

## News From Thoreau PTO

### **Fundraisers:**

#### **Tico Trot 2018**

Thank you for your support!

The Thoreau Elementary PTO would like to extend a sincere thank you to everyone who supported this year's Tico Trot. Through your generosity, our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Tico Trot fundraiser raised over \$17,000. Although the online fundraiser is finished, please remember that it's not too late to send in a cash or check donation!

As promised, a significant portion of the proceeds will fund literacy engagement programs throughout the 2018/2019 school year. Just this fall, the PTO funded both a writing workshop in the 4<sup>th</sup> grade classrooms in collaboration with Theater LILA and a poetry residency for the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classrooms with Fabu Carter, Madison's poet laureate from 2008 until 2011. And there is much more yet to come! Engaging programs such as these enrich the quality of the education each child receives at Thoreau and couldn't be offered without your help.

The response from the Thoreau community has been overwhelming and we are excited about the difference these funds will make in creating new opportunities for our students and sustaining the quality events, programs and financial contributions the PTO provides to Thoreau. We look forward to keeping you apprised of the many wonderful things happening at Thoreau and to our continued partnership!

If you have any feedback about this year's event or suggestions/ideas for next year's Tico Trot, please feel free to email Alexa Wautier at [anpaliwal@hotmail.com](mailto:anpaliwal@hotmail.com).



**Grocery Card Sale Returns:** The Thoreau PTO continues to sell grocery cards again this year as a fundraiser. Cards will be available from Woodman's and the Willy St. Coop and the PTO will keep 5% of each Woodman's card sold and 9% of each Willy St. card sold (cards available in \$50 and \$100). Paper order forms are available in the school office or you can print out order forms in [Arabic](#), [English](#) or [Spanish](#). Thank you for your continued support of the Thoreau PTO.

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## Calendar

**PTO General Meetings:** Are you interested in volunteering or becoming an active participant in the PTO? Come to our meeting, **Tuesday December 11th [Thoreau Library](#)** 6:30-8 pm!

### Fall Meeting schedule:

- December 11th

### Important Dates:

**November 21- 23:** No School Thanksgiving Break

**December 16:** Holiday Concert at Barnes and Noble, 1 pm

**December 21:** Sparkle Day - last day before Winter Break

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**Let's Get Connected!**

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