



# PSO News

Mary Woodward Elementary



## 2014 Auction Update

Dear Mary Woodward Community,

**We only have 8 weeks until the biggest fundraiser of the year & WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

**COORDINATE YOUR CHILD'S CLASSROOM PROJECT AND/OR BASKET:** We need at least one volunteer per class to create a project with the students and/or collect items for a class basket. Please consider volunteering...no artistic talent required. J

**PROCURE DONATIONS FROM LOCAL BUSINESSES:** Pound the pavement and collect donations for area businesses. All you need is a smile, a bit of charm and the donation forms.

**MAKE A DONATION: AN ITEM, VACATION, UNIQUE EXPERIENCE OR SERVICE:** Donations of all kinds are needed and are fully tax-deductible. Donation Forms are available in the school office or on the PSO website.

**HOST A SIGN-UP EVENT (Buy-In Party):** Big money maker and a great way to meet new people! It can be kid focused, adult focused for family focused. Examples include: Flip Flops and Lemon Drops, Girls Tea Party, Jewelry Making Party, Civil War Party and more!

**JOIN THE AUCTION COMMITTEE:** Want to help create an 80's night? Can you help with set-up/clean-up? Are you good at data entry? We could use more people to help the two of us! An hour or a day, we are not picky!

**We need the help of parents, teachers and community members for this event to be successful!**

Sincerely,

Jen Cook and Nicole McNutt ([mwauction2014@gmail.com](mailto:mwauction2014@gmail.com))

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## Scrip Orders due Monday, January 13

Two new restaurants have been added to the Scrip program:  
**Panda Express and Blitz Sports Pub.**

Order forms and instructions can be found on the PSO website,  
[www.marywoodwardpsso.com](http://www.marywoodwardpsso.com), under Events & Fundraisers.

For check orders, please leave the order form and payment in the Scrip box in the office by 2:30 pm.

To pay by credit card via PayPal, place your order online at  
[www.marywoodwardpsso.com](http://www.marywoodwardpsso.com).

Orders will be available for pick up on Friday, January 17.

## BOX TOPS and LABELS Contest Update

The winners of the first box top / label contest are Barendse, **Bell and Rice**. Congratulations, and enjoy your ice cream parties!

Our second contest runs from January 6th – March 12th so please continue to collect those box tops and labels.

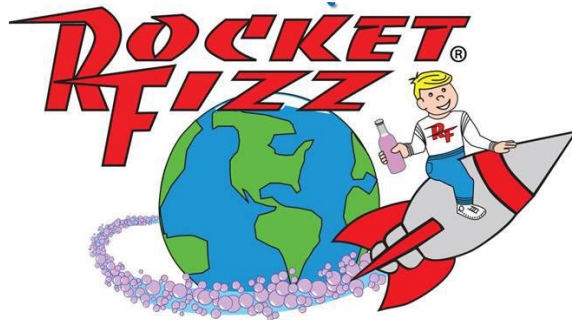
We have collected **7,330** box tops this year, which is **\$730** to contribute to the PSO programs! Thank you so much for your continued support!

Questions? Please email Jessica at [jlbrown003@hotmail.com](mailto:jlbrown003@hotmail.com) or Donielle at [classroom\\_mama@yahoo.com](mailto:classroom_mama@yahoo.com)



## Rocket Fizz Fundraiser

Join us on Friday January 10th for a very fun fundraiser at Rocket Fizz, located in the Progress Ridge Town Square. They will donate 10% of all sales from 3:00-8:00 pm to Mary



Woodward Elementary. So come check out the unique candy and soda that they have to offer. Hope to see you there!!

## Upcoming Events

### January 2014

- 6: Box Tops Contest #2 starts
- 10: Rocket Fizz Fundraiser (3-8 pm)
- 13: Scrip Orders Due
- 13: PSO Meeting (8:30 am)
- 13: Winter Enrichment Classes start
- 23-25: Baja Fresh/Boardwalk Burgers Fundraiser

### February 2014

- 3: Scrip Orders Due
- 10: PSO Meeting (6:30 pm)
- 14: Valentine's Day Parties
- 24: Scrip Orders Due

### March 2014

- 1: [Auction Fundraiser](#)
- 7: Father/Daughter Dance
- 10: PSO Meeting (8:30 am)
- 12: Box Tops Contest #2 ends
- 17: Scrip Orders Due
- 24-28: Spring Break
- 31: Box Tops Contest #3 starts

## Baja Fresh/Boardwalk Burgers Fundraiser

**Pick your day...pick your time.**

January 23, 24, or 25th....you can eat at either Baja Fresh or Boardwalk Burgers on Scholls Ferry Rd any of these dates, at any time of day.....and they will donate 15% of sales from our school, back to us!



Please bring your flier in and let them know that you are from Mary Woodward!

## Foreign Exchange Student Hosting Opportunity

**Have you ever considered being a host family for a high school exchange student for a semester or academic year?**

Exchange students must speak English well enough to go to US high school, are fully insured, and are responsible for their own personal expenses. They are expected to become part of the family, adapt to the family's lifestyle, and follow host family rules as any teen son or daughter would. The family and student have a local support coordinator to rely on for advice/counseling/information etc. A host family provides room, board, and a warm family environment. Host families must go through a screening process and must have at least one adult over the age of 25.

If you would like to talk to a current or former host family, the Foundation can put you in touch with current or former host families who have been involved in Tigard and Tualatin.

EF Foundation's website also has information interested families might find useful. <http://www.efoundation.org/hosting-an-exchange-student/>

Laura Kosloff, Local International Exchange Coordinator  
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***(The Mary Woodward PSO does not sponsor this opportunity in any way. This information is only being shared for our families' consideration.)***

**Making Our School Better, Together.** The Mary Woodward Parent Support Organization (PSO) was established to promote quality education, communication and understanding among the students, parents, faculty and the community of Mary Woodward Elementary School. The PSO sponsors various academic and social programs, coordinates volunteer activity and conducts fundraisers, all in the spirit of providing enrichment for our students and assistance for the work in the classroom. All parents and legal guardians of enrolled Mary Woodward students are invited to participate in the PSO. There is no cost for membership. Meetings are usually held the second Monday of each month.

For more PSO news online, visit [www.marywoodwardpso.com](http://www.marywoodwardpso.com).

## Message from the President

I hope everyone had a wonderful and relaxing Winter Break! We have had some excellent events during the first half of the school year, and we have several more planned.

Thank you to all of the following parents for their dedication and hard work:

- Thank you to **Margie Wargo** and **Suzanne Crawford** for all of their efforts coordinating, advertising, and decorating the Holiday Bazaar. They created a fantastic community event with Ambassador involvement, excellent guidance and organization, and more vendors than ever before selling a wide variety of interesting items.
- Thank you to **Tracy Sandford** and **Kim Markozen** for coordinating this year's Science Fair. They provided inspiration and support for the students, guidance to the judges, fun and interesting displays for the event, and the evening even impressed the Tigard-Tualatin School District Superintendent!
- Thank you to **Shaylene Haswarey** for coordinating the Winter after school enrichment classes.
- Thank you to **Laura Wiekling** and all the parent bakers who provided cookies for the annual staff cookie exchange. Our busy staff looks forward to this event, and Laura provided a beautiful buffet for the staff to enjoy.

We have our largest fundraiser of the year coming up soon on March 1. We count on everyone's help to make this auction event successful. Please consider the many ways that you can help:

- Volunteer to create a project with your child's class
- Contribute to your class basket
- Make a donation of an item, a service, or a party event
- Join the auction committee to help plan the event
- Ask businesses for donations
- Ask your employer to be a Sponsor of the Auction
- Attend the Auction!

The next PSO meeting is on Monday, January 13 at 8:30 am in the cafeteria. Please contact me if there is any topic that you would like the group to discuss, and I will add it to the agenda.

Karen Emerson  
[karenemerson@frontier.com](mailto:karenemerson@frontier.com)

## Fundraising Tip of the Month

The PSO recently received a check in the amount of **\$1402!** This check was for all of the Box Tops that Mary Woodward families have clipped and turned in to their teachers' collection envelopes. That is a lot of dimes! We count on these dollars from the General Mills sponsored program to complete our budget on top of our Jog-a-thon and Auction fundraisers.

Please keep collecting throughout the year to keep those dimes rolling in.

## 2013-2014 MW PSO Executive Committee & Board Support

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