



Duniway Community Update

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Happy Holidays to you and your family from the Duniway Staff!

SCHOOL & COMMUNITY NEWS

Annual Campaign Needs You!

Unlike many other children in the district, Duniway students are enriched with library, music, and P.E. These programs are funded by donations to the Annual Giving Campaign. As of this week, the Foundation has received \$26,485 in pledges. This is only 40% toward our goal of \$65,000. Before the winter recess begins, we ask that you embrace the spirit of the season and give to the Annual Campaign. Your tax deductible donation will help ensure that Duniway remains an outstanding and enriching school for your child. This is a priceless gift to give! To donate, you can write a check to the Duniway Foundation or pay by credit card at: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/duniway/> and click on "Donate to the Duniway Foundation." Thank you.

The Black & White Ball- March 2, 2012

Look for the Auction Magnet in your child's backpack today and put it on your refrigerator as a reminder to save the date!

Auction Website/Facebook:

The Duniway Foundation Auction Website is now open and available for auction details, downloading contribution forms and to purchase raffle tickets! Go to: <https://duniway.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/Home/tabid/319579/Default.aspx>

The Duniway Foundation invites you to join us on **Facebook!** Our Facebook page is a great resource for foundation news and updates. Please "like" us, we need more friends! ☺

Raffle:

Get your tickets while they last! A \$25 raffle ticket buys your chance to win one of 3 amazing prizes! **Our grand prize: A \$2500.00 Costco travel gift certificate**, good toward one of the many land or cruise vacation destinations, offered by Costco Travel.

2nd prize: A KONA MinUte Deluxe utility bike valued at \$999.00!

3rd prize: A \$200 gift card to the award winning Laurelhurst Market Restaurant!

Please encourage your friends, neighbors and family members to buy raffle tickets. You do not need to attend the auction to be a winner. All proceeds benefit the Duniway Foundation. See complete details and buy your tickets on line at: <https://duniway.ejoinme.org/MyEvents/Home/tabid/319579/Default.aspx>

Donations:

Donations big and small are ALL welcome and needed! Contributions can be as simple as a gift card or a bottle of wine. Consider doing a themed basket or hosting a party with a group of parents. There are so many ways to get involved... vacation homes, air miles, hotel points, event tickets, a recreational experience; donating time or a service...the ideas are endless! Contribution forms are available at Duniway and on our website. If you have questions or ideas, please contact Corrine Lyons at lyons5@comcast.net .

Silent Auction LOVES gift certificates!

The Silent Auction Team is really excited about their list of creative, fun and practical baskets for our annual Auction (March 2, 2012). In order for these baskets to happen such as the "It's Magic" or the "Stock the Liquor Cabinet" or the "Antioxidant," we need your help. Gift certificates are easy for you as well as helpful for us. If you visit places like Home Depot, Made in Oregon, Cost Plus, Target, Nordstrom, Trader Joes, Pottery Barn or Lippman Co. Party Supply Store, please think about purchasing a gift card of any denomination for the Duniway Auction. Contact Kristin Cole (coleducks@comcast.net) or JoAnne Cheechov (jocheechov@yahoo.com) if you have any questions. Thank you!

Wine Wall Donations:

We want your wine! When you are stocking up on wine for the Holidays, please consider picking up an extra bottle to donate to the auction wine wall. We also *gladly* accept re-gifted wine! We **only** ask that each bottle be valued at **\$25 or more**. Our friends at **The Bottle Shop**, in Sellwood, are offering a 20% discount for purchases to be donated to the auction! All wine can be dropped off at school, in the office, in a concealed bag at any time. Or you can drop it off at **Sarah Smith's house 7334 SE 28th ave** (basket on front porch). Questions? Please contact Sarah Smith at sarah@squidsuits.com

Parties:

Everyone loves a good party! If you have a party idea that you would like to host or sponsor, please contact Patty Cole at colegam5@comcast.net . There are several events that need sponsors, such as the Duniway Dragon's Kickball event, Library PJ Party, Donahoe's Late Night Gym party and others. Sponsorship opportunities range from contributing drinks, popsicles or pizza to helping by underwriting the party for a dollar amount that you are willing to contribute.

French lessons to beginner students continue in 2012

We have 4 spots available for Monday morning group (Kindergarten and 1st grades) and 2 spots available for Wednesday morning group (2nd-3rd or 4th grades). French classes for 2012 will start in January and run through the end of May. Monthly fee is \$45.00 (includes materials). Contact Geraldine Carter to sign up or for more information: geraldinecarter@comcast.net or call (503) 453 3259.

Spanish Language Classes at Duniway - Winter 2012

Hola Amigos, it is time to register for the Winter Term of Spanish.

The Spanish Language Program will continue the development of Spanish comprehension and language skills using bi-lingual books, music, art and hands on learning. Winter Focus: Conversational Spanish, Learning about the Art, Culture and Celebrations of Mexico, Central & South America through Folk Legends, Food and Music. (Mayan Weaving, Aztec & Incan Architecture, Cuna Indian Textile Art)

Lower Division (K-1st Grade) 16 Half hour Classes Tues./Thurs.

Mornings from 8:15-8:45 Jan. 17 through March 8

Upper Division (2nd-5th Grade) 8 One hour Classes Wed.

Afternoons 3:05-4:05 Jan. 18 through March 7

Classes held in Room 13, next to the office

Registration Forms are available in the Spanish Mail box in the Duniway Office and in the Main Hallway. Course Fee is \$90. per student. Forms may be dropped off in the Spanish Box in the Duniway Office and are due no later than **January 10th**. Class space is limited; enrollment will be in the order received.

Questions? Contact Elizabeth Etchepare (503) 853-3551 or eaetch@yahoo.com

Youth Fitness & Beginning Tumbling

Develop strength, agility, coordination and balance with light hand weights, body balancing stations, jumping circuits and tumbling centers. A noncompetitive way to build self-esteem learn handstands and cartwheels. The session is 10 weeks of classes. Students walk themselves to the gym after school lets out.

Tuesdays 3:05pm - 4:00pm January 17th - March 20th \$110 Ages 7 & up

About the instructor: Sessions are taught by Gail Bruner who is a former competitive gymnast with 25 years of teaching experience. Gail has a B.S. in Human Services and Therapeutic Recreation, a Teaching Certification in Elementary Education. Gail is a former marathon runner, master's swimmer and her current passions are yoga, cooking and her cats. If you have questions, contact Gail at 503-841-1460 or gail@yogavillestudios.com. Check it out at www.YogaVilleStudios.com

To enroll in classes, please complete & return the enrollment & liability waiver form. They are located across from the front office in the parent information area. You can leave a check to Gail Bruner in the Duniway office with your completed enrollment & liability waiver form.

Foreign Language classes at Duniway

The deadline for signing up for Foreign Language classes at Duniway has been extended to Friday, December 16th. If you are interested, see the attached order form. It can be mailed to Kids Like Languages, 1170 NW Riverview Ave, Gresham, Oregon 97030

More after school foreign language classes will be offered by Kids Like Languages. The objectives are to introduce students to foreign languages, improve their language skills, develop an appreciation of other cultures, and begin to prepare for the foreign language requirement at graduation. Experienced instructors teach through drama, art, music, games and every day children situations and repetition. The curriculum emphasizes conversation and occasional short homework assignments.

If you are interested in signing your child up for American Sign, German, Japanese or Mandarin, the order forms are in the racks outside the main office. Classes will be held here at Duniway on Fridays from 3-4 pm, each language offering 17 classes from January 13-May 29. A minimum of 10 students are needed to have the class here on campus. Enrollment forms and payment must be sent directly to Kids Like Language. If you have questions, please contact Kids Like Languages at 503-492-1700 or visit their web page at www.kidslikelanguages.com

Tree recycling

Boy Scout Troop 64 will once again be collecting Christmas trees on Dec 31 and Jan 1, as well as Jan 7-8. Please place your tree on your curbside with a minimum donation of \$6.00 by 2:00 PM each day. Cash or checks (payable to "Troop 64") should be placed in an envelope and attached to the tree. You can also drop your tree off at the Holy Family gym (7425 SE 39th) from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. If questions, please call (503) 453-2194. Thank you for your continued support. If you have questions, please contact Tom Armstrong at 503-523-9140

Get on the (Snow) bus!

The Sno Bus to Mt. Hood Meadows is continuing for the 2011-2012 season. Former Duniway parent Jay Mellies will be taking skiers and snowboarders to Mt. Hood Meadows four Sundays in January- the 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th. The bus holds up to ~ 50 students and we'll leave at 6:30 am from Cleveland High School, returning to the same location around 5 pm. Great fun, good exercise, and excellent instruction! You can enroll directly online this year by going to the following website: www.skihood.com/go. The GO code for my program is 1163278. You will receive a confirmation email and directions for acquiring the necessary medical release forms after enrolling. Contact me at jay.mellies@reed.edu or 503.772.9606 for further information.

Family Dodgeball Night at Sellwood Middle School

Duniway families, come to Sellwood Middle School for a night of Dodge Ball. The fun begins Friday, February 10th from 6:30-8:30. Entrance fee is \$5/person or \$15/family. All families are invited. We have 3 Separate Courts - fun for all levels. One court for the younger crowd that will play a version of Dodge Ball with 'no sting balls'. There will also be a 'league style' competitive court and a third will be a happy medium court where all ages and abilities can play. Snacks & water will be available for \$1. Students MUST be accompanied by an adult. This program benefits the Sellwood Middle School Foundation. If you have any questions, please contact Lindi Watson at 503-894-9553.

Upcoming Calendar of Events:

Mon 1/2 NO SCHOOL - last day of winter break
Tue 1/3 Welcome back!

Tue 1/10 PTA meeting 7 pm in the library

Duniway's calendar is available online:

<http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/duniway/203.htm>

The organizations providing information are not necessarily endorsed or sponsored by PPS. District policy prohibits discrimination on the basis of age, color, creed, disability, marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, and sexual orientation. PB 1.80.020. Not all outside organizations comply with the Board's non-discrimination policy. Families are strongly encouraged to review materials closely.