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Jazz II, Chamber Orchestra & Wind Ensemble Concert

Concierto de la orquesta de cámara y conjunto de viento

Mon, Jan. 29, 7:30 PM, Palo Alto High School PAC, 50 Embarcadero Rd, Palo Alto

Lunes, 29 de enero, 7:30 PM, PALY PAC, 50 Embarcadero Rd, Palo Alto

Join us for evening of eclectic music featuring three Gunn Ensembles. The concert will feature Jazz II with a preview of their CMEA Festival music. The Chamber Orchestra will preview their ASTA Atlanta, GA set including Leos Janacek's Suite for Strings & Silvestre Revueltas' Musica de Feria. The Wind Ensemble will be performing their UCLA Wind Band Festival music including the expansive Symphony No. 6 by Vincent Persichetti. Tickets: FREE for Gunn Band & Orchestra Boosters members (family of 4); FREE for students with ID & children under 12; \$5 general admission at the door.

Únanse con nosotros para una noche de música con tres conjuntos de Gunn. El concierto presentará Jazz II con un tráiler de su música para el Festival CMEA. La orquesta de cámara presentará su música para ASTA Atlanta, GA incluyendo El Suite de Leos Janacek y La Música de Feria de Silvestre Revuelta. El conjunto de viento realizará su música incluyendo el sinfonía 6 por Vincent Persichetti. Entradas: GRATUITAS para miembros de Gunn Banda y Orquesta Boosters; GRATUITAS para estudiantes con ID y hijos con menos de 12 años; \$5 admisión general a la puerta.

9th Grade Parent Network Meeting (Open to All Gunn Parents)

Reunión de la red de padres del grado 9 (abierto a todos)

Tue, Jan 30, 6:30 PM, Library

Martes, 30 de enero, 6:30 PM, Biblioteca

Looking to help your student find places to connect and make friends in the Gunn Community? We will have students from ROCK, The Oracle, Robotics, Yearbook, Titan Broadcasting, Auto Shop, Theater, No-Cut Sports and more talking about their experiences and how to get involved. There will be time to socialize starting at 6:30, and the panel will begin around 6:50. As you begin to look ahead to registration for next year and for spring activities, this is the perfect place to have questions answered and hear from some great Gunn Titans! Of course, we couldn't include all the amazing activities in one night but we will have handouts and links to find complete lists for you to take home as well. For more information contact Julie Dubrouillet at juliedub2002@yahoo.com

¿Quiere ayudar a su estudiante a encontrar lugares para conectarse y conocer nuevos amigos en la comunidad de Gunn? Los estudiantes de ROCK, el Oracle (el periódico de Gunn), Robótica, el Anuario, La Emisión Titan, el taller de autos, teatro, deportes, y más programas van a hablar sobre sus experiencias y cómo hacerse socio de ellos. Habrá tiempo para alternar empezando a 6:30, y la introducción empezará a 6:50. Mientras usted empieza a inscribirse en las clases para el próximo año y en las actividades de la primavera, esto es la oportunidad perfecta para contestar sus preguntas y escuchar a unos estudiantes muy buenos! Por supuesto, no podemos incluir todas las actividades en una noche pero tendremos hojas informativas para llevar a casa también. Para conseguir más información, contacte a Julie Dubrouillet a juliedub2002@yahoo.com

Section 2 - Sofia

Feria de Oportunidades de Verano

Miércoles, 31 de Enero, 7 PM, Biblioteca

La séptima feria anual de las Oportunidades de Verano ayudara a los estudiantes y sus padres a encontrar diferentes tipos de actividades y programas de verano que toman lugar por todo el mundo. Habrá representantes de alrededor de 20 programas, del área de la bahía y de otras partes del país, que tendrán puestos en la feria. A demás, hay muchos mas programas que también mandarán sus hojas informativas por correo. La feria de las Oportunidades de Verano es para cualquier estudiante de preparatoria y para los padres de las preparatorias locales.

Concierto de la Orquesta de Gunn con las Orquestas de JLS & Terman

Jueves, 1 de Febrero, 7:30 PM, Palo Alto High School PAC, 50 Embarcadero Rd, Palo Alto

Este concierto incluirá a la Orquesta de Gunn, la Orchestra de cámara, y las Orquestas de JLS and Terman. Se tocará música de la era clásica, romántica y la era del jazz. Al final del concierto, los estudiantes de las cuatro orquestas se juntarán para tocar una pieza del compositor Herbie Hancock. Para este concierto, todos los padres de secundaria recibirán boletos gratis. Para los "Miembros Booster" (familia de 4) de las orquestas de Gunn la entrada será gratis; La entrada también será gratis para los estudiantes que tengan su identificación estudiantil, y para niños menores de 12 años; Para los demás, los boletos se venderán en la puerta a \$5.

Café con La Directora de Gunn

Viernes, 2 de Febrero, 8:30 AM, Staff Lounge

Venga a escuchar las noticias escolares de Gunn presentados por la Directora Laurence mientras disfruta de una taza de café gratuita, provista por el PTSA. Por favor, pase a la oficina para conseguir su permiso para estacionarse.

Traducción al español disponible. 普通話翻譯可用。

Siete (de 24) Supervisores para el examen del American Mathematics Competition (AMC) se necesitan

Miercoles, 7 de Febrero, 8-10 AM, Gunn High School (cada maestro necesita a un supervisor que le ayude)

Si usted puede ayudar como uno de los 24 supervisores voluntarios para el examen de las 8:00 a las 10:00 de la mañana, el Miércoles, 7 de Febrero, por favor contacte a nhesterman@pausd.org. Por favor, incluya el nombre y grado de su estudiante(s). Los supervisores ayudarán a los maestros a distribuir materiales, contar y monitorear estudiantes, etc. Los supervisores de otros años han disfrutado esta actividad en el departamento de Matemáticas. Por favor, vea el [Calendario](#) por si hay un horario alternativo. Los estudiantes que tomaran el examen AMC (approx. 400 estudiantes) empezaran la escuela a las 8:25 AM; **los demás estudiantes empezaran a las 10:00 AM en sus clases del Periodo B.**

Section 3 - Nikki

Gunn/Paly 41st Annual Jazz Guest Artist Concert featuring Dmitri Matheny

Fri, Feb 9, 7:30 PM, Palo Alto High School PAC, 50 Embarcadero Rd, Palo Alto

Join the Play Jazz Ensemble and the Gunn Big Band Jazz Ensemble as they present the 41st Annual Guest Artist Concert featuring Dmitri Matheny. Matheny is celebrated for his warm tone, soaring lyricism and masterful technique, American musician Dmitri Matheny has been lauded as "one of the most emotionally expressive improvisers of his generation" (International Review of Music). First introduced to jazz audiences in the 1990s as the protege of Art Farmer, Matheny has matured into "one of the jazz world's most talented horn players" (San Francisco Chronicle). Booster passes will not be accepted for this concert. Tickets are \$5 students and \$10 adults at the door. Proceeds go to support the Guest Artists appearance.

Help Wanted: Gunn Band Orchestra Boosters (BOB) Volunteer

The Gunn Band Orchestra Boosters (BOB) is looking for a volunteer auditor who would be willing to audit our financial books from last year. The work can be done outside of school hours. Please contact [Todd Summers](#) or [Sandra Lewis](#) if you are able to help.

FROM THE PREVIOUS ISSUE:

Now Accepting Applications!

Gunn Foundation: Need-Based Scholarships for the Class of 2018

Application Deadline: Tue, Mar 6

The Gunn Foundation, launched in 1968, raises funds to provide need-based scholarships to Gunn High School seniors. Last year, we awarded \$78,000 in scholarships to 29 students, many of whom are first-generation college students who have overcome significant personal and financial challenges to pursue further education. Visit us at www.gunnfound.org to find out if your student is eligible for this need-based scholarship or to make a donation in support of our students. Contact Sunita Verma at tedbucklin@gmail.com with questions. The application is available at <http://gunnfound.org/application/>.

Gunn International Potluck

Thu, Apr 19, Lunchtime

The annual Gunn International Potluck is Thursday, April 19, during an extended lunchtime. Any parent interested in either helping to organize the pot luck or lead a country table, please contact the Gunn PTSA. Last year, the international menu included Chinese, Japanese, Mexican, Indian and American dishes, plus many more. The International Potluck is held during Gunn's International Week festivities from April 16-20 with the World Languages Department. In March, the Gunn Connection will post a sign-up list for those interested in bringing a dish. If you are interested, please contact: [Gunn PTSA@gmail.com](mailto:GunnPTSA@gmail.com).

Section 4 -

SENIORS: Register for the 2018 Senior Picnic and Grad Night Party!

If you have not registered, now is the time! The Senior Picnic will be held at the Santa Cruz Beach Boardwalk. The Grad Night Party will be held at a location to remain undisclosed until you arrive at the venue. Attendance is optional, but we hope that all seniors will participate! Registration is available via an online site, but waiver forms **MUST** be completed, printed and signed by students and parents/guardians and sent to our treasurer to complete a valid reservation. In order to include all students who wish to attend these events, we offer scholarships. Please consider making a donation to assist with our fundraising efforts. Your generosity will ensure that all students who wish to attend the picnic and grad night parties may do so. Thank you in advance! [REGISTER now](#). Gunn PTSA Senior Grad Night Committee, gunn.seniorparty@gmail.com, Bin He, Nancy Smith, Elisa Yu

Gunn Athletics

Athlete Recognition

Gunn Sports Boosters would like to recognize **Eli Russo** for Boys Basketball for his Honorable Mention. GO TITANS!

FROM THE PREVIOUS ISSUE:

Support Our Gunn Athletes at Annual Juana Run

Sat, Feb 24, 8:30 AM, Barron Park neighborhood

8K, 5K, 1-mile, and Kids' races. Fast, flat courses through scenic Barron Park. Benefits Gunn High School Sports Boosters, Juana Briones PTA, and West Valley Track Club. Entry includes pancake breakfast and tech shirt. Details and registration at www.juanarun.org.

PAUSD & PTAC

****NEW** Superintendent's Weekly Message from Friday Jan 19**

We will repost Karen Hendricks' Weekly communications here each week, in case you missed it on her previous Infinite Campus email to you.

"I hope that your family has gotten back in the swing of...[read more](#).

Palo Alto Unified School District Superintendent Search Survey--Deadline Extended

New Deadline: TODAY, Fri, Jan 26

If you haven't already shared input for the PAUSD Superintendent search, the deadline for the [Community Engagement Survey](#) has been extended until January 26th. Responses and comments will go directly to search firm, Hazard, Young, Attea & Associates.

Section 5 - Isabelle

Special Education Workshop: The ABCs of the IEP

Taller de Educación Especial: Los ABCs de IEP

Tue, Jan 30, 10 AM-12 noon, Sobrato Center, 350 Twin Dolphin Dr, Redwood City

Martes, 30 de Enero, 10 AM - 12 mediodía, Sobrato Center, 350 Twin Dolphin Dr, Redwood City

Do you have questions about your child's IEP? Would you like to know how to advocate for your child's special education rights? Ms. Karis Daggs, an attorney with OCRA (Office of Clients' Rights Advocacy) will be our speaker. Hosted by Opening Doors PTA, the Palo Alto CAC for Special Education and PTAC. Cantonese and Mandarin translation available. Register at <http://bit.ly/2D2ame8>. For questions or to carpool, contact palo_alto_ca@gmail.com.

¿Tiene preguntas sobre el IEP de su niño? ¿Quiere saber cómo abogar por los derechos de educación especial de su niño? Srta. Karis Daggs, una abogada con OCRA (Oficina de la Abogacía de los Derechos del Cliente) será nuestro orador. Alojado por Opening Doors PTA, el Palo Alto CAC por Educación Especial y PTAC. Traducciones en cantonés y mandarín son disponible. Registre a <http://bit.ly/2D2ame8>. Por preguntas o para carpool, contacte paloaltocac@gmail.com.

The Smart Talk: Internet Safety

La Charla Inteligente: Seguridad en Internet

Tue, Feb 6, 6 PM refreshments, 6:30 PM program, Gunderson High School, 622 Gaundabert Lane, San Jose

Martes, 6 de Febrero, 6 PM refrescos, 6:30 PM programa, Gunderson High School, 622 Gaundabert Lane, San Jose

What you hope your kids (elementary, middle, and high) are doing online isn't always what they're actually doing. Join us to learn how you can use The Smart Talk to get on the same page with your kids and establish an open conversation about digital safety. [More info here](#). FREE. Sponsors include National PTA, State PTA, and Sixth District PTA. RSVPs (appreciated but not required): wendyghose@yahoo.com.

Lo que espera que sus hijos (primero, intermedio y secundario) están haciendo en la red no está lo que están haciendo realmente. Únase con nosotros para aprender cómo puede usar La Charla Inteligente para situarse en la misma página con sus hijos y establecer una conversación abierta sobre la seguridad digital. [Más información aquí](#). GRATIS. Patrocinadores incluye PTA Nacional, PTA Estado y PTA Distrito Seis. Confirme su asistencia (apreciado pero no es obligado): wendyghose@yahoo.com.

How Does Sugar Affect Your Health and What You Can Do About It

Cómo el Azúcar Afecta Su Salud y Qué Puede Hacer al Respecto

Wed, Feb 7, 6:30-8:30 PM, SDC Room, District Office, 25 Churchill Ave, Palo Alto

Miércoles 7 de Febrero, 6:30-8:30 PM, Sala SDC, Oficina del Distrito, 25 Churchill Ave, Palo Alto

Join us for an educational night on sugar. Learn how sugar came to be ubiquitous in everything we eat, and became a number one health issue due to its harmful effects on the human body. As parents, you will also get some great tips on how to combat sugar in your household and diet, and reintroduce great nutrition to your kids. Patricia Caldera, PhD, will be presenting on behalf of the Hypoglycemia Support Foundation and Dr Lustig education program dedicated to changing our views

of processed food with the purpose of ending food related illnesses and promote good health. We encourage parents to bring their children.

Únase con nosotros por un noche educativo sobre el azúcar. Aprenda cómo el azúcar ha cambiado en algo omnipresente en todo que comimos y volvió en la problema número uno de salud a falta de sus efectos sobre el cuerpo humano. Como padres, usted también recibirá consejos maravillosos sobre cómo combatir azúcar en su hogar y dieta y reintroducir nutriciones maravillosos por sus hijos. Patricia Caldera, PhD, presentará en nombre de el Hypoglycemia Support Foundation y Dr Lustig programa de educación dedicada al cambio de nuestros perspectivas sobre alimentos procesados con el objetivo de terminar enfermedades relacionadas a comida y promover buena salud. Apoyemos padres a traer sus hijos.

Section 6 -

****NEW** 2018 Annual Sweetheart Awards - Call for Nominations**

Submit Nominations by Thu, Feb 15

Is there a bus driver, friend, teacher, administrator, neighbor, aide, crossing guard, coach, fellow student, therapist, physician, volunteer or relative that has done something (however large or small) for your special needs child with an IEP or 504? Honor that person by nominating him or her for a CAC Sweetheart Award. Submit nominations using this online form before Thursday, February 15 (early submissions welcome): <http://tinyurl.com/cac2018sweethearts>. The Awards Ceremony will be on Wednesday, February 28, from 6-8 PM at Nixon Elementary School. For more information or questions contact sweethearts.award@gmail.com or go to www.cacpaloalto.org. Co-sponsored by Palo Alto Community Advisory Committee for Special Education and the Palo Alto Council of PTAs.

****NEW** Nominate Great People for Awards**

Deadline for Nominations: Thu, Mar 1

Each year the Palo Alto Council of PTAs may bestow one of several California State PTA Honorary Service Awards to individuals or organizations that have demonstrated outstanding service to children and youth in our community. The individuals or organization nominated must make far-reaching, notable contributions. The PTA Council HSA Committee selects persons or groups who have benefited children and youth on a district-wide or Palo Alto community level. We also have a new award that debuted last year that honors exceptional PTA volunteers at the unit (school) level. Each PTA may nomination one person. If you know of someone or an organization that deserves to be honored at this level, please complete this form: [Nominations for HSA 2018](#). Recipients will be announced at our Honorary Service Award Reception on Thursday, April 26, 2018. Visit here past recipients <https://ptac.paloaltopta.org/honorary-service-awards/>.

Community

Palo Alto Chamber Orchestra (PACO) Winter Concerts

Enjoy a series of winter concerts (January through March) featuring PACO's talented young musicians. In addition to orchestral and chamber pieces by well known composers Mozart, Haydn and Beethoven, you'll be enchanted by an array of works by Boccherini, Pleyel, and Dvorak to name a few. All concerts are admission FREE and for the entire family to enjoy. For more information about PACO, please visit www.pacomusic.org or email info@pacomusic.org.

Sun, Jan 28, 3 PM, Cubberley Theatre (James Jaffe, conductor) Preparatory Orchestra

Sun, Feb 4, 12 PM, Cubberley Theatre (Natasha Makhijani, conductor) Superstrings Orchestra

Sun, Feb 18, 3 PM, Cubberley Theatre (Jory Fankuchen, conductor) Sinfonia Orchestra

Sun, Mar 4, 3 PM, Cubberley Theatre (Michel Taddei, conductor) Debut Orchestra

Section 7 -

Clear the Clutter and Get Organized

Thu, Feb 1, 6:30-8:30 PM, Parents Place Palo Alto, 200 Channing Ave, Palo Alto

Are you tired of the piles and chaos caused by too much clutter in your home? When you have good organization systems, your home and family life is simpler, calmer, and less stressful. Professional organizer Lori Krolik of "More Time for You" will teach the six steps to tackle any organizing project and other strategies for creating an organized life. Parents of all ages are welcome. [Details and registration](#). Fee \$45.

Stanford Food and Mood Study is Recruiting

Eligible participants are between 9-17 years old, are experiencing low moods or irritability, have a body mass index greater than 85%, do not have braces or metal in their body. Participants receive \$325 for completing the study. Participants come in for clinical and cognitive evaluations, an MRI brain scan and a blood test 3 times over 2 years. To learn more about the study and to see if your child is eligible, contact Lizzy at (650) 721-4049 or thepearlab@stanford.edu. You can also find out more about Stanford's Pediatric Emotion and Resilience Lab (PEARL) at <http://med.stanford.edu/pedmood.html>. For general information about participation rights, contact 1-866-680-2906.

Spanish Language Immersion Opportunity for High School Students in Oaxaca, Mexico (Summer 2018) - Applications Due Now

Find out how families live in other parts of the world. There is no better way to do this than by living as a member of a family in another country and then sharing your home with your "sister" or "brother" from that family when you return home. Neighbors Abroad, Palo Alto's sister city organization, has sponsored summer student exchanges since 1965. Applicants should be high school students at least 15 years old by June of 2018 who are studying Spanish at any level. For more information, contact Marion at marionb@sonic.net; to learn about Neighbors Abroad, visit www.neighborsabroad.org.

FROM THE PREVIOUS ISSUE:

Classes for Middle and High School Students

Saturdays, Jan 20-Apr 28, Gunn High School

Outstanding high school students are teaching classes to raise funds for the Ravenswood City School District in East Palo Alto. For the sixth session, Silicon Valley Youth is offering classes in Debate, Advanced Mathcounts, Intro to JAVA, Website Design, and iOS App Development classes on Saturdays at Gunn High School. Sign up starting now online at <http://siliconvalleyyouth.com/classes/>. Contact: svyouth1@gmail.com.

Section 8 -

Parents Place Summer Camp Fair: Preschool/Elementary to High School Families

Sun, Jan 28, 10 AM-12:30 PM, Parents Place, 200 Channing Ave, Palo Alto

It's already time to start planning a great summer for your kids! The Parents Place Summer Camp Fair is a unique opportunity to engage with more than 20 summer camps, located on the Peninsula and beyond. This event connects you with multiple regional and independent summer camps, including sleepaway camps and special needs camps, in one convenient location. Make a personal connection with camp staff, explore the variety of flexible options, and discover how to maximize your child's summer camp experience. Fee \$5 per family. Summer Camp Panel Discussion before the Fair is from 9-10 AM. Moderated by Parents Place Director Karen Friedland-Brown, camp directors will discuss "Solving the Summer Camp Dilemma: How to schedule your child's summer and find the best fit for your family." Fee \$15 (includes admission to fair). [Register here](#).

AAR Needs Mentors for 2018-19!

[Advanced Authentic Research \(AAR\)](#) gives high school students in grades 10-12 the opportunity to explore and conduct [original research](#) in a topic of their choosing in a supportive, personalized

environment. The individualized support and content expertise that our volunteer mentors provide helps make this possible. As students prepare to register for the 2018-19 academic year, we need your continued support in recruiting a strong pipeline of volunteer mentors. We need mentors in a wide array of topics, such as STEAM, Humanities, Business, and Social Science. Would you or someone you know be willing to devote a few hours per month mentoring one or two AAR students? See outline of [mentor expectations](#). Sign up [here](#) to become a mentor.

Stanford University & City of Palo Alto Comp Growth

There is a significant project from Stanford University that will be coming upon PAUSD that may require your attention -- Stanford University's growth and expansion proposal and its impact within our city and school district. Stanford plans to add more academic and support facilities, housing units, childcare center and facilities to its camp, adding approx. 9,000 people to our area. Your comments regarding the significant environmental effects of this project and the adequacy of the Draft EIR are welcome. The public review period for this Draft EIR ends on Feb 2, 2018. Click here for [links to Draft EIR](#).

For older Community announcements, see [Recent Issues of the Gunn Connection](#).