



EUGENE WALDORF SCHOOL

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

JUNE 3, 2010

Alumni

June

- 3 **Thu** Grade 8 Graduation **11:00 am**
- 4 **Fri** WTEE Graduation and Art Exhibit **7:00 pm**
- 5 **Sat** One Man, One Cow, One Planet **6:00 pm**
Movie and Pizza Night
- 8 **Tue** All School Outing
- 10 **Thu** Early Dismissal PS/K **10:30 am**
- 10 **Thu** End of Year Assembly **11:00 am**
- 10 **Thu** Last Day of School
- 21-25 **EWS Summer Program week one**

July

- 19-23 **EWS Summer Program week two**



*May you travel in an awakened way,
Gathered wisely into your inner ground;
That you may not waste the invitations
Which wait along the way to transform you.*

*May you travel safely, arrive refreshed,
And live your time away to its fullest;
Return home more enriched, and free
To balance the gift of days which call you.*

Excerpt from "For the Traveler,"
John O'Donohue

Congratulations to the class of 2010

We were excited to query those alumni families with students who are about to graduate from high school and see what the future holds for them. The Waldorf 8th grade class of 2006 was taught by Tim Marsden and graduated 22 students. We have not yet heard from all of the families, but we would like to share with the community some of the highlights and plans of those who have responded to our questionnaire.

Most of the students attended area high schools, although one family, the Lie-Nielsens, moved so that their son, Hans, could attend a Waldorf high school and several of the students home-schooled. Some enrolled in the International High School program which is available in all of the Eugene high schools. Many took advanced placement and international baccalaureate classes. Two students attended Marist. A few students realized early on that the large high schools did not meet their needs and transferred to smaller programs such as the Network Charter School and Churchill Alternative H.S. They graduated early and began to take classes at LCC. Others began with homeschooling and then later enrolled in a public high school.

The class members' extra-curricular interests and pursuits are wide-ranging. Several students were involved in theater, including acting, lighting, sound and directing. One student's final role—Puck in *Midsummer Night's Dream*—is a role she first played in her 8th grade play at EWS! Another student continued to be very involved in dance, joining a local dance company, Kings Krew, and plans to perform with them in San Francisco this summer. One student was quite active in jazz and choir, receiving awards for best solo at different jazz festivals over the years, and competing at regional and state competitions. She will be performing with the U of O Choral Youth Academy at the Bach Festival this summer.

Many of the students were involved in varsity athletics, including football, lacrosse, soccer and cross-country and they hope to continue their involvement at the college level.

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Other areas of interest include computer tech support, search and rescue, art classes, tae kwon do (black belt!), middle school mentor for students at risk, and volunteers in medicine. Many of the students held significant jobs during their time in high school.

Three students spent part or all of their junior years studying abroad in Germany, Denmark and Italy. Some students plan to travel to Europe this fall, to study foreign languages and to enhance their fiddle playing in Ireland.

Many of the students won awards including National Honor Society, Most Inspirational Singer, Outstanding Shakespeare Scholar Award, Student of the Month, 2009 Future First Citizen, and Mr. Lancer!

Some of the students plan to travel next year and one student is hoping to participate in AmeriCorps. Others plan to attend large universities, while others prefer smaller, liberal arts colleges. Some of the schools that this class will be attending in the fall include California College of the Arts, Cornell, Dickinson College (Carlisle, PA), Duke, Eugene Lang College (New York City, member of the New School), Lane Community College, Linfield College, Oregon State University, Prescott College (Prescott, AZ), Stanford, University of Oregon, and University of Puget Sound (Tacoma, WA). Some of their anticipated areas of study are Art, International Relations, Theater, Nursing, Chemistry, Foreign Languages, Engineering and Medicine.

We regret that we don't have the room to list all of the accomplishments, passions and plans of this wonderful group of students. It is heartening to see how interested they are in the world around them and how eager they are to step out into it. Mostly, they are compassionate and caring young adults and we look forward to hearing more about them.

Sabbatical Fund

The Board would like to take this opportunity to inform you of a sabbatical fund that has been established in the school. Five years ago, the school began to offer \$5,000 in partial sabbatical salary for full-time teachers who have taught in the school for at least eight consecutive years.

In addition to this partial salary, we have created an opportunity for parents and other community members to donate to a "sabbatical fund" that will also help to support a teacher who is on their sabbatical year. Contributions made to this fund will accrue each year until July 31st, the end of our fiscal year. At this time, 70% of the money in the sabbatical fund (up to \$5,000) will be added to the base amount of \$5,000 and paid out to the teacher who is going on sabbatical at that time. The gifts made to this fund are completely tax deductible.

Any amounts remaining in the fund after July 31 begin to accrue for the next teacher who goes on sabbatical, again subject to the same 70% limit and the \$5,000 threshold.

The Board has worked to create an arrangement that allows parents to donate to a specific teacher while still keeping in mind the needs of all the teachers in the school. Given that some classes are larger and parents have varying abilities to give, it is important that we find a way to ensure that all teachers who are eligible for a sabbatical have adequate financial support.

Community members wishing to donate to this fund should note that on their contributions. Please see Molly in the Business Office with any questions regarding the nature of the fund or the sabbatical remuneration.

Tuition Statements Over the Summer

Many of you continue to pay tuition over the summer months. If you do not need the school to mail you a statement, please let the Business Office know. It is wonderful to save stamps and paper, and we truly appreciate having fewer envelopes to stuff! Also, please let us know if you would like to receive statements via email. This offers a tremendous savings to the school—both in postage and in time, while still offering you a convenient reminder about tuition payments. And it saves trees!

Tuition checks can be mailed to the school, or payments can be dropped off during summer business hours. If you have chosen a payment plan that includes summer payments, please remember to make them in a timely manner! Any questions regarding your account can be handled by calling or stopping by during business hours, or calling and leaving a message on the Business Office voice mail (683-6951, extension "2") or dropping me an email at molly.wilson@eugenewaldorf.org at all other times.

Thank you, Molly Wilson

EWS Summer Camps

"Water Play" for Kindergarten age students, taught by Lisa Platt, June 21-25
 A taste of Waldorf Kindergarten for ages 4-6., taught by Robyn Mundrick, July 19-23
 Camps meet Monday through Friday,
 9:00 am to 12:30 pm; Cost per week: \$145

For students in grades 1-5 (ages 6-11)
 we will be offering

Wildberry Summer Camp, taught by Karen Tyler and Karen Clarke to be held June 21-25
 and
 Circus Arts and Crafts, taught by Erika Finstad, Karen Tyler and Karen Clarke to be held July 19-23.
 Camps meet Monday through Friday,
 9:00 am to 3:00 pm; Cost per week: \$235

Calling All Photographers

If you have any great photos from the school year—plays, field trips, and more, the PR Committee would love copies!

Please bring them to the office on disk or paper, or email them to enrollment@eugenewaldorf.org.

Thank you.

Scholarship Update

We are currently processing our scholarship applications for the coming school year. We would like to remind families that while we are initially funding scholarships from the same funds that are set aside for tuition assistance, we hope to also receive donations for this much needed program. It is our deepest hope that with the creation of this program, we will be able to attract outside funds for the purpose of scholarship. We welcome donations for the scholarship program and anticipate some special types of offerings—such as grade specific scholarships. We are excited by the potential of this program to assist ever more families and to attract donors who wish to give specifically to enable more children to attend the Eugene Waldorf School. If you would like to donate or if you know of someone who may be interested in donating, please contact Molly Wilson in the Business Office for further information. Funds received now can help to increase our enrollment for next year!

Aftercare Teachers Needed for Next Year

We will have at least one opening in our after care program for the 2010-11 school year. This position involves working with both pre-school and kindergarten aged children, as well as with grades children. The position is Monday through Friday starting at 12:15 pm. There is a possibility of additional openings, more part-time openings.

Aftercare provides a vital service to the families in our school. The teachers who work there have a unique relationship with the children and are instrumental in creating a warm and loving environment. It can be a wonderful way for people seeking to become Waldorf teachers to gain experience. Because this program is so important to the school, and because we often need additional teachers, we encourage anyone with an interest to consider applying.

We are also seeking people for our substitute list. We find that we often have a great need for additional help throughout the year.

Our aftercare program is licensed through the state of Oregon, and because of that we can only employ individuals who meet the state requirements. We are therefore looking for people who have experience in a school setting or in a certified daycare, or who have some educational background in child development, or some combination of the two. (Our Teacher Training Program does qualify!) Please contact Molly Wilson in the Business Office if you have questions about whether or not your background will allow you to become certified.

If you would like to apply, please submit a resume to Molly Wilson in the Business Office. Please feel free to speak with either Molly or Marie-Christine Lhomond if you have any questions. We look forward to hearing from you!

One Man, One Cow, One Planet

Documentary Screening Saturday June 5, 6-9pm

6:00-7:00 pm: Pizza party featuring Hideaway Bakery's wood-fired oven pizza. \$10 per person.

7:10-8:10 pm: Screening of the film, \$5 per person.

8:10 to 9:00 pm: Panel discussion of questions raised by the film with local biodynamic farmers.

This is a fundraiser for the Eugene Waldorf School and Hideaway Bakery is donating 100% of the pizza proceeds

Children welcome, film and discussion for students 5th grade and up. Childcare provided for younger children, \$5 per child

Please RSVP either at <http://www.facebook.com/event.php?eid=104688319577740&index=1> or email the school at info@eugenewaldorf.org or call 541-683-6951.

More info on the film at: <http://onemanonecow.com>

Classifieds

Cello Lessons at the Reach Center. For information please call Donna Blanc at **541-747-7247**.

Treat yourself and help EWS with an EWS parent's practice of acupuncture, herbs, facial-rejuvenation and new Pain-Free Clinic with non-needle techniques. Reiki, Chinese massage, moxa, emotional clearing techniques and nutritional counseling. Sliding scale for EWS community, on insurance panels, and 10% towards your scrip earnings. Ina at **541-653-9501**.

Childcare available by a Waldorf trained mom. Please call Yuka at **541-688-0996**. Thank you.

Summer Childcare available Monday through Friday by a Certified Waldorf Early Childhood Teacher at The Heart Garden beginning June 28. Please call Lisa at **541 686-8467**.

Hideaway Hills Farm (a biodynamic family farm) is offering CSA shares this season!! Treat your family to a beautiful harvest basket full of vibrant fresh veggies each week. We begin our season May 22nd and go through October 2nd. We have two size shares available this season, small and large. The cost is \$375 for a small share and \$475 for a large. The baskets are delivered once a week to Hideaway Bakery in Eugene. Talk to Brooke (grade one mama) if interested or call **541-338-9657** for more information.

Room with adjoining, private 3/4 bath **\$350** plus utilities, and **room** with a shared bath **\$300** plus utilities for rent September 2010 House in S. hills, 6 minute drive to Waldorf school. Walking, biking, bus riding potential. Contact Leora: **541-338-3082**. adkasa@peak.org

Parents: We offer a quality art & nature program for after school kindergarten care in the fall – *with busing* – plus a small, wonderful morning art & nature class for your preschoolers called “Mr. Jim’s Exploratorium!”. *Check us out!!* @ Amazon Community Center: **541-682-5373**

Magical Child's Platform Bed: Twin size pine platform bed comes with case with sliding doors (that fits underneath) and desk that slides under--in and out with bookcase. Has ladder and play-area underneath. Very nice condition. \$375 (Will give \$25 to the school) Call Meg at 541-485-3246 or 541-915-8649.



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Convenient neighborhood delivery locations
Visit our new Wednesday Farmers Market location
Emmaus Lutheran Church, 1250 W. 18th Ave.
June - October, 3pm - 7pm



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Advertisement and Editorial Policy

The *Community Bulletin* is produced by the office receptionist, with input and editorial assistance from faculty and community members. Submissions relating to our school community and Waldorf education are welcome. We print and distribute on Thursday mornings. The weekly deadline is **Wednesday, 3:00 pm**, one week prior. Please put your article, with your name on it, in the mailbox outside the door of the reception office. *All submissions are edited for length, clarity, and content.* Any inquiries regarding the *Bulletin* may be directed to Mary Cole, office receptionist.

E-mail submissions are preferred, and are accepted until **noon on Friday**. E-mail to: info@eugenewaldorf.org If you have a full page insert for the *Bulletin*, please talk to Mary and have a copy available by Monday afternoon.

Advertising runs in the *Bulletin* on a weekly basis, and is also due **Friday, 3:00 pm**. Ads cost \$1 for the first 20 words, and \$1 per 10 words thereafter, each week. Business card size display ads are \$15per month. Please pay for ads when submitting them to the Reception Office.

Grateful to be coming to Eugene in Sept. for Foundation Studies year! Would like to do full or partial trade for studio, one bedroom apt., or cottage. Have beginner's skills with beekeeping, would like to learn more, lots of experience with all aspects of goat care: nail trimming, milking, cheese making, and basic farm skills; would like to learn Biodynamic methods. Please call Jan: **505-310-0828** or email: jcaviness@archeologicalchemistry.org

Green's Lawn & Garden Care - offering lawn clean-ups, maintenance, assistance with veggie garden planning/planting, compost tea and organic fertilization applications. 15 years experience in organic lawn maintenance. Contact Jason Green at **541-942-8562**.

Eurythmy Workshops and Presentation

July 5–10, Cosmic Dance of the Nine Beatitudes: In this five-day eurythmy workshop with **Robert Powell** we will approach the nine Beatitudes from various perspectives, including working with the nine Beatitudes in cosmic and sacred dance, rooted in the mystery temples of antiquity, where the temple dances were central to the path of initiation. The cosmic dance of eurythmy provides an opportunity for meditative movement for each planet in each sign of the zodiac.

July 9–July 11, Sophia and World Pentecost: Humanity Crossing the Threshold: This week-end eurythmy workshop with **Robert Powell** is dedicated to uniting with Sophia (Divine Wisdom) in preparation for the coming World Pentecost.

July 9, Sophia and the Present Time: 2010–2012: A public presentation by **Robert Powell**, eurythmist and author of *Christ and the Maya Calendar*, will be held Friday evening, July 9 from 7:30 – 9:00pm at the Eugene Mennonite Church, 3590 West 18th in Eugene. A fee of \$15 will be collected at the door. For more information, call 541-343-0536 or email renee@rhythmofpeace.org.

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