

# february 2016 newsletter

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## BINGO NIGHT!!!

Bingo night is one of our MOST anticipated nights of the year. It is a fun and **FREE** event for our Evergreen Forest families. Bingo will be held in our gym from 6-8 pm on Friday, February 26. Families can play bingo for free and purchase raffle tickets for a chance to win some fun baskets and prizes.



Volunteers are needed to help secure raffle donations, prepare/wrap baskets, pre-assemble bingo cards, sell/serve concessions, sell raffle tickets and clean up. Click here to sign up: <http://www.evergreenforestptsa.org/volunteer-opportunities.html>. We are asking for donations of raffle items.

Each grade level is collecting items for baskets that will be raffled off at Bingo. We are accepting donations for any of the baskets, which are:

**Kindergarten:** Activity Basket (Jump ropes, bubbles, chalk, etc.)

**1st Grade:** Game Basket (board games, card games, puzzles)

**2nd Grade:** Movie Night Basket

**3rd Grade:** Arts & Crafts Basket

**4th Grade:** Food & Cooking Basket

**5th Grade:** Coffee Tea & Cocoa Basket

Donations should be delivered to your students classroom teacher. However, monetary donations should be brought to the office and labeled Bingo Night Donation/Teacher Name & Grade. Mrs. Hollinger has agreed to provide an extra recess for the grade level with the most donations! Yay!

**TIP: Bring a washable marker or washable dabber to mark your Bingo cards!**

## NEW CALENDAR EVENTS

Feb 1—Mar 31	Yearbooks for Sale
Feb 22—Mar 2	Library Book Drive
Feb 26	Bingo Night
Feb 26—Mar 4	Spirit Wear (2nd Order)
Mar 7—18	Spring Box Top Contest
Mar 28—31	Spring Book Fair

### Do you own a business?

Do you know of a business that would like to donate a raffle prize and be highlighted at Bingo Night and on the PTSA Facebook page, Newsletter and Website? If so, please contact **Karyn Gunderson** at [EFPTSA.Membership@gmail.com](mailto:EFPTSA.Membership@gmail.com).

### **AMAZING** Business donations already submitted:

Dinner's Done Right	(TWO!) \$50 Gift Cards
Ricardo's Restaurant	\$50 Gift Card
Toyota of Olympia	(TWO!) \$50 Mini Details
HOCM	2 Family Passes
Mary Kay— Erica Gaspard	\$80 Basket
Les Schwab	\$90 for an Alignment
John L. Scott—Tiffany Hooper	2 Razor Scooters with Helmets
State Farm Debbie Daniels	\$50 Regal Cinemas Gift Card
Washington Center for the Performing Arts	2 Tickets to any Show
Scentsy—Katrina Oster	\$50 Gift Basket
Charlie Safari	4 Family Packs
Dr. Bo Davidson, DDS	Sonicare for Kids
B& R Flooring	Seahawk Rug (\$150 value)

**DON'T FORGET TO VOTE!**

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**Tuesday,  
February 9th!**



## Yearbook Sales:



The creation of our school yearbook is in full swing. Thank you to everyone who has sent in pictures, especially— **James Brooks** who has been working as a classroom photographer! ANYONE can email a picture of their student(s). This is your chance to submit a special picture and capture that memory! All photos are welcomed and will be considered for our yearbook. But don't forget to identify the child/children in the photo. If you would like to help with this project, please email our yearbook lead **Tiffany Hooper** at [EFPTSAyearbook@gmail.com](mailto:EFPTSAyearbook@gmail.com). Sales will begin Feb. 1st through March 31 and will be on sale at Bingo Night and online. They're fully customizable this year ranging from \$11-soft cover books to a wide variety of hardcover and special additions.

**Library Book Drive:** Did you know that the average age of the books in our library is approximately 20 yrs. old? Many of the popular fiction series books children want to check out are either not available or are scarce and require a long wait time. You may have some of these books at home, collecting dust on your shelves. You can **HELP NOW** by donating those books to our Library! The PTSA will be holding a **BOOK DRIVE** for fiction books from Feb 22<sup>nd</sup>-March 4<sup>th</sup>. Please deliver donated books directly to the library and Mrs. Johnson will select what she would like to keep. Any remaining books will be donated to charity unless you request otherwise. Please click here

<http://www.evergreenforestptsa.org/bookdrive> to see a list of requested fiction books. If you have any questions, please contact our dedicated PTSA Secretary, Becky Lindauer [EFPTSA.Secretary@gmail.com](mailto:EFPTSA.Secretary@gmail.com)

**Spring Book Fair:** The book fair is coming March 29 -31 We are searching for volunteers to help set up, work the book fair and prepare the fair for pick up. If you are interested in helping, contact **Lisa Beckley** at [EFPTSA.Bookfair@gmail.com](mailto:EFPTSA.Bookfair@gmail.com) or sign up via our website: <http://www.evergreenforestptsa.org/book-fair>

**Box Top Contest:** Our second round of Box Tops will be collected in the month of March so now is a good time to start saving them. This effort raises money for our school. The top two classes earn a reward from the

PTSA. We will need volunteers to collect and count the Box Tops as well as delivering treats to the winning classrooms.

**Spirit Wear:** It's BACK! For the second (and final) time of this school year, families and staff will be able to order Evergreen Forest logo "spirit wear". Spirit wear is offered twice a year. We have transitioned into an entirely online ordering process with our local vendor Budd Bay. Ordering information will be provided at Bingo Night and also sent home to the families soon. Volunteers will be needed to distribute the spirit wear orders.

## EVENT UPDATES

**Holiday Luncheon:** The PTSA put on a holiday luncheon for the teachers and staff of our school on December 16. A huge THANK YOU to Sandy Sander for coordinating this event and to the volunteers who baked, cooked and helped. We had very happy (and full!) teachers and staff.

**Snowflake Run:** The weather cleared up just in time for our Snowflake Run! Kids had a wonderful time, got some exercise and were treated to yummy DUTCH BROS. hot chocolate!

**A HUGE thank you to DUTCH BROS.,** our invaluable Partner In Education (PIE Partner) Please make sure to stop by this wonderful coffee stand and thank them for being such a great supporter of Evergreen Forest!



## PTSA NEWS

**Treasurer Position Open:** “Wanted” 2016/2017 Treasurer. Our wonderful Treasurer, Dawne Chisa will have fulfilled her two year term at the end of this school year and we will need to vote a new Treasurer in at the General Membership Meeting on 4/18/16. If you are interested, please contact our PTSA Presidents @ [EFPTSA.President@gmail.com](mailto:EFPTSA.President@gmail.com)


**Meeting Announcement:** Please mark your calendar for the next & FINAL General Membership PTSA meeting Agenda items: 4/18/2016, 6:00-7:00 in the school library. This is a **very important meeting** as we will be voting on PTSA Budget and a new Treasurer for the 2016/2017 school year.

### **Member of the Month: Sandy Sander!!**

A big thank you to Sandy for coordinating the Holiday Luncheon, it was a big success and we had very happy teachers and staff. Sandy will be searching for help again this Spring as she coordinates our Staff Appreciation week. Stay tuned for more details on how YOU can help!

**Membership Update:** We are accepting new members throughout the year. Remember you don't have to attend meetings to be part of the PTSA, but we always welcome your presence and input. To download a membership form, go to the website, <http://www.evergreenforestptsa.org> . We have reached the Gold Status as a school!! The Gold Membership re-

quirement is a 10% increase over last year's total paid PTSA members. Last year we had 67 members, this year we have almost double that at 125 members. The next deadline in March is for the Platinum Membership Level. We have already met that requirement as well (20% increase over last year's total paid members). Way to go Evergreen Forest team!!

**Member Benefits:** Perfect for our busy Evergreen families—January's PTSA member benefit highlight is Boxed.com! 

Boxed delivers bulk size groceries, household, classroom essentials, kids' products and more at low prices with no membership fees (that's right, no membership fees!). Shop online at [Boxed.com](http://boxed.com) or on your phone or tablet using the free Boxed app for everything from pantry essentials, snacks and drinks, to soap, shampoo and sunscreen. Save money, time and gas by shopping at Boxed! PTA members get 15% off + free shipping on your first order (and most orders ship free after that too). Email [Jodi Helton](mailto:Jodi.Helton) at [EFPTSA.Newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:EFPTSA.Newsletter@gmail.com) for the coupon code.

### **Children's Dental Health Month:**

February is Dental Health Month and they are doing free dental screenings the Hands on Children's Museum every Saturday in February as well as the evening on Friday, February 5th, which is FREE Friday night .



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## **SPRING FLING CANCELED!**

Unfortunately, the Spring Fling Event scheduled for April 29th, has been canceled due to the inability to identify a committee chair and volunteers. We are sorry we won't be able to offer this event this year but we are hopeful that a chair and volunteer committee will sign up for next year.

## FIELD DAY

The PTSA is working with Mr. Tanner to plan a very fun Field Day Event on 6/10/2016. We will need many volunteers for this event to be successful. This is always a great event for our dads to get involved. The kids love seeing family members helping out during this event. Michael Blondin and James Brooks have agreed to assist Mr. Tanner with the planning of this event. If you would like to help, contact Mr. Tanner. If you would like to volunteer at the event, please sign up today <http://www.evergreenforestptsa.org/volunteer-opportunities.html>

## DO YOU WANT MORE INFO?

**1. Volunteer Spot:** To see current school-wide opportunities (Bingo Night, Mrs. Kukas's classroom, Book Fair, Staff Appreciation Week, Yearbook photography, Field Day, etc.) click the link: <http://www.evergreenforestptsa.org/volunteer-opportunities.html> and then click the "VolunteerSpot" button. Please make sure if you would like to volunteer at a school event that you have a current application on file with the district.

**2. Facebook:** Search for Evergreen Forest PTSA and "Like" us. The more people we have using our page the more often you will see our posts and stay up to date on Events and Activities. (Facebook limits what is included in your news feeds based on activity).

While you are out on Facebook, don't forget to like the Evergreen Forest Elementary school page as well.

**3. Email Alerts:** If you would like to "OPT-IN" to receive timely event notifications about our fun school events, please click here: <http://www.evergreenforestptsa.org/contact-us.html>.

## Give Back to Evergreen Forest –

Link your Amazon, Target Red, Haggen, or Fred Meyer Rewards cards, and you can earn money for Evergreen Forest each time you use it! Click on the link [HERE http://www.evergreenforestptsa.org/fundraising-activities.html](http://www.evergreenforestptsa.org/fundraising-activities.html) to sign up.

### SPOTLIGHT ON YOUR PTSA LEADERS:

#### **Dawne Chisa, Treasurer:**



My name is Dawne Chisa, I am the treasurer for Evergreen Forest PTSA. This is my second year in this position. My daughter Emily, is in the 8th Grade at Nisqually Middle School and my son Tyler is in 4th Grade at Evergreen Forest. My family is very busy with club volleyball for Emily and Tyler plays baseball in the spring and fall. We enjoy hanging out with my parents at their house on Long Lake, especially in the summer time. Feel free to get in touch with Dawne at: [EFPTSA.Treasurer@gmail.com](mailto:EFPTSA.Treasurer@gmail.com)

### \*\*\*\*\*WANTED\*\*\*\*\*



**Mr. Woods** is still searching for Legos. He uses Legos for positive reinforcement in his classroom. If you have some you would like to donate, please bring them to the office.

**Mrs. Oas:** Kleenex, washable tempera paint, crayons, markers, colored pencils, string, zip lock bags (any size), old board games and 3 ring binders (1 inch flex poly). Please drop items to at the office labeled "Mrs. Oas". Thank you!!!!

**Clothing Needed:** Our health room is gladly accepting donations of gently used clothing. Especially needed are donations of pants! Sweat pants, stretchy leggings, etc. work best as they fit a wide range of shapes and sizes. They also need socks, belts and underwear. Donations can be left in the health room.

For more detailed information on these events please visit:

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