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The Village Voice

This is our school, Let peace dwell here
Fill all the rooms with happiness.
As many hands do make a house,
So many hearts do make our school.



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UPCOMING EVENTS

<u>Monday, 11/11</u>	NO SCHOOL: Veteran's Day
<u>Wednesday, 11/13</u>	Picture Re-Takes
6:30-7:30 PM	Parent Council Meeting
<u>Wednesday, 11/20</u>	Board Meeting
5:30-7:00 PM	
<u>Saturday, 11/23</u>	Holiday Craft Fair
<u>Thursday, 11/28</u>	NO SCHOOL: Thanksgiving
<u>Friday, 11/29</u>	NO SCHOOL: Thanksgiving Break

REMINDER:

**NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY 11/11
IN HONOR OF VETERAN'S DAY**



DIA DE LOS MUERTOS FUN

The Springfield High School mariachi band visited on Thursday and performed at our Dia de los Muertos school assembly. Check next week's Village Voice for pictures of tonight's Dia de los Muertos festival!



GIVE THE GIFT OF A FULL TUMMY



Did you know that Oregon has the HIGHEST rate of childhood hunger in the nation? Have you heard that SNAP benefits were cut this week nation-wide? Are you aware that 1 in 3 Lane County residents qualify for food assistance?

Food For Lane County distributes the equivalent of 16,850 meals per day to help alleviate hunger in our community. With the decrease in federal food assistance the need is greater than ever.

Here at our school we are fortunate to have a food service program that is dedicated to nourishing students and staff. We wish all children were able to be served in such a loving and nutritious way.

The sixth grade class learned about the work that Food For Lane County is doing in and around Eugene this fall when they chose to partner with and donate walk-a-thon funds to their organization.

The Village Kitchen is teaming up with the sixth grade class to organize a food drive for Food For Lane County. This food drive will begin this coming Tuesday, November 12th, and culminate on Tuesday, December 3rd. Our school has requested two bins this year, with the goal of doubling last year's donation of 100 lbs.

Please bring non-perishable food items to start filling the bins next week!

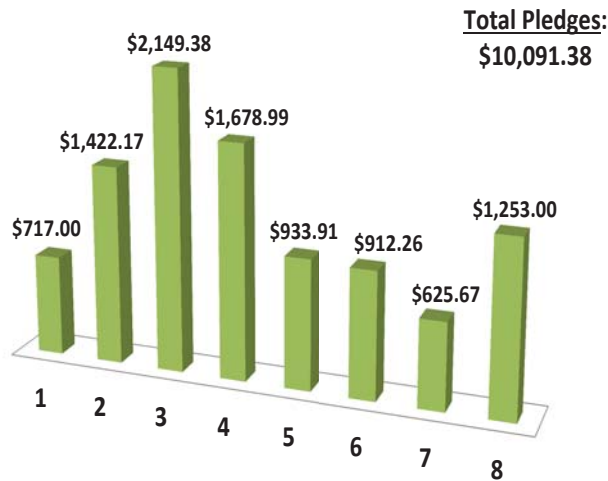
PICTURE RE-TAKES ON WEDNESDAY

Were you absent on picture day? Are you unhappy with your school picture? Never fear--picture re-take day is here! Your second chance for school pictures is this Wednesday, November 13th. Students are asked to hand the photographer either 1) their order forms with payment if it's a new photo package or 2) their old picture package if it's a re-take. Please pick up an order form from the office if you need one. If you have any questions, please contact Maureen in the office (village@4j.lane.edu).

WALK-A-THON

2013 Walk-a-Thon Current Pledge Status

(We are still collecting pledges)



We have received \$10,091 to date in pledges for the Community Service Walk-a-Thon and continue to collect pledges daily. The chart (above) shows the status of pledges collected by class. The 3rd grade is still out in front, but grades 2, 4, and 8 are in a tight race for 2nd place. We'll keep you updated as the tally of pledges continues.

HOLIDAY WREATH FUNDRAISER FOR THE 8TH GRADE TRIP

The 8th grade is selling beautiful wreaths as a fundraiser for their End of Village trip. The wreaths are made with the freshest greens from the Pacific Northwest, with a Noble Fir base, clusters of berried juniper, splashes of incense cedar and Ponderosa pine cones. Finished wreaths measure 22-24 inches in diameter and cost \$20 each. They will be available for pick up before or after school starting Tuesday, December 2nd.

Please bring in your completed order forms with payment in an envelope to the office no later than Thursday, November 21. Checks may be made out to The Village School. Thanks for your support!

EARN \$ FOR THE VILLAGE SCHOOL AT KENDALL DEALERSHIPS!

Earn the school points at Kendall auto dealerships for sales, service or even just saying hello (point breakdown below).

- Stop by and say "hi!" 50 points
- Test drive at any Kendall dealership 500 point
- Vote for your school on Facebook and earn 100 points per day (you must "like" the page in order to vote)
- Service, maintenance and parts at Kendall dealerships: \$1 spend = 1 Point
- New and pre-owned vehicle sales at Kendall dealerships: \$1 spend = 1 Point

PARENT SUPPORT GROUP

Please join us next week, Thursday, November 14th at 3:00 PM for our next Parent Support Group. We are reading Siblings Without Rivalry and are now on chapter four. Contact Pat Anderson (pattyann25@gmail.com) for more information.

TOFU RAMEN SOUP DAY!



HOLIDAY CRAFT FAIR AT THE VILLAGE SCHOOL ON SATURDAY, 11/23!



The season of holiday shopping is just around the corner. The Village School will hold a holiday craft fair on Saturday, November 23 featuring local artisans, including Village School families interested in selling their wares. For many people who make gift-able items by hand, the rigors of staffing a booth 8 months in a row at Saturday Market and Holiday Market is too much.

Do you make gift items?

Let us know if you would like to reserve a table or share a table at the Fair.

Do you have craft items to donate?

We also will be accepting donations of art work and craft items for a special table where all proceeds benefit the Village School.

Volunteers

The Fair is a fundraiser for the Village School and we welcome your volunteer support, helping in the kitchen, with set up, clean up or sales.

Please contact Stephanie Brosemer with questions or donations: labs4my2kids@yahoo.com, (541) 747-8489.

WANTED: RECESS SUPERVISOR

The Village School is hiring Recess Supervisors to monitor lunch recess daily from 12:15-1:30 PM. For more information and to apply, please visit:

<http://www.eugenevillageschool.org/pg1005.cfm>.

SHOP LOCALLY OR ONLINE AND RAISE FUNDS FOR VILLAGE SCHOOL



We encourage everyone to use eScrip, Capella Scrip, and Unique Eugene Scrip. These programs help local vendors and bring fundraising dollars to our school. We also have two online fundraising venues: Amazon.com and SchoolMall.com.



Go to www.eugenevillageschool.org and click "Shop for Village School" on the left. Links will appear for Amazon.com and SchoolMall.com. Click and shop from these links, and the Village School earns as much as 15% of your sales. If you bookmark the initial link to these sites, you can make these your browser's portal for them.

SchoolMall.com allows you to buy from many retailers, including REI, iTunes, Land's End, Best Buy, Home Depot, Barnes and Nobles, OfficeMax, and The Body Shop. Each sale generates donations for the Village School.

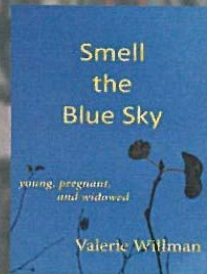
Please send Village Voice submissions by Thursday at 12:00pm to Maureen at village@4j.lane.edu. Thank you!

VILLAGE CLASSIFIEDS

Book Launch Celebration!

Author Valerie Willman
reads from her memoir

Smell the Blue Sky:
young, pregnant and widowed



Featuring special guest:



**TOAD IN
THE HOLE**

Thursday, November 21st at 7:00 p.m.

Tsunami Books

Join us for food, books, drinks and music!

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