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## CalendarofEvents

Sept10<sup>th</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>

PACEschoolfundraiser

Sept17<sup>th</sup>

CutandChat beginsfor2008-09year

Sept27<sup>th</sup>

EmbraceShoreline

Oct1<sup>st</sup>-15<sup>th</sup>

KathrynBeichGiftWrapSaleFundraiser

Oct9<sup>th</sup>and10<sup>th</sup>

Non-StudentWorkday-NOSCHOOL!

Oct16<sup>th</sup>

ParkwoodReadingNight

Oct21<sup>st</sup>

ParkwoodPictureRetakes

Oct24<sup>th</sup>

ParkwoodHarvestFestival

## StudentBankingbeginsSept.24th

ThisisgreatprogramofferedthroughWashingtonMutualwherekidslearnhowto saveforthefuture.Itistheirownsavingsaccountwhereyoucandeposit(or withdrawmoney)atanytime.

StudentBankingwillbeginon **Wed.Sept.24th**.Therewillbeatableinfrontofthe lunchroomfrom **8:15-8:35, everyWednesdaymorning** priortothe1<sup>st</sup>bell.

Ifyoualreadyhaveasavingsaccount, simplyhave yourchildbringintheirdeposit. Ifyouarenewtheschooland/orwouldliketoenrollthisyear, pleasepickupan applicationformthemorningofstudentbankingor wewillsendyouonevia“kid giveskidsprizesforeverytwo deposits–theygetveryexcitedaboutthispart!

Ifyouhaveanyotherquestionsabouttheprogramorhowtomakedeposits, please callJanAvotinsat(206)363-7370ore-mail [javotins@comcast.net](mailto:javotins@comcast.net).

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[www.parkwoodPTA.org](http://www.parkwoodPTA.org)

# News and Events

## VOLUNTEER NEWS

As ever, Parkwood loves its volunteers! Please consider spending time assisting in a classroom, accompanying a field trip, working with individual students, or joining a PTA activity. Our school remains strong and vibrant largely due to generous parent involvement and participation. The more people involved in our students' success, the better!

**CLASSROOM VOLUNTEERING:** Teachers will have a "Volunteer Wish List" posted outside their doors, letting you know what type of volunteer job they're looking to fill, and when those jobs are available. **Take a look!** Or, offer your child's teachers suggestions for what you would like to do for the classroom. Your interest and your participation are much appreciated.

### VOLUNTEER COORDINATORS:

Your links to classroom and in-school volunteering are Patty Lyden and Jan Avotins. Their e-mail addresses are: [patty.lyden@chroelineschools.org](mailto:patty.lyden@chroelineschools.org) and [jan.avotins@shorelineschools.org](mailto:jan.avotins@shorelineschools.org). Office hours are posted on their office door, **Room 23**.

Your links to volunteering for PTA activities or school-wide programs are Natalie Williams and Renee Iverson, Co-VP's for School & Community Services.



### NEW EVENT:

Beginning **September 15<sup>th</sup>**, every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning there will be a "Coffee Klatch" table in the **lunchroom**. This is a place for you to drop by, have a cup of coffee or tea, and get to know other Parkwood family members. The table will be set up from **8:15-8:45**. Please come!

## UPCOMING PTA EVENTS

- **Walk-A-Thon** change in date to **Friday October 3<sup>rd</sup>** from 1:15-2:30pm. Volunteers are needed for setting up, hole-punching cards to record kids' laps around the track, and manning a water station.
- **Health Screening:** Date TBA in October for a day time event to check student's eyesight, hearing, height, etc.
- **Reflections:** Sign up to be on the committee to help with this nationwide art and literature contest starting in October.
- **Harvest Festival:** Join the committee to plan this wonderful Parkwood tradition! ☺ Planning is underway for Friday night, Oct 24<sup>th</sup>.



To volunteer for these events or for more information, please contact Natalie Williams at [actionjackson14@juno.com](mailto:actionjackson14@juno.com) or Renee Iverson at [drmvivey@comcast.net](mailto:drmvivey@comcast.net).

### Embrace Shoreline

Please mark your calendars for another great opportunity to "Embrace Shoreline" on **Saturday, September 27** from **9-12**.

Join other Shoreline families in beautifying our grounds here at Parkwood. Please meet in the back parking lot at 9am and stay to **work, visit with your community and enjoy snacks**.

Please bring your own **gardening tools** and a **wheelbarrow** if you have one!!

Please call Jill Smith at 542.4158 or email [jillheineysmith@comcast.net](mailto:jillheineysmith@comcast.net) with questions. Hop to see you there!!!



# ParkwoodPTANews

## WelcometoParkwood!

It's exciting to be beginning a new school year for those who are new to the school. We hope this year parents, PTA plays a big part in both the success

at Parkwood. Welcome to both returning parents and new parents. We will be a successful and fun one for both kids and parents.

**If you haven't already joined the PTA, we'd like to invite you to do so.** We need a lot of help to provide the fun activities and services for kids and families here at Parkwood. If you just attended the **Back-to-School BBQ**, you saw the PTA at work. We will continue to have great activities like the **Harvest Festival**, the **Talent Show** and **Family Heritage Night**. We also help with enrichment activities like **Reflections**, after school activities, student banking and other activities to help provide our children with experiences that will help them become well-rounded adults with many interests and strong connections to the community. Community ties are also strengthened by service activities like the **annual food drive**, **Works** (which serves families in need), cleaning up, improving and maintaining our school grounds, etc.

All of these activities and services, as well as the many others we're involved in each year, require three major contributions: The first is lots of **labor**. All of these activities require people to plan, set up, clean up, shop, decorate, staff, etc. The more people who are involved, the easier the work is and the more fun it is because we aren't "burning out" just a few people, but learning from and enjoying the interaction of many. The second thing we need is **financing**. You can help first of all by joining the PTA. If you don't have time to be involved in lots of activities, please join anyway. Your membership fees will help to see that things can continue. The other way we finance PTA activities is with fundraisers. The first of these--PACE--we just kicked off. Please look at the materials your child brought home and see if this is a way you can help. There will be other fundraisers as the year unfolds. The third thing we need is your **ideas and feedback**. We only know if the activities we are working on are helpful to you and to your children if you let us know. You can tell us which things work for you and what things we can improve upon. Perhaps there are things we could be doing that we haven't even thought about doing. If you have ideas, please let us know. Talk to any PTA board member--at an event, on the phone, or by e-mail.

Whether you're contributing time, money or ideas, we need you to make this year's Parkwood experience wonderful!

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Sharleen Lambard  
PTA President



## Cut and Chat begins Sept. 17, 2008

Hello everyone and welcome back to school! We will begin meeting for Cut and Chat again this year, in the **Parent Center** from **8:45-11am** every **Wednesday** beginning September 17<sup>th</sup>. Please come in and stay for as long as you can, whenever you can. You'll **help with projects** for our classroom teachers. We may be **making copies**, **sorting newsletters**, **cutting out projects**, **making work folders**, whatever the teachers need.

Feel free to bring young children, as there are toys in the Parent Center to occupy them. **We provide a very important service to the staff and teachers.** It's a great way to get to know other parents at school and contribute to your child's success at Parkwood. Hop to see you soon!

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# Easy Ways to Help Parkwood



## Box Tops for Education

Clip out Box Tops and bring them to Parkwood's Collection Box near the Parent Center. For more information, please visit their website:  
[www.boxtops4education.com](http://www.boxtops4education.com)



## Campbell's Soup

Bring in the UPC codes of most Campbell's products. For more information, check:  
[www.labelsforeducation.com](http://www.labelsforeducation.com)



## eScrip

Register your Safeway and other store club cards, and/or Visa, Macy's, Office Max and other credit cards at eScrip.com, and a percentage of your sales will be donated to Parkwood. Parkwood's Group ID is 8565628. For more information or to enroll to help Parkwood, go to [www.escrip.com](http://www.escrip.com).



## Office Depot

Buy school supplies at Office Depot and Parkwood will receive a 5% credit. This money can be used by the school to purchase school supplies. Please reference Parkwood's number, 70107423. For more information, go to [www.officedepot.com](http://www.officedepot.com).



## Wamoola for Schools

For families with Washington Mutual Visa Check/Debit cards, enroll in the Wamoola for Schools program at your branch or online. Choose Parkwood as your school to support. Every time you make a purchase, you earn points which convert to dollars at the end of the year. Those dollars are donated to the school by WaMu. For more information or to enroll for Parkwood, call 1-800-WAMOOLA or go to [www.wamoolaforschools.com](http://www.wamoolaforschools.com).



## Target Take Charge of Education Program

Target will donate an amount up to 1% of Target Visa and Target Card purchases. Just go online to [www.target.com](http://www.target.com) and click on "Take Charge of Education" program at the bottom of the webpage or go to a Target cashier to designate Parkwood as your school of choice. Our number is **10652**.



## Albertson's Community Partners Program

Link your Albertson's Preferred Card online or at the cashier with Parkwood's community partner number **49001004932**. Every time you use your Preferred Card, Parkwood PTA will receive a rebate up to 2% of your grocery dollars. Schools can earn up to 10K a year. Tell your friends and family so they can support Parkwood as well. To link online go to [www.albertsons.com](http://www.albertsons.com) and click on "In the community" at the bottom of the webpage.

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