



Nautilus Navigator



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Happy May! We can't believe school is almost out!
Where did the year go?

Next Friday, May 13th, we have our Carnival right here at Nautilus from 5-7. Thank you to Sean and Daxa for chairing this wonderful event again this year! This is a fun, free, family-friendly community event that is sponsored by your PTSA. Children and families love the event. Please feel free to invite some friends. All are welcome! Next up is a new event for us, PTSA Nautilus for Menchies. This will be on May 25th from 11 AM to 10 PM. Just like our Night Out at The Ram, this is another PTSA-sponsored event. For every flyer that is brought to the event, 20% of your purchase is donated back to our organization. For this event, you MUST bring the flyer to Menchies and give it to the cashier. The flyer is the receipt of your participation! May 25th is an early release day so pack up the kids and treat them to some yogurt! Please feel free to distribute the flyers to your friends and their families. Extra copies will be available in the Nautilus office, posted on our Face Book page, and sent in the PTSA email.

We would like to thank all of our Nautilus families and Staff who helped to make our Night Out at The Ram a successful event. We made \$632.74 and were told it was the biggest check the Community Outreach person had seen since she started there!

We also have seen many classrooms working in the garden; a big shout to Melissa Stanley and to all of our parent volunteers who helped in the garden. If you have not seen our Garden, please stop by and peruse what our students have been doing!

We are having our last PTSA meeting and Skate Night on Tuesday, May 24th from 6:00pm-8:00pm. Please plan on attending our meeting at 6:30pm as we will be voting on next year's budget. Want to know how we distribute money for each activity? Then please attend the meeting to see where your dollars are spent!

Thank you to each and every one of our members!
Sincerely, Jenni and Natalie



Nautilus PTSA Carnival 2016, Friday May 13th 5-7
We are looking for more volunteers. We need volunteers to set up, clean up, and run the games. We will also need donations of 2 liter sodas and baked goods for the cake walk. You can sign up to

donate and volunteer at volunteer spot. The link is <http://vols.pt/PYm25k>. If you have any questions please contact Sean Labine at (253)394-6463 or slabine123@gmail.com



The Staff Appreciation Week Committee would like to thank everyone who helped spoil the teachers and staff at Nautilus this week. It is always fun to give back to those who make such a difference in our kids' lives. We are grateful for everyone who donated food, signed up to be a secret pal, decorated and cleaned up the teachers' lounge, and served food throughout the week. And thank you to the students who took the time to write meaningful letters to their teachers. Together we showed the teachers and staff just how much we value all their hard work and dedication. Thanks for your help!



PLAY DAY FRIDAY JUNE 10th
VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

Every year Play Day is a huge hit with our Nautilus students. This year's Play Day is FRIDAY, JUNE 10th! We need lots of adult help to make this day a success; from welcome table, game supervisors, class chaperones, to runners! So if you are an adult (parent, guardian, grandparent, aunt, uncle, or friend with a current background check) who loves to play games with kids, mark your calendar for FRIDAY, JUNE 10th. Look for a schedule and sign up sheet in your student's folder the week of May 15th. Join the fun!

Co-chairs: Chris & Toni Kelly, Lorri Munsey-Snyder

Have questions? Want to volunteer? Email us at nautilusk8playday@gmail.com

Upcoming Events

- May 2nd-6th – Teacher Appreciation Week
- May 13th – Carnival, 5-7pm
- May 25th – Nautilus for Menchies, 11am-10pm
- June 10th – Play Day



Over 100 friends and members of your PTSA gathered for our 5th annual Night Out for Nautilus Auction and Dinner on April 23rd at the Federal Way Community Center. The ballroom was beautiful. The venue was highlighted with blues and greens and filled with the donations of our generous community. This was the vision created by our Decorations Chairs Jackie Sezto and Tiffany LaFontaine. There was a hugely popular photo wall masterfully operated by Dr. Eddie Lo. The sinews of the event were the countless hours of work put in by our Auction Administration Chair Tenille Hyun and Community Outreach and Donation Chair Dr. Natalie Lo. Without their dedication the auction would not have happened.

There were two tables overflowing with gorgeous baskets lovingly donated by the staff and parents of Nautilus. Thank you to all the anonymous parents who helped in making the school baskets and thank you to the teachers, parents and staff who came together to make them possible.

The night was expertly guided by our Master of Ceremonies Mick Adkisson. Don Hyun, our key note speaker, talked about the importance of providing kids the opportunities to succeed. He also showed off STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math) projects that your students may have the chance to experience because of the generous supporters that night.

The evening had a net profit of about \$19,000 for the programs that directly support all of the students at Nautilus K-8. Next year was wanted to focus on three specific projects that are in line with the school's and districts' vision for a STEAM education at Nautilus. At the auction we raised over \$1500 for recreation, almost \$2400 for the Arts, and almost \$3900 for STEM. Thank you to all of our generous donors and participants at this year's auction!

We also want to thank all of our auction committee chairs whose leadership and dedication made the night possible: Natalie Lo our Community Outreach and Donation Chair, Mick Adkisson the Master of Ceremonies, Tenille Hyun our wonderful Auction Administration Chair, Jackie Sezto and Tiffany LaFontaine the Decorations Chairs, Jason Simpson the Dessert Dash Chair, Gretchen Koontz the successful Golden Ticket Chair, Anne Marie Tennison the School Baskets Chair, and Thomas Fitchner our great Auction IT Consultant. We also want to thank our fantastic PTSA members who stepped forward to help with their time and hard work for the students at Nautilus: Gayla Nutt, Veronika Marino, Judith Robinson, Deanna Bardwell, Eddie Lo, Melissa Stanley, Lorri Munsey-Snyder, Jenni Forsman, Toni Kelly, Melissa Simpson, Don Hyun, Zenash Hadera, Jennifer Becker-Covert, Valerie Rhodes, Diana Bogert, Jason LaFontaine, Kelvin Sezto, Tom Blevens, Dana Kahn, Roxane Blevens, Erica Iwase, and Julie Marshall.

We also want to thank all the teachers and staff who supported us that night by being a part of the fun. Finally, a special thank you to Principal Lucas, Mr. Kosty, Mr. Anderson, Mr. Underwood and Mr. Haegele who spoke passionately about STEM education in your student's school.

Thank you everyone for making our 5th auction a great success. See you next year!

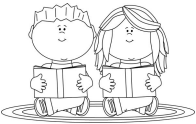
Nautilus Community Garden News



Classes have begun to rotate through the garden this spring. Mrs. Day's (5th grade) class planted the lettuce starts that Mrs. Adkisson's (2nd grade) and Mrs. Nokes' (3rd grade) classrooms started in the green house. Mrs. Day's class also planted carrot and radish seeds. Mrs. Beck's

class (KG) planted peas. Miss Williams' class (1st grade) planted Walla Walla Sweet Onion starts. Mrs. Adkisson's class planted spinach seeds. Miss William's class (4th grade) planted seed potatoes in our old compost pile. We hope this experiment works out with a plentiful potato crop! Mrs. Adkisson's class also built lady bug homes and introduced baby ladybugs into the garden. We hope these lady bugs like their new home and decide to stay since they are beneficial insects that eat aphids. If you are interested in getting involved with the school garden please e-mail Melissa Stanley at mcmonigle4@msn.com. Thank you to the parent volunteers that help make this all possible. In addition to helping with classrooms, we will be looking for families to help tend the garden over the summer. Also A HUGE thank you to the Marine Hills Garden Club. For the sixth year in a row they have donated flats of vegetable and flower starts for our garden program. Their support over the years has saved us a lot of money. We really appreciate their continued generosity!

Thanks for supporting our school garden!



Read and Lead

With the weather being so nice lately we hope your students are enjoying a good book outside! Read and Lead prize day is Friday May 13th for this month. They'll receive a great Nautilus water bottle

to help them quench their thirst.

SAVE THE DATE: Monday June 6, 2016.

The medal ceremony for those super readers that met their reading goals each month this school year will take place on June 6, 2016 in the Nautilus Library. It is a wonderful occasion where the students will be recognized by Principle Lucas with a reading medal and pictures. The ceremony takes place during the day. More information about when exactly your student's class will be recognized will be coming out in June. We hope to see you then. Keep reading!

Read and Lead Committee



The Art Gallery Show was in the library during Student-Led Conferences. It turned out looking great with all our students' work gracing the library space. I let more art go home during the year than I have in the past, so MOST of the students had something up on the walls or pottery displayed. Thank you to

my helpers for getting things ready and setting up and taking down the show - Thank you, Gretchen Koontz, Tiffany LaFontaine, Jackie Seztz, AnneMarie Tennison. A big Thank You also goes to our principal, Stacy Lucas and office manager, Suzy Claar for making this celebration of our students' art a possibility! And last but not least, Thank You to Jodi Anderson for sharing the library with us during this time!



We had such a great year for Box Tops but don't stop collecting! We will do one more turn in before the end of the school year, then watch for summer collection packets to come home! Remember, Box Tops are only eligible if they are not expired so check the dates. Email tiffalfontaine@yahoo.com with any questions!



Are you an Amazon Shopper? Please make sure you shop through AmazonSmile.com and designate Nautilus K-8 as your school of choice. We earn 0.05% back on all eligible purchases that help support our organization's many programs. Last quarter, we earned \$39.65. So keep shopping to help your PTSA!



Students are finishing up art projects and we are getting everything ready to send home with students after their last art sessions (which are ALL scheduled for the next 2 weeks). This year has been a busy one and it has flown by! There were 8 art sessions scheduled for each class this year which

gives each student the chance to participate in 6-7 art/design projects (some projects take 2 sessions to complete). Expect some changes for the Art/Cart program next year. Each year the program has changed slightly in the ways we approach certain things. If you are interested in being a bigger part of the art program next year, let our PTSA presidents and/or Andrea know. (Andrea= aschweikl@gmail.com)

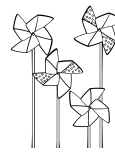
IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO HELP IN YOUR STUDENTS' CLASSROOM (or another classroom), YOUR LAST CHANCE OF THE YEAR IS IN THE FIRST 2 WEEKS OF MAY. ALL ART SESSIONS WILL BE FINISHED BY MAY 13. SIGN UP ON VOLUNTEER-SPOT AT <http://vols.pt/LbgiMv> OR if you'd like to help prepare student portfolios and pottery to go home with them, I'll be starting that process on Monday the 2nd. This will continue until May 20th. This just involves sorting art into portfolios and wrapping pottery for the treacherous trip home from school. If you'd like to help, just email, call or text me if you are available to help (aschweikl@gmail.com , 253-249-8962)



Hopefully all those who wanted a yearbook sent in their form or ordered online. If you missed the deadline and would like to purchase a yearbook, we have ordered a few

extra and will sell them first-come, first-serve until they are gone. You can send in a check or cash to school with your student's name and teacher. The cost is now \$17, and checks should be written to Nautilus PTSA. The yearbooks will be handed out during Play Day on June 10th, and the students will have a chance to get signatures from their classmates and friends that day.

ART FOR A CAUSE!



During the gallery show, you may have noticed that middle schoolers had started the Students Rebuild Challenge, Pin Wheels for Syria. Pin wheels were made by middle schoolers, students, parents and siblings at the gallery show AND

students with Mrs. Anderson in the past couple weeks. For each pin wheel made and sent to Students Rebuild, the Bezos Family Foundation will donate \$2 to help Syrian Refugee Children (you can read more about it online at www.studentsrebuild.org). Our team, Nautilus Navigators, made 510 pin wheels! That's \$1020 donated because of your efforts! Way to go team! You are amazing!



It's our last chance to submit Labels for Education. The program is coming to an end, there will no longer be any Labels for Education after this school year. Let's finish this program strong with a lot of labels turned in to support our school. We will be running a classroom contest through mid May, the class that turn is the most labels will win a free cookie for each student on cookie day!



Our PTSA has received a check for \$223.79 from the Fred Meyer Rewards Program. If you shop at Fred Meyer,

please link your rewards card to Nautilus PTSA. Go to www.fredmeyer.com/communityrewards and search for Nautilus K-8 PTSA or #85790. Every time you shop or get fuel at Fred Meyer and use your rewards card, Nautilus will earn money. You will still earn your Rewards Points, Fuel Points and Rebates. If you don't have a Rewards Card, pick one up at the Fred Meyer Customer Service desk. **This is easy money for our school that will go directly to programs that benefit our students! Tell your family and friends to sign up as well.**