

LawtonNews

News from the Tree Lot...

WOW ! This weekend we sold 97 trees to Lawton families and friends of Lawton. Be sure to keep spreading the word to neighbors, family and friends because all our net proceeds go to benefit the programs and opportunities offered to all Lawton kids. And thanks for supporting the Lawton PTA.

We want to thank our incredible team this weekend including: Brian Bogen; Thomas Rojas; Charlie Beaudoin; Bev Clonch; Bill Metteer; Cheryl Feldman; Christine McHugh; Tate McHugh; Suzie Alan; Scott Alan; Maureen Mastrobattista; Frank Mastrobattista; Kimberly Ely; Mark Ely; Amy Cox; Brandon Cox; Carrie Wheeler; Tricia Feeley; Heather Bioren; Eric Bioren; Jaimi Chappelle; Kent Chappelle; Britta Bowman Mohn; Laureen France; Todd Wirostek; Cinnamon Wirostek; Sandy Barnes; Robert Barnes; Brady Newton; Jenasys Newton; Maria Alvord; and Tracy McDonagh.

Thanks for all your help.
 ~ *the Tree Elves, Linda Berge, Kimball Mullins, Sue Allen*

Book Fair Volunteers Needed THIS WEEK!

Just a few short shifts still open. Fun and easy.
 Please contact Jeanne Bremer at JB9006@att.com

DATES AND TIMES

8:30 – 9:05am	Weds. Dec 9 • Thurs. Dec 10 • Fri. Dec. 11
12 to 1pm	Tues. Dec 8 • Weds. Dec 9
6 – 7pm (before concert)	Thurs. Dec 10



CALENDAR

Until December 19

Christmas Tree Sale (see schedule online)

Tuesday, December 8

- 9:15 am PTA Meeting
- Meeting: Make McClure a Greener Building
5:00-6:00 pm, McClure Middle School Library
- Wondering about McClure Middle School?
6:30-8:00 pm, McClure Middle School Library

Tuesday, December 8 – Friday, December 11

Secret Garden Book Fair

Wednesday, December 9

Lawton Park Information Meeting (see page 5)
 6:30-8:00 pm, Lawton Library

Tuesday, December 15

BLT Meeting 3:30pm

Friday, December 18

Last day of school. **Early dismissal 2:10**

Monday, January 4, 2010!

Back to school

Needed

- one twin bed and frame
- help assembling a bunk bed

If you can help with either requests, please contact Laura Thomas at 252 2130 for more info.

Penny Harvest News

A big thank you to all students and parent helpers who collected change for the Penny Harvest.

**We ended up with 17 – 30lb bags!
That equals approximately \$850.**

Look for more news in the Spring as we start the Philanthropy Roundtable. The Penny Harvest class leaders will be researching worthy causes and making a decision about where our money should go.

In the meantime, I am in need of a parent volunteer to attend a one-day (9am - 3pm) training session in January. The Penny Harvest coaches (that would be me and the person who attends this training session) will help the student leaders to do their research. I will be busy in my Science Chairperson role in January and would really appreciate the help.

Thanks, Barbara Ivester
283-8686 • barbara@investers.net

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.

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.



Some of you have been asking.....

“What Happened to the Read On Bake Sales?”

Well, as much as we loved baking cookies to raise awareness about effective intervention for struggling readers --- our attention keeps getting directed towards the district and state levels toward changing laws and policies to help all students in Washington State, not just at Lawton.

Here are some of the exciting things we are working on:

- In December Read On board members will participate, as a parent panel, in OSPI's (Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction) Dyslexia 101 training for Washington State Educational Service Districts. This 10 day training was required by State bill 6016.
- Read On is continuing our work with local state representative, Reuven Carlyle, on bill 6016 in order to revise it and make it more effective.
- This summer Read On launched Soar, which is a support group for dyslexic children where they build confidence and community through art and service. Recently, they planted native trees and shrubs in Discovery Park and in January they will be helping out a local food bank.
- Starting early next year Read On will restart our lecture series so look for announcements of upcoming events.
- Our own Read On Board member, Sherine Tully has been busy tutoring struggling readers at Fatima, Blaine and Coe after going through extensive training in research based methods. Thanks Sherine!

As always, you can check out our website for more information on dyslexia and related learning disabilities.
www.readonforkids.org

You can also ask any of us (Suzie Alan, Lynn Gilliland, Jennifer Hamann, Sherine Tully or Lesley Wright) for more information or to share with us your story. We are always here to help!

Casino Night Fundraiser

Las Vegas 98199

Procuring items for our fabulous spring fundraiser is underway. If you have any items that you'd like to donate please let us know. We're open to a variety of items, large or small and don't hesitate to contact us if you're not sure.

We could also use some help with our procurement team. If you'd like to be involved but don't have a lot of time this could be a great way to give some support.

Thanks for getting involved in YOUR school.

Natalie Hubbard at natdean@msn.com

DISPLAY SHOWCASE

THIS WEEK

**Olivia Knoll, room 202
with her dress up shoes**

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

Lawton News

Lawton News is compiled weekly by Marla Master, PTA communication officer.

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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

Community meeting to discuss the \$1 million energy efficiency grant for McClure Middle School

Tuesday, December 8, from 5:00- 6:00 p.m.
McClure Middle School Lunchroom

In the 2009 legislative session, Representative Reuven Carlyle secured a grant for \$1 million for energy efficiency work for McClure Middle School. The meeting is intended to showcase the list of possible projects and discuss those projects that the panel (comprised of McClure parents, school staff and central office staff) is recommending to the school board.

Please come to hear about the exciting improvements the panel is recommending to make McClure a greener building.

For further information, please contact Tom Redman, Capital Projects Community Liaison, at 206-252-0655.

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 mclclurereservations@gmail.com

Stone Soup Auditions

Stone Soup Theatre's Youth Conservatory Proudly Announces Auditions for Production of Macbeth by William Shakespeare.

Audition Dates:

1/24 4-7pm • 1/28 4-7pm

- Students must prepare a one-minute monologue or poem.
- Rehearsals start Friday, January 29, 2010 at Stone Soup's DownStage Theatre. MacBeth runs April 9-18, 2010.
- To register and for more audition information visit our website www.stonesouptheatre.org

Stone Soup Performance

A Child's Christmas in Wales

Adapted from the story by Dylan Thomas

Directed by Kalon Thibodeaux

Bring the family and join us for a wonderful Christmas Classic!!

Performances are December 4th – 24th, Fri-Sun.
Evening Show times (7:30 pm) & matinees @ 2:00 pm.

Special Christmas Eve shows on Wed Dec. 23rd (7:30 pm) & Thurs Dec. 24th (2:00 pm).

Tickets \$16/ticket or \$14/ticket for a group of 4 or more.

Questions? Michael LoSasso
Stone Soup Theatre
michael@stonesouptheatre.com
206-388-9212

Lawton Park Play Area Renovation

COMMUNITY MEETING

Seattle Parks and Recreation invites you and your family to meet with the design team for the Lawton Park Improvements. Parks will present design options for the park located at 3843 26th Ave. W and wants to hear from you. Identified in the Parks and Green Spaces Levy this project provides play area improvements for children ages 2-12, safety surfacing, better accessibility and site improvements.

Parks will present initial concepts for the community to be evaluated at the first meeting. This will be your opportunity to provide valuable input on design options and amenities.

The second meeting will be held with the Lawton Elementary PTA. Parks will incorporate the information collected from the first meeting into a preferred design. This preferred design will be presented and refined with your input.

Parks encourages you to come and give your thoughts on which play equipment and design features work best for your neighborhood.

DESIGN SERIES

MEETING #1

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2009

6:30 – 8 p.m.

Lawton Elementary

4000 27th Avenue West, Seattle, WA 98199

MEETING #2

THURSDAY, JANUARY 21, 2010

6:30 – 8 p.m.

Lawton Elementary

4000 27th Avenue West, Seattle, WA 98199

IF YOU REQUIRE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

Emily Fuller, Project Planner, Seattle Parks and Recreation
800 Maynard Ave S, RDA Bldg, Suite 300, Seattle, WA 98134
(206) 684-7047 or emily.fuller@seattle.gov

For project information please visit: <http://seattle.gov/parks/projects/lawton/playground.htm>

**FOR INTERPRETATION SERVICES OR FOR SPECIAL MEETING ACCOMODATIONS,
PLEASE CONTACT KAREN O'CONNOR AT [KAREN.O'CONNOR@SEATTLE.GOV](mailto:karen.oconnor@seattle.gov) OR 206 233-7929.**

Para servicios de interpretación o arreglos especiales para esta reunión, comuníquese con Karen O'Connor escribiendo a Karen.O'Connor@Seattle.Gov o llamando al 206-233-7929.

Para sa mga serbisyong pagsasalang-wika o para sa espesyal na mga akomodasyon sa pagpupulong, pakikontak si Karen O'Connor sa Karen.O'Connor@Seattle.Gov o 206-233-7929.

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