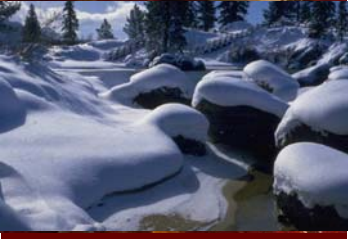


January 11, 2008

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RICHMOND JAPANESE IMMERSION

# Richmond Shinbun

## Reshape Richmond!

Dear Richmond Family,

Parents, students, community members and educators are invited to four January meetings in different quadrants of the city to give input on options for repairing, remodeling and/or rebuilding Portland Public School buildings. Sessions will be held at:

- North region of Portland at Jefferson High School (5210 N. Kerby) at 7-9:30 PM
- West region of Portland at Wilson High School (1151 SW Vermont) at 7-9:30 PM
- Northeast region of Portland at Madison High School (2735 NE 82nd Ave.) at 7-9:30 PM
- Southeast region of Portland at Franklin High School (5405 SE Woodward) at 7-9:30 PM

At the meetings, consultants hired by the school district will present findings from their analysis of both the physical conditions and educational suitability of each school in the quadrant. They also will summarize public input on building priorities captured at community meetings in May and November. Based on those findings, the consultants will present options for repairing, renovating or replacing each school, and the costs of each option. Community members can ask questions and give feedback on the options. Community members interested in attending the January sessions are asked to email [rsvp@pps.k12.or.us](mailto:rsvp@pps.k12.or.us).

Following the meetings, the consultants will meet with district staff in February to develop a recommended plan, which will be presented to the school board in March. Another round of public input sessions on the plan will be held in April. The Board of Education is scheduled to adopt a final facilities plan in May.

Richmond opened its doors to the first class of students in 1908 and is the oldest building currently in use as a school in the Portland Public School District. In addition, our Japanese immersion school supports the fastest growing student population of any school in the district. While our school building has had many updates in its 100 year history, it has a long way to go before it can adequately support the technology and space needs of our growing immersion program. I strongly urge you to attend one of these important community forums, if at all possible, and speak to the facility needs you see at Richmond. Your parent voice carries a great deal of weight.

Sincerely,

Kathryn Anderson  
Principal

# Looking Ahead in Your Child's Classroom

**Pre-School**— The Take and Fuji groups attended the play "Lilly's Purple Plastic Purse" on Friday, while Sakura group made Mochi with Yoshiko and Kaoru senseis. In literacy we are focusing on characters and feelings, as well as the letters and sounds of S and P. In both English and Japanese we have been learning stories, traditions and activities for New Year's and the Year of the Rat. Check out our wonderful new play structure on the playground, and thank you. The preschoolers love it!

Jaina, Yoshiko, Karin & Kaoru sensei

**3rd Grade**—After a wonderful holiday break, the students returned refreshed and ready to learn. We've been writing thank you letters to the folks who planned and implemented our new playground that the students are enjoying so much. In English class we are reading about volcanoes which is a nice intro for our upcoming science unit on Rocks and Minerals. A New Year celebration is planned for the Japanese class on Friday which includes Mochi making, songs and card making. Happy New Year!

Ms. Martin & Hirahara sensei

**4th Grade**— Fourth grade students continue to work on writing. They are writing expository short papers. Soon they will be working on persuasive and scientific information papers. Oregon State writing test will be during the first part of February. Students will be reading nonfiction and fiction books on owls. They will tie this knowledge with their science unit on bones and skeletons. Fractions, decimals, and problem solving continue to the areas of study in Math.

Mrs. Jacobson

A Happy New Year! I am sure that you all had a wonderful winter break with your family. I enjoyed extra hours of sleep and family time. JMP 4th graders are getting back to the routine. I hope you took advantage of long holidays and reviewed Hiragana, Katakana and Kanji a great deal. Those who practiced Kanji, basic skills and math facts during winter break can feel relieved and easier when we start learning new this year. Please make use of Kanji list that I gave as a part of last homework given on December 20th and today's kanji homework to review all the kanji learned so far. Kanji reading and writing tests are coming up sometime next week (between Jan 14th and 18th) to find out how much the students retain kanji learned so far. Kanji, hiragana & katakana skills and math facts are essential in academic success in higher grades.

We are also planning to make and eat MOCHI sometime this month as a part of Japanese New Year tradition. I need several volunteer parents for the MOCHI event. I will let you know as soon as the date is set. Ando-sensei

**5th Grade**— No update given. Please email teachers if you have questions about news for next week.

Minori Fukushima— mfukushi@pps.k12.or.us

Joshua Zeller—jzeller@pps.k12.or.us

**Kindergarten**— In the English classrooms, we have started our unit on weather. We will be singing about weather, reading weather related stories, and writing about weather. Also, each student will be making their own personal book about weather!

In the Japanese classrooms we have been ringing in the new year with Japanese New Year's activities! 2008 is the year of the Rat. New Year's is the biggest holiday in Japan and is celebrated for the first few days/weeks of the new year. People spend time with their families, eat special foods and do traditional activities like kite-flying, spinning tops, a kind of badminton, and other traditional games. People also send New Year's postcards. We made new year's cards in class and have been doing some New Year's-related activities in our learning centers.

Jill, Amy, Kelly & Reiko-sensei

**1st Grade**— Happy New Year! We hope everyone enjoyed winter break and had time to relax and enjoy family time! Here at school, we're back to our normal routine. Our new literacy theme is "Treasures." Now, this is not the "Pirates of the Caribbean" gold and rubies type of treasures, but, instead, the people and things we treasure or cherish in our lives. As one first grader put it, "The treasures in our heart. The stuff that is in important to us." And another child said, "The old things that teach us about things." Exactly! In class we'll be reading and writing about these treasures, but we encourage you to take some time to talk with your child about what you cherish and what you consider your family treasures.

We started the first day of the school in 2008 greeting "Akemashite Omedetou Gozaimasu" (A Happy New Year). We celebrated the New Year by tasting mochi and playing with Japanese New Year centers. Please ask your child what he/she liked the most. We also have learned Kanji from number one to ten. We will keep practicing them when we write the date on worksheets to reinforce them. Finally, we created New Year cards using a computer program called "Kid Pix". They are displayed in the hall. Please come see them.

Uchida-sensei & Karen Meier

Brooke Murphy & Mishina-sensei

**2nd Grade**— In second grade English we are concluding our current science unit, the study of weather. We have completed our observations and collected data for both the evaporation and precipitation cycle, and we will now be focusing on the remaining part of the water cycle, condensation. The students will classify and compare three kinds of cloud groups... stratus, cumulus, and cirrus. When that is completed we will summarize all of the weather observations we have made.

Mrs. Naylor & Mogi-sensei

# Richmond Parents & Families Are TERRIFIC!

The Richmond Parent Pledge Drive is way, way, way ahead of last year! **Together, your donations have reached more than \$21,000 already. And 14% of families have already participated. This is almost one-third of the total we raised last year..** In addition, last year almost all of donations came in a frenzy at the end of the school year. How much nicer to do things ahead, to make a difference and hopefully not have end of year mad dash. This is great.

Working together, by everyone giving something, the Richmond School Foundation can continue to support staff positions at our school...and by doing so, keep class sizes smaller and enrichment activities better.

- Many people took advantage of the kicker this winter and used it to donate. You can still use part or all of your kicker in January to donate if you wish.
- Remember to try to plan for a second gift in the spring...or your single annual gift this spring. The "There is No Such Thing as a Free Bento" spring part of the parent pledge drive will start in April. But, of course, we accept donations any time of the year!
- Last year, 50% of parents donated...so far we are at 14% participation...so please keep up your giving like last year...maybe we can get above 75% of families donating.



And we will continue to strive to keep our message clear and consistent: **for every family who is able to...to donate the equivalent of one month's kindergarten tuition (\$295) once in the fall and once in the spring.** We too wish the State of Oregon supported our schools better...but by all of us working together we can keep class size smaller and enrichment activities better. Go Richmond! Go JMP! Strong work parents! And thank you!

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## 5th Grade Pool Party on Sunday!



Yes, its true . . . we will have the pool all to ourselves! \$5 per swimmer (parents, siblings, friends welcome to swim).

**January 13, 2008**

**5:45 to 6:45 p.m.**

**Mt. Scott Swimming Pool**

**5530 SE 72nd Avenue**

Thanks to the following families for underwriting the pool rental: Franco, Kowash, Lovett, Matsushima, Nakagawa, Nevue, Smith, Tanazawa. Proceeds from the Pool Party will help defray the cost of the Fifth Grade Graduation Party . . . stay tuned!

Questions: Ask your Room Reps, Meg Matsushima and Sarah Nevue

[matsushima@comcast.net](mailto:matsushima@comcast.net) or [nevue@spiritone.com](mailto:nevue@spiritone.com)

# News from Richmond's Parent Teacher Association

**Kristina Kallen**

President

**Kim Tanada**

Vice President

**Mika Obara**

Treasurer

**Sonciray Bonnell**

Secretary

**Yoko Sato**

Special Events

**Volunteers Needed (Winter Signature Event):** Monday, January 21 from 9 to noon at Richmond, we are hosting our Kaiser Permanente, Hands On Portland, PPS Winter Signature Event! Kaiser will be providing 100 volunteers to prep, prime, and paint our hallways and stairwells as well as clean our antique wooden banisters! What an opportunity this will be for our school to have some freshening up while promoting our school to the public through any media attention we may receive. All Richmond folks have an opportunity to assist in this wonderful morning of sharing by volunteering as a team leader to guide a crew of 10 to 12 people. We are looking for approximately 15 to 20 volunteers. There will be a training session on Tuesday, January 15 at 6:30 here at Richmond directed by Hands On Portland to train the team leaders on their job duties. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Kristina Kallen at [kmk456@comcast.net](mailto:kmk456@comcast.net). This is going to be fabulous!!!

**Note from Kathryn Anderson on New Playground Equipment:** In case you haven't seen it yet, the new north playground equipment was made available to the students this week. There are still some finishing touches to be made (a part is still in the works for the new tire swing and more bark chips are being delivered), but the kids had a marvelous time trying out all the new stuff on their recess breaks. Take a look at the progress at:

<http://www.richmondjmp.org/playground.html>

Many thanks to the many, many people, including contributors and volunteers, who helped to make this new playground a reality!

Colleen O'Brien worked tirelessly for this new equipment, doing everything from fundraising to planning to negotiating the red tape. Her hard work is a great asset to the school and the PTA. Opus NW and Mr. Ron Torgensen, who contributed a 3-to-1 dollar match, design work, excavation work, and much more. Richmond's PTA leaders, Kristina Kallen, Kim Tanada, Mika Obara, Sonciray Bonnell, Yoko Sato, and Satoko Moran (retired treasurer) have faithfully lead this project through to completion and carefully accounted for every penny that has been donated for this project. We wouldn't have this beautiful, child-friendly playground without the dedication and support of these folks.

Volunteers: Bart Colson, Mike Baer, Mark Olenrich, Eric Yakley, Sharon Dody, Wilf Scheuerman, Jon Aaerr, Jason Hinkle, Annalee and Michael Moyers, Doug Peters, John Alexander, Laurent Avondstondt, Robert Gripenburg, Brian Trostel, Darren Otto, Darin Hoff, Darell Duffy, Suzanne Munro, Eric Brakstad, Jenny Bravin, Renee Lazarus, David Hill, Mark Desbrow, John Bartell, and Eric Fenner.

**THANK YOU!!!!**



Photos and volunteer list courtesy of Jean Mittlestadt, a Richmond parent, neighbor, and web designer for [www.richmondjmp.org](http://www.richmondjmp.org)!

# Great Upcoming Presentation for Parents

**Paula Prober “Understanding the Rainforest Child”**

**Thursday, January 17th**

**7-8:30 PM**

**BESC Board Room**

**map and directions on web site at <http://tag.pps.k12.or.us>**

Counselor Paula Prober believes that creatively gifted individuals have particular counseling needs that are overlooked and misunderstood. Traits associated with giftedness like acute sensitivity, intensity, complexity, multi-tasking, and divergent thinking can be misdiagnosed for, e.g. anxiety disorder, ADHD, or bipolar. [www.psychevolution.com/](http://www.psychevolution.com/)

*All PPS and the general Portland community are invited to attend this meeting to have your questions answered regarding the identification process, and what programs and services are available for your child.*

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## Good news! Save Our Elms coffee is switching back to the ever popular - and wonderfully priced - pound size bags of coffee!

Even better: Portland Roasting will package our 1 pound of fabulous, freshly roasted coffee in compostable bags! These bags have a corn oil liner and can be composted after removing the small metal tie at the top of the bag. (The previous packaging was non-recyclable.) Look for the new order form on the next page of this newsletter (page 6).

With this bag switch, we will move back to the price from earlier in the school year: one pound bags are \$10 for regular coffee and \$11 for ground. There will be ground regular coffee on hand for purchase in the office and orders are filled weekly for whole bean and decaf coffee, too. Thank you for supporting this program and for hanging in there as we make this exciting switch to a more earth-friendly package. (Compostable or not, buying coffee in pound size bags versus 12 ounce bags also reduce waste as we buy fewer units to meet our caffeine needs!) Remember it is all for the benefit of our beautiful Dutch Elm trees.



Mary Klinger [dustin-mary@comcast.net](mailto:dustin-mary@comcast.net)

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## Lunch & Recess Schedule



**How many minutes do Richmond students have to eat lunch in our cafeteria? Is it 15 minutes? 20 minutes? 25 minutes? Do we allow them to eat at all?** The answer is that Richmond students have 25 minutes to eat their lunch every school day, with another 20-25 minutes for noon recess.

## Buy Coffee in compostable bags to Support Richmond's Elm Trees

Richmond school's 20 American Dutch Elm trees need to be inoculated every 3 years to resist Dutch Elm Disease which can kill the beautiful trees which shade our school grounds. During inoculations in June of 2007, we used 800 microinjections of a fungicide recommended by foresters to protect our trees. The cost per injection was \$3.50 for a total of \$2800. For the next round of inoculations in 2010, prices and shipping costs are expected to be slightly higher.

To raise money for the inoculations, Save Our Elms, a 501c(3) non-profit, partners with Portland Roasting to sell delicious, freshly roasted coffee to the Richmond community. \$4.60 from every bag of regular coffee sold allows us to buy approximately 1.31 microinjectors. (Save Our Elms gets \$5.05 from every bag of decaf coffee, too!) The coffee is delicious, environmentally friendly and costs **\$10/pound for regular and \$11/pound for decaf.**

If you haven't tried the coffee yet, ground regular coffee is available for purchase in the office. The price is \$10 /pound (checks made to Save Our Elms, please.) You can look in the coffee basket on Patsy's counter for the variety you like and either give your money to Patsy or place it in the box marked "Save Our Elms" on the office front wall. I place orders every Thursday morning at 8 AM for whole bean, decaf, and additional ground coffee. For an order, please fill out an order form (some are usually available on the table in front of the office or on Richmond's website) indicating your coffee choice and whole bean or ground preference and attach payment. (Please note decaf coffee costs \$11.00 a pound.) Coffee from orders will be available in the office by the next afternoon and it will be held in Patsy's coffee drawer just for you. Patsy can retrieve this for you; she is a great supporter of this program. We accept donations as well.

### Portland Roasting descriptions:

All coffees for Richmond are our Farm Friendly™ Direct coffees because as important to us as the quality of our coffee is our social responsibility. We strongly believe that we can make a positive difference in the coffee world through direct, socially responsible coffee sourcing. We pay growers a premium for their coffee with 100% of the premium going to farm and community projects. All of these projects are designed to give back directly to the farmers - furthering the long term sustainable infrastructure.

**Ethiopian – Kochere:** This coffee is part of Project H.O.P.E., which stands for Hope and Opportunity for the People of Ethiopia. We are helping build a much needed community center for the Ethiopian farming community of Kochere to provide a common meeting place for educational purposes, as well as a vital medical dispensary for the people of Kochere.

**French Organic** – Certified organic; dark roast

**(new) Tanager's Song** – an organic blend (Central American and Indonesian certified shade grown coffees), silky-rich and full-bodied with a caramel-like finish.

**(new) Papua New Guinea** - a single varietal that is passive organic.

**Farm Friendly Direct, SWP (Swiss Water Process) French Decaf** – directly sourced, chemical free, dark roast.

**Farm Friendly Direct, SWP (Swiss Water Process) Morning Decaf** – directly sourced, chemical free, light roast.

Please put orders with your checks (made out to SAVE OUR ELMS) in the Save Our Elms mailbox in the school office or contact Mary Klinger at (503) 234-5147 or [dustin-mary@comcast.net](mailto:dustin-mary@comcast.net). For orders submitted by 8:00 AM Thursday, coffee will be available in the office by Friday afternoon. **THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!**

### Save Our Elms Coffee Order Form

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ or email \_\_\_\_\_

Coffee	Ground	Whole Bean	Totals
Ethiopian - Kochere			\$10/lb x lbs = \$
French Organic			\$10/lb x lbs = \$
Tanager's Song			\$10/lb x lbs = \$
Papua New Guinea			\$10/lb x lbs = \$
SWP French Decaf			\$11/lb x lbs = \$
SWP Morning Decaf			\$11/lb x lbs = \$
<b>Totals</b>			

\_\_\_\_\_ Donation amount. Save Our Elms is a non-profit 501(c) 3 corporation in the State of Oregon. EIN: 31-1581092. Revised 1-08

# RICHMOND PARENT PLEDGE DRIVE – THANK YOU DONORS!

(as of 12-21-07)

**"An investment in knowledge pays the best interest." Benjamin Franklin**

The Richmond Foundation would like to gratefully acknowledge the many parents, families, friends, staff and businesses who have generously contributed their money, time, and effort to the Richmond Parent Pledge Drive. Every effort has been made to list all contributions accurately from July 1, 2007 thru the beginning of this week. We continuously update this list each week. If, however, an error has been made, please accept our apologies and notify us. It is up to date as of December 21, 2007 with 14% of all Richmond families having donated in the 2007-08 school year. See page 3 of this newsletter for more details on your generosity and our success so far.

**Thank you Richmond Community! You are helping keep our school exceptional!**

## DONORS

Anonymous

Amano, Shigeki & Kaora

Andrew, Mike & Mueller, Jacqueline

Barber, Duane & Brackbill, Lise

Bauer, Henry Jr.

Bauer, Maxine & Burt, Rich

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Chrisman, Charles & Shinobu

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Gooding, Dale & Claudia  
(grandparents)

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Hardy, Jeff & Yuko

Heming, Karie

Hinkle, Stephanie

Hoesly, Fred & Mae (grandparents)

Jacobson, Robert & Mary Ann

Kaliszewski, Jeanne & Joe

Kott, Gregory & BonHardy, Jeff & Yuko

Kott, Phyllis (grandparent)

Luers, William & Katie

Malone, William & Catherine

Matsushima, Meg & Matt

Mays, Sally & Head, Robert

McGee, Mikael & Jolene

Mueller, Jacqueline

Munro, Suzanne & McGranaghan, Mark

Olenich, Mark & Harumi

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Reents, Brad & Yoshiko

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Schultz, Teresa

Shapiro, Many

Shawen, Richard

Sherrill, Carrie & Coonradt, Pete

Slyman, Mike & Cathy

Slyman, Jean (grandparent)

Taber, Ruth Reitz (great-grandmother)

Thorp, Micah & Nicole

Ticknor, Micah & Nicole

Tomlinson, Mark & Angie

Virnig, Dennis & Aimee

Wilkinson, Robert & Maluaka

Yanase, Craig & Lisa

Yano, Mayumi

Zaerr, Jon & Cathy

Zaerr, Joe & Lois

## BUSINESS DONATIONS

Lauro's Kitchen

Academy Theatre

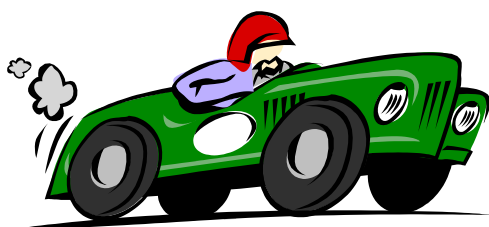
Pizzicato

Clinton St. Theatre

Mio Sushi

## MATCHING DONATIONS

Pepsico



## TOTAL DONATION

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12TH ANNUAL JAPANESE AMERICAN NEW YEAR CELEBRATION

# Mochitsuki 2008

*With Aloha!*



Sunday, January 27, 2008  
Portland Community College, Sylvania Campus  
12000 SW 49th Avenue, Portland

FREE PARKING TriMet routes 44 & 78

For more info visit us at [www.mochitsuki.org](http://www.mochitsuki.org) or [info@mochitsuki.org](mailto:info@mochitsuki.org)



## Mochitsuki With Aloha

Performances at 1:00 PM & 3:15 PM  
Performing Arts Center

### Featuring

#### *Alton Chung*

Storyteller from Hawaii will be our program's host

*Ka'au Ahina and 'Aukai La'a*  
of Hula Halau He Makana O Aloha

#### *Portland Taiko*

Asian American drum performance group

#### *Tanuki Taiko*

#### *Robert Kikuchi-Yngojo*

Internationally renowned storyteller

#### *Fujinami-Kai*

Dance

#### *Sahomi Tachibana*

Dance

### Admission

Adults \$12, Students/ Srs \$9, 12 & under \$5,  
2 & under free.

Includes admission to the Cultural Fair

Tickets from Brown Paper Tickets

1-800-838-3006 or [BrownPaperTickets.com](http://BrownPaperTickets.com)

Tickets are subject to convenience charge.  
All Ticket Sales Final.

## Cultural Fair

Noon to 4:00 PM, College Center  
Suggested Donation of \$2 for adults, \$1 for children

### *Mochi Pounding*

### *Sushi & Japanese Snacks*

### *Hawaiian Sweet & Savory food*

### *Ikebana*

### *Ice Carving*

### *Calligraphy*

### *Hands on activities for all ages*

### *Community Stage Performances*

### *Vendor & Exhibitor Booths*

### Sponsored by

Japanese American Citizens League

Oregon Nikkei Legacy Center

Portland Community College Multicultural Center

Portland Taiko

### Supported by

Japanese Ancestral Society

The Consulate General of Japan

The Japan-America Society of Oregon





# MOCHITSUKI 2008 *With Aloha!*

Sunday, January 27, 2008 on the PCC Sylvania Campus  
Performing Arts Center show times: 1 p.m. and 3:15 p.m.

## COMMUNITY PARTNERS TICKET SALES ORDER FORM

Ticket prices: \$12 for adults/ \$9 for students and seniors/ \$5 for children under 12/  
Children under 2 are free.

*Tickets sold through Community Partner groups will not incur any additional fees.  
(Tickets purchased through [www.brownpapertickets.com](http://www.brownpapertickets.com) are subject to nominal service charges.)*



**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PHONE # :** \_\_\_\_\_

### 1 PM SHOW

ADULT: \_\_\_\_\_ tickets x \$12 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENTS/ SENIORS: \_\_\_\_\_ tickets x \$9 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN UNDER 12: \_\_\_\_\_ tickets x \$5 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### 3:15 PM SHOW

ADULT: \_\_\_\_\_ tickets x \$12 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

STUDENTS/ SENIORS: \_\_\_\_\_ tickets x \$9 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CHILDREN UNDER 12: \_\_\_\_\_ tickets x \$5 = \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Make checks payable to: **MOCHITSUKI**

**PLEASE SUBMIT ORDER FORM AND PAYMENT TO RICHMOND'S OFFICE  
NO LATER THAN MONDAY, JANUARY 14, 2008**

For further information about ticket sales, contact:  
Kim Tanada at [info@mochitsuki.org](mailto:info@mochitsuki.org) or (503) 804-9991



# SCRIP NEWS

Oya No Kai, Inc.

January, 2008

## Happy New Year!

Our next Scrip Order is Monday, January 14!

§ **Merchant Update:** Pizza Schmizza is now a \$5 certificate – we have a few \$10 ones left. Quizno's has stopped participating in scrip. Cinnabon has been discontinued. We have a few cards for Gymboree \$25 and J. Crew \$25 on hand; we will permanently add them to the order form if there is interest.

§ **Order Dates** Richmond has a few Professional Development days in the months ahead that I wasn't aware of when I made the original Scrip schedule (Monday Feb 4 and Monday April 14 are non-school days for Richmond). Here is an updated schedule, with Standing Order Dates in bold. Orders are usually pretty low in January anyway, so we are eliminating the January 28<sup>th</sup> order.

<u>Order Day</u>	<u>Pick up Day</u>
<b>January 14</b>	<b>January 18</b>
<b>February 11</b>	<b>February 15</b>
February 25	February 29
<b>March 10</b>	<i>March 17 (Mon)</i>
March 31	April 4
<b>April 15 (Tue)</b>	<b>April 18</b>
April 28	May 2
<b>May 12</b>	<b>May 16</b>
<b>June 2</b>	<b>June 6</b>

§ **Give us the hard numbers!**

Okay - Here are the **Scrip Profit Earnings** for each class since the beginning of this school year through November, and the **number of families who have ordered** (most have multiple orders). As you can see, not even half of each class has bought scrip even once. Kindergarten and first grade have good profits, but remember they have 4 classes of kids instead of 2. Fifth and 8<sup>th</sup> grades are preparing for trips – think about how much younger grades could earn by 5<sup>th</sup> grade if they started ordering scrip now!

Grade	Total Scrip Profit 2007-08	# of families buying scrip
12 <sup>th</sup>	\$52	1
11 <sup>th</sup>	\$91	3
10 <sup>th</sup>	\$220	6
9 <sup>th</sup>	\$91	3
8 <sup>th</sup>	\$714	12
7 <sup>th</sup>	\$382	7
6 <sup>th</sup>	\$371	7
5 <sup>th</sup>	\$775	17
4 <sup>th</sup>	\$495	13
3 <sup>rd</sup>	\$538	16
2 <sup>nd</sup>	\$260	8
1 <sup>st</sup>	\$559	17
K	\$612	26
Pre K	\$190	8
Rich. Fdn.	\$70	3
ONK	\$355	7
MtTaborMS	\$191	8
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$5890</b>	

§ Can buying Scrip really make a difference? Yes!

We raised over \$23,000 last year through Scrip, with only a few families ordering in each class. If only **20 families** in a class purchase **\$300 of grocery store scrip** every month, by the end of this school year, that class will have **\$2430** more in their class trip fund.

§ Should I Pay With Cash, Check, Or Credit Card? We are charged a low percentage fee for every credit card transaction we run. With some merchants that provide a low discount rate, the credit card fee eats some of that profit. If it is just as easy for you, **paying by check gives us the entire profit.** **BUT**, if you have a standing order, or find it easiest to pay by credit or email your order, we would **MUCH** rather have your credit card order than no order at all!

§ **Scrip Volunteers:** We have some wonderful Scrip Volunteers who keep the Scrip Program going. Please thank these folks the next time you see them: Yuri Hiranuma, Veronica Green, Toni Hoff, Jody Little, Liz Parks, Stephanie Price, Darcy Hanita, Sally Mays, Desiree Miller, Monica Mueller, Suzanne Kawamoto, and Sandra Green. Some of our volunteers may be moving on after this school year, so please let **Leslie Kowash (onkscrip@comcast.net)** know if you would be interested in helping the Scrip program stay strong.

§ How do I order Scrip? Order forms are available to at Richmond in front of the office & in the cafeteria, at Mt. Tabor, and online at oyanokai.org. Return completed order forms to the Scrip mailbox in the Richmond Office or to a Scrip Volunteer in the cafeteria by **8:00 am on Order Mondays.**

Mt. Tabor orders are due in the ONK box in Mr. Bacon-Brenes' room by 9:15 Monday morning. You can also **email orders by 8pm Sunday night to [onkscrip@comcast.net](mailto:onkscrip@comcast.net)** (call Leslie Kowash to be sure we have your credit card on file before you email your order).

*Don't forget: you can buy left over Scrip (Cash or Check) on Friday afternoons when we are handing out Scrip orders. We don't have all vendors on Fridays, but we have a lot to choose from.*

If you have any questions, please contact Leslie Kowash at 503.235.5513 or [onkscrip@comcast.net](mailto:onkscrip@comcast.net).





## **RICHMOND FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER**

Join us for a fun night of assembling make-ahead meals for your family. We promise quality ingredients and great family-friendly food. *We do all the planning, prep-work and cleanup.* You add what you like, leave out what you don't. Stock up your kitchen and Voila! You have real dinner ready on time! Refrigerator Reminders and Shopping Lists help you keep it all together!

**Wednesday, January 30<sup>th</sup>**

**12:00pm or 5:30pm or 7:30pm**

*(Young children welcome at the 12:00pm session.)*

**\$90 for 6 family pleasing make-ahead meals**

That's only \$15.00 a meal and **50%** benefits Richmond Foundation.

Each meal serves 4-6 adults and all entrees can be split in  $\frac{1}{2}$  to accommodate smaller families.

*Refrigerator Reminders & Shopping Lists Included*

### **Dinner Voila Menu for January 30<sup>th</sup>**

**SLOW COOKER PULLED PORK:** This is comfort food at its best. This pork roast is slow cooked with green peppers, onions and savory seasonings. Serve on buns with sharp cheddar cheese and coleslaw.

**SICILIAN MEATBALLS:** Impress your guests with this Dinner Voila favorite! This is a great kid friendly dinner. Add pasta, garlic bread and salad for a gourmet dinner!

**CREOLE SHRIMP:** Hands down one of the best Dinner Voila recipes ever! Quick to cook and impressive! Sauté these shrimp up in seasonings that will take you to the bayou. Serve as an appetizer or entrée.

**RUB ME THE RIGHT WAY™ FLANK STEAK:** Super spices and a super quick dish that is so good! Grill or broil and slice thin.

**ASIAN INSPIRED CHICKEN THREE WAYS:** Tender chicken marinated in teriyaki and Asian spices. Grill, broil or stir-fry. Serve with Asian veggies and rice for dinner or skewer for appetizers.

**WHITE CHICKEN CHILI:** Your family will ask for an encore presentation! Green chilies add flavor without all the heat to this chili, but you can spice it up too! Garnish with avocado and cilantro and serve it up with corn bread or chips and salsa.

*(Some substitutions can be pre-arranged.)*

#### **Sign-UP:**

- Pick a noon, 5:30pm, or 7:30pm session.
- Reserve your spot early (only 7 spots per session) by emailing Sarah Stephens at [csstephens@gmail.com](mailto:csstephens@gmail.com) or call 503 788-3980.
- Payment by check or cash to Sarah Stephens due by Thursday, January 24<sup>th</sup>.
- Come and enjoy making meals for you family with friends (Sessions includes snacks and drinks. Wine included in the evening.)

## CALENDAR FOR JANUARY 11—23, 2007



### Portland Public Schools Japanese Magnet Program

#### RICHMOND JAPANESE IMMERSION

#### Richmond office hours are

7:30 AM—4:00 PM

#### To reach Patsy Burke, Secretary:

503-916-6220

[pburke1@pps.k12.or.us](mailto:pburke1@pps.k12.or.us)

#### To reach Kathryn Anderson, Richmond Principal:

503-916-6220

503-329-1681 (cell)

[keanders@pps.k12.or.us](mailto:keanders@pps.k12.or.us)

- *Portland Public Schools recognizes the diversity and worth of all individuals and groups and their roles in society. All individuals and groups shall be treated with fairness in all activities, programs and operations, without regard to age, color, creed, disability, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex or sexual orientation.*

*Board of Education Policy 1.80.020-P*

- Fri. Jan. 11 PreK on field trip to see the Oregon Children's Theatre production of *Lily's Purple Plastic Purse* at the Keller Auditorium, 8:20 AM-12:00 PM
- Sun. Jan. 13 O-Shogatsu at the Portland Japanese Garden from 12:00-3:00 PM; Richmond families receive a discount on admission and our interns will be available to help with calligraphy. This is also a chance to meet the teachers and principal from Miyanomori Elementary School in Sapporo, Japan who will attend this wonderful event with Kathryn.
- Mon. Jan. 14 Scrip order day  
Kendo class at 2:25-3:15 PM in gym
- Tues. Jan. 15 TAG testing of nominated students in room 206 during school day  
Karate class at 2:15-3:15 PM  
Mad Science class at 2:25-3:25 PM in rooms 105, 111, and 206  
Reception at the Consul General's residence for visiting staff from Miyanomori Elementary School in Sapporo, Japan at 6:30 PM  
Hands On Portland Team Lead training, 6:30 to 7:30 in staff room
- PPS Facilities Report for North region of Portland at Jefferson High School (5210 N. Kerby) at 7-9:30 PM
- Wed. Jan. 16 School tour for prospective parents at 8:15-10:30 AM  
PPS Facilities Report for West region of Portland at Wilson High School (1151 SW Vermont) at 7-9:30 PM
- Thurs. Jan. 17 Presentation for parents by Paula Prober "Understanding the Rainforest child" at Portland Public Schools' central office (501 N. Dixon) at 7-8:30 PM. This presentation is being offered by the office for talented & gifted services and is available to all parents of students in PPS.  
Healthy Meals Committee meeting from 7 to 8 in the staff room
- Fri. Jan. 18 Scrip pick up day
- Mon. Jan. 21 **NO SCHOOL**—Martin Luther King Jr. holiday  
Winter Signature Event for Richmond—employees from Kaiser Permanente help us paint Richmond's hallways on the 2nd floor, 8:30AM -12:00 PM
- Tues. Jan. 22 TAG testing of nominated students in room 206 during school day  
Karate class at 2:15-3:15 PM  
Mad Science class at 2:25-3:25 PM in rooms 105, 111, and 206  
PPS Facilities Report for NE region of Portland at Madison High School (2735 NE 82nd Ave.) at 7-9:30 PM