

Elementary Board Report

A Paws-itive Learning Community Striving to Meet the Individual Needs of Each Student as a Whole Child

We have had a great start to the 2015-2016 school year. Our theme for the month of October is cooperation. There has been a great deal of cooperation going on this school year. The following shares an effort and some of our new staff working together.

2015 Bobcat Walk/Run

I am excited to share that we had a great 2015 Bobcat Walk/Run. Treasha Reser again led the efforts of so many to support another wonderful effort. Our PTO led money collection and counting. Students and staff had fun and worked hard during their 20 minutes of walking/jogging. Many worked hard during their time and were able to complete 15 laps. One student even completed 26 laps. Volunteers and staff gave time marking each lap completed on student's cards. So far, \$15,138.04 has been raised to support our students. They have voted to use the money to purchase items from the zip-line package. We will soon learn more details about students' wishes. A big thank you to all who helped with this year's Bobcat Walk/Run.



Community Member(s) of Mystery

Our October Community Member of Mystery grew up in Rapid City, South Dakota. She attended college and received her bachelors' degree on a track and cross-country scholarship at the University of Nebraska. As a Cornhusker, she met her husband, Frank, who was also majoring in education and attending on a running scholarship. They have been married 25 years and live in Felida to be closer to family. They have two daughters, Sami, a junior at the University of Arizona, and Ali, a senior at Skyview High School. Our October Community Member of Mystery continues to enjoy running. She even ran in the 1990 Olympic trials in New Orleans. She also enjoys road bicycling, photography, and gardening (both edible and flowers). Prior to joining us at La Center Elementary this school year, she worked in the Vancouver School District in Head Start, kindergarten, and first grade.

Who do you think our October Community Member of Mystery is?

Our first Community Member of Mystery for September grew up in Vancouver and has lived in Ridgefield the past fourteen years. She has been married for nineteen years and has two sons, one a freshman and the other a junior in high school. Her husband works for a congressperson. She graduated from Western Governors University with a bachelors' degree. This Community Member of Mystery enjoys running and loves to read. Her family is big into hiking. This past summer they climbed Mt. St. Helens. The previous summer they hiked the Grand Canyon and Zion. She enjoys making homemade cards and her family is made up of animal people. Their animals include a chocolate lab puppy, two cats, and chickens. Who do you think our first Community Member of Mystery for September is?



If you guessed Andrea Lewis, K-5 Teacher, you are correct.

Our second Community Member of Mystery for September has been married for fifteen years and has two sons, a freshman in high school and a sixth grader. She has lived in Vancouver her whole life and graduated from Washington State University with a bachelors' degree after finishing her student teaching at La Center Elementary. This Community Member of Mystery was a stay at home mother prior to going back to school to earn her degree. She and her family enjoy the outdoors, including hiking, lake fishing in their boat, and camping. Gardening is a hobby she enjoys, even while it feels like they are always going to their son's football games lately. Her family is also made up of animal people. They had two golden retrievers join their family in April. Who do you think our second Community Member of Mystery for September is?



If you guessed Shannon Warren, third grade teacher, you are correct.

Our third Community Member of Mystery for September grew up in Iowa and is currently living in Vancouver while his family's home is being built in La Center. He has been married for eleven years and has a daughter in first grade. This Community Member of Mystery earned his bachelors' degree from Brigham Young University and his master's degree from Washington State University. Prior to college, he became an eagle scout. He speaks fluent Spanish and loves to watch football and hockey. He enjoys playing chess, barbershop singing, and playing video games. You might not have noticed, but he also enjoys reading and writing sci-fi and fantasy novels and is a big fan of the Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles. Who do you think our third Community Member of Mystery for September is?



If you guessed Jeremy Kidd, associate principal, you are correct.

Our fourth Community Member of Mystery for September has a twin brother who was also born on the same day as their father. She grew up on the Oregon coast in the town of Garibaldi. She also lived in Alaska during summers while in high school. Vancouver is now where she and her family call home. She has been married for seventeen years and has two sons, age thirteen and fifteen. This Community Member of Mystery earned her bachelors' degree at Washington State University Vancouver and did her student teaching at La Center Elementary. She and her family enjoy the outdoors, including camping, hiking, kayaking, and birding (identifying birds). She also loves to sew, specializing in making costumes and patterns. You might not know it, but she has earned a green trimmed Tae Kwon Do belt. She is also an animal person, having adopted their cat of eleven years as a stray. Who do you think our fourth Community Member of Mystery for September is?



If you guessed Carrie Cablay, fourth grade teacher, you are correct.