



# MARY WALKER

## SCHOOL DISTRICT No. 207

### ELEMENTARY ELEMENTS

Kindergarten and 1st-grade students visited the Ford Fish Hatchery recently, prior to watching hatchery workers fill the Springdale pond (Lucky Duck Pond) full of fish. Students learned about the life-cycle of the fish, from eggs to adulthood.



Springdale is a cleaner town with less litter following the hard work of Springdale Elementary students on Earth Day. Teachers in each class picked a section of Springdale to clean-up, then supervised their students during the process. Students could be seen throughout the town using their plastic litter bags and wearing their sanitary gloves.



Students returned the garbage to a grassy area in front of the Elementary building. Students in one 5th-grade class sorted the garbage into different recyclable piles such as cardboard or metal. Adult volunteers then hauled the recyclables and garbage to the proper disposal areas.



Prior to the clean-up day, students spent some time in their classrooms learning about the importance of Earth Day, and participating in various Earth Day learning activities. Taking good care of our environment was stressed.

In other news, students have been busily preparing for the upcoming annual State-sponsored, Measurement of Student Progress (MSP) tests. Classroom celebrations have been held as students met learning goals and objectives set by teachers in preparation for the testing.



**DID YOU KNOW ...**  
**The Annual FFA Plant Sale Has**  
**Been Re-scheduled?**

Due to cooler-than-anticipated weather, it was necessary to re-schedule this year's Plant Sale to May 13-15.

## HIGH SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

Mary Walker High School's CTE (Career and Technical Education) Department has been very busy and is gearing up for some exciting activities.

- The Technology and Industry Department has put their knowledge to work tuning-up and fixing a variety of power equipment for people within the community. Recently, students in this program represented MWHS in Renton, WA. at the State SkillsUSA competition in both Power Equipment Technology and Motorcycle Repair. Brighton Erickson placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in State in the Power Equipment Technology, and Jonathan Jacobsen was the State Champion in Motorcycle Repair, earning himself a trip to Kansas City this Summer for the National Competition - as well as an \$8,500.00 scholarship to attend Wyoming Tech next Fall.
- The Business Education Department is working extremely hard to once again develop the HS yearbook while continuing to update curriculum and computers in our business lab.
- Our Family and Consumer Science Department introduced two new classes this year in REAL and Fashion, creating a lot of excitement. Students in this program recently attended the FCCLA State conference; two groups received a gold standard at the State level for their projects, and one earned the right to attend the National Competition in Nashville, TN.
- The Agriculture Education Department has is busy in the greenhouse raising and growing plants for the upcoming annual FFA Plant Sale. They also added a new CNC Plasma Table in the Shop which will allow students to learn computer-aided design using a CAD software program that 'directs' the table in cutting out whatever is needed. They are also in the final stages of constructing a new state-of-the-art aquaculture system and hope to have it up and running before the end May in order to begin raising fish during the 2013-2014 school year. The system consists of three 1200-gallon tanks and will allow students to raise and process about a 1000 fish per year. This lab will be available to students K-12, and will provide a great learning opportunity in areas of math, science and various other subjects. Some students in this program will be attending the State FFA competition, competing in Job Interview, Prepared Public Speaking and First Year CDE. Callan Ward will be receiving his State FFA degree, and Mikala Presho will be running for a State FFA office.



We are very proud of our CTE programs and the opportunities they provide for our students. But, most of all, we are excited for and proud of our students - your children, your neighbors, your future leaders! So, come on out to our annual CTE Carnival, Friday, May 30th for excitement and fun activities—our students look forward to, and deserve this time of community spirit.

# WINNERS EVERYWHERE ! CONGRATULATIONS, ALL !

Stay up-to-date by visiting our web site ([www.marywalkker.org](http://www.marywalkker.org)). Don't forget to "Like" us on Facebook.



Family and Consumer Science: Eilish Smith and Sonia Vanisi took Gold in the Illustrated Talks category, and will represent MWSD at Nationals. Brooklyn Hubert, Josie Peone and Justice Lodge also took Gold in the Interpersonal Communications category.

**Springdale FFA Plant Sale**  
**May 13-15th**

**13th: 7am-5pm**  
**14th: 7am-4pm**  
**15th: 8am-3pm**

**Largest variety of hanging baskets around!**

- 12" Mixed hanging baskets
- 12" Wave baskets
- Huge selection of bedding plants
- Large variety of tomatoes
- Vegetables & Herbs

More info, contact Matt Otnes @ 258-4714

Technology and Industry:  
 Jonathan Jacobsen placed 1st in the Motorcycle Service Technology category, and won an \$8,500 scholarship to Wyoming Tech as well as \$500 worth of tools. Brighton Erickson placed 2nd in the Power Equipment Technology category, and won \$250 worth of tools.



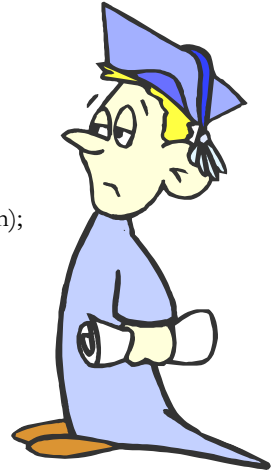
Congratulations to Springdale Elementary 5th-grade student Makala Norris, whose poster was chosen to represent WA State in the recent "National Missing Children's Day Poster Contest." Makala's poster can be viewed online during the next year at the National Missing Children's website ([www.missingkids.com](http://www.missingkids.com)).



**UPCOMING EVENTS** (schedules subject to change)

**May 2013**

- 10 ~ Snow Day (No School)
- 13, 14, 15 ~ FFA Plant Sale (\*\*NEW DATES\*\*)
- 15 ~ Regular School Board Meeting (6:30pm; HS Library)
- 16, 17 ~ 8th Grade Trip to Seattle
- 22 ~ Kindergarten Registration Opens; Orientation (10:00am);  
Elementary School Concert (evening)
- 27 ~ Memorial Day (No School)
- 29 ~ Family Fun Night
- 29, 30, 31 ~ PTO Book Fair
- 31 ~ PreSchool Graduation (10:00am);  
Carnival (4:00 to 7:00pm)



**June 2013**

- 1 ~ High School Graduation (11:00am)
- 4 ~ Middle School Promotion &  
8th Grade Graduation (7:00pm)
- 5 ~ Kindergarten Graduation (1:00pm)
- 7 ~ Early Release (Last Day of School) **\*\*Tentative\*\***
- 17 ~ Regular School Board Meeting (6:30pm; HS Library)



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