

## ***A Little History about Apollo***

Before it received the name of Apollo Elementary, our school was known as "Elementary No. 8," the nameless child of the Issaquah School District.

\$1,201,550.88 was budgeted for construction of the school. The David A. Mowat Company was named general contractor, United Plumbing and Heating was awarded the mechanical contract and the electrical contractor was Blue Streak Electric.



In the search for a name for the new school, the name "Apollo" was offered as kind of a joke. The school librarian decided to do a little research on the name and discovered that as well as being a symbol for light, music, poetry and youth, the legendary Greek god of this name also stood for learning and great wisdom.

Likewise, as a connection with events of the times, the ground for Apollo Elementary was broken on the same day as the Apollo 12 space mission departed for the moon.

Apollo Elementary School was dedicated in September, 1970.

Then in the school year of 1995/1996 the school underwent a major renovation. The main east/west outside corridor was enclosed, incorporating a brand new library media center. The old library was converted into a computer lab. A completely new building was constructed in the courtyard for a music building and the gym was enlarged into a new gym and multipurpose room, complete with a new stage.

## ***A "Then" and "Now" Tour at Apollo***



**Apollo opened its doors September, 1970**



**A walk up the entrance June, 2001**



**Outside courtyard looking at old library entrance...**



**Is now enclosed and looks at new computer lab!**



**The courtyard, looking toward the fifth grade wing.**



**Same courtyard, same fifth grade, new library!**



**Across the courtyard to the gym and playground.**



**Our new music room.**



**West playground with first grade on the right.**



**The same view. Look how the trees have grown!**



**Bird's eye view of when the school was new. The remodel brought a new music room and new library.**