

Wilson Spotlight
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WILSON JUNIOR TO SING AT WINNINGSTAD THEATER, DECEMBER 4

Madison Shanley has been invited by Julianne Johnson to sing, "Where are you Christmas", and "At Last", by Etta James, in Julianne's upcoming Holiday Concert on December 4th, at the Winningstad Theatre. Come celebrate the season with family and friends as Julianne creates a night of joy and cheer with artists Janice Scorggins, Cloud 9 a capella group, her band and a host of talented young performers like Madison Shanley from Wilson High School. Madison will also be joining Julianne to sing on December 16th for a private luncheon at Wildwood Restaurant. To purchase tickets for the December 4th go to http://www.ticketmaster.com/venue/123086/?brand=pcpa.

VOLUNTEERS AND ALUMNI DANCERS NEEDED FOR WILSON DANCE TEAM COMPETITION

Wilson's dance team, the Wilson Dancers is hosting their 1st Annual Wilson 'Center Floor' Dance Competition on Feb 19, 2011. Coach Errin needs volunteers to assist in facilitating the competition AND would love to put together an alumni dance done by the past dance team members. (You do not need to be a past dance team member to assist at the competition). If you are interested, please contact Coach Errin via email at bstamv@yahoo.com.

GRADUATE REMEMBERS ENCOURAGING AND SUPPORTIVE WILSON TEACHERS

Lindsey Holcomb (Matsuo) '01 attended the University of Oregon after Wilson and pursued majors in Asian Studies, Violin Performance, Japanese and International Business with a finance minor. She also had the chance to study abroad for a year in Tokyo at Waseda University. Currently, Lindsey works for an educational technology and consulting firm in Portland, which works with schools in every state and 90 countries. They primarily support curriculum planning and best practices. Lindsey is a financial analyst with the company, "a career I, and probably all of my HS math teachers, would never have predicted!" states Lindsey. She also supports her company with Japanese translation, HR, Operations and training. When asked about teachers at Wilson, Lindsey adds that she will never forget Global Studies with Joan Kvitka, US History with Pat Murphy, or Orchestra with Marc Wolters. "Each of these teachers were so supportive and creative and tirelessly encouraging!" She also urges the current students at Wilson to be proactive and ask questions! "If you think you may be interested in a particular subject, major, college or career, there are countless people out there who would delight in guiding you. You just have to take the first step and reach out."

LOOKING FOR WILSON GRADUATES WHO HAVE SERVED OR ARE SERVING IN MILITARY

A new WWHS Alumni webpage to honor Wilson's Military Graduates has been created on the school's alumni website (http://www.wilsonalumni.com/Military_Service/Military_Service.htm). To add your name and information to the archive of Military Graduates, send your information below to Linda Doyle at LSDOYLE@EARTHLINK.NET.

Name:

Year graduated from Wilson:

Military branch:

Years of service:

Service description:

Photo (optional):

Do you give permission to post this information on the alumni website (required):

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"BUT ALL THE OTHER KIDS ARE GOING TO THE PARTY" ... TOOLS PARENTS CAN USE TO HELP THEIR TEENS AVOID RISKY BEHAVIORS 6-8:00 pm November 29th, Wilson Auditorium

Just a reminder about tonight's event: Please join us from 6-6:30 for a half-hour of informal parent-to-parent networking. This is your chance to check in with other parents-- be part of the Wilson High School village! PTA will provide tasty edibles as well as hot and cold drinks. At 6:30 we will move on to our panel discussion. Wison PTA, Wilson administrators, and Oregon Partnership will present an interactive panel discussion on parenting strategies to decrease risky behaviors by your teen entitled "But All the Other Kids Are Going to the Party"-- Tools Parents Can Use to Help Their Teens Avoid Risky Behaviors." Topics will include alcohol and substance use, internet dangers, texting/sexting, distracted and impaired driving and more. Panelists from Oregon Partnership, the Children's Program, the Wilson administration and local teens will provide you with information and concrete parenting advice on how to navigate your teen safely through high school and beyond. To see a list of the panelists, go to http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/.

NEXT AUCTION MEETING, DECEMBER 1

At the NEXT AUCTION MEETING, DEC 1ST, 7:00PM in the Wilson Faculty Lounge, groups will be personalizing procurement letters to previous auction donors. This is your opportunity to directly solicit donors who have contributed to your specific group in the past. If your group is not represented at the meeting, the letter will be signed on behalf of the PTA Grant Fund.

HEADS UP FROM WHS AUCTION

If your team, club or program would like to participate and benefit from the Wilson Auction in April 2011, an INTENT TO PARTICIPATE FORM must be submitted by DECEMBER 1st. Each group that wants to solicit items for sale and receive profit from those items is invited to complete a participation form and drop it off in the auction mailbox at WHS or fax it to 503 977-2300. Participation forms will soon be available to download from the web http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson, or you can request that one be sent to you by email. Write, a.bottinelli@comcast.net. 12 groups have already completed their registration. Thanks! We hope you'll join us.

THE FORM REQUIRES THAT YOU:

- 1. Identify a parent liaison who will communicate with the auction committee via email and attend meetings when possible. The liaison will be responsible for communicating with and organizing their group for the purposes of procurement and ticket sales, and is encouraged to attend auction meetings when possible.
- 2. Identify a minimum of two people who have purchased auction tickets. Buying an entire table is no longer required.

COFFEE WITH PRINCIPAL BRENT, DECEMER 3

You are invited to coffee with Wilson's Principal, Sue Brent, on Friday, December 3 from 8:30 to 9:30am in the Wilson Faculty Room. Come spend time in an open forum, sharing your ideas as well as have any questions you have answered.

HELLO WILSON VOLUNTEERS

Are you open for lunch from 11:30 to 12:15 on Weds & Thurs? If so.... why not spend it at Wilson getting your computer fix while helping monitor the Computer Lab? You get to spend quality time away from work. We get to have somebody watch the kids as they amuse themselves properly. It's a win-win for everybody. Please contact David Dacklin, PTA Volunteer Coordinator for scheduling. dacklind@aol.com.

SCRIP ORDERS

Just a note about ordering scrip in December. There are only two December order days: Dec 7th and Dec14th. This is a great time to order scrip for holiday presents for co-workers, friends and family ... and Wilson benefits too! To order Scrip, contact Martha Schulte at: schulte@easystreet.net.

WILSON HOLIDAY GIVING PROGRAM

Please help us sponsor families in need this holiday season! Stop by the Holiday Giving Board in the main office to pick up a holiday tag. Please return the tag & gift to the counseling office **by December 10th**. Thank you, Wilson Counselors

ROSE FESTIVAL COURT CANDIDATES – APPLICATION DUE SOON

We are looking for interested eligible WHS Junior and Senior Girls! Applications are due December 15th and are available at http://www.rosefestival.org/events/rosecourt/. To learn more about this program, please come to a Rose Festival Meeting in room 149 on December 3rd at 9:10am. The sign up sheet and meeting pass is in the main office right next to college visit sign ups.

To be eligible for the Rose Festival Court, candidates must:

Be Female

Be a senior graduating in June 2011 or a junior on track to graduate in June 2012

Have a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA

Have a verifiable minimum of 20 hours community service performed during high school

Submit a complete application by December 15, 2010

Attend one mandatory orientation session in January 2011

Participate in the Court Selection process

SENIORS... PARENTS OF SENIORS ... PLEASE TAKE NOTE

Please be mindful that counselors work until December 17th, and not over the winter break. If you are applying to a college that requires a letter and/or supporting paperwork from your counselor, we need to have all of your supporting materials (resume, questionnaires, recommendation forms) by Thanksgiving break if you have a deadline of January 1st.

BOOSTER CLUB CHRISTMAS TREE FUNDRAISER

<u>When</u>: Friday, Nov 26 - Monday, Dec 20, Mon-Fri 5-7pm, Sat 10am-7pm, Sun 10am-6pm. <u>Where</u>: A-Boy parking lot Corner of Barbur & Terwilliger. <u>What</u>: Nobles, Douglas and Grand Firs...sizes-under 3ft to 10ft. GREAT PRICES!! Have not increased prices since 2006. <u>Why</u>: The money you spend goes directly back to the financial assistance Wilson Boosters provide to all Wilson activities, clubs and programs. <u>How</u>: We are manned totally by parent and student volunteers. To help PLEASE contact: Bill Norris our Christmas tree coordinator, <u>dfnorris2@msn.com</u>, 503-804-8685. We look forward to providing you with your Christmas tree this year! **

REMINDER HILLSDALE MAIN STREET PROGRAM VISIONING WORKSHOP. NOVEMBER 30

Join the Hillsdale Main Street Program for a community discussion on Tuesday, November 30 from 5-9pm at Wilson HS Cafeteria, facilitated by staff from the National Main Street Center • diverse, community-wide participation is encouraged • help identify ways to improve and strengthen our commercial district • share your ideas, concerns and solutions. Food will be provided. Questions email: Suzan@HillsdaleMainStreet.org. For more information: www.HillsdaleMainStreet.org, *Please join us, even if you can only attend part of the 4-hour workshop.*

GET HELP WITH COLLEGE OR SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION ESSAYS

Wilson Writing Consultants are available to help seniors with college or scholarship application essays. Please stop by the Library and talk to Librarian Linda Campillo for more information and to make an appointment. Last year's seniors found the writing consultants to be very helpful.

GOT AN INSTRUMENT? WE'LL TAKE IT! OUR STUDENTS NEED IT!

Do you have a band or orchestra instrument that's gathering dust in your attic or basement? The Robert Gray and Wilson High School bands would like to adopt it! Our friends at Food Front in Hillsdale will be an official, on-going drop off site for instruments looking for a new home. Bring your instrument in to their store during regular business hours and ask for John. WAAC will send you a donation receipt if you leave your name and address along with the instrument. To have your instrument picked up: call Lisa Broten at 503-293-0903. You can make a difference by providing a student with the opportunity to learn and enjoy music!!!

THE PTA CLOTHING CENTER NEEDS YOUR USED STUDENT CLOTHING NOW!

We just got word that the Clothing Center is very low on clothes. Over 670 students have come through the Center since school began, and the inventory is way down—they are **totally out of warm winter coats!** So if you have clothing that your kids, neighbors and co-workers have outgrown that are gently used/new, the Center would love to have them. Know that your donations are given to students in need at no cost to them. Wilson is now an on-going collection site for the PTA Clothing Center donations. There is a labeled white bin in the main office where you can drop donations anytime the office is open. Tax receipt donation forms and applications for obtaining clothes from the Center are available from the office staff. Questions? Call Mari Vandewettering, 503-464-7899.

WRITERS IN THE SCHOOLS ANTHOLOGY FUNDRAISER, DECEMBER 8

Writers in the Schools is excited to announce our Anthology Release Party and Fundraiser, a benefit event, on Wednesday, December 8 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm at the World Trade Center Auditorium. Oregon's legendary, award-winning author, Barry Lopez, will host a fun and lively evening of stories, poems, awards and music, followed by a reception with hors d'oeuvres, wine, and sparkling cider. The program will feature teen writers published in the student anthology, Take My Hand, I Want to Show You Something. The students will be joined onstage by editors of the Burnside Review, Glimmer Train, Tin House, and The Oregonian, as well as Portland Public Schools teachers and principals. Ticket purchases count as a tax-deductible donation and are \$100 for general admission, \$250 for supporter level, and \$500 for sponsor level. All donations will help Literary Arts raise \$20,000 for Writers in the Schools. WITS is a program of Literary Arts, which cultivates young writers and supports Oregon authors through semester-long writing residencies in classrooms at all the Portland Public high schools and several alternative programs. For tickets or more information, call or email Evan at Literary Arts, 503.227.2583, at: even@literary-arts.org. RSVP by November 30th to celebrate with students, teachers, principals, writers and other community members who want to make a difference in Portland Public Schools.

ADOLESCENT DEVELOPMENT AND SUBSTANCE USE LECTURE, DECEMBER 9

Ukiah Marcus (LCSW/CADC serving adolescents, young adults, and families) announces a Community Lecture with Q & A Session called Adolescent Development and Substance Use, December 9 from 7pm to 9pm. Free to all who are interested. Please RSVP by December 3. Space is limited. Contact Ukiah Marcus at: ukiah123@gmail.com.

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THINKER TOYS OFFERS BENEFIT DAYS TO LOCAL SCHOOLS, DECEMBER 1 AND 2

Thinker Toys Will Donate 15 Percent of Sales to the School of Your Choice When You Shop on December 1st and 2nd. This year, the specialty toy shop in Multnomah Village will donate 15 percent of sales all day on Wednesday and Thursday, December 1 and 2, to any school that a customer chooses. Customers who shop at Thinker Toys on those days indicate the beneficiary school upon checkout, and Thinker Toys will tally the purchases for each school and send 15 percent of the gross sales to the schools that customers have designated. For more information and a video tour of the store, visit http://www.thinkertoysoregon.com/. Contacts: Joan & Tye Steinbach, Thinker Toys, 503-245-3936 OR Beth Blenz-Clucas, Sugar Mountain PR, (503) 293-9498, beth@sugarmountainpr.com.

WILSON GRAD CELEBRATES 5-YEAR ANNIVERSARY, DECEMBER 4

Join Wilson grad **Libbi Hawkins** '77 as she celebrates with the community the 5-year anniversary of her clinic, Gabriel Park Veterinary Clinic on Saturday, December 4 from 7-10pm. Serving wine, hors d'oeuvres and festive snacks. 4421 SW Vermont St, Portland. 503-245-7275. All are welcome!

PRETTY LITTLE FOLDED PAPER TRINKETS, DECEMBER 11

Saturday, December 11, 2010 1:30 - 3:30 p.m. Capitol Hill Library 10723 SW Capitol HWY 503.988.5385

Make your own gifts this year with artist Colleen Cavin. Using decorative papers, this program will allow you to create crafts including German-bell paper ornaments, origami boxes, small secret envelopes, woven paper hearts and other small projects that will make perfect presents. Space at this event is limited. Tickets for seating will be given out 30 minutes prior to the program.

TEEN LOUNGE AND HOMEWORK CENTER @ HILLSDALE LIBRARY

Students, use library computers, get homework help, or just do your homework and listen to music at the Teen Lounge and Homework Center at the Hillsdale Library. For teens in grades 6-12 on Thursdays from 3:00 to 5:00pm.

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2010-2011 STATEMENTS ARTICLE SUBMISSION DEADLINES

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

New articles due E-Mailing dates
Monday, Jan 10 for Feb/Mar news Jan 31
Monday, Feb 28 for April/May news Mar 14
Monday, Apr 19 for June/July news May 9
Monday, Jun 20 for Back-to-School Jul 11

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WHS Daily Bulletin Send to: wilsonbulletin@yahoo.com

HAVE GOOD NEWS TO SHARE? Send the details to Linda Doyle at 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 or call 503-244-5072.

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ATHLETIC SCHEDULE - All schedules subject to change. Check with coaches and the players.

See school calendar.

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ALUMNI NEWS ... Wilson High School official alumni website: http://www.wilsonalumni.com

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

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/

NOVEMBER

26- Dec 20 Booster Club Christmas Tree Fundraiser
Mon-Fri 5-7pm; Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-6pm. A-Boy parking lot
29 PTA Parent Education Event 6-8pm Wilson Auditorium
30 Winter Play Auditions 3:30
30 Hillsdale Main Street Visioning 5-9pm Wilson Cafeteria – Everyone invited!

DECEMBER

- 1 Two hour late opening
- 1 WHS Auction Intent to Participate Form deadline
- 1 WHS Auction meeting 7pm Faculty Lounge
- 1-2 Winter Play Auditions 3:30
- 3 Coffee with Principal Brent 8:30-9:30am, Faculty Room
- 4 NHS Paint Project, 10-1pm
- 7 Financial Aid Night 7-9pm
- 8 Two hour late opening
- 8 Choir performs @ Grotto 8pm → NOTE CORRECTED TIME!
- 13 Grad Night Planning 7pm
- 14 Site Council 3:30
- 15 Two hour late opening
- 15 Booster 6:30pm
- 16 Winter Choir Concert/Art Exhibit 7pm
- 20 Winter break begins

JANUARY

25 Wilson PTA General Meeting 7pm Faculty Room

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

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