

# THE HERON HERALD



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## Important Dates

### Tues., May 5

Parent Teacher Organization Meeting 7:00-8:00pm  
childcare available

### Sat., May 9

Thurston Rain Garden Project  
9:00am-12:00pm

### Wed. May 20

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Instrumental Music Concert in the MPR 7:00pm

### Fri., May 22

Field Day 12:30pm-3:48pm

### Mon., May 25

No School – Memorial Day

### Fri., Jun. 5

Ice Cream Social 6:00-8:00pm

### Thur., Jun. 11

5<sup>th</sup> Grade Farewell Ceremony

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## MR. TEST IS HAVING A FIELD DAY!

(Not figuratively but literally)

We want our children to learn about COOPERATION and TEAMWORK while having FUN, too. So-o-o, on Friday, May 22, from 12:30 PM to the end of the school day, Mr. Test is organizing a Field Day for kindergarten through fifth grade. Field Day will have 15 OUTDOOR games that will encourage kids to work with each other. And GUESS WHAT? We need parents. Lots of parents. FORTY to be exact!

We need station managers (parents who will direct each class for one of the games). We need parents who will help fill 450 water balloons WITHOUT destroying them in the process. If you can't be there, we could also use 8 buckets, 10 five-gallon drink jugs, and 4 wagons. (Can we borrow these items from you?) If time is really tight, we could even use a few dollar donations (to get stuff we need).

Please contact Sandy Daida – 761-8941 or e-mail sandy.daida@sbcglobal.net – and let her know how you can serve our kids. And as always, thank you Thurston parents for your support.

## The Thurston Student Council Presents... Pancake Supper Night

**Date:** Friday, May 8  
**Time:** 5:30-8:00pm  
**Where:** Thurston Multi-Purpose Room (MPR)  
**Cost:** \$4.00/person  
\$12.00/family of 4  
Children 3 and under eat free!



See Mr. Johnson for more details

## Art To Remember

Art to Remember orders are in. If you have not received your order please contact Caroline Engelbert at engelbert1996@sbcglobal.net or call 996-9183 to make arrangements.

## INTERNATIONAL NIGHT – KUDOS TO ONE AND ALL!

If there are 240+ people in a village, then it truly does take a village to re-create the world! We are so thankful for all the incredibly involved Thurston families who assisted with International Night 2009! Thanks to you all for a fantastic evening! --Marcy Hires, Nikki Bonevich, & Margaret Baker, 2009 International Night Chairs.

### SPECIAL THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING

#### INTERNATIONAL REPRESENTATIONS:

**AFRICAN-AMERICAN ROOM:** Mr. Johnson, Chair; Students: Sasha Akuezue; Braxton Brann; Christopher and Tamara Emerson; Kellen Johnson; Kennedy Kelly; Amaya Melendez; Calvin Vanderhoff; Terius, Tiana, and Tyrique Wheatley. Parents/Supporters: Sherri Akuezue; Fred Anderson; Wanda Brann; Setina Briggs; Tonysha Emerson; Joanna Johnson; Patricia Manley; Tori Melendez; Bob and Julie Vanderhoff; Kimberly Wheatley.

**BANGLADESH:** Razina Yousuf, chair.

**CHINA:** Hua Sheng, Chair; Jin Shi; Chengying He & Boyu Zhang; Guangquan Wu; Ruibin Qu; Bixue Hou & Ying Wang; Jing Jiang; Quan Zheng; Hong Li Chang; Liujun Tan & Lixin Fan; Zhengming Su; Dongying Jiang & Jiehua Yu; Amy Ding; Xianying; Xing & Jian Zhou; Linping Duan; Xiaoxin Yang; Debby Tsai; Rui Wang; Linda; Yinghong Huang; Benbo Song

**HUNGARY:** Kinga Benkes, Chair; Nina, Karley, and Veronika Misek; Kathy and Leeann Botkins; Frances and Tom Yeh; Marcell and David Benkes-Toth; Julie Helmreich; Nora Arato.

**INDIA and SRI LANKA:** Ira Kakade and Shalini Mithal, Chairs. Sapan Goel and Kitchen of India. Amrita Joshi; Shalini Mithal; Shikha Goel; Kavita Goel; Kavitha Gandikota; Sunita Shankar; Madhur Agarwal; Sumathi Pandian; Sudha Maheshwari; Sita Somara; Rini Shernoy; Hemali Amunugama; Navneet Brar; Deepti Nair; Abhita Gaikwal; Shahana Thakurta; Kinneri Shah; Kavitha Kumaran; Vikki Narayan; Geeta Mantha; Madhavi Reka; Raje Thoom; Sunita B.; Yuni Dewaraja; Dhananjay Joshi; Shekhar Kakade; Sapan Goel; Ajay Reka; Pankaj Mithal; Vishal Goel; Ravi Amunugama;

**ISRAEL:** Dolcy Garfield, chair; Amy Abrams-Blakemore; Orly Rubinfeld; Rachel Blakemore; Tamar Springer; Debbie and Leah Miller; Rivka Rubinfeld; Faith, Graham, and Zannah Baker, Mrs. Sipp.

**JAPAN:** Mihoko Takano, Toshie Ishikawa and Sumi Nozaki, co-chairs; Yasuyo Furukawa; Kazumi Park; Mutsumi Iizuka; Akiko Ono; Michi Sato; Kumiko Nakamura; Yuka Chapman; Yuji Fujii; Ikuko Asada; Keiko Inoki; Toshiko Graves; Kazuko Sasaki; Shoko Rew; Kazuko Anderson; Nao Fukushima Miku Suzuki; Mikayo Kanzak.;

**KOREA:** Eun Jung Jang and Mikyoung Jang, chairs; Sung A Lim; Young Mi Yun; Inhan Lee; Bomi Kim; Limsuk Lee; Haewon Cho; Jiyeon Han; Hwa-kyung Nam; Jungeum Seo; Min Hee Kim; Yoo Mi Lee; Lauren Lee; Joo Hyun Lee; Hee Kyung Ham.

**LATIN AMERICA:** Susan Montgomery, chair; Eugenio Soriano; Marlene Harten; Veronica Miranda-Acosta; Eduardo Acosta; Patty and Lauro Ojeda; Maria and Pedro Sanchez; Maria Gonzalez; Claudia Springgay.

**LEBANON, SYRIA, TURKEY and MIDDLE EAST:** Rania Mehdi, chair; Michael Mehdi; Lamis, Taha and Kenan Kabbani; Rana Emseeh; Mariam Shaheen, Tuba from Turkey.

**SWEDEN:** Carolin and Jacco Koppenaar, chairs.

**UKRAINE:** Anne Darnell, chair; Jeff, Lisa, Jake and McKenna Genyk; Gene, Rebecca and Duncan Darnell; and the amazing MaryJo Paler.

**U.K. and the REPUBLIC OF IRELAND:** Emily Thompson, chair; Claire Moor, Lorna King, Colin and Lillia Brooks; Andreas and Elspeth Hayden.

**U.S.A.:** Tracy Briggs, chair. Hannah Briggs; Stacy Davis, Karen Morey, Caroline, Ariel and Zoey Engelbert; Lisl and Ani Weiss; Shannon McCarren; Frank Pierson; Lisa Hadrill; Alex and Daisy Morey; Mrs. Van's and Mrs. Pokela's fifth graders for the loan of their state posters. Dr. Murphy's 4<sup>th</sup> graders for their handmade dolls and family histories.

## INTERNATIONAL NIGHT – KUDOS TO ONE AND ALL (CONTINUED)!

### **AMAZING PERFORMERS:**

**BROWNIE and DAISY TROOPS - AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL:** Julie Helmreich, Margaret Baker, Madeline Stone-Wheatley, Kelsey Charnetski, Anna Barber, Elaina Baker, Terah Blakemore, Lucy Brabbs, Emma Anderson, Lana Stanszak, Ashley Davis, Hannah Lee, Sarah Gould, Kaitlin Barrett-Huff, Delilah Chavez, Anisha Fujii, Nicole Weber, Katarina Stanczak, Amita Reka, Kennedy Kelly, Heather Schork, Faith Baker, Ava Barber, Shannon Hoy, Audrey Hoffman, Eleanor King, Angela Noble, McKenna Genyk, Rachel Hardy, Athena Agassi, Cheri Belez, Libbie Bonevich, Leeann Botkins, Brooke Brenner, Daria Esfahan, Emily Haddrill, Audrey Helmreich, Yu Jin Hyun, Jenny Lee, Kara Lindstrom, Karley Misk, Darity Tolbert, Ellen Tsadis, Julia Tsai

**CHINESE FISHERMAN DANCE:** Quan Zheng, Rhea Cong, Elizabeth Li, Joanna Sheng, Sophia Papadoupalous, Joy Li

**KOKDU GAKSI (KOREAN DANCE):** Mikyoung Jang, Eun Jung Jang, Su-Hyang Jung, Ji Yoo Song, Julie Seo, Andrew Seo, Eamon Park, Jenny Lee, Hannah Lee, Yu-Jin Hyun, Ji-Ung Hyun, Sung Ryul Lee, Young Ju Lee, Jaehwan Lee, Ira Tunkle, Leo Tunkle

**AFRICAN AMERICAN HALL OF FAME:** Tyrique Wheatley, Amaya Melendez, Braxton Brann, Kennedy Kelly, Kellen Johnson, Sasha Akuezue, Christopher Emerson, Tamara Emerson, Tiana Wheatley, Calvin Vanderhoff, Tori Melendez, Michael Johnson

**INDIAN DANCE:** Shikha Goel, Amita Reka, Lasya Mantha, Aashi Goel, Mihika Thakurta, Erica Magee, Sonali Narayan, Aarush Goel, Arjun Shatkin, Raya Brar, Saahil Shah, Nikhil Girish, Shalini Mithal, Shalini Roy, Shriya Goel, Saumya Boyanapalli, Rashmi Pandian, Shraeya Mithal, Dhanuj Girish, Urja Sinha, Kelsey Charnetski, Dinithi Amunugama, Ria Kakade

**WHAT A BEAUTIFUL JASMINE (CHINESE DANCE):** Yinghong Huang, Joann Song, Angie Suo, Rhea Cong, Megan He

**5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE CHOIR:** Soumya Boyanapalli, Kelly Danley, Taryn Emerson, Ann Jung, JiHo Kim, Margaret Koester, Leah Miller, Kate Monnett, Ana Molina Lopez, Vanessa Noble, Natsume Ono, Terius Wheatley, Stuart Brabbs, Aisling Cooper, Claire Deakin, Zoey Engelbert, Maria Ficaro, Naveen Fujii, Sarah Gargan, Keren Gonzalez, Nisha Gudal, Keri Haddrill, Kristen Hayden, Josh Moran, Orly Rubinfeld, Jeffrey Song, Gabrielle Thornton, Ani Weiss, David Yoon, Nazarena Acosta-Miranda, Adela Baker, Hannah Briggs, Josie Brown, Ariel Engelbert, James Epperson, Bilge Felek, Kai Ineki, Jacob Joslin, Simon Keep, Aaron Keller, Seyoung Kim, Tariro Makina, Juan Martin-Dyer, Nicky Montgomery, Mai Nozaki, Emily Patton, Rudy Thompson, Josie Brown, Yael Rothfeld

### **BEHIND THE SCENES:**

**FANTASTIC FRONT OFFICE HELPERS:** Mrs. Manley, Debbie Riley and Rita Benham

**TEACHERS WHO GRACIOUSLY SHARED THEIR ROOMS:** Mrs. Sipp; Mr. Krebsbach; Mr. Borgsdorf; Mrs. Lussier/Mrs. Kerwin; Mrs. Lutz; Mr. Johnson; Mrs. Hetrick; Ms. Combi; Mr. Madden; Mr. Test

**INCREDIBLE CUSTODIANS:** Renae Borowski; Fred Anderson

**SHOPPER EXTRAORDINAIRE:** Yvonne Stevens

**SET-UP, PASSPORT TABLE, CLEAN-UP:** Angela Charnetski; Lisa Genyk; Dawn Sackman; Angie Hargrow, Karen and Bruce Morey, Doug Sirman, Erica and Ra-Mon Watkins, Valerie Kelley; Jennifer Pierson; Molly Hester; Jennifer Peirson; Cathy Vaughan; Yurdanur Korkaya; Jennifer and Jeff Barber; Lori and Tim Harrison; Bret Springgay; Julie Helmreich; Sondra Bobroff; Eun Jung Jang; Ji Ho Hyun; Jason Hires; Elaina Baker; Libbie and Jeff Bonevich; Skip Hires; Sondra Bobroff; Kim and Jonny Luevano; Ravi and Hemali Amunugama;

**BABYSITTING SERVICE:** Rachel Blakemore, Emily Hanna and Maddy Smith!

**STAGE HANDS:** Caleb, Jason, Ben and Skip Hires; Jeff Bonevich

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