

Falcon Flyer

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We Need You for Next Year's PTSA!

Do you know someone with enthusiasm for enriching education for Carson students? Perhaps you know someone with untapped leadership qualities, or someone who wants to get involved with PTSA, meet new people, make new friends and have fun organizing Carson PTSA projects and activities. If so, that person may be the perfect candidate for serving on Carson's PTSA Executive Committee next year.

Everyone is welcome to volunteer for these positions - you may even nominate yourself - and no experience is necessary! Executive Committee positions include: President(s), Treasurer, Secretary, Executive VP, VP Communications, VP Expenditures, VP Fundraising, VP Before and After School Programs and VP Social Events.

So make this the year that you get involved in Carson's PTSA! Begin by clicking [here](#) to learn about the responsibilities of each position. Then contact a member of our Nominating Committee with your questions and nominations: [Livi Carpenter](#), [Heidi Sutter](#), [Vivi Turkoglu](#), and [Mary Lipinsky](#)

Calling all Carson Bakers

Carson Art Walk will be held on March 8th, 6:30 - 8:00pm, and we're looking for baked goods donations. Please email [Laura Wahlquist](#) with your donations. All money raised will directly benefit the Imagine Art Program.

Rachel Carson McTeacher Staff Night

This event will take place on Wednesday, March 7th from 5:00 - 8:00PM at Sammamish McDonald's. Come see Rachel Carson staff serving it up at the Sammamish McDonald's to help raise money for our Pennies for Patients campaign. McDonald's will donate 20% of the overall profits to the organization as well as 100% of all cookie sales (CASH only for cookies, please). There will be music throughout the night and a big SURPRISE that you won't want to miss! Click [here](#) for more.

Author Derek Munson Coming to Carson

The Carson Assembly Committee is delighted to announce that our PTSA is providing another great event for our Falcons. Author Derek Munson will join us on February 28 to give four presentations discussing his book, Enemy Pie and his writing process. Enemy Pie has been translated into four languages, sold over 120,000 copies, is in its 16th printing, and has garnered countless awards nationwide. His four presentations will be geared toward grade levels and one lucky group of 30 students (selected by student interest and lottery) will join a writer's workshop with this talented dynamic writer and presenter.

If you are interested in purchasing a personalized autographed copy of Enemy Pie, complete the [attached form](#) with exactly \$16.00 in cash or check

and send with your child to school by February 15th.

Thanks again to our fabulous PTSA for providing another wonderful experience for our Falcons! *Tina Ullom, Teacher-Librarian*

Ms. Cronin's Falcon News

Click [here](#) to read Ms. Cronin's February 10 issue of Falcon News.

The Health Room Needs Your Help

We urgently need volunteers for the Health Room from 11:00 to 12:30 daily. No experience is necessary - if you are a parent you can work in the Health Room - and we are also here to help. Anyone interested can email [Janet McPhillips](#) or call at 425-936-2750. Thanks! *Janet McPhillips*

Caught in the Act: Birthday Book Club Donations

More Carson families have been "caught in the act" of being generous and donating brand new wonderful books to our library in the months of December and January. Thanks so much to Erin K., Emma D., Emma W., William H., Brian D., Sarah K., Natalie N., Henry H., Caroline J., Marla S., Tyler M. Connor P., Srinthi S., Raegan R., and Ryan M. for helping to build our library collection. Photos of these students and their fabulous book donations are posted on our Birthday Book Club Wall in the library.

If you would like more information about our Birthday Book Club, check out the [Rachel Carson Library link](#) and click on Programs and Events.

Thanks so much for celebrating reading and our spectacular Carson Library.
Tina Ullom, Teacher-Librarian

Math Gone Crazy at Carson

"Math gone crazy!" "Hilarious!" "Awesome!" "Zany!" These are just a few of the comments coming from Falcons who were lucky enough to enjoy the performances of toy inventor Rick Hartman. Students sat mesmerized as they watched Hartman create exciting contraptions, including a 10-foot robot, while integrating mathematic concepts such as problem solving, place value, patterns, measurement, and area.

Thank you to our wonderful PTSA for providing this exciting math enrichment program for our Falcons. *Tina Ullom, Teacher-Librarian*



Mark Your Calendar

Feb. 16-17: No school, mid-winter break

Feb. 20: No school, Presidents Day

March 7: Rachel Carson McTeacher Staff Night, 5:00 - 8:00pm, Sammamish McDonald's

March 8: Carson Art Walk, 6:30 - 8:00pm, Carson Commons

March 16: No school. LEAP Day
April 2-6: No school, Spring Break

Carson PTSA electronically distributes the Falcon Flyer to all Carson families and other interested parties each Sunday throughout the school year. This newsletter links you to the Carson PTSA Website -- your source for Carson PTSA news and information. Please submit article requests to Mary Lipinsky and Marilyn Bontrager, Carson PTSA Co-VPs of Communication. Submission deadline is each Wednesday at noon.

Our mission is to support and serve the Rachel Carson Elementary School and Community, and promote the wellness, safety, education, and enrichment of all children. Thank you for supporting Carson PTSA!

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