



February 24, 2010

weekly announcements

**COMING UP ...**

**...ALL SCHOOL**

- ◆ BOARD OF TRUSTEES MEETING, GS CAMPUS  
Tue Mar 2, 5:30 - 8:30pm
- ◆ RE-ENROLLMENT DEADLINE FOR RETURNING STUDENTS  
Thu Mar 4

**...FOR THE HIGH SCHOOL**

- ◆ HS WINTER SPORTS BANQUET - HERBST HALL  
Fri Mar 5, 7 - 9pm
- ◆ 9TH & 10TH GRADE PARENT EVENING  
Tue Mar 9, 7 - 8:30pm
- ◆ 11TH & 12TH GRADE PARENT EVENING  
Wed Mar 10, 7 - 8:30pm
- ◆ HS TEACHER GRADING DAY - NO CLASSES  
HS STUDENT SERVICE DAY GR9-11/SEMINAR GR12  
Fri Mar 12

**...FOR THE GRADE SCHOOL**

- ◆ FUTURE 1ST GRADE (2010-2011) ORIENTATION MTG # 3  
Wed Feb 24, 7:30pm
  - ◆ MAY FAIR PLANNING MEETING - ALL ARE WELCOME!  
Mon Mar 1, 8:30am, GS Library
  - ◆ 8TH GRADE PARENT EVENING  
Mon Mar 1, 7:15pm
  - ◆ 5TH GRADE CLASS PLAY  
Thu Mar 4, 6:30 - 7:30pm
  - ◆ KINDERGARTEN PARENT EVENING  
Tue Mar 9, 7 - 9pm
  - ◆ 7TH GRADE PARENT EVENING  
Mon Mar 15, 7 - 9pm
  - ◆ 2ND GRADE PARENT EVENING  
Tue Mar 16, 7 - 9pm
- Visit the calendar pages at [www.sfwaldorf.org](http://www.sfwaldorf.org) and [www.sfwaldorfhighschool.org](http://www.sfwaldorfhighschool.org) for more.

**SCHOOL WIDE CLOTHING SWAP**

**Saturday, February 27, 2 - 4pm**

*Main Hall, grade school campus*



*The SFWHS Students for Social Justice Club presents*

**CELEBRATION OF COURAGE:**

**WOMEN OF TANZANIA**

**Thursday, March 4, 6:30 - 8:30pm**

*Herbst Hall, high school campus*



*The Magic Lantern Traveling Marionette Theatre presents*

**PIMPERNEL**

**A TALE ABOUT A LITTLE FELLOW, NO BIGGER THAN A THUMB.**

**Sunday, March 7, 10:30am & 11:30am**

*Main Hall, grade school campus*

*for children ages four and older*

*\$5 donation*



**Spring Night 2010**

**BENEFIT AUCTION PARTY**

**March 20, 2010 - SomArts Gallery**

Get your donations in now

so everyone has time to check them out!

**You can submit your donations and RSVP online now.**

*Thank You, Your Auction Committee*



**GRANDPARENTS & SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY**

**Friday, March 26**

*9:30am-12:30pm at the grade school*

*1:30-3:00pm at the high school*

**Special Family and Friends Fundraiser**



*(Presidio store across from Crissy Field)*

**Friday, March 12, 4:30-7:30pm**

10% discount for you

10% donation to the school

100% of the value of lift tickets purchased

will be donated to the school

Snacks and games for all in the community area!

## Overview of 2010-2011 All- School Academic Calendar

*Subject to change. Please note the October/November Holiday and In-Service dates that are still to be announced.*

HIGH SCHOOL CAMPUS		GRADE SCHOOL CAMPUS
	August 20, 2010	Kindergarten Parent Work Day
HS Family Work Day	Aug 21	Nursery & GS Family Work Day
Senior Orientation starts	Aug 24	
	Aug 24	Kindergarten Parent Orientation
	Aug 25	Nursery Parent Orientation
Senior Seminar/ Gr9/HS Transfer Student & Parent Orientation	Aug 25	
<b>HS Student Orientation Gr 9 - 12</b>	<b>Aug 26</b>	
Gr 9 Orientation Continues	Aug 27	
<b>High school classes begin/Convocation</b>	<b>August 30, 2010</b>	
	<b>September 1, 2010</b>	<b>Grade school &amp; Nursery classes begin/Rose Ceremony</b>
Labor Day Holiday	Sep 6	Labor Day Holiday
	TBA	GS Fall Holiday/Grade School Closed
Teacher Grading Period/No HS Classes/ HS Student Service Day	TBA	
	Oct 31	Fairy Walk
	TBA	GS In-service Day/No GS classes
HS Student Service Day/No HS classes	TBA	
<b>Gr9 Parent-Teacher Conferences/ Gr12 Seminar/Gr9-11 Student Service</b>	<b>Nov 22</b>	
<b>Gr10-12 Parent-Teacher Conferences/ HS Student Service Day</b>	<b>Nov 23</b>	
	<b>Nov 22 - 24</b>	<b>GS Parent Teacher Conferences/ No GS Classes</b>
<b>Thanksgiving Holiday/School Closed/ HS also closed Nov 24</b>	<b>Nov 25 - 26</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Holiday/School Closed</b>
HS Winter Concert	Dec 3	
	Dec 5	Winter Fair
HS Finals Week	Dec 13	
<b>Winter Break/School Closed</b>	<b>December 20, 2010- January 2, 2011</b>	<b>Winter Break/School Closed</b>
HS Faculty Work Day/No HS Classes/ HS Student Service Day	Jan 3	Grade School Classes resume
MLK Day/No Classes/HS Student Service Day	Jan 17	MLK Day/GS School Closed
HS Eurythmy Performances	Feb 18-19	
<b>Presidents day/ No HS Classes/ HS Student Service Day</b>	<b>Feb 21</b>	<b>Presidents day/GS School Closed</b>
<b>Teachers Conference Week/No classes</b>	<b>Feb 22 - 23</b>	<b>Teachers Conference Week/No classes</b>
In-Service Day/No Classes/HS Student Service Day	Mar 11	In-Service Day/No Classes
Spring Night Benefit Auction	Mar 19	Spring Night Benefit Auction
Grandparents & Special Friends Day	Apr 15	Grandparents & Special Friends Day/ GS Early Dismissal
<b>HS Spring Break (1 week + 1 day) HS Closed</b>	<b>April 18 - 25, 2010</b>	<b>GS Spring Break (2 weeks) GS Closed</b>
<b>HS Project Week</b>	<b>Apr 26 - 29, 2010</b>	<b>GS Spring Break (2 weeks) GS Closed</b>
HS Musical	Apr 28-May 1	HS Musical
Founders Night at HS	May 12	
Memorial Day/School Closed	May 30	Memorial Day/School Closed
Field Day Gr 9-12	Jun 9	GS Closing Rose Ceremony
<b>Last Day of School</b>	<b>June 10, 2011</b>	<b>Last Day of School/Early Dismissal/Gr8 Graduation</b>
HS Commencement	June 11, 2011	

## HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

### ◆ 2010 Celebration of Courage: Women of Tanzania Event with Auction of Student Artwork



*Maasai Midwives & Future Clinic Site.  
photo: Gloria Upchurch*

On Thursday, March 4, the Students for Social Justice Club at SFWHS will present "Celebration of Courage: Women of Tanzania," an evening program honoring the women in Tanzania who face grave challenges in education, health-care and human rights. The program will feature a panel of speakers who have worked in Tanzania including Diane Raleigh, PhD., a clinical psychologist, Susan Rickert and Mary Ahlback, who have built schools in Tanzania, and Gloria Upchurch, a documentary photographer and executive director of A Global Connection.

Throughout the evening the students will hold a silent auction of their photography and artwork. All proceeds from the auction will be used to support the construction of the Women and Children's Health Clinic in Sinya, Tanzania. The auction opens at 6:30pm and the program begins at 7:00pm in Herbst Hall at the high school campus. For more information, please contact club sponsors: Paul Gierlach at [pgierlach@sfwaldorf.org](mailto:pgierlach@sfwaldorf.org) or Mary Anne McGill at [mmcgill@sfwaldorf.org](mailto:mmcgill@sfwaldorf.org).

### ◆ Poetry Out Loud

Two weeks ago, Rachel Pierce (Gr12) and Karin Narita (Gr10) participated in the 2010 San Francisco Poetry Out Loud: National Recitation Project competition sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts and the Poetry Foundation. Rachel recited *Chicago* by Carl Sandburg and *The New Colossus* by Emma Lazarus. Karin recited *Deliberate* by Amy Uyematsu and *Do Not Go Gentle Into that Good Night* by Dylan Thomas. The competition culminated with a finalist who will go on to the state-wide competition in Sacramento in March (and then the state finalist enters the national competition), a runner-up and four students receiving honorable mention. Congratulations to Karin Narita who was one of those receiving honorable mention!  
<http://poetryoutloud.org/>

## ALL SCHOOL NEWS

### ◆ Re-enrollment Contracts & Deposits Due March 4

Contracts and deposits for the 2010-2011 school year are due on Thursday, March 4. If you have any questions or concerns about meeting this deadline, please contact Jim Finn in the business office as soon as possible. 415-931-2244 or [jfynn@sfwaldorf.org](mailto:jfynn@sfwaldorf.org).

## GRADE SCHOOL NEWS

### ◆ Grandparents & Special Friends Day Volunteers Needed!

Grandparents and Special Friends Day is a very festive and crowded event at the grade school campus. We need lots of parent volunteers to make it work. In addition to our traditional food volunteers and hospitality volunteers, we need a special behind the scenes team of "stage hands" to transform the Main Hall from our opening reception to our assembly set-up including setting up risers.

Please contact the development office if you can help with any of these volunteer tasks:

- Cook/provide sweet and savory baked goods
- Shop for food supplies the day before
- Set-up and clean-up donated food on Grandparents Day
- Be part of the "meet and greet" team on Grandparents Day
- Be a behind the scenes "stage hand" on Grandparents Day

*Mitch Mitchell, Development Coordinator*

### ◆ May Fair Meeting



Help May Fair come alive for our children and our school! Please join us **Monday, March 1 at 8:30am in the grade school library.**

May Faire will take place on Saturday, May 1, at Lindley Meadow in Golden Gate Park. We are looking for musicians, entertainers, garland makers, people to help with set-up and clean-up, etc.

If you want to help but cannot attend this meeting or if you have questions, please contact Alison Thain at 415-738-0637 or [alisonthain@hotmail.com](mailto:alisonthain@hotmail.com) or Robin Paredes Brown at 650-756-2869 or [robinpb@mac.com](mailto:robinpb@mac.com).

*Thank you, Robin Paredes Brown and  
Alison Thain, May Fair Co-chairs*



### ◆ 8th Grade to Offer Spring Night Babysitting

The 8th grade is pleased to offer flat rate, home-based, babysitting for Spring Night 2010. The rate is \$45 for up to 2 children for 4 hours - 6:00 to 10:00pm and \$15/hr thereafter. Please stop by the office to pick up the list of available babysitters.

Thank you in advance for supporting our fundraising efforts.

*The 8th Grade*

**Spring Break Camp will be offered the second week of spring break for kindergarten through grade 4. Look for forms next week.**

## OF INTEREST

### ◆ Father's Conversation Group with Dave Alsop

Using the book "*Lessons on the Art of Parenting from the Game of Baseball*" by Waldorf teacher Jack Petrash, the group will explore parenting from a father's perspective.

Five consecutive Wednesdays, 7:30 to 9pm, beginning on February 24, at the Marin Waldorf School.

Fee: Pay-what-you-can with a minimum of \$45 for the series – the book is included in the registration fee. Open to fathers who have children enrolled in a Waldorf or Waldorf-inspired school. Call Lisa at 415-332-2133 to register.

### ◆ Colors for the Soul: An Introduction to Wet Method Watercolor Painting with Jennifer Bunday

Join well-known watercolor artist Jennifer Bunday for four lessons in watercolor painting at the Marin Waldorf School from 7:15 to 8:45pm on the following Wednesday evenings: March 10, March 24, April 28 and May 12.

Fee: Pay-what-you-can with a minimum of \$50 for the series. All materials included. No previous experience necessary. Call Lisa at 415-332-2133 to register.

### ◆ Become a Waldorf Teacher!

Or just find out more about what is behind Waldorf education!

The Bay Area Center for Waldorf Teacher Training offers a part-time certificate training for Waldorf teachers of all levels. The course takes place on weekends and in the summertime and is suitable for working parents and those who are taking care of young children.

We will be having a Visiting Day/Information Evening on Friday, March 5th from 6:30-10pm at the Marin Waldorf School.

For further information, or to RSVP, please call (415) 332-2133 or email [info@bacwtt.org](mailto:info@bacwtt.org)

## *San Francisco Bach Choir*

COREY JAMASON, ARTISTIC DIRECTOR

J.S. BACH Lutheran Masses

(Bach's Mass in G Minor, BWV 235, and Mass in G Major, BWV 236). Please join the choir for another grand Bach birthday salute!

With Erica Schuller, soprano, Katherine Growdon, mezzo-soprano, Brian Thorsett, tenor, Kittinant Chinsamran, bass, and the SFBC Baroque Orchestra

Saturday, March 20, 8PM / Sunday, March 21, 4PM (Free Lecture Sunday, 3PM)

Calvary Presbyterian Church, Fillmore & Jackson, SF

Advance \$28/\$24 (\$15 Student), Door \$35/\$30 (\$20 Student)

Buy tickets: [sfbach.org](http://sfbach.org) or 415 441 4942

### Coming up in the FAMILY LIFE SERIES 2009-2010

(Grade School Campus Library)

Limited childcare available for children ages 2 to 4 1/2.

An opportunity for parents to explore topics in parenting, Waldorf education and the arts, and to build the foundation for a healthy family journey.

#### RHYTHMS OF LIFE with Marianne Alsop, Patricia Ardziejewsky, and guests

In this class we will discuss and explore the care of the home environment as an art form: clearing and organizing, daily and weekly routines, how to make non-toxic cleaning products, involving your children in home tasks and chores, decorating for the seasons, family celebrations and creating community.

4 Mondays, March 15, 22, April 12, 19. 9-11am.

Class Fee: \$ 80

#### PARENTING BY TEMPERAMENT with Lalla Carini & Astrid Thiersch

"Better than therapy!" was one of the comments after last year's class on temperaments. The mysterious harmonizing power of eurythmy, under the expert guidance of master eurythmy teacher Astrid Thiersch coupled with the wisdom of Rudolf Steiner on the temperaments, makes this class worth missing a morning at work. We will explore temperament in children as well as in adults, look at the qualities in different parenting styles, and learn to look at ourselves and others with humor and compassion.

5 Mondays, April 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24. 9-11am

Class fee: \$ 150

Register online at [www.sfwaldorf.org/news/](http://www.sfwaldorf.org/news/)

For more information contact Lalla Carini at  
415-931-2750, ext 212.

For registration assistance, contact Cory Powers at  
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