



# The Willow

January 14, 2009

*The Waldorf School of Princeton: Celebrating 25 Years!*

## School Calendar

### JANUARY

1/19	Mon	Martin Luther King Day	NO SCHOOL
1/20	Tues	Community Singing	8:00-9:15pm
1/21	Wed	Wednesdays at Waldorf Topic: Tuition for the 09-10 school year	8:15-9:00am
1/21	Wed	Windy Hill School Store Open	8:30am-1:00pm
1/24	Sat	Open House	10:00am-12:00pm
1/26	Mon	Board Meeting	7:00pm
1/28	Wed	Wednesdays at Waldorf Topic: Waldorf Education and Boys	8:15-9:00am
1/29	Thu	Grade 3 Class Play for Community	6:00pm
1/29	Thu	Pizza Orders Due	
1/31	Sat	Grade School Assembly Princeton High School - all welcome	9:30am

### FEBRUARY

2/9	Mon	Early Childhood Conference	No EC Classes
2/15	Sun	Folk Tale Puppets: <i>Speech of the Beasts</i> (from India)	2:00pm
2/16	Mon	Deadline for Applying for Tuition Assistance	
2/16-2/20		Presidents' Week	NO SCHOOL
2/25	Wed	Deadline for Returning 9/10 contracts	

### MARCH

3/5	Thu	Parent Teacher Conferences NO SCHOOL	
3/6	Fri	Parent Teacher Conferences NO SCHOOL	
3/10	Tues	7th Grade Round Robin	TBD

## Therapeutic Eurythmy Change

Please note that Linda Larson will be at school for Therapeutic Eurythmy on Friday, January 23rd instead of Monday, January 19th, when the school is closed for Martin Luther King Day.

## To The Parents of the Waldorf School

Thank you so much for the card and your generous gift. It has been a pleasure working with your children, and I look forward to being a part of their continuing musical education.

Sincerely,  
Anita Hill  
Cello Teacher

## Community Room Renamed Hagens Hall

Since we now have two "Community Rooms" - one in the Grade School building and a new one in the renovated Golden House (this one comes with a kitchen so we can eat in it) - we've decided the Grade School Community Room will now officially be named Hagens Hall.

This room was originally named for Henry Hagens, father and grandfather of our school's close friends, Herbert H. Hagens and Herbert O. Hagens respectively. His name is on the plaque mounted above the double doors to the room. The seed for our Waldorf School was first planted by Henry Hagens in 1935 when he formed a group to study the work of Rudolf Steiner in Princeton. Mr. Hagens had encountered Steiner and his work in Europe while his wife, Emmie Hagens, was completing her training in Waldorf education in Stuttgart. Mrs. Hagens taught in the first Waldorf School in North America, the Rudolf Steiner School (founded in 1928 in New York City). Their son, Herbert H. Hagens (pictured here with Director of Development, Diane Barlow), continued the family tradition by hosting monthly Sunday afternoon Anthroposophical meetings in his recording studio in Princeton. His son, Herbert O. Hagens, became a founding board member of our school. Today, both continue to be close friends and major supporters of The Waldorf School of Princeton.

## Dear Waldorf Music Parents,

I just opened my holiday card from the Waldorf School which I loved in and of itself, but then I was absolutely floored by the green material enclosed. What amazing generosity. Thank you all so very much, and I'm so enjoying getting to know all of your very creative children, and helping them to find their music!

All the best for 2009,  
Amy Wulfman



### Winter Assembly

On **Saturday, January 31st at 9:30 am**, we will hold our annual Mid-Year Grade School Assembly at the new **Princeton High School Auditorium**. All grade school children are asked to arrive no later than 9:15 am and to join their classes at that time. Children who are playing stringed instruments need to come early, at 9:00, for tuning. Please leave some extra time for parking and entry into the high school.

Early Childhood families are most welcome to attend! Assemblies are a time to celebrate and share the work of our children in the grade school classes but are also excellent opportunities for early childhood parents to see our rich curriculum in action.

Grade school families, please consider allowing school obligations to supersede other Saturday plans. This commitment supports the students' sense of the importance of their education. Your child's classmates are depending on his or her presence to help the class. If it is impossible for your child to attend, be sure to inform class and special subject teachers as soon as possible.

It is important that children demonstrate pride in their performances by dressing appropriately. Parents are asked to help their children by using the following guidelines:

**General:** Dress nicely; this is a special occasion! No t-shirts with logos, no neon colors, no clothing or footwear that is shabby, torn, distracting, immodest, or calls attention to itself.

**Girls:** A simple dress or skirt, with hemline somewhere between knee and ankle, or nice pants (no jeans). A simple blouse or shirt, which will not reveal the midriff when arms are raised. No distracting jewelry or hair accessories. Low-heeled shoes or flats – no platform or chunky-heeled shoes.

**Boys:** Dress pants. Button-down shirt or polo shirt; no cargo pants, jeans or sweat pants, no t-shirts, no loud ties or other distracting accessories. Discreet shoes, no sneakers, please.

Thank you, parents, for your help in making this a beautiful assembly.

### Winter Assembly

**9:30 am January 31st!**  
**Princeton High School Auditorium**

**151 Moore Street,  
Princeton**

Auditorium is at the back of campus, nearest  
Walnut & Haughton streets

Strings performers arrive at 9:00  
All other students arrive at 9:15

### Directions to the Princeton High School Auditorium: 151 Moore Street, Princeton

#### From Route 1

Take Route 1 South continuing on Route 1 past the Route 18 and the Route 130 junctions. Continue on Route 1 South or North to the Washington Road. Go right onto Washington and continue to the light at Nassau Street. Make a right and go to left onto Moore Street (St. Paul's Church on far left corner.) Continue to school on right.

#### From Route 31 N

South on Route 31 through Flemington and continuing on Rt. 202/31S. Follow Rt. 31 to Trenton exit onto Route 31S. Continue to Route 518 E (Hopewell Valley Community Bank on far right corner). Make a left onto Rt 518 E through Hopewell and Blawenburg to Route 206 S (light and major intersection). Make a right onto 206 S and continue to light at Cherry Hill Road. Turn left, go about 2 car lengths and make a right. Follow to light (1 block) and make a left onto Valley Road. Continue to Jefferson Rd and make a right. Go about a block and bear left onto Moore. Follow to school on left.

#### From Route 206 S

Stay on 206 South to Cherry Hill Road (see above – Rt. 31 N).

#### From Route 27

Follow Route 27 into Princeton and follow Nassau St instructions.

#### From Garden State Parkway and Route 95/295/195

Garden State Parkway to Route 95/195/295 toward Trenton. Continue on 295 toward Princeton. Continue to exit for **Princeton/Route 206**. Follow 206 to Nassau St. Slight right onto Nassau and continue to left on Moore St (Past Washington Road light). Continue to school on right.

## AUCTION NEWS!!!

Happy New Year to all!

### Seamstress Needed

We received from Calico Corners a beautiful silk fabric and pillows for the Auction but we need a seamstress to sew them together!!

Contact Tracy Ashcroft 609-895-0066  
Thank You!

Keep the Donations Rolling in!

## Requesting Photos!

We would like the Yearbook to include pictures of children from ALL the grades in the "Around the School" section. In order to do this, WE NEED YOUR HELP! Jessica Alfaro has an envelope behind her desk for collecting potential yearbook pictures. Please put any pictures you would like to offer in this envelope by January 31st at the very latest. Please be sure to include your child's name, along with the grade and the event. As of this date, we have had NO picture donations from any class, so PLEASE add some pictures to the envelope in the next week or so.

Any questions, call Donna at 201-988-5655

The Development Office is looking for high resolution photos from special events held at the school last year to print in the 2007-08 Annual Report. In particular, we're looking for photos to include from the 2008 Grandparents' and Special Friends' Day and the 2008 Sun Run.

Please send photos to Diane Barlow,  
[development@princetonwaldorf.org](mailto:development@princetonwaldorf.org)

## Wednesdays at Waldorf!

Questions, questions, questions!

To help answer questions on particular topics, we will host regular Wednesday tea/coffee time in the new Community Kitchen. Each week, a host will be available to answer your questions and facilitate a discussion on a chosen topic from 8:15-9:00am. The Willow will announce the next hosts and topics for upcoming weeks. Please join us and bring your questions. If you have a topic you would like to host or have discussed, please call Nancy Lemmo at ext. 111.

January 21<sup>st</sup> Topic: Tuition 09-10  
Nancy Lemmo, Administrator

January 28<sup>th</sup> Topic: Waldorf Education and Boys  
Carol Kehoe, third grade parent

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in students Nursery - 8th Grade

World languages, athletics,  
fine & practical arts and  
classical academics  
taught by inspired teachers

# Open House

## January 24, 10 am-noon


**Open House Dates**  
Jan. 24, 10 am –noon  
March 14, 10 am-noon

**Grade School Observation Days**  
Every Thursday, 8:45 am

**Sample Classes for Early Childhood**  
Jan. 10, 9-11 am  
Feb. 28, 9-11 am

For information, call  
609-466-1970 x115

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## Handwork News

- **Felted Bowls** If you missed the felted bowl workshop and still want to make one for the auction, the instructions are available, and Ms. Daley can lend a hand on Wednesday mornings if you need assistance. There is also some sparkly "fairy dust" yarn that can add a little extra to the bowl. One parent knit an entire bowl in just one hour session! She plans to keep it and make another for the auction.
- **Tying up "Loose Ends"** If you have leftover scraps of wool or yarn, (even 3" worth), they can be tied together to make a totally new ball of yarn. Just tie your "loose ends" onto the strand that has been started. Use a square knot to keep it secure. The felted bowl in the cabinet of the Community Kitchen holds all the "loose ends." It will be a surprise to see what shall come of this new yarn.

### News from the Windy Hill Store DR. HAUSCHKA SALE

NOURISH YOURSELF IN THE NEW YEAR!

All Dr. Hauschka Products are 10% off!  
Stock up now.

The Windy Hill Store would like to thank you for your generous support during the holidays!

By making your purchases through the school store, all profits go towards the school and your child's education.

## Join in the Fun!

Come cheer on the Basketball Teams at the following games!

Thur., Jan. 15th	3:45pm	Boys	@ Princeton Academy
Sat., Jan. 17th	10:30am 11:30am	Girls Boys	@ Great Meadow Waldorf School
Wed., Jan. 28th	3:00pm	Girls	@ PDS
Thur., Jan. 29th	3:30pm	Girls/ Boys	@HOME

**Don't forget to complete your  
pizza order form by  
January 29th!**

**Form can be found at the end  
of this week's Willow**

## About the Willow

- The Willow is published every Wednesday during the school year.
- Submissions are welcome from school parents, especially for Trading Post items. All submissions are subject to approval and may be edited for length or content.
- The Willow does not accept paid advertising or announcements promoting for-profit businesses.
- All submissions should be typed in plain text and sent via email. The text can either be in the body of the email or in a Word document.

Please send all submissions and any inquiries regarding The Willow to: [willow@princetonwaldorf.org](mailto:willow@princetonwaldorf.org)

### 2009 Deadlines for the Willow

January 21st issue: Calendar only

January 28th issue: Submit items no later than Thursday, January 22nd

February 4th issue: Calendar Only



## Watercolor Painting Using a unique wet-on-wet technique

**Grades 3- 5 3:30-5:00**



This watercolor painting class will teach the wet(*paint*)-on-wet(*paper*) method which is a tradition in the Waldorf classroom. We will explore the folklore and natural surroundings that permeated the cultural life of the Native Americans (this will include animals, spirituality and community life). The third grade, fourth grade, and fifth grade Waldorf curriculums all touch on this theme in their studies of primitive shelters, local geography, and North America respectively. Each class will begin with a story from the Native American culture and will become the central focus of the painting. Working with color is a story in itself and the students will learn about the properties and relationships of color through this work. No experience is necessary. Students will be given step-by-step instruction. Painting classes are predominantly silent so your child must be able to enjoy contemplative work.

Dates: Tuesdays  
Jan 20 – Mar 3 (excluding Feb 17)  
Cost: \$150 for 6 sessions includes materials  
Location: 4<sup>th</sup> grade classroom

**Pamela Shafer** spent a lifetime working in the arts. Her Bachelor of Fine Arts degree from University of Denver combines with her Master's of Education degree in Creative Arts Therapies from Lesley College to complete her formal training. However, Pamela also studied both sculpture and painting with master teachers in the Waldorf movement, and dedicated herself to learn the basics of the woodworking craft. For 8 years Ms. Shafer was the Sculptural Arts instructor at the Waldorf School of Princeton. Watching her children grow through this education, Pamela became committed to its ideals and began her own professional Waldorf training in 1999. Last year, she became a class teacher at the school and began to work more intensively with Waldorf painting methods, an integral part of the classroom experience. She is currently the 4<sup>th</sup> grade class teacher at the Waldorf School of Princeton.

The Waldorf School of Princeton has been a leader in developing fine and practical arts programs and integrating them into every student's classroom experience. When children work purposefully with their hands, they naturally strengthen their willpower, their thinking and their connection with others in the world. Waldorf students deepen their learning perspective with the following arts:

- Fine Arts – drawing, painting
- Music – singing, recorder, strings, ensemble
- Dramatic arts – acting, set design, choreography
- Movement arts – eurythmy (develops spatial awareness and coordination)
- Sculptural arts – clay and wax sculpting
- Fiber arts - Knitting, crochet, embroidery, felting, sewing
- Gardening – planting, maintaining, harvesting
- Practical Arts – measuring, planning, building
- Wood working – sawing, sanding, carving

### To Register:

Contact Jessica Alfaro at (609) 466-1970 x110 or  
<mailto:frontdesk@princetonwaldorf.org>

See [www.princetonwaldorf.org](http://www.princetonwaldorf.org) – for more Enrichment Workshops



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# PIZZA DAY IS WEDNESDAY!

## Fundraiser for the 2008-2009 Third Grade Farm Trip

The 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade is pleased to announce that you can once again order pizza to be delivered to your child in the classroom EVERY WEDNESDAY when the grade school is in session from September 17th through June 10th. The pizza is offered to Grade School students only. The proceeds are for the Third Grade week at the Hawthorne Valley Farm in the spring!

1<sup>st</sup> Half: 9/17, 9/24, 10/1, 10/8, 10/15, 10/22, 10/29, 11/5, 11/12, 11/19, 12/3, 12/10, 12/17,  
1/7, 1/14, 1/21, 1/28 (17 weeks)

2<sup>nd</sup> Half: 2/4, 2/11, 2/25, 3/4, 3/11, 3/18, 3/25, 4/1, 4/15, 4/22, 4/29, 5/6, 5/13, 5/20, 5/27, 6/3, 6/10  
(17 weeks)

Please turn orders in to the Front Office no later than **Thursday, January 29<sup>th</sup>**.  
Orders should include the bottom portion of this form **and** a check made payable to  
**“Waldorf School of Princeton”** (with “Pizza” written in the memo field).

(Information or Questions: email or call Karleen Aghevli at 609-430-1341)

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**Child's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Total Paid \$** \_\_\_\_\_ **by Cash or Check #** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Half year** (17 weeks)

\_\_\_\_\_ 1 slice @ \$2.00 = \$34.00 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ 2 slices @ \$2.00 = \$68.00 \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Salad @ \$1.50 = \$25.50 \_\_\_\_\_ (lettuce, cucumber, carrot, O&V)

\_\_\_\_\_ Spritzer @ \$1.00 = \$17.00 \_\_\_\_\_ Regular \_\_\_\_\_ Low Sugar \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL** \_\_\_\_\_