

A Message From Your PTSA President

Welcome to Spring!

March started off with a bang this year thanks to the Dance Dude and the 3rd Annual Spring Dance! The kids had fun during their specialist time refreshing their memory on dances learned in years past plus learning some new ones. We got some feedback that students wanted more NEW dances, so next year the Dance Dude told us he'll mix it up! Also in March the PTSA sponsored Zumba Night, Moms and Me and worked with Stillwater to coordinate a new event, Multicultural Night. Thanks to our volunteers that made these events possible and the Stillwater families that attended them!

We had our 3rd General Membership Meeting of the year on March 16th, thank you for those members that attended. At the meeting the 2017-2018 Executive Board of Directors were voted into office (positions to begin on July 1, 2017): President-Shelly Campbell, Co-Vice Presidents-Jenn Anderson and Amy Pitt, Secretary-Michelle Berens, Treasurer-Lindsey Tolson. We also voted on some exciting changes to the 2016-2017 budget. A few highlights are a second Staff and Teacher grant season we'll be able to open up in April, a motivational speaker, Gabe Murfitt, that the PTSA will be able to bring to the 3rd-5th graders this year, and a (new to us) fundraiser the PTSA will be sponsoring at Duvall Days this year called "Running of the Balls." For minute notes and a more detailed recap of the general meeting please visit our website.

Looking forward to April we have our first ever Pottery Painting Night, and back at Stillwater due to student feedback we received last year, the Reptile Man! Mark your calendars, both events are can't miss! At the end of April, the 2017-2018 Executive Board of Directors will be attending WA State PTA Convention. Convention is an invaluable resource for PTA leaders to receive the training needed to successfully run a non-profit organization. Have a great spring break everyone!

Thank You,
Lindsey Tolson
Stillwater PTSA President

Who collected the most Box Tops?

The class that collected the most Box Tops & Labels for Education in March is Mrs. Epps class with 246! Super job!!!

Here are the classes in the lead for the cumulative year total – the winning class will earn a cotton candy party in June:

- 1) Liljegren 1,215
- 2) Crouch 900
- 3) Dr. F. 669

Thank you for collecting Box Tops & Labels for Education!



Yearbook

Our much anticipated yearbook is available to order starting this week! Order forms are due 4/21/17. Please submit one form per child. PTSA members can enjoy \$1 off per book!

Member price is \$24 and non-member price is \$25.

Thank you to all of the wonderful parents who've shared their pictures with us for the yearbook this year, it's going to be amazing!!!

Email questions to Dani Graham at yearbook@stillwaterptsa.org

Pottery Night

Who: Stillwater Families; All Ages Welcome

What: Pottery Paint Night

When: Tuesday, April 25th 6-8pm

Where: Stillwater Gym

Cost: ****YOU MUST PRE-ORDER TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS EVENT. THERE ARE NO "AT THE DOOR" SALES.****

Join us for Stillwater PTSA's first Pottery Paint Night. Pre-order as many pieces as you would like and arrive at the gym no later than 7:30 to paint and decorate them. Bring your PTSA card to receive a discount at the concession table. We are only doing Pre-Orders for this event so please submit this form by **April 7th!**

*This is not a drop off event and children must be accompanied by an adult.

Reptile Man

When: Thursday, April 20, 2017

Where: Stillwater Elementary Gym

When: 6:00pm-7:30pm

(performance starts at 6:30)

Cost: \$1.00 per person (fee goes directly to the Reptile Man)

The Reptile Man is coming to Stillwater for an evening performance. The PTSA will have a concession stand with snacks and candy available to purchase.

*This is not a drop off event



April:

Wednesday 4/5

Popcorn Wed (Last Recess)

Yearbook Orders Open

4/10-4/14/17

No School – Spring Break

Thursday 4/20

Reptile Man Assembly

2:30 & 6:30

Friday 4/21

Yearbook Orders Due

Tuesday 4/25

Pottery Night

Thursday 4/27

K/1 Music Performance

May:

5/1-5/5

Staff Appreciation Week

Wednesday 5/10

Popcorn Wed (last recess)

Friday 5/12

Dodgeball Night

Wednesday 5/17

Hawk Walk

Friday 5/19

Student Council Movie Night

Monday 5/29

No School Memorial Day

June:

Wednesday 6/7

Popcorn Wed (last recess)

Thursday 6/8

PTSA General Meeting

Wednesday 6/27

Last Day of School

Quick Tip



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Volunteers of the Month - Shelly Campbell AND Stacy Reddy!

Congratulations to our March PTSA Featured Volunteers of the Month, Shelly Campbell and Stacy Reddy. They were nominated by Lindsey Tolson and voted on by the Executive Board.

Here are a few things that Lindsey had to say about them:

"Shelly and Stacy have been our Rock-Star social chairs this year. They have worked tirelessly all year long to provide fun social events nearly every month of school. In 2015-2016 we had 3 social events and in 2016-2017 we have already had 5 social events and have 2 more planned before the year is done. In March, they planned Stillwater's 3rd Annual All School Dance which was so much fun! Our social events are the largest events we do at Stillwater, they require A LOT of planning and these two, along with Jenn Anderson, our Vice President of Events make it look easy. One thing we always hear from the community is how much they appreciate all the events we do. We couldn't do all those events without leaders in our group like Shelly and Stacy. These ladies arrive early before every event to set-up and stay well after they end to clean-up and they miss out on enjoying the event with their own kids so that everyone else can. Thank you, Shelly and Stacy for working hard all year to plan amazing events for Stillwater, we all appreciate it!"

Shelly has been at Stillwater volunteering for 2 years now. She and her husband Brandon have 2 children, Allie is in 3rd grade and Brad is in 6th grade at Tolt Middle School. She enjoys helping in the classrooms and being an art docent but her favorite thing to volunteer for is, "all the fun events that bring the community together!" Everyone that knows Shelly knows her favorite thing to do is ZUMBA! She also spends time volunteering free Zumba classes for various events as well leading a group of 6th grade girls at her church. When she isn't volunteering, she likes to spend time with her family going on bike rides, hiking, playing board games and watching movies together. When asked if there was anything else she wanted to share, Shelly replied "I love Stillwater and am proud to be a part of this awesome community. It is an honor to be nominated for volunteer of the month and I want to thank ALL the volunteers that make our school SO great for our kids! It truly takes a village and I love this village."

Stacy and her husband Patrick have 3 children, Kailey is 20 and studying at the University of Washington, Patrick is 12 and is at Tolt Middle School and Ciara is 9 and is in 4th grade at Stillwater. Stacy has been volunteering at Stillwater for almost 2 years and says that "she loves being part of the Social Team with her partners in crime, Shelly Campbell and Jenn Anderson. We have a lot of fun planning bingo and all the dances!" She also volunteers on the Tolt PTSA Board as F.A.C.E. chair, works in the Tolt student store and is a board member with the Community Builder Youth Programs in Cle Elum. When she isn't volunteering, she enjoys spending time with her family at their beach house in Long Beach, WA and is currently fixing up an old house in Cle Elum. Stacy's family loves to road trip and she also enjoys crafting and loves to bake!

Thank you, Stacy and Shelly for all the things you have done for Stillwater and the PTSA!
If you would like to nominate a volunteer of the month, please go to our website <http://stillwaterptsa.org/volunteer-month-nomination/>

Lead Volunteers Needed

We have several lead volunteers still needed for next year. The positions have varying time commitments and some can even be done from home. These are NOT Board of Director positions. The lead volunteer positions we would like to spotlight are the Social Event Leads. These leads are NOT responsible for planning an entire social event by themselves, they would work with the Social Chair and VP of Events to plan an aspect of the event: food, decorations, pre-orders, etc. SpiritwearLead, ReaderboardLead, Poster Lead, and Hospitality Lead are some of the others we have available. Contact contact@stillwaterptsa.org for more information.

Greater PTA Spotlight

"WSPTA is pleased to announce the launch of our new website: <http://www.wastatepta.org/>. We would like to thank you for your past input on what you'd like to see with this new site, especially our Website Task Force, that gave us tremendous feedback and advice.

We have built this site with you, our member, in mind. This site will give you access to all the great resources and information you have come to expect, but will be much easier to navigate both on your computer and on your mobile device."

Happy Spring

Stillwater PTSA Program & Budget Survey

It is that time of year where the PTSA is evaluating its current programs and events and looking towards next year. The Board of Directors has a lot of decisions to be made about how programs are run and how we allocate our funds. To help us make these decisions we are putting together a Program and Budget Survey that will be sent out after Spring Break. As an incentive, we are offering the class with the highest percentage of survey's returned a PIZZA PARTY!

PTSA Award Nominations

Thank you for your nominations for our Stillwater PTSA Hawk Awards. Nominations are being reviewed by the PTSA Awards Committee and decisions will be announced at the end of the year volunteer party and school assembly. We look forward to sharing the results!

-Michelle
Stillwater PTSA Secretary