

Horizon PTO



June 2018



2018 YEAR IN REVIEW

PTO had a very busy year filling teacher funding requests, providing student events, and showing appreciation to the Horizon teachers and staff for all they do. Here are just some of the items PTO was able to purchase/fund because of your support. Thank you!

- * Alternative classroom seating
- * Books, books and more books!
- * STEM items for classrooms
- * JA Biztown for all 5th graders
- * Reflex Math fluency program for all students!
- * Rollers skates for PE programs
- * Awesome fall sock hop!
- * T-shirts for all students
- * Classroom shelving for books
- * Supplies for school nurse
- * *Wonder* movie outing for all 4th graders
- * Summer reading program
- * Appreciation events for teachers!
- * Field Day
- * BINGO night!
- * Ice cream social
- * Skating parties
- * Fine Arts Night fun!
- * PE items
- * OSMO Equipment
- * Horizon Reads

AND SO MANY MORE!!!!

BOX TOP CHAMPS

Thank you to everyone who saved, clipped, and turned in box tops! Mrs. Svestka's kindergarten class won the contest and celebrated with a popcorn party! Our Spring collection brought in \$267, making our total for the year over \$1,000! Those little rectangles add up! Keep saving this summer and watch for the first contest in October.

A special thanks to our box top cutting team: Reagan Taylor, Emily Crain, Julie Kosman, Christie Steinbock, Lindsay Wierson, and Kayla Bousum.

A super-duper thank you to our retiring box top coordinator, Julie Tutaj!

We love you, Box Top Julie!!



2018-2019 HORIZON PTO BOARD ANNOUNCED

After several months on the campaign trail (just kidding, but it does make me giggle to picture this!), our new PTO board members have been voted into office!! A huge thank you to these volunteers who offered to help lead PTO in another successful year of supporting teachers, students, and families!!

President: Christie Steinbock
Vice-President: Nicole Nowinski
Treasurer: Missy Collins
Secretary: Claire Mattan

BINGO Thanks!

Our fourth-annual Bingo night was a huge success! Thanks to all the families who attended...these events are successful because of YOU!! The Horizon PTO would like to thank all of our volunteers for this event! Many people helped by donating a food/drink item, letting us use a table, or helping out during set-up and/or clean up! Thank you to: Lindsay Wierson, Katie Coen, Julie Kosman, Michelle Bryngelson, Emily Crain, Alyson Erickson, Leah Tokheim, Shawna Lode, Leah Beeman, Christie Steinbock, Lurae Zavalla, Nancy Gragg, Leslie Mentele, Sherri Gezel, Jenny Kronlage, Becca Johnson, Jacque Feuerhelm, Meggan Boyle, Brooke Hakert, Grace Chow, Julia Richards, Suzy Brewer, Brooklyn Dilley, Logan Haller, and Anelise Gebard! We would also like to thank our amazing Bingo callers for the evening: Susan Adair, Betsy Burkhardt, Lindsey Cornwell, and Kristen Merkle— you all did an amazing job! Thanks for taking time out of your busy schedules to bring smiles to the faces of our Horizon kiddos! You are awesome!! Thank you to the Edwards family for supplying the sugar...Horizon LOVES your cotton candy!! You are so generous to donate 50% of your profits to the PTO – thank you! Thank you to Kohl's for bringing a wonderful group of willing volunteers AND for awarding us a \$500 grant for the event! Jodi Kenneally, your team is amazing and we can't thank you enough!! AND a huge thanks to Stacey at Texas Roadhouse for bringing delicious rolls and yummy butter for us to sell!! We are so grateful for ALL of YOU!



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TEACHER MEAL DURING CONFERENCES

During conferences, Horizon teachers were treated to a lasagna dinner, complete with breadsticks, salad, and LOTS of delicious treats!! This meal is appreciated by the staff so much, and we are grateful to those of you who donated and/or helped set up!

Thanks to: Jenny Kronlage, Debra Ayres, Nancy Gragg, Sherri Gezel, Lindsay Wierson, Shawna Lode, Christie Steinbock, Wendy Lambert, Leah Tokheim, Emily Crain, Pam Shroyer, Becca Johnson, Leslie Mentele, Katie Coen, Kristina Lacour, and Michelle Bryngelson.

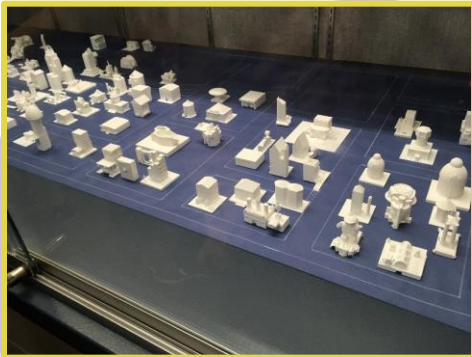
GARDENERS NEEDED

Our school gardeners have graduated out or moved away. We are in need of a few people to help maintain the learning garden on the east side of the building (facing the playground) and the butterfly garden in the middle of the building. We have notes from the previous gardener on maintenance. We are also starting to work with Master Gardeners for additional help/resources/ideas. If you're interested, please contact Christie at wearehorizonpto@gmail.com.

A big THANK YOU to Jill Boom, Nancy Gragg, Nicole Nowinski, and Reagan Taylor for their help with weeding the gardens earlier in June!

FRIENDS OF HORIZON

We have several families who take advantage of their employer's giving program to support Horizon Elementary PTO. Their contributions have had a tremendous impact on what we are able to provide for our teachers and students. We just want to say THANK YOU to those who are able to use these programs to support Horizon Elementary PTO!



ORIGINAL WORKS

The Original Works fundraiser was a huge success this year raising over \$1,800 for the Art Department! The Art Department depends on this fundraiser each year to purchase art supplies for our students. Thank you for your support! A special thanks to Jill Boom, Meggan Boyle, Jacque Feuerhelm, Abbey Gilroy, Nancy Gragg, Linda Hennings, and Michelle Krebs for helping process the orders.

GARDEN FUNDRAISER

Holub Garden Center hosted our annual garden fundraiser this year. The funds are used to maintain the schools two gardens: the learning garden on the east side of the building (facing the playground) and the butterfly garden in the middle of the building. Any additional funds are used to fill teacher funding requests. Thank you to Reagan Taylor for coordinating this great fundraiser.



FINE ARTS NIGHT

Horizon's 2018 Fine Arts Night started off with some excitement this year- A tornado warning was issued right as the first families were arriving!! Before touring students' artwork, families were asked to spend some time taking shelter in the library until the warning was over. Thirty minutes later, the art show officially began! Art teachers Mr. Schwanebeck and Mr. Copeland were pleased that so many families attended and enjoyed the art show. PTO supported this event with drinks, cupcakes and supplies for a "dotted bench" community art project. A special thank-you to Natasha Wheeler and her family for coordinating everything!

TEACHER APPRECIATION

During the week of May 7, Horizon PTO celebrated Teacher Appreciation Week by pampering the Horizon staff with some of their favorites! The week included: a special charm with Horizon's latitude/longitude coordinates on it, breakfast from Nothing Bundt Cakes, a snack cart, cold drinks, a meal catered and PAID FOR by Texas Roadhouse, and a popcorn bar! Thanks to all of your donations, this week was very special for all of the Horizon staff...they truly felt the LOVE!!! These people donated items: Katie Coen, Courtney Anderson, Kayla Bousum, Nancy Gragg, Kim Becker, Alyson Erickson, Natasha Wheeler, Abbey Gilroy, Sandy Chan, Debra Ayres, Emily Crain, Wendy Lambert, Laura O'Brien, Megan Thorpe, Christie Steinbock, Meggan Boyle, Michelle Bryngelson, Jenny Kronlage, Pam Shroyer, Leslie Mentele, Leah Tokheim, Jacque Feuerhelm, Kari Uhl, Emily Helming, and Brooke Hakert - thank you for your contributions, they were perfect!!



FIELD DAY

Thursday, May 17th was a B-E-A-U-tiful day for a field day!! Thank you to Mrs. Roquet and her wonderful set-up team for planning an unforgettable event! And thanks to Mrs. Brownell and Mrs. Mehls in the office for all of the help preparing ID badges for our volunteers! PTO supported field day this year by renting inflatables and donating money for busing. But, field day would not be possible without the help from all of our wonderful parent volunteers - THANK YOU for taking the time to come and volunteer!! We are so grateful for your time and energy!! These people signed up to lead a game or supervise an activity: Robert Poche, Kim and Matt Becker, Zach Oden, Jenny Kronlage, Diane Fine-Anderson, Nick Anderson, Ann-Marie Welge, Tiffany DeBoef, Jody Melcher, Jen Cowman, Stacy Olsasky, Shawn Olsasky, Amy Hunt, Kylie Jackson, Damon Jackson, Jess Helland, Megan Okesson, Angi Harris, Pam Shroyer, Rob Shroyer, Katie Coen, Christie Ahrens, Wendy Srnec, Teodora Cvejovic, Christie Steinbock, Yvonne Girard, Leah Beeman, Missy Jensen, Aaron Anderson, Andy Adair, Bryan Burkhardt, Lindsay Wierson, Ana Maldonado, Jon Beeman, Ross Jensen, Natasha Wheeler, Nicole Nowinski, Gopi Goteti, Melanie Boughton, Melissa and Derek McDaniel, Patti Brinkmeyer, Reagan Taylor, Jill and Ryan Hoff, Michelle Bryngelson, Tammie and David Marshall, Jacque Feuerhelm, Joel Noble, Christy Williams, Jennifer Howard, Mary Yeoman, Beth Amspaugh, Deedra Ahrens, Ashley Ahrens, Betsy Hansen, Tonia Jackson, Rod Strom, Shane Larsen, Ginny Peters, Katie Berkley, Laura O'Brien, Kim Magaski, Ross Fallon, Nejra Vrsbic, Heidi Lewis, Nicole Cowell, David Bredehoeft, Courtney Anderson, Sharon Kalb, Lori and Adam Troyer, Keri Nelson, Jennifer Briles, Trevor McGinnis, Kayla Bousum, Leslie Mentele, Angela Rosenboom, Jarod Haxton, Claire Mattan, Gary Teague, Sara Moore, James Potter, Bevin Potter, Jessica McGinnis, Kari Uhl, Henry Altamirano, Britta Wey, Emily Crain, Tony Magalski, Kevin Hakert, Sherri Gezel, Jennifer McGuine, Beth Martindale, and Kelly Kenney. That's a LOT of people!! THANK YOU again...it was a GREAT day!!

