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Mark Twain PTSA General Membership Meeting

**Thurs, January 21st
6:30 pm – Twain Cafeteria**

Please join us for our second PTSA GM Meeting of the school year. We will elect a Nominating Committee and vote on how to spend a grant to the school, then hear from our guest speaker:

Dr. Chip Kimball LWSD Superintendent

Dr. Kimball will arrive at 7:00 p.m. to talk about the February ballot measures and answer your questions. The ballot measures affect everyone in our community, so neighboring elementary schools are invited to attend. If you have not had an opportunity to hear Dr. Kimball speak, you won't want to miss it!

For more information from LWSD about the measures, click on the link below:

<http://lwsd.org/news/pages/default.aspx>

If you will need childcare at this event, please contact Hospitality Chair Karen Brown at kabrown2001@yahoo.com.

Questions? Contact PTSA President Julie Tribolet at julietrib@clearwire.net or 425-822-2101.

School Pictures

By Tammy Guisness, Chair

Thanks to all these wonderful volunteers for helping with school pictures - everything went smoothly!

Karrin Wikel, Tonja Mathews, Roxanne Raubacher, Beth Turtle, Kirsten Barnes, Lynn Peterson, Jennifer Lundin, Susan Swift, Allicia Ferguson, Tammy Gilliam and Bilquis Gulam.



Staff Birthdays

December

Jennifer Cedar..... 4
 Jenny Jones..... 8
 Anne Nelson..... 10
 Conni Green..... 30
 Judy Lewis 30

January

Jamie Camalich..... 4
 Sandy Vold..... 6
 Laura Clark..... 10



Get Out Your Beakers!

The Science Fair is Thursday, February 4th From 6 pm to 8 pm.

By Carol Lewis, co-Chair

What better way to while away the dreary winter evenings than by working on a science fair project? This year's fair is at the beginning of February, so it's not too early to get students started on their projects now.

We'll have live science demonstrations, hands-on science activities, and fabulous student science projects. Students will present their projects to "visiting scientists" and one lucky family will win a door prize for a year-long membership to the Pacific Science Center!

The Science Fair is a Mark Twain PTSA sponsored event. Entry forms are available in the office or online. For much, much, more information, see the Science Fair handbook online on our PTSA web page:

<http://www.lwsd.org/school/twain/SiteCollectionDocuments/09ScienceFairHandbook.pdf>

or contact Carol Lewis at 882-7998 (andrew.pearson2@verizon.net) or Susan Glynn at 822-6175 (sglynn1231@yahoo.com).

Franz Bakery Outlet FREE bread for PTSA members!

For the remainder of 2009, Franz Bakery Outlet in Kirkland will give a free loaf of bread to Twain PTSA members! Simply present your PTSA membership card and you will receive a **FREE loaf of Big White or Wheat bread.** Offer expires 12/31/2009.

Franz Bakery Outlet (next to Schuck's)
12642 NE 85th St
Kirkland, WA 98033

National Board Certification

Congratulations to classroom teachers Leslie Kelley (4th grade), Doris Reeves (1st grade), and Denise Lemieux (1st grade) for achieving National Board Certification!

Teachers earn this prestigious credential through a rigorous assessment, generally taking a year or more to complete. Teachers are required to demonstrate how their work improves student achievement and build a portfolio including student work samples, assignments, videotapes and a thorough analysis of their classroom teaching. Additionally, teachers are assessed on their knowledge of the subjects they teach. It is considered the highest professional certification a teacher can obtain.

Including other previously certified staff members Jody Louise, Ginger Andrews, Renee Saucier, and Jayme Zahn, we are fortunate to now have seven National Board Certified staff members at Twain!

Chess Club Winter Registration

By Doris Lim, co-Chair

Chess registration is accepting new players for winter season. Class begin on December 4. Click the link for a registration form:

<http://lakewashington.intand.com/index.php?type=view&action=event&id=11734>

You can also email Doris @ dlimeng@hotmail.com for a registration form and/or questions.

Reflections 2009: "Beauty is..."

By Julie Tribolet, co-Chair

Beauty is...art created by our Twain students! Thank you to all our participants for sharing their talents with us: Alex Bartoletti, Elise Buck, Samantha Johnson, Cydnee Kahler, Nolan Kahler, Ellen Ma, Daniel Mouncer, Eden Netz, Grant Poupore. Special thanks to our Reflections Celebration volunteers: Laura Bartoletti, Susan Dorroh, Tina King, Amy Maher, and Pete Mangouras. And congratulations to these Reflections award recipients:

Award of Merit:	Andrew Maher, 1 st grade – visual arts Austin Bartoletti, 2 nd grade – visual arts Hayley Hopkins, 4 th grade – visual arts Julia Maher, 4 th grade – visual arts
Award of Excellence:	Sneha Raghava Raju, 2 nd grade – photography, literature Naomi Ebata, 3 rd grade – visual arts Anne Marnie Munoz, 4 th grade – musical composition Madison Miller, 5 th grade – photography Fergus Mo, 5 th grade – musical composition
Outstanding Interpretation:	Sarah Ferrin, 1 st grade – photography Zachary Hillger, 1 st grade – visual arts Andrew Maher, 1 st grade – musical composition Trushaa Ramanan, 1 st grade – literature Samantha Johnson, 3 rd grade – photography Lauryn Wasill, 4 th grade – visual arts Fiona Soetrisno, 4 th grade – musical composition

Their entries have been forwarded to the LW PTSA Council for further judging!

Preliminary information about next year's Reflections contest will be distributed before summer break. Watch for it in the last *Bobcat News!*

Walk to School Week

By Karen Smith, co-VP1

Mark Twain students participated in the National Walk to School Week from October 5th-9th. The goal of the program is to encourage parents, pupils and teachers to think about their journey to and from school and the many benefits of making it on foot. These benefits range from safe routes, to healthier habits and clean air. Throughout the week students who walked either part way or all the way to school were eligible for small prizes and a chance to enter the grand prize drawing held on Friday Oct 9th. On Friday, the students and parents celebrated the many benefits of walking by welcoming visits from Ped Bee and the Kirkland Fire and Police Departments. They also enjoyed tasty doughnuts donated Franz bakery! There were many lucky winners of the grand prizes like Razor scooters, Legos and art kits just to name a few. We appreciate all the volunteers, the City of Kirkland and Franz Bakery for their generosity of time and treats.

Volunteers Needed – Hearing and Vision Screening

By Roxanne Raubacher, Chair

Interested in a one day volunteer position? Hearing and Vision Screening will be at Mark Twain on Thursday, January 28th. We are still looking for a few volunteers who can help for just a few hours. Please contact Roxanne Raubacher at (425) 869-2583.



Feeling a Bit Stressed?

By Melanie Miller, M.Ed., Parent Ed Chair

Twain Parent, Certified Positive Discipline, Trainer, Parent Educator and School Counselor

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Just hear those sleigh bells ring a ling a ling, ding, ding ding a ling too.....and now it's time to buy the gifts, bake the cookies, send the cards, buy the groceries, buy more gifts, wrap them, start cooking the meals, RSVP for one party, plan the other party, hang the lights, buy more gifts, wrap more gifts.

With the holidays approaching, the continued down swing of the economy and the looming insecurity of jobs, perhaps you're feeling a "bit"stressed. And as we feel this stress it seeps down through our families and our children feel it too. Our world has become increasingly complex and busy. As we go to the grocery store we have more choices than ever. Our computers link us to the world, but give us shorter deadlines and more information to sort through. I used to think that this hectic pace would pass. That the advances of technology would slow down and we could go back to our old fashioned ways of connecting face to face, or even voice to voice rather than text messages and e-mails. But, that isn't going to happen, so I guess it's time to accept what is and create ways to slow down.....

Linda Lantieri, author of Building Emotional Intelligence, Techniques to Cultivate Inner Strength in Children, calls this slowing down as being in the moment or having "mindfulness". When is the last time that you sat with your child and enjoyed what you were doing with her? When did you connect and seem to get lost in the moment playing or talking with this wonderful person. This is being "mindful" and this is what slows down our lives. When we're not mindful, we're thinking about yesterday or we're planning for next week. Yesterday is gone, we can't change what happened. Next week is a long ways off and certainly we can plan... but then again, it could all change. All we have right now is this very moment.

Ever notice how your children can be completely in the moment? When playing with toys or hanging out with friends, they are so consumed in the very moment. If your children are young enough to still do imaginary play, their play takes their whole body, mind and feelings. They are lost in whatever they are doing.

How often do I interact with my kids, play, or answer their questions, while I'm creating my own "to do" list in my head?

Linda Lantieri reminds me that our world is moving quickly and it isn't going to slow down. What I need to do as a parent is practice being mindful and build in times in my day where I take a break, relax and stop. And as our children grow up in the age of instant messaging and instant meals where are they going to learn to slow down and be mindful? They come into this world completely in the moment, without any concept of yesterday or tomorrow. As they grow they learn the value of time and they learn how to fill it with play dates, toddler groups, sports teams, errand running and more. They watch as we rush from place to place, manage talking on two phones at once, and while sending a message on our blackberries. And how do our children learn the pace at which to live? They learn it from us. We are their first role models and guides. Tobin Hart in his book, The Secret Spiritual World of Children, wrote "Mostly we teach by who we are and how we live. Our own development and that of our children are intertwined-we grow together. "So, how are you and your children growing? Some stress in our lives is good, it motivates us, but too much stress and the brain shuts down, we stop learning. Too much stress and we don't sleep well, we become anxious. Our muscles tense up, we have headaches, back aches and sore necks. This on-going and sometimes chronic muscle tension restricts digestion and decreases energy. (Lantieri, 2008) Americans consume five billion tranquilizers every year in an effort to control their stress. (D. Wayne 1998). It is estimated that one out of five nine to seventeen year olds has a diagnosable mental disorder (D. Shafer, 1996) We often mistake the symptoms of unmanaged stress in our children as inappropriate behavior that needs to be stopped. (Lantieri, 2008) The research is daunting, so what can be done? A lot can be done to support our children in reducing unhealthy stress and this work can begin at home.

*Give yourself permission to do less, and to do it imperfectly. Allow your children this permission too!

*Celebrate mistakes. Mistakes are a wonderful opportunity to learn. Create a home where mistakes are permissible and an opportunity for children and adults to continue learning. Each night at the dinner table, ask everyone to share a mistake they made and what they learned from it. Teach children how to repair their mistakes.

*Plan moments in your day when you can take a break; breathe deeply, meditate, relax from your head to your toes. Lantieri's book, *Building Emotional Intelligence* comes with a CD that will walk you and your child through calming exercises. Take time each day to do these exercises with your children.

*Stay in the moment, be mindful. Imagine having a pretend camera. Stop and take photos of your moments. Commit them to memory.

*Teach and use problem solving. Children can reduce their stress when they feel confident to handle the "kid" situations that come their way. Guide them through the challenges now so that as they grow and their issues get bigger, they will be able to handle them. Problem solving creates resilient kids. They can look within themselves to find the answers to navigate life.

*Ask for help. What are you doing for your family that they could do for themselves? Divide up the holiday to-do list. Each member of your family can contribute.

*Are your kids really begging to do each of the activities that you have them signed up for? Or, have you signed them up because you want them to have every possible opportunity? Perhaps you feel a need to keep them busy?

*Use encouragement rather than praise. Encouragement looks at the process, it recognizes the struggle, and it recognizes the learning. Praise recognizes the end result; it encourages "doing" and doing it perfectly so others will notice. It puts pressure on our children and teaches them that our love is conditional on their performance. Encouragement can sound like: "Tell me about your drawing", "Look at what you have accomplished! Last week you really struggled with your math and now you've got it!", "Thank you for your help this morning, it made my job much easier".

*Give yourself permission to not be "super parent". As your children watch you schedule your day, decorate the house, deal with the decisions of life, what do you want them to learn? They are watching your every move and making decisions about themselves, the world, and how to move within their world.

*Step outside of yourself and provide for someone else. This is the season of giving so donate your time, or a gift to a worthy cause. Salvation Army has 1/3 more families and individuals in need than it did last year. Create opportunities for gratitude and remind yourself that life isn't so bad!

Happy Holidays to everyone, and may they be "mindful"

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Lake Washington Schools Foundation News—November 2009

Program Update

New Teacher Grants: In September the Foundation awarded \$200 each to 54 new teachers in the district. Kelly Kursteiner from the district tell us "New teachers spend a great deal of money out of their own pocket trying to get classrooms set up and ready to welcome their students the first day of school. I can't tell you how many times I've heard a new teacher say how thankful they were to receive this \$200 grant money to relieve the financial burden of preparing their classroom. The foundation is such a blessing to our new teachers!"

LINKS, Looking into the Needs of Kids and Schools is a volunteer and mentoring program that started as a grassroots program of the Lake Washington School District PTSA in 2004. It was adopted by the District in the 2008-09 school year, with funding provided by the Foundation. We are proud to see it become a fully-funded program for 2009-10, with grants obtained through the Foundation's Grant Writing Committee from both private and public organizations. LINKS now has 63 volunteers and has many more requests for mentors and volunteers at schools throughout the district. To find out more, go to:

www.lwsd.org/links

Our **Classroom and School Enrichment Grant** applications have been received and are being reviewed by community volunteers. Stay tuned for an announcement in mid-November on the grants awarded.

Facebook: You can become a Fan of the Lake Washington Schools Foundation on Facebook! If you are a member of Facebook, you can look us up, or go to the link:

www.facebook.com/pages/Lake-Washington-Schools-Foundation/113181770729

Please join and invite your Facebook friends in the district to become Fans! This is a great way for the Foundation to update our supporters on current news and events. Thank you!

Teacher Wish List

By Vlasta Hillger, Chair

Hello Mark Twain Parents! The holiday season is upon us! To make your holiday shopping easier, when you think of what to get for your teacher, consult the TEACHER WISH LIST!

<http://www.lwsd.org/school/twain/SiteCollectionDocuments/Teacher%20Wish%20List.pdf>

If your teacher does not have any items listed, consider getting them a gift card to Lakeshore Learning Store in Bellevue or a local bookstore. Your gift will be a sure hit! Happy Holidays!

Thank you for Supporting the Book Fair!

By Pirkko Terao, Julie Tribolet & Dana Neilson,
co-Chairs

This year's Book Fair earned over \$6,000! These funds, combined with gifts from Twain families, will result in hundreds of new books coming into Mark Twain. This year your generous contributions totaled \$230 for "Round up for Books". This was used to purchase books for the Twain Families in Need program, benefiting students in our school community. And since we received positive feedback about the new Saturday hours, we hope to offer the same schedule next year!

Thank you to all of our customers for supporting this program, promoting reading at home, and helping provide books for our school. Thank you also to our wonderful student volunteers who helped decorate at school: Cierra Miller, Anna Sievers, Erin Grove, Stephany Correa, Lindsay Bailey, Sruthi Dikkala, Kaity Colbert, Sierra Farren, Nicole Garakanidze, Hannah Peacock, Hannah Prakasam, Stephanie Mai, & Kaori Keleher.

Finally, we'd like to thank all of our tireless volunteers who helped set up, assist customers, cashier, straighten inventory, and pack up. Their generosity of time and effort has brought more knowledge, more adventure, more humor, more mystery, and more imagination into the lives of young people! Thank you to: Amy Maher, Anne Buck, Debbie Bensussen, Ellen Liang, Jayme Williams, Jilleen Broyles, Karen Smith, Karrin Wikel, Laura Bartoletti, Leslie Holle, Lynn Mizulo, Lynn Peterson, Rhonda Lynch, Sharon Whitson, Shelli Craig, Tammy Gilliam, Tina King, and Vlasta Hillger.



Skate Party! Jan. 20th, 6:30-8:30 p.m. Bellevue Skate King

Open to all Twain students and their YOUNGER siblings. Admission is \$6; in-line skate rental is an additional \$4. There will be a sign-in sheet at the door and students are required to have an adult stay at the event.

Questions? Contact Skate Party Chair Amanda Macpherson at 425-889-2371.

PTSA Committee Chairs

After School Programs	Amy Maher
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Twain Apparel	Pirkko Terao, Jill Miller
Vision/Health Screen	Roxanne Raubacher
Yearbook	Tammy Gilliam, Tamar Hefets & Leslie Reusser



Mark Twain PTSA presents:
Mark Twain NIGHT at the ICE RINK!
Thurs, Dec. 17 - 3:00 to 9:00 p.m.
Group Health Ice Arena
Bellevue Downtown Park

Mention you are a Mark Twain Elementary student or parent and a \$3 donation will be made to the Mark Twain PTSA for each rink admission. Admission is \$7, skate rental is \$3. For more information about the rink, visit www.magicseason.com. Questions? Contact Julie Tribolet at julietrib@clearwire.net.

Staff Appreciation Update

By Coco Fulton and Amy Maher

The Staff Appreciation Committee would like to thank the wonderful parents on the committee for their time and generosity in treating our outstanding Mark Twain Staff.

Each month the committee has plans for a fun event for the staff. In September, there was a back to school welcome luncheon on meet the teacher day and a milk & cookies delivery after school. October's event was a yogurt parfait bar with Starbucks Via coffee donated by Rose Hill Starbucks. November's event was a baked goods brunch with hot cider. In December we'll provide the famous soup and salad lunch. Thank you Anne Buck, Christine Aguirre, Cynthia Khauv, Happy Tsantilas, Jill Coon, Jilleen Broyles, Julie Tribolet, Kathryn Hammer, Kimberly Bull, Liz Fulton, MaryLee Berthon, Melody O'Tierney, Tammy Gilliam, Tina King, Tracy Johnson, Vlasta Hillger, Valerie Whelan, Beth Turtle and Cathy Schwartz. Trish Mann has kept the seasons changing with her decorator's flair.

We're also selecting monthly winners from the staff for very generous, themed gift baskets. Thank you Jill Coon, Brandi Comstock, Valerie Whelan, Vlasta Hillger, Sandi Kaiser, Katie Quigley, Liz Fulton, Beth Turtle, and Cathy Schwartz for these amazing donations. Sandi Kaiser is also our secret weapon in providing monthly mailbox surprises for our staff – thanks Sandi!

And as with every year, we will celebrate Staff Appreciation Week in May with full force! Would you be willing to help by donating any new or partially used Starbucks gift cards to "Staff Appreciation"? Do you have season tickets to the Mariners, Sounders, Seahawks, Huskies, or maybe you prefer the theater & opera? Consider donating some awesome tickets for our staff drawing! Solicit or "re-gift" gift certificates we can shower on our teachers – send in to the office attn: "Coco/Amy Appreciation Committee". Offer up the use of a summer cabin or week away in some fun location you have access to – we'll use as a grand prize giveaway in May! If you have a great donation or suggestion, email us at cocofulton@verizon.net or amy.maher@gte.net.

Thanks!

Winter PTSA After School Programs - Register today!

After School Foreign Language Program

Mark Twain is accepting new registrations for the winter session for Spanish and French languages classes held on **Mondays**. Classes begin on January 4th. Registration forms are available on Parent Organizer and the Mark Twain website by clicking the link : <http://lakewashington.intand.com/index.php?type=view&action=event&id=11802>

Hard copies are also available in the school office. For questions, please email Florence @ florence_canel@hotmail.com.

After School Jump Rope

A new Wednesday after school jump rope class will begin in January. Classes run each **Wednesday** between January 6 – February 3 from 1:30-3:00 pm in the school Cafeteria. The cost of the five week session is \$55 and includes a free jump rope for use during classes and to take home at the end of the session. The class is open to all grade levels. Classes are taught by members of the world champion jump rope performance team, HOT DOG USA, for fun and exercise. Registration forms are available on Parent Organizer and the Mark Twain website by clicking the link : <http://lakewashington.intand.com/index.php?type=view&action=event&id=11822>

Hard copies are also available in the school office. Email amy.maher@gte.net with questions.

After School Art Class

The after school art class taught by local artist, Rachel Muller, will be held on **Mondays** beginning April 12 – June 14. The theme will be Pacific Northwest Nature. Registration forms will be available later this winter. Email amy.maher@gte.net with questions.

Craft Fair

By Diane Galliett, Holly Hawkins & Allicia Ferguson, co-chairs

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers for making the Twain Craft Fair a huge success!

Kirsten Barnes, Kirsten Barstow, Laura Bartoletti, Kris Bennett, Jilleen Broyles, Anne Buck, Jill Coon, Tom Coon, Sharon Farrell, Tammy Gilliam, Melanie Griffin, Dannee Jones, Elvira Ketterling, Jennifer Leavitt, Tim Leavitt, Jennifer Lundin, Amy Maher, Hadley Mangouras, Barbara Miller, Melanie Miller, Cindy Neils, Karen Smith, Julie Tribolet, and Cindy Uthus

Plus teachers Amy Newport and Linda Tarte, who jumped in to help students with the crafts.

Special "thanks" to Diane Galliett. Although her boys no longer attend Mark Twain, she continued to help organize & run this event as a co-chair.

And a HUGE "Thank You" to **Ben Franklin Crafts in Redmond** for making supplies available to us at cost, keeping the price of the crafts affordable for students!

Calling All 4th, 5th and 6th Grade Thespians!

By Karen Getzinger, Studio East co-Chair

Studio East and Mark Twain PTSA are pleased to announce this year's program. We will be performing "The Emperor's New Clothes".

Auditions will be held the second week in February with performances on Friday, March 19th and Saturday, March 20th. When we come back to school in January, look for more information!

For more information about the program or to get a head start in signing up to volunteer, contact Karen Getzinger at kzinger@verizon.net (425-765-3458) or Leslie Holle at leslie_h@msn.com.



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www.lwsd.org/school/twain

Click the "PTSA" link to access
PTSA information.

Click the "Calendar" link to view
events posted on Tandem Calendar.

State PTSA Website:

www.wastatepta.org

Did you know that..... LWSd will use an automated calling system to notify parents about weather-related delays and school closures? If you have changed your contact information, make sure you notify the school so they can update your records. For more information, view the LWSd press release:

<http://lwsd.org/News/News-and-Announcements/Pages/District-to-Use-Calling-Program-for-Snow-Days.aspx>

December 2009

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- 12/3: Picture Retakes
- 12/3: PTSA Council Basket Auction ... 9:30 am
- 12/5: Craft Fair 10-1:00 pm
- 12.17: Twain Skate Night!..... 3-9:00 pm
- 12/21-31: Winter Break—no school

January 2010

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- 1/1: New Year's Day—no school
- 1/8: PTSA Council Reflections
Celebration 6:30 pm
- 1/18: MLK Jr. Day—no school
- 1/20: Skate Party 6:30 pm
- 1/21: General Membership Mtg 6:30 pm
Speaker Dr. Chip Kimball 7:00 pm
- 1/28: Vision/Health Screen

■ NO SCHOOL ○ HALF DAY □ EVENT – check calendar

2009-10 MARK TWAIN PTSA MEMBERSHIP FORM

Annual membership fees are \$10.00 per individual or \$17.00 per couple. Make checks payable to **Mark Twain PTSA**.* Please submit this form with payment to your child's teacher. Your membership includes a student directory. Thank you!

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Please send my directory home with:

Student's Name: _____ Teacher's Name: _____

I am a returning Mark Twain PTSA member.

*Checks returned for NSF subject to a \$20.00 fee.