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RICHMOND
JAPANESE IMMERSION SCHOOL

Richmond Shinbun

OUR DREAMS TAKE FLIGHT

*Come Celebrate Nearly 20 Years of
Japanese Immersion education in Portland!*

The Biggest JMP event of the year is Saturday
November 15th at the Governor Hotel—Be there!



Funds raised at this event support our wonderful, essential staff of interns, whose language expertise, dedication and kindness positively impact every student at our school. Also, importantly, this event is the primary fundraising function for our 5th graders' trip to Japan.

**The Heritage Ballroom at the
Governor Hotel
611 SW 10th Avenue at Alder
Downtown Portland
Catering by Jake's
Tickets \$100**

*Please find more information and order your
tickets online at:*

www.dream.dojiggy.com





Portland Public Schools
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Japanese Magnet Program

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7:30am-4pm

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Mark your calendar!



Events for the week of

November 7-November 15, 2008



Monday November 10th—11月 10日 月曜日

No School

Tuesday November 11th—11月 11日 火曜日

No School-Veteran's Day

Saturday November 15th—11月 15日 土曜日

Our Dreams Take Flight Dinner Celebration

6 p.m.

Heritage Ballroom

The Governor Hotel



****Switch Day is December 2nd ****



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

PPS Wants Your Input on Child Care

Parents and guardians are invited to take an online survey through November about before- and after-school child care programs offered through PPS. Results will be shared with principals and child care providers to help improve these valuable programs. To take the survey, go to www.pps.k12.or.us and scroll down to find the link.

Richmond Elementary



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NEW GREEN TEAM



COMMITTEE CREATED

Are you interested in making Richmond Elementary a more environmentally friendly school? 1st grade parent Julie Gefroh is heading up the newly created PTA Green Team. Possible projects include increasing biking and walking to Richmond, getting washable lunch trays for our cafeteria, increasing recycling in an effort to earn Richmond the designation of an "Oregon Green School".

If you are interested in volunteering for this committee please contact Julie at jbgefroh@gmail.com, **503-736-9976**.

BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION

Outside the front office is a box to collect box tops for Richmond School. This is an easy way to earn money for Richmond, each box top earns \$0.10. A complete list of products that participate in the Box Tops for Education program can be found on page 5 of this week's Shinbun or go to www.boxtops4education.com for more details.

RICHMOND SCHOOL FOUNDATION UPDATE

(The Richmond Foundation is starting a new monthly column in which each committee member will be providing their updates and perspective on the Foundation.)

Hi, my name is Rich Shawen and my eldest daughter is a 1st grader at Richmond. I became involved with the Foundation last year when I understood that this was the only organization within the school system that raised money for staffing. As we all know the state funding towards its schools has dwindled over the years and now requires us, the parents and concerned citizens, to become more involved physically and monetarily due to the lack of funds for the enrichment activities, such as art, music, library services, plus assisting in the classroom.

My passion towards Richmond was solidified as my wife and I evaluated our educational options before starting Kindergarten last year. After our tour and Q&A that followed with Kathryn, I knew this was a special school offering an amazing opportunity to learn a second language at such a young age. If you were like me, you did not have a secondary language opportunity until junior or senior high school. The excitement that was generated within my family inspired me to figure out ways to support this terrific school as soon as my daughter's educational career began. Once I understood the organizations involved in the school I knew that the foundation provided that best avenue for me support through my initial donation. Remember all of Richmond's parent organizations – PTA, Oya No Kai, Garden Club and the Foundation, are all great organizations and should be supported. The Foundation was just the best fit for me.

The reasons I donated to the Foundation were due to it providing staffing support which in turn helps maintain smaller and more manageable classroom sizes plus it provides potential support for the enrichment programs.

As for my involvement in the Foundation, this did not occur until the spring of last year. The reasons for this were cumulative but what drove home the emotional part of becoming involved was inspired by a conversation with my daughter. As I was writing my second half of the year check to the Foundation, my daughter asked me why I was doing that and the money could buy her a lot of shoes. After I had explained the impacts of this donation, she asked if she could donate the money that she had been given by my mother who had passed away earlier that year. I told her I would increase my amount and she could "pay me later". That was the moment in time that I knew I needed to become truly involved beyond just writing the check. I am fortunate that I could do this and understand not everyone has the time available, but your involvement and monetary support has a huge impact on Richmond's future.

What I would like to see is every family committed to Richmond. This can be accomplished through volunteering and/or donations. It would be fantastic if the school could state that 100% of the families have shown their support through contributions. This could be accomplished by donating \$5 or \$500 over the course of the school year. Every dollar is very important to the success of this school so please do not feel your donation amount is too small. The RSF's bi-annual donation request of the Kindergarten monthly tuition equivalent is just a benchmark of the expected dollars needed. If you can contribute this amount or more that is great, but the Foundation appreciates any donation no matter how big or small. Please refer to the Richmond School Foundation Donation Form for further instructions on how to participate.

The Portland School Foundation, which benefits Richmond, also has annual or monthly payment programs via your credit card if this is more convenient and manageable. The website is www.thinkschools.org click on "Donate Now" and verify that you have selected Richmond as the beneficiary school.

Also a quick update on where the Richmond School Foundation Pledge Drive is as of mid-October. We have raised approximately \$7,000 which is about same as this time last year. The RSF has set a 66% family participation goal for the 2008-2009 school year, but I hope we can attain and beat this goal with the support of every family at Richmond.

Another great way to support the Richmond School Foundation is to participate in the Restaurant Drive Program in which the associated restaurant pledges 20% or more of its revenues to RSF for that specified day(s). This is a great way to get out and enjoy a great meal plus know that you are supporting your children. Please stay tuned for more restaurant drives in the coming year but many thanks go out to Pizzicato, NoHo's and Lauro for their recent participation and generous support.

Remember it takes a village to raise a child, so please participate.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at rshawen@comcast.net or my home phone# 503-231-9048.



Clip Box Tops – earn cash for our school!

Earn cash for our school every time you shop for groceries. Clip Box Tops from **hundreds of your favorite products.*** Each Box Tops coupon is worth 10¢ to our school—and that adds up fast!

BAKING	Cookie Crisp® Cereals:	Tonka® Pizza Rolls® Pizza Snacks	Raised Shapes	Paper Towels:
Desserts:	- Cookie Crisp®	MEALS & SIDES	- Tonka® Fruit Flavored Shapes	- SCOTT® Paper Towels
- Arnold Joy® Dessert Bar Mix	- Double Chocolate Cookie Crisp®	Betty Crocker® Potatoes:	- Transformed Fruits Shapes	- VIVA® Paper Towels
- Betty Crocker® Angel Food Cake Mix	- Peanut Butter Cookie Crisp®	- Betty Crocker® Casserole Potatoes	- Betty Crocker® Fruit Gushers®	Wipes:
- Betty Crocker® Complete Desserts*	- Currant® Cereals:	- Betty Crocker® Potato Buds® Mashed	- Betty Crocker® Fruit by the Foot®	- COTTONELLE® For Kids Flushable Moist
- Betty Crocker® Crustie Mix	- Currant® Fruit and Nut Crunch Cereal	Potatoes	- Betty Crocker® Fruit Roll-Ups®	Wipes
- Betty Crocker® Frosting	- Currant® Honey Crunch	- Betty Crocker® Seasoned Mashed Potatoes	- Fruit by the Foot® Cray Feet	- COTTONELLE FRESH® Flushable Moist Wipes
- Betty Crocker® Sunkit® Lemon Bars	- Currant® Whole Grain Crunch	- Betty Crocker® Seasoned Skillets™	- Fruit Roll-Ups® Cozy Pa®	- HUGGIES® Baby Wipes
- Betty Crocker® Brownie Mix	Disney® Cereals:	- Betty Crocker® Deluxe Potatoes	- Fruit Roll-Ups® Fruit Stickers™	- SCOTT® Pre-Moistened Wipes
- Betty Crocker® Variety Dessert Mixes	- Disney® Little Einsteins™ Fruity Stars	Helpers:	- Fruit by the Foot® Mini Feet	
- Betty Crocker® Warm Delights® Desserts	- Disney® Mickey Mouse Clubhouse Berry	- Handlinger Helper®	- Fruit Roll-Ups® Mini Rolls	PERSONAL CARE
- Betty Crocker® Warm Delights® Whols	- Disney® Princess Tigger & Porky Cinn	- Handlinger Helper® Microwave Singlets®	Nature Valley® Granola Bars:	KOTEX® products:
- Hershey® Brownie Mix	- Disney® Princess Fairytale Rules	- Handlinger Helper® Microwave Singlets® Cup	- Nature Valley® Chewy Granola Bars with	- KOTEX® Lightdays® Pantliners
- Reese's® Dessert Bar Mix	Dora the Explorer®	- Chickie Helper®	Yogurt	- KOTEX® Maxi Pads
Breads, Muffins and Rolls:	- Disney® Princess Fairytale Rules	- Tuna Helper®	- Nature Valley® Chewy Trail Mix Bars	- KOTEX® Security Tampons
- Betty Crocker® Cornbread & Muffin Mix	Dora the Explorer®	Old El Paso®:	- Nature Valley® Crunchy Granola Bars	- KOTEX® Ultra Thin Pads
- Betty Crocker® Muffin Mixes	- Disney® Princess Fairytale Rules	- Old El Paso® Taco Shells	- Nature Valley® Healthy Heart Chewy	POSE® products:
- Betty Crocker® Premium Muffin & Quick	Ritter® Cereals:	- Old El Paso® Tortillas	Granola Bars	- POSE® Liners
Bread Mix:	- Ritter One®:	- Old El Paso® Dinner Kits	- Nature Valley® Roasted Nut Granola Bars	- POSE® Pads
- Betty Crocker® Pancake Mix Boxes	- Ritter One® Caramel Delights™	Progressive® Sing Multipacks	- Nature Valley® Sweet & Salty Nut Granola Bars	- DEPEND® products:
- Betty Crocker® Quick Bread Mix	- Ritter One® Honey Clusters™	Suddenly Salad Mixes	Wandol Ferry® Dinner Kits	- DEPEND® Belied Shields
- Betty Crocker® Pizza Crust	- Ritter One® Raisin Bran Clusters™	Golden Grahams®		- DEPEND® Fitted Briefs
- Bisquick® Baking Mix Boxes	Honey Nut Clusters™	Honey Nut Clusters™		- DEPEND® Guards for Men
	Mrs. Fields® Cereals:	Wheaties®		- DEPEND® Underwear
	- Mrs. Fields®			- DEPEND® Adjustable Underwear
BEVERAGES				DISPOSABLE TABLEWARE & WASTE BAGS
Nestle® Juicy Juice®				Disposable Cups:
Nestle® Juicy Juice® Harvest Surprise®				- Hilly® Clear Colors Disposable Cups
				- Hilly® Crystal Clear Disposable Cups
				- Hilly® Easy Grip® Disposable Cups
				- Hilly® Zoo Pals® Cups
				Disposable Plates and Serveware:
				- Hilly® Crystal Clear Plates
				- Hilly® Beganware® Plates and Bowls
				- Hilly® Everyday Plastic Plates and Bowls
				- Hilly® Heavy Weight® Plates and Platters
				- Hilly® Superweight® Plates and Bowls
				- Hilly® Supreme® Plates and Bowls
				- Hilly® Zoo Pals® Plates and Bowls
				Waste Bags:
				- Hilly® Cinch Sak® Waste Bags
				- Hilly® EasyFlex® Waste Bags
				- Hilly® The Gripper® Tall Kitchen Waste Bags
				- Hilly® Kitchen Fresh® Tall Kitchen Waste Bags
				- Hilly® Ultra Flex™ Waste Bags
				PRODUCTS WITH LIMITED AVAILABILITY
				Breads and Rolls:
				- Country Hearth® Fresh Bread
				- Fiber One® Bagels
				- Fiber One® English Muffins
				- Fiber One® Bread
				- Fiber One® Hamburger Buns
				- Fiber One® Hot Dog Buns
				- Pillbury® Bagels
				- Pillbury® Buns
				- Pillbury® Bread
				- Pillbury® English Muffins
				Cereals:
				- Bob Berry® Cereal
				- Count Chocula® Cereal
				- Country Corn Flakes
				- Franken Berry® Cereal
				- Kabsound® Cereal
				Cookies:
				- Sports Shape® Cookies

Visit boxtops4education.com for more great ideas to earn cash for our school!

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The above items are all included in the Box Tops For Education Program. Please remember to clip your Box Tops and bring them in to school!



HELP START RICHMOND'S GREEN TEAM !

There is a growing green movement at Richmond, started by the 5th graders interest in conserving resources in our lunchroom. We hope to start the Richmond Green Team this fall!

Are you interested in working with a small group of teachers, staff, students and parents to make our school a greener place? Our goal: to become a certified "Oregon Green School" and we need help from people interested in conserving energy and resources at our school. There's even an opportunity to send a small group of students to the Oregon Green School Summit in Salem next spring (at no cost to us!)

<http://www.oregongreenschools.org/tools.cfm>

There are lots of ideas to get our school on its way: increased recycling, energy conservation, earth day activities, waste reduction campaigns, useful goods exchanges.

If you'd like to get involved or want more information, please contact Julie Gefroh, jbgefroh@gmail.com, 503-736-9976





WALK + BIKE

OREGON WALK + BIKE TO SCHOOL

1st Wednesdays of the month

Join other Richmond families the 1st Wednesday of the month, as we walk or bike together to school!

We had over 70 people walking and riding to school October 8th, Oregon Walk + Ride to School day. There was a lot of interest in making this a monthly event, so let's give it a try!

Why walk or bike to school?

1. Promotes active, healthy lifestyles for our kids
2. Makes streets safer, friendlier for walking & biking
3. Promotes safe walking & biking skills
4. Helps build livability in the community
5. Shows how much fun walking & biking is!

Would you like to lead in a group of walkers / riders each month?

Contact Julie Gefroh, 503-736-9976, jbgefroh@gmail.com



RICH COFFEE AGAIN!!

In front of the Library

7:45-8:30am

Coffee, English tea, Japanese tea, *Hot cocoa

Muffin (Tuesday, Thursday and Friday only)

***Hot cocoa is sold only between 7:45-7:55am.**

**Students must finish drinking at the
table before going to their classrooms.**

\$1 per cup for those who bring own cup
*(Richmond's 100th anniversary stainless
travel mug will be available soon.)*

\$1.50 per cup for those who need paper cup
(We are promoting "less trash".)

50 cents per muffin
\$10 for Rich coffee card ->
1 free cup upon purchasing
*(You can use your Rich Coffee
card from the spring.)*



Wanted: New Helpers!

Please contact Emi Avondstondt @ emiandlaur@msn.com

Emi Avondstondt, Etsuko Austin and Sachiko Nishikido are the
Rich Coffee Volunteering Moms!

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

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

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. **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 = \$
Totals			

_____ Donation amount. Save Our Elms is a non-profit 501(c) 3 corporation in the State of Oregon.

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Richmond 100th year anniversary

Special events for 2008-2009 at Richmond Elementary School

December

- ♦ Double book fairs Scholastic and Kinokuniya
Purchase some English books and Japanese books at Richmond.
- ♦ Portland Taiko Concert
- ♦ Craft fair and 100 x 10 cranes

January

- ♦ New Year Celebration

May

- ♦ Spring Festival and 100 scavenger hunts

100th year anniversary committee:

Angie Tomlinson
Emi Avondstondt
Etsuko Austin
Sachiko Nishikido

Special goods

- ♦ 100th year anniversary T-shirts (limited quantity)
- ♦ 100th year anniversary stainless travel mugs (limited quantity)
*contact Sachiko Nishikido (stepn55@gmail.com) for pre-orders
- ♦ 100th year anniversary photo books (May 2009)
*contact Angie Tomlinson (angieT@bes.ci.Portland.or.us) if you like to take pictures for the photo books

Richmond History Research

Find interesting facts about Richmond elementary school and send it to Jean Mittelstaedt.
(jeanm@web-strider.com) She will put it on the site: <http://www.richmondjmp.org/history.html>

And more!!

Contact Angie Tomlinson (angieT@bes.ci.Portland.or.us) if you want to help with the 100th year anniversary projects.

SCRIPNEWS

The next scrip order is MONDAY, November 17th

Orders are due in the scrip box in the office or to a scrip volunteer by Monday morning at 8:15am.
If you are emailing your order, please make sure to send it by noon on Sunday.

WANTED: ADDITIONAL SCRIP VOLUNTEERS

Do you want to volunteer a little bit of time to benefit our great JMP program? If you only have just a couple of hours to spare each month, helping with scrip might be for you!

We would like to have a few people who are willing to be back up volunteers for filling orders, selling scrip on Fridays, and helping process orders on order Monday's. We would also appreciate some help to recruit more local businesses to participate in the scrip program. There are many great businesses like Fubon, Uwajimaya, and Hot Lips Pizza who might participate. We just need someone who has the time to ask them!

Thank you for purchasing scrip through Oya No Kai (and for being patient through the transition from our very dedicated former coordinator, Leslie Kowash, to our newbie, Carrie.) **Scrip is a great, easy way to raise funds without spending extra money for the programs you love. If you aren't participating yet** or if you have any questions about scrip, please contact Carrie Sherrill, Scrip Coordinator, at onkscrip@comcast.net or call 503-515-6687.

Free Japanese Calligraphy Art Workshops

Dear JMP families.

I will be presenting Japanese calligraphy classes for beginners in Richmond School.

Classes will start in January.

Before starting classes, I'll have **free workshops** at Richmond.

Each workshop will give you an introduction, and include a free trial lesson, too.

Just come and try.

Ages 12 & up Room 205

workshops schedule

Nov. 17th Mon 6:30 ~7:30 pm

Nov. 18th Tue 7:30 ~8:30 pm

If you are interested in learning calligraphy and kanji characters, please contact me.

Masako Tani Phone 503-224-3939 e-mail tanimasako@hotmail.com