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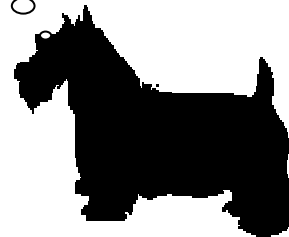
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"We need you to capture success with your child!"

Spring is coming!!

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Each New Year gives us new opportunities and this year started off on Saturday, January 9<sup>th</sup> with PTA and the Law which was held here at Hunt. This was a great class for the Region 5 PTA's, and it was even taught by the State PTA President Scott Allen! This class provided Hunt Elementary a moment to shine in the PTA community since the class was offered here at Hunt. Thank you to all the PTA members who were able to take time to attend.

Our second PTA General Membership meeting was on Jan. 12<sup>th</sup>. **The PTA board discussed and voted to endorse the replacement levy coming up for mail in vote on Feb 9** (See the Legislative Corner for more info). We selected a Nominating Committee, whose job it will be to find candidates for our next Board of Directors (2010-2011), a Financial Review committee and many more agenda items presented, too. All the PTA meetings are held every 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month @ 6pm in the Hunt Library and are open to all. We are always looking for new and inventive ideas. We need you to come to meetings to vote and help guide Hunt PTA in current and new activities for our students and families. Bring your new ideas and support Hunt PTA's continuing success!!

Some of the other great events that went on during January were Bingo (thanks SO much to Valerie and Jim Bennett!), Focus Day in Olympia, and our Watch D.O.G.S. event! It was great to see all the families, both here at Hunt as well as across the state that support our kids! If you would like more information about Watch D.O.G.S, please contact the main office at the school – this is such a great program for father figures to be involved at the school – and you even get a T-shirt!

Our big PTA event for February filled the whole first week of the month. The Missoula Children's Theatre staff worked their magic with our children yet again performing Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs. The kids did a terrific job. I can't wait until next year. Thank you to Carol Howry and Julie Stutz who coordinated the week. Thanks to the parents who volunteered their time towards the success of our children.

February is a quieter month for PTA activities, but it's a busy month for paperwork and planning. For upcoming PTA activities continue to read through this month's newsletter and activities.

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## UPCOMING PTA EVENTS

February 6	Missoula Children's Theater performances – 3pm and 5:30pm
February 8	School Board Meeting – 6:30pm – Ballou Junior High
February 9	<b>REMEMBER TO VOTE!</b>
February 9	Hunt PTA Meeting – 6pm in the library
February 12	NO SCHOOL
February 15	NO SCHOOL
February 17	Hunt Science Fair
February 22	Class Pictures
February 22	School Board Meeting – 6:30 pm – Ballou Junior High
March 8	PTA Skate Night – Tiffany's Skate Inn – 6-8 pm
March 9	Hunt PTA Meeting – 6pm in the library
March 12	BINGO!!

## Hunt Elementary

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Rebecca Williams

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## LEGISLATIVE CORNER

Members of the Hunt Elementary PTA spent Martin Luther King, Jr. day in Olympia lobbying for the education of our kids during the Washington State PTA's Focus Day 2010!

Something exciting that happened was that due to the success of our Transportation Survey from last year, PTA's from around Washington State were able to hear about our experiences here at Hunt! It was truly a phenomenal experience!

If you have any questions about the levy, the recent "NEWS" lawsuit against the State of Washington for their lack of adequate funding for basic education, or would like to be more involved in these issues, please contact Julie Curran, Hunt Legislative Chair, at 445-6042 or [Curran6042@msn.com](mailto:Curran6042@msn.com).

This is an exciting time for education funding in our state, it's the perfect time to get involved!!

### LEVY NEWS

On February 9, 2010 the Puyallup School District will be asking voters to consider the upcoming *Replacement Levy*. This levy represents over 20% of our district's operating budget, and is three cents LESS per \$1,000 of assessed property value than our expiring levy. This is not a new tax; our current levy expires in 2010. For more info, please go to [www.puyallup.k12.wa.us](http://www.puyallup.k12.wa.us), and also see the attached "Levy Failure Plan" presented by the district.

*"There is a brilliant child locked inside every student."*

*-- Marva Collins*

### PLEASE REMEMBER TO VOTE!!.

The Puyallup PTA Council and the Hunt Elementary PTA have voted to endorse and support the upcoming levy.

### SUPPORT HUNT PTA WITHOUT SPENDING ANY EXTRA MONEY!

There are some really easy ways to help Hunt PTA financially *without any extra fundraising* on your part. If you shop at Safeway, please consider registering your Safeway Club Card at [www.eScrip.com](http://www.eScrip.com). For every purchase you make at Safeway, they will donate up to 4% of your purchases back to us. This will not have any effect on your own personal discounts or mileage plans.



Our group ID # is 8563368

Thanks!



**Join us on FACEBOOK**

Did you know that Hunt Elementary PTA has a group page on Facebook?

If you are already a member, just search for Hunt Elementary PTA – this is a really fun way to get to know other Hunt parents as well as updates on what’s going on. We hope to see you on there!



**Come skate with us!!**

**March 8  
6-8pm @ Tiffany’s  
Skate Inn**

\$5 for skates  
\$4 additional for rollerblades  
**Cash Only!**

**WE LOVE OUR VOLUNTEERS!**

*A big HUGE thank you to some of the people who help plan and implement all of the fun things that go on at Hunt*

**A HUGE THANK YOU TO JIM AND VALERIE BENNETT FOR ORGANIZING OUR JANUARY BINGO!** It was truly phenomenal how many donated prizes they were able to obtain!! It was such a great night! We have another Bingo night coming up in March – if you would like to help (we can use all the help we can get) please contact one of them!

Pop-a-Roni is still in need of volunteers! If you are interested in helping out with this, please contact Dawn DuVall.

**B-I-N-G-O is coming... again!**

Come join us **Friday, March 12** for a REALLY fun evening with other Hunt families. We will have some fantastic prizes, a raffle of even more great prizes, and our 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be providing concessions again for dinner.

We also need parent helpers to get it all ready as well as set-up and clean-up – so come and join the fun!

*For more information please contact Jim and/or Valerie Bennett at 840-2523*



## SIXTH GRADE NEWS

*Mark your calendar for a 6th grade PTA parent meeting on Tuesday Feb. 9 at 5:15 p.m. in the library before our PTA meeting at 6pm. Hope to see lots of you there! I am looking for a computer friendly person to put together the sixth grade slide show. We need to start collecting pictures now of our kids so the task of putting it on a CD is a little smaller than all at the last minute. If anyone is willing to put it together I have no problem sending reminders home for kids to bring in pictures, ask teachers if they have been taking picture in their classes we can use etc..*

Thank you  
Stephanie Gideon

Our Hunt Newsletter is now  
ONLINE!!

Simply go to  
[www.HuntPTA.com](http://www.HuntPTA.com)

and click on the  
“newsletter” tab!

Thanks to Jeff and Sheila Sartin for providing  
our awesome website!!

## ANNUALS

*Have pictures from a SCHOOL event that you would like to submit for possible inclusion in the yearbook? Send pictures on a CD to the school office marked “ATTN: yearbook staff”.*

Things we can always  
use parent volunteers  
for:

- Pop-a-Roni
- Sixth Grade
- Box Tops
- Fundraisers
- All family events
- Anything you're interested in! 😊

*It's not too late to  
have fun in the  
Classroom sharing art  
with the kids.*

Just once a month for  
about to sixty minutes is all  
it takes!

Please join the Art Docent  
program and help us get the  
art out.

Contact Amy Lansford or  
Jill Martinez for more  
information.

Do you regularly attend or have an interest in attending the monthly Puyallup School District Board meetings? We can earn “incentive points” from the Puyallup PTA Council towards a FREE registration at the Washington State PTA Convention (valued at \$140). They are held every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays of every month at 6.30pm at Ballou Junior High. This is also a great way to get to know the “decision makers” at the district level. Please contact Dawn Wolfe for information on how to help out our PTA with this program!



It's never too late to join!

PTA is the largest child advocacy group in the United States. Your membership dollars enable us to fight for the rights of all children at the local, state and national levels.

For more information, please contact Jill Setera at 445-6131.

All memberships are tax deductible (we are a 501(C)3 non-profit corporation)

Please make checks out to “Hunt PTA”      THANK YOU!

**HUNT ELEMENTARY PTA 5.7.17**

\$12 for an individual membership\_\_\_\_\_

\$20 for a family membership\_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

Student name \_\_\_\_\_

Student name \_\_\_\_\_

➤ Please place me on the “do not call” list for volunteer opportunities \_\_\_\_\_

New membership \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal \_\_\_\_\_



Are you thinking about popcorn, pepperoni or licorice?  
**Make sure and ask your kids for the new dates!**

Do you have information for our next newsletter??

Please contact  
Julie Curran, Newsletter Editor,  
at  
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**Does your employer have a United Way drive?**

Did you know that you can designate Hunt PTA as a recipient of your donations? Due to the fact that we are a registered 501(C)3 non-profit corporation, we are eligible to accept these donations through this amazing program. If you would like more information (including our Tax ID #) please contact Dawn Wolfe. Thank you in advance!!

Thanks to all of our WatchD.O.G.S!!

Your presence in our school will be a huge addition to the success of each of our children. Keep your eyes open for their Watch D.O.G.S. t-shirt! Thanks to all you father figures. What a great way to start February 2010!

**DISTRICT INFORMATION**

The Puyallup PTA Council has monthly meetings with Dr. Apostle to discuss issues and other ideas/concerns brought forth by our PTA membership. If you have something you would like to have discussed, please bring it to the attention of Dawn Wolfe, and she will pass them on to the PTA Council.

If you would like more information on this, please don't hesitate to ask!

