

LawtonNews

VEGAS 98199 - This Weekend!

If you've had "Buy Casino Night" tickets on your to do list.... NOW is the time to go do it. There are only a few more days left to buy tickets. A mere week til Casino Night itself. So, stop what you're doing and buy tickets <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/96656>

The income from the Casino Night & Pledge Drive funds a significant portion of the enrichment programming and academic support for Lawton Elementary School. Your support allows these programs and school support services to continue.

Plus, it'll be fun. Lots of fun. A Raffle, A Make a Difference Raise the Paddle, Let's Make a Deal (a gift certificate wall full of incredible deals), Party signups, Gaming, Poker.... and hold on.....This Just In!

We couldn't help ourselves. We said No Live Auction. We thought we meant no live auction but we got some great opportunities that had "Live Auction" written all over them. So the Casino Night committee is happy to announce that the event will have a Mini Auction. Three items. Just three. And they are great... Read on...

1. Parking Place in the Lawton Parking Lot

Your search for parking at Lawton has ended! The winning bidder will get their own personal reserved parking spot next to the stairs! Perfectly situated near the exit, outfitted with a new sign and all yours until the next Annual fundraiser event. Value: Priceless • Thank you: Lawton Elementary

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Wednesday, March 10

SSIA Annual Breakfast *(see page 4 for details)*

Friday, March 12

Cookie and Sweet Treats Sale supporting Lawton's Grade 5 Islandwood camp *(afterschool)*

Saturday, March 13

PTA Fundraiser – Lawton Casino Night *(see page 5)*

Tuesday and Wednesday, March 16 – 17

Visiting Author Brenda Z. Guiberson

Tuesday, March 23

BLT Meeting, 3:30pm



2. Wild Ginger VIP Dinner for Six

Wild Ginger holds the title of #1 Most Popular Restaurant in the Pacific Northwest for 11 consecutive years. Six lucky people will be special guests of Chef Jacky Lo in the private dining room at Wild Ginger's Bravern location in Bellevue. Chef Lo will personally present each dish and explain the origins and methods of preparation. Alcohol and gratuity not included. To be scheduled on a mutually agreeable Sunday or Monday night.

Value: \$750 • Thank you: Wild Ginger

3. Principal for a Day

What kid doesn't want to be principal for a day? Surprise your child and take home this experience. The lucky student will make announcements, conduct classroom visits, make an important proclamation, have lunch with Ms. Bledsoe, and shadow her all day. To be scheduled during a mutually available date.

Value: Priceless • Thank you: Ms. Bledsoe

If you are unable to contribute to the Pledge Drive by attending Las Vegas, 98199 – Casino Night & Fundraiser, please consider contributing to the pledge at www.lawtonelementary.org (paypal button is on the left)

**Coats, Jackets,
Sweatshirts, Sweaters,
Lunchboxes, Hats and...**

...and all the other items you have been wondering about. Where are they?

Could be in the overflowing lost and found! Please make it a point to stop by the lunchroom and reunite with your child's lost apparel.

Building Leadership Team Needs Team Members for 2010/2011 School Year

Parent representatives are needed to serve for the 2010-11 school year on the BLT. This group is charged with collaborative decision making among staff and parents on issues such as budget development, academic achievement planning and professional development. It is a representative model with equal numbers of parents and staff members. The BLT needs three parent members, each serving a two-year term.

If you are interested in applying for a position, you are committing yourself to one monthly meeting with a possible extra meeting when issues arrive that need to be resolved.

Applications must be submitted to the school office by 3:30pm on March 26

(or via e-mail to Bev Clonch at clonch@aol.com), and include a letter indicating:

- The grade your student(s) will be in next school year and if they are Spectrum or Special Needs
- School involvement such as volunteer activities
- Your understanding of consensus decision making
- How you will advocate for the interests of the group of parents you wish to represent while supporting all Lawton students.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact any BLT member: Bev Clonch, Bobby Mullins, Phil Crocker, Lisa Reeves, Lisa Bogen, Margaret Bolger, Kathy Bledsoe, Rich Conner, Carrie Wheeler, Shirley Rybock, Linda Cutler, Lily Ulmer, or Mike Howard.

Thank you,
Bev Clonch – BLT Chair

Parents Night Out Chair needed!

Grade 5 classes are trying to raise funds for Islandwood Camp. A Parents Night Out is being planned and we are looking for one or two Chairs to head the event. Support from PTA and other parents are already in place, so hop on board and head this fun fundraising event. For more information please contact Julie Keaton at: juliekeaton1@comcast.net

It's Yearbook Time

It time to put all the hard work you have put into photographing class moments, field trips, performances, and other Lawton events to extra special use. The yearbook is in production – in color this year – and we want your great pics.

Please send them via email (hi res only) to marla@masterdesign or drop a CD or flash drive into the yearbook mail slot. (I promise to return them.) Don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions. Thank you, Marla Master

DISPLAY SHOWCASE

THIS WEEK

Devin Smith, Room 207 • Dragons

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

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

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in Seattle Public Schools"**

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McClure Tour Dates

1915 1st Avenue W.

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

Wednesday, March 17, 9:00-11:00am
5-8 Focus

Dear Lawton Friends:

Annabelle and I thank all of you with all our hearts for the kindness that you have shown us during this most difficult time. The cards, the food, words and hugs of support have been and are so meaningful. We feel blessed to be a part of such a special and caring community.

Britta & Annabelle Bowman Mohn

Thank you



Its baseball time again!

Its baseball time again! The Magnolia Little League Opening Day parade is scheduled for March 20, 2010. It takes many people to make sure everyone is where they are supposed to be and everything is ready for the big event. If you would like to help us with set up and/or clean up, please call Sandy at 206-301-0171 or Christine at 206-353-7277.

The parade starts at 10:30 and ends at 11:30. There will be an exhibition game right after the parade on the field east of Blaine School. The famous Lawton Choir will be singing the National Anthem before the big opening day pitch! Thank you Elaine Cooper! We will meet in Mid-March to discuss responsibilities. So, have some fun and join us in celebrating another exciting year of Little League Baseball! Thank you!



Every Friday in March come buy your favorite sweet treats afterschool in the cafeteria.

All proceeds benefit the
5th Grade Islandwood trip!
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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

Visiting Author Brenda Z. Guiberson is Coming!

March 16 and 17 will be special at Lawton. Author Brenda Z. Guiberson will visit on those days as part of our Young Writer's Program. She will host an assembly and head small workshops with every class.

Brenda will focus on her research and writing process and the craft of writing nonfiction. Her fascinating books feature non-fiction writing which is Lawton's writing focus at this point in the year.

Many of her books are on display in the library (*please stop by and check them out*) and the four below will be available for purchase during lunchtime and afterschool, signed by the author herself on those two days.

An excerpt from her website:

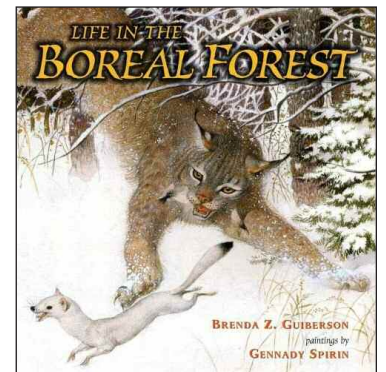
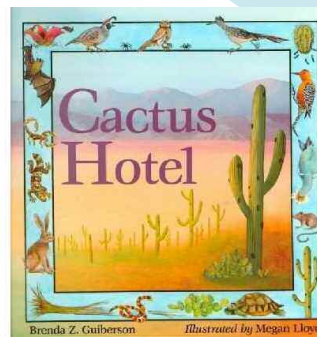
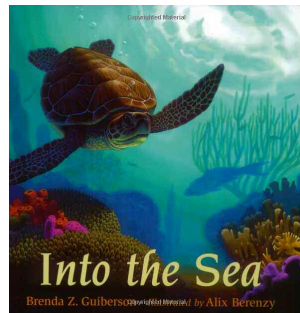
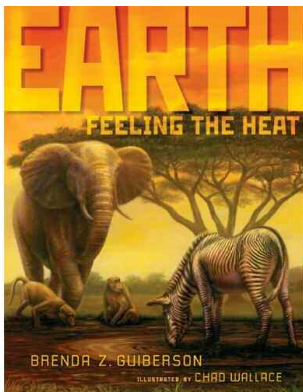
Brenda has been writing and illustrating children's books for over 15 years. Though she did not imagine becoming an author as a child, she did relish the idea of studying animals and exploring remote jungles.

Her fascination with science as a student now shines through as young readers explore everything from chattering rainforests to the inside of a cactus to the solitude of a lighthouse. Brenda's books combine the beauty of language and art with valuable lessons important to our connection not only with each other but the world around us.

Check out more at: www.brendazguiberson.com

A few volunteers are needed to help sell books and facilitate the autographing process for Brenda.

Please contact marla@masterdesign.ca and specify whether you prefer lunchtime or afterschool. Only 1 hour of your time is required!



Earth: Feeling the Heat (<i>hardcover</i>)	ages 4-8	\$18.60
Into the Sea (<i>paperback</i>)	ages 6-10	\$8.75
Cactus Hotel (<i>paperback</i>)	ages 4-8	\$8.75
Life in the Boreal Forest (<i>hardcover</i>)	ages 5-10	\$18.60

Prices include tax. Please make checks payable to Secret Garden.