



EUGENE WALDORF SCHOOL

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

JUNE 10, 2010

June

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**

September

7 **Tue** First Parent Evening **5:30 pm**

9 **Thu** First Day of School **8:25 am**

Summer Comes

The Little darling Spring has run away
The sunshine grew too hot for her to stay
She kissed her sister, Summer, and she said
"When I am gone, you must be queen instead"
Now reigns the Lady Summer, round whose feet
A thousand fairies flock with blossoms sweet.

~unknown



From the College

It is hard to believe that another school year is almost over! We would like to thank all the parents for your continued support throughout the year. We would also like to congratulate our 8th grade graduates, their families and their teacher, Tricia O'Neill. We hope you come back and visit us often and we wish you all the best for the years ahead.

We also want to take this opportunity to bid goodbye to those individuals who are leaving their positions at the school. Thank you to Mary Webb who taught our grade five class for the past two years, Charly Pritchard Swift, who taught woodwork to grades 5,7 and 8 this year, Traci Jo Partin and Lisa Platt, who worked in our after school care program. Please know you always have a place in our hearts and you will be greatly missed.

Karen Clarke, our handwork assistant of many years, will be reducing the number of classes she's teaching due to other work obligations. She will still be assisting in a few classes.

We are delighted to announce that Tricia O'Neill will be next year's Grade One assistant. She is very happy for the opportunity to work with Leaf Bowman in the Grade One class and to stay connected to the school. We are grateful to have someone with her experience and history with the school.

We would like to welcome Atta Turck as our new woodwork teacher. Atta comes from the Waldorf School of Garden City, where he taught woodwork for the past eight years. He comes to Eugene to join his wife, Mary Webb.

We wish you all a wonderful summer. May you be happy in your pursuits and safe in your travels. Thank you again for all you have done for our school.



Grade Seven Class Trip

The seventh grade spent Monday through Thursday a few weeks ago exploring the northern Oregon coast. After visiting the Oregon Aquarium in Newport and the Columbia Maritime Museum in Astoria, we spent a lot of time outside experiencing the area we had learned about.

We saw the wreck of the Peter Iredale, which ran aground in the dangerous waters over 100 years ago. We watched a sunset from one of the jetties that has been built to help make the dangerous bar a little safer. We hiked to the top of the Astoria column and got a breathtaking view of the mighty Columbia meeting the Pacific Ocean. Some students were so energetic that they went up and down the column three times—a total of 1000 steps! We even drove over to Washington State to visit "Dismal Nitch," where Lewis and Clark weathered a fierce three day storm. It was amazing to think that they had navigated that river in canoes hollowed out from tree trunks.

As we went from one adventure to another, the river was a constant presence. It allowed us to witness the daily activity of ships, boats and barges that carry fishermen, pilots, and boat captains who continue to make Astoria a gateway both for trade from all over the world and for elite Coast Guard members who help keep everybody safe. This year we studied the early European explorers who first faced great hardships as they charted unknown waters to expand their knowledge of the globe. We concluded the year by visiting a location where brave men and women still go out on the untamed waters each day.

Submitted by Liz Hartman

Ravioli Desk Project

Don't forget that even over the summer one can buy a \$30 voucher good for 4 lbs. of fresh pasta or ravioli from Hideaway Bakery, at 3377 E. Amazon Drive, which you can take all at once to keep in your freezer or a pound at a time. 100% of the proceeds will go directly to the EWS Desk and Chair Fund for our grades classrooms. You can buy vouchers as a gift for loved ones, at Hideaway Bakery or [right here at school in the Reception Office](#)—check summer hours.

Our thanks and gratitude to Brooke Raph and Mazzi Ernandes, parents in our first grade, for their generous support of the school!

More About Changes in our Early Childhood Program

The Early Childhood Teachers are delighted to share more information with the community about our recent expansion of the Early Childhood Program to include children from 30 months to six years of age. The mixed-age classroom of the Waldorf approach continues to provide for children and families a wonderful transition from family life to school.

A home-like environment is created with children of different ages, mirroring the relationship of the siblings at home. The teachers strive to be worthy models of the home arts, including cleaning, cooking, gardening and handwork. This allows the children to carry these activities into their play. The younger children look to the older children as examples to emulate and the older children with their new capacities are given an opportunity to look after and care for the little ones.

"Children used to be brought up with many siblings and family members of various ages offering countless opportunities to care for others, be cared for and smooth out the sharp corners of their own temperaments. Now most children come from families with only one or no siblings. Waldorf early childhood centers are quickly becoming a substitute for the traditional home, offering a place where time can slow down, housework can be accomplished with cooperation from the children and they can be truly cared for and nourished and learn how to take care of others." (Helle Heckmann)

By accepting younger children into the program, we are also hoping to provide a continuity of care. Young children feel most safe and secure when they can fall into a rhythm of what to expect in their day and they establish a bond with their teacher. By maintaining that relationship for a number of years, the child's own self esteem is strengthened and the teacher can better guide the children knowing who they are. We look forward to sharing more as we embark on this new and exciting venture together.

More Alumni News

Congratulations to three of our Eugene Waldorf School graduates who are valedictorians at their high schools: Taylor Derlacki, Geffan Pearlson and Robbie Strom. Taylor is graduating from Churchill High School and Geffan and Robbie are graduating from South Eugene High School. Great job!

EWS Summer Camps

"Water Play" for Kindergarten age students, taught by Lisa Platt, June 21-25

Enrollment for this camp may close within the next few days. Please call the Reception Office and leave a message as soon as possible if you are interested in enrolling.

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

One Man, One Cow, One Planet, Many Thanks

Thank you to all those community members who attended our pizza and movie night on Saturday. We had a delicious dinner, thanks to the hard work and generosity of Mazzi Ernandes and Brooke Raph, that raised \$655 for new desks for our school. We then enjoyed the showing of One Man, One Cow, One Planet and had an instructive and inspiring panel discussion on biodynamic agriculture and practices. Thanks to Andhi Reyna, Leonard Ablieter and Marjory House for leading our wonderful conversation.

Thank you to all those who helped put on this evening, especially Liz and Quentin Hartman, Andrea Donofrio and Cameron Stearns. We earned \$400 from the movie and we now own the rights to continue to show it. Some of our neighbors attended and hoped it was just the first of many pizza and movie nights at the Eugene Waldorf School! Thanks also to Steve Brodsky, Marc Donofrio, Lisa Platt, Shannon Reilly, Marina Taylor, Mary Webb and Molly Wilson for helping during the evening.

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!

Thank You Laughing Planet Café

And all who participated in our Laughing Planet Café Fundraiser. Through the generous donation of 15% of proceeds from the day's sales the school and all of our supporters and Laughing Planet supporters were able to raise \$842.00 for the school.

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.

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**

The Waldorf Teacher Education program is searching for a piano accompanist for five 45 minute eurythmy classes per week and one singing class per week for next school year. Please contact Katherine at 541-344-0046 or LeeAnn at 541-686-9112 if you know someone or are interested.



Share in the Healthy Harvest
A weekly box of organic produce delivered fresh from our farm to your family
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 \$15 per 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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