



February 2012

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Upcoming Events

FEBRUARY

- 3 - Sweetheart Ball
- 4 - Market Day
- 14 - Valentine's Day Parties
- 15 - PTO Meeting
- 13-16 - WO Book Fair
- 13-16 - WO Conferences
- 13 - Blood Drive at WO
- 20 - No School
- 21-23 - FH Book Fair
- 21-23 FH Conferences

MARCH

- 1 - 2nd Grade Concert (DL)
- 3 - French Toast Brkfst (WO)
- 3 - Market Day
- 7 - Kindergarten Orientation (6:30)
- 12 - Kindergarten Concert (DL)
- 15-19 - DL Book Fair
- 15 & 19 - DL Conferences
- 21 - PTO Meeting
- 22 - WO Picture Day
- 23 - No School
- 26 - Spring Break Begins

APRIL

- 2 - School resumes
- 6 - No School
- 7 - Market Day
- 11 - DL Picture Day
- 11 - 1st Grade Concert (DL)
- 12 - 4th Grade Concert (DL)
- 16 - Kindergarten Screening
- 18 - PTO Meeting
- 18 - Kindergarten Screening
- 19 - Kindergarten Screening
- 19 - Jazz in the Gym (WO)

Note from the President



Hi great parents and teachers of District 76!

Had dinner this week with one of my first friends in the district-- Tonya Balla. Because she works full time, she can't always volunteer for PTO activities or go to meetings. But don't think that means she doesn't support this organization. She attends nearly every event and one of her daughters generally has one of the highest sales of Entertainment Books and/or gift wrap! How is she helping lately? She figured that the Manna program was her chance to make a difference. She knows that her workplace gives Visa gift cards out as incentives. Why not buy them from the PTO? Also, she got her sister signed up to participate! By placing only four orders so far, Tonya has raised \$150 for the PTO. Easy money! Imagine if 10 more people did this?

Can you think of any opportunity to support Manna in your workplace or family? That is how fund-raisers work successfully in this district. It takes all of us to help in any way we can, because it all adds up! So far, we have raised a total of \$2,200 in Manna for our schools. And the best part is, it is money that would have been spent anyway--either on gas, groceries, coffee, presents. Please join us by sending an e-mail to Alice Dutler at dutlers@comcast.net. You could really make a difference!

Thanks, Tonya, and to all of you who help in any way you can. This PTO works because of all of you! Please know how much your support means to the PTO Board, teachers and students!!!

Upcoming fund-raisers include the Sweetheart Ball on Fri. Feb. 3rd, a mother/son sporting event "Let's Play" on Friday, March 2nd. We are also looking for a volunteer coordinator for DQ days in the spring as well as BINGO. Please e-mail me at jamieeps@aol.com if you are interested in helping.

Thank you again!

Jamie Epstein

Chili's Dine-Out
All Week/All Day
Feb. 27th through
March 2nd
Flyer needed.
Watch kid's backpacks!!!

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Treasurer's Report



For the month of January, we made \$262 on Market Day and approximately \$500 on Chuck-E Cheese Dine out! We were also able to fund 2 teacher grants at Diamond Lake (a fourth grade field trip to "Ellis Island..Gateway to a Dream" and a Dual Language field trip to "Nate the Great") and 1 teacher grant for white boards at Fairhaven. For West Oak, we were able to help the 5th graders celebrate their graduation from D.A.R.E. with t-shirts for all students!!

Keep up the good work; we couldn't do it without you all!!!

Sweetheart Ball - Feb 3rd

We would like to proudly announce the 5th annual SWEETHEART BALL will be held on Friday, February 3rd, 2012 from 6:30 to 8:30 in the West Oak gym. Please mark your calendars and watch for more information to follow.

Market Day

A big THANK YOU to everyone who ordered Market Day this month! We will see you at DLS this Sat., Feb. 4 for pick up. As we look toward the March sale, Market Day is offering a free pork tenderloin with a \$90.00 internet purchase. You'll need to put in the promo code: MARBONUS. A new Frequent buyer offer has begun as well... Just place a minimum \$40.00 two times during the months of Feb. to April and then order again in May and you will receive a Free Cooler Tote. Happy eating!

Mother/Son Event

Those Dads shouldn't have all the fun dancing with their little girls! Here's your chance Moms! Come have some fun with your son! The mother/son Let's Play! night of competitive and silly fun will be Friday, March 2nd at Diamond Lake School this year. This event is open to all mothers and their sons in grades K through 5. Look for more information to come in your son's backpack!

Misc. Items

- Don't throw away your Capri Sun packages! All schools will collect Capri Sun juice packs for the Terracycle recycling program. An easy way to earn additional funds for our schools!
- All schools accepting donations of old cell phones
- If your kids have grown out of last year's winter coats or boots, please consider donating them to Del Parra in the Family Resource Center at West Oak.

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS! We can't do it without you!!

Thank you so much to all the marvelous volunteers: Dan Rath, Julie Jacoby, Elise Hauptman, Debbie Einhorn, the Nickl Family, Blenda Chen, Sol Cabachuela.