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### Third graders working hard at New Village Farm



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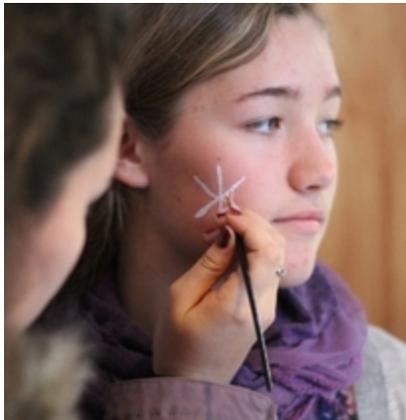


## Another Wonderful Holiday Fair

A big thank you to our entire LCWS community for coming together to create such a festive and beautiful Holiday Fair this year. The rooms and hallways were alive with such wonderful holiday spirit, enjoyed by both children and adults. It took many, many hands to make it all happen and we are oh, so grateful for this school community. Our heartfelt thanks to all of you.



*Chalkboard drawing for the 'Angel Room' at the Holiday Fair by Eli Barlow and Kate Sherrer, class of 2015.*



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Photos above taken by Faith Thompson, photos below taken by Aidan Powell, Class of 2016



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## YEAR END APPEAL



*"Philanthropy is about the impact you can make on other people's lives; it's about making a gift that goes beyond yourself."* A wonderful thought that highlights many of the generous gifts made during "The Time is Now Capital Campaign"... grandparents giving to support their grandchildren's school, alumni giving to the school from which they've already graduated, parents in the grade school giving to support the building of the new high school.



Here's another great reason to make a donation:

### **Year-End Prize Drawing** **\$250 Gift Certificate to the** **Hen of the Wood's new restaurant in Burlington!**

Everyone who makes a gift or pledge to the [Capital Campaign](#), up until December 31, automatically is entered to win. AND, everyone who makes a gift or pledge to this year's [Annual Fund](#) also is entered.

(If you have already made your gift...thank you...and you have been entered into the drawing!)

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## Your Gift Matters!

Our total to date is \$2,020,500.

In the last month we received 30 gifts totalling \$27,000.

If you haven't yet made your gift to the campaign, the Four Pillars Challenge to raise \$300,000 is still well in progress. Your help is needed now to make the goal! As you consider your end-of-the-year charitable, tax-deductible giving, please do consider your family's gift to the capital campaign.

Your gift right now will help us get renovations going in time to open next year, AND give you a chance to win an evening at a truly stellar restaurant. As always, thank you so much for your generous support!

## Girls Middle School basketball team wins first game of the season!

Last night the girls basketball team won against Williston Central, finishing 14 to 13. **What an awesome way to start the season!** (And end our unbroken losses streak; but heck, we always have fun, win or lose). The team worked really well together. Lark Thompson scored twice, back to back, at the beginning of the game. Then both teams kept moving into the lead. With Williston ahead one point ahead, the Wildcats executed some great passing skills, giving Thabitha Moruthane a chance to land the ball in the net, a minute before the buzzer went off. The team froze for a moment in surprise and amazement. Once the Waldorf crowd realized we had won, it went wild with excitement. **Go Wildcats!**

**Interesting Articles & Resources**

[Into the Woods: American kids don't know how to explore. Maybe what they need is forest kindergarten](#) *Slate*  
 "Repeated studies have shown that when recess is delayed, children pay less and less attention. They are more focused on days when they have recess."

[To Get Kids Exercising, Schools are Becoming Creative](#) *NPR*  
 "This has been going on for years, unfortunately," he says. School administrators can only fit so many things into a day, and often, he says, "testing and other aspects of education take precedence over physical education."



## SAVE THE DATE!

## High School Panel and Open House

**Tuesday, January 7, 7 pm, Charlotte Campus**

This is an engaging event to learn about the high school from the perspective of current students and alumni. Teachers and high school students will give tours and answer questions, followed by a panel discussion with Waldorf alumni and students. Come discover how our integrated academics foster creative thinking and connected individuals who pursue life with passion and

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purpose. If you know families that are looking at high schools in the area, let them know about this open house. It is a great way to get to know our high school. RSVP to [Pam Graham](#) 985-2827 ext. 12.

## Community News

### Buy Pete Sutherland's "Farmland" CD Online – Benefit Young Traditions Vermont!

A brand new CD from Pete Sutherland: *Farmland – The School Songs Project* with Pete Sutherland and the YTV Singers (including many Waldorf students!)

All profits from the sale of "Farmland" benefit Young Tradition Vermont and the [Young Writers Project](#). The release of the CD coincides with a fundraising campaign by Young Tradition VT to support a [youth tour to Northumberland, England](#) in April of 2014. Eight Lake Champlain Waldorf School students and alumni are participating in the trip.

More info and to purchase a CD, go to [Young Traditions Vermont](#)



## Classifieds

**In case you missed them....** Nina's Holiday Charlotte Mousse Cakes available in French Raspberry or Belgian Chocolate: Discounted prices with prepaid orders due by 12/16. For further information contact Nina Lissarrague: [ninapaprika3@gmail.com](mailto:ninapaprika3@gmail.com).

**Fundraising Project** I am a 2009 alumna and I'm assisting a friend with a fundraising project. She has written a children's book entitled *Star Child*, a sweet children's tale about an adventurous, curious little girl who explores mother nature, and discovers herself in the process. To bring *Star Child* to life in print, we are fundraising through [Kickstarter.com](#), a funding platform for all sorts of creative endeavors. There is a deadline of December 25th to raise \$8,500 or the project won't be funded. As a Waldorf Alumna, I can say that this book belongs in the community we have at LCWS. Visit [Kickstarter](#) to learn more and to make an online donation. -- Ilana Miller

**Great condo** available now in Shelburne on bus line. Four bedrooms, 5 bath, drive in garage, fireplace, laundry, many new upgrades including new wood floors, pool and tennis courts. \$1,800/mo. Contact Maureen Wheeler at 238-7042.

**For Sale:** 15" training viola in very good condition, \$350. 16" training viola, also in very good condition with hard case, \$450. Contact Nancy Lewis, LCWS 12th grade, 802-825-1948, for details.

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**For Sale:** 2-seated Chariot Cougar Stroller, silver/avocado colored. Comes with jogging wheels, baby sling, break kit and brand new ski attachment. Great shape. \$600.00 for all. Clearing space for big kid stuff. Call 802-309-9951 or email Heather Duhamel [heather.duhamel@yahoo.com](mailto:heather.duhamel@yahoo.com) for questions or to see it.

**Carpenter/Handy Fellow:** Available to help complete your autumn project or necessary winter checklist. Experienced tradesman with a conscientious eye towards the details. Finish work a specialty - windows, doors, closets, trimwork and built-ins. Please call Christopher White, 425-5961 / [cckmw@gmavt.net](mailto:cckmw@gmavt.net).

**The Sewell McCanns** are going to Texas for a couple months this winter and need a van or camper for the full experience. Do you have a something like that you'd be willing to rent to us? [david@sparklestories.com](mailto:david@sparklestories.com) if you have some ideas. Thanks!

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## The Week Ahead and Beyond...

**TO SEE THE SCHOOL CALENDAR** [click here.](#)

There are four, layered calendars (All School, College Guidance, Middle and High School Sports), which you can turn on or off. Click on the drop-down arrow next to the "Agenda" tab.

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