

Calendar

Fri & Sat Apr 12 & 13 8th Grade Play – Landmark Center Auditorium – 6:30 p.m. on Friday, 4:00 p.m. on Saturday

Mon Apr 15 – Mon Apr 22 Spring Break – No School

Tue Apr 23 School Resumes

Fri & Sat Apr 26 & 27 Technology, Society, and Human Development presentations by Gary Lamb – see flyer at back for details

Sat Apr 27 All-School Work Day

Fri May 3 May Day Celebration

Thu May 9 Pentathlon

Fri May 10 – Sat May 18 Eighth Grade Trip

Fri May 24 Last Day of School – Noon dismissal

Fri May 24 Graduation

Friday Assembly

Assembly begins at 8:20 AM

Apr 12—No Assembly

Apr 19—No Assembly – Spring Break!

Apr 26—No Assembly

What's Cooking!

"Les Miserables" – 8th Grade Play- This Weekend

Based on the classic novel by Victor Hugo, "Les Miserables" is the story of Jean Valjean, released from prison after 19 years for stealing a loaf of bread, who breaks parole to create a new life for himself, and the ruthless policeman, Javert, who relentlessly hunts him down. Transformed into a pillar of society, Valjean tries to help a poor factory worker, Fantine, by saving her child, Cosette, from evil innkeepers who pretend to take care of her. Valjean becomes her guardian and, as the years progress, a grown Cosette falls for a passionate revolutionary named Marius, while Javert closes in again on Valjean's secret past.

The play* will be at the in the Landmark Center, 500 E. Jefferson St., in the Auditorium.

Friday, April 12th, 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, April 13th, 4:00 p.m.

Please Note: Because there is limited seating, we ask that, if possible, you not bring children who may have already seen the play during the school day. There will be no seating on the floor in front or in the aisles, as the actors will be moving through these areas. Thank you!

There will be a French dinner in the gym on Friday, April 12th, at 5:00 p.m. This is a fundraiser for the 8th grade class trip.

* The play has quite a lot of shooting and death, so you may want to preview it before brining little ones.
- Betty Link, 8th Grade Teacher

IMPORTANT May Hot Lunch Form Reminder for ACH Hot Lunch Families!

For those of you who have had your hot lunch payments withdrawn automatically, don't forget that **you now must fill out a May hot lunch form (across from office) and turn it in with a check** before the beginning of the month. May was not covered in your hot lunch withdrawals so that accrued credits could be taken into account at the end of the year. Credits will be posted across from the office. Please stop in and ask if you have any questions.

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

EVENTS

Technology, Society, and Human Development Presentation

FREE to current PRWS/YIHS parents and staff

Last fall, PRWS was awarded a grant to support Gary Lamb's visit and presentations:

Technology, Society and Human Development, on April 26 and 27 (see attached flyer). Gary's career has reflected a deep interest in Waldorf Education: how to fund it, how to imagine it in our times, and how to promote its essential gift to human development. He also has worked with social enterprises and can provide insight into the role of Growing For Good and our schools' work in our wider community as a positive force for our community's development.

Please come to receive this very special gift. We request an R.S.V.P. so we can be prepared with the setup. Also, if pre-ordered, we will offer lunch on Saturday for \$10. Please call the office, 637-7828, or email info@pleasantridgewaldorf.org, or call Mary Christenson with questions at 606-5296. A grant provided by the Mid-States Shared Gifting Program of RSF Social Finance will make it possible to share this gift with current PRWS/YIHS parents and staff for free.

- Mary Christenson

All-School Workday – April 27th

Please join us for our spring all-school work day on Saturday April 27th from 8:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. We've got plenty to do to clear off that winter smudge and get the grounds looking beautiful for the May Day celebration. Please bring lawn and garden rakes if you have them. Lunch will be served.

- Joe Lenarz, Facilities Committee

Seventh Graders are Calling all Gardeners!

The much anticipated 7th Grade Plant Sale will be here before we know it, along with our beloved May Day celebration. The seventh graders have lovingly started hundreds of seeds in the Pleasant Ridge greenhouse. We would be so grateful for your donations of any

perennials that you might be dividing this spring from your home gardens. We would love your hostas, lilies, irises, ferns, calendula... In fact, we would love it all! If you have any plants to share, please bring them to the greenhouse at Pleasant Ridge any time after spring break up until the sale (**April 23 - May 3**). We will have a little form for you to fill out describing what you are donating and providing a few details about the plant. Thank you so much for your wonderful support, and we will see you at **the sale on May 3rd!**

- Katie Fassbinder, Jess Krueger, Tracy Mangold, and Erin Ford, Seventh Grade Plant Sale Committee

ENROLLMENT

Sign Up for Our Upcoming Enrichment Days April 15, 16, and 17

Are you looking for someplace for your child(ren) to be during spring break? Have your child(ren) join Ms. Sequoyah for a fun day of seasonal crafting, outside play, and games. Registration forms are available across from the office door. Rates are \$30 for the day, which runs from 8:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m. Stop by the office with any questions. Please register by Thursday, April 11, by 10:00 a.m.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

School Store at Ewetopia Fiber Shop

If you're looking for spring and Easter gifts, please check out the PRWS School Store section at Ewetopia. We have jump ropes, tops, egg-dyeing kits, hand-made treasures, kites, paper airplanes, kaleidoscopes, games, and so much more! Stop by and check it out.

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

Kindergarten Mornings

Thinking about having your child begin kindergarten next year? Or do you know someone who has a child that is ready for kindergarten and looking at their options? If so, then join us for a Kindergarten Morning and experience the magic and wonder of a Waldorf kindergarten.



**Saturday, April 6 or
Saturday, May 4**

10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Visit the Kindergarten
(Parents and children together in
the classroom)

11:15 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

Parent meeting with the kindergarten teachers
(Childcare provided during the meeting)

All parents who are interested in finding out more about our kindergarten program are encouraged to attend one of these mornings with their child. Registration is required as space is limited. Contact Jordan at 637-7828 or email enrollment@pleasantridgewaldorf.org to register.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

PRWS 2019 Summer Camp Program

The PRWS Summer Camp Program is back again this summer – with some amazing camps for you to choose from. Camp brochures and registration are available on our [website](#) now and in the office by Friday, April 12. Drop off your registration form and payment in the office by May 24 to receive 5% of your camps.

CAMP	DATES	TIME	AGES	INSTRUCT- ORS
Drawing from Life	June 10-14	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	8-12	Vicki Ramsay
Moving Together	June 17-21	9:00 am – 9:30 am	1-3 w/ adult	Mandy Herrick
Creative Movement	June 17-21	9:45 am – 10:30 am	3-6	Mandy Herrick
Circus Variety Week	June 17-21	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	7-15	Francia
Archery	June 24-28	12:00 pm – 2:00 pm	10-14	Rice Spann
Wild Things	June 24, 26, 28	9:00 am – 12:00 pm	5-7	Janelle Peterson
Off Broadway!	July 8-12 and 15-19	9:00 am – 3:00 pm	11-14	Zoe Drew-King
Technical Theatre	July 15-19	1:00 pm – 4:00 pm	11-14	Zoe Drew-King

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

Clothing Swap Success!

The PRWS Spring Clothing Swap last Saturday was awesome...the gym was packed with people and clothes to be rehomed! Special thanks to Dodie Whitaker, Colleen Canavan, Janna Kottke, Robin Kottke, Stephanie Pedretti, Harmonie O'Loughlin, Mandy Herrick, Kwynn Molini, Katie Holmes, Mark Brudos, Nan Marshall, Malkah Geller, and Susana Ruder for their help. The remaining clothes got donated or brought to Second Time Around (consignment for PRWS). The next swap will be in the fall.

- PRWS Parent Association

Welcome Baby Jordan Mark!



Courtney Maatouk, our Aftercare Director, and Max Radcliffe welcomed a baby boy on Friday, April 5. Jordan Mark Radcliffe weighed 8 pounds and 12 ounces and was 21.5 inches long. Both mom and baby are doing well. Please consider signing up [here](#) to bring the family a home-cooked meal.

- Jordan Brudos, Enrollment and Outreach Coordinator

ADMIN

2019-2020 Employment Openings

Imagine yourself beginning each weekday afternoon in our cozy, home-like kindergarten, assisting our youngest children on their daily explorations of the world through playtime in the garden, preparing healthy, family-style meals, and maintaining a beautiful environment for children to freely play, sleep and grow.

We are currently looking for a warm, loving, mature adult who can picture him- or herself deepening their understanding of child development and Waldorf education. We are looking for an **Afternoon Kindergarten Assistant** position, which is from 11:20 a.m. - 3:20 p.m. Monday-Friday. The position requires weekly and bi-monthly meetings, closing on school year workdays, and assisting with our mid-winter/springtime Kindergarten Mornings, where we welcome new families into our school community.

If you are our ideal candidates, please contact Nan Marshall, Office Manager, to inquire and apply for the position. A job description is available on the website. Interviews will begin in April.

- The Admin Team

Mowing Help Needed!

The facilities committee is looking for volunteers to help mow the school grounds during the growing season. Pleasant Ridge provides the mowers and gasoline - all you have to do is show up and mow. There will be an extremely flexible schedule that can accommodate anyone. Volunteers will be put into teams to make things manageable. Email Jason Cole at jasoncole@gmail.com to sign up.

- Jason Cole, Facilities Committee

Winter is Over! Time to Return Your Skates!

Please return all the borrowed skates to the office as soon as possible. I already picked up some that were in cubbies, but if you have some at home or if I missed them, please bring them back to the office.

Thank you!

- Nan Marshall, Office Manager

DEVELOPMENT

Got 10 Minutes to Raise \$10 for PRWS?

We're Teaming Up with Agent Mike

Nighbor through State Farm's Quotes for Good Program!

PRWS parent and State Farm agent Mike Palen has secured a sweet deal for PRWS this month through the State Farm's Quotes for Good campaign. For every person who inquires about an auto, home, renters, or life insurance quote, State Farm will make a \$10 donation to Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School. **No purchase is necessary!** It's quick, easy, and a win-win all around. Simply mention PRWS and the Quotes for Good partnership to earn a donation for the school.

Contact PRWS parent Mike Palen at 608-783-3999 (office) or 541-390-9743 (cell) or email michael.palen.yzu2@statefarm.com to get started with your quote. You may also start a quote online at www.goodnighbor.com or stop into their office. This offer does not apply to current State Farm customers. When obtaining your quote, be sure to mention PRWS and the Quotes for Good program to generate a donation to PRWS. Thanks so much for your help!

- Robin Kottke, Development Director

Volunteer Opportunities for the 2019-2020 School Year

Service to the school can (and should!) be a gratifying experience, an opportunity to foster connections and feel more deeply rooted in community. We're looking ahead to next school year and seeking volunteers to round out the many committees that keep our school

humming. Not interested in joining a committee? No problem! We'd love to plug you in as your schedule, interests, and abilities allow. Please contact Robin Kottke at robin@pleasantridgewaldorf.org or 608-637-8504 if you have the following skills and abilities you'd like to share or hone through volunteerism at PRWS:

- Event planning/Hospitality
- Facilities help (beautifying, repair, maintenance)
- Filing/Organizing/Archiving
- Food/Kitchen Prep parties (weekly, monthly, harvest time) for hot lunch program and/or events
- Fundraising opportunities
- Gardening/Greenhouse tending
- Grant researching/writing
- Graphic design
- Marketing
- Volunteer recruitment/coordination
- Writing/Editing/Photography for PRWS publications

I look forward to hearing from you! Thank you much!

- Robin Kottke, Development Director

Celebrity Status + Free Lunch!

Many folks report that helping prep and/or serve lunch is one of their favorite ways to volunteer at the school, one that takes little time and is rich with rewards! This is certainly not the lunch lady/fella position or program from your childhood. The food is organic, locally and responsibly sourced, and no hair nets or mystery meals are involved. But the best part? The children, faculty, and staff are always oh-so-grateful! And you get a free lunch! Won't you join us this month? Please sign up for one (or more) shifts here: <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/148lDvj78436FCCzhicbrViVlcoYynz8nPIEuMyBHRUs/e dit#gid=0>

- Robin Kottke, Development Director

Lunch Volunteer Coordinator Sought

Therese Laurdan, current lunch volunteer coordinator, will be 'graduating' at the end of the school year with her 8th grader. We're looking for her replacement...could that be you? Please let Robin or Therese know if you'd like more information! We're hoping to train Therese's replacement by the end of the school year. And when you see Therese, please be sure to thank her for her leadership over these past three years!

- Robin Kottke, Development Director

COMMUNITY NEWS

Pierce Hill Performing Arts now accepting applications for 2019 Scholarships for Summer Music Camp.

If you are a Wisconsin student grades 3 through 12 studying a string instrument (violin, viola, cello, bass, harp) planning to attend a 2019 summer music camp in the United States and in need of financial support, consider applying for a scholarship at the link below. **Application deadline is May 1, 2019.** Scholarship recipients will be announced on May 15, 2019.

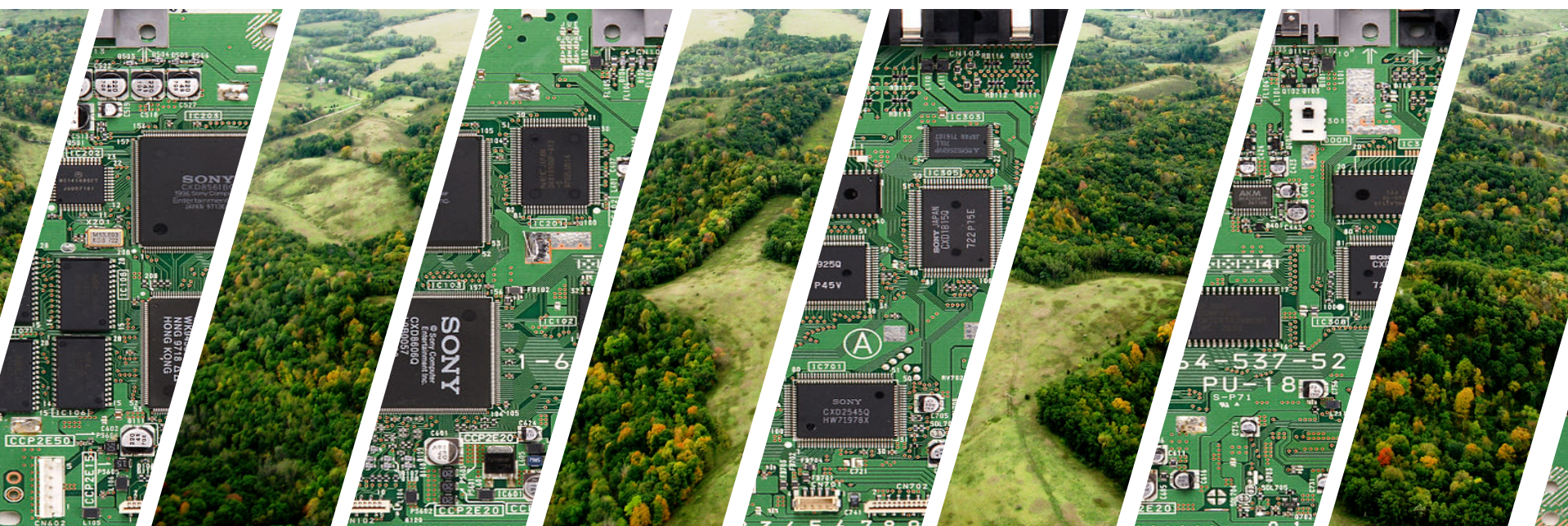
<https://www.piercehillperformingarts.org/scholarship>. Questions? Contact Monika Sutherland at (920) 421-2075.

LUNCHBOX EXPRESS COMMUNITY NEWS POLICY

The Lunchbox Express Community News section is provided as a service to the school community. Printing of an ad does not imply endorsement by Pleasant Ridge Waldorf School.

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@pleasantrydewaldorf.org with "Community News" in the subject line.
4. Deadline is Tuesdays at 8:00am. There may be occasions, due to unforeseen circumstances or space restrictions, that the Community section will not be printed. Thank you.



Technology, Society, and Human Development

Presentations by **Gary Lamb**

The Prophetic Future is Now: Rudolf Steiner's Perspectives on Technology and Human Evolution

Suggested Donation: \$15

PRESENTATION: Friday, April 26, 7:00-8:30pm

CONVERSATION: Saturday, April 27, 10:15-12:00pm

From Egoism to Love: Doing the Good with the Guidance of the Fundamental Social Law, Social Threefolding, and the Reverse Ritual

Suggested Donation: \$15

PRESENTATION: Saturday, April 27, 1:30-3:00pm

CONVERSATION: Saturday, April 27, 3:30-5:00pm

Gary Lamb is co-director of Hawthorne Valley's Center for Social Research in Ghent, NY. The Center acts as a "think and do" tank that combines research and practical initiatives to identify solutions to modern day social problems. Gary's a published author, frequent lecturer, and workshop leader. In 2017 he launched the Ethical Technology Initiative.



**Please R.S.V.P. by email
or phone to the events
you would like to attend.**

Lunch available for purchase.



events + info at :
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