

Green Park Elementary celebrates a Century of Class

School board members took a walk through a century of history last night thanks to Green Park Elementary students who were advertising their school's Centennial Week activities scheduled for later this month.

Library-Media Specialist **Michelle Shaul** directed a skit which featured students talking about the Centennial schedule of events on telephones from the past 100 years. Principal **Mike Lambert** even played a role as they encouraged everyone to celebrate with them and honor those who have made Green Park a Walla Walla treasure.

"A Century of Class" -- Centennial Schedule

School Tours

- Monday, May 15 to Wednesday, May 17
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
- Thursday, May 18 and Friday, May 19
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.
- Saturday, May 20
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Carnival and Spaghetti Dinner

Thursday, May 18
4 to 8 p.m.

100th Birthday Party

- Friday, May 19
5 p.m. to 7 p.m.
- Children's program begins at 5:00
 - Special memory lane Power Point presentation
 - Birthday cake and ice cream

For more information, contact Centennial Coordinator **Kathy Goodwin** at (509) 526-7144 or Green Park Secretary **Susan Stroe** at (509) 527-3077.

May 2 • School Board Meeting Recap



Remember to vote!
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****Vote by mail only****
Ballots mailed
Friday, April 28

Sharpstein's Recorder Karate



Sharpstein 4th and 5th grade students displayed their talents last night by playing their recorders during the school board meeting.

Music Teacher **Lori Parnicky** has developed "Recorder Karate" to motivate students to improve their skills. Each time they advance their skills they earn a new "belt" color in the form of a bead to place on their recorders. These students have all earned their "black belts."

In other School Board meeting business...

Board members:

- approved minutes of the board meeting of April 18, 2006, Personnel and Out of State Travel Report, Resolution #3, WIAA Membership, Franchise Utility Agreement at Wa-Hi.

Personnel Report

• New Hires

(Classified) **Colter Mohny**, Mechanic, Transportation

• Resignations/Retirements

(Administrative) **Brandon Jensen**, Assistant Principal, Wa-Hi, 1 year

(Certificated) **Brian Senter**, English Teacher, Wa-Hi, 7 years

(Resignation of .4 FTE only -- will continue as a .6 FTE Drama teacher)

Zena Broughton, Library Media-Specialist, Blue Ridge, 1 year

(Classified) **Bernardo Martinez**, Bilingual Para-Educator, Prospect Point, 5 years

Maribeth Bergstrom, Health Clinician, Pioneer, 8 years

• Leave of Absences

(Certificated) **Kari Jones**, 5th Grade Teacher, Sharpstein, 4years

• For the 06-07 school year.

Gayle See, Physical Education Teacher, Wa-Hi, 25 years

• Leave of .2 FTE only for the 06-07 school year -- will continue as a .8 FTE PE teacher

Elisa Weinman Pogue, Preschool Teacher, Blue Ridge, 16 years

• For the 06-07 school year

(Classified) **Adriana Ruiz-Garcia**, Family Advocate, Blue Ridge Preschool, 6 years

• For the 06-07 school year

• Out of State Travel

Susan Bauer to Range Finding for WASL Writing in Iowa City, IA (Funding - OSPI)

Lenna Kopf to Conference in Gleneden Beach, OR (Funding - Professional Growth)

Gayle See to National PE Conference in Salt Lake City, UT (Funding - Professional Growth)

Scott Tibbling to NSLA National Conference in Washington, DC (Funding - Coaches Professional Growth)

Quote of the Week

"A really great talent finds its happiness in execution."

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe

District music director named Music Educator of the Year

Congratulations to District Music Director **Glen Mitchell** on being selected as the WMEA/WIAA Music Educator of the Year.

"Your many years of selfless dedication to music education in Walla Walla, the Columbia Basin Region and across our state deserve this recognition," said Bruce Caldwell, Executive Manager of the Washington Music Educators Association. "Thank you for your many years of outstanding work in music education. You have been a model and mentor for many and will be long remembered for your achievements."



Mitchell

Mitchell's accomplishments at a glance...

- WMEA/WIAA Music Educator of the Year (April 2006)
- Washington Music Educators Hall of Fame
- Outstanding Young Educator award in Dayton
- Ron Ray Memorial Award in 1991 from the Walla Walla Community Band
- Citation of Excellence from the National Band Association in 1996
- Member of the Washington State Arts Committee to develop Arts WASL
- Served as president of three music districts in the state of Washington
- Church choir director for 3 different churches

Wa-Hi Crest Club plans annual blood drive

The Walla Walla Crest Club is planning its annual American Red Cross blood drive Thursday, May 11 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Wa-Hi Small Gym.

"The girls have been working hard at planning the drive and collecting food donations for the canteen, and they're hoping to recruit over 100 high school donors," Wa-Hi Social Studies teacher and club advisor **Jillian Huber** said. "Each unit of blood can save up to three lives!"

All donated blood is given to the local American Red Cross office. Crest Club is an all senior girls club for students with 3.0 or higher GPAs. For more information, contact Huber at 527-3020.

Spring sports students honored for academics

Congratulations to Wa-Hi spring sports student-athletes for earning Academic Recognition honors from WIAA. Fourteen out of 18 teams competing this spring received honors. Teams with a combined team GPA of 3.0 to 3.499 receive the WIAA Distinguished award and teams with a combined team GPA of 3.5 or better receive the WIAA Outstanding award.

District Jazz Band Concert rescheduled

The Spring Jazz Band concert featuring the Wa-Hi, Pioneer and Garrison Jazz Bands has been rescheduled for Tuesday, May 23 at 7 p.m. in the Wa-Hi Auditorium.

"This avoids a conflict with Walla Walla Symphony's final concert," Wa-Hi Band Director **Andrew Ueckert** said. "Join us in supporting these talented musicians for our last concert of the year."