

# LawtonNews

## Reporting from the Lawton Tree Lot...

Our first weekend of the tree sale was great! We were fortunate to have lovely weather all weekend and thanks to the hard work of our dedicated Lawton volunteers, we sold over 50 trees and nearly \$3000 ! If you haven't gotten your tree yet, we hope you'll join us next week at the tree lot to pick out a great tree for your family. We will be open Thursday and Friday from 5 – 8 pm and Saturday and Sunday from 10 am – 8 pm. Be sure to tell your friends, families and neighbors.

We have had lots of help getting this venture underway... Thanks to Scott George who procured, delivered and installed our fences! Thanks also to Steve Lodefink who helped unload and install the fencing. Thanks to Sunshine Stevens who designed our incredible posters and marketing materials.

Special Thanks go to our incredible Tree Unloading Team. After a few false starts, our trees were finally delivered and the team hauled, sorted and organized 300 trees in record time. We couldn't have done it without you .... thanks to Todd Bush, Billy & Molly Hughes, CJ Meffie & Mira Shupe, Mark Strasburger, Brian Bogen, Brady Newton, Kathy & Tyler Stanley, Ivan & Harlan Lodefink, and Bobby, Eamon & Clare Mullins.

Thanks also to our volunteers who worked shifts this weekend – Todd Bush; Danella, Doug & Isabella Anderson; Lyn, Imogene & Max Schildewachter; Gloria Hablewitz; Julie, Brian, Stewart & Austin Keaton; Doug, Amy & Ethan Amundson; Todd, Valerie & Brandon Griffith; Marla Master; Elaine & Jeff McNabb; Ann Wolken; Christine & Perry Evoniuk; Melissa, Alan & Griffin Denke; Keith & Eric Skogland; Stasi, Jeff, Zoe & Alexa Seeman; John Berta; Don & Olivia McAuslan & Hillary Sparrow; Amy, Alex, David & Zoe Burton; Tracy, Eric, Sara, Annmarie & Charlotte Pozil, Corrie, Daniel, Joseph & Hannah Kahn; Kelsey Fatland; Joanie Benoit & Vince Vonada.

Thanks for supporting Lawton. All the proceeds from the sale go directly to benefit every child at Lawton.

~ the Tree Elves, Linda Berge, Kimball Mullins, Sue Allen



## CALENDAR

### Until December 19

Christmas Tree Sale (see schedule online)

### Thursday, December 3

Wondering about McClure Middle School? (see page 3)  
6:30-8:00 pm, Lawton Elementary School Library

### Monday, December 7

Reptile man at Blaine (see page 3)

### Tuesday, December 8

- 9:15 am PTA Meeting
- Wondering about McClure Middle School? (see page 3)  
6:30-8:00 pm, McClure Middle School Library

### Tuesday, December 8 – Friday, December 11

Secret Garden Book Fair

### Tuesday, December 15

BLT Meeting 3:30pm

**Congratulations Mr. Hubbard!**

***Symetra Hero in the Classroom***

Our very own (and very surprised) 4th grade teacher, Mr. Hubbard, received the *Symetra Heroes in the Classroom* award at last Friday's assembly.

The link below has more details.

<http://www.queenannenews.com/main.asp?SectionID=26&SubSectionID=248&ArticleID=29443>

## Just two Chairpeople needed!

We are looking for a 2 people to step up and chair a few last minute jobs. Please contact Deana Metteer at deanametteer@yahoo.com or call her at 206-375-4996 if you would like to sign up.

### PAPER DRIVE CHAIRPERSON

One of the quickest and easiest jobs around! Already picking up your kid after school each day? For only 2 weeks of the school year, you could come in and collect donated reams of copy paper and move it to the school office. All you would have to do is advertise in the Lawton news the dates of the paper-drive and track how many reams of paper each class donated, and oversee that winning class receives a special award. We are hoping that the first paper drive could take place during the week of the winter concert. The next one, sometime during the spring.

### MATH NIGHT CHAIRPERSON

One of the funnest nights at Lawton!! We are looking for someone to organize volunteers and set up the Math Night Event. Last years chairperson, Sherine Tully, would be more than happy to set you up and tell you what it involves. You have a couple of months to prepare for this event...so sign up now!

## Holiday Help • Food Drive

As we are now fully into the holiday season, there will be a food drive 12/7-12/10 to help make the Winter Break a little merrier for some of our families.

There will be a box/barrel by the main (front) doors all next week – please consider dropping off some non-perishable food when you are at school. We will gather all of the food and get it to the families that can use it most.

This is also the PERFECT time to let Laura Thomas or Suzy Minto know if you would like to help with this Holiday Help program in other ways – by donating grocery store or Fred Meyer gift cards.

Thanks in advance for your generosity.  
Happy Holidays.

# Winter Concert



**Tuesday, December 8**  
**Kindergarten – 1st grade**  
Music Concert 6:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

**Thursday, December 10**  
**Instrumental Music and Choir**  
**Concert – 7:00 p.m.**

**Tuesday, December 15**  
**Holiday Music Assembly – 1:45 p.m.**

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*2nd – 5th graders will have their concert during the second half of the school year so stay tuned.*

## Secret Garden Book Fair

Get some of your holiday shopping done at our Holiday Book Fair, with books from Secret Garden.

Secret Garden is an independent bookseller in Ballard, with a particular specialty in Children's Books. A significant portion of the sales revenue will be used to purchase more books for our wonderful Library.

**The Book Sale will start at 12 – 1pm on Tuesday, 12/8, and run through Friday 12/11.**

It will be open before school, at the noon hour, afterschool, and for the hour prior to the concerts on Tuesday and Thursday night. If you are going to one of the concerts, come early and take a look at the Secret Garden books.

## New and Improved – Lawton Website

Take a minute to check out Lawton's  
new and improved website at

<http://lawtonelementary.org/>

The PTA extends a huge THANK YOU to Lawton parents C.J. Meffie and Nicole Ashford who have worked diligently over the past few months to make this site more user friendly and a true GO TO source for information for our school. We hope you bookmark it and visit frequently to see what's new at school. Website updates can go to Nicole at ndashford@comcast.net or to info@lawtonschool.org.

## PARENT-TO-PARENT CONVERSATIONS about McClure Middle School

Wondering about McClure Middle School?

An opportunity for 4th and 5th grade parents and guardians to ask questions of current McClure parents in an informal, small group setting. Hear about their experience and their students' experience at McClure.

**Thursday Dec. 3rd, 6:30-8:00 pm  
at Lawton Elementary School Library**

**Tuesday Dec 8th, 6:30-8:00 pm  
at McClure Middle School Library**

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## DISPLAY SHOWCASE

THIS WEEK

**Lauren McDonagh room 202  
with her rock collection**

If you have a collection you would like to display for the school, sign up with Mrs. Thomas in the office.

## More New and Improved – The Commons !!

Over the Conference Week break there are exciting things happening in the Commons. The 2007 Delight! Auction's Make A Difference Commons Improvement Project is entering its final stages. Last year we painted and put up new stage curtains. This summer we installed new shelving on the stage to increase storage capacity and make the space multifunctional. Now, the new sound system has been installed, tweaked and is ready to roll for the winter music concerts and assemblies. New speakers, microphones, and sound equipment was installed. We also have a new multimedia projector and Blu-Ray player.

The biggest visual impact comes courtesy of an adorable legacy art project being installed this week as well. Working with the theme of "What Lawton Means to You," Lawton students created original artwork that is being transformed into big mosaic murals by artist Jennifer Kuhns. You can see some of these mosaics on the new website home page at [www.lawtonelementary.org](http://www.lawtonelementary.org). Stop by the Commons next week to see the results!

THANK YOU to current Lawton parents Alan and Melissa Denke, Martin Feveyear, Ramona Hattendorf, John Berta, Sherine Tully, Elizabeth Hester & Lisa Reeves and to Lawton Alumni Beth Richardson and Lisa Fitch for helping on the Commons Improvement Project. We are also very grateful to Fabrication Specialties for the probono installation of the mosaic murals. And thanks especially to the parents who donated money to this Make A Difference drive. When you visit the Commons, you can look around and say "I Made A Difference !"

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*When sending submissions please put the  
word LAWTON NEWS in subject line. Thanks!*

**Deadline: Friday 5pm**  
For the following Monday's edition

## Annual Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Stairclimb for Lawton student Emma Jefferson

We know you've all been hit hard with school fundraising, but here is one to consider for a classmate. Emma in class 108 and I are fast approaching our third ascent of the 56 floors of what is now the Tower at 1201 Third. We'll be climbing the daunting 1120 steps on December 3rd for the 21st Annual Cystic Fibrosis Foundation Stairclimb – once again in pursuit of a cure.

Some of you may be aware that Emma was born with a genetic disease called Cystic Fibrosis which to date has no cure, but our combined efforts are really starting to pay off! Last year the news from the frontlines was very promising as one research project netted definitive CF correction at the root cause. Likewise we just heard one of the leading career CF researchers declare that for the first time she can visualize a cure for Cystic Fibrosis in her lifetime!

So please join this winning effort by sponsoring our climb. Our goal is to top last year's tally of \$6,900 as 3rd best fundraisers overall.

<http://myhome.spu.edu/kpjeffr/ClimbforEmma09.htm>  
Keith, Lori, Randy and Emma Joy Jefferson

## Dinner Theatre: Three Doors to Death or... The Choice is Yours

Experience a true "who done it" with McClure Middle School's Three Doors to Death or...The Choice is Yours by Keith Jackson. In a true audience interactive murder mystery with dinner the audience will decide the outcome of the evening. Tickets are \$10 adult and \$5 student/senior and includes dinner. The performance is at 5:30 in the McClure lunchroom on December 15th.

Reservations for dinner are requested – available at [mcclurereservations@gmail.com](mailto:mcclurereservations@gmail.com)

## Reptile man coming to Blaine

Reptile Man will be performing an evening event for the Magnolia and Queen Anne communities. Come enjoy an evening of entertainment with Reptile Man, his Albino Snake, lizards, turtles, gators and much more....

**December 7th • 7:00pm**

\$ 5.00 per person or \$20.00 per family

*(\$2 Reptile Man Admission fee, and a suggested donation of \$3 for 7th grade camp. This event is brought to you by the Blaine 7th grade as a fundraiser.)*

Thank you for your support and enjoy an evening out with your family and friends!

## CoolMom Winter Celebration

Bring the whole family and celebrate the successes of CoolMom with some of our friends. Kids activities, food, and fun for all.

FRIDAY, DEC 4 from 6-10pm

DUWAMISH LONGHOUSE

(4705 W Marginal Way SW in West Seattle)

MUSIC - GOOD FOOD - DANCING - DOOR PRIZES!

Please bring a potluck DESSERT item (or something special) to share. Parking is limited, so please consider carpooling to this wonderful event!

For more information please contact Brian Allen at (206) 973-7374 or visit us [sustainablewestseattle.org](http://sustainablewestseattle.org)

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