Ocean Grove P.A.C. News

June 5, 2014



Chair: Tara Idiens

Secretary: Tami Riecker

Treasurer: Aren Knudsen

Spring Raffle-Thanks

A sincere thank you again to those businesses (below) who provided fanatastic donations towards our Spring Raffle. Thanks also to those who sold and/or bought tickets! This fundraiser brought in an amazing *\$4,296.06!*

The winners were:

1st PRIZE: TWO NIGHT ACCOMMODATION at Dragon Fly Suites on Mt. Washington with a \$200 gift certificate redeemable for any Mt. Washington activity

-The winner was SONJA PARISH!

2nd PRIZE: JACKSON GRILL – VERSA 100 – Retail for \$215 – Donated by Advanced Marine Power Ltd

-The winner was ARLENE COSTALES!

3rd PRIZE: FINE ART GALLERY WRAPPED CANVAS 12x18 with 1.5 inch frame – Retail \$100– Donated by Epic Design Studio Ltd., 1040 9th Avenue, Campbell River, BC V9W 4C2

-The winner was BRENT MARIN!

4th PRIZE: SONY 16.1 MP CYBERSHOT CAMERA – Retail \$100– Donated by the Ocean Grove P.A.C

-The winner was NORA-LYNN TUMBAGA!

Congratulations to *Tori Henson, Bryce Idiens, Lainie McReydolds and Cooper Pidcock* who are our students that sold the most raffle tickets and earned themselves a prize! Well done kids!

Hot Dog Mondays and Make-Up Hot Lunch Day

We are pleased to announce that our Hot Lunch Co-ordinator; Leslie Stevens and her dedicated helper; Trish Finnerty are going to be adding "Hot Dog Mondays" for June in addition to the remaining hot lunch schedule. This began on Monday, June 2nd and will continue until Monday, June 23rd. Kindergarteners should have brought home an order form, but hotdogs will be sold concession style for the remainder of the school (kids bring in money on Mondays and order hot dogs from the concession). Other snacks and juice will also be sold. Prices are: Hot dogs: \$1.50, veggies and dip or fruit: \$1.00, juice: ¢.50

Also, in lieu of the hot lunch day that was scheduled for June 6th but that will be cancelled due to the teacher's job action, another hot lunch day will be offered before the end of the school year (date TBD).

Happy Father's Day!

The P.A.C. would like to wish all the hard-working and devoted Ocean Grove dads a "Happy Father's Day!" Enjoy your special day!

Next P.A.C. Meeting

Our next PAC meeting will be on Monday, September 15/14 at 6:30 PM.

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Just another reminder that the P.A.C. also communicates information through our "Ocean Grove Elementary School PAC Information Only" page.

The P.A.C. 2013/2014 Year in Summary

We believe this year has been a success for the P.A.C. in terms of fundraising and events, in large part due to the efforts and contributions put forth by some of our Ocean Grove parents, caregivers and staff. We want to particularly thank *Mr. Boyd* for his ongoing support of the P.A.C. and all of our activities.

To summarize, our various fundraisers including cookie dough sales, the Winter Carnival (bake sale, Chinese Auction, etc...) and Spring Raffle, combined with a couple of grants, PAC fees and other revenue brought in a total of \$10, 000.94. At the June 2/14 P.A.C. AGM, the Teacher's Wish List was voted on and it was determined that some of our revenue will go towards items and activities such as cross-country ski lessons for the grade 4/5 classes, more resources for the primary playroom, guided reading books, learning assistance games and books, music supplies, cultural events and more!

We also organized and sponsored many fun, student and family focused events this school year which included: the Halloween Breakfast, two Potluck Lunches, the Winter Carnival, and the rock star-themed Family Dance. We also owe a big thank you to *Leslie Stevens* for organizing a wonderful hot lunch program this year!

So, you can see that it has been an active year for our Ocean Grove P.A.C! We hope you will join us for another great year in 2014/2015!

A Letter from our 2013/2014 Chair

As the 2013/2014 school year wraps up I find myself reflecting on the year, it's been a great one!

I have been at the school less this year than ever before due to full time work and 2 busy boys, I realize this when I attend events and recognize fewer students. This makes me realize how important it is to plan and attend school activities, as they're a great way to meet the kids, and their parents. We've had some fantastic events this year including the Halloween Breakfast, Winter Carnival, Rock Star Dance, and Potluck lunches to name a few. Seeing how excited the kids are to participate is so fun! I've been on the Parent Advisory Council for 4 years now, and have enjoyed working with you and your kids. It's been a very rewarding experience and I have learned a lot. I highly recommend getting involved! I know the incoming committee will do a great job with lots of fresh new ideas. I'm sure they would appreciate a helping hand wherever you can offer it. The more the merrier!

Thanks to Mr. Boyd and the staff at Ocean Grove School for supporting our activities and events. Thanks for always stepping up to do your part, and more.

I will miss working with Tami and Aren, however; something tells me we will find ourselves working together in future years.

Thanks everyone, have a great summer. See you next year; and some of you at middle school as our kids make this transition.

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Thank you Tara Idiens

The Ocean Grove P.A.C. would like to extend our sincere gratitude to *Tara Idiens*, who has been our P.A.C. Chair for the past two years and was P.A.C. Secretary for the two years previous to that. Tara has done this while working full-time and managing her two boy's busy lives. Tara, your dedication to our school and to making sure our kids have the best experience possible while attending Ocean Grove has been greatly appreciated! You did a superb job and for that, we thank you!

Welcome Trish Finnerty

The P.A.C. would like to welcome and thank *Trish Finnerty* for stepping up and accepting the chairperson role for the next two school years! We look forward to working with Trish and hearing all of her fresh ideas!

We are open to comments and questions! Please contact Trish Finnerty at cortes42@hotmail.com or 250-202-1005.

