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WILSON GRAD WORKS TO BRIDGE DIFFERENT POLITICAL VIEWS FOR BETTER UNDERSTANDING

Today, **Katie Songer '96** lives in Madison, Wisconsin and works at the Department of Natural Resources as a stream scientist. It wasn't that long ago that Katie was in George Penk's chemistry class at Wilson. George stays in touch with Katie through her mother, Sue Songer. George (fiddle) and Sue (piano, fiddle) play music together deeply rooted in the tradition of contra dance music, featuring traditional Irish, Québécois, and old time tunes. Mr. Penk recently learned from Sue that Katie has also been doing some interesting political work in Wisconsin trying to bridge the liberal/conservative divide. She helped to found "Reach Out Wisconsin" in the summer of 2011, with the goal of bringing "people of differing political perspectives together for friendly, face-to-face meetings". Their work was recently the focus of a story by the Wisconsin State Journal. To read the story go to: http://host.madison.com/wsj/news/local/govt-and-politics/article_f9a1fc5e-fdab-11e0-a897-001cc4c002e0.html. To learn more about "Reach Out Wisconsin" go to: http://www.reachoutwisconsin.org/. Job well done, Katie!

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NEW FALL SPORTS AWARDS NIGHT, NOVEMBER 30

The Fall Sports Awards Night has been rescheduled for Wednesday, November 30 at 7pm.

HOLIDAY WISH DRIVE TO HELP LOW-INCOME KIDS!

The holidays are a joyful time of year filled with many wonderful memories. For many in our community this is not the case. You can make a difference! Please join Wilson Families, Faculty, and Students to help out some Wilson families in need over the holidays. The giving wall will be available at Conferences and in the main office until December 9th—please feel free to take a holiday wish card off of the wall and bring the unwrapped gift back to the main office **by December 9th---** Thanks for making a difference!

ARE YOU A CRAFTY WOODWORKER?

The Booster Club has a project for you! We need a rolling display board to be used in the basketball snack shack to showcase our Wilson Sportswear that we will be selling. If this sounds like something you can help us with please contact Melissa Rubin: dmjlrubin@yahoo.com for more details. **We will cover the cost of materials.

WILSON 3D DESIGN CLASS NEEDS FABRIC SCRAPS

Wilson's 3D Design class is starting a puppetry unit and they are in search of fabric scraps. If you have any fabric scraps, old clothes that can be cut up, or any unwanted yarn, buttons, needles, thread, stuffing, etc, please bring it in the main office at Wilson! Thanks!

NEW WILSON SWEATSHIRTS & T-SHIRTS are FINALLY HERE!!

As promised the Wilson Booster Club has designed new hoodie sweatshirts and t-shirts for men & women. They are available for purchase at the homecoming football game, then in the bookkeepers office after that. So tell your mom & dad to bring the checkbook and support the Boosters!

WHS PTA AUCTION 2012

April 21, 2012 at Mittlemen Jewish Community Center 6:00pm.

Fifteen groups registered at the auction kick-off meeting earlier this month and are procuring items and selling raffle tickets now. If your group wishes to participate in fundraising at the auction, please send a group liaison to next Month's meeting on December 7th, 7:00 pm at the home of Annie Bottinelli. December's meeting is the last chance to register your group, so don't miss out!

Auction event tickets are now available on line! Get your tickets and go to: http://wilsonhighschoolpta.tofinoauctions.com/2012auction/homepages/show.

Raffle tickets are now available for purchase through the group liaisons. Go to the WHS website: http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/1117.htm. Go to Parents/Community, then click on Auction, then lick on Liaisons/Committee to see who your group's liaison is or email: whsauction2012@gmail.com and we'll make sure you get a chance to win one of the THREE great prizes being raffled at the auction:

- 1. iPad2 32GB \$599 FMV
- 2. \$500 gift card to "The Allison Inn & Spa"
- 3. \$250 gift card to Fred Meyer

At \$20 a ticket, they might make a fun gift for those hard to buy family and friends! Please contact me, Annie Bottinelli, at: whoseuction2012@gmail.com with any questions or concerns regarding the auction.

WILSON BOOSTER CLUB CHRISTMAS TREE SALE

After a day of holiday shopping on Black Friday, enjoy the fresh scent of Noble, Grand Fir and Douglas trees at the Wilson Booster Club Christmas Tree Sale! Come by the A-Boy lot on Barbur Boulevard for this annual event. Trees will be sold Monday through Friday's 5-7, Saturdays 10-7 and Sundays 10-6, November 25 through mid-December. Students from every Wilson sport, club, art and music group will be there to assist! Booster Club supports Wilson Athletics, Clubs, Arts and Music! So come on by and pick out your perfect holiday tree while supporting Wilson.

^{*}Need not be present at the auction to win. Must be 18 years or older to purchase.*

ANNUAL WILSON CHOIR WREATH SALE ON NOW!

The Halloween pumpkins are history, but our annual Wreath, Swag and Door Charm sale, sponsored by the Wilson Choir program, has just begun! Ask any choir member - there are more than 140 students involved in choir this year - for an order form! The forms must be collected by November 18th (they can be left in Ms. Murer's box in the main office. The greenery can be collected at A-Boy Plumbing Dec. 1 and 2. If you have any problems picking up the items on these dates, or if you have any other questions regarding our sale, please contact Kate Cote at: rrock5@q.com /503 892 0303, Teri Price at: btmprice@aol.com /503 246 2755 or choir director Margaret Murer at: mmurer@pps.net.

NEW! JOIN WILSON PTA ONLINE

Join Wilson PTA today online with a credit card at:

https://wilsonhighschoolpta.tofinoauctions.com/joinpta/give. When you join, you send the message to all of our students that you care about their school. When you join, you join hundreds of other parents and community members. When you join, you support the work that PTA does at Wilson: the all-school Auction, Grad Night Party, the Student Directory, Parent Education Nights, and more. When you join, you become a voting member of the PTA and help decide our direction, budget, and policies. Please see the PTA section of the Wilson website for more information about Wilson PTA. Contact Valeurie Friedman at: wilsonhighschoolpta@gmail.com with questions.

JOIN BOOK GROUP FOR TOM BROKAW'S THE GREATEST GENERATION

Wilson Librarian, Linda Campillo would like to start a book group involving students and possibly parents for Tom Brokaw's *The Greatest Generation*. Wilson is receiving free tickets to attend Mr. Brokaw's lecture on December 1st at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. The book contains the experiences and stories of World War II veterans. Anyone who is interested should contact Linda Campillo at: lcampillo@pps.net.

8TH GRADE FAMILY NIGHT, JANUARY 12

8th Grade Family Night at Wilson is Thursday, January 12 at 6:15PM in the Auditorium. Come learn about your neighborhood school!

2012 GRAD NIGHT

Heads up seniors and senior parents! Grad Night 2012 is a drug, alcohol, tobacco and weapon free, all night celebration for the graduates of Wilson High School. Grad Night begins right after the Commencement Ceremony. It's never too early to sign up and get all the facts. Check here for all the important news and forms: http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/927.htm.

KAISER PERMANENTE CHILD HEALTH PROGRAM

Kaiser Permanente Child Health Program is now open again for students who do not qualify for Healthy Kids. This program is important because it helps meet the goal of ALL students having health coverage and it serves our students who may not qualify for Oregon's "Healthy Kids" program due to issues with citizenship. However, the window for enrollment is short, ending in December. Below is a message you can use for your school newsletters to share with families. This is also available in Spanish at: http://www.pps.k12.or.us/departments/special-education/3537.htm. If you have any questions, contact Student Services, Megan Melady, School Health Services Coordinator at: mmelady@pps.net. If your children are not eligible for Oregon's "Healthy Kids," Kaiser Permanente may be your answer. If your children are not eligible for Oregon's "Healthy Kids" because of citizenship status, you may get health coverage through Kaiser Permanente which does not require children to have legal, permanent citizenship. Kaiser eligibility now extends to children in public school enrolled in kindergarten through age 18. Under this coverage, there no premiums and no co-pay for preventive services. The enrollment period is open and families are strongly encouraged to sign up before winter break in December. Would you like assistance? Contact Multnomah Education Service District: 503-257-1732 or go to their website: http://www.mesd.k12.or.us/shs/childhealth/refer.shtml. Megan Melady, School Health Services Coordinator, 503.916.3036, mmelady@pps.net.

SCRIP

Thinking of buying holiday or thank you gifts for your employees or clients? Then think scrip. Scrip is an easy way to support Wilson PTA that doesn't cost you anything extra--simply purchase gift cards for Fred Meyer, Kaady Car Wash, or many other local vendors. Orders are collected every Monday. Go to: http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/931.htm for order forms.

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WILSON CAREER CENTER NEWS - check out this new section!

Students and Parents: For Career Related Learning Opportunities, please visit: http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/1259.htm. Wilson Career Center located in room 149 near the office, this room will provide students with the opportunity to learn about career options and job related experiences such as job shadowing and internships. If you are available to help students in the Career Center, please contact PTA Volunteer Coordinator Leslie Starker at LNStarker@comcast.net. For more information about any of the following announcements, please contact Erica Meyers, Business Manager and Career Coordinator at 503-916-6142 or email: emeyers@pps.net.

INTERESTED IN CAREER AS SCIENTIST, DOCTOR, OR ENGINEER, DECEMBER 7

Are you a 9-11th grader? Are you interested in a career as a scientist, doctor, or engineer? Then you should come to the ASE [PRONOUNCED ACE] summer internship information session in the Library on Wednesday, December 7th at 7pm. ASE matches scientists, engineers and technology innovators with smart students like you for 8-week internships over the summer. ASE is a great way to improve your college application, and many students receive school credit and a \$1,000 stipend! 2011 ASE application and other important information is now available at www.saturdayacademy.org/ASE. I look forward to seeing all you science and engineering enthusiasts in the Library on Wednesday, December 7th at 7pm!

STUDENTS INTERESTED IN LEARNING ABOUT PERSONAL FINANCE

For Students: If you are interested in learning about **personal finance**, **EverFi**, **a free online personal finance program is available to Wilson High School students**. It's a fun, interactive way for students to learn about personal finance. Go to: www.EverFi.net Username: portland Password: portland. Once you log in, click over to the curriculum tab and you can begin the course. There's also a youtube video http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gQDEcD4FASE.

OREGON NATIONAL PRIMATE RESEARCH CENTER

-Opportunities for Students and Teachers

© Tours of the Center (scheduled for groups as large as 60 students)

Tours are free of charge and feature a presentation about the history, mission, and current research projects being conducted at the Center. The presentation is tailored to meet the individual needs of each group (minimum age 10 years; 4th grade through university-level). Following the presentation, students tour the outdoor monkey enclosures. Tours of individual labs may be possible for older students, depending on group size. Please schedule your tour with me at least 3 weeks in advance, by phone, e-mail, or on-line at: http://www.ohsu.edu/xd/research/centers-institutes/onprc/public-outreach/tourreqform.cfm. Dress for the weather!

© Speakers Bureau

A number of Center personnel (scientists and others) can be scheduled to make on-site classroom visits to schools located within a 30-minute drive of the Center. For schools outside of that radius, videoconferencing may be arranged, depending on your access to such technology. A list of topics and speakers is attached. Please contact Erica Meyers by phone or e-mail at least 3 weeks in advance to schedule a classroom speaker.

© High School Apprenticeships

Administered through the Saturday Academy's "Apprenticeships in Science and Engineering" program (ASE), each summer 3-8 high school students spend 8 weeks conducting a research project under the direction of a Primate Center scientist. One of the apprenticeships is awarded to a student from a historically underrepresented ethnic group. Application materials can be found at: www.saturdayacademy.org/ase. Application deadline: January 2012.

© Partners in Science Program

In collaboration with the M.J. Murdock Charitable Trust's "Partners in Science" program, scientists at the Center mentor selected high school science teachers for 8 weeks during each of two consecutive summers. Additional information about this program can be viewed at: http://www.murdock-trust.org/grants/partners-science.php. For a list of scientist mentors and application materials, contact Diana Gordon by phone or e-mail. *Deadline to notify Primate Center of intent to apply: Oct 21, 2011. Deadline for application to Trust: Dec 1, 2011.*

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PANACHE HOLIDAY BAZAAR, DECEMBER 3

Support the arts at Robert Gray MS and shop at the annual Panache Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, December 3 from 9:02 a.m. - 4:04 p.m. It will be held in the music room at Robert Gray.

BIGFOOT ON STAGE AT ROBERT GRAY THIS DECEMBER 1, 2, 9, 10

The talented students of Robert Gray present North Woods Nonsense, a funny play filled with entertaining characters. Performances are 7pm on December 1, 2, & 9 and 2pm on December 10. Tickets are \$5 for students and \$7 for adults. Tickets are available at the door and online now through www.graypta.org.

EVERYTHING YOU WANTED TO KNOW ABOUT COLLEGE (BUT NEVER ASKED)

Which college is best for you? How can you fund your education? What do you need to do now to prepare for the future? Choosing a college can seem overwhelming! Marilyn Petrequin, of Petrequin College consulting, will answer any questions you could possibly have about continuing your education! Hillsdale Library, Tuesday, December 6, 4-5 p.m.

Note: The Hillsdale Library will be hosting their Teen Lounge through Thursday, November 17, 3:30-5:00. They have decided to eliminate this program after Nov 17, due to poor attendance.

SODEXO YOUTH GRANTS \$500, DEADLINE JANUARY 17

Youth Service America (YSA) will award 100 Sodexo Youth Grants of \$500 each to support youth-led service projects in the United States that address the issue of childhood hunger on Global Youth Service Day (April 20-22, 2012). We're looking for projects that engage your peers, friends, families, neighbors, Sodexo employees, and other community members in creative, youth-inspired solutions to ending childhood hunger in your community. There are 17 million children in the United States live at risk of hunger, including the 1 in 4 children who rely on free and reduced-price school breakfast and lunch programs as their only guaranteed meals. YSA and Sodexo are calling on young people, ages 5-25, to help make sure your peers don't have to worry about where their next meal will come from, and can instead focus on learning and leading healthy and productive lives. Application deadline: January 17th, 2012. For more go to: http://www.ysa.org/grants/sodexoyouth/.

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

NEW FALL SPORTS AWARDS NIGHT, NOVEMBER 30

Monday, November 28, 2011
No contests

<u>Tuesday, November 29, 2011</u> No contests

Wednesday, November 30, 2011
Fall Sports Awards 7:00 pm in the auditorium

Thursday, December 1, 2011
No contests

ATHLETIC SCHEDULE CONTINUED

Friday, December 2, 2011
Men's Basketball – Hood River @ Wilson 4:00 / 5:45 / 7:30
Swimming - @ Dishman 6:00 Bus-4:30
Wrestling - @ Hood River 4:00 Bus-2:30 Early release-2:10

Saturday, December 3, 2011

Dance Team @ Gresham Invitational TBA

http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/kkersey/Fall Sports Schedule.pdf

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HAVE GOOD NEWS TO SHARE? Send the details to Linda Doyle at: Lsdoyle@earthlink.net

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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

WILSON GRADUATES WHO HAVE SERVED OR ARE SERVING IN MILITARY

To add your name and information to the archive of Wilson Military Graduates, click on this link: http://www.wilsonalumni.com/Military.html.

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/

NOVEMBER

- 26 Booster Tree Sales @ A-Boy begins
- 28-29 Choir Wreath pick-up @ A-Boy Noon-7pm
- 29-30 Winter Play The Tempest auditions
- 30 Fall Sports Awards Night at 7pm

DECEMBER

- 1 Winter Play- The Tempest auditions
- 2 Wrestling @ Hood River
- 3 SAT testing
- 6 Financial Aid Night 7pm
- 7 Wilson Choirs @ Grotto 7pm
- 8 Wrestling @ Gresham
- 10 Winter Formal
- 13 Site Council 3:30pm
- 13 Band and Orchestra Winter Concert 7pm Auditorium
- 14 Wrestling @ Franklin
- 14 Boosters 6:45pm in Cafeteria
- 15 Winter Choir Concert & Art Exhibit 7pm
- 16 Men's Basketball vs Cleveland @ Wilson
- 16 Women's Basketball @ Cleveland
- 16 Booster Tree Sales @ A-Boy ends
- 17 Wrestling @ West Salem
- 19 Winter Break (Monday) begins
- 20 Men's Basketball Las Vegas Tournament
- 30 January SAT registration deadline

JANUARY

- 4 Auction Committee 7pm
- 5 College Panel 6:30pm
- 9 Statement Article Deadline
- 10 Site Council 3:30pm
- 11 Boosters 6:45pm in Cafeteria
- 12 8th Grade Family Night at Wilson, 6:15pm Auditorium, come learn about your neighborhood school.
- 13 Winter One Acts 7pm
- 23 PTA Parent Education 6-8pm (refreshments 6-6:30, presentation begins 6:30)
- 26 Trojan Talents
- 28 SAT Testing
- 30-31 Semester Finals

FEBRUARY

- 1-2 Semester Finals
- 3 NO SCHOOL TEACHER PLANNING DAY
- 3 PTA Hospitality Pancake Breakfast
- 3 Basketball

Men vs Jefferson @ Wilson

Women @ Jefferson

- 3 Queen of Hearts Dance
- 4 Wrestling @ Oregon City
- 6 Wrestling @ Wilson
- 7 Site Council 3:30pm

FEBRUARY CONTINUED

7 Basketball

Men vs Cleveland @ Wilson

Women @ Clevemand

8 Boosters 6:45pm in Cafeteria

8 Wrestling @ Wilson

8 Basketball, Women vs Grant @ Wilson

9 Winter Play - The Tempest 7pm

10 Basketball

Men @ Benson

Women vs Benson @ Wilson

10 Winter Play - The Tempest 7pm

10 March SAT registration deadline

11 Winter Play - The Tempest 7pm

12 Winter Play - The Tempest 2pm

13 Wilson PTA meeting 7pm Wilson Library

14 Basketball

Men vs Franklin @ Wilson

Women @ Franklin

15 Basketball - Men's vs Roosevelt @ Wilson

15-16 Winter Play – The Tempest 7pm

17 Basketball

Men @ Madison

Women vs Madison @ Wilson

18 Winter Play - The Tempest 7pm

20 NO SCHOOL Presidents' Day

21 Basketball

Men @ Jefferson

Women vs Jefferson @ Wilson

25 Band and Orchestra Solo & Ensemble @ Grant HS All Day

25 WHS Foundation Fundraiser @ Harvey's Comedy Club, dinner 5:30, show 7:30

28-29 Spring Play auditions

MARCH

1 Spring Play auditions

7 Boosters meeting

7 Auction Committee 7pm

10 SAT testing

12 Baseball @ Lake Oswego

13 Softball @ Rieke vs David Douglas

13 Band and Orchestra Pre-Festival Concert 7pm

14 Baseball @ Corvallis

14 Softball @ Rieke vs Parkrose

14 Boosters 6:45pm in Cafeteria

14 Winter Sports Awards 7pm Auditorium

15 Baseball @ Wilson vs Tigard

15 Trojan Talents 7pm

16 Baseball @ Wilson vs Sherwood

19 Baseball @ Grant

19 Softball @ Rieke vs Grant

20 PIL Band and Orchestra Festival @ Wilson TBA

21 Baseball @ Wilson vs North Salem

21 Softball @ Delta vs Benson

MARCH CONTINUED

- 21 Track @ Marshall vs Madison
- 22 Baseball @ Wilson vs Lincoln
- 22 Softball @ Rieke vs Lincoln
- 23 Improv Marathon
- 24 Baseball @ Tigard
- 26 (Monday)- Spring Break begins
- 31 Baseball @ Scappoose

APRIL

- 2 Back to School after Spring Break
- 11 Boosters 6:45pm in Cafeteria
- 19 PTA Parent Education 6-8pm (refreshments 6-6:30, presentation begins 6:30)
- 21 Wilson Auction @ MJCC

MAY

- 9 Boosters 6:45pm in Cafeteria
- 10 OSAA 5A State Band Championship TBA
- 11 OSAA 5A State Orchestra Championship TBA
- 23 Spring Band Concert 7pm Auditorium

JUNE

- 2 Starlight Parade Evening
- 5 Spring Sports Award Night, 7pm Auditorium
- 6 Band plays at Wilson Graduation @ Memorial Coliseum 8pm
- 6 Graduation Rehearsal Memorial Coliseum 9:30am
- 6 Graduation @ Memorial coliseum 8pm
- 6 Grad Night Party
- 13 Last Day of School
- 25 PPS Summer School begins @ Benson

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