

# Hawk Talk

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The mission of Stillwater Elementary PTSA is to work in partnership with parents, students, community members and school personnel to support Stillwater Elementary School. The PTSA enhances the curriculum and programs provided by the Riverview School District by providing safe, healthy, fun and educationally enriching programs and activities.

Save the Date!

April Tuesday 4/2

General Member Meeting 6:30pm

Thursday 4/4

Popcorn Thursday (last recess) Hawk Walk Assembly 3pm

Friday 4/5

Yearbook Orders Close

4/8 - 4/12

Spring Break – No School

4/15 – 4/19

Dance Dude

Friday 4/19

Spring Dance 6:00pm-8:00pm

May Thursday 5/2

Popcorn Thursday (last recess)

5/6-5/10

Staff Appreciation Week

Thursday 5/23

Dads & Donuts 8:30-9:15am

Monday 5/27

Memorial Day - No School

Friday 5/31

Student Council Movie Night

June Wednesday 6/5

Reptile Man 3pm & 6:30pm

Thursday 6/6

Popcorn Thursday (last recess)

Friday 6/7

PTSA Volunteer Party

Tuesday 6/11

General Member Meeting 6:30pm

Friday 6/21

All School Arts Day

Last Day of School

Tuesday 6/25

Field Day

#### A Message From Your PTSA President

Hello Stillwater Families!

Welcome to Spring! In March we finally got to have our Valentine's Bingo that had been postponed due to the snowstorms. We also got to have our awesome pottery paint night! Thanks for all the leads and volunteers for making those favorite events possible! On March 27th the PTSA had our annual Hawk Walk fundraiser and raised over \$23,000! Incredible job Stillwater families! This money will be used to fund so many important things that the PTSA supports. Thank you to our fundraising team for all their efforts in making the Hawk Walk a huge success.

On April 2nd we will be hosting our 2nd General Membership Meeting of the year. At this meeting the 2019-2020 Executive Board of Directors will be voted into office, positions to begin on July 1. We will also be voting on some exciting changes to the 2018-2019 budget.

Looking forward to April we have our fun dance week with the popular Dance Dude coming and our Spring Hawaiian dance on Friday, April 19th!

Have a great spring break everyone! Thank You, Shelly Campbell PTSA President

#### Box Tops Update

The class that collected the most Box Tops for March is Hinton's class with 120! Super job!!!

\* Cutoff for the count is the 25th of each month

Here are the classes in the lead for the end of year hot cocoa party:

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Be sure to write your teacher's name on the bag to make it count.

## Hawk Walk Success!

Great job Stillwater Hawks! You fundraised over \$23,000 for our school!!! Amazing! Every class has earned their ice cream party and we will be scheduling those after spring break. The 4th and 5th graders will get their milk and cookie lunch from Mr. Madigan, which will also be scheduled after spring break. We look forward to celebrating your hard work at the spirit assembly on April 4th where Mr.Madigan and Mr.Hammons will lead 2 teams in a game of Stillwater Mystery Box.

We will also have a fun relay for the Top Earners and wild card winners. Thank you to the entire Stillwater community for their support, to My Fair Lady for sponsoring Blitz, and to all the volunteers and staff that made the Hawk Walk possible

## Dance Dude

When: April 15 – April 19th during specialist

time

What: The Dance Dude is back by popular demand! Dance Dude will work with all grades for a week straight, each day showing them a new dance and teaching them all the steps. The Dance Dude utilizes music and physical activity to engage students in getting exercise, mental stimulation, and cool new dance moves to share with friends and family. Powered by Stillwater PTSA.

## Spring Dance

When: Friday, April 19; Doors open at 6pm,

Dance Dude starts at 6:30-8pm

Where: Stillwater Gym

What: The dance will be the students celebration and chance to show off their new dance moves! We will have grass skirts, lei's for purchase and Hawaiian themed baked goods and refreshments for sale. This is our last social event of the school year, so mark your calendars and come have a great time!

Quick Tip



Have something to say about an event? Email Shelly at president@stillwaterptsa.org

2018-2019 Stillwater Elementary PTSA Board Members & Leadership Team

#### **Board of Directors**

#### President:

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Karen Wright projects@stillwaterptsa.org

For Lead Volunteer contact info, check our website at: http://stillwaterptsa.org/boardmembers/

## March's SUPER Volunteer of the Month - Marcie Decker

Congratulations to Marcie Decker for being March's Volunteer of the Month. Marcie was nominated by Zoe Anderson and voted on by the PTSA Board of Directors. Here is a little bit of what Zoe had to say about Marcie.

"I would like to nominate Marcie Decker for VOM! She has been volunteering for the last 5 years in both her 4th & 2nd graders classes. She consistently helps with not only the Art Docent program, but is always signing up for class parties and other activities."

Marcie has 2 girls at Stillwater, Kaylee and LilyJo. Her favorite volunteer activity is volunteering in the Art Docent program. To read more about Marcie and the nomination please visit our website:

https://stillwaterptsa.org/volunteer-of-the-month/.

We would also like to thank and congratulate Felicia Berg, Karen Hendrickson, Amy Pltt and Uli Staerk for being nominated for volunteer of the month. Visit our website to nominate another deserving volunteer:

https://stillwaterptsa.org/volunteer-month-nomination/.

## Staff Appreciation Week

Staff Appreciation Week is coming, May 6-10!!! This is always such a great week at Stillwater, the whole community comes together to celebrate and spoil the AMAZING staff we have here at Stillwater. This year's theme is SUPERHEROS! We will be providing the staff with lunch all 5 days that week, Italian Soda deliveries, a car wash, a raffle, notes of appreciation, day of week recognition suggestions, smoothies and more!!! We'll be sending a kidmail out the week after spring break with a sign-up link for supplies and volunteers. We'll need lots of both to pull off the fun week we have planned!

### Advocacy Update

There are two bills to address the teacher shortage in our state. The house bill seeks to attract, retain, support, and sustain successful educators through several intentional strategies.

The Senate bill provides for an alternative to the basic skills test as determined by the WA professional educators standards board to see if a candidate is qualified for acceptance into a teacher preparation program. Both bills have overwhelming support.

## Greater PTSA Spotlight

Congratulations to the PTAs/PTSAs in Washington with students who were named WSPTA Reflections Award Winners for 2018-19. There were approximately 900 submissions that came to the state level for judging and of those there were 92 finalists. Reflections has three awards that can be earned in each category within each age division. The three awards are Outstanding Interpretation, Award of Excellence, and Award of Merit. The 27 students who earned first place at the state level in Outstanding Interpretation have been sent on to the national competition. There were no students from Riverview that have moved to the national level, for the full list of winners visit the Washington State PTA Facebook Page. The theme for 2019-2020 is "Look Within."



## Training

Convention in coming! April 26-28 is the Washington State PTA Convention! It is our state's largest training and networking opportunity for all PTSAs. We are excited to have convention be at SeaTac again this year making it more accessible to our leadership team. Stay tuned for our post convention report.

## Membership

It's not too late to purchase a membership for PTSA. The discounts and benefits you receive from National, and local retailers and businesses is astounding! For a list of all the companies and their offers please visit wastatepta.org and start saving and planning for summer! We appreciate all the support from our awesome Stillwater families. Have an amazing Spring. Thank you!

## Stillwater School News

Do you have an artistic talent or hobby? Stillwater is looking for volunteer artists to assist with our annual Stillwater Arts Day. If you enjoy any visual or performing arts and would like to teach K-5th grade students your craft, we would love to have community members join this special day celebrating the arts. If you are interested, please contact Colleen Hintzke (hintzkec@rsd407.org) via email and she will discuss scheduling and details about the day with you.

## Community Outreach

Have you bought your tickets yet for Family Night at the Mariners? Saturday April 27th 6:10-9:10pm. Join all your friends in Riverview for a fun night of baseball and enjoy discounted view level seats. A portion of the proceeds benefits Riverview PTSA Council - our District Level PTSA. The link to buy tickets can be found on the Riverview PTSA Council Facebook page.