



Wilson Spotlight

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SPEECH AND DEBATE'S SUCCESS

Wilson's Speech and Debate turn out more wins at the Clackamas Holiday Edge Tourney! We had 10 students compete, four first place finishes, and two finalists: Open ADS 1st Place - **Ulysses Duckler**; Novice DUO 1st Place - **Emma Snyder & Anaya LaMarr**; Novice Expository 1st Place - **Chris Meabe**; Novice Poetry 1st Place - **McKinley Rodriguez**; Novice Prose Finalist - **Chris Meabe**; Novice Radio Finalist - **McKinley Rodriguez**. Thank you **Jenny Owen, Amy Meabe, Marcel Rodriguez, Mike Baranow, Tarin Schalow** and **Anne Prahl**. Next Tourney: Pacific University, January 7th and 8th. If you are interested in joining, come to their meetings on Tues/Thurs of next week or on January 4th!!! GoTrojans!

WILSON SENIOR AMONG FOOTBALL SCHOLAR-ATHLETES HONORED

According to the Portland Tribune, 15 top football scholar-athletes will be honored December 15 at the 51st annual banquet hosted by the Portland Chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame. **Jacob Duilio** from Wilson was named as one of the PIL finalists for the backs category. The finalists for scholar-athletes of the year are in two categories: backs and linemen. This year, there are eight backs and seven linemen from various metro-area leagues. Scott Aker, Wilson Athletic Director commends Jacob and adds that he is an outstanding young man along with his athletic accomplishments. Congratulations Jacob and his parents **Stephanie and Ken Duilio** (Wilson Head Football Coach)!

WILSON JUNIOR TO SING AT TRAILBLAZER'S GAME, DECEMBER 18

Wilson Junior, **Madison Shanley**, will be singing the National Anthem at the Portland Trailblazer's basketball game on Saturday, December 18, against the Golden State Warriors. Madison was selected out of over 2000 audition singers to represent Portland at this prestigious event. In addition, Madison will be joining pianist, Michael Allen Harrison, violinist Aaron Meyer, vocalists Julianne Johnson and The Brown Sisters to "sing" in the holiday season for a private luncheon at Wildwood Restaurant on December 16. Madison attributes her vocal success to dedicated instructors: Melinda Murdock, Steven Peter, Jamie Miller and pianist Karin Chesnutt and Lisa Lucas. Their contribution to her education and to the local arts community is to be commended. Good luck Madison!

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ORCHESTRA BAND CONCERT SET FOR DECEMBER 14

Join us the next Wilson orchestra and band concert on Tuesday, December 14 at 7pm in the Wilson Auditorium. Don't miss it!

SCRIP ORDERS DEC 14

Just a note about ordering scrip in December. There is only one December order day left: 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 SNOWBOARD FUNDRAISER UNTIL DECEMBER 14

Help Wilson Snowboard Team/Club members raise money for State competition and radios to be used on the mountain. We are selling discount cards good for many local businesses. They are good until Nov 2011 and can be used over and over again. These cards are selling for \$25. The card also includes a second card good for \$25 at Restaurant.com. These may also be used for many local restaurants. This is a \$50 value for only \$25. Find a snowboarder today to get your very own card. These can be great as gifts for a friend or as a stocking stuffer. If you are unable to find someone or you would like to buy this secretly, you may contact us at: email@wilsonsnowboarding.com. Last day to buy is Tuesday, Dec 14th.

ROSE FESTIVAL COURT CANDIDATES – APPLICATION DUE DECEMBER 15

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/>. See Erica Meyers if you have any questions. **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.

WILSON CHOIR PERFORMS, DECEMBER 16

Wilson's choir director, Margaret Murer invites the community to the upcoming Wilson Choirs' concert on Thursday, December 16 at WHS @ 7 pm. The concert will showcase all 4 Wilson Choirs: Women, Men, WAVE and Wilsingers. There will be a 50/50 raffle, a free-will donation, with concessions managed by the Wilson Booster Club. It should be a fun evening for all!

BOOSTER CLUB CHRISTMAS TREE FUNDRAISER

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

TALK IT OVER FAMILY SUPPORT GROUP, DECEMBER 26

The next two meetings for the Talk It Over Family Support Group is scheduled for December 26. They usually meet around holidays, because these periods can set off our troubled children and teens, and many families need more support and camaraderie at this time. There will be extra holiday snacks. Expect an informal, more party-like atmosphere. Talk It Over is a support group for family members of a child or teen with behavioral disorders. It is a free public service sponsored by Trillium Family Services, and hosted by the Swindells Center for Children & Families. Questions, contact Margaret Puckette, facilitator: mpuckette@comcast.net.

ATTENTION BASKETBALL FANS

The budget just keeps getting tighter and in light of a recent cut to district athletics, an increase in gate charges has been passed along to all the high schools in the PIL. While the actual amount has not been increased, it's still \$6.00 for adults and \$2.00 for students w/ ID, the time that we must begin charging has changed. **We have been directed to begin charging at the beginning of JV games for both Men's and Women's basketball.** Thank you for your understanding.

Sue Brent, Wilson Principal

OPPORTUNITY FOR DISADVANTAGED AND UNDERREPRESENTED STUDENTS

Opportunity for students on free/reduced lunch, first generation in family to go to college, Black, Latino or other underrepresented student populations: The 11th Annual OHSU Multicultural Health, Science & Engineering Career Conference, one of the largest multicultural conferences in Portland, Oregon for disadvantaged and underrepresented student populations, will be held on Friday, February 18, 2011, from 8:00am – 4:00pm at Oregon Health & Sciences University. The purpose of the yearly conference is to support high school and college students interested in entering the health, science and engineering professions. A small on-site registration fee is required for all participants. Registration for the conference will be available December 6, 2010, through February 4, 2011. Information and registration details, visit: www.ohsu.edu/academic/diversity

PTA GRAD NIGHT

Thank you to the 90 families who have turned in your PTA Grad Night 2011 registration packets! **We have over 200 students that still need to register!** The PTA Grad Night 2011 tickets are on sale for \$65 and 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 to download the forms. **Grad Night 2011 registration deadline is December 15th! Early Registration Means More Money for the Party:** Please complete your grad night forms by December 15th - the higher the number of students registered early, the more money we can get from grants. Scholarship requests should be submitted early as well.

LEADING FOR READING AFTER SCHOOL INTERNSHIP/COMMUNITY OPPORTUNITY

Leading for Reading: An after school internship/community service opportunity offered by the Children's Book Bank. Students will learn hands-on leadership skills to make a difference in literacy development of young children in Portland. How does it work? Each student will - Meet with a community mentor; - Learn about literacy development, leadership, community involvement, and non-profit organizations; - Coordinate and lead a volunteer event. Each selected student will learn how to - Lead a group of volunteers; - Organize a book drive in his/her own community; - Plan and run a grassroots fundraising event. When: 12 sessions – click here for specific dates (http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/school-wilson/Leading_for_Reading_Program.pdf) - 4:00 - 6:00 pm (approximately 40 hours of service). Where: Children's Book Bank, 1728 NE Glisan. Requirements: Open to sophomores & juniors (10 students will be selected) 3.0 minimum GPA. To Apply: Online application - <http://www.childrensbookbank.org/LeadingforReading.aspx>. Application deadline: December 17, 2010. Questions: info@childrensbookbank.org.

FREE CLASSES ON PARENTING YOUNGSTERS WITH MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

Free Classes on Parenting Youngsters with Mental Health Issues in Hillsdale, Southwest Portland. The Multnomah chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) is offering a **free, six-week course for parents and caregivers of children and adolescents with mental health issues**. The NAMI Basics course was developed by mental health professionals and is taught by specially trained teachers who are themselves parents or caregivers of youngsters with serious behavioral challenges. Thursday evening classes begin January 13 in the Hillsdale area in Southwest Portland. Exact time and location will be provided at time of registration. Registration is required; to register call 503-203-3391. The course covers a range of topics that include:

- insights into understanding the child's experience and the emotional reactions of the family;
- learning to separate the child you love from the illness that alters their behavior and abilities;
- workshops to develop problem-solving, listening and communication skills;
- current research related to the biology of mental illness and the most effective treatment strategies; and
- how to locate community supports and services for both child and family.

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.

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.

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.

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PURSE DONATIONS CONTINUE TO MAKE POSITIVE DIFFERENCE

The In the Bag: Benefit for the Arts purse sale is over, but those benefitting from the event continues. As we cleaned up after the event, we learned that students in another part of our larger community needed some help. We had some extra purses and they needed items to sell at their upcoming auction, so we gladly donated some of the remaining unsold purses and handbags to the Tigard-Tualatin School District Adult Transition Program.

The Tigard-Tualatin School District Adult Transition Program would like to thank the Wilson Area Arts Council, and the Wilson High School Music Programs for the donation of purses to our Work Skills Auction. The Adult Transition Program serves 18 to 21 year old students with disabilities who are working toward developing their independent employment skills. The annual auction helps to reward the student employees by providing an opportunity for them to use the credits earned at their work sites. This event also offers students the opportunity to work on their communication, and money skills as they bid on fun and useful items.

With much appreciation,

Rhonda Gregory, Transition Support Specialist (and Wilson parent)

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.

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SEEKING HOST FAMILIES FOR STUDENTS FROM SPAIN

Immersion Courses PDX will hold two informational meetings for Portland-area families interested in hosting a teenager from Spain in summer 2011. The students will be participating in an English immersion course that includes daily English lessons and activities. Families will be responsible for housing, meals and limited transportation, and will receive a stipend for their participation. The approximate course dates are June 30 to July 29, 2011. The information sessions are scheduled for **Tuesday January 4**, 2011 and **Wednesday January 5**, 2011, each day from 6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. at Berlitz Language Center, 321 Southwest 4th Avenue in Portland. To RSVP, or for additional information, please email info@immersioncoursespdx.com or visit www.immersioncoursespdx.com.

CALL FOR SCRIPTS FROM MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

VSA, the international organization on arts and disability, is inviting middle and high school students to submit their scripts for the Playwright Discovery Program. The program invites students to take a closer look at the world around them, examine how disability affects their lives and the lives of others, and express their views through the art of playwriting. Playwrights may write from their own experience or about an experience in the life of another person or fictional character. Scripts can be comedies, dramas, or even musicals. Young playwrights with and without disabilities are encouraged to submit a script. Entries may be the work of an individual student or a collaboration by a group or class of students. The winning play will be professionally produced or staged at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts. The winning playwright receives \$2,000 and a trip to Washington, D.C., to view his or her work on stage. All submissions must be received by April 15, 2011, for consideration. Visit the VSA Web site for complete program information and entry procedures: <http://www.vsaarts.org/x244.xml>.

ENTRIES INVITED FOR ENDANGERED "ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS" STUDENT WRITING COMPETITION

Law students who have written a paper on recent trends in U.S. environmental law will win the opportunity to have the piece published in *Environmental Law Reporter*; one applicant will also win \$2,000 and a one-year ELI membership. Deadline: April 11, 2011. For more info: http://www.eli.org/writing_contest.cfm.

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

Monday, Jan 10 for Feb/Mar news
Monday, Feb 28 for April/May news
Monday, Apr 19 for June/July news
Monday, Jun 20 for Back-to-School

E-Mailing dates

Jan 31
Mar 14
May 9
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: mailto: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.

Monday, December 13, 2010
No contests

Tuesday, December 14, 2010
Men's Basketball – Jefferson @ Wilson 4:15 / 5:45 / 7:30
Women's Basketball - @ Jefferson 4:15 / 5:45 / 7:30 *JV/Frosh release- 2:40 Vans-2:55*

Wednesday, December 15, 2010
Swimming – vs. Benson @ Columbia Pool 6:00 *Bus-5:00*
Women's Basketball – Hillsboro @ Wilson 4:00 / 5:45 / 7:30

Thursday, December 16, 2010
Wrestling - @ The Dalles 6:00 *Early release-12:40 Bus-1:00*

Friday, December 17, 2010
Men's Basketball - @ Cleveland 4:15 / 5:45 / 7:30 *JV/Frosh release-2:40 Vans-2:55*
Women's Basketball – Cleveland @ Wilson 4:15 / 5:45 / 7:30
Wrestling - @ West Salem 4:00 *Early release-TBA BusTBA-*

Saturday, December 18, 2010
No contests

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

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 at: 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):

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 # Wilson 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/>

DECEMBER

UNTIL – Dec 20 Booster Club Christmas Tree Fundraiser

Mon-Fri 5-7pm; Sat 10am-7pm; Sun 10am-6pm. A-Boy parking lot

13 Grad Night Planning 7pm

14 Site Council 3:30

14 Orchestra and Band Concert 7pm Auditorium

15 Two hour late opening

15 Booster 6:30pm

16 Winter Choir Concert/Art Exhibit 7pm

20 Winter break begins

JANUARY

3 Classes resume

10 Grad Night Planning 7-9pm

11 Site Council 3:30-5

12 Boosters 6:30-8

13-14 Wilson One Acts

17 MLK Jr Day Schools/Offices closed

25 Wilson PTA General Meeting 7pm Faculty Room

26-27-28 semester finals

31 No school Teacher Planning Day

FEBRUARY

7 Counselors forecast @ Gray

8 Counselors forecast @ Jackson

8 Site Council 3:30-5

9 Booster Club 6:30

11 Principal's Coffee 8:15-9:30am

18 Winter Musical 7pm

19 Winter Musical 7pm

20 Winter Musical 2pm

21 Presidents' Day NO SCHOOL

24 Winter Play 7pm

25 Winter Play 7pm

26 Winter Play 7pm

26 PIL Choir Solo Ensemble

MARCH

2-31 Wilson Student Art on Display @ Baker & Spice
5 PIL Band Instrumental @ Grant
8-9-10 Spring Play auditions 3:30
8 Site Council 3:30-5
11 Spring Dance
14 Grad Night Planning 7pm
15 Winter Sports Awards 7pm
17-27 Baseball Spring Trip
17 Spring Choir Concert/Art Exhibit 7pm
21-25 SPRING BREAK
27 Spring College Fair U of P Noon-3pm

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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