



Richmond Shinbun

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April 10, 2009

Barnes & Noble Book Fair

Supporting the 5th Grade Cultural Exchange Saturday, April 18th Lloyd Center from 12:00 to 5:00 PM

Come to the children's section where your child can make origami and bookmarks and buy a few books. There will be teachers' wish-list books available for purchase. Curious George will be there at 11:00 AM and 1:00 PM.. Barnes & Noble will be giving us a percentage of their sales for the afternoon.

Kurabu Sessions 2, 3, & 4 are full. There are still a few spaces left in Session 1— June 29- July 2

Come to the Paint Party!

The Cultural Center Committee is going to paint the already-primed corridor in the main upstairs hallway on Thursday, April 16th from 6:00 to 9:00 PM.

Please wear your old clothes and join us. Email Kristina Kallen at kmk456@comcast.net to sign up!

Absence Line

503-916-3667

Richmond Calendar

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| April 13 | SWITCH DAY |
| April 13 | Scrip Order Day |
| April 13 | Plant Sale orders due |
| April 14 | Green Team Meeting at 6:30 in the Staff Room |
| April 14 | Garden Committee Meeting at 7:00 PM - Staff Rm. |
| April 15 | Naylor/Mogi to Franz Bakery |
| April 16 | Paint Party—Upstairs Hall—6:00-9:00 PM |
| April 18 | Barnes & Noble Book Fair— Lloyd Center, 12:00-5:00 Pm Fundraiser for 5th Grade Cultural Exchange |
| April 21 | Site Council Meeting 2:30-4:30 PM |
| April 22 | Secretaries' Day |
| April 24 | Spring for the Arts Day 10:00 AM—K, 1, & 2 1:15 PM — PreK, 3, 4, & 5 |
| April 28 | MAD Science begins again |
| April 30 | PTA Meeting at 6:30 PM |
| May 1 | Kapranos/Fujiwara to Franz Bakery |
| May 4-8th | Staff Appreciation Week |
| May 16 | Spring Festival at Richmond |
| May 21 | Safety Patrol Picnic—Oaks Park |
| May 25 | No School— Memorial Day |
| June 8 | Field Day |
| June 10 | Last Day of School!! |

Art4Life News: We are excited to announce that Art4Life will return next year as Richmond's **sole** after-school provider. We look forward to continuing all of the amazing experiences we have had with both you and your children. We will also be adding on the preschoolers, kindergarteners, and 1st graders. Art4Life is ready to take on our new challenge, keep working with the families and children we love, and certainly make this the best solid program in one location we can provide. We look forward to it!

Enrollment forms come out on May 1st. Returning parents have until the June 10th to enroll. After that, it is open enrollment. Please call Art4Life at Richmond at 503-962-9466 with any questions you might have.

Sandra, Director Art4Life

PTA General Meeting Scheduled for April 30th at 6:30 PM: The next Richmond PTA meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 30th at 6:30 PM. An agenda and list of presenters will be sent out in a couple of weeks.

The PTA, Oya No Kai, and the Richmond Foundation have been in communication with Cynthia Gilliam and PPS Human Resources regarding Kathryn Anderson's leave of absence. We have received no new information at this time, but will keep you informed of anything we do learn. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact Jeanne Kaliszewski at 503-731-8948 or jkalisze@gmail.com.

Staff Appreciation Week Scheduled for May 4-8th— Volunteers Are Needed: Help us show Richmond's amazing teachers and staff how much we appreciate all they do! The PTA is looking for a couple of volunteers to help coordinate a staff potluck and a classroom clean-up day. If you are interested in helping us organize this great event, please contact Jeanne Kaliszewski.



**RICHMOND SCHOOL FOUNDATION (RSF) PARENT PLEDGE DRIVE
SPRING DRIVE 2009**

**THIS YEAR'S THEMES ARE
ENRICHMENT AND PARTICIPATION!**

THIS YEAR IS DIFFERENT: For the last four years, foundation funds have been used to patch basic needs at our school, such as classroom teachers. This year, the unimaginable has happened! All current staff and teaching positions appear to be fully funded by PPS for next year! So all foundation funds raised this year can be used to staff enrichment positions for the fall...think art, music, library, etc. This has been everyone's dream for our foundation: that we raise money for enrichment activities. And here we are!

WHAT TO DO THIS YEAR: This year, we'd like to concentrate on participation. In good years and bad years, we are a community...and we sink or swim together.

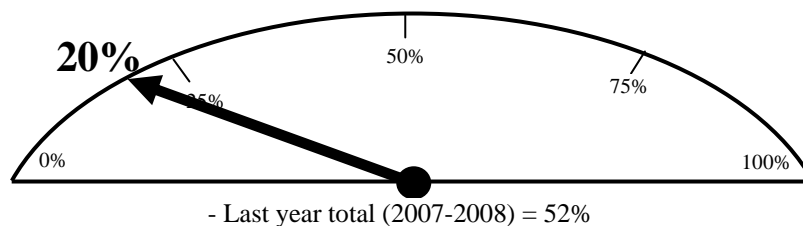
1. So the theme is participation...any gift, any size, every family.
2. And the goal is enrichment...with a little extra from everyone, we may reach the level that we can have two full time enrichment teachers...go ahead and dream...art, music, something else. It is fantastic! (Please note that final decisions on how to use funding for staff are up to the Richmond Site Council and the principal.)

HOW TO PARTICIPATE:

1. Go to <<http://www.richmondjmp.org/richmondfoundation.html>> to download a donation form with instructions on how to donate by check or credit card.
2. Look for flyers that will come home several times this spring in your child's backpack. The first one is coming on April 10th.
3. Any questions? Feel free to ask any foundation member or email Andy Felcher, RSF President at <felcher@comcast.net>.

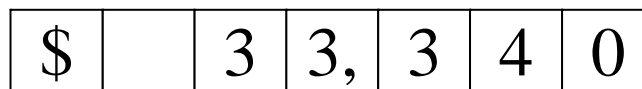
PARTICIPATION FUEL GAUGE

(As of April 10th):



TOTAL AMOUNT SPEEDOMETER

(As of April 10th):



- Last year total (2007-2008) = \$76,062

Benefit for Hana, Sat. April 25: You are invited to join friends of Shannon Floyd (mom of 1st grader, Hana Miller) for a night of music! Head out to Mississippi Pizza Pub at 3552 N. Miss. Ave, Sat. April 25, 9pm to midnight. Only grown-ups may attend and \$5.00 to enter but all proceeds from the Benefit for Hana will go directly to Hana's college savings. Enjoy Crooked Wood'n Nails (formerly Little Talking Candle), reminiscent of three beautiful and fierce souls traveling on a long and winding mountain road. Next, dig into the red dirt sounds of Dustbowl Refugees, followed by the lightening-quick speed bluegrass of Podunk. Shannon certainly knew how to enjoy a night of song and dance so let's make this a celebration in honor of her memory! Please contact Teresa Hill with questions at terebachi@yahoo.com or 503-860-6703.



Don't forget to turn in your order form for these gorgeous locally grown plans by Monday, April 13th! A hanging basket makes a great Mother's Day gift, and the plants will be delivered just in time....May 7th! You can turn in your order forms in the office in the designated plant sale order form box. If you can't find a form or have some questions about the sale, please email Kristina Kallen at kmk456@comcast.net. Thanks for supporting your Richmond PTA!