

LawtonNews

February 25
6:00 – 8:00pm

Math Night

See page 2 for details

We could use a few more volunteers.
*If you can help with game night
or serve dinner let me know.*

Amy Burton, Math Night Chair
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CALENDAR

Thursday, February 25

Math Night, 6:00 – 8:00pm at Lawton

Wednesday, March 3

Early Dismissal, 1:10pm

Tuesday, March 9

- PTA Meeting, 9:15am
- BLT Meeting, 3:30pm

Wednesday, March 10

SSIA Annual Breakfast *(see page 3 for details)*

Saturday, March 13

PTA Fundraiser – Lawton Casino Night *(see page 4)*

Thursday, April 1

Census Day *(see page 5 for details)*



HAVE FUN and
SUPPORT LAWTON

buy your tickets online now at:
**www.brownpapertickets.com/
event/96656**

(see page 4 for details)

Raffle Ticket Sales

Look out for raffle tickets on sale in the playground everyday after school. Prizes are a one week in a fabulous 4-bedroom house in Big Sky Montana and a Reserved Parking Spot at school. Tickets only \$10



Come one, Come ALL to this FREE fun family event!

Math Night = Fun

Thursday Feb. 25 • 6 - 8 pm

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Family Game Night

Games supplied by Blue Highways Games on Queen Anne suitable for pre-K through sixth graders.

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Lasagna Dinner \$6 From La Mondellina

Meat or vegetarian lasagne. Drinks \$1.
and Lawton Bake Sale

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Math Olympics

4th & 5th Grade Olympiads compete for the title

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Canned Food Drive

For Ballard Food Bank

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New this year - Applied Math

Parents and community members show how math is applied in their professions, passions and hobbies

Featuring:

- Electrical Engineering
- Professional Chef
- Soccer Coach
- Aeronautical Engineering and more...

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Magnolia Bookstore

Check out books featuring math, such as the DaVinci Code, Asimov's writing and more at Magnolia Bookstore

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Everyday Math

Resource Table

what tools exist to help you and your child learn this curriculum

**It all adds up to one
gr 8 evening!**

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In the Lawton Commons and Gym

See you there!

McClure Adult Education

Come listen Neil Broudy of Fairfax Hospital discuss what's going on with your teen.

Tuesday, Feb, 23, 2010, 7:00pm – 9:00pm
McClure Middle School - Library, 1915 1st Ave W

Middle school is a time when our youth are transformed from children to emerging adults and it is important to create an awareness of some of the developmental issues that can occur during this time of physical, intellectual and emotional growth. Teen years are almost always difficult years, so please come and inform yourself about warning signs of concern, teen depression, factors that elevate risk, and positive parenting/ educational strategies.

For more information: John Locker (206) 283-3589
<http://www.seattleschools.org/schools/mcclure/>

SUCCESSFUL SCHOOLS IN ACTION

Fourth Annual Breakfast

Wednesday, March 10
7:30-9:00am

Swedish Cultural Center

Keynote Speaker: Dr. Susan Enfield
Chief Academic Officer, Seattle Public Schools

**"Partnering for Success
in Seattle Public Schools"**

2212 Queen Anne Ave. N. #280
Seattle, Washington 98109
206-378-0797 • www.schoolsinaction.org

McClure Tour Dates

McClure Middle School
1915 1st Avenue W.

Thursday, March 4, 9:00 – 11:00am

Thursday, March 11, 9:00 – 11:00am

Tuesday, March 16, 9:00 – 11:00am

Feel free to bring your child to these tours.
Reservations not necessary.

Catharine Blaine K-8 Tour Dates

2550 34th Avenue West
252-1920

Tuesday, March 2, 9:00-11:00am
K-4 Focus

Tuesday, March 9, 9:00-11:00am
K-4 Focus

Wednesday, March 16, 9:00-11:00am
5-8 Focus

DISPLAY SHOWCASE

THIS WEEK

Aaron Miller, Room 208 • Models

If you have a collection you would like to display for the school, sign up with Mrs. Thomas in the office.

Casino Night and Pledge Drive

Saturday, March 13th

6:00 – 11:30 pm

Space Needle, Skyline Level

Tickets: \$60 per person

Includes \$2,500 starter gaming scrip (a \$40 value)



- Raise your paddle to Make A Difference at Lawton and pledge your support;
- Get your game on and try your hand at our professionally run Blackjack, Craps, and Roulette gaming tables. (\$2,500 starter scrip is included with ticket price. Don't worry if you run out of scrip – scrip will be available for purchase at the event.)
- Go all in and play some poker with friends – there's room at the table for Poker aficionados and newbies alike. Play your cards right and you can win some great prizes;
- Convert your winnings into prize drawing tickets for an end of evening drawing for MORE prizes.

Tickets are now on sale for this year's big Lawton fundraiser event and social: Las Vegas 98199 Casino Night and Pledge Drive. In place of our annual auction, this event promises all the fun, glitz, good food and drink of our traditional event but with a new twist.

Place a bet on Lawton and everyone's a winner!

At this FUNdraiser, you can:

- Feast on more than the views and enjoy great food from the buffet and drinks at the no host bar;
- Buy tickets to our famous and ever-popular Lawton parties –some old favorites and some new!
- Take a Chance! We'll be selling raffle tickets with drawings for two great prizes: The winner can choose from a weeklong stay at a beautiful Big Sky, Montana vacation home or a coveted, reserved parking place in the Lawton parking lot!
- Bid on our ONE and ONLY Special Live Auction Item;

Net proceeds benefit the Lawton PTA General Fund and will allow us to continue to meet the educational and enrichment goals we have for our children.

The PTA spends \$347 per child to provide our kids important and engaging enrichment opportunities.

For example we pay for art, music, and science enrichment instruction, as well as world cultures programs, tutoring, class size reduction and other unique opportunities we all expect and appreciate.

Everyone will have a chance to win fabulous prizes ranging in value from \$25 to \$1,500. All this and some surprises to boot – we hope to see you there!

Valet Parking at the Space Needle is available. Street and lot parking nearby.

**Space is limited so buy your tickets online now at:
www.brownpapertickets.com/event/96656**

DEBATE CLUB for 4th and 5th graders

Spring session is open to new AND returning debaters! Developed and run by Successful Schools in Action, this program at Blaine, Coe, Lawton, and John Hay schools helps kids improve their public speaking, writing, note taking, and critical thinking skills.

- Taught by elementary school teachers, trained in debate
- Meet after school once a week for 12 weeks, starting mid-February
- Students develop both affirmative and negative arguments
- A cross-school tournament will be held in May

Tuition is \$120, and a limited number of scholarships are available. Online registration will open Feb. 1st at www.schoolsinaction.org. There is space at each school for 12 participants. Questions? Contact the Debate Program Manager, Sandy Nielsen, at 206-283-2187 or sandynielsen@schoolsinaction.org.

Note: Day of week is still to be determined.

Census Day April 1, 2010

The Constitution requires a count every 10 years of everyone living in the United States. The questionnaire is short, takes 10 minutes to complete and is 100% confidential. Watch your mailbox for it in March and remember to return your questionnaire.

For more info, a census flyer is available at Lawton's main lobby sign-in desk.

Lawton News is compiled weekly by Marla Master, PTA communication officer.

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When sending submissions please put the word **LAWTON NEWS** in subject line. Thanks!

Deadline: Friday 5pm
For the following Tuesday's edition

Sponsor Lawton's Largest Fundraiser

For a \$200 tax-deductible donation you can help make a BIG difference by sponsoring our fundraiser to be held at the Space Needle on March 13th.

This year's theme –
Las Vegas 98199 – Everyone's a Winner, is sure to be a night of fun and generosity.

More Sponsors (parent professionals, families that cannot attend, grandparents, etc.) mean Less Expenses, so more funds donated will go directly to support and enrich our students with programs of world cultures, arts, music, tutoring, equipment, supplies and much more!

Our Sponsors will be generously thanked the night of the event on all media and printed materials, and will be highlighted and thanked in our school newsletter which reaches all Lawton families. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

If you would like to become a SPONSOR, please contact

Maria Alvord at m.alvord@comcast.net.

CAN YOU READ THIS?

IMAGINE IF YOU COULDN'T

20% OF ELEMENTARY STUDENTS NATIONWIDE HAVE
SIGNIFICANT PROBLEMS LEARNING HOW TO READ
REGARDLESS OF THEIR SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS

Struggling Readers

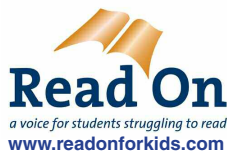
What Every Parent Needs to Know

Join reading expert Laura Rogan and Read On to learn the facts about why your child may struggle with reading, writing and spelling and how you can help your struggling reader overcome his or her challenges.

- » Profile of a Struggling Reader
- » The importance of good assessment
- » Tutoring methods that work

Monday, March 8th, 6:30-8pm
Coe Elementary Library
2424 7th Avenue West
Seattle WA 98119

FREE *All are welcome*



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