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### FROM OUR PRINCIPAL



*"I arise in the morning torn between a desire to save the world and a desire to savor the world. This makes it hard to plan the day."*

– E.B. White

Dear Families,

I write this as the Legislature is wrestling with statewide fiscal problems, and Portland Public Schools is proposing both a levy (to save teaching positions) and a bond (to revamp and work with our very old school buildings). I have been wincing at the thought of losing literally hundreds of teaching positions in Portland Public Schools next year, and am drawn to attend meetings and work to keep our resources in public schools. This represents the "save the world" part of my daily existence. My "savor the world" part is the time I spend here with your kids each day. I watch the high school kids sing in Spanish in Steve's class and become actors in Bianca's, the little ones learning to negotiate friendships, and the middle age ones building barometers... my hope is that adults will vote their most disciplined and hopeful side, and help negotiate a plan to help PPS fund our public schools next year at a survival level. AND...we need to fix this issue of school funding beyond next year. It's past time.

Our Friday afternoon professional development time has been going well. We have a committee of staff who have been "taking us to the next level" with portfolios: Avril (Kx3), Bianca (9x12), Ned (4x6), Caryn (4x6) and Michelle (9x12). At our last meeting, we began looking at how the portfolio contents vary at different ages, what is required and what work is student selected. We will meet again on March 11 to move forward with a K-12 template of portfolio contents, which we hope to have completed by year's end. (And a side note: we need you to assist us on panels as our high school kids present their portfolios in the Spring! Please tell Jeff Spalding you will help!)

We have also decided to create a K-12 Storyline together, which will kick off our year next September. We'll be planning that together during our PD afternoons in late April and early May. Exciting!

Spring Break will be here before we know it, which means many of our 7x12 grade students will be leaving for Israel for the "Hand in Hand" program. And, the rest of us will have time for rejuvenation, to bring out Spring clothes, and maybe even dig in the garden. I hope you have time to find and follow your fancy, whatever that may be.

Fondly,  
Pam





## Portfolio Panel Participants NEEDED

The high school team is in need of parents and community members to participate as panelists for the 2010-2011 portfolio presentations. The only requirements for panelists are to provide feedback to students and to be available on ONE of the days. All high school students are required to present their portfolio to a panel of community members or their peers. Portfolio presentations will happen on **May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>**. Our ability to provide this unique opportunity to our students depends on the support from the community. If you are able to assist, then please type this link: <http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/5N5ZHHC> into your browser and answer a few questions about your availability and area of interest.

## Application Update

Over the last six weeks, we hosted four visitor sessions and several shadow days. The auditorium was full for each session with lots of parents interested in hearing about MLC. Applications are being reviewed with letters of status being sent out to parents by April 18<sup>th</sup>.

## Outstanding Debts for 9x12 students

The 9x12 program has provided some valuable experiences for students this year such as an overnight trip to Camp Hancock, an excursion on the Willamette Jet boats and attendance at several plays. In order to continue these fine programs, parents/students need to resolve any outstanding fees. Please contact your son/daughter's Metro teacher for more details. Your support is greatly appreciated and allows us to continue these excellent experiences for your son/daughter!

## State Testing

Grades 3 -11 will have finished the 1<sup>st</sup> round of state testing by March 18<sup>th</sup>. Having a good night's rest and a full breakfast is the best preparation for these tests. In grades 3 – 6, contact your child's teacher for more details. At grades 7 – 11, contact the content teacher for more details. Please note that the Oregon Department of Education (ODE) raised the math benchmark for grades 3 – 8. Please check out this link for more information on this topic:

<http://www.pps.k12.or.us/families/4860.htm>.

## High School Theatre Production

The high school theatre class has been working this trimester on the play *Fortinbras* by Lee Blessing. In collaboration with Profile Theater, students have been auditioning, rehearsing, and creating the set pieces for the performances at MLC. Students have also been working with acting and voice coaches, and examining elements of theatre. Performances for the community will be on March 10 & 11 at 7:00pm, with an in-school performance for students on March 11 at 9:00am.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Poetry Out Loud Recitation

On Tuesday (2/22) 26 students from Steve's "Poetry Out Loud" class presented selected poetry at Powell's bookstore to a panel of judges (poets, teachers, community members). A big congratulations goes out to all of the students and the three winners; Sylvia Dresselhaus (1<sup>st</sup>), Ian Selland (2<sup>nd</sup>), and Isaac Prah (3<sup>rd</sup>). Sylvia will represent MLC at the state competition in March.



# PROJECT SECOND WIND

## February 28<sup>th</sup> to March 4<sup>th</sup>

For one week every year, students, families and PPS staff all over Portland partner with the Oregon Food Bank to learn about hunger and to collect food and funds. This food drive benefits many families across Oregon. Almost one in every four children in Oregon and Clark County, Wash., eat meals from emergency food boxes. This year, more than ever, there are families in need.

The MLC community has consistently exceeded expectation in doing our part for Project Second Wind. Last year we collected almost 8,000 pounds of food (or the equivalent in dollars)! We are a model community for supporting each other, for the education of our children, in thinking of others in need, and, taking acting on it.

All week, students can bring in non-perishable foods and money. Peanut butter, tuna, pasta, canned meals, canned fruits and vegetables are the most desired foods. No glass jars or perishables please. Additionally, one dollar can provide five pounds of food for the Oregon Food Bank. Let's make this the best Project Second Wind ever!

# FROM THE COUNSELING OFFICE

## Some Upcoming Events:

### Youth Leadership Forum – March 31st

Nike will be hosting a Youth Leadership Forum on March 31<sup>st</sup> from 9am-3:30 at their campus in Beaverton. The Youth Forum is an event aimed at helping GSA leadership create positive change in their schools, and will feature local LGBT leaders. Around 30 Gay Straight Alliances will be invited. GSA leaders and their advisors will be asked to take an active roll in the day. MLC's attendance is limited to four GSA members. Please sign up with Sandra.

### 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Young Women's Career Conference – April 26th

The goals of the conference include: encouraging 8th, 9th and 10th grade students to learn about nontraditional occupations through hands-on activities and discussions with professional women and encouraging attendees to seek courses in career and technical education so they can gain the skills and knowledge to make wise career decisions. Now, in its 15th year, the Young Women's Career Conference, formerly known as the "Middle School's Girls Conference" is presented to selected students in the area being served by Portland Community College. This year's conference is being held on Tuesday, April 26 from 8:30-1:30pm at Portland Community College's Rock Creek Campus. Space is limited; please sign up with Sandra.

### ACT College Prep Test – April 26th

All juniors will take this at school, free.

### 7<sup>th</sup> Annual NW Careers Expo – May 10<sup>th</sup>

Portland Workforce Alliance is holding it's 7<sup>th</sup> NW Youth Careers Expo at the on Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at the Oregon Convention Center. The goal of the Expo is to educate students about the amazing diversity of career opportunities in our region and the skills they need to acquire to pursue those jobs. The 2010 Expo attracted over 4,500 students from 69 high schools, over 110 exhibitors from nearly every sector including health care, business, communications, manufacturing, construction, energy, education and government. Over 100 volunteers organized by the Portland & SW Washington Human Resource Associations and the Oregon Staffing Association conducted 1500 mock interviews with students to help them sharpen their interviewing skills. This event is open to high school students. See Sandra to sign up.

### Job Readiness Program

Impact NW is offering a job readiness program for 11x12 students after school on Wednesday. Please check with Sandra for more information.

*Sandra Tetzloff*

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**PPS Parenting Workshops:** Early this year Portland Public Schools launched the Parent Academy, which will offer year-round programs in locations across Portland. Take a look at the schedule here: <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/departments/family-engagement/5158.htm> Here are a few Spring workshops:

#### African-American Parent Leadership

This session offers African-American families strategies for supporting children with achieving personal and academic success. **Thurs., March 10, 6-8,** Sabin, 4013 NE 18th Ave. Facilitator: Keisha Edwards, Oregon PIRC (Parental Information and Resource Center); **Thurs., April 14, 6-8,** Ockley Green, 6031 N. Montana, Facilitator: Keisha Edwards.

#### My Kid Is Out of Control: Redirecting Youth

**Toward Positive Decision-Making:** In this panel discussion by Portland youth violence prevention experts, you will learn the warning signs of potential problem behavior and effective family intervention techniques **Tues., March 8, 5:30-8,** Lane Middle School, 7200 SE 60<sup>th</sup>, Facilitators: Marcy Jackson and Chuck Lovell, Portland Police Bureau; LaMarcus Branch; Tanya Dickens and Ron Macias, Brother's & Sister's Keepers (BSK)

#### College on The Horizon: Preparing your

**Child for the Future:** It's not too early to begin speaking with your child about college and career. This session provides tips and strategies from cradle through career. **Wed., April 6, 6-8,** King school, 4906 NE 6th Ave. Facilitator: Melanie Dixon, Portland State University. **Wed., April 20, 6-8,** Bridger school, 7910 SE Market St., Facilitator: Melanie Dixon.

#### Sparks: Igniting Children's Greatness and Supporting Their Natural Gifts

Nurturing your child's spark can help him/her thrive through adolescence. Explore how sparks foster a sense of purpose, place and belonging. **Wed., April 20, 6-8,** Chief Joseph, 2409 N. Saratoga St.; Facilitator: Kate McPherson

**Making High School Work for You :** Get inside information from HS families who made it work for them. Get tips from the CPPS Middle School Connect project. **Tues., April 26, 6-8.** Lents, 5105 SE 97th, Facilitator: Linda Olson, Co-Pres, Community & Parents for Public Schools.

#### Making a Smooth Transition from Middle to High School: Rites of Passage

Leaving middle school to begin HS can be challenging for any family. This workshop focuses on navigating this milestone successfully. Facilitators concentrate on: 1) how to prepare for the transition during middle school, 2) the actual transition from 8th to 9th grade & 3) starting strong in the first quarter of high school. **Wed., May 4, 6-8,** Ockley Green, 6031 N. Montana, Facilitator: Robin Eisenbach, Step Up; **Wed., May 18, 6-8,** Southside Family Support Center, 9015 SE Rural St. Facilitator: Robin Eisenbach.

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## Volunteer for Elective Sign Ups

The sign ups for the next elective term will be Wednesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for volunteers to help with elective sign ups. Here is the schedule:

9:00	1x3 sign ups
9:30	7x8 sign ups
10:05	4x6 sign ups

We need help with all times. It's great if you can be here for the whole block of time, but if not we appreciate what time you are able to give. It's a fun volunteering job, if you haven't done it before, give it a try. Please toss me an email, call or stop by my office if you would like to volunteer. I know that some folks just show up the day of the event but it helps me so much to know ahead of time that we have enough coverage for the sign ups to go well. THANKS!

*Laura Bullock*  
*Elective Coordinator*  
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## Job Shadows for Juniors

Sandra Tetzloff and Chris Snyder are coordinating job shadows for our juniors. These one-time, day long or half-day long shadows give students a glimpse into professions they are interested in. Generally, we are looking for opportunities during March, April or May.

Here is a list of jobs the students would be interested in shadowing:

Arborist	Forester/Park Ranger
Baker	Journalist
CPA	Music Producer
Caterer	Nurse
Construction Worker	Psychiatrist
Cook	Set designer
Cosmetologist	Teacher
Dental Hygienist	anything Theater-related
Editor	X-ray tech
Fire Fighter	Zoo keeper.

If there are any parents, relatives or family friends that would be willing to host a student, please let Sandra or I know. Please also contact me if you have any questions.

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- ❖ **Support the PPS Bond Measure and Levy:** Contact MLC parent, Tanya March ([march@pdx.edu](mailto:march@pdx.edu)) to do some phone banking & volunteer to help support for the PPS Bond Measure and Levy. Phone banking will take place at 1006 SE Grand St. on three upcoming nights: **March 23<sup>rd</sup>**, **April 27<sup>th</sup>**, **May 10<sup>th</sup>**.
- ❖ Come on out to the **MLC Auction March 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011**
- ❖ **BUY SCRIP**
- ❖ **Electives Wish List:** Seed beads for beadwork elective, loaned jewelry-making tools.

# Upcoming Events

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MLC Egg Drop, 1974

## Egg Drop

Wednesday, MARCH 9, 2011  
Submit at 7:45am  
Drop at 1:00pm

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Note: The Egg Drop submission form is attached at the end of this newsletter.



**MARCH 4<sup>th</sup>**

6:30 – 10 PM

Holy Trinity Greek  
Orthodox Church  
3131 NE Glisan

We have so many fabulous items and trips galore! IF you haven't got your tickets yet please do so at [www.mlcauction.com](http://www.mlcauction.com). You can order your beautifully designed pint glasses on the website too.

Remember, the tickets are a SUGGESTED DONATION. No one will be turned away. The tickets are to give us a head count for catering and to make the check in and out process much faster for you.

If you still need childcare we have spaces available at our onsite childcare. Those spaces are filling up fast so please contact KCLC to get registered. The cost is \$20 per child.

Can't wait to see all of  
you next Friday!

# Kids Community Learning Center

## News

**Bowl-a-Thon:** This past month, KCLC held its 6<sup>th</sup> annual Bowl-a-Thon fundraiser. We raised \$2,000. Proceeds from the bowl-a-thon are used to purchase program supplies such as much-needed sports equipment, art materials and books. Thanks for your generosity and support.



**Ski Trip:** On February 21<sup>st</sup>, President's Day, KCLC organized a group ski trip to Mount Hood. Families rode the Greasebus – powered by oil from local Portland restaurants – to spend the day learning to ski and/or skiing on Mount Hood. For a number of families, this was their first opportunity to hit the slopes.



## Sign Ups

### MLC Auction night Childcare:

It's not too late.... KCLC staff will be providing on site child care coverage on site at the Greek Orthodox Church at this Friday's auction. Please sign up at KCLC. The cost for child care will be \$20 per child.

**Spring Break Camp:** Spring Break is right around the corner. If you're looking for a good, creative, active space for your kids to spend the break, stop by and sign up outside the KCLC room on the ground floor next to the cafeteria. This year's Spring Break Camp – S'Mores and More – will include a hike to Washington Park, swimming at Dishman Community Center and stargazing with OMSI's portable planetarium. Activities will include campfire skits, shelter building, roasting marshmallows, woodworking, camp cooking, trekking and more. The camp is open to students in kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

**Spring KCLC clubs:** Weekly after school clubs in art, theater and science start Monday, April 4<sup>th</sup>.

**Summer Camp:** KCLC's summer program runs from June 20<sup>th</sup> through August 26<sup>th</sup>. Sign up for one week, a week here and there, or sign up for the whole summer. Kindergarten through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students are welcome to attend. Take a look at KCLC on the web at: <http://kidscommunitypdx.org/> for more information on this summer's activities and projects.

Registration starts on March 1<sup>st</sup>. The KCLC Summer Camp Guide, with detailed information about the program will be available on March 1<sup>st</sup>. Register before May 1<sup>st</sup> and receive an early bird discount. Sessions tend to fill up quickly.

For 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade students, we offer the Teen Leadership Cooperative (TLC). This is a new program, that overlaps with the existing programs for younger kids, and that is designed to offer more independence and leadership opportunities for older kids. This program offers more advanced activities that kids in 6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade are capable of.

KCLC will offer a full summer camp for incoming Kindergartners. This program offers Kinders the opportunity to be in a large group setting with mixed ages, which we hope will prepare them for the coming school year. Kinders will have a separate group time with age appropriate activities and rest time.

For questions about KCLC's fees, programs, policies and practices, check our the website at <http://kidscommunitypdx.org/> or please contact program director Deirdre Steinmetz at [deirdre.kclc@gmail.com](mailto:deirdre.kclc@gmail.com)



# MLC PTSA MEETING MINUTES

**The meeting started at 7:00.**

**In attendance:** Mary Franklin, Lauren Nathe, Carla Peters, Stephanie Brown, Bryan Wolcott, Tanya March, Pam Shelly, Leigh Anne Scherer

## Welcome and Introductions

### Review of December & January

**Minutes:** Stephanie moved that the minutes from December be approved; Bryan seconded. Motion passed. Carla moved that the minutes from January be approved with the addition of Jacquelyn Martin in attendance; Lauren seconded; motion passed.

**Treasurer's Report:** Jacquelyn presented the budget P&L and balance sheet. PTSA opened new accounts at Umpqua including an interest bearing savings account. There have been a few auction expenses, staff accessing their funds, but little activity this month.

## Old Business

**Literacy Week Review:** Literacy Week was a great success. Next year, if we coordinate the dates, we can apply for National PTA grant.

**Scholastic Book Fair:** The fair ran all week and grossed \$2,600. Some funds from last year were used to purchase books. It would be good to send someone to the warehouse to replenish books midway through the book fair. There were many new volunteers. Kids had some anxiety about purchasing the books. They were worried that the books would be put back on the shelf. A suggestion was made that kids be limited to placing only two books on hold and that better communication be provided on when kids were going to visit the book fair.

**Writers Marathon:** Very fun. About 20 people attended. There was a place-based writing activity - attendees went to different places in the school and off-site to write and share.

**A Children's Place Book Fair:** A small book fair held at A Children's Place bookstore garnered \$160 profit.

**All School Gathering:** Storyteller Ann Rutherford gave a ½ hour presentation. The kids were very respectful and provided good feedback. Even though it was youngish, HS still enjoyed. It was a successful school-wide event

**Read-a-Thon:** Funds were designated to different places: upper grades to field trips; Avril's class to library; John's class to their *Three Cups of Tea* service project; third grade to their mural project; kindergarten is purchasing readers for the class. The high school had a harder time to get pledges. Perhaps HS students might be sponsored to read with students rather than read for themselves.

## New Business

**Auction 2011 Update:** The auction is on March 4<sup>th</sup>. As of the PTSA meeting date, 172 items have been donated. Beer donation, Teen writing workshop at Marylhurst, author donated to name a character in a future book, Parking spot, Bali Trip – there is a minimum bid, everything above goes to auction. New contract for a second room for childcare. Wine donation for part of the wine. A sound system will be donated. The OLCC license is approved. Pint glasses are in process. Umpqua is sponsoring for \$1,000. Offered to staff check-out. 31 tickets, 20 pint glasses on PayPal; 30 tickets purchased from office. It would be helpful to have a volunteer to clean up the problem file at the end. Looking for a location for next year. Talking about starting a fund for lighting as the paddle item – suggestion to cap at the cost for lighting and the rest goes to capital fund or auction general budget.



**PTSA Support of PPS Bond Measure and Levy:** PTSA voted last month to donate \$250 and to support some phone banking nights. Tanya March is coordinating: 1006 SE Grand St. – four nights:

**Feb 23rd – Alumni Night**

**March 23rd – Volunteers needed**

**April 27th – Volunteers needed**

**May 10th – Volunteers needed**

If you are not comfortable talking on the phone, there are other volunteer opportunities such as childcare during the phone banking. The election is May 17<sup>th</sup>.

**Facilities Committee:** March 3rd, 2:00 pm meeting with PPS Bond to refine what MLC would like as a community; looking for ideas. Suggestions include: Change the pool space into something useful – Dance studio? Exercise room? Something for physical activity. There's lots of potential because there is so much space. Lighting in the auditorium; windows; bathroom remodels – outside doors to upstairs bathrooms; art studio on top of gym; technology upgrades, specifically the Windows machines are super slow. There are questions about what is on phase two and phase three for MLC, what is the time frame and plan.

**Renaissance Faire:** The Faire will take place on April 28<sup>th</sup>. The plant sale is on; tables have been ordered. We'll be renting a popcorn machine and a cotton candy machine. Bryan has proposed a catapult-building competition; families will build small catapults and launch water balloons from the west end of the teacher's parking lot towards the gym. This would introduce children to engineering and all them to work with parents and older siblings towards a productive goal. Safety restrictions would include a height restriction of 27 inches and a counterweight restriction of 8 pounds and the use of water balloons as projectiles. Would it also be okay to have the Knights of Veritas perform? An armor demonstration, show fighting and why there where armor would cost no more than \$300. Bryan moved we have the Knights of Veritas perform. Pam seconded. Motion approved.

**The meeting adjourned at 8:12.**

# March 2011

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
	<b>Feb 28</b> Project Second Wind	<b>1</b> Project Second Wind	<b>2</b> Site Council Meeting 3:15 Library Project Second Wind	<b>3</b> Project Second Wind	<b>4</b> Project Second Wind <b>AUCTION</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Egg Drop Submit 7:45 Drop 1pm 	<b>10</b> HS Theater Production, Fortinbras 7pm	<b>11</b> HS Theater Production 7pm Elem./Middle School Transfer Deadline	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 3T Elective Sign Ups	<b>17</b> PTSA Meeting 7pm (Childcare available) Israel Home Stay	<b>18</b> No School Teacher Planning Day Israel Home Stay	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> Spring Break Israel Home Stay	<b>22</b> Spring Break Israel Home Stay	<b>23</b> Spring Break Israel Home Stay	<b>24</b> Spring Break Israel Home Stay	<b>25</b> Spring Break Israel Home Stay	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> 3rd Trimester Begins Israel Home Stay	<b>29</b> Israel Home Stay	<b>30</b> Israel Home Stay	<b>31</b> Class Pictures Israel Home Stay	<b>1</b> Israel Home Stay	



**SUBMISSION FORM - MLC EGG DROP 2011**

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**HERE ARE THE RULES:**

1. You must provide your own egg and it must be fresh and whole, not leaking.
2. You may only enter one device although teams can enter as well
3. No helium balloons, smoke bombs, fireworks, live animals or recently alive animals.
4. Your device must not contain anything that will shatter or splatter upon impact. (other than the egg)
5. If you have specific dropping instructions they must be included with the entry.
6. Entrants are responsible for retrieving the device and cleaning up after it.
7. Only Egg Drop Committee Members are allowed on the roof.
8. The device can be no bigger than is safe to drop
9. SAFETY IS GIVEN THE HIGHEST CONSIDERATION!!!. The Chairman has final discretion about which entries will be approved for participation.
10. Entries will be received between 7:45 and 8:45am on Wednesday, March 9th<sup>th</sup> in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor west side corridor.

Please contact Marta Berg in Room 108 [mberg@pps.k12.or.us](mailto:mberg@pps.k12.or.us) if you have questions or you would like to help out.

**BE CREATIVE**

**STUDENT(S) NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**GRADE AND TEACHER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**TITLE OF ENTRY:** \_\_\_\_\_

**SPECIAL DROPPING INSTRUCTIONS:** \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
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**PLEASE DELIVER YOUR ENTRIES by 7:45am ON WEDNESDAY, MARCH 9th**