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District Stories

School board salutes retirees

District honors educators for service

Tuesday night, the district honored this year's retirees. Assistant Superintendent Laure Quaresma acknowledged their years of service and dedication to the school district. Each retiree received an engraved Golden Apple from the district. WWVEA President Margo Piver presented certificated staff a special poster and PSE President Bill Heiser presented classified staff a token of appreciation. Thank you for all you have done to help Walla Walla children receive an outstanding education.

- Ardis Dick, 22 - Blue Ridge: Para-Educator
- Diana, Erickson, 8 - District Office: CIA/GMS Bilingual Coordinator
- Jeanine Griffin, 10 – Pioneer: Food Service Assistant
- Susan Hansen, 29 - Blue Ridge: PE Specialist
- Maryelyn Hebel, 7 - District Office: CIA Admin Assistant
- Kristin Lee, 22 – Sharpstein: Second-Grade Teacher
- Susan Morasch, 25.5 - Wa-Hi: Bookkeeper
- Jill Parcells, 20 - Green Park: Kitchen Manager
- Sue Parrish, 22 – Garrison: Science Teacher
- Connie Pinza, 27 – Edison: Para-Educator
- Jeanne Ruecker, 26 - Wa-Hi: Counselor
- Vicki Shafer, 18 – Homelink: Art Teacher
- Elissa Stites, 30 - Green Park: Fifth-Grade Teacher
- Mary Matau, 19 - Wa-Hi: Social Studies (her retirement date is Dec. 2012)

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End-of-Year Celebrations

Lincoln Alternative High School Graduation

- Thursday, May 31 @ 6 p.m. - WW Fairgrounds

Walla Walla High School Commencement

- Friday, June 1 @ 7 p.m. - Wa-Hi Commons area
(gym if raining)

Pioneer Middle School 8th Grade Recognition

- Tuesday, June 5 @ 7 p.m. - Wa-Hi Gym

Garrison Middle School 8th Grade Recognition

- Wednesday, June 6 @ 7 p.m. - Wa-Hi Gym

Proceeds from Ziggy Marley concert to support Walla Walla Public School Music Department

Five-time Grammy-winning musician Ziggy Marley will be appearing live on stage, Saturday, July 21 at the Walla Walla Fairgrounds. Walla Walla High School student Campbell Davis and Company is the opening act.

Walla Walla Public Schools Music Department will receive a \$5 donation for every ticket sold for the show between May 15 and June 10. Get your tickets now and support the WWPS Music Department while taking in a great event.

Tickets are available at the following locations:

- ZiggyMarley.com Fan Club Presale and Custom Packages
- Ticketwest.com or by calling 800.325.SEAT (7328)
- Walla Walla Village Winery, 107 S. 3rd, Walla Walla 525.9463
- Walla Walla Visitors Center Window, 26 E. Main, WW 529.4718

Personnel Report (from May 15, 2012 school board meeting)

Employment

(Certificated)

Sara Heimbigner, Music, Edison Elementary

Anne Schulz, Math, Pioneer Middle School

Resignation/Retirement

(Certificated)

Jeanne Ruecker, Counselor, Wa-Hi, 26 years

(resignation effective at the end of the 2011-2012 school year)

Heather Nelson, Homelink Science, Berney, 7 years

(resignation effective at the end of the 2011-2012 school year)

Leave of Absence

(Certificated)

Georgiann Delgadillo, Science, Garrison, 2 years

(Georgi is taking a .1 FTE leave of absence for the 2012-13 school year. She will continue as a .5 FTE employee)

Mike Gobel, Math, Walla Walla High School, 22 years

(Mike will take a leave of absence for two periods to serve as a teacher on special assignment (TOSA) in affiliation with Gear Up and AVID for the 2012-13 school year.)

Mary Matau, Social Studies, Walla Walla High School, 19 years

(For the first half of the 2012-2013 school year)

(Classified)

Hilary Tinnesand, Para-Educator, Prospect Point, 2 years

(For the 2012-13 school year)

Walla Walla coaches receive training on use of social media and compliance issues

All Walla Walla Public Schools coaches spent two hours Wednesday evening reviewing appropriate coach conduct, use of social media, student-athletes supervision and boundary invasion issues. Attorney and former high school coach Chris Burton will lead the training session.

“We want to be proactive on our training and awareness of these issues,” said Assistant Superintendent Laure Quaresma. “We are professionals and we owe it to our coaches, students and parents to be well prepared.”

Topics included in this training:

- Coaches’ use of social media
- Coaches and boundary invasions
- Coaches and AAU and possible violation of district conflict of interest policies
- WIAA out-of-season compliance
- Is the coach an employee in the summer?
- Volunteer coaches and student athlete supervision

Chris Burton, Trainer:

Chris Burton is an attorney. Prior to graduating from law school in 2003, Burton spent 14 years as a varsity boys’ basketball coach and a girls’ fast pitch coach. Burton was the youngest head coach in California in 1987 at 22-years-old. Over the course of his coaching career, Burton conducted youth summer camps with up to 200 campers and organized summer leagues with more than 30 teams. Annually he raised approximately \$20,000 for his athletic programs. Burton has conducted dozens of workplace investigations focused on coach conduct, equitable treatment of student-athletes, fundraising and boundary invasion allegations.

Retirement Celebrations 2011-2012 (remaining)

Edison Elementary

Connie Pinza

Friday, May 18 / 3:15-4:30 @ Edison

Green Park Elementary

Elissa Stites

Tuesday, May 22 / 3:30-5 p.m. @ Green Park Library

Homelink

Vicki Shafer

Retirement reception, which is in conjunction with our Spring Project Faire

Thursday, May 31 / 3 to 5 p.m. @ Carnegie

Sharpstein Elementary

Kristin Lee

Friday, May 25 / 3:30-5 p.m.

Sharpstein atrium

District Office

Diana Erickson

Monday, June 4 / 3 to 5:30 p.m.

District Office Board

Walla Walla High School

Mary Matau, Jeanne Ruecker and Karen Shafer

Tuesday, June 5 / 1:30 to 3 p.m. in the Wa-Hi Commons

School Stories

Berney's BizTown Field Trip promotes business

This spring approximately 70 Berney 5th grade students participated in "The World of Business at Junior Achievement BizTown" in Yakima.

The experience was made possible through a grant. Teachers Laura Grant, Debbie Schade and Tammy Baker organized the trip. BizTown focused on financial principles and business. The program fosters work readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy.

Students also learned about the economy, government and taxes. They opened a bank account, wrote checks and went to work for a mock business during the day long event. Students also learned how to apply for jobs, create a resume and tips for interviewing.

The students from all three Berney 5th grade classes left at 6:30 a.m. and returned home at 5 p.m. Twenty-four parents volunteered to help provide supervision and support.

Lincoln choir teams with senior citizens

The Lincoln High School choir, under the direction of music teacher Margaret Yount, has teamed with the Park Plaza Retirement Center choir to make music. The group performed two songs for the school board Tuesday night.

The Lincoln/Park Plaza choir will be performing June 6 at the WWCC China Pavilion at 6:30 p.m. The concert is open to the public.

Regional softball games on KTEL 1490 AM Saturday afternoon

The Blue Devil Softball Team will be playing in the Regional Softball playoffs Saturday in Spokane at 2 and 4 p.m. Listen to the games live on KTEL 1490 AM live with Joe Oertel.

Farm-to-School “Sample Day” brings fresh asparagus to Blue Ridge and Sharpstein

By Nutrition Services Director Pamela Milleson

We are excited to be able to bring farm fresh asparagus into two of our schools for tasting and lunch. As we continue to develop our farm to school program, we hope to bring in other items and rotate to all schools in the district. All students will receive a taste sample as they enter the cafeteria. Also, asparagus will be available as part of the lunch menu.

The asparagus is grown in the Walla Walla Valley and picked fresh Sunday and delivered to schools on Monday for preparation for Tuesday’s asparagus sample day. We want students to have the experience of trying some of the great foods grown in our valley. Flyers will be going home to families with great information about asparagus including history, regional facts, nutrition and health benefits, and cooking ideas.

We’re so lucky to have this nutritious vegetable grown right in our valley. Did you know?

- About 22 million pounds of asparagus are grown in Washington State on approximately 7,000 acres in the Columbia Basin, the Yakima Valley and the Walla Walla Valley.
- Asparagus has been cultivated for more than 2,500 years by people worldwide.
- Asparagus is the leading natural source for folacin and glutathione. Folacin (folic acid) helps create healthy blood cells and prevent birth defects. A serving of asparagus provides 60% of your daily needs.
- According to the National Cancer Institute, asparagus contains more glutathione than any other fruit or vegetable. This antioxidant plays an important role in the prevention of certain cancers and diseases. Asparagus can be steamed, grilled, microwaved, stir-fried or roasted in the oven.

Here’s a simple oven roasting recipe:

Preheat the oven to 425°. Place asparagus on a cookie sheet in a single layer. Drizzle olive oil (or vegetable oil) over the asparagus, sprinkle with salt and pepper. Place in the oven and cook until tender crisp and just starting to brown – about 10 minutes. This can be eaten as it is or sprinkled with parmesan cheese, or cut and added to salads.

Watch Walla Walla High School’s Commencement Live Online

Visit the Walla Walla Public Schools or the Walla Walla High School web site to watch the June 1 Commencement Ceremony live, online. The program begins at 7 p.m. A link to a live video stream is posted on both sites. The page also has important information about the ceremony for students, parents and guests. Special thanks to Technology Teacher Dennis DeBroeck for coordinating the production.

- Walla Walla Public Schools: www.wwps.org
- Walla Walla High School: www.wahibluedevils.org

Sharpstein students place in “Escribo en Español” contest

Congratulations to Natalia Salazar for taking second place in the “Escribo en Español” contest. Student Ella Jesberger earned third place honors and Sofia Groff and Christian Torres took home Honorable Mention. This contest started in Washington state 14 years ago. It was created to motivate students who already study Spanish to be more involved in topics rooted in the cultures and civilizations of the countries that speak Spanish. Each year a relevant topic is selected that is especially meaningful to Spanish-speaking cultures.

Homelink staff and students plan Mother’s Day Tea

Homelink staff and students teamed to plan and organize at Mother’s Day Tea this week at the district office. Goodies and beverages were served for all to enjoy. Thanks to all our Homelink mothers!

FFA students perform strong at state FFA contest

At the Washington State FFA Convention in Pullman, Washington on May 9 to May 12 the Walla Walla FFA chapter shined bright among 3,000 other FFA members from across the state. The results: Food Science and Technology 1st place, Veterinary Medicine 2nd Place, Agricultural Marketing 6th Place, F.A.R.M 7th Place, 1st year greenhands made the top 16 of 76 and Samantha Zuger received her State FFA Degree.

The Walla Walla FFA Chapter has qualified to participate in the National FFA Food Science and Veterinary Medicine Career Development Events (CDE) during the 85th National FFA Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana this October. Members of the food science team include Megan Wright (1st place individual-WA State), Peter Sirmon (3rd place individual), Drew Swenson (5th place individual), Allie Juergensen (6th place individual) and Kayla Stewart. During the food science CDE participants take an objective test covering food chemistry, microbiology, product processing, food safety and basic principals in food science.

Members of the Veterinary Medicine team include Alexis Hughes (2nd place individual-WA State), Megan Wright (7th place individual), Ashley Ramsey (9th place individual), Sadee Long and Addelin Chapman. Through the Veterinary Medicine CDE, participants will demonstrate technical competency with small and large animals in the areas of anatomy and physiology, clinical procedures, identification, health and safety and medical terminology.

“From the beginning of the school year, we’ve practiced and it paid off in the end.” – Drew Swenson

“We have worked really hard this year and it feels great to be representing Walla Walla and Washington State at Nationals.”
– Kayla Stewart

“These kids have spent countless hours after school, in the evening and on the weekends preparing for these events and their performance at State was incredible.” – Lindsey Butcher

Coffee Perk to feature Pioneer Middle School student’s artwork

Artwork created by Pioneer Middle School students has been selected for display at Coffee Perk in downtown Walla Walla through May 31. Art projects include 6th, 7th, and 8th grade works in a variety of mediums. Acrylics, oil pastels, pencil/ ink, and sculptural pieces have been selected to recognize the excellence that can be achieved by middle school students.

Coffee Perk
4 S. 1st Ave
Walla Walla, WA
(509) 526-0636

Public invited! Edison students to perform the musical: The Tortoise and the Hare

- Edison Drama Club presents the musical: The Tortoise and the Hare
- Friday, May 18, 7 p.m.
- Edison gym
- Donations for Books for Babes will be gladly accepted!
- This event is open to the public

Walla Walla High School AVID Senior Recognition Night

- AVID Senior Recognition Night
- Thursday, May 24
- Wa-Hi Commons
- Dessert will be served at 6:30 p.m.
- Program 7 to 8 p.m.

Huffington Post features Lincoln High School for discipline practices which keep students in school

Lincoln High School was featured in the Huffington Post's Education section of its internet newspaper. The story is focused on Lincoln's new approach to discipline which is keeping more kids in school.

See the article at: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/michael-jaszcz/empathy-and-understanding_b_1498041.html

Big Nine 4A All Conference Selections (Softball, Girls Golf, Boys Soccer, Track & Field)

Fastpitch Softball

Ellie Rassbach, First Team

Jordana Storm, First Team & Co-Outstanding Offensive Player of the Year

Andrea Hamada, Honorable Mention

Libbie Jimenez, First Team & Outstanding Defensive Player of the Year

Kindsey Hill, Honorable Mention

TraeAnne Payne, Second Team

Mattie Smyth, Honorable Mention

Janelle Hartford, Honorable Mention

Alyson Ambler, First Team & Most Valuable Player

Jordan Heiser, First Team

Jerry Humphreys and Walla Walla, Coaching Staff of the Year

Girls Golf

Jessica Huntsman, First Team

Kendall Dunovant, Second Team

Marisa Jimenez, Honorable Mention

Mike Patterson, Co-Coach of the Year

Big Nine Soccer All League Awards

Marcos Medina, First Team

Ricardo Saldana, Second Team

Jose Maya, Honorable Mention

Gio Ruiz, Honorable Mention

All League Track

Blake Gerling

Stuart Gillin

Kyle Jameson

Jonah Hoe

Ben Wolpert

Sean Newcomb

Logan Reardon

Peter Sirmon

Ashley Cornia

Dominique Cox

Rachel Nelson

Maggie Callan

Hannah Burns

Maddie Jacobsen

Eric Hisaw, Big Nine Boys Coach of the Year

Garrison Middle School students inducted in National Junior Honor Society

Garrison's National Junior Honor Society inducted 47 new members on Monday, May 14. Inductees must have a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or higher since the beginning of their 6th grade year through the 3rd quarter of 7th grade. They must also demonstrate qualities in the areas of service, leadership, character and citizenship.

The ceremony was run by 8th grade NJHS officers Kassidy Haluska, Karli Plucker, Lauren Clark, Anders Davidson, and Andrea Beko. New members received a certificate and joined their families in a refreshment celebration.

Proceeds from Mr. Wa-Hi event to fund senior gift

- May 21 at 7:30 p.m.

- Wa-Hi Auditorium

Mr. Wa-Hi is a mock beauty pageant for high school boys. The students will display a talent, model both sportswear and tuxedo, participate in a group dance routine and answer questions. Participants must be in good academic standing, well disciplined and represent Wa-Hi well. Mr. Wa-Hi is a fundraiser to raise money for Wa-Hi's senior gift.

Staff vs. students in Blue Devil College Cup

Blue Devil College Cup Staff vs. Students Soccer Match

- Wednesday, May 23

- 5 to 6 p.m.

- Wa-Hi soccer field, (students vs. staff soccer match).

Information: Miriam Garber, AVID Club Advisor (503) 348-1608

Blue Devil Athletic Development (BDAD) Summer Program

Dates: Wednesday, June 27 - August 2

Incoming 9-12 grades: 8-9 a.m. or 10-11 a.m.

Incoming 5-8 grades: 9-10 a.m.

Cost:

- \$30 pre-register (postmarked by June 25)

- \$35 registering at the door

Registration form to be on Wa-Hi Website soon.

Questions:

Eric Hisaw: ehisaw@wwps.org

Amy Hisaw: ahisaw@wwps.org

Walla Walla High School JROTC awards presented during annual Military Ball

The cadets from the Walla Walla High School JROTC "Blue Devil" Battalion held their 92nd annual Military Ball and awards banquet on Saturday evening at the Elks Lodge.

"Cadets, cadre, parents, and guests from the community shared in a celebration of the Junior Reserve Officer Training Corps cadets' numerous achievements of the current school year. Cadets were decorated with the awards they've earned that recognize their individual achievements, and the chain of command for our program next year was announced," said Lt. Col. Bill Bialozor, Senior Army Instructor.

Senior Army Instructor Leadership Award:

Leadership Education Training (1st year)-Jerome Samson

LET 2-Zachary Chlipala, LET 3-Uriel Bermoy, LET 4-Malachi Matthews

JROTC Distinguished Service Award:

LET 1-Mattie Bialozor, LET 2-Caitlyn Lasseigne, LET 3-Casey Victorino, LET 4-Bosco Brittain

Distinguished Cadet: Rishi Patel

Celebrate Freedom Foundation/Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University Ribbon: Dylan Ridenour

Washington Army National Guard Award: Wayne Powers

U.S. Army Recruiting Command Awards: Nicki Thomas and Connor Davis

Reserve Officers Association JROTC Achievement Award: Shane Perkins

Non-Commissioned Officers Association Award: Brandon Webster

National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution National Defense Committee ROTC Medal: Bailey Knapp

American Veterans ROTC Recognition Award: Desiree Phillips

Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States JROTC Citation and Award: Josh Naber

American Legion Award for Scholastic Excellence: Richard Jimenez

American Legion Award for Military Excellence: Kurtis Crump

American Legion Award for Marksmanship: Allie Juergensen

Scottish Rite of Free Masonry Award: John Gossett

Military Order of the World Wars JROTC Award of Merit: Dustin Dabulskis

Superior Cadet:

LET 1-Allison Shrouf, LET 2-Jordan Heiser, LET 3-John Gossett, LET 4-Karri Mickelson

The chain of command for next year is as follows:

Company commanders (all will be promoted to Cadet 1st Lt.):

Sara Beko, Zachary Chlipala, and Bailey Knapp

Company first sergeants (all will be promoted to Cadet 1st Sgt.):

Allison Shrouf, Connor Buckley, and Dylon Ridenour

Battalion Staff (these staff officers will be promoted to Cadet Captain):

S1 (adjutant)-Wayne Powers, S2 (security)-Casey Victorino, S3 (training and operations)-Sam Gentzler, S4 (supply and logistics)-Brandon Jenkins, S5 (public affairs)-Uriel Bermoy, S6 (technology)-Emily Bendix

John Gossett has been selected as the next cadet battalion commander and will be promoted to Cadet Lieutenant Colonel. Desiree Phillips will be promoted to Cadet Major and serve as the executive officer. Brandon Webster will be promoted to and serve as Cadet Command Sergeant Major.

Walla Walla High School senior receives college scholarship from Latino Club

Walla Walla High School senior Ana Andrade is the 2012 recipient of the Walla Walla High School Latino Club's "ADELANTARSE" Scholarship. The scholarship of \$1000 will be designated to a college of her choice for tuition expenses. This award is funded by Exploring Post 311 which is a supporting partner of the WA-HI Latino Club.

As a student, Ana has had to overcome the many barriers of an English as a second language learner while attaining her education. As a senior at Walla Walla High School, she is active in Walla Walla High School Latino Club, Advancement Via Individual Determination (AVID), Walla Walla High School ASB, Garrison Night School Pre-literacy program, and OneAmerica. She is currently the Walla Walla High School Senior Class President.

In 2011, she earned the Learning for Life "Leadership Award" for persistent efforts to advocate and be a leader and example to other students. This year she was recently nominated and will receive the "Young American" Award in May. This National Scouting youth award is sponsored by the Blue Mountain Council of the Boy Scouts of America.

In 2012, she will receive the "Gold Award" – President's Volunteer Service Award for providing over 375 hours of community service during the 2010-2011 school year. The award is given by the President of the United States to groups and individuals who have demonstrated a sustained commitment of volunteer service over a 12 month period.

As a member of the Walla Walla High School Latino Club and as a community member, Ana has been an extraordinary participant in our program which is geared to create a "college vision" and a positive image of Latinos in our community. She is the daughter of Guillermo Andrade and Leticia Lara.

Community Stories

Walla Walla Dance Company Spring Finale June 2

The Walla Walla Dance Company presents "The Spring Finale 2012", Saturday, June 2, 7:30 pm, Cordiner Hall. Tickets on sale May 23-June 1 at Earthlight Bookstore and at the door

General: \$10

Reserved: \$12

Free "Sounds Like Fun" children's concert June 7 at DeSales High School

The opening Sounds Like Fun! children's concert of the 2012 Walla Walla Chamber Music Festival will take place on June 7 at 4:30 p.m. at DeSales High School. This event is free, and open to all. WWCMF musicians will present a performance titled, Construction Site: How To Build a Piece of Chamber Music. The one-hour presentation will feature saxophone, clarinet and strings in music by Mozart, Beethoven and many more.

A musical composition is a lot like a building. You need a solid foundation, and you need a clear blueprint that connects design with construction. Laws like gravity apply to music just as they apply to the real world. The musicians of WWCMF will show how composers and performers work together to turn sonic chaos into beautiful music. We will even have a real composer on hand to help. Composer and 2011 Guggenheim Fellow, Marilyn Shrude, will make a cameo to compose some new music for the assembled performers.

Safety First... Bring your hard hat!

DeSales High School - 919 East Sumach Street, or if you have questions call 525-3030

Two other Children's Concerts will be performed:

Friday, June 8 at 3:30 p.m., the Columbia County Rural Library at 111 S. Third Street in Dayton

Wednesday, June 13 at 6:30 p.m., the Walla Walla Public Library at 238 East Alder Street

AcroKnights performance takes guests to Gilligan's Island

AcroKnights will set sail for A Three Hour Tour on Saturday, May 19 and Sunday May 20 for their annual AcroKnights Show at Walla Walla University. Students from Walla Walla and College Place will perform acrobatic stunts using people as their props instead of equipment.

The entire gym will be transformed into Gilligan's Island. There will be music, lights, action, and thrills for the whole family. It's a must-see. Tickets are available at: Book and Game, The Chamber of Commerce and Walla Walla University Bookstore.

Baker Boyer Ducky Derby Saturday - Fun for the entire family activities

Tickets on sale until 12 noon Saturday! All proceeds stay in Walla Walla to curb child abuse and support youth.

May 19 Event Schedule

- 8:30-11 a.m.: Relay for Hope-5K run/walk or 5K family friendly stroll along Mill Creek
- 11:30 a.m.: Kids Dash will kick-off the Baker Boyer Ducky Derby
- 11:30-3:30 p.m.: Columbia REA Free Family Fun Festival and Kid Olympics
- 2 p.m.: Baker Boyer Ducky Derby Race Begins

Registration Fee for Relay for Hope 5K run/walk

- Cost: Individual \$15; Family \$25; Team \$10 per team member (participants receive a t-shirt and water bottle)
- Proceeds: All proceeds support the Walla Walla HomeTeam Parent Aide Program (parent mentoring program)
- Become a corporate sponsor, form a team, pledge or sponsor someone to walk

Ducky Derby tickets:

- One ticket = \$5
- Five tickets = \$20

Altrusa Spelling Bee winners

5th Grade Winners:

- 1st Clare McKeirnan, Homelink (correctly spelled "opponent," and then spelled the winning word: "throughout")
- 2nd Alaina Tucker, Sharpstein
- 3rd Riley Gribnau, Berney
- 4th Noah Hokanson, Prospect Point

4th Grade Winners:

- 1st Kevin Doohan, Assumption (correctly spelled "analyze," and then spelled the winning word: "disease")
- 2nd Jena Peitersen, Berney
- 3rd Lexi Cottrill, Homelink
- 4th Ruth Weigand, Prospect Point

3rd Grade Winners:

- 1st Rafe Wolpert, Assumption (correctly spelled "jaguar," and then spelled the winning word: "spinach")
- 2nd Colin Gabriel, Liberty Christian
- 3rd Braden Holgate, Berney
- 4th Luke Hokanson, Prospect Point