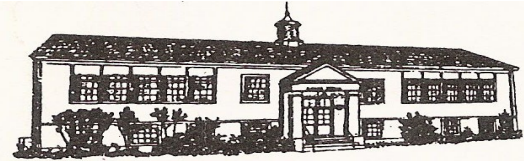


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## HOLIDAY EVENTS UNDERWAY—READY TO EAT?

Halloween is over and we are officially heading into the Holiday Season. The air may be chilly but Carver School is heating up for our big winter fundraiser. Big enough to fill our heating oil tank to the brim and keep Little Johnny warm and toasty in the classroom.

Diane Williams, fundraiser extraordinaire, is heading up the Breakfast with Santa, to be held on December 11th.

This is not a shove a muffin the mouth and wave at Santa type affair. No way, we are striving for a real old-fashioned Christmas affair to remember. And have you come back to next year.

Our multi-use gym will be

transformed into a Winter-Wonderland, with Santa seated on a stage, visible to every child.

There will be kids crafts, a silent auction of exciting gift baskets, a special viewing of the Polar Express and Santa will even give each child a small gift. A professional photographer will be available to take photos, with pictures framed in a holiday folder.

Parents will be excited to enjoy a tasty buffet breakfast. The menu will include different styles of eggs, pancakes, meats, breads, desserts, juices, coffee.

Of course, we will all have to help make it a successful

event. What can you do? Right now, we are soliciting gifts for the silent auction gift baskets, kid prizes and decorations.

Look around your house and check out those sales racks. The world seems on sale right now, so scoop up some items.

We only want NEW items; please no used items! We all have items that are perfectly nice, but don't reflect our personalities. Here is a way to find a great home for that gift from your mother-in-law!

Another gift source is to tap into friends who are in the retail business field; perhaps a friend sells make-up or house goods and would

donate a gift basket as an advertisement of their business.

Here are some items needed:

- ⇒ **Christmas Ornaments** for decorating and to put in gift baskets. Everyone has extras, check out your supply! (IKEA also sells them cheeeeeep!)
- ⇒ **Twinkle Lights** You just can't have too many twinkle lights!
- ⇒ **Children's Prizes** Games, sports items, little kid toys, stuff for all ages.
- ⇒ **Baskets** We all have baskets stuffed in the closets! We need them to make gift baskets (used are fine, if clean and nice)

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### CALENDAR OF EVENTS AT CARVER SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 10 BREAKFAST WITH SANTA MEETING 8:45 AM

NOVEMBER 10 CARVER SCHOOL BOARD MEETING 5:30 PM

NOVEMBER 11 PASTA DAY FROM NEW SEASONS

**NOVEMBER 12 NO SCHOOL VETERAN'S DAY (CHANGE OF DATE)**

NOVEMBER 22-26 NO SCHOOL THANKSGIVING BREAK

NOVEMBER 29 CARVER KIDS SOAP PRODUCTS FACTORY 3:15 PM



## HOLIDAY FUNDRAISING PLANS (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1)



There will be two breakfast seatings. Santa starts eating at 9:00 a.m. and then does it all again at 10:30 a.m. No wonder we hear scuttlebutt about Santa making eyes at Jenny Craig!

Running concurrently with the Breakfast with Santa, we are also holding our first annual Holiday Bazaar. It will run on Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Response to our street sign advertising for vendors has been nothing short of astounding. Who would have thought there were so many creative people in our community? Parent Marlena Bartolome set up a registration form on our website

and vendors are registering online, plus every day we have had folks coming into the school to sign up for a table. There are multiple messages every day on the phone to greet us. Wow!

The Bazaar is going to be a terrific way to use the building as a real community center and have lots of people come through the school. This is a great advertisement for the school and helps keep us active in our community.

Vendor tables will be set up in the halls, classrooms and, if necessary, downstairs. Each vendor is paying the school a fee, so it is helping generate fundraising revenue.

Carver School will also have our own vendor tables. We plan on selling our dinosaurs (great Christmas gift!), wreaths, poinsettias, Christmas trees and don't forget the home-made soap and cosmetic products made by our students. Even Grandma Margaret, Ellie and Emma's great-grandmother, has been making kitchen towels for the school to sell.

If you have an imaginative idea, now is the time to speak up! There is a fundraising meeting every Wednesday morning at 8:45 in the lunchroom. Please join us for coffee (and usually a treat) and help us make this a huge financial success—and a make a holiday memory also.

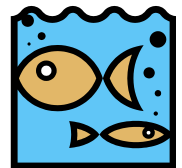
### BABY FISH UPDATE BY MICK HANGLAND-SKILL

On Sunday our Chinook eggs hatched. We are not very sure how many there are but there are a lot. As far as we know, at least 6 have died. When we arrived in the classroom early on Monday morning the place stunk of a fishy smell. This was a result of the salmon hatching. When they hatch a gel type stuff is

released into the water. This creates bubbles at the surface. When they pop it releases a fishy odor, filling the classroom. These bubbles have to be removed quickly because they raise the PH levels to a dangerous level.

Now that the fish have hatched they are called alevin. The alevin

soon turn into fry. That's when we release them at the Carver Boat Ramp. This will happen in a few weeks. Until then we still have to change the iced pop bottles and water. Salmon are a lot of work!



### THANK YOU (AND APOLOGIES IF YOU WERE MISSED)

As a parent-teacher co-op, it takes all of us to keep the school going. We all work at different projects at different times and sometimes we don't even know what someone else may be doing.

Take this past week for example. Brenda Currier picked up our scrip order in Tigard. Deb Siscaretti swept, mopped and worked on

fundraising. Kayla swept and Marni worked on fundraising. Jamie helped clean and took a lunch/recess shift. Dave Bartolome worked on electrical issues. Nancy Young has been working hard at taking over the treasurer duties and making our new accounting software work. Diane Williams has worked every day on fundraising.

Kathy did the newsletter, fundraising and daily school issues. Cheryl worked day and night on every aspect of running the school.

Take a moment and pat ourselves, and each other, on the back. School is going great and it is because we all work diligently to create an educational community for our children. Well done!

## CARVER KIDS GO INTO BUSINESS

Parents always wonder what will become of Little Johnny when he grows up. When we ask "What do you want to be when you grow up?," we are really asking "Are you going to have a job and a home of your own someday?."

Carver School is offering an opportunity for our students to explore the world of business. And, of even more immediate importance, explore the world of safe, environmentally friendly, household cleaners and personal care products.

Parent Deb Siscaretti offered to teach the kids how to make some household products. It has now evolved into a student business project culminating at the December 11-12 Christmas Bazaar.

On Monday, November 29th, Deb will instruct kids in the art of

making soft soap scrub for general household cleaning, those wonderful bath bombs for the bathtub and luscious lip balms.

Kids stay after school on Mondays for Martial Arts. While the younger kids are acting like leaping lizards, **on November 29th** the older kids will make soaps and lip balm. While the big kids show their martial arts stuff, the younger kids will take a turn at the soap factory.

Think how proud the kids will be to sell their products at the Holiday Bazaar. Not only will they be helping support their school, but they will be able to see a product come from its raw form into a finished product, and then the ultimate high of watching the product sell.

Perhaps this experience will sow the seeds of a future businessman.

Remember the big company names like Johnson & Johnson or Bristol-Meyers were once small children who had a bent for business.

Alas, it takes money to make money, so we are in need of some donations to make our products:

**10 lbs of Baking Soda** (Costco or Cash n' Carry)

**Dr. Bronner's Castile Soap** (New Seasons or other locations)

**2 Dozen Wide-Mouth Mason Jars**, with lids (Bi-Mart, Ace Hardware or other locations).

**Essence Oils**, Peppermint, Lavendar, Citrus (New Seasons, specialty shops)

There is more! Can you help? Only costs a few dollars and Little Johnny may give your future stock options in his business.

## CHECK SUNDAY PAPER FOR MICHAEL'S COUPONS

Quick! Grab the Sunday paper from the recycling bin and find the 40% off coupon for Michael's Craft stores.

There is a big sale on Veteran's Day at Michael's Crafts—40% off. Before you start drooling and thinking about the stuff you want, be charitable and donate your coupon to Carver School.

Cheryl Hangland-Skill, also known as the Twinkle Light Fairy, has a

vision for a twinkle light wonderland in the gym for our upcoming Breakfast with Santa.

We all know how she can transform a dusty smelly old gym into an evening in Tuscany, or into a green twinkling landscape of Ireland, but this woman is determined to make the gym absolutely spectacular for our Breakfast with Santa. The room will be festooned in lights with all kinds of Christmas wonders. Move

over Peacock Lane, here comes the Carver School Twinkle Fairy!

Please bring your coupons in and help Cheryl make her dreams come true. Bring next week's coupons also! Don't stop with this week, please!

Coupons are in the Sunday paper coupon section and also on a receipt from Michael's, if you shopped there last week.

## REMEMBER NO SCHOOL ON FRIDAY!

Don't forget, school will be closed on November 12th. Veteran's Day is officially on Thursday, but we are following other schools and closing on Friday.

Do take the opportunity to discuss with your children the meaning of Veteran's Day. Whether you are a dove or a hawk, we have to

respect those individuals who have placed their lives in jeopardy for our country.

It may be also a moment to share a story about a beloved veteran who isn't with us any longer. Perhaps there is a great-grandfather who fought in WWII. Share a story and build a memory for the family.

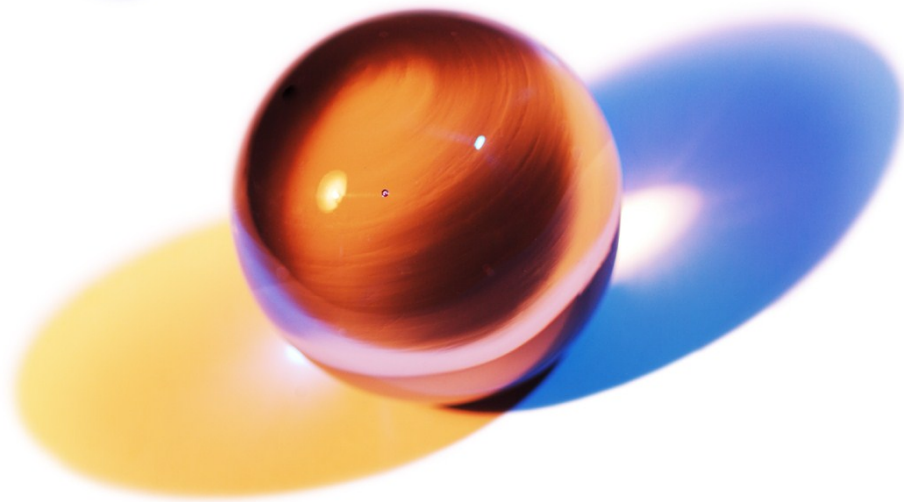
Many women served as Rosie The Riveters or as nurses and pilots. Here is a chance to let kids feel history and make a special character come to life.





**Marble Roll Problem 1**  
 Make a marble roll that includes at least

- 1 downhill ramp
- 1 uphill ramp
- 1 corner
- 1 jump



**Marble Roll Problem 8**  
 Make a marble roll that includes 2 jumps

