



Wilson Spotlight

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ART STUDENTS RECEIVE AWARDS

The following Wilson students received Portland Metro Scholastic Art Awards for 2011. Gold Key work will be on display at Pacific Northwest College of Art from February 6-25. Gold Key and Portfolio awardees will be honored at The Newmark Theatre on February 23. Sixty-eight schools, 1500 students and over 3800 works of art from Multnomah, Clackamas and Washington Counties were submitted to this year's program.

Congratulations to our students and special thanks to our dedicated arts teachers at Wilson and at our cluster schools!

Gold Key awards

Drawing	Naomi Goldfarb
Jewelry	Chris Joerger
Sculpture	Tristan Hunter

Silver Key Awards

Digital Art	Cora Veltman
Photography	Elise Smith
Photography Portfolio	Maddie Griggs

Honorable Mention

Ceramics & Glass	Chet Malinow
Comic Art	Wyatt Dabbs
Digital Art	Victoria Papsco
Drawing	Vera Matzak
Drawing	Emily Rodgers
Drawing	Amy Hakanson
Drawing	Gabriel Penk
Drawing	Madison Shanley
Sculpture	Jamie Ayers
Photography	Abbey Madison
Photography	Josh Lucas
Photography Portfolio	Mariah Jones
Photography Portfolio	Jon McCollom
Photography Portfolio	Magali Lopez

THANK YOU

Wilson High School welcomed hundreds of 8th-grade students and their families on Thursday evening, February 3rd. Many thanks to all who helped make the event a success, including teachers, staff, and counselors; students in leadership, band, choir, theatre and the many activities represented in the cafeteria; and parent volunteers who helped lead tour groups. Special thanks to Counselor **Keith Brown** for help in planning and designating "hot spots" around the building. Parent **Lori Root** created new maps of the building and volunteered design services for the self-guided tour materials. The refreshment table provided by PTA hospitality was especially popular with our guests and volunteers. Thank you to everyone!

WILSON ALUM, TO PERFORM AT THE OLD CHURCH CONCERT, FEBRUARY 13

Joe Powers '96 is leading his international Tango band for an amazing concert, "Tango Passion: Music & Dance" concert featuring award winning harmonica virtuoso Joe Powers Tango Quintet on Sunday, Feb. 13, 2011 at 3pm (Doors open at 2:30pm) at The Old Church, 1422 SW 11th Ave (SW 11th & Clay), Portland. Advance tickets at Shogun's Gallery (503) 224-0328. \$15 advance tickets are available to students. <http://www.youtube.com/joepowersmusic#p/a/f/0/T0Tzyfpc1v4> and www.panmusica.net. Joe is also scheduled to guest star for the "Ten Grands" concert at Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall on April 23, http://www.snowmanfoundation.org/i/2011_portland_poster_large.jpg.

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SENIORS, ALREADY ACCEPTED TO COLLEGE?

Already accepted to college? Contact the Statesman staff member, Ms. Botula, or email us at: staff.statesman@gmail.com so we can include you in our college congrats!

NOMINATE YOUR FAVORITE TEACHER

OnPoint Prize for Excellence in Education will award nearly \$45,000 to local teachers and their schools. They are accepting nominations until March 15. Nominate your favorite Wilson teacher today! Click here for details: <http://www.onpointprize.com/Libraries/PDFs/NomineeForm.sflb.ashx>.

YOUTH PHOTO CONTEST

As part of Public Health Week (April 4-8) the Northwest Health Foundation, Oregon Health Authority and the Oregon Public Health Association are pleased to announce the third annual Youth Photo Contest for 2011, "The Way I See It: A Youth Perspective on Health". Prizes: 1st Place \$300, 2nd Place \$200, 3rd Place \$100. The Photo Contest is designed to engage young people in thinking about what Health is and how it affects their lives. The contest is open to Oregon youth, ages 12-18. Submissions for the contest will take place February 1- March 1. To find out more about the contest and how to submit photos, go to: <http://www.communityhealthpriorities.org/conversation/comments/pc/>.

WILSON BASEBALL

Baseball coach Mike Clopton is pleased to report that seniors **Nathan Huebner** and **Peter Valentine** and sophomore **James Markin** had a perfect 4.0 GPA to lead the baseball program in first quarter grades. **Gareth Baldrice-Franklin** and **Josh Hagge** earned a 3.86 PGA; **Philip Blatt** earned a 3.83 GPA; **Sean Flores** and **Austin Hyde** earned a 3.8 GPA, and **Johnny Hergert** earned a 3.5 GPA. Sixty-eight percent of the baseball players earned a 3.0 GPA or better, up 22% from the first quarter last year. To read the January 2011 Baseball Newsletter, click here: http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/school-wilson/Wilson_Baseball_Newsletter_January_2011.pdf

PARENT ACADEMY PROGRAMS AVAILABLE

Parents and Guardians, PPS is offering a variety of Parent Academy programs in several categories. Check out the offerings at: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/departments/family-engagement/5158.htm>

WILSON SCHOOL CAPTAIN NEEDED

Legislators in Salem are planning extreme cuts to school funding again this year, meaning fewer teachers and more crowded classrooms. If the budget proposed on February 1st passes, Portland Public Schools will see approximately 435 teaching positions lost, which could translate to **10 or more teachers** lost at Wilson. **Portlanders for Schools** is the organization working to see two important upcoming school measures succeed on the May ballot. Together, the two measures will save teacher jobs and bring our schools up to date. The first measure is a renewal and modest increase of our local option that funds hundreds of teachers, **preserving teacher jobs** to offset expected cuts from Salem. The second part of the proposal is to save our school buildings which are falling apart. The measure will update every school, making them **safe for kids and teachers** and bringing classrooms up to date, while rebuilding the schools that are too expensive to repair. If this measure passes, **Wilson will get half the funding needed for a new athletic field, new, converted boilers, new stage rigging and curtains, technological upgrades and multiple safety upgrades.** Portland schools are in trouble and in order to see these measures succeed we need everyone to pitch in. We especially need a school captain at Wilson to organize volunteers. If you're interested in getting involved in Portlanders for Schools, contact Mike Webb at: mikewebbschools@gmail.com or (503) 926-4994.

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR ADVANCED PLACEMENT EXAMS

Register from now until February 24, 2011 to take the AP exams this spring. Students scoring well may earn college credit at certain colleges and universities; however it is best to check with specific colleges to learn about their criteria. The cost is \$89 per exam and the tests will be in May. Financial assistance is available for students on Free and Reduced Lunch or for those that qualify for financial criteria. Registration and financial assistance forms are available in the Main Office or on the Wilson website (www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/602.htm). Bring your completed registration, with payment (financial aid recipients need no payment), to the main office by February 24th. Late registrations will incur a substantial late fee.

Also the "Bulletin for AP Students and Parents" at:

http://professionals.collegeboard.com/profdownload/Bulletin_for_AP_Students_and_Parents_2010-2011.pdf has a wealth of information regarding the AP program and exams.

In addition we have developed a list of free study sites for the exams

[http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/APpreparationhelp\(1\).pdf](http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/APpreparationhelp(1).pdf) which we hope you find helpful. The AP[®] (Advanced Placement) is a CollegeBoard[®] program designed to prepare students to succeed in college-level classes. Every spring, students, predominantly those who have taken AP courses but not required, are invited to take exams. If a student's score meets certain criteria, colleges may grant college credit.

For additional questions, contact Abby Menashe, amenashe@pps.k12.or.us.

GRAD NIGHT MEETING – DATE CHANGE – FEBRUARY 7

All Senior parents are invited to attend the WHS Grad Night meeting on Monday, February 7th at 7pm in the WHS teachers lounge. Questions contact co-chairs, Linda Watson, gowatsons@aol.com or Suzanne Olsen, suzolsen@integra.net.

HILLSDALE MAIN STREET "LAUNCH" FEATURES MIX OF FREE EVENTS, FEBRUARY 10

How do you "launch" a street? Or, to be exact, Hillsdale's new Main Street program. Cue the hand masseuses, the face painters and the Kung Fu instructors. If you show up for the launch on Thursday, Feb. 10, you'll be able to dip truffles in chocolate (at SweetWares), have your face painted (at Paint Pots), taste wine (at Key Bank, courtesy of Korkage and at Food Front), nibble mini-kabobs (at Food Front), get a hand massage (at Salon Dirk Hair Color) and learn about the dental implications of cleft palate corrective surgery (from Hillsdale's Dr. Judah Garfinkle). With help from Wilson students, the wildly eclectic launch will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in Hillsdale's Capitol Highway commercial center. The Launching Pad, so to speak, will be Hillsdale's Key Bank, which is contributing its space and funds to sponsor the event. The idea behind the launch is to celebrate the five-pronged Hillsdale's Main Street Program, which is supported by the Portland Development Commission. Members of the Hillsdale Community Foundation raised \$30,000 locally to help qualify Hillsdale for the designation. Another \$8,000 needs to be raised before April 1. The Launch is a "family-friendly event" for the entire community and it's free.

WILSON TROJAN CHEER SQUAD UPCOMING COMPETITIONS, NEXT ONE FEBRUARY 12

- Oregon State Championship Competition, Memorial Coliseum, Saturday, February 12, time TBA (afternoon).
- USA Nationals Competition, Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim, CA Sat-Sun, March 26-27, times TBA.

URINETOWN, THE MUSICAL, FEBRUARY 18-19-20, 24-26

Urinetown, the Musical (winner of three 2002 Tony Awards) By: Mark Hollmann and Greg Kotis

Directed by: Natalie Heikkinen '04 Music Direction by: Andrew Bray

Choreography by: Clara-Liis Hillier '04

Performs: Feb. 18, 19, 24-26 @ 7:00pm; Feb. 20 @ 2:00pm

Cost: \$10 Educators and Students; \$15 General Admission; All Tickets at the Door

WILSON DANCE TEAM UPCOMING EVENTS, NEXT ONE FEBRUARY 19

- February 19 – Hosting our very own Dance Competition (anyone interested in volunteering, contact Coach Errin)
- February 26 – Competing at PIL Dance Competition being held at Madison High
- March 18 – Round 1 of State Championship's being held at the Memorial Coliseum
- April 5, 6 & 7 - Tryouts in Main Gym 3:45 – 5:30

MENS LACROSSE

Join the Men's Lacrosse team—conditioning going on now, full practices start Feb. 28. Lacrosse is one of the fastest-growing sports in the U.S.--come see what the fun is all about! Wilson Men's Lacrosse Club welcomes new and returning players at all levels. Find registration info, forms and great photos online at: www.wilsonlax.org. Forms and payment due ASAP. Questions about the program? Contact Head Coach Herb Hincks, wilsonlacrosse@comcast.net.

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TEEN SERVICE CREW AT CAPITOL HILL LIBRARY, EVERY THURSDAY

Need community service hours and volunteer credit? Come to the library for fun, music, snacks and enough work to keep you busy! Registration required; call 503.988.5385. Capitol Hill Library, Thursdays, beginning January 13 from 4:30 – 5:30pm. FREE

UPCOMING TRAININGS/WORKSHOPS

Resolutions Northwest helps groups and organizations manage difficult conversations and address conflict in meaningful and productive ways. We ensure that the mediation process is structured and managed to facilitate progress towards the identified goals and objectives. We also create a space for group members to listen and honor others' perspectives. **There is a cost** to attend these workshops. More info and registration for all can be found at: http://www.resolutionsnorthwest.org/training_0. Questions, 503-595-4890 or email: info@resolutionsnorthwest.org. Workshops include:

- Wheeling and Dealing with your Teen: From Surviving to Thriving.
- The Power of Empathy: Learn, experience and practice!
- Interrupting Racism Action-shop: Learn and practice three skills for interrupting racism in our daily lives.
- Liberating Conflict: Effectively transform and heal conflict: Internally, with Others, and Between Others (Mediating from the Heart).
- Effective Group Decision-making: Tools to balance inclusion & decisiveness.
- Couple's Communication: 3 Counseling Theories and how to apply them.
- Mindful Conflict Facilitation for Diversity Issues: Intermediate training w/Lee Mun Wah.
- Applying the principles of Aikido to Conflict Management.

CHESS AT CAPITOL HILL LIBRARY, EVERY SUNDAY

Players of all levels welcome. Play a game or get tips from a tutor. Chess sets provided or bring your own. At the Capitol Hill Library. Questions: 503.988.5385, Sundays from 3:15 – 4:45pm. FREE

HILLSDALE LIBRARY – TEEN LOUNGE AND HOMEWORK CENTER, EVERY THURSDAY

The Hillside Library's "Teen Lounge and Homework Center" started up again on Thursday January 6th from 3-5. Use library computers, get homework help, or just do your homework and listen to music. For teens in grades 6-12. Thursdays 3-5. FREE

“I'M ON CAMPUS, NOW WHAT?” @ HILLSDALE LIBRARY, FEBRUARY 16

A successful college experience happens when a student is well placed academically and socially. But how do you know what college will be right for you? This session offered by the Hillside Library covers how to visit a college campus. Join Devon O'Brien in designing a campus visit that maximizes information while minimizing expenses. Devon is the founder of Destination College & Beyond and provides inspiring college planning, financial aid and career planning services that empower clients to successfully navigate the challenges and opportunities of the 21st century. Designed for teens 9-12. Wednesday, February 16 from 4-5pm @ the Hillside Library. FREE.

ARTIST TRADING CARDS AT CAPITOL HILL LIBRARY, FEBRUARY 19

Artist Anya Hankin will supply an enticing range of artistic supplies and tools to create your own cards. No previous artistic experience necessary. For teens and adults at the Capitol Hill Library. Questions: 503.988.5385. Saturday, February 19, 2011 from 10:30 a.m. – noon. FREE

PORTLAND PARKS AND RECREATION TEEN PROGRAM

Portland Parks and Recreation offers some great programs for Teens, including Leadership, Environmental Ed, Outdoor Recreation. The INTACT Leadership Program offers off-campus high school credit. Scholarships are available for students who need them. Brochures are in the bookshelves in the main office or go to: www.portlandonline.com/parks/eeteens.

SUMMER COURSE IN SPAIN FOR TEENS

Immersion Courses PDX has opened enrollment for its 2011 intensive summer Spanish language and culture course in Alcalá de Henares, Spain, scheduled for June 19 to July 6, 2011. The course is intended for students, ages 14 and older with at least one year of secondary Spanish. Students will take intensive language classes and visit Madrid, Segovia and Toledo. The course fees, not including airfare, total \$3695, and applications and initial trip deposits are due by February 28. For more information, please contact Eli Sperling at (503) 913-7720, by email at: eli@immersioncoursespdx.com, or visit www.immersioncoursespdx.com.

HOST FAMILIES SOUGHT FOR VISITING SPANISH TEENS

Immersion Courses PDX is recruiting Portland-area families to host teenagers from Spain for four weeks this summer. The program takes place June 29 to July 27, and includes daily English instruction, a full program of activities and several day trips organized. Host families are responsible for meals and accommodation, and receive a \$400 stipend. More info, please contact Eli Sperling at (503) 913-7720, by email at: eli@immersioncoursespdx.com, or visit www.immersioncoursespdx.com.

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EMERGENCY FOOD BOX PROGRAM

If you're planning a garden this year, please consider planting a row for our hungry neighbors! Food pantries like ours can be the only hope some people have to put food on the table for themselves and their families. By donating your fresh produce directly to Neighborhood House's Emergency Food Box Program, you help us stretch our resources and provide wonderful fresh nutrient-rich food for our patrons. If you'd like to participate, please send an e-mail to Kelly at: kowen@nhweb.org.

ROBERT GRAY MS MULTICULTURAL FAIR, FEBRUARY 8

Everyone is invited to join with the Robert Gray Middle School community to celebrate diverse world cultures at the annual MULTICULTURAL FAIR. This year's event is scheduled for Tuesday, February 8th from 5:30 to 8:00 pm. Entertainment will include a performance by Grupo Condor (Latin American folk music) and both Greek and Irish dancers. Entry to the festivities is free to all and food from around the globe will be available for purchase. Hands-on activities and student displays will round out a fun, family evening. Come join us!

ODYSSEY K-8 PROGRAM INFORMATION NIGHT

Join Odyssey K-8 Program, a focus option program of PPS for an Information Night for the 2011-2012 enrollment. When: February 17, March 16 from 6:00 – 7:30 pm at Hayhurst Elementary School, 5037 SW Iowa Street, Portland. <http://www.mapquest.com/#a45a8ffdbb7b66ac464eefe9>. Parents who are interested in looking into all the best available transfer options for their PPS student are invited. The Odyssey Program is a K-8 “living history” focus option school housed within Hayhurst Elementary. Odyssey's unique mix of rigorous academics, theme-based learning, award-winning teachers, and lively performing arts engage and inspire students of all kinds. The Odyssey program is open to all Portland public school students via lottery. Parents must attend an information night and fill out a School Choice Transfer application to be eligible. Contact: Odyssey parent Susanne Frank: 503-449-5448. To find out more: <http://www.odysseyprogram.org/>.

MARKHAM KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP, FEBRUARY 17

Markham Elementary invites you to our Kindergarten Round Up, Thursday, February 17, 2011, 6:30-8:00pm. Meet the Principal and the kindergarten teachers to learn about Markham's full day kindergarten program. We offer a free full day program for all students. Meet in the auditorium and interpreters will be available. This evening is for parents. Sarah Lewins, Markham Principal, provides tours of the school every Wednesday from 9:30-10:30 am. If you are interested, please contact the school at 503-916-5681 to sign up for a tour. Other times are available with enough notice. Markham ES, 10531 SW Capitol Hwy. 503-916-5681. Visit us at: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/markham/>

CAPITOL HILL ES KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP, FEBRUARY 23

The Capitol Hill Kindergarten Round Up will be held on Wednesday, February 23rd at 6:30 pm. Capitol Hill is located at 8401 SW 17th Avenue. If you know of a family that will have a kindergarten student next year, please let them know. Childcare will be available with reservations. Please call the office at 503.916.6303 to make childcare reservations.

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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.

<u>New articles due</u>	<u>E-Mailing dates</u>
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: <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, February 7, 2011

Wrestling – Frosh / Novice Districts @ Wilson 4:00

Tuesday, February 8, 2011

Men's Basketball – Jefferson @ Wilson 4:15 / 5:45 / 7:30

Women's Basketball – JV/V @ Jefferson 5:45 / 7:30

Wednesday, February 9, 2011

Men's Basketball – Roosevelt @ Wilson 4:15 / 5:45 / 7:30

Thursday, February 10, 2011

Wrestling - @ Benson 6:30 *Bus-5:00*

Friday, February 11, 2011

Men's Basketball - @ Benson 4:15 / 5:45 / 7:30 *FR/JV early release-2:40 Vans-2:55*

Women's Basketball – JV/V Benson @ Wilson 5:45 / 7:30

Women's Basketball – FR Lincoln @ Wilson 4:15

Swimming – Districts @ Dishman 4:00 *Early release-2:55 Bus-3:15*

Saturday, February 12, 2011

Swimming – Districts @ Dishman 1:00 *Bus-12:15*

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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 Alumni webpage to honor Wilson's Military Graduates has been created on the school's alumni website. To add your name and information to the archive of Military Graduates, click on this link: <http://www.wilsonalumni.com/Military.html>.

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/>

FEBRUARY

7 WHS Grad Night meeting, 7pm **NEW DATE**

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

12 Cheer, Oregon State Championship Competition, Memorial Coliseum, time TBA (afternoon)

12 Wilson Dance Team Competes at Molalla Dance Competition, Molalla High (Come support!)

18-19, 24-26 Urinetown: The musical, 7pm

19 Dance Team hosts Dance Competition at Wilson (interested in volunteering, contact Coach Errin)

20 Urinetown: The musical, 2pm

21 Presidents' Day NO SCHOOL

22 Rose Festival Assembly

26 Mock Trial Regional Competition @ Multnomah County Courthouse

26 PIL Choir Solo Ensemble

26 Dance Team competes at PIL Dance Competition being held at Madison High

28 PTA Parent Education Event – more info to come

MARCH

2-31 Wilson Student Art on Display @ Baker & Spice

5 National Honor Society workday to paint interior of building at Wilson

5 PIL Band Instrumental @ Grant

8-9-10 Spring Play auditions 3:30

MARCH CONTINUED

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

18 Dance Team Round 1 of State Championships being held at the Memorial Coliseum

21-25 SPRING BREAK

26-27 USA Nationals Cheer Competition, Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim, CA, times TBA.

27 Spring College Fair U of P Noon-3pm

APRIL

5 6 7 Dance Team Tryouts in Main Gym 3:45 – 5:30

TBA next Community Care Day, campus cleanup

10 Baseball Pancake Breakfast, 7:30-10:30AM Round Table Pizza on SW Barbur

16 Wilson HS Benefit Auction at Mittleman Jewish Community Center

MAY

6 WHS Plant Sale delivery date

25 General PTA meeting 7pm Faculty Lounge

JUNE

8 Grad Night Party following graduation ceremony

25 Wilson Alumni Baseball Game, no-host social at Cider Mill following game

26 Wilson Baseball Golf Tournament 1pm Meriwether National Golf Club in Hillsboro

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