



Week of October 26, 2009

What's Going On...

Wednesday, October 28
Halloween Parade
Grades 1-4
Tamarind Building, 8:45 a.m.

Thursday and Friday,
October 29 and 30
Parent-Teacher Conferences
for Children's Garden and
Grades 1-8
Children's Garden and
Elementary School Closed
Upper School Open

Friday, October 20
Upper School Halloween
Celebration

Sunday, November 8
All School Open House
2:00-4:00 p.m.

Monday, November 9
AIMS Conference
School Closed

Friday, November 13
Lantern Walks
Children's Garden, 5:00 p.m.
Elementary, 6:30 p.m.

Tuesday, November 17
Pennsylvania Eurythmy
Ensemble performances for
students



From the desk of the Administrative Chair

On Thursday and Friday of this week the Children's Garden and the lower (grades 1-5) and middle (grades 6-8) schools will be closed to students in order that parent teacher conferences can be held. Please note that the upper school (grades 9-10) will be in session these two days. If you have not signed up for your conference, please do so as soon as possible to insure that conferences can be held at times convenient to you and the teacher.

As the weather turns colder, you should familiarize yourself with the school closing policy, which is located on page 16 of the Parent Student Handbook for the Children's Garden and the Lower and Middle Schools and page 37 of the Upper School Student and Parent Handbook. As a point of interest, the school is a member of the Weather Bug network and has one of its weather stations located on the top of the Tamarind Building. If you want to know the weather conditions at the school, you can log onto weatherbug.com, click on "change tracking station," and select our school. You will see real-time readings for temperature and wind conditions at the school. The weather station feeds its information to a computer located in the library.

Finally, this weekend we turn our clocks back one hour on Saturday night and return to Eastern Standard Time. There will be no special credit for students who show up one hour early for school on Monday morning.

Larry Snyder

Did you know . . . ?

- The 8th grade toured the Basilica of the Assumption, the first cathedral in the United States, in downtown Baltimore last week.
- *Time for Kids* magazine's October issue has an article on farming that was photographed last year at Hawthorne Valley Farm while Mrs. Good's class was there. One of our former students, Sol Leandry, is pictured in the article. It will be posted on the easel in the Tamarind Building lobby for the next week.
- As part of their curriculum, the third grade visited a local sheep farm last week to see the production of yarn from the fleece to the spinning.
- The Upper School has partnered with the Shoshana Cardin school to form both girls' and boys' soccer teams.
- Sam Gallagher (10th grade) started a student exchange program in Madrid this week.

The Upper School is in need of two VCR/VHS recorder/players, or better yet, VHS/DVD players. Need the cables, too. Contact Donald Bufano or Marian Perry Tamburrino in the Upper School, 410-367-0647.

Contact information for School Chairs

Upper School Chair: Donald Bufano, dbufano@twsb.org; 410-367-0647

Middle School Chair: Ed Meade, emeade@twsb.org; 410-367-6808 ext. 365

Lower School Chair: Laura Trosch, ltrosch@twsb.org; 410-367-6808

Children's Garden Chair: Noris Friedman, nfriedman@twsb.org; 410-367-6808 ext.371

Administrative Chair: Larry Snyder, lsnyder@twsb.org; 410-367-6808 ext. 201

Scrip News

SCRIP Sales

Week ended 10/16/09:

Value of cards sold: \$2,105

Profit from these cards: \$100.95

Total profit (YTD): \$690.95

Standing Weekly Orders

We've added four new customers to our weekly standing orders (WSO) roster: **Laura Trosch, Kathy MacMillian, Brooke Redgrave, and Virginia Efta**. We express our gratitude to them and to current WSO customers **Alex Williams, June Fletcher-Hill, Sherri Kasky, and Larry Snyder**. Would you like to

become a WSO customer? It's easy to get on the weekly delivery cycle:

E-mail us at wsbscrip@gmail.com and we will pull your order each week and make sure you get it either every Friday on the plaza or every Monday at the Spring Garden Store. Thanks, Waldorf Families. Every little bit counts and you are making it happen.

SCRIP Order Deadlines

Start thinking about what SCRIP you may need for holiday gift-giving. To help cut down on your shopping frenzy, take advantage of our Great Lakes Scrip ordering deadlines:

November 13 (in time for Hanuk-

kah) and **December 11** (in time for Christmas and Kwanzaa).

Last Call for Safeway Renewals!

Please renew your commitment to Safeway **before November 1** to avoid interruptions in contributions to the Waldorf School of Baltimore! Renew your commitment to Safeway and continue contributing up to **4 percent** to Waldorf School of Baltimore. Renew before Nov. 1 to avoid interruptions in your contributions at <http://www.escrip.com>.

*Gail Kurek
Scrip Team Member, Sales*

SCRIP PARTICIPANTS

(WEEK ENDED OCTOBER 16, 2009)

John Clemson, Claire Dorsey, Virginia Efta, Bonny Eisenbise, June Fletcher-Hill, Sherry Frick, Rebecca Hanson, Gail Kurek, Roslyn Lisberger, Kathy MacMillian, Brooke Redgrave, Larry Snyder, Jay Stetina and Naomi Berkenbilt, Laura Trosch, Alex Williams

Potluck lunch for Parent-Teacher Conferences

Our potluck lunches for Parent Teacher Conferences are coming up on October 29th and 30th. Please pick one of the dates that will work best for you and bring in a dish for our teachers. Your offering can be

anything you'd like: sandwiches, salads, soups, side dishes, desserts, etc. The teachers really appreciate this gift from the parents. It is a treat they enjoy and look forward to for sustenance through the

long conference days. Please contact Marc Silverman at msilvermann33@hotmail.com and let him know which date and what you would like to bring. Thank you for your support.

Holiday Fair planning is in full swing!

Gifts and wrapping paper needed for Children's Shopping Room

Aren't you tired of looking at the same old wrapping paper in your attic or basement year after year? Please donate wrapping paper, gift bags, tissue paper, and clear tape to the Holiday Fair shopping room. Donation boxes will be in the main

lobby of the Yellowwood and Tamarind Buildings. The 4th grade thanks you!

Old, new, and gently-used items are also needed. Here's your chance to offload those well maintained games, household items,

jewelry, artwork, pottery, etc., you'd like to donate for others to enjoy. The Holiday Fair shopping room will recycle items for you. Please place all donations in the labeled boxes in the Yellowwood and Tamarind Building lobbies. The 4th grade thanks you!

Help bring music to the fair!

Bring forth your family's musical talents for this year's Holiday Fair. The live music in the Multi-Purpose Room and in the Tamarind lobby are an important part of this

annual event. We want to show off our talents! If you, your children, or your friends would like to donate 15-60 minutes of your time, please

contact Brent Flickinger at brentflick@verizon.net or 410-367-1777 (Sequoia, 8th; Emmie, 11th). See you at the Fair.

Holiday Fair book sale needs your help

It is that time of year again--time to go through your library and find books you or your children have outgrown and bring them to school. All money raised by Book Sale will go to the WCA. The WCA purchases items the classes need for the classroom and funds events

throughout the year for the children and community. Examples of these are: the Civil Rights Brunch, Special Eurythmy Scholarships, sewing machines, maps for the middle school, the Buddhist monks sand painting, the Pennsylvania Eurythmy Ensemble performance coming in Novem-

ber, and many others, too. There will be boxes in both lobbies to receive your books. If you could bring your books already in a box this will help with display at the fair and storage during collection!

Thanks.

Gail Kurek (Adam, 7th)

Calling all crafty students!

Would you like to sell your goods and crafts at the holiday fair? This is your chance to show off your

masterpieces for fun and profit! Applications for student vendors are available at the front desk and can

be returned to Jean Engelke or Vicki D'Anna (Elias, 4th).

Winter Fairies' Grotto

Do you enjoy physical work, teamwork, and having fun while creating magic? Then here is the job for you: join the Winter Fairies Grotto Team

(formerly known as "Winter Walk"). We're looking for a core group of people who will become the creative backbone in pulling this magical

winter wonderland together. Please contact Tia Thompson (Ethan, 1st)

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Why I Give to the Annual Fund

I decided a few years ago to make it easy on myself and signed up for a monthly deduction to annual giving. This way it is only a small amount of dollars each month, instead of a big check all at once. For me this is much easier, and I was able to give more this way. Then I learned how important it was to show 100% participation, and what a big difference this makes on how much money we receive from

outside sources. I was so happy to see us getting close to this last year. What a simple way to show we love our school and to attract income and enrollment. You can say it's one of my simpler ways of being a good ambassador for our school.

by Gail Kurek,
7th grade parent and
Scrip Coordinator

Remember to send in your check or to make an online donation. Participation matters. Last year, six classes reached 100% participation. Please help us do even better this year!

Thank you for your support and commitment to the Waldorf School of Baltimore.
June Fletcher-Hill,
Development Manager

WSB Care Group information

For the past eight years a group of volunteer teachers and health professionals have been meeting to observe specific children to be able to come to a better insight of these children's needs and to deepen our understanding of the process of child development as indicated by Rudolf Steiner. Recently, two of our teachers at WSB have completed a remedial training and have been able to offer further insight to our mutual work through participation or through advice sought out by Care Group members.

The mission of the Care Group of WSB is to be a resource for teachers and parents of WSB who have students of concern who need ex-

tra support. The Care Group is charged with providing their expertise for the children, their teachers, and their parents. Because the Care Group is here to work with children, and this work involves interaction with parents, we are sending this letter to inform and remind you of our intentions and purposes.

Referral Process

A child may be referred to the Care Group by a teacher or by his or her parent(s). When a child is referred by a faculty member, the Care Group will first consult the parents and receive consent from them that their child may be observed. Parents will be asked to participate by

sharing information about their child.

The child will be brought before the Care Group for observation, as this is age appropriate, and will be asked to do some simple exercises, or movements, and drawings. They may be asked a few questions as well. The parents will then be asked to share their concerns and information regarding their child. The child would not be present during this sharing. This constitutes the first meeting of the Care Group.

The members of the Care Group then meet in a consecutive week(s)

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Winter Fairies' Grotto (continued)

at Tiallama@yahoo.com.

Also: **Wanted: Fairies:** Remember when you were a child and wanted to become a fairy? Well, now you

can! We're looking for magical people to be the Winter Fairy in the Winter Fairies' Grotto. These highly-sought-after time slots do fill up

very quickly! Payment: witnessing the wonder in a child's eyes! Please contact Tia Thompson (Ethan, 1st) at Tiallama@yahoo.com.

Cartridges for Kids recycling and Box Tops for Education

The Waldorf Community Alliance (WCA) is pleased to announce that Rachel Garner (Hannah, 5th, and Axel, Rose Room) has volunteered

to be the Cartridges For Kids Recycling coordinator as well as the coordinator for the Box Tops for Education fundraiser. Our heartfelt thanks to Rachel for volunteering

her time to help raise money for the school and to help protect the Earth!

Marc Silverman (Landon 5th)
on behalf of the WCA

Care Group (continued)

to share their observations with each other and use these observations and the contributions of the parents to come to a deeper understanding of the needs of the child. From the observations and sharing come recommendations for further support for the child. These recommendations may include classroom work and activity, therapeutic eurythmy exercises, remedial exercises, counseling, and medical remedies, to name a few possibilities. The recommendations of the Care Group are recommendations only. No parents will be required to act upon them.

The core members of the Care Group for this year are Dr. Peter Hinderberger, MD, Ph.D.; Gretchen Maxwell, second grade teacher; Gail Ann Kuderko, third grade teacher; Virginia Efta, therapeutic eurythmist. Other people who may take part are Noris Friedman, eurythmist, Charlotte Landgraf as a trained remedial teacher, the

child's class teacher, specialty teachers, and tutors, as necessary.

Scheduling

The Care Group begins to see children late in September. Teachers are being made aware of this and being asked to suggest children who they feel will benefit from the work of the Care Group. Parents, too, are welcome to bring requests for their child to be considered.

The meetings are held on Tuesdays after school, from 3:45 or 4:00 p.m. until 5:00. Parents are invited for the first session. The Care Group members then schedule successive meetings. A final meeting with the parents is scheduled after the Care Group has completed their work. This would also be on a Tuesday from 3:45 or 4:00 p.m. until 5:00. This final meeting can be scheduled on another day and time if need requires. The final meeting is a sharing of the results of the work of the

Care Group members, and the recommendations are then given to the parents.

Children who are seen by the Care group will be receiving the warmth, love, and interest of a group of professionals who wish to deepen their understanding of the children given into our care at WSB. Reports of our work will be made and given to the parents, class teacher, school physician, Care Group members, and the Collegium. All information will remain strictly confidential. Those recommendations that may affect the subject teachers will be shared as needed.

If you would like to have your child seen by the Care Group or if you have further questions, please contact Virginia Efta via e-mail or phone.

Virginia Efta
Care Group Chair
vefta@twsb.org
410-358-7274

New teacher needs apartment

Hello, my name is Gail Langstroth. I have gladly accepted the part-time high school eurythmy teaching position at the Waldorf School of Baltimore.

I will be in Baltimore on October

29th beginning the search for an apartment. My preference is for two bedrooms, in a safe and quiet neighborhood. If you have any leads or ideas, or can help in any way please call me on my cell 727-656-4087, or contact me gplcam-

postella@gmail.com.

Looking forward to being a part of your community,

Thank you,
Gail

All Souls' Day with the Raphael Branch

The Raphael Branch of the Anthroposophic Society gathers for All Souls' Day to honor those who have crossed the threshold, to share remembrances and to consider our relationship to the dead and their relationship to us. During the time

of All Souls' Day, we have a special opportunity to connect with souls who have died. Our gathering supports the dead and enriches our own lives. Hosted by Cecilia Liss and Noris Friedman, on Monday, November 2, 7:00 p.m., at the

home of Cecilia and Michael Liss, 5600 Everhurst Road. You may bring something that you wish to share, whether it is thoughts, readings, poetry, photographs, or memories. RSVP to Cecilia, 410-367-6002 or clriss@comcast.net.

Community notes

Join us for Baltimore's 14th annual celebration of the ancient art of storytelling, Tellabration 2009! on Saturday, November 21. We proudly present 10 of the region's finest storytellers. Their stories are guaranteed to entertain and delight you, to touch your heart, to bring tears to your eyes, and make you laugh uproariously. 25 Stevenson Lane (off Charles Street). Plenty of free parking, wheel chair accessible. Family stories 7-8:15, adult stories 8:30-10:30. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. Refreshments available, Please bring canned goods for The Towson Assistance Center. Admission: Adults, \$8 members, \$10 non-members, Children and full-time students: \$5. Group discounts available. For more information: specialevents@bfms.org or Diane at 410-321-8419.

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Wellspring Living Arts is pleased to sponsor "Air beneath your wings: financial literacy for free initiative," a practical response to the global financial crisis. Evening presentation and all-day workshop with Arthur Edwards, The Centre for Associative Economics, on October 30 and 31, 2009, at the Threefold Educational Center, Spring Valley, N.Y. Friday lecture only: \$20; lecture and workshop, \$150; meals, \$25. Register by October 20. For further information: anthromedia.com.

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Join us for a Halloween Workshop:

Eliminating the Haunting of Your Mind. Renée Canali, The Mindset Coach, will take you through exercises to modify your beliefs and help you recognize resistance. Saturday, October 31, 10 a.m.–Noon, at Ruscombe Mansion (Community Hall), 4801 Yellowwood Road. Preregister: \$25. At the door: \$30. Preregister with a friend and each will pay only \$20! Reserve your spot now at www.landofpossibility.com/events.html You'll discover: 3 truths about fear, what struggle and confusion indicate, how your comfort zone limits your success, and how you may sabotage the results you get. EVERY ATTENDEE WILL RECEIVE A GIFT WORTH \$19.95!

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Jennifer Downs, RN, Licensed Acupuncturist, is now accepting Blue Cross/Blue Shield and EHP insurance for Acupuncture treatment: I am now billing for insurance from Blue Cross Blue Shield and EHP (Hopkins). Find out if you are eligible by sending information to billing service from the website jennifer-downs.com, and/or for more information call 410-542-5441, or email jdownslac@gmail.com. Also offering group ear acupuncture sessions at your site or mine.

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Join Chesapeake Shakespeare Company in the Haunted Ruins with this season's "Movable Shakespeare" --

JULIUS CAESAR. The audience follows the actors from site to site and room to room at the ruins of the PFI Historic Park in Ellicott City through November 1st. Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays at 8, Sundays at 6. Adult tickets are \$25-\$30 and students under 22 are \$10. www.ChesapeakeShakespeare.com or 866.811.4111. It's a highly accessible and entertaining way to introduce kids to Shakespeare's great tragedy. Recommended for 9 and up.

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Do you know the 4 Success Secrets of Becoming Green-Blooded? After 20 years of working with greening, I asked myself: What are THE most important things someone absolutely must know in order to successfully and joyfully integrate a green mindset into their business and life? The answers surprised even me. But here's the really cool part. I'm going to reveal what I discovered in a brand new, complimentary Special Report: *The 4 Success Secrets of Going Green*, which will be available for download starting **Friday, October 2nd**. Here's the catch: I'm only going to give the report away for FREE for a LIMITED TIME. Please share this offer with your friends, family and colleagues—just be sure to download your copy first! <http://tinyurl.com/green-blooded> Julie E. Gabrielli (Toby, 2nd).

Marketplace

Grobag for sale: Organic cotton, imported from England, quilted for cooler weather, size 18-36 months. Keep your toddler warm the European way! A Grobag is a sleeping bag/blanket a child wears in bed so you know they are warm and cozy while they sleep (no worries about blankets having been kicked off!). Grobag is gently used, and is cream colored with a gentle teddy bear pattern. \$35. Contact Aimee at abealer@comcast.net.

FREE Irlen Method Training on Sunday, November 22, 2009, 10-11 a.m. in Timonium, MD. Simple, low cost intervention for ADD/ADHD, dyslexia, chronic headaches/migraines, anxieties, and learning challenges will be presented and explained. Dr. Joseph Annibali, neuropsychiatrist and director of the Amen Clinic in Washington, D.C., and Shoshana Shamberg, occupational therapist, special educator

and certified Irlen diagnostician, will speak about visual stress and the brain, as well as sensory processing and learning. Call Irlen Visual Learning Center of MD at 410-358-7269, or email IrlenVLCMD@yahoo.com, or register at www.aotss.com.

In-home, personal child care available: Victoria Mansuri (former WSB class teacher) is looking for a daytime child care/babysitting/nanny position for two to three days per week, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. I have extensive experience with children from infants to teens and am a consummate favorite with children and parents alike. References provided. Please call 410-925-8532 or e-mail frecklenosedcat@gmail.com.

For Sale: Beautiful birch wood mini kitchen set. For children 3-6 years old. Includes sink, stovetop, cup-

board, oven, and 23 wooden pieces of play cookware and food. Very compact: 31" tall, 22" wide, 13" deep. Designed in Switzerland. Purchased from Magic Cabin for \$99. Perfect condition. \$60 or best offer. Call Laura Kessler (410) 889-4181.

Clothing alterations: men's, women's, or children's. Charge by hour or by garment; rates competitive with dry cleaner. Call Kimberly Field (former handwork assistant and mother of Lucretia, 6th), 410-366-5033.

Reflexology is a heavenly way of maintaining health and optimal wellness. It feels incredible, and can address many physical problems. One session lowers stress, and more have a cumulative effect that can enhance life and improve health, particularly sleep. Call for an appointment: Erika Grant, 443-449-9411.



Waldorf School of Baltimore Zeke's Coffee Fundraiser

Name _____ Total Due _____

Phone _____ Email _____ Class _____

Please enter order on form below. Payment is due in full with the order form. Please make checks payable to "WSB" and write "Zeke's Coffee" in the memo line. The payment and order form must be returned to the Tamarind Road office by 3:30 pm on the Monday before scheduled Friday delivery, except as noted on the schedule. See the schedule on the back of the order form for scheduled due dates and delivery dates. Coffee will be sent home at pick up on scheduled Fridays. Fifty percent of the proceeds will benefit the school. The sixth grade will oversee this project as part of their Business Math course.

		Zeke's Coffee							
		Name and Origin	Green Designation	Whole Bean	Coarse Grind	Percolator Grind	Auto Drip Grind	Cone Drip Grind	Espresso Grind
Caffinated	\$12	Colombian Mesa de los Santos	OFT						
		French Roast	OFT						
		Hippie Blend	OFT						
		Ethiopian Yirgacheffe	OFT						
		Guatemalan Huehuetenango	OFT						
		Mexican Chiapas	OFT						
		Montebello Reserve	OFT						
		Papua New Guinea	OFT						
		Peru Norte	OFT						
		Sumatra Gayoland	OFT						
		Tanzanian Peaberry	OFT						
		Nicaragua Selva Negra	RA						
		El Salvador Santa Rita	RA						
		\$12 Sub-Total							
1/2 & 1/2	\$13	French Roast	OFT						
		Mexican Chiapas	OFT						
		Peru Norte	OFT						
		Sumatra Gayoland	OFT						
Decaffinated	\$13	French Roast	OFT						
		Market Blend	OFT						
		Mexican Chiapas	OFT						
		Peru Norte	OFT						
		Sumatra Gayoland	OFT						
				\$13 Sub-Total					

Organic Fair Trade- OFT

Rainforest Alliance- RA

Waldorf School of Baltimore 2009-2010-Zeke's Coffee Fundraiser

Payment and Order Form Deadlines and Coffee Delivery Schedule

Payment and Order Form Due Dates (Every 2 weeks)		Coffee Delivery Date (at Pick-up)	
Monday	10/26/2009	Friday	10/30/09
Tuesday	11/10 – Due by 9am	Friday	11/13
Monday	11/23	Monday	11/30
Monday	12/7	Friday	12/11
Monday	1/11/2010	Friday	1/15/2010
Monday	1/25	Friday	1/29
Monday	2/8	Friday	2/12
Monday	2/22	Friday	2/26
Monday	3/8	Friday	3/12
Monday	3/22	Friday	3/26
Monday	4/12	Friday	4/16
Monday	4/26	Friday	4/30
Monday	5/10	Friday	5/14
Monday	5/24	Friday	5/28