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MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF WILSON'S PARENT TEACHER GROUP (PTG)

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

WEAR YOUR FAV HAT DAY

• June 3, all-day

JUNE IN-PERSON PTG SOCIAL

• June 7, 7 pm

• 3111 S. High Drive

• 21+ only

PETER PAN DRAMA PRODUCTION

• June 9, 5:00 pm

• Wilson Gym

5TH GRADE PROMOTION

 \circ June 13, 2 pm

6TH GRADE PROMOTION

• June 14, 1:30 pm

FIELD DAY

• June 15

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

• June 16, 7:30-8:15 am

LAST DAY OF SCHOOL!

∘ June 20

• Early Release at 11 am

PTG IN-PERSON PARENT SOCIAL WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7 AT 7:00 PM

Come celebrate the end of the year with an in-person parents-only social and brief PTG meeting.

Hosted by outgoing PTG VP and outstanding Extracurricular Committee Chair, Jeff Klein. All are welcome! Please bring your favorite beverage to share.

Wednesday, June 7 at 7 pm 3111 S. High Drive



PTG PANCAKE BREAKFAST JUNE 16, 7:30AM-8:15AM, PLAYGROUND

Enjoy a **free** Wilson community pancake and sausage breakfast on the last full day of school!

All Wilson students and families are welcome.

Hosted by PTG.



Buy your tickets now for Wilson Elementary Night as the Spokane Indians take on the Eugene Emeralds. A great night to celebrate the end of the year.

Tickets are \$6 each for a bench seat.

Buy your tickets: <u>fevo.me/wilson-elementary</u>



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EXTRACURRICULAR PLANNING MEETING FOR 2023-24

We had an explosion of returning and new extracurricular opportunities for our students at Wilson Elementary over last year – come be part of planning for next fall and help make these activities a success!

Thursday, June 1, 3-4 pm, Wilson Library

Agenda:

- Short overview of best practices learned for running extracurriculars at Wilson in 2022-23, and how parent volunteers can lead or come alongside Wilson staff running extracurricular programs at Wilson.
- Break-out groups to plan extracurriculars for next fall.

Call For Volunteers:

- Volunteers are needed to help with the planning and running of fall Football, Art After School, and LEGO Robotics. Contact Jeff Klein for more information – jrklein22@gmail.com
- 2 paid coaching positions to help with Cross Country running. Contact Heidi Bresson to learn more <u>HeidiBespokaneschools.org</u>

PHOTOS FROM SPRING ART AFTER SCHOOL - GRADES 1-3

This spring a group of 40+ Wilson 1st, 2nd, and 3rd graders had the opportunity to take a 2-week Mixed Media Art After School class from an EWU student intern. During the classes, kids learned color and art techniques and combined a variety of materials to create unique works of art.

A huge thank you to visiting artist Vera Y. and to the Wilson community for funding this PTG-sponsored extracurricular!



END OF THE YEAR GIFT: BUY A WILSON PLAYGROUND BRICK



Ever wondered about the engraved brick wall on the Wilson blacktop? Starting in the Fall of 2021, an engraver has come about once a year to personalize playground bricks. The engraver will return in the Fall of 2023 and we would love to add your dedication or memory to this beautiful wall!

Order a brick in honor of your kids, your family, a favorite Wilson staff member, or Wilson alumni.

Bricks are available for a \$100 donation to Wilson PTG. The funds raised support our PTG and are used towards student experiences, extracurriculars, classroom enhancements, and staff continuing education.



To order your brick:

- Click on the QR Code or visit
 <u>buytickets.at/wilsonelementaryparentteachergroup/931396</u>
- Pay \$100 donation
- Once payment is complete, you will be directed to a site where you will enter your brick personalization
- Questions? Contact Josie Dix at josiedixemsn.com

WILSON CENTENNIAL GEAR AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE HELP US CLEAR OUT THE INVENTORY

Starting on Friday, June 2, the remaining Wilson Centennial Spirt Gear will go on sale. We would like to end the year with all of these amazing items sold! The design was created by Wilson parent, Joel Barbour, owner of the Great PNW, in celebration of Wilson's 100th Anniversary.

Order your gear before it is gone. Sales open on Friday, June 2nd

https://buytickets.at/wilsonelementaryparentteachergroup/store



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WILSON CARNIVAL A MAJOR SUCCESS!

Thank you to this awesome community for making the Wilson Carnival a MASSIVE success! The weather was perfect, the turnout was awesome, and kids (and families) had a wonderful time.

The Carnival Committee did a tremendous job and we **especially** thank Carnival Chair, Josie Dix, for the time and effort it took to put Carnival together! We will feature some photos in the June newsletter.



RECAP OF MAY PTG FUNDING APPROVALS

The PTG is pleased to report funding support for the following activities in May. Thank you to the community for your generous donations which make the following possible.

- Tricia Miller, Wilson Custodian, beautified the Wilson grounds and outdoor teacher lounge with flowers. Kids (and teachers) enjoy views of the flowers as they walk to the gym each day. Thank you, Ms. Tricia!
- Funding of 12 owl pellets to be used by Mrs. Reilly's 3rd-grade class in a dissection activity as they celebrated the end of SBAC testing. This engaging hands-on STEM activity teaches kids about the eating habits of owls and integrates reading and writing.
- End-of-the-season raffle prizes for kids who participated in Bloomsday Training this spring with Mrs. Bresson.
- Replacement of broken aeration/filtration equipment used in Mrs. Coyote's kindergarten frog spawning aquarium. Kinders greatly enjoy watching the frog lifecycle during the spring.
- Additional funds to support the creation of more parts in the Spring Drama Club production of *Peter Pan*, and with additional children participating, more costumes, props, etc. were needed.

SAVE THE DATE: FALL WILSON ACTIVITIES

Pizza in the Park Friday, September 8, 2023 Comstock Park

This is a long-standing Wilson tradition where we welcome families to a new school year. Note the new venue and date for 2023!

Wildcat Walk Fundraiser Friday, September 29, 2023 Comstock Park

This is *the* primary fundraising activity for the Wilson PTG. Held once every 12-18 months, funds raised are used to support kids and classrooms.

MONSTER MASH CHAIR OR Co-CHAIRS NEEDED

We need to identify a 2024 Monster Mash Committee Chair or Co-Chairs ASAP! Contact WilsonWildcatsPTG@gmail.com to learn more.

We are just a short 4 months out from this awesome Halloween-themed event! There are many experienced community members who will be part of your committee.

If we can't secure an Event Chair(s) we will need to cancel the event.



2023 WILSON ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

The Wilson Elementary PTG Alumni Scholarship awards up to \$500 to high-school seniors who plan to continue their education after graduation. All students who attended Wilson during some or all of grades K-6 are eligible regardless of financial need, gender, race, ethnicity, origin, or sexuality.

This year we received three applications and were immensely impressed with each student. We were able to award each with a scholarship. In total, we awarded \$1500. **Alumni Scholarship Winners**

Katherine Fitzgerald Luke Marshall Wade Morehouse

4TH GRADE FIELD TRIP TO SPOKANE INDIANS BASEBALL



4th Graders in Mrs. Kovarik/Mejia's, Mr. Burke's, and 4th/5th Graders in Ms. Perry's classes visited **Education Day** at the Spokane Indians in late May. Kids enjoyed a day of baseball in the warm spring sun.

PTG helped fund the purchase of some concessions so that all kids could enjoy a treat at the baseball game. Thank you for your support of PTG!



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