



Wilson Spotlight

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WRITERS IN THE SCHOOLS BEGINS AT WILSON

Writers in the Schools (WITS) is pleased to announce that our fall residencies in Portland's public high schools have started. WITS inspires students to write, revise, edit, publish, and perform their own creative writing. WITS also provides professional development for teachers, visits with world-famous authors, and books, tickets, and transportation for high school groups to attend Portland Arts & Lectures. This fall, WITS writers are working at Benson, Cleveland, Madison, and Wilson high schools. Follow this link for the details for the **Wilson residencies**:

http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/school-wilson/WRITERS_IN_THE_SCHOOLS.pdf

If you have questions, please email Mel Wells at: mel@literary-arts.org, or call 503-227-2583.

GIRL'S CROSS COUNTRY GOING TO STATE

"It's a great time to be a Trojan!" states Coach Olsen. Check out the article about Wilson Cross Country Girl's Team going to state. "Congratulations girls and coaches," adds Kathy Kreipe (Wilson LibraryTextbook Clerk), "I love seeing you train in the neighborhood! Best of Luck to you all!" Follow this link to the story:

<http://highschoolsports.oregonlive.com/news/article/1401589848642348213/wilson-girls-plan-to-take-their-first-state-cross-country-experience-in-23-years-seriously/>.

ONE-ON-ONE WITH NEW WILSON TEACHERS

Follow this link to read an article about Wilson teachers, Morgan McFadden and Matt Carlson, in the Southwest Community Connection newspaper, written by reporter Drew Dakessian '07.

http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/school-wilson/One-on-one_with_new_Wilson_teachers.pdf.

TALL CUP OF ESPRESSO WITH ROOM FOR LIFE SKILLS

Follow this link to read an article about a new venture with special education students at Wilson, known as the Green Scene Cafe, in the Southwest Community Connection newspaper, written by reporter Drew Dakessian '07.

<http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/school-wilson/Tall.cup.of.espresso.pdf>.

WILSON STUDENT ALL-STARS

This month the SW Community Connection highlights three Wilson students for their academic excellence, achievement and leadership. **Austin Graham** enjoys computer science and weight training. He is a member of Wilson Varsity Tennis team and plans to attend Santa Clara University to study engineering. **Alyssa Bell-Padgett** likes chemistry and advanced acting class and runs on the cross-country varsity team. She is a life guard at Wilson and a member of the Wilson Advanced Vocal Ensemble and is looking at pre-med in college with a minor in music or theater. **Nathan Otto** likes economics, Spanish, and English classes. He is on the Wilson Varsity Soccer team and Mock Trial and plans to pursue international business or economics in college. Thanks to Gifford Dentistry in Hillsdale for their sponsorship of the All-Stars.

WILSON DEBATERS SUCCESSFUL AT SPRAGUE

Members of Wilson Speech and Debate competed at Sprague last weekend. Congratulations to **Libby Morgan-Steiner** and **Chris Meabe** for recognition of their 3-1 record, one of the top performances at the tournament. Also notable is the novice performance of **Benedicte Hamilton** and **James Reynolds**. James won his first-ever debate in the first round at Sprague. The team competes again this Saturday at Silverton High School's Fox Invitational. Well done!

SCIENCE AND MATH, THE KEY TO YOUR FUTURE

A.J. Rikli graduated from Wilson in **2004**. From there he attended Cal Poly San Luis Obispo where he received a B.S. in Environmental Engineering in 2009. A.J. is now a Staff Engineer at Rockridge Geotechnical, a geotechnical engineering firm based in Oakland, California. Before joining Rockridge Geotechnical, AJ spent two years in the United States Peace Corps serving in Rwanda where he taught chemistry, raised donor funds, and remodelled schools. He has provided geotechnical construction observation and testing services, as well as performed subsurface investigations. His favorite classes at Wilson were in science and math. **Mr. Penk** was his favorite science teacher, and **Mr. Milne** was his favorite math teacher. "My first piece of advice to current Wilson students," adds A.J., "is to study hard and do your homework! My grades in high school opened up a world of opportunity for my college education, and I'll never appreciate that enough." His second piece of advice is to look at the sciences and math in high school. A.J. recommends, "try hard to excel at sciences and math, because there will always be a shortage of good engineers in this country." Wilson students, if you have questions about engineering, feel free to contact A.J. at: ajrikli@rockridgegeo.com.

OSAA PLAY-IN GAMES THIS WEEK

Our student-athletics have worked so hard to get this far, please attend and support Wilson athletes and this upcoming game.

- Tuesday, November 5, 2013 Men's Soccer @ Lincoln High School 4pm
- Tuesday, November 5, 2013 Women's Soccer – Wilson @ Sherwood 7:00

IN THE BAG: BENEFIT FOR THE ARTS, NOVEMBER 10

Now it's time to come to this wildly successful sale and silent auction (IN THE BAG: benefit for the arts) on Sun, November 10th from 10am to 3pm at O'Connor's @ The Vault in Multnomah Village. We have every color, style and price of bag. The more we sell, the more money we raise for the Arts. There is a silent auction for our "special" items, like designer bags, whole team autographed **Portland Trail Blazers** basketball, **Portland Timbers** bag, autographed books, wine, and gift certificates. It's going to be hard to choose the "perfect bag"—don't worry. We'll help you out with free mimosas to ease the pain of decision-making. If you still can't decide, buy five. Dish the rest out as holiday gifts. FREE admission. FREE mimosas. FREE treats. Get there early! Great holiday gifts! All proceeds benefit Wilson High School choir, drama, orchestra, band, and visual arts. Here's to the Arts! Check us out on facebook and help spread the word about the event: <https://www.facebook.com/InTheBagPDX>. Questions: Linda Doyle, Lsdoyle@earthlink.net.

Note: Deadline to donate bags is Friday, November 8th.

PARENTS OF SENIORS

College exploration, decision, and application assistance will be available starting Monday 11/04 from 9:30 - 3:30 every day in the Career Center, Room 221. Trained volunteers will help your senior navigate the college process. Please encourage your student to drop in and take advantage of this new service during a free period, or lunch. We are very excited to start working w/the WHS Class of 2014.

WE WANT YOUR BOOKS

Book Donations Needed Now through January 20 to benefit the ***Grad Night Party***.

Collections can be placed in the barrel in the main office marked ***Book Donations for Grad Night Party***. We are looking for gently used books, DVDs, CDs, tapes, and records for all ages. Mark your calendar for the Book & Rummage Sale which will be held on January 25th in the Wilson Cafeteria. We'll begin collecting rummage on January 4th. Watch for more notices. Questions? Contact Kevan Anderson, kevan11@comcast.net or Francie Meyers, fpme66@gmail.com.

"INTO THE WOODS!" ... TICKETS GO ON SALE NOVEMBER 1

Hello Wilson Drama Families and Supporters! The cast and crew of Southwest Stageworks, Wilson High School's new theater company, have been working hard to bring you Steven Sonheim's, "Into the Woods". Performances are Nov. 14-16 & 20-23 at 7pm and Nov. 17th at 2pm. \$15 General Admission and \$10 Students and Educators. Tickets will go on sale Friday, November 1st at noon. To purchase tickets online, please visit: www.southweststageworks.blogspot.com. A limited number of tickets will be available for purchase at the box office for each show. **Seating will be limited to 95 seats so order early! The shows are expected to sell out!!** If you would like to purchase season tickets, you may do so from the Wilson bookkeeper any day from 8:00AM-4:00PM. Thank you for supporting Southwest Stageworks. We look forward to seeing you at the show! *Submitted by Leslie Yeagers*

BOOSTER MEETING, NOVEMBER 4

Booster Meeting - Monday, November 4 at 7:00 pm - Wilson Teacher's Lounge. Join us for our November meeting! Hear what we do and how we're helping Wilson athletics and arts! Parent Liaisons and Team/Group representatives this is your chance to sign up for our annual Christmas Tree Sale. Sign up at the meeting to get the spots you want! Thank you. Wilson Booster Club www.wilsonboosterclub.com.

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IN THE BAG: BENEFIT FOR THE ARTS, NOV 10

Sunday, November 10th from 10am to 3pm. Sale & silent auction. All monies raised for choir, drama, band, orchestra, and visual arts at Wilson.

WILSON GIRL'S LACROSSE WANTS YOU! NOVEMBER 14

Please join us for our annual Fall Information Night on Thursday, **November 14th** at 7pm in the Wilson HS Cafeteria. Come meet the coaches, the captains and the rest of our fabulous team mates and learn about what it means to be a member of Wilson Girl's Lacrosse. Of course, there will be fabulous homemade cookies served as well. See you there! Note: *a parent must accompany each player*

MEN'S LACROSSE BBQ/INFO MEETING, NOVEMBER 19

Wilson Men's Lacrosse will be holding their annual Fall BBQ Informational meeting on Tuesday, November 19th at 6:30pm in the WHS cafeteria. All current and prospective players and parents are encouraged to attend. Come learn about our program from Head Coach Derek MacDicken! Go to: http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/school-wilson/WHs_Lacrosse_BBQ_Mtg_2013_Nov_19.pdf.

SCRIP

The Holidays are fast approaching! November order days will be Nov 5, 12, and 19. No order on the 26th, the week of Thanksgiving. Scrip makes for easy gift giving, especially useful for employee gifts! Turkey might even taste better if it's purchased with scrip. To order Scrip, please email Martha at: schulte@easystreet.net or call 503-244-5072. Scrip is an easy way to support Wilson PTA that doesn't cost you anything extra. For order forms, go to: http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/school-wilson/Wilson_Fall_2013.pdf.

WREATH AND GREENERY SALE HAS STARTED

WHS Arts Wreath and Greenery Sale has begun! Decorate your home for the holidays while supporting Wilson High School Drama, Choir and Band programs. Order from your favorite arts student or pick up an order form in the Wilson office. All orders must be made by Nov. 7th and pick up will begin Friday, Nov. 29th at A-Boy. For additional information or to place an order please contact Teri Price at btpmprice@aol.com.

OREGON DUCKS BASKETBALL GAME IN PORTLAND

The U of O athletic department has offered to Wilson PTA a discounted ticket price to see the Oregon Duck basketball team play Illinois at the Moda Center on Saturday, December 14, 2013 at 6pm. Make plans with friends and/or enjoy a fun night with your family! Click this link: [Oregon vs. Illinois - December 14 at the Moda Center](http://ev15.venue.net/cgi-bin/ncommerce3/SEGetEventInfo?ticketCode=PR%3AGLOBAL-ROSE%3ARG13%3ARG1214%3AMSTERN&linkID=blazers-rose&shopperContext=&caller=PR&appCode=&prc=MSTERN&ppc=MSTERN) as soon as you're ready to purchase tickets at \$15 each (<http://ev15.venue.net/cgi-bin/ncommerce3/SEGetEventInfo?ticketCode=PR%3AGLOBAL-ROSE%3ARG13%3ARG1214%3AMSTERN&linkID=blazers-rose&shopperContext=&caller=PR&appCode=&prc=MSTERN&ppc=MSTERN>). Questions? Contact Matt Stern in the U of O athletic office - mstern@uoregon.edu ... and Go Ducks!

AUTHOR ANN PATCHETT

Attention Students!! If you are interested in being in a book group to read Ann Patchett's book *State of Wonder* and then going to see her at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall on Nov. 20th -- Please contact **Linda Campillo** in the Wilson Library. She will be getting free tickets for Ann Patchett's lecture at the Arlene Schnitzer Concert Hall. Parents can join their students as well. Ms. Patchett's new is "The Story of a Happy Marriage". Here is a review from Amazon by Donna Seaman.

Starred Review This is the story of how best-selling novelist Patchett (*State of Wonder*, 2011) became a writer. As a young child in California and, after her parents' divorce, Nashville, she knew she had to write, and she was fortunate, as she so warmly and vividly explains, in her writing teachers—Allan Gurganus, Grace Paley, and Russell Banks—and in her success supporting herself by writing nonfiction for magazines and newspapers, beginning with *Seventeen* and extending to the *New York Times Magazine*, *GQ*, *Vogue*, and *Gourmet*. Patchett now assembles a retrospective set of 22 sterling personal essays to form an episodic, piquant, instructive, and entertaining self-portrait. She reflects on her family, life on a Tennessee farm, literary discipline and inspiration, and her failed first marriage. Her second marriage is central to her hilarious account of an RV road trip, and the full measure of Patchett's toughness and daring surfaces in "The Wall," a riveting account of her father, a captain when he retired after 30 years on the Los Angeles police force, coaching her as she takes the grueling admission test for the Los Angeles Police Academy. A self-described "workhorse" who has even opened an independent bookstore, Patchett is a commanding and incisive storyteller, whether her tales are true or imagined.

NEW BOOSTER MERCHANDISE COMING IN NOVEMBER

Here are some new pieces of Wilson Booster Merchandise coming soon!

- Stadium Blanket. \$40.00. Weatherproof on outside and polar fleece on inside. A Must Have for outdoor sport viewing and an Excellent Christmas Present for that Trojan Fan in your house!
- The New Hot and Cold Wilson Tumbler. \$12.00. Comes with two different lids. A leak proof lid for coffee and one that holds a straw for your cold beverages. Comes with "Free Coffee or Hot Chocolate" Coupon when you bring it to concessions to fill it up!
- And Finally! The most asked for item to date, the New Lanyard! \$5.00. With a Strong metal "Claw" clasp you will not be disappointed! Here's what it looks like:
http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/files/school-wilson/wilson_Lanyard.png.

Look for these items In November!!!!

WILSON PTA GRAD NIGHT 2014 Information and Registration Forms

PTA Grad Night 2014 is a drug, alcohol, tobacco and weapon free, all night celebration for the graduates of Wilson High School. PTA Grad Night 2014 begins right after the **Commencement Ceremony on June 11th, 2014**. The event is a wonderful night of fun activities, prizes, great food, and memories our students will keep for years to come. The graduates will leave on buses directly from graduation to a secret location. Graduates will be returned to Wilson High School no later than 6 am on June 12th. Keep up to date with WHS PTA Grad Night 2014 information on-line at www.WilsonGradNight.com. The tickets are \$110. It is our goal that all graduates of the WHS Class of 2014 attend this event – requests for scholarships may be made on the **Permission to Attend** form. **To register**, please complete the Permission to Attend/Payment, Medical Release, Facility Waiver and Parent Volunteer forms. Then attach your payment (checks may be made out to "WHS PTA Grad Night"). Mail to: WHS PTA Grad Night 2014 Committee, 1151 SW Vermont Street, Portland, OR 97219 or deposit in the Grad Night Box in the WHS Office. **IMPORTANT - We would like all forms/payment returned by December 20, 2013.**

WHS PTA AUCTION 2014 PRESENTS "A GAME OF LIFE" Saturday, April 12, 2014 6PM

Tickets are \$50 each and are on sale NOW at <http://attendthis.org/wilsonauction>. **Raffle tickets are also available at \$20 each.** There are three items in the raffle this year, an iPod mini, a \$250 gift certificate to Fred Meyer and a weekend get-away to McMenamins, need not to be present at the auction to win. Please contact Annie Bottinelli at: a.bottinelli@comcast.net to inquire about purchasing raffle tickets.

WHS PTA AUCTION VOLUNTEER POSITIONS OPEN

This is a really fun event and in order to be successful we will need to fill these key positions: ticket sales, beverage coordinator, will call coordinator, volunteer coordinator and day/night of event volunteers. For a complete list of volunteer job descriptions click here:

<http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/974.htm>. Are you Interested in joining the auction committee, or helping the night of the event? Contact Danni McLaughlin

Danni.mclaughlin@gmail.com OR Annie Bottinelli a.bottinelli@comcast.net. Auction home page: <http://wilsonhighschoolpta.tofinoauctions.com/whsauction2014/homepages/show>

FREE HELP FOR PARENTS OF DRUG-USING YOUTH

The Center for Family and Adolescent Research is offering free individual and group counseling for parents/guardians to help them learn skills for influencing their teen's use and invite him or her to free treatment at CFAR. Services are provided as part of a federally funded research project. For more info, call 503-243-1065. www.ori.org/CFAR/Portland <<http://www.ori.org/CFAR/Portland>

WILSON YEARBOOK, IT'S TIME TO ORDER

Students and parents, it is time to order yearbooks online at: <http://www.balfour.com/>. The cost of the yearbook will increase by \$10 after December. Senior parents can use the same site to order and design senior ads. Pricing is listed on the site. All ad purchases need to be made by December. Thanks, Keith Higbee, Wilson Yearbook Advisor, khigbee@pps.net.

SEND YOUR SNAPSHOTS

Hey Wilson students, do you have a passion for iPhone photography? The Southwest Community Connection is excited to announce a brand-new feature: Southwest Snapshots. Take a picture in Southwest Portland and share it on Instagram with hashtag #SWsnapshots. Be sure to include in the description what you were doing, where you were and what filter you applied. Your photo (along with its description and the Instagram handle of its photographer — you!) could be featured in an upcoming edition of The Connection! Have a look at an example at <http://bit.ly/192Sc4L>. Happy snapping! Questions, contact Drew Dakessian at The Southwest Community Connection DDakessian@SWCommConnection.com or call 503-636-1281, ext. 108.

WILSON TROJAN BOOSTER CLUB

Wilson Trojan Booster Club extends a warm welcome to the new families at Wilson High School and a hearty welcome back to all of our returning Wilson High School families. The Wilson Trojan Booster Club is the main vehicle to offer tangible support to the many different Wilson High School clubs and teams flourishing at Wilson HS. Follow this link to read about the major projects that the Wilson Trojan Booster Club provides or supports: <http://www.wilsonboosterclub.com/>. **Our children are our future, let's show our support and have a fun, fantastic year!**

WILSON HAS ADVERTISEMENT SPACE AVAILABLE

We have advertisement space available! If you have a family owned business or are promoting a local event (statesmen only) that needs to reach the mass of Wilson High School, this is the space for you. This year there are two opportunities to get advertisements out; The Statesmen, our new full color magazine, and the Wilson Trojan (Yearbook). The Statesmen goes out once monthly to the students. This ad space can be used for local events, timely advertisements and businesses trying to reach our community. Our yearbook, the Wilson Trojan, promotes timeless space for senior ads, and local businesses. Not only does the vast majority of our school purchase a yearbook, but our flawless book is something mantel-worthy, sticking around for a long time. This means your ad will do the same if you act on this fabulous opportunity.

Ad space is available in five sizes:

\$40- business card

\$70 1/8 page

\$120 1/4 page

\$280 1/2 page

\$350 full page ad

Please contact Keith Higbee at troyanbizz@gmail.com if you have any questions or would like to place an ad in either publication.

PTA HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE

The Hospitality Committee needs **YOU!!** This is a great way to volunteer on a one time as needed basis, or help organize events such as meals for conferences in November or teacher appreciation week in May. It takes a village to show our teachers just how much we appreciate all they do. Interested? Contact Jean Hinkley at jeanH@GrandBenedicts.com or Christi Cadonau at christic@alpenrose.com.

PTA SCHOLARSHIP REVIEW COMMITTEE

Are you available in the spring to meet a few times with a committee to review and determine the finalists for the PTA Scholarships? This is a short & limited time commitment that directly affects those students that have applied. Interested? Contact Andrea Bradbury at andrea.bradbury@comcast.net.

LOCAL NEWSPAPER SEEKS STUDENT COLUMNIST

Are you a Wilson High School student with something to say? Apply to be The Southwest Community Connection's 2013-14 Student Columnist! As a student columnist, you will write a monthly 500-word column about the issues that matter to you — a student at Wilson, and a citizen of Southwest Portland — working with Lead Reporter Drew Dakessian, an alumna of Wilson's Class of 2008. This is an excellent opportunity to learn how to write clearly and compellingly while sharing your thoughts with our community! To apply, please send an email with three column ideas and a little about yourself to DDakessian@SWCommConnection.com.

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2013 TEEN DRIVER'S LICENSING WORKSHOP, NOVEMBER 7

2013 Teen Driver's Licensing Workshop – sponsored by Legacy Health, AAA Oregon/Idaho, Trauma Nurses Talk Tough. Teen and parents attend together – location is Legacy Emanuel Hospital, 2801 N Gantenbein Ave, Portland. Pre-register by emailing: tntt@lhs.org or call 503-413-4960. \$20 fee per family – appropriate for ages 14-18 - no children under 12 admitted. It is a sad fact: car crashes are leading cause of death for teens. This tough talk workshop can help!

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THE GREEN ZINE, SUBMISSION DEADLINE NOVEMBER 8

The Wilson HS Green Scene Cafe has been a tremendous success in our Life Skills program, teaching valuable food service and business practices to Wilson students with disabilities. One of our students recently took the initiative to organize an author visit to the school and brought his favorite novelist to speak about writing, publishing, and encouraging young writers. As a result of these discussions, **our students** have developed a plan to evolve their cafe enterprise into a publishing house as well and have **plans for the first issue of a student literary journal, *The Green Zine***. This journal will be entirely juried, edited and produced as a high-quality zine by life skills students. Life Skills students will serve as publishers with content **submissions open to all students in the school**. The journal will feature work from students and staff at Wilson and will offer prizes to the best submissions. The prizes, will give the winners anything they want from our cafe for a week, one cafe drink per day, delivered right to their class. We serve a fantastic variety of coffee, tea, soda, and espresso drinks like mochas and vanilla lattes, you name it, our winners will be able to get anything they want. In addition to the prizes, accepted submissions will be published in this high-quality zine and distributed throughout the school, with additional copies for family and friends. Four prizes will be offered: (1) Best Poem; (2) Best Fiction; (3) Best B&W Art or Photography; and (4) Best Creative Non-Fiction. Submissions may be placed in Dominic LeFave's mailbox, delivered to Green Scene staff in room 17, or sent to Ms. LeFave electronically at dlefave@pps.net. **Deadline is November 8th.**

8TH GRADE FAMILY NIGHT AND OPEN HOUSE, NOVEMBER 13

Wednesday, November 13th 6:15-8:15 pm

Wilson High School, 1151 SW Vermont, Portland, 97219

This is a special night for 8th-graders and their families to tour the school, meet teachers and administrators, and learn more about Wilson. Wilson High School offers academic rigor and college prep focus with strong arts, music, and athletics. For more information visit:

www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson.

Special Note: Eighth-grade students can experience a day at Wilson by spending a day shadowing a Wilson student. Email: whstrojans@gmail.com to reserve your spot today.

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PTA MEETINGS FOR THE 2013 2014 SCHOOL YEAR

Monday, February 10, 2014 in the Library at 7:00pm

Monday, May 12, 2014 in the Library OR the Cafeteria at 7:00pm

Questions? Contact Chantal Wright at chantalwright3@gmail.com.

PTA PARENT EDUCATION NIGHT GATHERINGS FOR 2013 2014

Tuesday, February 18, 2014; 6:30 - 8:00 in The Lounge

Wednesday, April 9, 2014; 6:30 - 8:00 in The Lounge

Interested to join this committee? Contact Carter Latendresse carterlatendresse@yahoo.com.

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Get "on board" and buy your tickets today!

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JACKSON MIDDLE SCHOOL ENSEMBLE TO PERFORM THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

The Jackson Middle School Ensemble is a select choir consisting of 36 seventh and eighth grade students. Over the past decade, they have twice been awarded “The Spirit of Anaheim Award” for their enthusiasm and choral excellence at the Heritage Festival in Anaheim. They have also been invited, and performed five times, at the prestigious National Festival of Gold in New York City.

They are currently working to raise funds for their May 2014 trip to Anaheim to perform again at the Heritage Festival. They are very excited for this opportunity to represent their community and to share their love of music with such a wonderful audience. **Come hear the award-winning Jackson Ensemble perform** this holiday season! They will be singing excerpts from their holiday performance at the following times and locations:

Dec 5 The Grotto 5:15 pm

Dec 6: The Holiday Market @ Capitol Hill Elementary– 6:30 pm

Dec 7: Fred Meyer Tigard @ 9am

Dec 7: Fred Meyer Burlingame @ 11am

Dec 12: Pioneer Place Mall – Lower Level 6pm

Dec 14: Whole Foods Market - Bridgeport @ 2pm

Shows are free, however, donations are welcomed and accepted, and will be put directly toward the May trip. Checks can be made payable to: **Jackson Middle School Ensemble c/o Jackson Middle School 10625 SW 35th Ave, Portland, OR 97219.**

HILLSDALE PAELLA DINNER RAISES FUNDS TO SUPPORT NON-PROFIT, NOVEMBER 9

Hillsdale Main Street, a program of the Hillsdale Community Foundation is holding their annual Hillsdale Paella Dinner on Sat, Nov 9th from 6pm to 9pm at the Multnomah Arts Center, 7688 SW Capitol Hwy. Tickets are \$90. Hillsdale Main Street’s third annual Paella Dinner, a fundraising event that helps raise money for the non-profit’s year-round community support programs. Event’s highlight is a Spanish dish called paella, cooked in a five-foot diameter pan over the course of the day by Chef Greg Schwab from Seasons & Regions. Guests can watch the cooking process while enjoying local wine and an appetizer course and are also welcomed to purchase a mystery bottle of wine from the wine wall, and participate in a raffle for prizes donated by local businesses. Food and cooking services donated by local restaurants, including the Tapas appetizers by Salvador Molly’s catering company, Vibrant Table Catering & Events, plus bread and a dessert by Julie Richardson from Baker & Spice. Portion of event’s proceeds will also go to Neighborhood House’s Food Box Program, which serves over 14,000 low-income children and seniors each year. There will be a featured MC during portions of the event for entertainment, as well as Scott Head and key speakers highlighting sponsor contributions and success. For more info and to buy tickets visit <http://hillsdalemainstreet.org/events/paella/>.

RIEKE ROCK GARDEN – COMING SOON!

We are partnering with Rice Rock Museum to design three geology observation stations in the Outdoor Classroom this fall. The museum curator, Dr. O'Dwyer, has helped identify the types of rocks that would be perfect for this enrichment in the 1st and 3rd grade science units. Now we need to find and install them. We have contacted a few landscape companies for estimates on 2'-3' boulders of these rocks types and are waiting for their response. If anyone in our Rieke community has a **connection with a landscape or rock company** and would like to help us **locate the specific rocks**, please let us know! We will also be **looking for families with trucks and muscles** when the installation date is set. Contact jamie.repasky@gmail.com if you have any questions, suggestions, or would like to help.

CHESS AT HILLSDALE LIBRARY

Starting on Sunday, September 8th from 2-4pm, the Hillsdale Library will be hosting "Chess at the Hillsdale Library". The program continues every Sunday thereafter aside from school holidays.

DATES FOR COMMUNITY RECYCLING COLLECTION

Bring items to St. Luke Lutheran Church, SW Vermont & 46th Ave, Portland on:

January 11, 2014

April 12, 2014

July 12, 2014

October 11, 2014

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

Always check with coaches for most up-to-date schedule

OSAA PLAY-IN GAMES THIS WEEK

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- Tuesday, November 5, 2013 Women's Soccer – Wilson @ Sherwood 7:00

WHS Daily Bulletin Send to: wilsonbulletin@yahoo.com

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

Note: PPS Athletic hotline is no longer in service. The Wilson Main Office will have the information when games are changed.

WEATHER & EMERGENCY CLOSURE <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/wilson/>. With winter weather fast approaching, all the information you need to know about weather related school closures, sign up for alerts and how the district makes their decision is available at: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/departments/student-transportation/1404.htm>.

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/>

Please note: schedules can change at the last minute. Always check with your student, or teacher/coach, or call the school to confirm.

NOVEMBER

4 Boosters 7pm, Faculty Lounge

10 IN THE BAG: BENEFIT FOR THE ARTS at Wilson, @ O'Connors in Multnomah, 10am -3pm

13 8th Grade Family Night, rescheduled from Dec 11 to Nov 13 at 6:15pm

14 Girl's Lacrosse Fall Information Night, 7pm Cafeteria

14-23 "Into the Woods", Wilson's drama production

17 "Into the Woods" matinee performance

DECEMBER

23 – Jan 3 Winter Break

JANUARY

6 Classes resume
6 Boosters 7pm, Faculty Lounge
9 AVID Family Night, 6:30-7:30pm
9 College Panel 6:30-7:30pm
11 Winter Formal, 7-10pm
20 MLK Day, school and office closed
27 NO SCHOOL, Teacher Planning Day
27 PTA Hospitality Staff Pancake Breakfast
29-30 Trojan Factor Auditions, 3:30-4:30pm
31 Coffee & Conversation, 8:15-9:15am

FEBRUARY

13 Winter 8th Grade Family Night, 6:15-8pm
14-15-16-20-21-22 Winter Play, 7pm
17 Presidents' Day, school and office closed
18 PTA Parent Education 6:30-8pm in The Lounge
20 PTA meeting, 7pm Wilson Library
26 Spring One-Act Auditions, 3:30-4:30pm
27 Trojan Factor Dress Rehearsal, 3:30-4:30pm
28 Trojan Factor Assembly 9:35-10:15am
28 Coffee & Conversation, 8:15-9:15am

MARCH

1 OMEA District 1 Solo, Ensemble, Vocal & Instrumental Festival
3-4-5 Spring Play Auditions, 3:30-4:30pm
3 Boosters 7pm, Faculty Lounge
6 Advanced Acting Auditions, 3:30-4:30pm
11 Winter Sports Awards
12 Band Concert & Art Exhibit, 7pm
14 Mr. Trojan, 7pm
18 Career Expo
21-30 Baseball Spring Trip
21 Improv Marathon
24-28 Spring Break

APRIL

1-30 Student Art @ Baker & Spice in Hillsdale
2 AVID Family Night, 6:30pm
3 Spring Choir/Orchestra Concert and Art Exhibit, 7pm
8 PIL District Choir Festival @ Grant
9-12 Model UN Trip
9 PTA Parent Education 6:30-8pm in The Lounge
10-13 Drama Ashland Trip
11 No School, Teacher Planning Day
12 WHS PTA AUCTION 2014 PRESENTS "A GAME OF LIFE" 6PM
22 Earth Day
25 Coffee & Conversation, 8:15-9:15am
26 Prom, 7pm
27 Baseball Pancake Breakfast fundraiser

MAY

3 OSAA State Vocal & Instrumental Competition

5-6-7-8-9-12-13-14-15-16 AP testing

5 Boosters 7pm, Faculty Lounge

10 Spring Play, 7pm

11 Spring Play, 2pm

12 Wilson PTA 7pm in the Wilson Library

15 OSAA State Orchestra Competition

15-16-17 Spring Play, 7pm

20-21 Trojanantics, 7pm

26 Memorial Day, School and office closed

28 Band Concert and Art Exhibit, 7pm

28-29 Spring One-Acts, 7pm

30 Coffee & Conversation, 8:15-9:15am

JUNE

3 Spring Sports Awards, 7pm

4 Senior BBQ on the track

6 Troscars Theatre Awards, 8pm

11 Last Day of School

11 Wilson Graduation, 5:45pm at Memorial Coliseum

11 Wilson All Night Grad Party immediately following graduation

13 Teacher Planning Day

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