



# THE BUCKMAN BEAT

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## NOTE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

by Claudia Mason

Update on the PPS budget process: The budget picture has continued to evolve. Legislative leaders have proposed using some federal stimulus funds to help schools this year. Superintendent Smith intends to do everything possible to preserve the full school year for students. District leaders are negotiating with employee groups and working with the board on the most effective way to accomplish this.

This school year (2008–2009): Incorporating federal stimulus money from the state, we currently estimate a remaining shortfall of \$4.2 million for 2008–2009. Already, the school board commit-

ted \$4.2 million out of reserves to cover earlier mid-year state cuts. PPS central office belt-tightening has also produced savings. PPS is deciding how to make up the remaining \$4.2 million shortfall.

Next school year (2009–2010): A shortfall of \$14 million to \$42 million is projected. Some

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Claudia with Juli Wittenmeier, Art Show & Sell co-chair (Photo by Karen Stein)

## SHOW & SELL = COMMUNITY SPIRIT

by Karen Stein

The Buckman Art Show & Sell was a great success! Buckman parents, staff, students, community members, artists and neighbors came out in droves to support our school. We owe a huge debt of thanks to Juli Wittenmeier, Samantha Bruner, and the entire Buckman Art Show & Sell planning committee for their hard work, energy and dedication. We are thrilled to announce that the event brought in over \$31,000 for Buckman's PTA!

Friday was fun and festive, with jazz by Ed Bennett and Steve Christofferson, and tons of folks braved the chilly weather Saturday to shop day long. The Buckman Marimba Ensemble kicked off the day. The Buckman Chorus performance inspired us, as did the Level 3 and Boys dancers. Buckman musician parents and supporters rounded out the afternoon—Betsy Branch, Nick O'Donnell and his fabulous blues ensemble, Mark Douglass, Eric Schreppel and Brent Geary.

Customers and volunteers enjoyed the fantastic treats donated by Cupcake Mama, Grand Central Baking Co., Starbucks (NE 28th & Burnside), Fred Meyer, Baker and Spice, The Little Icebox, Sunrise Granola, Moonstruck Chocolate Co., Trader Joe's, New Seasons Market, Staccato Gelato and Zupan's. Big thanks to Voodoo Doughnut for creating special Buckman Bear doughnuts, just for us! KGW Channel 8 came out to see these colorful confections and check out our show—the footage aired on the 11pm news Saturday night! We thank Artemis Foods, CoolCity KettleCorn & Co. and Lost Bean Catering for keeping our stomachs full and our spirits light.

Thanks to Mr. Simmons for lending his art room so kids could enjoy the hands-on art activities, Indigo Corwin for lending her classroom for storage during the show, the Children's Healing Art Project, and Framing Resource for sponsoring the kids' art activities! Special thanks are due to Brian Reed and Marie Sablan, who graciously donated

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**STAFF SPOTLIGHTS**

This month we get to know two of our first-grade teachers and a second-grade teacher, as well as two of our educational assistants.



**JENNA CONKLIN**

**First-Grade Teacher**  
by Cara Althoff

First-grade teacher Jenna Conklin has been teaching at Buckman for six years—longer if you count her student teaching work as a master’s student at Portland State University. She knows a good place when she finds it. “I love the energy here. And I love the community feeling. Every day is new and exciting; you’re never bored.”

Jenna was born in Sterling, Kansas, moved to Tennessee in middle school and attended high school in California. Growing up with a college-professor father and a mother who taught special education, Jenna Conklin had plenty of role models to look up to in teaching. After one year of college in Iowa, however, she “panicked” a bit about the money and about her assumptions about her major. She switched to a community college in Bend, where her grandparents lived. She “toyed with dentistry” before deciding that teaching was the career she wanted to pursue. After getting a degree in human development and family science with a specialization in early childhood, Jenna went to PSU for her master’s degree.

Jenna is a believer in the staff at Buckman. “We value individuals. We don’t see it as a classroom of 27, we see it as 27 individuals.” She’s a fan of Picasso (“I know it’s cliché, but ...”) and says she likes all forms of art. She credits the Young Audiences program for exposing her to a variety of art forms. As far as her own artistic pursuits go, “I enjoy singing...just privately,” she quips.

One of the great things about working with young kids, Jenna says, is how enthusiastic they are. “Some days you feel like a rock star.”

Jenna lives with her husband and their three cats (including a kitten, Pip, which her students get to hear a lot about. “The kids love to hear about his adventures, because he gets in a lot of trouble.”) and one bunny, who was an attempt at a classroom pet during her first year of teaching. (Note to potential bunny owners: Jenna has a lot of good advice for you!)

Many family members are nearby: her father moved to Wilsonville about three years ago, and most of her family is now in Oregon. Her husband is a third-generation Oregonian, and Jenna and her husband live in the same north-east Portland neighborhood as his parents do.



**ANNE MILES**

**First-Grade Teacher**  
by Cara Althoff

First-grade teacher Anne Miles was born and raised in east Multnomah County, attending schools in the Reynolds district, then moved to Gresham in eighth grade. She was a proud “gopher girl” at Gresham High School, then attended Western Oregon University.

In addition to her deep geographic ties, she has strong ties to her profession as well. Her parents were both teachers—her mother taught kindergarten and her father taught eighth grade—who met at Portland Public Schools’ Chief Joseph (then a K-8 school). As a college student she “dabbled” in many subjects—sociology, psychology, business, biology. Eventually, however, her true calling shone through, and she majored in elementary education.

“I always wanted to be a teacher, since I was a little girl,” Anne says. So devoted was she to the idea, in fact, that at age seven or eight she once hid in her mother’s car, popping up about halfway through her mother’s drive to work. She begged to go to her mother’s classroom to help. Her mother was not as enthusiastic about the idea, and the young Anne was returned to her own school.

She still is a huge fan of school. “It’s the place where you can always have fun. You can dance, you can be silly,” and everyone accepts it, she enthuses. “I love to be a teacher!”

Anne has worked at several schools in Portland Public Schools over her 18-year teaching career. Now in her fifth year at Buckman, she spent her first seven years at Vernon and then taught at Kelly Elementary School for six years. Buckman is a good fit for her, Anne says. “I love to laugh, I love to have a good time. I feel like part of a family.” A coworker added, “Being in Mrs. Miles’s class makes you want to be back in first grade.”

She does not consider herself a serious artist, though she has “always liked to doodle” and loves to work on various projects—“I love the arts.” Teaching is her art form of choice. “I get to create here on a daily basis,” Anne says. “As a teacher you have to be creative and think about how kids can learn to create, and create to learn.” She says she enjoys the challenge of figuring out ways to help her students synthesize their learning and truly make the material their own.

Currently Anne lives in Gresham with her mother and her pets: dogs Angus and Ike and a “big, chubby cat” named Chubs.



**DAWN ROBERTS**

**Second-Grade Teacher**

by Cara Althoff

Students in Dawn Roberts’s second-grade classroom might want to consider sending thank-you notes to Dawn’s daughter and son. If not for them, she might never have become a teacher.

Returning to work after being a stay-at-home mom, she worked part-time for a while as a dispatcher for UPS. She found she loved business, “which shocked me,” she says. She had also, however, fostered a love of teaching from an early age and had taught gymnastics and dance when she was younger. She decided to work toward a master’s degree. Over dinner, when she asked her children, then in middle school, whether she should go for a master’s in teaching or business, her children enthusiastically responded, “Teaching!”

Dawn was born in San Francisco and moved to Tigard when she was five. After attending Tigard schools, she went to Southern Oregon College (now University) and got a degree in general science, with a particular interest in geology. She loved studying geology but wasn’t optimistic about the professional applications of such a major. She wanted to teach, so she switched to general science.

Now in her sixth year of teaching (her fifth year at Buckman), she is quite happy with her choice. “I love the staff. I love how dynamic the school is. I love teaching art. Seeing the kids’ excitement about art gets me excited about teaching.” Buckman is a special place, Dawn says. “I love the family support here; it’s amazing.”

Another interest her children helped her pursue is snowboarding. She started snowboarding about three years ago when her son got involved in the sport at Tigard High School. “I love to learn new things,” Dawn says. Though her son graduated last year, she agreed to help a friend run the snowboard league for high schools in the Tigard/Tualatin/LaSalle/Forest Grove district again this year. With both children now out of the house, Dawn says she has been reflecting this year on what she wants to learn and do next.

In addition to snowboarding, Dawn “love[s] to read” and hand-makes journals and other paper crafts such as Japanese boxes at home. She says she especially appreciates the visual arts. Lately she’s been looking a lot at Alexander Calder’s work, including wire sculptures, mobiles and stables, and also likes the Impressionists, especially because of the way her students “really seem to connect with that.”

Dawn has two children. Her son Adrian, 19, lives in Bend, and her daughter Morgan, 21, lives in southern Oregon. She lives with her cat, Bubú.



**WENDY JOHNSON**

**Educational Assistant**

Wendy Johnson, the oldest girl of seven siblings, grew up in the desert of eastern Washington. In 1975 she jumped at the chance to move west to the mountains and has loved living in Portland ever since. Wendy has three grown children, two daughters and a son, of whom she is very proud, and lives in south-east Portland.

Wendy is no stranger to the arts. When asked about her favorite out of school activities she highlights her love of sewing, cake decorating and cooking, but really, “I’m a jack of all trades.” she responds modestly. But, if you get a chance, ask her to show you some pictures of her amazing masterpieces, including a recent wedding wedding cake made of cupcakes, her daughter’s beautiful flower adorned wedding cake and more.

When she was growing up, her family loved to follow their creative interests. She remembers enjoying woodburning, tinwork, printmaking

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**STAFF SPOTLIGHTS**

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MLK Day Quilt



Photo by Chisao Hata

Fourth Graders Enjoying OMSI



Photo by Sheli Bryan



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Artist Mark Brody setting up glazing station for Fifth graders



Photo by Sheli Bryan

and photography with her dad and cooking and sewing with her mom. In middle school, Wendy was lucky enough to be able to attend a fully supplied before-school art workshop where students were welcome to engage in whatever they were most interested in. She recalls going down to the river to collect clay to use on the potter's wheel.

A registered nurse, Wendy came to Buckman seven years ago. What she loves most is the arts. She brings her artistic talents to Buckman teaching a SUN sewing class where students have a blast making "ugly dolls," hats, aprons and clothing and generously auctioning off afternoons of cake decorating and teddy bear bread baking at the recent Buckman Auction.



**JESSICA LIBERTY**  
Educational Assistant

Jessica grew up in rural Oregon near Oregon City on a small farm, so perhaps her amazing adventurous spirit might surprise you. After graduating from PSU, Jessica worked with Head Start for three years and then headed off for another three years traveling and working around the world.

Jessica has traveled to places as far away as Thailand, Laos, Cambodia and Australia and has even lived in Korea for a year teaching English at a British International School. When asked about her favorite place abroad, she responds, "The temple ruins in Thailand."

The auction and the arts are what Jessica loves best about Buckman. "It's not just average arts here," she explains, describing the incorporation of dance into all areas of the curriculum.

In addition to working with the wonderful students at Buckman, Jessica also works with Multnomah County Developmental Disability Services and, from time to time, works as a temporary nanny.

While not working, Jessica loves playing with her nephew who is now in first grade, spending time with friends and venturing out to the Academy Theater which is not far from her home.

Jessica hopes to travel abroad again someday.

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***We'll be catching up with Lori Caffall, our third educational assistant next month along with other wonderful Buckman Staff!***

**ART SHOW & SELL A GRAND SUCCESS**

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their artistry and design talents to create our fantastic posters and flyers this year.

But most of all, thank you to the nearly 130 artists and craftspersons who so generously participated in the Buckman Art Show & Sell, each donating 30% of their proceeds—which is not always easy to do, especially in our economy. When you think about it, their support is not surprising—since who knows the value of arts education better than professional artists! These generous artists, together with our hard-working volunteers, committee members, staff and students, are the heroes of our show. And if you purchased anything at the show—even a \$1 greeting card or \$5 student-made bracelet—then you are a benefac-

tor of the arts. And Buckman is lucky to have an entire community of benefactors.

Our hard-working accounting team is crunching the numbers and will give us the big news—how much money we made—in the next few days. Look for the announcement in an upcoming Bulletin!

See additional pictures from the event by Jason Locken on page 8 and check out the publicity we got in the Oregonian's website at the following link:

[http://www.oregonlive.com/events/index.ssf/2009/03/buckman\\_art\\_show\\_sell.html](http://www.oregonlive.com/events/index.ssf/2009/03/buckman_art_show_sell.html)

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uncertainties this reflects are: 1) state decisions about the use of federal stimulus dollars and rainy day funds to help schools; 2) federal special education funding increases; 3) the May state revenue forecast for 2009–2010; and 4) compensation agreements with employees.

Difficult choices will be made, which may affect PPS classrooms and program offerings. Finally, budget decisions will be made based on our educational mission and with input from all community members.

I will receive our staffing allocation on March 17. I welcome your input related to your highest priorities related to the Buckman program. The needs of children and learning at Buckman will inform you of my final deci-

sion-making related to staffing which I will turn into PPS on April 7.

Tours have been extremely well attended, promising continued strengthening in enrollment, which has increased within the last two years.

Join me in strengthening our program by continuing to nurture your children and focus on learning through parental support, strong instruction, creativity and an extraordinary community.

Best Wishes,  
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 Principal  
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 (503) 916-6230

## MORE ARTS FOR BUCKMAN

Art teacher Michael Simmons is looking for parent support for a project he is working on to bring artists into Buckman. In cooperation with local artists Sheridan and Galadriel Grippen, Mr. Simmons is coordinating a petition to assist in the process of applying for a \$30,000 grant from artcorpdx, which would bring neighborhood artists into Buckman

School to teach students. Summer sessions would be offered in a range of media and methods, at low or no cost to students. Simmons encourages interested parents to come to the art room (room 100) to sign the petition, or simply to learn more about the grant. Don't delay! Simmons hopes to have all signatures in by the end of March.

## DOUGH 4 DOLLARS ON 3/17



Remember to celebrate St. Patrick's Day Tuesday, March 17, with a trip to Pizzicato Gourmet Pizza, on 28th and East Burnside! They will donate 20% of their sales that day to Buckman. You can use Scrip to purchase pizza, salads, drinks, desserts for lunch or dinner, or you can buy a gift card at that location for later use at another location. Having a lunch meeting at your company that day? Suggest

Pizzicato! Need a quick takeout dinner after soccer or choir practice? Order ahead by calling (503) 236-6045 and pick it up.

Check out the menu at [http://pizzicatopizza.com/home/assets/pdf/Eastside\\_web1\\_09.pdf](http://pizzicatopizza.com/home/assets/pdf/Eastside_web1_09.pdf).

*Every little bit makes a difference.*

## 4TH ANNUAL LOVE SHOW ENDS 3/26

**Art Show Is a Fundraiser for Buckman**  
 by Cara Althoff

Launchpad Gallery and Portland City Art continue to present the Fourth Annual Love Show 2009, which runs through March 26. Artist Chris Haberman, who sold his work in the Buckman Art Show & Sell, has helped put it together. The Love Show will donate part of the proceeds to the Oregon Food Bank and Buckman Arts Focus Elementary.

The Fourth Annual Love Show is taking place at the Olympic Mills Commerce Center, 107 SE Washington St, Portland. Don't miss the closing reception on Friday, March 20 from 8pm to midnight. The event is free; just bring cans of food if you'd like. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday 8am to 6pm and Saturday 3pm to 6pm. Thank you, Chris, for your continued support of Buckman!

Second Grade Clown Day



Photo by J. Blackford

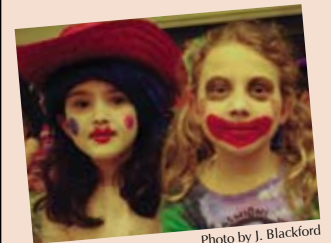


Photo by J. Blackford

Marimba at Bicycle Transportation Alliance Event at Oregon Convention Center



Photo by Fred King

Marimbas at the Buckman Family Dance



Photo by Fred King

**March Calendar**

3/13

- PPS Transfer Application Deadline 5pm
- Walk and Bike Green Day
- SUN Lottery Forms Due

3/16-17

- SUN Registration

3/17

- Pizzicato Dough 4 Dollars (E. Burnside & 28th location)
- Prospective Parent Tours 9:15am & 1pm
- Special Education PTA Portland (SEPTAP) Meeting, 6:30pm, Beverly Clearly Fernwood School

3/18

- da Vinci-Buckman Arts Integrated Education Discussion Group 6pm, da Vinci Arts Middle School

3/19

- Cirque du Buckman, Second-Grade Play

3/20

- Closing Reception Love Show 8pm

3/23 – 3/27

- **No School** – Spring Break

3/30– 4/3

- DIY Lounge Retro Art Camp, 3-5:30pm

**BUCKMAN COMMITTEE NEWS UPDATES**

**Accelerated Learner Program**

No new updates at this time.

**Buckman Art Show and Sell Committee (BASA)**

A successful show, thanks to the many, many volunteers; generous sponsors, vendors and artists; and helpful staff members. Preliminary revenue numbers look promising; more specific numbers will be announced soon.

**Buckman Community Partnership (BCP)**

The county has a major funding shortfall and at this time the future of SUN is unclear (see SUN update below). The county will be hosting meetings, which representatives from BCP will try to attend. This year Buckman is having trouble bringing in the \$25,000 to meet our share of the funding for the program. There is a possibility of having a fundraiser to try to cover what we owe. Efforts and information will be forthcoming as the situation become clearer.

**Buckman Foundation**

The Foundation has raised \$5,200 so far this year. It is projected that by spring the total raised will be \$8,200. Foundation team is considering another appeal once the 2009–2010 staffing situation is clearer.

**Buckman Inside Out Project (BIO)**

\$4,400 was raised for the project at the Auction paddle raise. There is a call for volunteers to join the steering committee to help with the “big picture” as well as a call for those interested in the design committee for the south side slide/hill area. There are many ways people can participate. A new bulletin board has been put up to communicate the project to the community.

**Buckman Parent Advisory Committee (BPAC)**

Met February 26. Next meeting will be a joint meeting with the Site Council on April 1, 4:30pm, to hear staffing scenarios from principal Claudia Mason.

**Communications and Marketing Team (C&M)**

This year the Art Show marketing was focused on grassroots communication, though media avenues were still pursued. Enrollment

marketing efforts were also pursued, and we have deduced that the most effective efforts involved person-to-person, word-of-mouth messaging. The school website will be migrating very soon to a new server at Hot Pepper Studios. In the meantime, efforts are being made to keep information up to date on our current server. Thanks to Betsy Richter for her ongoing efforts and to Brad Smith for donating the new server space. The remainder of the year will be focused on transitioning the Buckman Community from the Yahoo group to the Big Tent intra-school communication network and transitioning the website.

**OMSI Partnership**

Classes continue to participate in OMSI partnership visits funded by last year’s auction paddle raise. In addition to the “Physics of Juggling” assembly back in November, most classes have now had at least one additional OMSI experience. Some classes have opted to have OMSI outreach programs come and visit the classroom and others have selected to go on a field trip to OMSI for a reserved lab class. By the end of this school year, each class will have engaged in three OMSI learning experiences, meant to strengthen the connection between creativity and science.

**Parent Teacher Association (PTA)**

The Auction raised about \$40,000 and SCRIP has raised about \$5,000 this year.

**Playground/Recess Volunteers**

Playground Supervision: As the weather improves, there will undoubtedly be a greater need for increased adult supervision during lunchtime recess. Currently in place: Student Council “Safety Citizens” who wear green vests and practice conflict resolution skills learned in Student Council. We need you to volunteer!

Plan of Action for Increased Safety on the Playground during Lunch Recess: 1. Trainings for volunteers: April 3, 2-2:45 and May 1, 2-2:45. Gym with Peggy Tims Claudia Mason (cmason@pps.k12.or.us) Trainings by appointment Kammy Kern-Korot (kammymatt@aol.com) 2. Check-in Process: After initial background check, please sign-in at office, get a badge, put on a vest and (optional) take a clipboard. The training will include learning volunteer roles, recess norms, schedule and layout, and how to lead a few games with the kids (from Peggy Tims, PE / wellness teacher), and a bit on conflict resolution with

the kids from Claudia. We will also discuss parent interest in reviving the Life Skills curriculum at Buckman and potential parent volunteer assistance with that. 3. Formalized games supervised by PE teacher Wed-Fridays 4. Increased resources for play: chalk, jump ropes, balls (We welcome donations.)

**Run for the Arts**

Arts-integrated learning at Buckman is kicking into high gear this spring with the addition of our Young Audience Residencies. Through the funds raised at our fall Run for the Arts event, all classrooms are able to hire artists to help plan projects and performances. Grade teams are working together so that all students benefit equally and teachers can decide the best fit for their curriculum. Second-graders have been busy working with performance artist Sarah Liane Foster from the Nomadic Theater Co., preparing for *Cirque du Buckman and Portland: A Musical*, a performance scheduled for March 19. In this performance, the second-grade science unit on balance and motion comes to life, with movement and physical comedy. Third-grade classes are working with composer-conductor Ralph C. Nelson on their production of *Portland: A Musical*. This play is a wonderful opportunity for students to learn the history of our city as they learn the original score, and a memorable experience for families as well. Artist Mark Brody has been working with fifth-grade classes on the continuation of the mosaic for the wall in front of the school. Students have designed and built their clay tiles and the work is glazed and ready to fire. Installation will happen later in the spring. Stay tuned for more about kindergarten, first- and fourth-grade Young Audiences Residencies in next month’s issue.

**Site Council (SC)**

Awaiting news on budget updates. On March 17 PPS will release budget information to school administration. A joint BPAC and Site Council meeting will take place at 4:30 on April 1 to look at proposed options. Decision will be shared at a community meeting to likely take place April 15th. School Improvement-related writing continuum document was shared. Work will continue to progress with Claudia Mason sharing a more complete document with the Site Council on March 23. A technology grant application to Mt. Hood Community Cable will be soon submitted by Linda Nichenko. This grant aims to address some of our technology needs, among other things.

**Stand for Children**

The February rally in Salem was very successful. Many Buckman families attended. This remains an important time for advocacy. Contact Melissa Moholt-Siebert for more information.

**SUN**

SUN’s revenue is down significantly, putting the program in jeopardy; in response to SUN’s financial crunch, the SUN staff members will be experimenting with a new way of doing SUN during spring term. While some standard classes will remain, we will be experimenting with some new formats in somewhat of a “hybrid” model between old and new this spring term. Diane and her team have been talking with students and utilizing their ideas in putting together plans. Many older students have been somewhat bored with some of the current class formats and so SUN is experimenting with a “studio” and/or “club” design. Each day will have a theme and older students will work in small groups on student-led projects around their interests. The younger kids will also have a daily theme but they will work in more of a “stations” format, with literary, math, science, art or movement stations related to the general topic. The SUN staff welcome your feedback and ideas. See the Buckman Weekly Bulletin from February 25, 2009, for more details; you can download it from the Weekly Newsletter Archives on the school website, [www.buckmanelementary.org](http://www.buckmanelementary.org).

**Tray Conversion Project**

The PTA committed \$1,000 seed money for a new dishwasher last spring; Kammy Kern-Korot reports that not much progress on finding a new dishwasher has been made. Kammy Kern-Korot has explored potential grants and Green Schools contacts, and she has continued to organize volunteers to wash the reusable trays. She reports that she does not have connections in the community to drum up additional money. Sheila Baraga stepped up to help, but there hasn’t been much more interest than that. Kammy plans to meet with Sheli Bryan to look at the Hands On Portland volunteer recruitment tool. New ideas and energy are needed.

**April Calendar**

- 4/1
  - Principal Tea 9:00am
  - Joint Site Council/BPAC Meeting 4:30pm
  - Communications and Marketing Meeting 6:30pm
- 4/6
  - SUN Spring Classes Begin
- 4/8
  - Buckman Beat Posted
- 4/15
  - Buckman Community Meeting Planned
- 4/29
  - Site Council Meeting 3:30pm
- 4/30
  - BPAC Meeting 6:30pm
- 5/4-8
  - Staff Appreciation Week

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**BUCKMAN SNAPSHOTS: ART SHOW & SELL**

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**Buckman Inside Out**

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Browsing Art in the Cafetorium



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Misfit Green Toys



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Students enjoy henna art



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Juli and Samantha: Art Show &  
Sell Co-Chairs



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Student artist selling work



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Artist Brian Reed



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Cashier stations in the Library



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Good eats in the kitchen



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Frances & Voodoo Doughnut



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Fantastic volunteers



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Teachers enjoy the show



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Kids' hands-on art area



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Student art in the silent art auction



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Artist gallery



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Chorus sings Saturday morning

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