



THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW!

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OPPORTUNITIES ABOUND

What are you doing in March? Would you be interested in lending a hand to the McLane Theater Experience production of "Cinderella."

We have our amazing cast of 53 McLane students getting ready to knock your socks off with their performance but they need a little support.

Could you chip-in, in any of these areas?

1. **Raffle Basket Coordinators** (items collected by classes but we need someone/s with an 'artistic touch' to put the items together)
2. **Stage Crew** (help move set pieces at performances)
3. **Dressers** (help with costumes during the week of rehearsals and

the days of the performance)

4. **Lobby Set Up & Decoration** (week of March 18-22 in the afternoons)
5. **Ticket Sales, Refreshments Sales, Ushers** (at the performances)

If you think you or a family member might be able to join the fun and give us a hand to make this a great experience for everyone, you can sign up at <http://vols.pt/kuAA2f> or contact Audrey Young or Beth Kalb at theater@mcclanepTso.org or drop in on Tue-Thu between 3:30 and 5:30pm for a chat at school.

You Could Be President!

It is never too late to chase that dream and we are giv-

ing you the opportunity to be a leader!

We are searching for someone with the right stuff to lead our McLane Elementary PTSO in the school year 2013/14.

Is it difficult? NO! Its really a lot of fun and you have a great network of supportive parents and PTSO team members to make you look like a genius!

As a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, the McLane PTSO must have a President. If we don't, we cease to exist!

Consider stepping up and getting involved this year. You won't regret it. Questions? Contact us for the skinny.

Rob & Denise Sawatsky
president@mcclanepTso.org



WINTER DATES TO REMEMBER

- ✍ FRI. Mar. 01 - No School, Teacher In-Service Day
- ✍ MON. Mar. 04 - 6pm - Your PTSO Meeting - McLane School Library
- ✍ WED. Mar. 6 - Late Start!
- ✍ MON. - FRI., Mar. 18-22 - Conference Week - Early Release
- ✍ Book Fair!
- ✍ FRI. Mar. 22 - 6:30pm - Cinderella Performance
- ✍ SAT. Mar. 23 - 1:30pm - Cinderella Performance
- ✍ WED. Mar. 27 - Passport Club



LEARN SPANISH!

A.C.E. World Language & Culture
Ambassadors

Introducing kids to the world through language and culture learning

Days/Time: MON & WED
3:30 - 4:10 PM

Start Date: March 13 until
May 8th

Price: \$149 for 15 lessons

*scholarships/ discounts are sometimes available
register online at www.cultural.org/wlca/registration

*Online payments will be accepted once the class has reached the minimum number of students. You will receive

an email when payments are being accepted.

For more information:

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Fosters awareness and

understanding of other people and cultures

Stimulates intellectual growth and confidence

Strengthens communication skills and critical thinking

ON STAGE

Overture, Dim the Lights, this is it, your night of nights! No more rehearsing or cursing your parts... you know every bit by heart!

Come cheer on our own McLane thespians. Its fun, its entertaining, and you could win a really cool raffle basket!

Buy a rose for your favorite or just be there to show your support. Don't miss it!

FRI. Mar. 22, 6:30pm

SAT. Mar. 23, 1:30pm



CARPENTER NEEDED!

Have you noticed that the reader board outside has been kaput for most of this school year? Turns out, there were some water leakage issues.

YOUR PTSO is looking for someone who could build a roof over the whole unit to protect it from the weather. Have you or someone you know got the skills to do that for us?

Contact Ms. West for more information:

mwest@osd.wednet.edu or call 360-596-6600

AUCTION!

We are already collecting some super-cool items for the auction and Carnival in May, but are always looking for new additions.

We are also training some new leaders for next year and this would be a great time to get on board and learn from the experts.

Do you have some local community connections for auction items and/or interest in being involved this year or next?

Contact Leslie Smith at lesliezsmith@gmail.com for more information.

BUY LOCAL

Did you know that if residents of our region were to shift 10% of their shopping from chains to locally owned businesses, it would generate \$127 million in additional local economic activity and 874 new jobs.

To support this important local economy, **Your PTSO** is working with Buy Local to sell their local business coupon book. For just \$20 you

will get over 200 Local Business Coupons in Olympia, Lacey, Tumwater & beyond. All of the businesses are local, independently owned & from Greater Thurston County.

Benefits :

Spending your dollars locally benefits our community with local jobs and higher circulation of our money. It builds relationships with local busi-

ness owners. It also support McLane Elementary programs!

Helps Your Wallet

At a \$20 book price, it pays for itself over and over again!

Order forms are going out soon! All orders must be in by 3.15.13.

Support Our Local Economy!



Leanne Caranci
Kindergarten
Teacher

WHO'S HOO?

Before becoming a teacher in 2007, Mrs. C, worked for 15 years as a Para educator in the North Thurston and Olympia School Districts. She came to teach at McLane after being a teacher at Hansen Elementary.

Her personal vision for McLane is to make the out of doors a place for the imagination to come alive.

To encourage active play, instead of having students who have become electronic zombies.

Her favorite part of McLane is the community of staff and students.

At home, Mrs. C has more than two family pets. 1 dog (Grizzly Bear), 2 cats (Bentley and Honey Boo Boo) and a fish tank full of salt water fish.

Her favorite thing to do outside of school is to go to the Oregon Coast. She loves the beach and is a real rock hound!

Her most favorite thing to have for lunch is a potato chip, dill pickle, American cheese grilled tuna sandwich. WOW!

We are so lucky to have Mrs. C working with our kiddos and staff at McLane!