



## Wilson Spotlight

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### WILSON STUDENT EXPLORES HER ARTISTIC SIDE AND WINS SCHOLARSHIP

Wilson Senior **Mackenzie Chambers** received a \$5,000 scholarship to the Pacific Northwest College of Art (PNCA) after participating in their summer intensive in illustration and design for college-bound high school students. This is the second year Mackenzie has attended summer classes at PNCA. The first being last year when she took an intensive in graphic novels.

### RECENT GRADUATE VOLUNTEERS IN GHANA, WEST AFRICA

**Mikaila Montgomery** '10 finished up her senior classes at Wilson a semester early last year in order to earn money to go to Ghana, West Africa where she volunteered in an orphanage for 5 weeks. Mikaila and other young volunteers from around the world lived in a tiny village to the west of the capital, Accra, and together looked after 28 children from 8 months to 12 years old. They held the children, laughed with them, played games with them, took them to the medical clinic when they were ill and took them to a nearby empty lot to play soccer. In essence, the volunteers were responsible for the children's overall well being. This experience was very meaningful for Mikaila. She says that it "opened her eyes" to the complexity of the world. She became very bonded to each of the orphan children and misses them a great deal. Mikaila found her position through [www.volunteerhq.org](http://www.volunteerhq.org). This organization matches people (over 18 yrs.) to volunteer opportunities around the world. Mikaila is now attending the University of Victoria in British Columbia, Canada.

### SUMMER ADVENTURES OF A WILSON FRESHMAN

Not much dust gathered under **Torvald Paasche's** feet this summer. Home for a few days then off again on another adventure. Summer started with a two week trip to China with students from Jackson Middle School. Torvald experienced a home stay complete with a 16 dish banquet prepared by his host grandma, tour of the Beijing Olympic Village, and Worlds Fair in Shanghai. Then a trip to Banff, Canada where he encountered black bear and big horn sheep in the wild. A final trip to the national Boy Scout jamboree where he helped his uncle in the vendor tent. Finally home, Torvald is now enjoying his exchange brother, **Iiro**, from Finland, a senior at Wilson. *Submitted by Delanie Paasche*

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### BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT, MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Wilson hosts their Back to School Night, Monday, September 20. Please join us at 6:00pm for the Parent Pizza Fundraiser. The program for the evening will begin at 6:30pm for freshmen parents, 7:00pm for everyone else. School administrators will be welcoming you to the 2010-2011 school year. You will have an opportunity to meet with your child's teacher in their classrooms; you can find out more about programs, curriculum and the layout of Wilson High School.

### BRING YOUR PURSE DONATIONS TO BACK TO SCHOOL NIGHT

Look for the table at Back to School Night where you can drop off your purse and handbag donation for our upcoming fundraiser for Wilson Music Programs (IN THE BAG: Benefit for the Arts on November 14.)

### WILSON PTA TOP VOLUNTEER NEEDS

- Front Office Support, Homework Help: Times available before, during, and after school. Get to know staff, work one-on-one with students.
- Plant Sale Coordinator: A great Spring fundraiser, needs a team to make it happen.
- Career Pathways Fair Coordinator: Do you have an interest in science? business? the health professions? The Career Pathways Fair brings together professionals from the community to share their interests and experience with Wilson students exploring careers. Contact David Dacklin ([DacklinD@aol.com](mailto:DacklinD@aol.com)) to volunteer or for more information.

### WHS PARENT COMMUNITY NETWORK

Do you own a business or work for a local company? This year the WHS Student Directory will offer advertising space for businesses affiliated with Wilson families. The Student Directory is a great way to market your business. The cost is \$25 for a business listing, \$65 for a business card ad. Contact Karen Russell ([karenrussell@mac.com](mailto:karenrussell@mac.com)) to place your ad.

### JOIN WILSON PTA

Dues are \$25 for an individual, \$40 for a couple. Join the more than 250 parents and teachers who have already become PTA members this year, and help us reach our membership goal of 350. Receive one free Student Directory with your membership. Find a membership form in your student's registration packet, or on the WHS website under "Parents/Community."

### **PSAT/NMSQT TEST @ WILSON, OCTOBER 13**

All **sophomores** will take the PSAT/NMSQT test on Wednesday, October 13, at Wilson High. Oregon Dept. of Education provides this test, at no charge, to all sophomores. Each high school will administer it to their own students on this day. No pre-registration is needed for sophomores – this will happen in class.

**Juniors** are encouraged to sign up to take the test as well for a chance to compete for the National Merit Scholarship. The cost is \$20 for juniors to take the test and you can sign up with our bookkeeper now through October 7. If financial assistance is needed, please see Abby Menashe in the main office.

**All grades** will have school that day starting at 8:15am. There will be changes to the bell schedule that day which will be explained in advance.

The Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®) is a national standardized assessment that measures the critical reading, mathematics, and writing skills your students will need for higher education and careers after high school. It provides firsthand practice for the SAT® and gain access to college and career planning tools. It also gives juniors a chance to enter NMSC scholarship programs.

For questions, contact Abby Menashe at: [amenashe@pps.k12.or.us](mailto:amenashe@pps.k12.or.us).

### **MATH RESOURCE ROOM AT WILSON**

The new Math Resource Room will be opening up in Room 25 starting September 22nd. Students with study hall may come down to Room 25 with a pass from their study hall teacher to get help on math assignments periods 1, 2, 4 and 6. We are also looking for responsible Peer Tutors (Pre-Calc and up) to staff the Math Resource Room. Nice thing to have on a college app! See Mr. Bartlo, Mr. Sahler or your counselor for details.

### **EARN COMMUNITY SERVICE CREDIT AT ROBERT GRAY MS BACK-TO-SCHOOL PICNIC**

Wilson Students, earn community service credit by helping at the RGMS Picnic on Wednesday, September 22nd, 5:00-8:30 pm. Contact Estelle Gilbert at [estellesgilbert@yahoo.com](mailto:estellesgilbert@yahoo.com) to volunteer.

### **NATIONAL ESSAY AND VIDEO CONTEST**

The First Freedom Center announces the 18th annual First Freedom Student Competition. This national essay and video contest offers 9th - 12th grade students an opportunity to compete for \$2,500 awards as they examine the First Amendment and the history and implementation of religious freedom and freedom of conscience in American democracy and the world today. For the complete topic, essay and video guidelines, registration and other details, visit [www.firstfreedom.org](http://www.firstfreedom.org), and then click on the red First Freedom Student Competition button (center column).

### **BOTTLE AND CAN DRIVE AT STROHECKER'S**

Currently Strohecker's is engaged in a Bottle and Can Donation program with our local schools: customers bring in their bottles and cans and donate them to Wilson, once donations hit the \$500 mark they send Wilson a check – no strings attached. Strohecker's is located at 2855 SW Patton Rd. Look for Wilson's bin.

### **PARENTS OF FRESHMAN GIRLS (CORRECTION)**

Parents of Freshman Girls: A Raising Our Daughters study/discussion group is recruiting new parent members for the 2010-11 school year and possibly beyond. We will meet just three times this year--fall, winter & spring--and the 1st meeting is scheduled for Thursday, October 21st at 7 pm at the home of Francie Meyers. The topic for discussion will be "The Role of Parents of High School Students." For more information, call Francie at 503-291-1824 or e-mail [fpmey66@msn.com](mailto:fpmey66@msn.com).

### **BASEBALL BURGerville FUNDRAISER, SEPTEMBER 27, OCTOBER 12, NOVEMBER 9**

Burgerville has agreed to give the Wilson Baseball team 15% of all the business we bring into the SW Allen & Scholls store between 5:00-8:00pm on three different dates: Monday, September 27; Tuesday, October 12; and Tuesday, November 9 to help with the Spring Baseball Trip. Just show up and buy your food between 5:00-8:00pm and Wilson wins!

### **★YOU ARE INVITED★ OCTOBER 6**

Please join this year's WHS Benefit Auction co-chairs, Annie Bottinelli and Nancy Kurkinen, for food and refreshment and strategies on how to make this year's auction the best one ever! This "kick-off" planning meeting is at the Bottinelli home: 10035 SW Balmer Circle on WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6, 7PM. We want the success to be realized by all so please come and share your wit (a joke or two are always welcome), contribute your ideas, participate in the strategizing, get involved. It's how you can make a difference for not just your child but for "ALL" WHS students. Please email us at [wauction@pps.k12.or.us](mailto:wauction@pps.k12.or.us) to say you are coming!

### **STUDENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MAPLEWOOD CARNIVAL, OCTOBER 15**

The Maplewood carnival is coming up on October 15th, and we're looking for student volunteers to help with set-up, take-down, and of course, running booths. Students can earn Community Service hours by participating in this event (a little incentive). If any students are interested, please email Andrea Priest at: [andrea@kjmaster.net](mailto:andrea@kjmaster.net) for more info.

## 10TH ANNUAL PARENT LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE, OCTOBER 16

Community & Parents for Public Schools (CPPS) announced that their 10th Annual Parent Leadership Conference will be held on Saturday, October 16, 2010, with doors opening at 8:45am at Parkrose HS, 12003 NE Shaver Street. Participants at the conference will gain skills to help all Portland's students succeed as well as learn how to be actively engaged in local, state, and national issues impacting education. The event helps parents, families, and community members learn effective strategies for supporting their students, school, and district. The event is free of charge and includes childcare, a light breakfast, and lunch. Interpreters will be available and workshops will be offered in languages other than English. Interested parties can register and learn more about the Conference at: <http://www.cppsportland.org/plc/>.

## HELP CHEER WIN \$\$\$ ... DOESN'T COST YOU ANYTHING

The Wilson Varsity Cheer Squad was invited to compete to win fundraising dollars just by getting people to vote for them to be the best commercial for Landmark Ford's new Fiesta ad campaign. "This one doesn't cost anything," adds Wilson parent and graduate Maureen Lawson '78. "Landmark will give us the money if we win! You don't even have to watch all the ads to vote for Wilson Cheer. You do have to scroll down to the bottom of the choices to find them, though! Please vote everyday, once from every computer you have access to or test drive a Ford Fiesta at Landmark for a bonus ten points (be sure to pick Wilson Cheer). It could mean \$1,500 to pay for our squad to go to National competition. We're the #1 State squad for three years in a row!" Voting continues until the end of September, so click on this link and vote every day for Wilson Cheer: <http://www.landmarkford.com/fiesta-voting.htm>.

## WILSON FOUNDATION WORKS TO SUPPORT OUR STUDENTS AND TEACHERS

The Wilson Foundation has set a goal to raise \$100,000 this year to retain teaching positions and keep class sizes down. We are hoping for 100% participation by Wilson families. Your first opportunity to give will be at registration. Watch for "pledge month" in October and a kickoff evening with Wilson Foundation Ambassadors. Thanks for supporting our teachers and students. For more information, or to volunteer, please contact Lucy Brehm ([lbrehm1@gmail.com](mailto:lbrehm1@gmail.com)) or Chris Dearth ([dearth@pcez.com](mailto:dearth@pcez.com)).

## WILSON HS BENEFIT AUCTION 2011, APRIL 16

The Wilson High School PTA is proud to present, The Wilson Hs Benefit Auction 2011. This year we'll be at the Mittleman Jewish Community Center on Saturday, April 16, 2011. Tickets are only \$45! Check your student's school registration packet for more information. Or, click here (<http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/AuctionFlyer-11.pdf>) to take advantage of the Back-to-School special and SAVE! Want to get involved? Write Annie and Nancy at [wauction@pps.k12.or.us](mailto:wauction@pps.k12.or.us).

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## GRAD NIGHT NEWS

**ALL SENIOR PARENTS:** PTA Grad Night 2011 tickets are now on sale! Tickets are \$65. It is our goal that all graduates of the WHS Class of 2011 attend this event –scholarships are available. It is easy to register -- return the packet your student received on registration day and drop off along with payment at the WHS office or go to [www.WilsonGradNight.com](http://www.WilsonGradNight.com) to download the forms. All forms/payment are due December 15, 2010. Registration questions contact Angela Duarte, [aduarte@techweb.com](mailto:aduarte@techweb.com).

**SWEET GRAM:** Support your WHS Student During Finals With "Sweet Grams of Encouragement" Send words of Encouragement along with a Sweet Treat to any Wilson Student or Faculty Member. Fill out [Sweet Grams form](#) indicating which quarters you would like your student to receive a Sweet Treat and return the WHS office. Grams are \$4 each or 4 for \$16.00. Please direct questions to [Tkphillips6@gmail.com](mailto:Tkphillips6@gmail.com).

**BOOK SALE:** The Wilson Grad Night Party Book Sale is collecting donations. We will be collecting any books, DVDs and CDs you would like to donate. We will have a collection bin in the main office through March, and we will have a bin out for Back to School Night. We would appreciate your support for this fund raising event which benefits the Wilson Grad Night Party.

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## GOT A PURSE? BENEFIT FOR WILSON MUSIC PROGRAM

We aren't asking you to open your purse, we are just asking you to donate a purse to support the arts. Let's face it. We all have one or two purses in our closet that are attractive and perfectly useable (even brand new) but never see the light of day. If you have such a purse, the Wilson Area Arts Council (WAAC) wants your purse. Also, if you know someone who makes purses and would like to donate one or two of these special pieces, let us know.

**Drop off** your new or gently used purse/handbag at the following locations:

- (1) **Back to School Night @ Wilson, September 20**
- (2) **Paloma Clothing** in Hillsdale
- (2) **Wilson HS**, front office with Erica Meyers
- (3) **Switch Clothing** in Multnomah Village (bring your purse to Switch and receive a 20% off Switch coupon)
- (4) **Sip D'Vine Wineshop** in Multnomah Village

WAAC presents

## IN THE BAG: BENEFIT FOR THE WILSON MUSIC PROGRAM

**Boutique purse sale**

**Sunday, November 14**

1:00 to 4:00pm

O'Connors, The Vault in Multnomah Village

Join us for a boutique purse sale with wine and appetizers, where you will find beautiful new and gently used purses and handbags.

Questions, email Linda Doyle at [Lsdoyle@earthlink.net](mailto:Lsdoyle@earthlink.net) or call Jaci Evans at 503-502-7612.

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### 2010-2011 STATEMENTS ARTICLE SUBMISSION DEADLINES

If you would like to get an article including in the Statements newsletter, please submit articles to Kathy Kersey, Secretary to the Wilson Principal on the dates listed below.

<u>News articles due</u>	<u>E-Mail/mailing dates</u>
Monday, September 20, 2010 for Oct/Nov news.....	October 11, 2010
Monday, November 15, 2010 for Dec/Jan news.....	December 6, 2010
Monday, January 10, 2011 for Feb/Mar news.....	January 31, 2011
Monday, February 28, 2011 for April/May news.....	March 14, 2011
Monday, April 18, 2011 for June/July news.....	May 9, 2011
Monday, June 20, 2011 for Back-to School.....	July 11, 2011

### WHS DAILY BULLETIN

Daily Bulletin Submissions has a change of email address. To email a submission for the Daily Bulletin, please use the new email address of: [wilsonbulletin@yahoo.com](mailto:wilsonbulletin@yahoo.com).

**HAVE GOOD NEWS TO REPORT IN THE SPOTLIGHT?** Send the details to Linda Doyle at [lsdoyle@earthlink.net](mailto:lsdoyle@earthlink.net).

### PTA SCRIP ORDERS ... ORDER SCRIP NOW

Get your Scrip order in... If you would like to order Scrip, please email Martha at [schulte@easystreet.net](mailto:schulte@easystreet.net) at 503-244-5072.

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### ATHLETIC SCHEDULE

All schedules subject to change! Check with the coaches and the players!

Monday, September 20, 2010

Women's Soccer JV2 Central Catholic @ Gabriel Park 4:15 No bus  
Men's Soccer JV2 @ Jesuit 6:00 No bus

Tuesday, September 21, 2010

Women's Soccer Varsity Woodburn @ Rieke 4:15  
Women's Soccer JV Woodburn @ Gabriel Park 4:15  
Men's Soccer Varsity @ Woodburn 6:00 Early release 2:25 Bus 2:45  
Men's Soccer JV @ Woodburn 4:00 Early release 2:25 Bus 2:45

Wednesday, September 22, 2010

Cross-Country @ Franklin 4:00 Early release 2:10 Bus 2:30  
Men's Soccer JV2 Lake Oswego @ Gabriel Park 4:15 No bus

Thursday, September 23, 2010

Football Frosh Cleveland @ Wilson 4:00  
Football JV Cleveland @ Wilson 6:00  
Volleyball All @ Lincoln 5:00 / 6:30 Bus 3:40

Friday, September 24, 2010

Football Varsity @ Cleveland 7:00 Bus 5:30

Saturday, September 27, 2010

Volleyball JV2 @ Hood River 8:00 am  
Volleyball JV @ McKay 8:15 am

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### WALK/RUN TO RAISE MONEY FOR ARTS AND TECHNOLOGY AT ROBERT GRAY, SEPTEMBER 26

Robert Gray MS is holding a Community Run at the Wilson track on Sept. 26, 12-2:00pm (during the Farmers Market). We'll have music and prizes. All friends, family, and community members are invited to participate. Pledge forms can be found in the Gray office or at [www.graypta.org](http://www.graypta.org), or participants can pay a \$10 entrance fee to take part and enter in a prize drawing.

## **HALLOWEEN CONCERT AT HILLSDALE COMMUNITY CHURCH, OCTOBER 29**

Nothing says "Halloween" more than spooky organ music, unless it's spooky organ music performed by musicians in costume. The musically inclined, the curious and the just plain brave are invited to Hillsdale Community Church- UCC's (6948 SW Capitol Hwy, Portland) second annual concert, A Little Fright Music on Friday, October 29, 7:00-8:00 pm. Mr. Tim Ditch and Rev. Don Frueh, as well as other local musicians will thrill the senses during an enjoyable hour of spooky and whimsical organ music. The concert is free and donations will be accepted. Seasonal refreshments follow the concert. As the concert includes audience participation, costumes are encouraged but not required. All ages welcome!

## **CHINOOK BOOK COUPON SWAP PARTY AT PALOMA CLOTHING ... EVERY SATURDAY IN SEPTEMBER, 10AM TO NOON**

Paloma Clothing invites you to a new event! Bring in your Chinook Book and trade your unused coupons with other owners to acquire more of your favorite coupons. Chinook Books will expire October 31st. They will have Baker & Spice treats, locally roasted coffee from Z-Beans, and Ice tea for you to enjoy. Invite your friends and come to Paloma Clothing every Saturday in September from 10am until 12pm, Hillsdale Shopping Center, 6316 SW Capitol Hwy, 503-246-3417. See you there!

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

**ALUMNI CLASS REUNIONS** ...To find out about upcoming Class Reunions go to: <http://www.wilsonalumni.com/reunions.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

**WEATHER & EMERGENCY CLOSURE** <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/>

**FACULTY/STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION** - If you would like to contact faculty or staff at Wilson go to:

<http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/>

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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

For complete calendar listings, see official school calendar online at: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/>

#### SEPTEMBER

20 Back to School Night, 6pm Parent Pizza Fundraiser; 6:30pm for Freshmen parent, 7pm for everyone else

24 Football @ Cleveland

#### OCTOBER

1 Football @ Madison

7 Football @ Jefferson

22 Football, Franklin @ Wilson

29 5A Football Qualifying Round OSAA Playoffs TBA

#### NOVEMBER

14 In The BAG: Benefit for Wilson Music Program, 1-4pm, O'Connors, Multnomah Village

#### APRIL

TBA next Community Care Day, campus cleanup

16 Wilson HS Benefit Auction at Mittleman Jewish Community Center

#### JUNE

8 Grad Night Party following graduation ceremony

Principal Sue Brent (media contact) [sbrent@pps.k12.or.us](mailto:sbrent@pps.k12.or.us)

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