



PTA Roar

Parkwood Elementary PTA Newsletter

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JOIN US

Annual Talent Show

& PTA Spring Fundraiser

Friday, June 3rd,
7pm, Parkwood
Gymnasium



Tickets: \$2/person or \$5/family (but no one will be turned away)

Children need to be accompanied by their parents!



Pizza & Snacks for sale starting at 6 pm



Great Baskets to win

\$1 Raffle Tickets will be for sale daily after school starting May 21 as well as before the Talent Show from 6-7 pm.

You may also bid on our silent auction items, including a membership to the Seattle Aquarium, wine & cheese basket, and more.

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Thank you,
Mr. Parks!

PTA President's Message

Wow. I can't believe we're winding up another year at Parkwood. We're going out with a bang so mark calendars or you might miss out on some of the fun!

I personally want to thank Jill Smith, the PTA co-president, for her years of selfless service. Two years ago she stood up when no one else did and volunteered to be our PTA president and she has done a fabulous job! She is organized, hard working and loves our school and its students. She has worked to improve the PTA communication, to reach out to our multi-national com-



Jill Smith

munity and to support our wonderful Parkwood staff. Though her two years in the president's position is up, she has volunteered to continue on the board as our School & Community Service Chair next year. Thank you, Jill for all you do! We couldn't have come so far without you!

We hope each of our students enjoys the last few weeks of school and has a great summer!



Thank you,

Natalie Williams
actionjackson14@juno.com



Thank you, Parkwood Teachers & Staff, for another successful School Year!

Teacher Appreciation Week in May was incredible. Thank you so much to everyone who joined in and made our wonderful teachers feel so special. It was truly awesome to see the Parkwood Community come together and make the week exceptional for our teachers!

Love, Rebecca Brittle, PTA Teacher Appreciation week coordinator

"...a monumental effort and a huge blessing for everyone involved in giving and receiving."

"I loved seeing the kids pour in on Monday and Wednesday and Friday with flowers, food and desserts. They were so proud to be contributing to the big week for their teachers."

"Teachers gained some pounds but felt well loved."

Volunteering is Good for You!

Like to be a part of a fun group of parents? Like advocating for our children and their future?

Parkwood PTA board is looking for new parents interested in getting involved for our 2011-2012 school year.

The PTA is made up of parents just like you wanting to enhance our children's education and supplement their Parkwood experience.

No experience necessary to join the board and help out.

We train & learn as we go. We're all volunteers and always welcome new ideas! We are especially looking for...

- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Legislation
- Reflections Art Contest Chair

... and would love to have you join us!

If you are interested in learning more about these positions, please contact Natalie Williams at 206-363-3701 or email her at actionjackson14@juno.com.

PTA sponsored after school programs were successful

Thank you for your participation in PTA sponsored after-school programs. This year, Spanish, Chinese, ChessMates, Photography, and Math Olympiad Club were offered to Parkwood students.

The PTA Enrichment team has started making plans for next year's programs. If you have any feedback about this year's classes or suggestions for next school year, please contact Susan at teachingenglish@comcast.net or Anita at anitawooster@gmail.com.

"A healthy social life is found only, when in the mirror of each soul the whole community finds its reflection, and when in the whole community the virtue of each one is living." --Rudolf Steiner, Austrian Philosopher and Scientist

5th Annual Embrace Shoreline: Together We Did It!

On May 14, communities of volunteers gathered in all Shoreline District schools in an effort to make the school grounds more inviting.

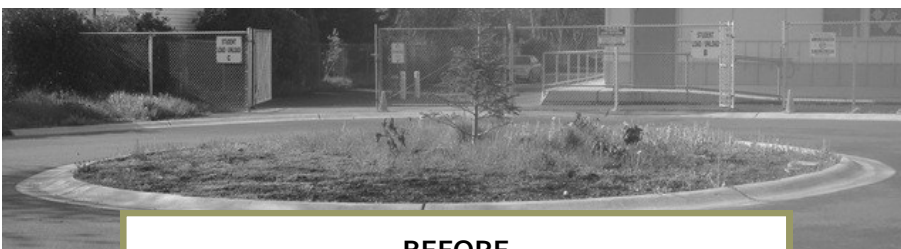
Parkwood school and PTA partnered for the 5th time with Trinity Lutheran Church to work on some much needed projects.

19 Parents, Teachers, Community and Trinity Lutheran Church Volunteers, as well as 13 current and future Parkwood students and 1 dog (!) came together to free the school drop off area on the Eastside of the school from all the weeds and prepare the grounds for grass planting in the fall.

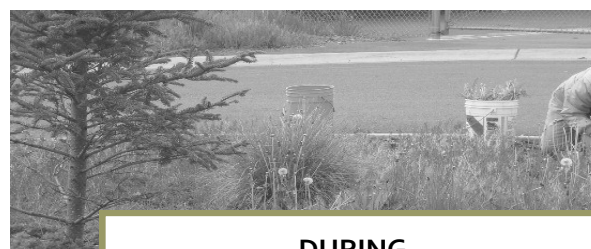
It was a fun and sunny (!) morning, and a great way to get to know our school community members and community members at large.

Thank you all for coming and getting it all done!

Want to get or stay involved? Join the Parkwood Green Team! See next page....



BEFORE



DURING

Back To School Event: August 27 ~ Registration starts on May 16

Every year, the *Shoreline Back to School Consortium* organizes a **Back To School Event** helping kids in the Shoreline schools have a good start to the new school year.

The Back to School Event provides school supplies, haircuts, and clothing assistance for families who are living with a low income and/or experiencing circumstances in their life that make it

challenging to prepare their children for going back to school.

Families must register before August 19, 2011 and can do so in the following ways:

- Online at www.btsconsortium.org.
- Call 206-393-4916 BTS Info Line leave a message and someone will return your call to register you.

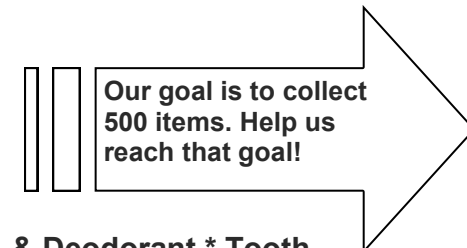
- Contact the Parkwood School Nurse or Family Advocate (Mrs. Servais).

The Back To School Event will happen on August 27, 1-4 pm at the North City Elementary School .

Parkwood PTA Back To School Drive

For the remainder of this school year the Parkwood PTA will be collecting the following items for the Back To School Event:

New socks * Underwear (for boys & girls, all sizes) * Soap



& Deodorant * Toothbrushes & Toothpaste.

What you can do!

Register TODAY or talk to families who might qualify for the Back to School Event.



Donate items & bring them to the collection box outside of the office.

Join the Parkwood 'Green Team'

... Skip your Saturday morning workout & get ready for an hour or two per month to help make & keep the Parkwood grounds weed free!

Bring your own utensils & tools & help us weed, cut, sweep, ...

Mark your calendars for the next Saturday dates: June 11, July 16, August 27, and September 19, 10-noon.

For more information contact: Marion Mohrlök at 206-706-5746 or mohrlök@hotmail.com.



AFTER



The Hallberg Family tackles a big piece!

Parkwood Kudos

CONGRATULATIONS...

... to our **2011 Outstanding Educator Margaret Spencer**, and to our **Golden Acorn Recipient KaLyn Burmeister**. We are FULL OF THANKS for all you do for our school community! Families: check out the beautiful display in the lobby, created in honor of these two incredible women.



BIG THANK YOU's to:

All the wonderful PTA families who helped make **ONE WORLD** happen, especially **KaLyn Burmeister, Lisa Hayes, and Natalie Williams**. Also a big thank you to **Mrs. Ploudre and her wonderful husband** for their amazing Irish song and to **Mr. Yost (Mr. M.C.) and all the drummers**.



Rebecca Brittle for making Teacher Appreciation Week happen & such a special event!

"Ms. Rohrback told a few of us how thankful she and the other teachers were for such a wonderful week. She said she hadn't experienced something that nice since an old school that used to do a big week of appreciation and that this weeks rivaled that one."

Volunteer Appreciation Tea, June 2

Mark your calendars for the **Volunteer Appreciation Tea on Thursday, June 2nd after school**. This event recognizes the efforts of everyone who works so hard to enrich our students' learning--in the classroom, on field trips, in the library, at our PTA and school events, and much more. We will have a very short PTA membership meeting at this event to approve our interim budget and vote in next year's board.

Quotes about Teacher Appreciation Week

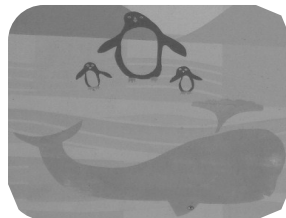
"Mr. Parker sent thank you e-mails to his students & parents er gifts that were Don't tell my Mom you! She doesn't Byrd just loved the dents." "Thank never been as er as I was this appreciation week. appreciate all of the notes, lunch goodies and yummy treats to eat. What a wonderful week it has been!" Mrs. Wiper



-you e-mails to his stu- for the gift cards & oth- given to him. His P.S. I sent an email thank- like that!" "Mrs. cards from her stu- you so much! I have pampered as a teach- past week for teacher Mrs. Small and I ap- flowers, coffee cards,

Do you Know our School?

Tell us where this picture is located in our school



and you might be one of **three lucky winners to win a \$10 credit toward your child's cafeteria account**.

Drawing will be announced in our September PTA Newsletter. Congratulations to our last winners, Brooklun Bender, Abi Brittle and Cameron Lynch.

How to win?

- Take your child and go on a scavenger hunt through the school if you don't know where it is already.
- Just cut out this part of the newsletter & submit by June 15 to the PTA box in the office.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

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