



Week of March 28 2011

## What's Going On...

Wednesday, March 30  
*Race to Nowhere*  
 Screening  
 Multipurpose Room, 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 31  
 First Eurythmy Assembly  
 Multipurpose Room, 1:45 p.m.  
 Grades 2, 4, 5, and 7

Friday, April 1  
 Hawk Circle After School  
 Workshop: *String, Rope, Knots  
 and Twine*  
 3:30-5:30 p.m.

Friday, April 1  
 Second Senior Car Wash  
 2:00-4:00 p.m.

Friday, April 8  
 Earth Day  
 In School Celebration

Thursday, April 15  
 Second Eurythmy Assembly  
 Grades 1, 3, 6, and 8  
 Multipurpose Room, 1:45 p.m.

Monday, April 18-  
 Monday, April 25  
 Spring Break  
 All Schools Closed

Remember that Tuesday and Wednesday are music lesson and orchestra days—please make sure your child has his or her instrument!

## From the desk of the Administrative Chair

This week on Wednesday evening the Parents' Association will be sponsoring a screening of the widely acclaimed documentary *The Race to Nowhere*. We are encouraging everyone to avail themselves of this opportunity to see this thought-provoking examination of our present educational system and its affects on our children. Tickets are available on line at [www.RTNWSB.eventbrite.com](http://www.RTNWSB.eventbrite.com) for \$10 per person. They may be available at the door for \$15 per person. There is a limit of 250 tickets, which may sell out before the showing. It is rated PG-13, so it is not appropriate for students under the age of 13. It will be shown in the Multipurpose Room of the Yellowwood Building beginning at 700 p.m. I hope to see you at the showing.

On April 4-6, an accreditation evaluation team from the Association of Independent Maryland Schools (AIMS) and the Association of Waldorf Schools of North America (AWSNA) will be visiting the School. This is our second 10-year review with these organizations. They will be observing activities at the school and meeting with faculty, staff, and members of the Board of Trustees and the Parents' Association during their visit. They will prepare a report on their visit and make a recommendation to their respective Boards about our re-accreditation. If you should meet any of the members of the team please welcome them to our School.

As was mentioned in Friday's News Bites, the police department has ticketed cars that are parked in the no stopping zones on either side of the street at the cross walk on Tamarind Road. This has happened at evening meetings. Please take care to observe the parking regulations when you attend events at the school.

Larry Snyder

## First Eurythmy Assembly is Thursday

It's the spring of the year and the eurythmy assemblies are just around the corner. Each grade is working to prepare for its performance. Grade 2 has learned many new geometric forms with poems and verses. They've also been working with the rods with a fun poem. This year the second grade has animals in almost all of what they are showing. There are

foxes, horses, lambs, mice, squirrels, and perhaps even swans. The class is very energetic and is learning how to move harmoniously all together as one group. They have fun meeting the different animals and showing the gestures and movements to illustrate the animals and their antics. The children also take pride in being able to perform an exercise perfectly all on

their own.

The fourth and fifth grades have eurythmy together once a week and on their own, once a week. So their presentation will be three-fold. Fourth grade has been perfecting their copper rod skills with verses and music. They have learned interesting geometric and rhythmic formations to music, and

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## Contact information for School Chairs

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

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

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

## SCRIP NEWS

**NEW CARDS PURCHASED:** Giant, Home Depot, Panera, Rite-Aid, Safeway, and Whole Foods.

**SCRIPNOW PURCHASES:** CVS

**RELOAD PURCHASES:** Amazon

### GIFT GIVING

Spring is here and with it come many holidays to celebrate: Passover and Easter, Mother's Day and Father's Day—opportunities to celebrate with gift giving to your family

and friends and, without opening your wallet again, you simultaneously can GIFT WSB by purchasing gift cards through our SCRIP program. If you haven't used SCRIP before, read on or contact me via the phone number or e-mail address listed at the end of this article.

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Go to <http://www.youtube.com/ShopWithScrip> and view first-hand how easy the process is to

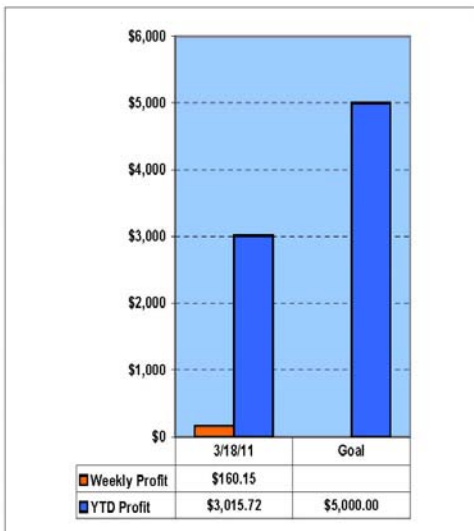
receive information about Scrip and what are the latest features available on your ShopWithScrip account. Learn how to reload a gift card purchased from Great Lakes Scrip Center or how to order and print the new ScripNow! eCards directly from your ShopWithScrip account. Watch a demonstration of the different ordering methods available on ShopWithScrip. There are also videos explaining Scrip fundraising and the benefits it offers as told by real Scrip users.

### RECYCLE USED CARDS

Once you have finished with your SCRIP cards, I ask that you please bring them in and place them in the designated basket in the Parent Library for recycling. (Of course this excludes cards that can be re-loaded.)

Thanks,  
GAIL  
(Adam, 8<sup>th</sup> grade)

If you have questions, e-mail [wbscrip@gmail.com](mailto:wbscrip@gmail.com) or call 410-812-9914.



## THANK YOU

June Fletcher-Hill (*faculty/parent*)  
 Sherry Frick (*parent*)  
 Chaddie Hughes (*alumni parent*)  
 Sherri Kasky (*alumni parent*)  
 Gail Ann Kuderko (*faculty*)  
 Gail Kurek (*parent*)  
 Charlotte Landgraf (*faculty*)  
 Ed Meade (*faculty/alumni parent*)  
 Cate Mulvihill (*faculty/alumni parent*)  
 David Platt (*parent*)  
 Alex Williams (*parent*)

## Upper School Snapshots

New main lesson blocks began last week. The ninth and tenth grades are studying American History with Donald Bufano. Marian Perry Tamburrino is teaching Optics to the eleventh and twelfth grades. Their studies will include a field trip to the Wilmer Eye Institute.

College acceptances continue to arrive. The most recent acceptances include Frostburg and St. Mary's College in Maryland, Susquehanna and Dickinson in Pennsylvania, the University of Delaware (School of Animal and Food Sciences), Elon University in North Carolina, Providence College in Rhode Island, and Western Washington University. Congratulations

### Seniors!

Marian Perry Tamburrino shared this write-up of a recent field trip: On Friday, March 18, the eleventh and twelfth grade Environmental Science class visited the Patuxent National Wildlife Refuge and Research Center. The Center's TRAM ride offered an excellent overview of the wildlife refuge and various research projects. The whooping crane exhibit at the Visitor's Center--with a presentation by U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service Ranger, Dennis Harnett--was an outstanding and memorable experience for the students. Senior Leo Kern volunteered to don a ghost costume with extended adult whooping crane mask on his arm. The costume is

used to teach the young hatched cranes how to eat and drink and do other whooping crane things, such as follow the superlight planes to learn to migrate. The students were surprised at how small the United States whooping crane population had once been (22 whooping cranes total) and were impressed with the success of the efforts of the Patuxent National Wildlife Refuge and Research Center to increase the whooping crane population and to teach them how to survive. Finally, the students hiked around Cash Lake and lingered for awhile in pairs or small groups, finding time to enjoy nature and write a reflective piece about it.

## ACE Training Photos

Last week's article on the ACE training three of our eighth graders participated in omitted these photos. Below left, Jadzia and Talia Floyd and Cameron Bechmann in a quiet moment at the training. Right, the entire group. Talia is top left, Jadzia bottom left, and Cameron in the center. Again, congratulations to our eighth graders!



## Hawk Circle after school workshop is this Friday

Sign your 4<sup>th</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> grader up for the latest Hawk Circle workshop – *String, Rope, Knots and Twine*, to be held at the Waldorf School of Baltimore after school on Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> April (it's no joke!) from 3:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. Ricardo Sierra, Director of Hawk Circle Wilderness Summer

Camp, and wilderness survival instructor Ben Gallagher will teach participants to make rope and string from natural plant fibers. Learn lashing knots, friction knots, and stopper knots, great for making bow strings, fishing line and nets, basketry, jewelry, carrying straps, and

belts. Rope and string have many uses in the wilderness, and once learned, these skills will serve you in many areas of your life. Students will take home their own handmade string as well as a memorable afternoon with Ric and Ben. Cost is \$10.

## Are our kids in a *Race to Nowhere*?

I have been a parent at the Waldorf School of Baltimore for the past 11 years. I have three daughters in 9<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade. I have seen the documentary film *Race To Nowhere* and recognized more of my own family in the film than I wanted to see. It seems the older our children get, the faster the current of life takes us. Every once in a while we need a reminder to stop, assess the

undercurrents that our children and ourselves are traveling in, and listen to our inner voice before continuing on. This film is one of those reminders.

Please join me and the Parents' Association on March 30<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Multi-Purpose Room for a screening of ***Race To Nowhere***. Tickets are available online at

[www.RTNWSB.eventbrite.com](http://www.RTNWSB.eventbrite.com). If anyone wants tickets but is not comfortable purchasing them online, please contact me directly: [Brenda.Gustin@ngc.com](mailto:Brenda.Gustin@ngc.com), 410-530-6592.

Brenda Gustin  
(Chesapeake, 8<sup>th</sup> grade 2010 graduate; Aspen, 7<sup>th</sup>; Falon, 3<sup>rd</sup>)

## Second Eurythmy Assembly is coming up soon

The first eurythmy assembly is this week but there are more students still to perform. You are heartily invited to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Eurythmy Assembly on Friday, April 15, 2011 at 1:45

p.m. in the Multipurpose Room of the Yellowwood Building. This assembly will feature Grades 1, 3, 6, and 8. Look in the next *Weekly* for a description of what the classes

have been working on for their performances. It's an exciting and busy time for all.

Noris Friedman

## Summer at Waldorf

### Math Summer Camp at Waldorf

**Sign up now and invite your children's friends—make math fun!**

This summer we are pleased to once again host MathTree. Details of the program's running can be found on the link below. MathTree

also runs a wider range of programs; please contact them directly to find out more.

[http://www.mathtree.com/kids\\_fun\\_math\\_summer\\_camps\\_tutoring\\_programs\\_baltimore\\_md.aspx](http://www.mathtree.com/kids_fun_math_summer_camps_tutoring_programs_baltimore_md.aspx).

### Parent/Child Summer Classes at Waldorf

Spread the word—we have Parent/Child classes during the summer for children from birth to 3 years. Our classes fill up quickly. For more information, contact Bonny Mochan at 410-367-6808, ext. 202.

## First Eurythmy Assembly (continued)

the class is enjoying their work with humorous eurythmy to a nonsense poem. We're learning that to be funny, you can't be laughing yourself when you perform. Fifth grade is also working with a funny poem, entitled "Cross Purposes." Copper rod exercises continue to increase in difficulty and the students are rising to the challenge, especially with rod flipping from end to end. With their music piece the class is working with rhythm, phrases, major and minor, geometric forms, and their own choreography! Together fourth and

fifth grades will show how alliteration is performed in eurythmy; a copper rod exercise for foot dexterity and rhythm; and a musical piece that works with rhythm, phrasing, and original choreography.

Seventh grade always has exciting and challenging exercises to show and this year is no exception. The class is working with geometric forms, tones, intervals, humor, and, of course, copper rod exercises. They will bring delight for your eyes and ears with music from Robert Schumann, Scott Joplin and

whimsical poetry from Lewis Carroll. In seventh grade the students work together in figuring out tones and intervals; they also choreograph their movements together for the poetry; and they practice diligently to achieve accuracy with the complex routines and exercises to the "Maple Leaf Rag."

We warmly invite all family members and friends to join us for this assembly.

Thank you,  
Noris Friedman

## Community Notes

Calling all runners and walkers! The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Deaf Camps 5K Road Race/Fun Walk will take place on Saturday, April 16, 2011 at 8 AM at beautiful East Potomac Park in Washington, D.C. Medals will be awarded to the top 3 finishers in 8 age groups. This is a great way to get out and enjoy the fresh spring air while supporting a great cause! Deaf Camps, Inc. is a volunteer-run non-profit organization dedicated to providing fun, safe, communication-rich camps that promote the physical, spiritual, and social development of Deaf/hard of hearing children and children learning American Sign Language. Registration fees: (on or before April 4, 2011) Road Race: \$25, Fun Walk: \$15 (mail-in or online) (after April 4, 2011) Road Race: \$30, Fun Walk: \$20 (online only) See [www.deafcampsinc.org](http://www.deafcampsinc.org) for registration and more information. -Kathy MacMillan, President, Deaf Camps, Inc. (JX, Willow Room)♦♦

15 students from Spain (ranging in age from 14-17) are in need of host families from June 23 to July 24. This intercultural exchange can lead to lifelong friendships. Host families would provide sleeping accommoda-

tions and meals while the program would take care of daily classroom activities and cultural trips. Host family members are welcomed to accompany the group on their excursions. Get the international experience without the cost of the plane ticket! If interested, please contact Jeffry Brotman at 410-299-8308 ([jabrotman@msn.com](mailto:jabrotman@msn.com)<<mailto:jabrotman@msn.com>>)\*♦♦

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Would you like to: save money on grocery bills, rid your home of harmful chemicals, find and use superior nutritional products, and receive \$100 dollars of free product when you enroll as a wholesale shopper? Contact your Wellness Representative: Michael Smith, 443-677-2121, [mike1teach@gmail.com](mailto:mike1teach@gmail.com)\*♦♦

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**Kayam Farm at Pearlstone 2011 CSA:** 50 shares available! Do you like sweet potatoes, cherry tomatoes and green beans? How about salad greens and sugar snap peas? Culinary herbs, perhaps? Join Kayam Farm's CSA and share in the abundance of our delicious and healthy produce, delivered weekly fresh from the farm. Our 2011 season will fea-

ture an increasing variety of vegetables, herbs, and delicious berries, available weekly at a pick-up location near you! May–November (25 weeks, \$500) includes over 30 kinds of veggies and herbs (and a few fruits too). Kayam Farm at Pearlstone, located in Reisterstown, is a non-profit educational organic farm serving the needs of the Baltimore community. Monthly CSA Cooking Classes! Kayam staff will host monthly **cooking classes** especially geared towards CSA members, so that we can share recipes and enjoy our yummy harvests together! CONTACT: [jweinberg@pearlstonecenter.org](mailto:jweinberg@pearlstonecenter.org)\*♦♦

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This year Kevin Frick is participating in two runs that will benefit charities that raise money to fight cancer and provide support to cancer patients. First is the Maryland Half Marathon in May, benefiting the University of Maryland Cancer Center; donations are accepted at <http://www.ummsfoundation.org/kevinfrick>. The second is the Baltimore Marathon in October, again for the American Cancer Society; donations at <http://determination.acsevents.org/goto/kevinfrick>.

# CAR WASH

WALDORF SCHOOL OF  
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4801 TAMARIND RD.

# WASH

Accepting donations, all proceeds go towards the

**SENIOR CLASS TRIP** fund

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**1st** Saturday March 19th, 10-1pm

**2nd** Friday April 1, 2-4pm

**3rd** Saturday April 2, 10-2pm

**4th** Friday April 8, 2-4pm

**5th** Saturday April 9, 10-2

The **FRIDAY** car washes will be behind the Tamarind building next to the garage.

The **SATURDAY** car washes will be in front of the Tamarind building.

## The Raphael Branch of the Anthroposophical Society extends a warm invitation to all:



### Restoring the Lost Temple —

*Social Chaos and the Quest for Anthroposophia*

*a lecture by David Lenker*  
on Saturday April 2, 2011 at 7:30 pm  
at the Music Room of the Waldorf School of Baltimore  
4801 Tamarind Road, Baltimore, MD 21209

As social chaos sweeps the Middle East, the 'lost temple' offers inspiration for present and future forms of community life. In ancient society civil harmony proceeded from temple ritual and union with the divine. In *The Temple Legend* of Christian Rosenkretz we encounter the debasement of the temple by three antisocial forces. As human freedom unfolds, the temple is lost.

In this evening we shall follow the fall of the Golden Age with specific examples of changes of consciousness through several cultural epochs. Additionally, we shall offer indications for restoring the lost temple through inner development and outer transformation. How can the quest for Anthroposophia, the spirit of the universally human, and a new form of community life reveal enduring secrets of the Temple of Solomon?

**David Lenker** lectured at Emerson College (England), as well as Waldorf Schools in Boston, Buffalo, Washington, D.C., Oregon, Pennsylvania, and Vermont. He holds a degree in Latin from Dickinson College, offers classes on the awareness of one's humanity, and leads spiritual geography tours of the Susquehanna Valley. He is chairman of The Corps de Michael and was a founding teacher of Susquehanna Waldorf School.



**Admission: \$8. Raphael Branch members: free admission. (Branch membership includes free admission to Branch events and supports the activities of the Branch. Yearly dues \$15- individual and \$25- family.) For more information and to RSVP, please contact Els Woutersen at #410-563-3791 or [Els\\_Woutersen@yahoo.com](mailto:Els_Woutersen@yahoo.com)**

## Marketplace

Beautiful child-size wooden kitchen for sale. Bought at Waldorf School store a few years ago--comes with some wooden cups, wooden and metal bowls, eggs, pots and pans, also bought at school store. Wooden squirrels are part of the design in the top shelf! A well-loved piece that your child will love, too! \$60. Email Judith Geller at [jgellersw@aol.com](mailto:jgellersw@aol.com) (Rebekah, Dandelion Room and Jakob, 5th).♦

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City cat desires home in the country. Our excellent mouser clearly wants to spend more time outdoors--needs a big yard or a farm to roam. She still has her claws, she's had her shots, and is spayed. If you have a barn, I have a cat for you!  
[liz@highlandtown.com](mailto:liz@highlandtown.com) or 410-258-6278.♦

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We are looking for someone to work with us in our growing, organic gardens, herb gardens and hoop greenhouses and land. There is a possibility of working with our bees (optional). Also needed is help with light housekeeping, cooking, and some office work. Please contact Jeanne Deignan-Kosmides (alumni parent of Ariana (Class of 1999) and Justin (Class of 2001) at: [jdeignankosmides@gmail.com](mailto:jdeignankosmides@gmail.com) or call: 410-952-9173 (cell).♦

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Sanzi Studio: Professional, archival quality framing for your beloved pho-

tos and art work. Original artwork available for sale. New this week! Handmade Tibetan prayer flags. Phone: Sanzi, 410-243-0588; email: [michelle.sanzikermes@gmail.com](mailto:michelle.sanzikermes@gmail.com) Drop-ins welcome! Check for me on FB and Twitter ([sanzistudio](http://sanzistudio)) I am a professional artist (local, regional, and international exhibition history) and my daughter attends WSB in the Willow Room.♦

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Announcing Cylburn Nature Science Camp 2011, July 11-August 5. Campers will learn about small mammals, birds, salamanders, flowers, bugs, and trees. Children will engage in activities that promote learning through play and discovery. At the end of the one-week camp session, each child will create a *Field Guide to Cylburn* showcasing through pictures and scientific facts the topics studied. All these subjects pique the curiosity of campers and begin engaging youngsters in topics important to the preservation of the Chesapeake Bay watershed and habitat areas. Applica-

tions are online at [cylburnassociation.org](http://cylburnassociation.org). For more information, email [camp@cylburnassociation.org](mailto:camp@cylburnassociation.org).♦♦♦

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Beautiful space available for rent to professionals offering classes, group presentations, conferences, workshops, or seminars. Located in Towson, room can seat 15-20 people. Rental rates: \$15/hr; \$50/half-day; \$85/full-day (\$30.00 minimum). Contact Christa Athas, 410-916-8383; or Mary Tessman, 410-370-6764 for more information, or email [wellspring-healingarts@gmail.com](mailto:wellspring-healingarts@gmail.com).♦♦

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Desirable 2 bedroom, 1.5 bath, 3-level Mt. Washington (Coldspring Newtown) condo for rent. Wood floors, lots of natural light and windows; balcony and large deck; washer and dryer in unit; central air; community pool and tennis courts. Park-like setting. Near the newly renovated Cylburn Arboretum. Great schools in the area. All for \$1200. Please call 443-845-1292.♦♦♦

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Eco Cleaning Service is a domestic cleaning service owned by Gail Kurek, parent of Adam (8th). Our team is growing and we are able to take on more cleaning jobs, so if you are looking for someone to clean and care for your home with non-toxic, green products give us a call: Gail Kurek, 410-812-9914.♦♦♦

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## The Weekly

The *Weekly* is published once a week and is our primary way of communicating with the school community. The *Weekly* is available on the school's website, [www.twsb.org](http://www.twsb.org); click on *WSB News and Forms*.

You will be notified by email when the new edition is ready. Some paper copies are available in the lobby of each building. If you wish a paper copy of the *Weekly*, please let Jean Engelke, in the Tamarind Building office, know.

Charlotte Snyder is the editor. Submissions should be emailed to [csnyder@bcpl.net](mailto:csnyder@bcpl.net) by noon on Friday. Please use "Weekly" in the subject line. **We cannot accept any PDF documents. Please use Word.**