



# What's Up at Washington



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## Calendar

Friday, January 22  
**50's Family Fun Night**

Friday, January 29  
**Class Pictures**

**Jump Rope Club**

**Deadline to Send in  
Photos for Yearbook**  
([laurie.k.way@gmail.com](mailto:laurie.k.way@gmail.com))

Monday, February 1  
**Deadline to Order  
\$23 Yearbooks**  
([jostensyearbooks.com](http://jostensyearbooks.com))

Thursday, February 4  
**PTA General Meeting**  
6:30 pm

Monday, February 8  
**PTA Board Meeting**  
6:30 pm

Saturday, February 13  
**Get the Lead Out**  
8am-1pm  
**Longfellow Middle School**  
([www.norman.k12.ok.us/502/GLO2010.htm](http://www.norman.k12.ok.us/502/GLO2010.htm))

## **50's Family Fun Night Tomorrow Night**

Tomorrow night is our annual 50's Family Fun Night! To help with crowd control, we separate the evening into pre-K-2nd ( from 6-7 pm), and 3rd-5th ( from 7-8 pm). Of course families with children in both sessions are welcome to attend all evening. *Parents please note that drop-offs are not allowed- you must attend with your child!* Chick-fil-A will be served starting at 5:15 pm for those who pre-ordered. Concessions will be sold throughout the evening. 50's attire is encouraged- but certainly not required! **Come cut a rug!**

### Pre-K - 2nd

6:00-6:10 Twist contest  
6:10-6:20 Bubblegum contest  
6:20-6:35 Hula-hoop contest  
6:35-6:45 Elvis contest  
6:45-7:00 Everybody dance!



### 3rd-5th

7:15-7:25 Twist contest  
7:25-7:35 Bubblegum contest  
7:35-7:50 Hula-hoop contest  
7:50-8:00 Elvis contest  
8:00-8:15 Everybody dance!

## **Jump One, Jump All**

**Our next Jump Rope Club meeting will be next Friday, January 29th from 3:00-3:30pm.** All ages- kindergarten through 5th grade- are welcome. Please bring your own jump rope if you can. Please make sure you arrive promptly at 3:30pm to pick up your child.

Please email Gina Fowler at [bgfowler@cox.net](mailto:bgfowler@cox.net) or Samantha Carmen at [bobbyandsamcarmen@yahoo.com](mailto:bobbyandsamcarmen@yahoo.com) with questions.

## **Isn't it Exciting!**

The playground equipment has been delivered! We are still ironing out the details regarding the installation specifics, but we will need some strong, construction-minded individuals to help erect our exciting new toy! Stay tuned for more info!

## **Washington's 20th Birthday Celebration**

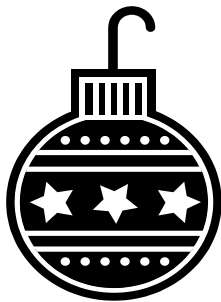
**Festivities celebrating the 20th Anniversary of Washington Elementary are scheduled for Friday, March 5th.** The children and faculty will attend a special assembly that day at 1:30 p.m. Afterward each class will celebrate in their classroom, so please coordinate with your child's teacher or Homeroom Partners to help with cupcakes, etc. ( more information is coming...) A celebration for the community will be held that evening at Washington beginning at 6:00 p.m. Please pass the word to family and friends who are former Washington Eagles! Please contact Beth York at [byork@norman.k12.ok.us](mailto:byork@norman.k12.ok.us) or 366-5984 if you have questions. *We'd love to have you there!*

## WHAT'S UP AT WASHINGTON

### *Washington's Work Goes to D.C.*

For over 15 years Washington Elementary has been the only school in the state of Oklahoma to decorate the "Oklahoma Christmas Tree" on the Pathway of Peace, (on the Ellipse lawn, south of the White House), in Washington D.C. Our 4th grade classes choose a design to represent the specific culture of our state and create 51 ornaments to decorate our Oklahoma tree. One of these ornaments is then placed on the National Christmas Tree, along with 49 others, one from each state.

*This year the 4th grade students from Mr. Cook's and Ms. Keener's classes focused on the OKC Bombing Memorial. Their designs, consisting of Origami chairs (representing the "Field of Empty Chairs") and Origami cranes (symbolizing hope) placed inside clear balls, will be on this year's 2010 tree ( they make the ornaments a year ahead of time.) **It is truly an honor for the work of our Washington students to be a part of the prestigious Pageant of Peace ceremony.** Thanks to the Washington PTA for sponsoring the materials, postage, etc. for the ornaments!*



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### **Enrichment News and Opportunities**

- The Wilson Scholastic Chess Open will be next Saturday 23 January at Oklahoma State University Student Center in Oklahoma City. For more information, registration form and a map to the location, click on the tournament link at the top of the OSCO home page at [www.okschess.org](http://www.okschess.org).
- Reminder- ***Get the Lead Out*** is a festival of workshops ( writing, art, etc.) for **4th- 8th grade students** who love to read. **The event is scheduled for February 13<sup>th</sup> at Longfellow Middle School from 8 am- 1pm.** Please look for more information at [www.norman.k12.ok.us/502/GLO2010.htm](http://www.norman.k12.ok.us/502/GLO2010.htm).
- **Start planning your experiment or invention for our annual Science & Invention Fair scheduled for May 18th this year!**
- You can still sign up to participate in **Rocking Around the World at Washington Multi-Cultural Night scheduled for Thursday, April 1 from 6-7 pm.** Please contact **Mrs. Falsarella with questions or to sign up at [carellf@norman.k12.ok.us](mailto:carellf@norman.k12.ok.us)** or by note. Please mention the culture/ country that you would be representing. Thus far we have responses representing the following: Korea, The Netherlands, Nigeria, Mexico, Singapore, Ghana, India, and Arab culture.

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