



Calendar

Fri Mar 24 Spring Concert – 7:00 p.m. – Good Shepherd Lutheran Church – 504 S. Main St., Viroqua

Mon Mar 27 Parent Tea for Prospective 1st Grade Teacher – 6:30 p.m. – 1st Grade Classroom

Tue-Thu Mar 28-30 8th Grade Projects – 6:00 p.m. - in the gym

Fri Mar 31 Crafting Night – 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. – see inside for details

Mon Apr 3 1st Grade Parent Meeting – 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. – 1st grade classroom

Tue-Wed Apr 4-5 4th Grade Play

Fri Apr 7 2nd Grade Parent Meeting – 7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

Mon-Mon Apr 10-17 Spring Break – Happy Easter!

Tue Apr 18 School Resumes

Wed-Thu Apr 26-27 5th Grade Play

Thu-Fri Apr 27-28 1st Grade Play

Fri Apr 28 The Beeswax Conspiracy – A one-person comedy show with Ronald Koetzsch – 7:30 p.m. – at The Ark – see inside for details

Friday Assembly

Assembly begins at 8:20 AM

Mar 24 —No Assembly

Mar 31 —Even Grades Assembly

Apr 7 —Odd Grades Assembly

Apr 14 —Spring Break – No School

What's Cooking!

Spring Concert - Friday, March 24th at 7:00 p.m.
Good Shepherd Lutheran Church,
504 S. Main Street

Join us for our annual Spring Concert, featuring students from grades 4-8! All are welcome to attend. On the morning of the concert, **students in grades 4-8 should be dropped off at 8:10 a.m. with their instruments directly at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church** for a concert run-through. They will leave their instruments there and walk back to school with their class teachers afterward. Concert attire is NOT required for the morning run-through.

Performers should be returned to the church at 6:45 p.m. in their concert clothing and ready to go. **Concert attire is required for all performers.**

Girls: White top which covers the shoulders, preferably long-sleeved. Black dress pants or skirt (mid-thigh or longer). Black shoes with a flat bottom or very conservative heel. Black tights, if wearing a skirt. No jeans.

Boys: White shirt with collar, tucked in, dark pants, dark shoes. No jeans.

All concert clothes must follow the PRWS dress code. Concert clothes that have been donated over the years are available for borrowing from the front office. Please call the office if you have any further questions.

- Monika Sutherland, Music Teacher

Save the Dates – 8th Grade Project

Presentations: March 28, 29, 30, 2017

The following students will be presenting starting at **6:00 p.m.** on the evenings listed below, in no particular order (dates subject to change).

Tuesday, March 28: Ansel Breneman: Bat Conservation, Rowan Heath: Beading on a Loom, Elliot Nicholes: Designing and Building a Soccer Goal, Isaac Porter: Screen Printing, and Jackson Rott: Building a Bike

Wednesday, March 29: Alden Ashley: Painting, Anna Dlugi: Promoting Animal Adoption, Sadie Knutson: Welded Metal Sculpture, Serena Laurdan: Illustrated Storybook, and Caspian Stevenson: Building a Play Structure

Thursday, March 30: Biergan Kay: Paranormal Investigations, Maiela Leinberger: Music Memory Therapy (for Alzheimer's), Flynn LeMaire: Fundraising for Community, Blake Peterson: Building a Go-Kart, and Nolan Peterson: Energy Ball.

- Ronald Schirmer, 8th Grade Teacher

Raffle Winners

We are happy to announce the winners of this year's raffle:

Grand Prize - Kyle Bartelt

Trip for 5 to Belize (or \$4,000)

Second prize - Roy Terwilliger

Photo shoot with Hanna Agar

Third prize - Maren Cary

Floor lamp made by Adrian Ugo

Fourth prize - Hutter-Rennilson family

Handmade quilt by Chris Dahlquist

Fifth prize - Brandie Myhre

Burl mirror by Ken Workowski

Congratulations and thank you all for supporting Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School. About 45 people came out for a fun time on Saturday night where we also had delicious chili and cookies at the Rooted Spoon. Winners were Alex Wade (chili) and Janna Kottke (cookies).

Thank you to the raffle prize donors and to Organic Valley, Kickapoo Coffee, and the Eagles for donating to the event.

- Mary Christenson, Raffle Committee

EVENTS

PRWS Book Sale - LAST CHANCE!

The book sale will **end this FRIDAY**. Thanks to all who donated and supported the sale in the past. Please continue to support this great cause.

- Chris Leinberger, Library
Volunteer Coordinator

Parent Tea for Prospective 1st Grade Teacher – Davina Hemmer

Parents of rising first graders are invited to a tea on Monday, March 27th, to chat with the prospective 1st Grade teacher. The tea will take place in the 1st Grade classroom.

- Marianne Fieber-Dhara,
Administrative Chair

Crafting Night

Join us on **March 31st, from 7:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m.**, for the next crafting evening. We will be making spring items to sell in our school store. You don't need to be "crafty" to join us – we will have something for all skill levels. Snacks, drinks, and good conversation will be provided. We will be meeting at Margret Lenarz's home – 510 S. Rusk St. in Viroqua. Hope you can join us!!

- Jordan Brudos & Kathryn Ashley-Wright,
School Store Coordinators

SAVE THE DATE! Not to be missed!!!

**Friday, April 28th, 7:30 p.m. at the ARK
Comedy Show and Refreshments**

The Beeswax Conspiracy

**A Loving, Irreverent, and Hilarious Look at the
Waldorf Subculture**

**A One-Person Comedy Show with Ronald
Koetzsch**

The show includes segments on:

- The Steiner Lifestyle Points Survey
- How to Know Your Temperament and Change Your Spouse's
- How to Survive the Class Teacher Home Visit
- Retirement Strategies for Waldorf Teachers
- The Waldorf-Speak Phrase Dictionary
- And more . . .

Ronald Koetzsch is a professional stand-up comedian and monologist specializing in humor about Waldorf Education, Anthroposophy, and related matters. In the past 20 years, Ronald has given over 500 performances at Waldorf schools and conferences and at anthroposophical institutions and events in North America and other parts of the world, including New Zealand and Australia. In August 2010, he performed in the Great Hall of the Goetheanum in Dornach, Switzerland, during the International English Conference.

Comments from Survivors of Ronald's Performances

"Ronald is a comic genius" - Lorenzo D'Aleo (psychotherapist—not Ronald's!)

"Ronald is a great comedian who helps us to lighten up, laugh about ourselves, love one another more, and experience the joy of living" - Margit Ilgen, storyteller and speech artist

"As one of a rare and treasured breed of stand-up comedians in a too serious world, Ronald brings the healing hilarity of the most unusually combined percepts and concepts you will ever have the joy of responding to" - Ted Mahle, artist and painter

"Ronald gets to the heart of the matter and makes us laugh" - Arline Monks, Rudolf Steiner College

"I have never laughed so hard in my life" - Monika Sutherland

More details about the event will come soon.

- Monika Sutherland and Margret Lenarz, Event Organizers

ENROLLMENT

Register Now for the Spring Session of Parent-Child

The spring session of Parent-Child classes **begins this week. We still have space open for you and your child** (ages 1-4) to join us on Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. **Come try your first class for FREE!**

Contact Jordan Brudos at 637-7828 or enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org to register for a session.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

ADMIN

Tuition Adjustment Results UPDATE

The Business office has secured new third-party support for the tuition adjustment process and had a training session on Monday, March 20th. The results of tuition adjustments will be mailed out by the end of next week, so look for them at the beginning of April. The deadline for requesting a second adjustment has been moved back to **April 21st** to accommodate this delay. If you have any questions, please speak with either Marianne Fieber-Dhara or Sofya Hundt.

- Marianne Fieber-Dhara, Administrative Chair

Openings for the 2017-18 School Year

PRWS has the following openings now advertised on our Employment page (<https://pleasantridgewaldorf.org/our-school/employment/>) with application instructions and job descriptions.

Class 1 Teacher

Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School is looking for our first grade class teacher for the 2017-2018 school year. An understanding of and commitment to Waldorf Education principles along with an interest in collaboration with colleagues and parents are required qualities in candidates wishing to be considered for this position.

Kindergarten Lead Teacher - Temporary

Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School is seeking a temporary Kindergarten Lead Teacher for 2017-2018, either a 3-month position (January-March, 2018) or an 11-month position for 2017-2018.

Please see our webpage above for complete information and instructions.

- Marianne Fieber-Dhara, Administrative Chair

Tuition Statement for Tax Purposes

If you'd like a statement of tuition paid in the 2016 calendar year, please email your request to finance@pleasantridgewaldorf.org.

Thank you!

- Sofya Hundt, Business Manager

OTHER

Potting Up in the Greenhouse

Are you ready to get your hands in the soil, but it's not quite warm enough? There are lots of flower starts to pot up at Bloom and Grow (formerly the Flower Basket). If you can spend an hour or two, please show up on Tuesdays and call Arwyn at (608) 632-7217 for other times during the week. This would be a GREAT help now and during the next couple of weeks.

Viroqua Parks and Recreation 2017

Activity Guide

The Summer Activity Guide from the Viroqua Parks and Recreation Department has arrived. Extra copies are located on the Parent Library Bookshelf across from the 3rd Grade classroom. Registration begins April 3, 2017.

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

COMMUNITY NEWS

Support the McIntosh Memorial Library at the next Chamber SOUP Event – Wednesday, April 5, 6:00 p.m., at the Viroqua American Legion. What is SOUP? For a suggested \$5 donation, attendees receive soup, bread, and a vote. After listening to pitches for four different projects, attendees will vote for the one they think will benefit the city the most. At the end of the night, ballots are counted and the presenter with the most votes goes home with all of the money raised to carry out their project.

What the library will pitch is financial support to create an indoor splay space with a kitchen, work bench, and dress-up closet, as well as the materials so older children can assist in building a sand and water table for the library courtyard.

Creative Movement for 3-6 yr olds, Thursdays, April 6 - May 11, 5:00 p.m. - 5:45 p.m. at the Ark with Mandy Herrick. Contact Mandy at herricam@gmail.com for more info and to enroll.

Plan to attend "Strange Snow," a play by Stephen Metcalfe, featuring Pita Daniels, Joen Dealande, and Dave Ware at the renovated Landmark Center Auditorium at 500 E. Jefferson St! The dates are March 30-April 9 – Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2:00 p.m. Ticket prices are \$15 or \$10 ea. for groups of 6 or more. Mature themes and language for ages 15 and up. Questions? Call 373-1962.

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How to Place an Ad:

1. Limit your ad to 70 words. We do not edit. We will not print ads over 70 words. If you must have a long ad, make a note & give it to the office staff to place on the bulletin board.
2. Ads will be printed only once.
3. Put your ad in the folder in the LBE's mailbox in the Office marked "Lunchbox Community News" OR e-mail ad to info@pleasantridgewaldorf.org with "Community News" in the subject line.
4. Deadline is Tuesdays at 8:30am. There may be occasions, due to unforeseen circumstances or space restrictions, that the Community section will not be printed. Thank you.