢ for 1st-5th grades

Skate Parties are at TLC Family Skate Center in Kent. Tickets: \$4 at the door & includes standard skates rental; inline skates are an additional \$4. Children must be accompanied by an adult & school rules of conduct apply.



# Call of the WILDCATS

October 2005

Lake Wilderness Elementary



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### President's Message

Lake Wilderness Families,  
Autumn is one of my favorite times of the year. I love all the fall colors. I hope that you and your family are doing well and enjoyed the first weeks of school. I love hearing from my children about all the "new" things they are doing in school. We have such great teachers at Lake Wilderness!

I was disappointed that our first family event, our Back-to-School Picnic, had to be cancelled. But, I guess that is the chance you take living in the Pacific Northwest. Our new Family Night Chair, Michelle Atkinson is busy planning many more fun family nights. I know everyone loves Bingo Night, so you'll be happy to know it's scheduled for October 21st. Be sure to check the calendar on the back page of this newsletter for events at a glance.

We have our first General Membership Meeting this month. It is scheduled for October 18th, 7:00pm in Library A. I encourage everyone who is a member to write this in your calendar because we have a great meeting planned. First we need to approve our 2005/2006 budget, and then we will hear from our guest speaker, Washington State Representative for the 5th legislative district, position 1, Glenn Anderson. He will be discussing our state's educational system. We hope you can come with any questions you have about our states goals for our children's education. It will be a great night!

Our Wildcats PRRR Reading Program begins this month. We are kicking it off with a fun assembly for the students. Check their backpacks for information. It is a simple and fun way to get our children reading. We know it will be a big hit!

I want to encourage anyone who wants to help out in the classroom to consider becoming an art docent. It is an enriching program that gives our children a hands-on experience with different art mediums. You don't even have to be an artist to be an art docent! There is a simple training meeting that explains the program and demonstrates different ideas. Please contact your child's teacher or Terasa Snoozy (425 432-7966) for more information. We need you!

I hope you and your family enjoy this beautiful time of year and take the time to make each day great! I look forward to meeting you at our school's Curriculum Nights, October 5th and 6th. Stop by the PTSA table and see what we have to enrich your children's school experience.

Amy Granger

#### Executive Board Members

##### President

Amy Granger

##### Vice President of Fundraising

Rashelle Kennett

##### Vice President of Wildcat Cash

Kristin Pinter

##### Treasurer

Mary Anne Hoben

##### Secretary

Tina Hazelwood

#### Next Month's Events:

Wildcat Spirit Wear Sale  
November 4th-23rd

Parent-Teacher  
Conferences  
November 16th-23rd

2005/2006

### PTSA Board and Chairpersons

- President:** Amy Granger
- Fundraising:** Rashelle Kennett
- Treasurer:** Mary Anne Hoben
- Secretary:** Tina Hazelwood
- Wildcat Cash:** Kristin Pinter
- Family Nights:** Michelle Atkinson
- Newsletter:** Julie Nay
- Volunteer Coordinator:** Jill Evans
- Hospitality:** Erin Weaver
- Membership:** Maureen Schnell
- Legislation:** Charlyn Harris
- Reflections:** Teresa Ranft  
Patrice Lindgren
- Art Docent:** Terasa Snoozy
- Skate Parties:** Beth Schilling
- Bookfair:** Rachel Butcher  
Sharon Lind
- Reading Program:** Sondra Bingham
- Labels/Box Tops:** Heather Kovacs  
Ginger Cook
- Popcorn:** Terri Taylor
- Spirit Wear:** Teresa Rubadue
- Student Photos:** Tammy Greenwood

Lake Wilderness PTSA is run by parent volunteers and led by parent volunteers. The board meets in the school library on the third Tuesday of each month and everyone is encouraged to attend. If you would like more information about PTSA or are interested in becoming involved, please contact Jill Evans at 425 432-7737 or Amy Granger at 425 413-4918.

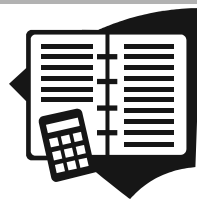
### PTSA General Membership Meeting October, 18th at 7:00pm Library A

Please join us as our featured guest speaker will be Washington State Rep., Glenn Anderson (5th legislative district, position 1). Mr. Anderson serves on the House k-12 Education Committee. Hope to see you there!

**Dessert will be served.**

### Treasurer's Report

Ever wonder where your PTSA dollars go? How buying Wildcat Cash helps your child and the school? Why we sponsor Scholastic Book Fairs? Here are some highlights from last year:



Over \$4600 in allotments and \$3500 in Wildcat Cash designations went to teachers and specialists to supplement classroom supplies.

Over \$4900 offset the cost of Camp Casey for all LWES 5th graders.

Thousands of dollars in book credits earned through 2 Scholastic Book Fairs were used to purchase new books for the libraries.

\$1250 to help send qualifying students to summer school.

PTSA also paid for the new basketball court with cookie dough fundraiser proceeds; paid for supplies for classroom Art Docents; were kid-favorites every week with popcorn sales; helped the school pay for new landscaping; and provided for the annual "Read-a-Thon".

PTSA is committed to providing these activities and school enrichment, that otherwise would not be available. With the recent failure of our Technology Levy and news publicized by Washington State PTA that the Tahoma School District is critically under funded compared to like-districts with similar test scores, your support is needed now more than ever!

### Wildcats PRRR . . .

We are excited to get our students reading. The first reading logs have been handed out and our students are working hard. A letter was sent home with all the details. If you have questions, please contact Sondra Bingham at 425 413-5932. Remember, read for 20 minutes for 20 days and turn in the log sheet to your teacher at the beginning of the new month to get your prize.



**Have fun reading, Wildcats!**

### Wildcat Cash . . . It's So Simple!

Wildcat Cash is in full swing at the booth in the LW parking lot from 8:40-9:20am every weekday. PTSA purchases gift certificates at a discount and resells them at face value with 25% of the profits going directly to the teachers!



There are several ways of getting Wildcat Cash: 1) drop by the booth in the morning; 2) use the order form that comes home every month with your child; or 3) starting mid-October, order online (read about our new web site on the next page).

It's a great way to support our school & teachers!

### National Reflections Program 2005-2006

The Lake Wilderness PTSA is excited to announce the theme for this year's Reflections Program is, "I Wonder Why. . ." This program recognizes your child's artistic talents. Students may enter art work in one or more of these four categories: literature, visual arts, photography or musical composition. The submissions will be judged and the four top scorers will advance to the state level competition. A flyer with further information will come home mid-October. Official entry forms and contest rules will be available at that time through your child's teacher. Start thinking of some great ideas! The deadline for entries is Friday, December 2nd and must be produced by the child only. If you have questions, please call Reflections Chairpersons, Patrice Lindgren at 425 413-7673 or Teresa Ranft at 425 413-1401.



### Are you looking for ways to support our school that cost you nothing? Here Are A Few Suggestions:

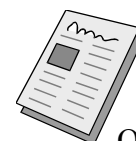
**WaMoola for Schools** YOU SHOP. SCHOOLS WIN. An easy way to support our school every day! Just enroll your Washington Mutual Visa® Check Card in the WaMoola for Schools® program. Every time you buy groceries, go to the movies, or buy a cup of coffee, you could be supporting our school. It's easy with no strings attached. To enroll and designate our school to support, go to [www.wamoolaforschools.com](http://www.wamoolaforschools.com) or call 1-866-WAMOOLA.



The Labels for Education program is a great way to get FREE educational merchandise for our school. Participation is easy—simply save labels from Campbell products and send them to school with your child. Ask neighbors, relatives and friends to save their labels too. For a listing of participating products and more information, visit [www.labelsforeducation.com](http://www.labelsforeducation.com).



Earn cash for our school every time you shop for groceries. Clip Box Tops coupons from hundreds of your favorite products found at the grocery store. Each coupon is worth 10¢ when our school redeems them. Simply cut the coupon out and send to school with your child. To get a complete list of participating products, go to [www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com) for more information.



### Newsletter Submissions

Deadline for submissions to the November 2005 newsletter is October 15th. Please email articles to: [julie.nay@comcast.net](mailto:julie.nay@comcast.net)

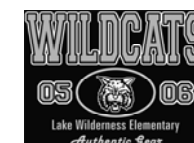
[www.lwptsa.org](http://www.lwptsa.org)

Lake Wilderness PTSA will soon have a functioning website, complete with Wildcat Cash available for purchase online!

We hope to have the site up and running by October 10th.

Look for us at:

[www.lwptsa.org](http://www.lwptsa.org)



### Spirit Wear Coming Soon!

The PTSA knows that every Wildcat fan wants to show their school spirit! Official Lake Wilderness Spirit Wear goes on sale soon. Look for the flyer in early November.



### October 10th-13th

Shopping the Scholastic Book Fair is a great way to support reading at home. There are hundreds of books for students to choose from.

If you'd like to join us in making this our most successful book fair ever, contact Rachel Butcher at 425 413-8797 to volunteer.

### Popcorn Mondays Are Here!

Popcorn will be available every Monday during your child's first recess. Students can buy a bag of yummy popcorn for 25¢ for grades 1-5, and 10¢ for kindergartners.

