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Lake Wilderness Elementary

September 2004

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President's Message

Dear Families,

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Back to School Picnic
Fri, Sept 17th - 6:30-8pm
Fall Fundraiser - Giftwrap
Oct 6th-20th
Fall Bookfair
Oct 11th-15th
Family Night Sockhop
Fri, Oct 15th - 6:30-9pm
Spirit Wear
Nov 1st-12th
General Membership Meeting
Thursday, Oct 21st

The Lake Wilderness PTSA would like to extend a welcome to all the returning families and new families that form the Lake Wilderness Elementary School. This year is going to be a terrific year! We have fun and exciting family events scheduled for this year, including a sock hop in October and the popular Holiday Breakfast in December. PTSA continues to support Camp Casey, field trips, teacher curriculum funding and bringing exciting programs to our school like the successful Scholastic Book Fair and the Reflections program.

Would you like to help? We have just the niche for you! Interested in Art? Our Art Docent and Reflections programs need volunteers. Like to pop popcorn on a Friday morning and see our terrific children lining up to buy this delicious treat? We need poppers! Love to browse through books and see the latest bestsellers? We need help at our Book Fair! Lastly, ever long to run meetings, coordinate events and people and generally have a bunch of fun? Because PTSA is looking for a person to be President! Yahoo! Please call me (Erin Weaver 432-4767) or Jill Evans (Volunteer Coordinator 432-7737).

Lake Wilderness is a fantastic school. It has dedicated and professional teachers, cheerful and wise support staff, and a leadership team that is hard to beat. And of course, we all know that our children are the best in Maple Valley!! Parent involvement in our schools is the last leg needed for a successful school, and I hope that everyone finds a way to be involved with our schools in some way; volunteering in classrooms, volunteering to cut out papers at home, attending curriculum nights and of course, please come and enjoy the PTSA general membership meetings and fun family events.

Join the Lake Wilderness PTSA; working for all our children's success!

Sincerely,

Erin Weaver

Fall Fundraising Event

Hi everyone, and welcome to the 2004-2005 school year. It's time to get ready for the fall PTSA fundraiser. Our fundraiser will be running for two full weeks in October to give you plenty of time to contact family and friends, co-workers, and neighbors.

This year we will be selling wonderful gifts and wrapping paper from Elliot Bay. Very high quality stuff great for gift giving and receiving. Along with the great holiday collection they also have Nickelodeon characters, chocolates, and magazines.

All of you who are new to Lake Wilderness Elementary may wonder what the PTSA does with the money that we raise. Let me tell you, we do a lot, but I'm not going to list all the small stuff, you can come to one of our meetings for that...Here's some of the big important, stuff we do:

- *give each teacher money to purchase classroom supplies
- *provide zero hour scholarships
- *provide summer school scholarships
- *provide monthly Family Nights
- *provide Parent education events
- *provide transportation for second field trips for every grade
- *help pay for camp Casey for 5th graders every year

Plus, as an additional bonus, this fundraiser will be supplying our libraries with several hundred dollars worth of books.

As I said before - this is just the tip of the iceberg. PTSA is here to support your child's experience at Lake Wilderness Elementary but the best way for you to make sure this happens is to get involved and volunteer yourself. A little or a lot- it all helps your child!

Your Vice-President,
Terasa Snoozy



Wildcat Cash

Wildcat Cash is in full swing at the booth in the LWES parking lot from 8:15 to 9:15 every weekday. PTSA purchases gift certificates at a discount, resells them at face value and the profit goes into the PTSA fund. Some participating businesses include Safeway, QFC, Fred Meyer, Costco and McDonald's. Many nationwide businesses are also available. Teachers receive 25% of the profit which goes directly into their hands for costs associated with daily classroom life.

Ordering is simple. Forms will be coming home in your child's backpack. Complete the form, attach a check made payable to LWPTSA, send both to school with your child and the teachers will forward the order. PTSA fills the order and sends the gift certificates back home with your child. Parents can also visit the morning booth at their convenience.

Wildcat Cash will be available at the upcoming Open House. Please contact Peggy Zemek if you have any questions at zemek1@msn.com or 425-413-2900.

Popcorn Fridays!

Every Friday PTSA will sell popcorn at first recess for 25 cents (10 cents for Kindergarteners). If you would like to help, please call Terri Taylor at 206-818-1426.



Join the PTSA

By joining the Lake Wilderness PTSA you are supporting your child's educational experience through these programs:

- Teacher curriculum support (\$100 per year)
- Camp Casey for 5th graders (PTSA pays 1/3 of total cost)
- Second field trips at each grade level
- Family events that bring us closer together as a community
- Scholarships for needy and at-risk children

By joining the Lake Wilderness PTSA you will receive the following:

- Membership in one of the oldest and most respected national institutions
- a free Lake Wilderness lanyard (necklace ID) to use when volunteering at the school
- \$5 off at local Red Robin restaurants
- Two \$1 off coupons for our popular skate parties
- Two free popcorn coupons
- Our eternal gratitude and respect!

Remember to Vote



Don't forget to vote in the General Election on November 2nd. Tahoma School District will be re-running the Technology Levy. More information will be coming in the October newsletter.