



Wilson Spotlight

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NOTE: The next Spotlight will go out on Saturday, March 14, so please send updates for Spotlight by Friday, March 13.

MARKETING STUDENTS BRING HOME TROPHIES AND MEDALS

Jennifer Singer, Wilson marketing teacher, has good news to report. Congratulations go out to all of the DECA members that attended the State Career Development Conference. Wilson had a great year, with 10 students bringing home five trophies/medals. Special Congratulations to **Kate Loftus** for taking 2nd Place in the state in Retail Merchandising and **Connor Hall** for taking 3rd Place in Technical Sales and 2nd Place in Accounting Services. Both Kate and Connor have qualified to compete at the International Career Development Conference in Anaheim, California in April. Special mentions also go to **Zac Snyder** for earning a medal in a role play, **Hannah Floom** for taking 6th Place overall in Food Marketing and **Rachel Dana** for taking 7th Place overall in Automotive Services. "It was a very successful year!" states **Jennifer Singer**, Wilson marketing teacher. Stop by the display window next to the WHS Office to see the trophies and medals these DECA members brought home! Congratulations!

WRESTLERS ARE PIL CHAMPS FOR THIRD YEAR

It has been quite a season for the Wilson Wrestling Teams. The Varsity wrestlers are the District Champions for the third year in a row! Every time they stepped out onto the mat, Wilson athletes showed their focus and ended the season with numerous qualifiers for the 2009 OSAA Wrestling State Championships February 26-28. Wilson State Qualifiers are: **Alex Duran** 2nd Place (112), **Brandon Rober** 2nd Place (119), **Hans Brenhard** 1st Place (125), **Chris Pejakovich** 1st Place (130), **David Loneux** 2nd Place (130), **Zack Minor** 2nd Place (135), **Robby Wilson** 3rd Place (140), **Spencer Kelly** 1st Place (145), **Carlos Payes** 1st Place (152), **Vitaly Kolyvanov** 1st Place (160), **Seth Auerbach** 2nd Place (160), **Nick Dorsey** 1st Place (171), **Nathan Osborne** 3rd Place (171), **Max Barenberg** 3rd Place (189), **Nick O'Donnell** 2nd Place (215), **Nick Smith** 2nd Place (285). "We are grateful to the coaches for the example they set and the many hours they gave to make the season a success, and we are extremely proud of the wrestlers for their hard work, their dedication, and the sportsmanship they exhibited throughout the season," adds **Ross Duran**, Wilson parent. Thanks go out to our hardworking coaches. Varsity Coaches are **Kent Dorsey**, **Sean Murphy**. Frosh/Novice Coaches are **John Robinson**, **Jeremy Shetler**. Volunteer Coaches are **Bob Graham**, **Terry Shanley**. The season could not have happened without our dedicated parents! Congratulations to everyone involved with Wilson's wrestling program.

BOY'S BASKETBALL ADVANCES TO ANOTHER ROUND IN STATE TOURNAMENT MARCH 11

Congratulations to Scott Aker and the Wilson Boy's Basketball team. For the first time in 10 years Wilson has made it to the Elite 8 tournament at MAC Court! Wilson took the first-round Class 6A playoff game with a win against Oregon City (Wilson 56: Oregon City 54). They then headed to the second-round game last Friday with a win against McNary (Wilson 55: McNary 40). Wilson now advances and will be playing Central Catholic on Wednesday, March 11 at 3:15pm in Eugene. Tickets are available at osaa.org.

EXCELLENCE

You can help these young Wilson students by attending or donating to the [Wilson All School Auction](#) on Saturday, April 4 at the Multnomah Athletic Club. They are doing their part in creating success at Wilson ... now it's our turn. See you at the Auction!

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ON THE RAZZLE - AUDITIONS MARCH 9-10

Wilson Theatre proudly announces auditions for our final main stage production of the year, "On The Razzle." Auditions will take place **Monday, March 9 at 3:30pm** and **Tuesday, March 10 at 4:15pm** on the stage. A one (1) minute max. comic monologue will be necessary, then some cold readings thereafter! Auditioners should read the play if possible and be ready to give this high energy script their all. See you there!

WINTER SPORTS AWARDS MARCH 10

All are invited to this year's Winter Sports Awards on Tuesday, March 10 at 7:00pm in the auditorium. All winter athletes are invited to attend.

REMEMBER "SAMPLE SAT" MARCH 14

The "Sample SAT" takes place this weekend. The test is at Wilson, in the cafeteria, on Saturday, March 14. Check-in is at 8:30am and the test runs from 9-1:30pm.

"RENT" AND "MOUSETRAP PHOTOS NEEDED

We are looking for photographs from "Rent" and "The Mousetrap" to post on the school's 50-years of Drama website: <http://www.wilsonalumni.com/drama/index.html>. Please send photos to [Linda Doyle](mailto:Linda_Doyle).

SENIOR PARENTS NEED HELP FOR GRADUATION PARTY

We need approximately 5-10 Junior, Sophomore, or Freshman Parents or anyone that would like to help set up at the venue where the party is being held. Time commitment is about 1 hour. Date is Tuesday June 9, time for set-up is 9:00pm. If you can help please email Daureen Morris figgymorris@comcast.net - THANK YOU

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"SAMPLE SAT" FOLLOW-UP MEETING APRIL 2

Join us Thursday, April 2 from 6:30-7:30pm, at the Wilson Faculty Lounge. Pick-up your Sample SAT results and learn more about the SAT. Please RSVP to WilsonPractSat@q.com.

WILSON ALL SCHOOL AUCTION TABLES ARE GOING FAST! APRIL 4

The 2009 Wilson All School Auction is well on it's way to a sell out! If you are interested in tickets or becoming a Table Captain for your club, sport or team, now is the time to contact Jill Abere at jabere@chubb.com or 503-294-5401. Tables Captains are responsible for filling a table of 10. Tickets are \$50 each. As a Table Captain, you will be recognized in the program as a major donor, there will be additional wine at your table and a few other "goodies" for all your effort. This is your chance to raise money for your group and support the All School Auction. Don't be the only one not there! Reply cards and invitations are available in the office, on the Wilson website at <http://wilson.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/auction/> or by contacting Jill Abere. We are looking forward to seeing you at this great event. Click here for the [Reply Card](#). Click here for the [Invitation](#).

WILSON CAREER PATHWAYS IN THE ARTS DAY APRIL 17

The Wilson High School PTA and the Wilson Area Arts Council (WAAC*) are pleased to co-sponsor a [Career Pathways in the Arts Day](#) to be held at Wilson High School on April 17 from 8:00am to 4:00pm. We are inviting participation from colleges with arts programs, members of the local community who work in the arts and can share their experiences with our students, and Wilson High School counselors who can help students with appropriate course and college choices. We would love to have you join us. If you are **interested in participating** in this event, please contact Rosemary Schwimmer at rjschwimmer@comcast.net. Click here to view the poster: http://cms18.pps.k12.or.us/docs/pg/400/rid/10410/Career_Poster.pdf

REMEMBER TO SUPPORT YOUR STUDENT DURING FINALS

The end of third quarter will be here before you know it. **Encourage your children during finals by sending them a "Sweet Gram."** For only \$4.00, delicious cookies from Baker and Spice or other sweet treats from local bakeries will be hand delivered to your child's class, along with your personalized message of encouragement. Other students at Wilson need encouragement too, but don't always receive it. If you would like a Wilson counselor to recommend a worthy student for a Sweet Gram just write in "Counselor's Choice" and we will make sure your gift is sent. **Orders must be received** in the school office **no later than Friday, March 20**. Treats will be delivered before April 10. If ordering for the 3rd quarter, please send \$4.00 (cash or check made out to Wilson PTA Grad Night.) If you would like to order a delivery for the remaining two quarters, please send \$8.00. Bring your payment and information into Wilson's front office or mail to: Attn: WHS Grad Night, 1151 SW Vermont Ave., Portland, OR 97219. Include the following with your payment: Child's full name: _____; Grade: _____; 2nd Period Teacher/Rm#: _____; Your message: _____. Please send all correspondence, Attn: WHS Grad Night. Questions, contact Patty at terriere@quik.com or 503-245-5703.

MURALS TO BE DESIGNED FOR WILSON LIBRARY - A FIRST FOR WILSON!

The Wilson Area Arts Council (WAAC) is supporting Wilson High School Librarian Linda Campillo's vision to make the library a more artful and creative space. The Library is the biggest and most used "classroom" on the Wilson Campus, but the space is not inviting as the walls are mostly off-white. Librarian Campillo is spearheading a project, in conjunction with the Wilson Art Department to use Wilson art students to create murals to fill the empty wall-space in the Library. Your money for supplies will go to more than just paint. Wilson art students will be participating in a juried public art competition. Wilson art teacher Susan Parker will be using the Wilson public art process, as part of the project curriculum. Please join with WAAC to raise money for this exciting undertaking and support the goal of filling the walls of the Library with creative expression that mirrors a space of reading, reflection and learning. To **make a donation**, please click on <http://www.wilsonarts.org/artsdrive.htm>.

FINAL DAYS! GET YOUR APPLICATION IN FOR BOOSTER SPONSORED SCHOLARSHIP

Each year, the Wilson Boosters award \$500.00 scholarships to two college bound seniors. The senior must have a 3.0 minimum cumulative GPA, be a good student, and a leader. This is not a need-based scholarship. Several short essays along with the application form, unofficial transcript and resume need to be submitted to the Booster Club by March 6th, 2009. Get a copy at Wilson's counseling office or through the following link: http://cms18.pps.k12.or.us/docs/pg/400/rid/10244/f/Booster_Scholarship_Form.pdf.

JOIN THE BOOSTER CLUB

If you are looking for a way to get involved with Wilson High School, meet new people and have fun, join the Booster club! The Booster club is a non-profit organization that supports all extra-curricular activities: athletics, clubs, and various school functions at Wilson. We raise money through concession stands at various athletic events, selling Christmas trees, membership and donations. We meet the second Thursday of the month at 6:30 pm in the school cafeteria. (Check calendar for future meetings). If you don't have time to come to the meetings, please join anyway. Membership is \$20.00 for two parent households and \$15.00 for single parent households. Membership forms are available in the office and at the following link: http://cms18.pps.k12.or.us/docs/pg/400/rid/10245/f/Wilson_Booster_membership_Form.pdf.

IT'S AP EXAM REGISTRATION TIME!

Register now to take one or more Advanced Placement Exam(s). Any student, whether or not they take an AP class, can take the exam. Attached is the registration form. Completed registrations, with payment, must be submitted to Abby Menashe in the main office, **before March 10**. Registrations received after March 10th will incur a substantial late registration fee. [Click here for the registration form](#). Financial assistance is available for students who qualify per the attached form or see Abby Menashe in the Main Office. [Click here for financial assistance information](#). Additional copies of the registration form and the publication "Bulletin for AP Students and Parents" are available in the Main Office and on the Wilson website. For other questions, contact Derek MacDicken at dmacdicken@pps.k12.or.us or Abby Menashe at amenashe@pps.k12.or.us.

JUNIOR COLLEGE NIGHT RESCHEDULED TO MARCH 19

Please note that the Junior College Night originally on the calendar for February 23 has been rescheduled to March 19 from 5:00pm until 8:30pm at Madison High School with a new and improved format. All Wilson students are invited. It is critical for all Wilson juniors to attend.

2009 VOLUNTEER FAIR AND COMMUNITY FORUM APRIL 13

Plans are in place for The Southwest Community Connection's **2009 Volunteer Fair & Community Forum at Wilson High School!** The event will be in the **WHS cafeteria from 4 to 7pm on Monday, April 13**. Be sure to save the date right now! Organized by Shasta Kearns Moore, Editor of the Southwest Community Connection newspaper, the Volunteer Fair and Community Forum will bring the community together in this time of need and give the many out there who want to help an opportunity to find those who need help. They are looking for volunteer groups to sign up for a table. Register by going to www.SWCommConnection.com, clicking on the "Contact Us" tab and filling out the (brief!) form titled "Volunteer form." There, you will fill out some information about your group that will be put on an 11x17 sheet to be placed on your table. You can also access it here: http://www.swcommconnection.com/forms/volunteer_form.php. Shasta is also looking for speakers or musicians who are willing to donate their time. Anybody who would like to lead a discussion on any community topic is more than welcome. Anybody who would like to help Shasta organize the event is also MORE THAN welcome! Questions, contact Shasta Kearns Moore at (503) 546-0741 or skearns@commnewspapers.com.

UPCOMING PERFORMING ARTS EVENTS

March 16 "Wilson Men" and men's choirs from Cleveland & Grant HS, University of Portland, and MAC Club sing in Men's Choral Festival at the University of Portland.
March 19 "Choral-o-City 2009" Wilson Auditorium
April 15 PIL Band Festival (Wind Ensemble)
May 2 OSAA State Solo Contest
May 16 OSAA State Band Contest
June 2 Spring Band Concert

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WEAR WILSON - SUPPORT WILSON

Wilson Products like t-shirts, sweatshirts, scarves, blankets, water bottles and hats can be purchased at the Basketball/Wrestling Concession Stand and at Garden Home Thriftway. Proceeds support the Wilson Boosters and your kids!

REGISTER NOW FOR THE 2009 GRAD PARTY!

Get your student signed up now for a fun and memorable graduation celebration! The Grad Party is an all-night celebration, and begins right after the graduation ceremony on June 9. Download registration forms from the Wilson website at: <http://wilson.pps.k12.or.us/docs/pg/10174>. Please be sure that the forms are filled out completely, and signed by both the guardian and the student. Completed forms and payments may be dropped off to the Grad Night locked box in the school office or mailed to: Wilson Grad Night Party, PO Box 80113, Portland, OR 97280-1113. Questions? Contact Bev Warren-Leigh, Grad Party Chair at bev@threeoaks.com.

GRAD PARTY MEETINGS

Get involved with the Grad Party! We welcome junior and senior parents to our one-hour meetings every first Monday of the month. Meetings are held in the faculty lounge at 7:00 PM. Come to learn more about what we're planning and how you can help. Bev Warren-Leigh, Grad Party Chair: bev@threeoaks.com.

TUTORING AND CONSULTING OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS IN SCHOOL LIBRARY

The Wilson Writing Center is now open every period on Wednesday & Thursday in the library. If you need help with an English Essay, Science Lab or College application essay, or other writing assignments, please either make an appointment or stop by and talk with a writing consultant. Also, we have tutors available to help with any subject on Wednesday afternoons, Thursday during Tutor time, and Friday during seventh period. Please take advantage of this opportunity to get some assistance with your classroom assignments.

SWCC HOMEWORK CLUB & WHS TUTOR TIME

There is free tutoring at the Southwest Community Center for Wilson students. Wednesday from 3:45pm - 5:45pm and Thursday from 2pm - 4pm there is tutoring with supervision. And, students will receive a free pass to the SWCC for every day they attend an hour of tutoring! Free after school food will also be provided. Contact Josh Leavitt at 503-953-9575 for more information.

SCRIP ORDERS

Scrip is a great way to support Wilson. It's easy for you and great for Wilson. Don't hesitate to email or call if you would like to order scrip! Contacts: Martha (schulte@easystreet.net) at 503-244-5072 or Gail (elembke503@aol.com) or 503 -246-3411.

WHS DAILY BULLETIN If you don't already receive the Daily e-Bulletin, contact Sara Mattheisen at: smatthei@pps.k12.or.us.

HAVE GOOD NEWS TO REPORT IN THE SPOTLIGHT? Send the details to Linda Doyle at lsdoyle@earthlink.net.

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HOST STUDENT FROM SPAIN THIS SUMMER

Grammata Servicios Lingüísticos is looking for host families for high school students from Spain for this summer. Ideally, host families should have at least one teenager in the home, provide a private bedroom for the student and live within a reasonable walking distance of a Tri-Met transit stop. The staff at Grammata Servicios Linguisticos, which has nearly 30 years experience organizing study abroad courses, conducts interviews with the host families and the visiting students in order to provide the best possible match. Students arrive in Portland on July 1, 2009 and depart from Portland on Tuesday, July 28, 2009. There is a Host family stipend of \$275 to help defray costs. As last year's host families will attest, taking in a student provided a fantastic opportunity to learn about Spanish culture. Likewise, the visiting students took full advantage of the chance to immerse themselves in American culture and improve their English, an essential skill for the business world. If you are interested in hosting a student, please complete the attached application and email it to Clifton Chestnut at cliftonchestnut@yahoo.com no later than April 1, 2009. If you know someone who might be interested in hosting a student, feel free to forward this email message to them.

KIDS AND MEDIA: GETTING UNPLUGGED AT STEPHENSON APRIL 2

Kids and Media: Getting Unplugged by Ellen Currey-Wilson. Thursday, April 2, 6:15 – 7:30PM. FREE ADMISSION at Stephenson School Gym, 2627 SW Stephenson Street, Portland. TV Turnoff Week is just around the corner! If you've ever threatened to throw out the TV sets and video games, but can't imagine how you would survive without them, this presentation is for you. Learn creative ways to manage TV withdrawal, and in television's place, discover forgotten pleasures. Learn about the benefits of limiting television and video games, including improvements in children's health, social skills, school performance, connection to nature, imagination and ability to focus. Explore ways to increase creativity, build community and help kids feel included without TV and video games. Teach kids to become more media literate and aware of the effects of excessive exposure to advertising, including increased consumerism, stress on the environment, and an inability to make informed political decisions. Learn about marketing policies in other countries, such as Sweden and Norway which do not permit any television advertising directed at children under 12. Ellen Currey-Wilson is the author of The Big Turnoff: Confessions of a TV-Addicted Mom Trying to Raise a TV-Free Kid, published by Algonquin in the United States and by Fusions Books in the UK. This event is funded by Stephenson PTA and is brought to you by Stephenson Wellness Team. To read the full Press Release go to www.stephensonpta.org and look for the event listed under New New Things. Questions, contact Kristin Cywinski, kristincywinski@comcast.net, 503.244.2288.

PLANT SALE AT MAPLEWOOD ES APRIL 11

Maplewood Elementary is holding its annual "Natives and More Plant Sale" on Saturday, April 11, from 10:00am until 2:00pm. Get in the swing of Spring by browsing a large selection of native plants, as well as some non-natives. All proceeds support the gardens at Maplewood. The school is located at 7452 SW 52nd Ave.

HAYHURST SCHOOLS HOLDS SPRING PLANT SALE

Hayhurst School is having their Spring Plant Sale from **March 17 to April 9**. Gardeners may pre-order from a wide variety of border plants, ground cover, annual flowers, perennial, planters and hanging basket, patio plants and will offer certified organic vegetable and herb plants in vegetable samplers this year. NewLeaf Greenhouse is supplying the lovely local plants. Order forms are available at the Hayhurst School office or online for download at www.hayhurst.com. Orders should be returned to the Hayhurst office no later than Thursday, April 9th. Plant pick-up will be Friday, May 15, at the Hayhurst School cafeteria. This event is open to the local community, as well as to Hayhurst and Odyssey families.

ROBERT GRAY MIDDLE SCHOOL SPRING MUSICAL: "BYE BYE BIRDIE"

Show dates: April 30, 6:30 p.m., May 1, 7:00 p.m., and May 2, 2:00pm. Ticket prices: \$5 – students and seniors, \$7 – adults, family 4-pack - \$20. There are a limited number of premium seats @ \$10 each. This musical is funded by the RGMS PTA and a grant from the Wilson Area Arts Council. To purchase tickets contact Christy Caton at christycaton@msn.com or by phone at 503-246-0891.

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ALUMNI NEWS

Wilson High School Official Alumni website: <http://www.wilsonalumni.com/index.htm>

CLASS OF 1959 ... 50TH REUNION ... SEPTEMBER 11-12, 2009

Plans have been finalized for our 50th reunion! Dates: September 11 and 12, 2009. For details go to: <http://www.wilsonalumni.com/reunions/1959reunion.html>.

CLASS OF 1969 ... 1979

Are there plans for your upcoming reunions? If so, send your details to Linda Doyle, and we will share with your classmates.

CLASS OF 1989 REUNION ... REVISIONS ... one night only

Mark your calendars for our 20- year reunion! It will take place July 24, 2009 at the Governor Hotel, in Portland, from 7:00pm - Midnight. Contact: Classic Reunions www.classicreunions.com. Phone: (503) 626-3669 or (800) 474-3669. Email: wilson1989@classicreunions.com.

CLASS OF 1999 REUNION ... JULY 31, 2009

Classmates are starting to come together for your 10-year reunion. Date: Friday, July 31 at Kell's Pub in Downtown Portland. Questions, please email [Graham Metz-Porozni](mailto:Graham.Metz-Porozni) or contact Classic Reunions at www.classicreunions.com or call (503) 626-3669 or (800) 474-3669 or email at: wilson1999@classicreunions.com.

CHECK OUT NEW WWS ALUMNI WEBSITE at <http://www.wilsonalumni.com/index.htm>

POSITIVE ALUMNI NEWS - Send the details to [Linda Doyle](mailto:Linda.Doyle).

PPS ATHLETIC WEBSITE Daily WHS Sports Schedules at <http://www.pilathletics.com/>

PHONE NUMBERS Wilson High School 503-916-5280 ... Attendance 503-916-5294 .. Athletic Hotline 503-916-3689

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FACULTY/STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION - If you would like to contact faculty or staff at Wilson go to: www.wilson.pps.k12.or.us

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WHAT'S HAPPENING AT WILSON

all dates are subject to change; **always check events for possible date/time changes**

check with your counselor to confirm time, location, requirements for SAT and ACT test dates

MARCH

12 Booster Club meeting 6:30pm in Cafeteria

13 PCC Preview Day on Cascade Campus

14 SAMPLE SAT test @ Wilson 8:30am to 1:30pm

18 Wilson All School Auction meeting Faculty Lounge, 7pm

19 Junior College Night at Madison HS, 5pm to 8:30pm - NEW DATE

23-27 Spring Break

APRIL

4 All-School Trojan Auction at the Multnomah Athletic Club

6 Grad Party meeting, Faculty Lounge 7pm

7 PTA meeting 7pm Faculty Lounge

9 Booster Club meeting 6:30pm in Cafeteria

13 Volunteer Fair and Community Forum Wilson High School cafeteria 4 to 7pm (organized by Southwest Community Connection newspaper)

14 Pizzicato Pizza Hillsdale fundraiser for Wilson all day

15 PIL Band Festival (Wind Ensemble)

17 Wilson PTA/WAAC Career Pathways in the Arts Day at Wilson

24 PCC Preview Day on Sylvania Campus

30 Robert Gray Spring Musical "Bye Bye Birdie"

MAY

1 Wilson "Prom" at Crystal Ballroom

1 Robert Gray Spring Musical "Bye Bye Birdie"

2 Robert Gray Spring Musical "Bye Bye Birdie"

2 OSAA State Solo Contest

4 Grad Party meeting, Faculty Lounge 7pm

5 PTA meeting 7pm Faculty Lounge

8 PCC Preview Day on Rock Creek Campus

14 Booster Club meeting 6:30pm in Cafeteria

16 OSAA State Band Contest

JUNE 2009

1 Grad Party meeting, Faculty Lounge 7pm

2 Spring Band Concert

8 Grad Party meeting, Faculty Lounge 7pm

9 Wilson graduation 8pm

10 Last day of school **THIS IS A NEW DATE**

Principal Sue Brent (media contact) sbrent@pps.k12.or.us

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