



EUGENE WALDORF SCHOOL

COMMUNITY BULLETIN

25 FEBRUARY 2010

February

- 26 Fri Community Café 8:30 am
- 26 Fri Eric Foxman Storytelling Grades 6+ 7:00 pm
- 27 Sat Paint With Me Morning for EC 10:00 am

March

- 2 Tue Site Committee Meeting 4:30 pm
- 2 Tue Grade 5 Parent Meeting 7:00 pm
- 4 Thu Grade 4 Play 11:00 am
- 5 Fri Grade 4 Play 7:00 pm
- 6 Sat Grade 3 Parent Meeting 10:00 am
- 6 Sat Open House 11:00 am
- 9 Tue Grade 2 Parent Meeting 6:30 pm
- 9 Tue Grade 7 Parent Meeting 6:30 pm
- 10 Wed Windows on Waldorf 8:30 am
- 10 Wed Parent Council Meeting 3:30 pm
- 10 Wed Grade 8 Mentor Evening TBA
- 12 Fri Re-enrollment Deadline ***
- 13 Sat Puppet Show at Springfield Library 2:00 pm
- 13 Sat Spring Auction: A Night in Venice 6:00 pm

RAFFLE TALLY RALLY HO!

EWS has the amazing opportunity to raise \$32,000 in the next 3 weeks with the Hawaii Raffle. Attainable—if each and every one of us engage our minds, hearts and hands to sell the tickets. How often have we dreamed of new desks and chairs throughout the school? Over the last few years raffle ticket sales have risen significantly! However, in the past, there have been thousands of unsold tickets the night of the drawing. If we **sell each ticket** printed this year we will raise **\$12,000 towards desks and chairs** for our school. **Let us invite this abundance** as fully as possible by pushing through whatever imagined barriers may lay in our paths (too busy, uncomfortable asking folks, there's a recession...) and applying ourselves to the task of getting **ALL the raffle tickets sold by March 13!** It would be an overwhelming task for one person but with each of us reaching out to our friends, family, neighbors and workmates—**take a moment to imagine the large and colorful magic circles of light, connection and goodwill**—the goal is possible and the benefit to our wonderful school magnificent!

More inspiration: All families who sell 50 tickets or more will have their name added to a hat. \$100 off tuition will be awarded to the first two names drawn from the hat—now you can do that!

The raffle winner will spend a week in Hawaii! The house can be viewed online by clicking on *Ann's Hanalei House* at kuaivacationrentals.com or simply google: **Ann's Hanalei House.**

Please call Jade with your raffle selling tips, ideas and questions: **541-954-6982.** Let's brainstorm for success!

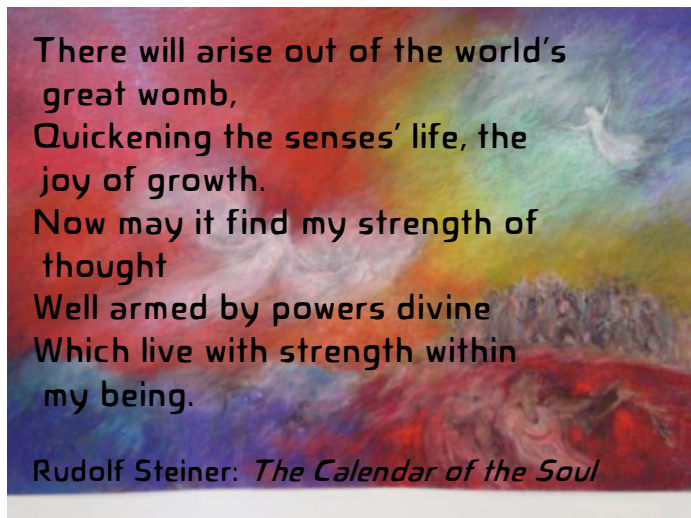
The following dates and times are available for inspired parents and children to get together to sell raffle tickets with the Hawaii Raffle display in front of Market of Choice. Let's maximize these busy shopping times! Please sign up at the school Reception Office:

Tuesday, March 1: 4-6 pm; Wednesday, March 2: 4-6pm
Thursday, March 11: 4-6 pm; Friday, March 12 4-6 pm

Submitted by: Jade Elms, Board President

There will arise out of the world's
great womb,
Quickening the senses' life, the
joy of growth.
Now may it find my strength of
thought
Well armed by powers divine
Which live with strength within
my being.

Rudolf Steiner: *The Calendar of the Soul*



A Funds Development Update

The Funds Development Committee is organizing the first annual EWS golf tournament. The date of the tournament is tentatively set for Saturday, June 5. If you are interested in helping plan this event you are welcome to attend the first golf tournament meeting on Tuesday March 2, at 3:15 pm in the community room. Any and all help is welcome. Please send an email to shannon@shannonreilly.com if you have any questions. Thank you for your support.

An Evening with Eric Foxman

Eric Foxman returns to Eugene for a special performance of short stories to warm us up as winter winds down. **Oh! O.Henry!** is an evening of four masterpieces that come alive in a one-man theatrical tour-de-force to benefit the Eugene Waldorf School. Eric is donating all proceeds from the evening's performance to the Eugene Waldorf School. So, come enjoy yourself for the evening, hear some remarkably wonderful stories and help the school all at the same time!

Due to the length and vocabulary of the program, the evening is suitable for grades six and up. **Oh! O.Henry!** will be presented at the Eugene Waldorf School, on **Friday, February 26 at 7 pm**, suggested donation of \$10/person.

Interested in the care of our site?

Join us for our Site Committee meeting Tuesday March 2 at 4:30 in the faculty room. Whatever skills or time you have available, we welcome your enthusiasm and willingness to be involved. For more information, please contact Kathy Reardon at **541-485-8101**.

Beeswax and Small Jars with Lids Please!

Every year I make healing calendula salve for the classes. Do you have old beeswax from candles, holiday decorations or figurines? I can use any and all beeswax bits and pieces.

Also, I am in need of small jars with lids to keep the salve in. Small jam jars or baby food jars work well. I was able to can many jars of applesauce for our kindergarten children thanks to previous donations.

Thank you for all of your support with holding the children, *Ms. Bonnie*.

Re-enrollment Reminder: Deadline is Friday, March 12!

Re-enrollment forms are due by March 12. These forms were put in each family's mailbox in early February. If you need more forms, please contact either the Reception Office or the Business Office. If you require any assistance in completing your tuition contract or your application for tuition assistance please don't hesitate to contact Molly in the Business Office.

Thank you to those families who have already turned in their forms. Once our re-enrollment deadline has passed, we will begin offering available spaces to siblings and then to new families. Thank you for your timely responses!

From the Scrip Desk

A great Lakes Scrip order will be placed March 1. If you would like to take advantage of using scrip we do not regularly carry in the office, here's your chance. Please have orders ready and in the main office by Monday March 1.

Sundance scrip is now Unique Eugene scrip. Now your Sundance purchases earn 10% through Unique Eugene. There is no limit on the purchase of Unique Eugene scrip.

Did you know...

... you can receive a link to our weekly *Bulletin* via email? Just visit our school web site. The bulletin email list subscribe form is at: <http://eugenewaldorf.org/maillinglist/bulletin> or stop by the Reception Office and let us know you would like to be added to the mailing list.

... that Hummingbird Wholesale, a wholesale distributor of organic foods owned by school parents, Julie and Charlie Tilt, has been our "pass-thru" partner for two site improvements? Last school year, they bought the tax credit from our lighting upgrade and this year, they bought the credit from the purchase of our new furnace, thereby saving us hundreds of dollars.

... that Northwest Exposures, the company that takes our school photos, donated \$125 to our school. We are so indebted to these two, wonderful, community companies for their ongoing support of the school. Thank you to our parents for supporting them, in turn.

SPRING IS COMING!

Many of you are busy with details of the upcoming auction and we all know Annual Giving is well under way. In the rush of upcoming spring don't forget to stop and notice the flowers. On my way to school everyday, I see the budding forsythia and the full bloom of the decorative plum trees. All of these beautiful flowers remind me that we are well on our way to spring, and therefore the **Eugene Waldorf School's Annual May Faire** celebration.

The May Faire coordinators have already been hard at work and would like to share with you the list of classroom assigned activities. We are very excited to be bringing some well-loved events back, as well as some new surprises.

Please look at the list below and talk with your classroom teacher and your fellow class parents to decide who will be attending the weekly meetings for the May Faire starting at **9:00 am Tuesday, March 2 in the community room** and continuing every week thereafter. We look forward to seeing a representative from every class. We will be handing out available instruction booklets at this meeting so we strongly encourage someone from **each** class to attend. Happy Spring from your May Faire Coordinators: Carolyn Munroe and Melanie Glock.

Rosebud Preschool: Pocketlady
 Rose K and Starflower K: Bakery Booth
 1st: Craft Booth, Ring Toss Game
 2nd: Handwork Booth (Silk Scarves), Fish Pond Game
 3rd: Butterfly Game, Cake Walk
 4th: Dunk Tank
 5th: Tumbling Gnomes Game, Plant Booth
 6th: Garlands
 7th: Dungeon Game
 8th: Face Painting



Handwork Department Wish List

For 25 years our lovely wool hand carders have served us well. Now they are ready to retire and we are in need of new or gently used hand carders. Also, if you have a sewing machine in good condition and ready to be used by students that you would like to donate to the handwork department, it would gratefully be accepted. Thank you .

Early Childhood Study group

Please join the Early Childhood teachers on Wednesday afternoons from 12:45 to 1:45 in the Starflower Kindergarten for a study group using the work of Helle Heckmann as a foundation to deepen our understanding of the young child. Childcare is available, at no cost, in the Rosebud Preschool room with advance sign-up. Please remember to bring your child a lunch. We hope you can join us.

~Marie-Christine, for ECC

News from the School Store

All Rudolf Steiner titles are 20% off
 For the month of February
 In honor of his birthday.

The Golden Goose has recently had the volunteer position of Merchandiser open up. If you like to create displays then we welcome your talents. Please contact Monica Prince at 541-686-3181.



Hours of Operation

Monday – Friday
 8:30-9:30am
 12:15-1:15pm

Tuesday & Thursday
 2:45-3:30pm

Classifieds

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

Seeking Occasional Childcare in our house in the SW hills. High-schooler with experience and own transportation O.K. Please call Craig at **541-520-3412**.

Biodynamic Cranial Therapy. A gentle therapeutic approach to calm and harmonize the nervous system and resolve issues of pain and trauma in the body/mind. Working with children, adults and families. Shringara: **541-337-6827**.

Edible Landscape/Permaculture Design and, or Handyman with Heart. I will serve your every garden need... Accurate CAD prints, Plant Profiles, Garden Calendars. Raised garden beds, Cold frames, Chicken Tractors. I can start all your starts for you so you get them in the ground at the right time and in the right place... saving you money and providing your family with a fully organized garden system that heals the earth- one garden at a time. For more info, go to edible-landscape.com or call **541-514-9893** ask for Levi.

We are in need of a car booster seat. If you have one you no longer need, please call Toña at **541-341-6409**.

Raw milk available from a hand-milked family Jersey cow. \$10 per gal., a.m. delivery. Call **836-7068** for details - ask for Anna.

Mrs. Carolina of The Mother Tree, a childhood haven for love, laughter, and learning, is enrolling children now. If you are a parent looking for a joyful, artistic, in-home morning program for your 2-5 year old, Monday thru Thursday, contact me at **541-302-8201** or wandersend1@aol.com. I am a certified Waldorf Early Childhood Teacher.

Adult Eurythmy Classes: Parents and friends of EWS are warmly invited to experience eurythmy for adults: **Friday, March 5 and Friday, March 12, from 2:15-3:30 pm**, in the EWS eurythmy room with Keith Hess. A donation of \$10-\$20 is requested for each class.

Denise Ayres in town to sort family archive boxes. Accepting offers of dry space for better part of 2 weeks. **310-993-1320** mobile.



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 Friday afternoon.

Advertising runs in the *Bulletin* on a weekly basis, and is also due **Wednesday, 3:00 pm**. Ads cost \$1.00 for the first 20 words, and \$1.00 per 10 words thereafter, each week. Business card size display ads are \$15.00 per month. Please pay for ads when submitting them to the Reception Office.

A Cycle of Talks with Reverend Sanford Miller of the Christian Community

*“THE HIDDEN STREAM: BUDDHA,
ST. PAUL, ST FRANCIS”*

Thursday, March 4, 7:00 pm

*“BALANCE AND ITS IMPLICATIONS:
THE NATURE OF THE HUMAN BEING”*

Friday, March 5, 7:00 pm

NEW TESTAMENT STUDY: LUKE 11: 14-36

Saturday, March 6, 2:00 pm

In the Art Building at the Eugene Waldorf School

Suggested donation: \$5-\$10

Sunday Service - September 20

Religious Instruction 9:15 am (for children grades 1-8)
Children's Service 10:00 am (for children grades 1-8)
The Act of Consecration of Man: 10:30 am (adults only)

In the Eurythmy Room
At the Eugene Waldorf School

Please contact Carolina Allen: **541-302-8201** in advance
for childcare.

For any questions, to schedule appointments,
Or for sacramental consultation and baptisms
contact Caitlin at **541-684-6813**.

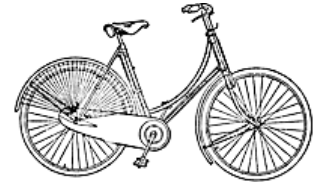
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Annual Giving Campaign Update

We'd like to thank the following parents, teachers, alumni, grandparents and friends of the Eugene Waldorf School who in the past week have given so generously to this year's Annual Giving Campaign.

Toña Aguilar & Pablo Valentine
Allyson Anthony
Joy Archer & Harry Pattison
Steve Brodsky
Doris Brown
Maria del Pilar Cumpston & Dan
Clements
Carol DeFazio

Ed Dorsch & Erika Finstad
Kate Doyle
Kim Hyland
Karen & Dennis Lindsay
Ann & Mike Magee
Shaun Plowman & Carolina
Ruggeri
Timothy Popof

Andhi Reyna
Anemone & Daniel Stein-Kokin
Min Yi Su & Cameron Parker
Mary Thompson & Jonathan
Raanan
Emily Unruh
W.T.E.E. Students

We have raised **\$17,703** out of our total goal of \$20,000 and **77%** of our parent, teacher and staff community have participated to date.

Participation Matching Gifts:

We have been offered the following challenge grants:

\$2,000 for 90% school-wide participation
\$200 for 100% participation by Grade 3
\$200 for 100% participation by Rose Kindergarten
\$25 for 100% participation by Grade 2
\$50 for 100% participation of grades classes

CONGRATULATIONS TO GRADES 4 & 5 FOR REACHING 100% PARTICIPATION!

Thank you to those classes who have had their giving weeks. It's still not too late to participate!
Rosebud is at 46%; Starflower is at 60%; Rose is at 85%; Grade 1 is at 89%; Grade 2 is at 90%; Grade 3 is at 93%;
Grade 6 is at 87%; Grade 7 is at 89% Grade 8 is at 80%

The Campaign Giving Calendar:

This week: Early Childhood Classes and Alumni (extended) and First and Eighth Grades and Adult Education/Teacher Training

Please help us earn these additional challenge grants. Our financial health depends on it. More now than ever, the school needs your support!



I discovered the Eugene Waldorf School almost by accident. It was summer, and we had just arrived from California. I knew only a little about Waldorf and was intending to send my son to a public school. In the back of my mind, however, was some concern around finding the right place for him to land. Aaron was about to enter third grade, and I sensed he would soon be going through an important transition from younger to older child. While I was out on a walk, I noticed the little green sign at the base of McLean Boulevard that said “Eugene Waldorf School.” I hiked up the hill and knew the moment I walked in the building that it was the right place for Aaron. The smell, the colors, the classrooms spoke volumes to me. Meeting his teacher, Tricia O’Neill, confirmed my initial impression, and Aaron slipped into her class as if he had been there all along. My daughter, Justine, joined the school a couple years later and has been lovingly held through preschool, kindergarten and is now a settled second grader with Jeannie Schwanekamp. Aaron and his classmates are eighth graders—bright and exuberant—and about to launch into high school. This school has gently guided our family with its rhythms and rich curriculum.

I have been lucky enough to return to school for a masters in teaching. Part of my coursework explores cognitive development in children, brain-based learning theories, and the history and pedagogy of American education. Our public education system is only now beginning to understand what Rudolph Steiner divined almost 100 years ago—children learn through multiple intelligences (senses) and thrive in learning environments that allow them to discover their unique capacities in their own time. Through the last century, our public schools have stumbled through many different pedagogies—pushed around by political agendas of the moment such as “No Child Left Behind”—while Waldorf endures a century as a stable and truly progressive education.

Now, more than ever, I am so very grateful I hiked up the hill. I contribute to the annual giving campaign to support our unique and progressive school and the community gathered around it. I also contribute to the campaign to endorse this beautiful, humanistic, civilized education.

With gratitude,
Kate Doyle