



<i>Date</i>	<i>Upcoming Event</i>
May	Walk & Bike to School Month
Tues., 5/17	SEPTAP meeting
Wed., 5/18	Green School Committee meeting
Fri., 5/27	Last Day to Order Yearbook
Mon., 5/30	No school—Memorial Day

Check dates for all Rieke events on the web anytime at <http://www.pps.k12.or.us/schools/rieko>

From the Principal

"The heart of a volunteer is not measured in size, but by the depth of the commitment to make a difference in the lives of others." — DeAnn Hollis

Thank you Rieke volunteers! Your time and services to the children of Rieke are numerous and appreciated. Thus far this year we have over 5000 hours of volunteerism. We truly could not be the fabulous school we are without your contributions. From parents, to grandparents, to community members, the classrooms and hallways are always buzzing with willing, caring adults committed to enhancing and enriching the school experience. All in the spirit of the Mary Rieke School mission: "A community dedicated to inspiring academic and creative excellence, responsive citizenship and a lifelong love of learning."

We thank you!

Andrea

Notes From The Office

We are planning already for next year. If your child will not be returning to Rieke in September, please call the office, (503) 916-5768, or send an email to Liz or Rachell so our class size numbers are accurate. loughne@pps.k12.or.us or rspink@pps.k12.or.us

Lost and found items will be on display through Wednesday. After that time, the items will be sent to the PPS Clothing Closet as a resource for families.

Please complete the online or paper Site Council Parent Survey. One survey per child.

Link:
<http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/WEB22C9DXVM4E6>

Final Box Top Collection Winners Announced Soon

Last year, collecting Box Top logos from participating products like cereal, granola bars and even facial tissues, brought in over \$1100 dollars for Rieke. And every dollar matters. This year's final classroom collection and count will happen Monday May 22nd, with the winning classrooms announced later that same week. First place class wins a fabulous pizza party and second place wins a fun Popsicle party. So cut them out and send them in – your support is so appreciated.

Last Chance for Yearbook

The VERY last chance to order your yearbook is now. Orders need to be in by Friday, May 27th. Tons and tons of wonderful memories your child will not want to miss!!!!!!

Green Meeting

The last Green School Committee meeting of the year will be on Wednesday, May 18 at 3:15 in Ms. Smith's room (Room 12). We'll discuss how Earth Week activities went and make plans for next year. Everyone is welcome!

Scholastic Book Fair Volunteer Call: May 31-June 3

Parents: We are looking for parent helpers to staff the Spring Scholastic Book Fair. Parents help students locate books, tidy up shelves between classes, and help set-up and put-away the book fair. It's fun and an opportunity to help with a great fundraiser for Rieke. Please contact Regan Wylie (reganwylie@mac.com) if you are able to volunteer! Times for each class to visit the fair are listed in the attached flyer. Thank you for your support!

Regan Wylie & Kate Pagliasotti
Scholastic Book Fair co-chairs

Rieke's Carnival is Coming Up Soon!

It's that time of year again.... CARNIVAL TIME!!! Mark your calendars for Friday, June 3rd, 6–8 PM and join us at our annual end of year carnival.

There are a few changes this year. Finally, you have the ability to pay online through our tofino website. Another change, no more tickets for games! We're doing an all-inclusive armband for \$10 per child that will allow them unlimited play. You will also be able to pre-purchase a "carnival cash card" to be used at concessions. This will decrease your wait time at the carnival and you will receive a discount for pre-purchasing. The ever-popular

dunk-tank will be returning with one condition: this is the one activity at the carnival that will require cash to participate. \$1 gets you 4 chances to dunk your favorite teacher! Kids, save your allowance so you can dunk teachers like Mr. Plein or Ms. Savage! All money directly benefits the Rieke PTA. The more times you dunk, the more money we raise for Rieke!

Our carnival is a huge success each year due to our fabulous volunteers. We need your help! Contact Claire Cowan for volunteer opportunities at justplainclaire@yahoo.com.

Stay tuned for more exciting carnival news, or check out our tofino website so you can pre-purchase armbands and carnival cash:

<http://rieke.tofinoauctions.com/carnival2011>. Contact Carla Asplund at cartroy@mac.com or Paige Beardsley-Wilcox at paigeandrobin@comcast.net if you have questions.

Rieke Art Fair Success!

Thank you to everyone for another successful art fair at Rieke! We made over \$18,000 in total, with 30% going to Rieke (a little over \$7,000!!) It was a beautiful day on Sunday, May 1st where it was the place to be in Hillsdale!

Thank you especially to Principal Porter for staying the entire day to support the Art Fair. This is the first year we didn't have to pay a huge fee to keep the building open with a custodian. Thanks to Korinne James for all her hard work with selecting and managing the vendors! Thanks to Lorrie Biggs for organizing all the food donations, crafts and volunteers! The classes were a big hit this year thanks to Kelly Fale-Olsen, Kim Kirk and Tiffany Schuster, Thanks girls! Another thanks goes out to Tania Giger for always rolling up her sleeves and helping wherever needed! Thanks to Kelly Laboe for setting up the tofino cashier system. Thanks to Scott Eddy for setting up our network. Thanks to Dick Hausken and Wendy Lear for taking care of all the finances and adding up the big bucks! Thanks to all the talented Robert Gray and Wilson School musicians, singers, volunteers and actors, we loved having you at Rieke on that beautiful day! You made everyone smile! Thank you lastly to all the volunteers who helped with the classes, cashiering and food sales, we couldn't have done it without you.

If you are interested in helping next year, contact Michelle Bexelilus at michelle@ecoremedi.com and I will give you all the details.

Summer Idea: Camp Invention

Does your child have great ideas? Does s/he love to invent? Here's a great way to cultivate that talent...sign him/her up for Camp Invention this summer. The nearest SW location will be held at Stephenson Elementary June 27-July 1. See attached flyer for further details and registration form or contact nikkidorfman@me.com with questions. Your child will be glad you did!

5th Annual Girls' Basketball Camp at Wilson HS

Wilson High School will be holding its 5th annual girls' basketball camp June 27-July 1, 2011. The camp is for all incoming 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, and incoming freshmen. While we will be stressing the importance of fun, we will also be stressing the importance of teamwork, hard work, and dedication. All camp participants will receive a Wilson Basketball T-shirt. The camp will be run by the Wilson High School coaching staff along with returning players in the program. Outstanding campers will earn All-Star Honors and will be recognized with a camp All-Star T-Shirt. We will also recognize a Camp MVP with a brand new ball as well.

Registrations can be mailed to the address in the registration form or you can reserve a spot via email: mnlolan@pps.k12.or.us

Safe Routes to School Mini-Grants

The National Center for Safe Routes to School is now accepting applications for 25 mini-grants of \$1,000 each. These mini-grants support the goal of Safe Routes to School (SRTS) programs, which is to enable and encourage children to safely walk and bicycle to school. Applications are due Wednesday, May 18, 2011. For more information or to download an application visit <http://minigrants.saferoutesinfo.org/>.

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