

Carver School News

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Standard Insurance—Well, It Set A New Standard of Generosity to Carver School

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It is always exciting to have a new family at the school. Brody Young, son of Nancy and Alex Young, is our new fifth grader who has not only brought a bouncing enthusiasm with him—but also a mom with connections!

Nancy Young works for Standard Insurance, located in downtown Portland. Imagine our delight when Nancy let us know that Standard has a basement stash of used office supplies available for donation to Carver School.

Yes, that's right—donated. It is not a coincidence that the word "donut" and "donate" sound so similar. They are both

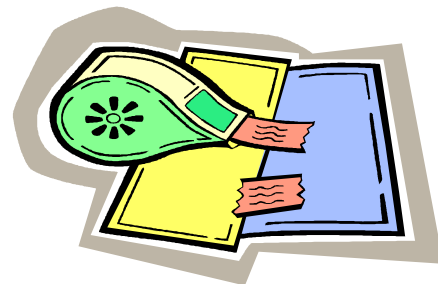
sweet and make day-to-day living so much easier.

Kathy took the wheel, and her mother, and Cheryl jumped aboard.

Nancy and another extremely nice Standard employee, Dana, met the Carver School volunteers with open arms and keys to the basement surplus supply.

Files, sorters, rubber bands, a laser jet printer, electric stapler, paper—it was amazing. File hangers were hauled out by the armful. They even had refills for our label maker.

Organization is around the corner at Carver



School, thanks to the generosity of Standard Insurance. Approximately \$2,000 worth of office supplies were donated.

When Brody was told that his mom was the official Heroine of the Day, he glowed and said she was a very important person at her job and takes care of lots of things at work. Thanks Nancy, for taking care of Carver School!

School Calendar of Events

Monday, October 5th - School Photos - RAIN OR SHINE

Monday, October 5th by 3:15 p.m.— Scrip Orders Due

Tuesday, October 6th - Board Meeting 6:00 p.m.

Thursday, October 8th - Scrapbooking Evening 7-9 p.m.

Friday, October 9th - NO SCHOOL

Monday, October 19th by 3:15 p.m. - Scrip Orders Due

Thursday, October 22nd - First Grade Field Trip Winnie the Pooh Play

Friday, October 30th - Upper Grades to Chamber Repertory Theatre

Don't Forget It's DONATE A COAT Month!



**GIVE A GIFT OF A CLEAN
USED COAT**

Picture this: You wake little Johnny and tell him to get ready for school. Glancing out the window, you realize it a cold day and everyone needs to wear a coat. The closet contains not only this year's winter jacket, but the outgrown one from last year. You shove the outgrown coat further back in the closet, grab the current coat and rush out the door.

Now picture this: A family out of work, maybe without a home—perhaps even living in their car. Kids still grow and their Little Johnny has outgrown his coat and there is no

Money to purchase another.

The PeaceJam curriculum teaches us to serve our community and world. Common sense tells us that we don't always have to write a check to help another. Won't you look in your closets and bring in all your used coats in clean, serviceable condition? Adult sized or for children—there is someone out there who could use it.

Bring your coats to the main hall and place them in the donation bin. Be sure to ask your family and friends. Our goal is to donate 100 coats.

School Photos Will Absolutely Happen on Monday!

You probably noticed that Little Johnny didn't get his picture taken last Tuesday, as originally scheduled. You probably also noticed that they weren't taken on Thursday. So what is going on????

We were hoping to take outdoor pictures and the weather has definitely not been cooperating. The lighting inside the school isn't opti-

mum, and it was suggested we take some nice back to nature shots outside. Nice idea, but we forgot to consult Mother Nature.



**Little Johnny
strikes a creative
pose for his school
photo**

The new strategy is to ignore the weather reports and just set a day to do photos. This subtle tactic could work, Mother Nature will be totally fooled and the day will dawn bright and sunny.

All of Little Johnny's good photo clothes are now probably dirty and wrinkled, but Monday will be the day to dig out those duds and smile pretty.

P.E. Teacher Marci Gentry Hospitalized

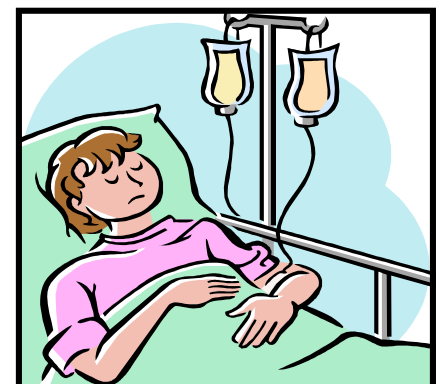
Just last week we welcomed Marci Gentry, our new P.E. teacher to Carver School. This week the kids were sending her get well cards. Poor Marci was stricken with a terrible kidney infection and spent several days in the hospital.

Despite the pain of her condition, Marci kept worrying about missing her classes at Carver School and kept the school updated on her progress.

Marci is now home recuperating, and will be back with us as soon as she is feeling well enough.

We all wish her a speedy recovery, and look forward to her return.

Tracy Spencer, our physical ed teacher from last year, substituted for Marci, as well as our regular staff and Cheryl Hangland-Skill.



Finding the Artist Within

With so many schools cutting back on enrichment programs, such as art classes, we are indeed fortunate to have an art program as part of our curriculum.

Under the capable tutelage of Kate Kelley, our students explore and experience art with a hands-on approach.

Take Jackson Pollack. Always a controversial artist, he was best known for his giant abstract splatter paintings. Some think his art magnificent—others think their dog could

have done a better job. Whatever the opinion, we have to admit it evokes an immediate response.

So why are we talking about Jackson Pollack? Because Teacher Kate has been exploring this abstract world with her students. And what amazing results. Get a look at the pictures below.

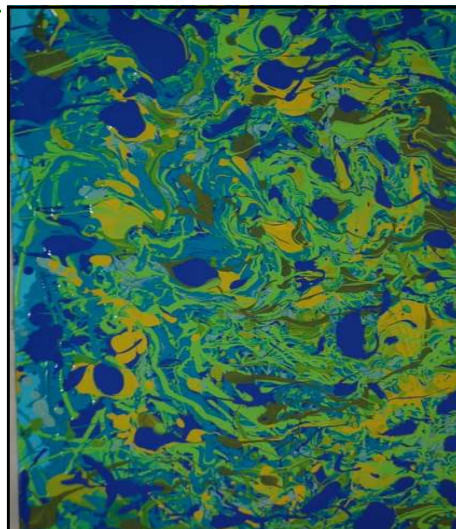
The kids had terrific fun expressing themselves with the splatter technique. Look at the depth of the background and how it sets off the colors.

While you would have to ask the

artist the meaning behind their pictures, everyone can certainly agree they are striking and vibrant.

When your painting comes home, try slapping a frame around that baby, stick it under your arm and head to a modern art gallery. Pretend you're Little Johnny's agent and stick a big price tag on that sucker. If you get lucky, this might be a way to pay for college.

Check out the article below to see Teacher Kate's upcoming sculpture plans.



Sculptors 'R Us

Soon, the paint brushes will take a rest and students will start sculpting with a variety of mediums.

Kate Kelley is asking for assistance in gathering materials. We have all heard the phrase, "One man's junk is another man's treasure." Kate is hoping parents and families will root through their garages and help her offer a variety of materials to excite students and expand their sculpt-

ing possibilities.

Remember we aren't talking about going to the store to buy art supplies. Check out the list (see the box to the right) and then wonder what in the world the kids are going to come up with.

What would you make with some wire, an old window and a 2 x 4? Hmm. Please bring in as soon as possible. Thanks!

ART SUPPLIES NEEDED:

Wood Pieces

(Any Size, Small or Large)

Marbles

Wire of Any Kind

Glass Windows

COMING EVENTS!

Our First Annual Casino Night is coming up on November 7th! We are combining it with the 73rd anniversary celebration of our historic school building.

Alumni students from the original first class will be present. What an opportunity to hear stories about Carver School. We often say "If these walls could talk," well now they will.

Don't miss the opportunity. This won't be an event for kids, attendees must be 21 to be present. Wine, beer, casino styled games played with scrip—and tons of raffle items. Top it off with some tasty hors d'oeuvres and it will be a night to remember. Cost is \$25 per person or \$40 per couple. Tickets include game tokens, drink, food and tons of fun. There will even be dancing!

DONATIONS MADE BY PARENTS

Chips and Juice

Coffee

Printer Ink and Paper

ITEMS NEEDED:

TOILET PAPER (IT IS DESPERATE!)

POSTAGE STAMPS

8 OR 10 OZ. PAPER CUPS

BABY MONITOR (w/CAMERA IF POSSIBLE)

COATS (SEE PAGE 2)

TAKE THE CARVER SCHOOL HISTORY QUIZ

1. In 1894, the first school was opened in the community. What was the name of the school?
2. In 1896 a post office was established and the area received a new name (the school's name was changed as well. What was the new name?
3. In 1901 a one room school house was built on the present day property. Where on the property was the school located?
4. In 1936 the present school building opened. What new modern innovation for students did the building possess?
5. Was the gymnasium part of the original school building?
6. In what year was the building closed as a public school.?
3. The school was located at the approximate site of the Art Room, which was the old fire station in Carver.
4. Indoor Plumbing—which meant toilets. No more outdoor privies!
5. The gym was part of the original building, as well as the basement lunch room. When the school opened there were two classrooms; grades 1-4 in one room and grades 5-8 in the other classroom.
6. 1985. Their loss was our gain!

ANSWERS

1. Hatchery School. Our area was the home of the second U.S. fish hatchery in the nation, built in 1876.
2. Stone. The area was named after Livingston Stone, superintendant of the fish hatchery. Some maintain it was named after the rock quarries in the area.

