

Open Classroom



Adult Blanket Giveaway

As you may know, our students will participate in a Blanket Giveaway in their classrooms on the last day before winter break. This year that falls on Friday the 18th. It's a fine community building tradition that has been



going on at our school for a long time. They will select a special something from their possessions, or make something from the heart, and bring it to school to give away. In return they will choose another someone's special something to take home with them. They will tell the new owner why the item is special. In doing this they give their classroom community insight into who they are as people.

We adults are usually asked to be elsewhere during our child's Blanket Giveaway.

Isn't it great that we have an opportunity to spend that time building our big people community? So, parents you are invited to an Adult Blanket Giveaway. Stay tuned for an exact time as we get closer to the date but as usual we will meet in the front hall by the office and pick a location based on the size of our group.

This is not the first year we have done this and past participants have remarked on what a meaningful and fun experience it was.

So be brave and show up with your imperfect thing (Seriously, if "I don't knit very well" is a thought that's holding you back, you might miss out on the awesome!

That would be sad!) I look forward to hearing your stories.

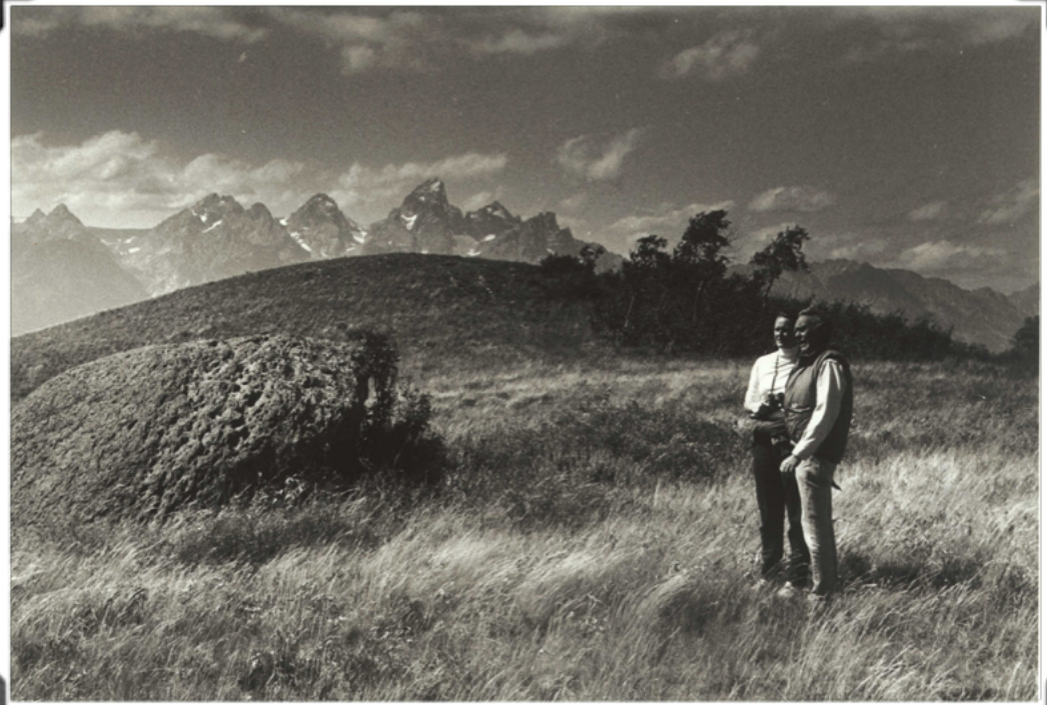
Hoping to see you there,

Leslie Phillips
(Eliza/Shelten)

Teton Science School Fundraising

Talking with kids about planning and budgeting

Dear friends,
There has been a lot of talk about fundraising for our kids to experience the Teton Science School.



Here's an idea for another way to set aside some funds and get the kids involved.

Think about some optional expense for your family. For example, Friday night fun such as going out for dinner and a movie. Talk with your kids about it. "If we go to dinner and see the movie, it will cost our family \$50 dollars. If we stay home, make pizza, and get a movie from RedBox, it will cost our family \$10 dollars. Would you rather spend the extra \$40 on an evening out, or should we choose to stay home and put the \$40 towards the Teton Science School trip?"

Another possibility was suggested by a parent in our class. Instead of an expensive birthday party at the trampoline place or wherever, let's put that money towards the Teton Science School trip and celebrate everyone's birthday in the mountains.

For your family the choices might be different, but the concept is the same. Making choices now with intention for the future.

Christy (Zoey in Ruth's)

Upper Grade Writing Explore Class





Parent/Student Info Meeting

Tues Jan 12th @ 3 pm in the library

Auditions

Wed Jan 13th @ 3-5 pm in the gym

Rehearsals Thur Jan 14th 3-5:30 pm and run Mon-Thur 3-5:30 pm except Feb 10th and 11th 1:30-4 pm (student may leave for PTK Time)

Techies start Feb 1st

Show Time !!! Feb 25, 26 and 27th @ 7:00 pm

Parents agree to: Provide one rehearsal snack for company.

One task (program, set building, etc...)

Be on time to pick up children.

Student agree to : Scheduled rehearsal time.

Follow company agreements.

Stay on top of academic work.

Great attitude!

Having Fun !!!!!

Cost: \$10-\$20 for show tee-shirt. Students may be asked to provide shoes and pants for the show

In the
cafeteria...
Ginger bread
making with
community connections
committee!



Holiday

Bazaar

Dec. 4th

6-8pm

Fun!

In the gym...
make non-denominational
gifts with the
Art committee!

CLOTHING DRIVE UPDATE

WE COLLECTED ANOTHER 3,106
POUNDS DURING OUR MOST RECENT
DRIVE TO MAKE OUR COLLECTION
TOTAL 7,066 POUNDS!
SO FAR THIS YEAR WE HAVE
RAISED
OVER \$1,400!

**Next Drive:
After Spring Break**

Thank you to all who have supported this fundraiser. Please continue to collect clothing items for our next drive. Let's try to push our collection total to more than 10,000 pounds!

Any questions? Contact Lori Gillespie at lori@ocslc.org

Current OC Student and Alumni News

Academy of Creativity & Performance with City Academy
Presents



**KEEP
CALM
AND
JUST THINK**

DECEMBER 3, 4, 5, & 7th

CITY ACADEMY AUDITORIUM—7PM

TICKETS—Adults \$10 Students \$8 Children under 10 \$6

Seussical-Theatre Young Audiences

Is presented through special arrangement with Music Theatre International (MTI).

All authorized performance materials are also supplied by MTI.

www.MTISongs.com

Please come join over thirty current OC students and OC Alumni in Academy of Creativity's Seussical. We have students from 7 schools across the whole SL Valley involved and they are very excited to share with you all of their hard work over the last 8 weeks. Kirby Saxton is playing Horton, Tori Wood is playing Gertrude, and Lilly Schlenker is playing the Cat. The show is not only acted by students but our technical work is all done by students too.

Our performances are December 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 7th at 7 PM with a 2:00 PM matinee on Saturday, December 5th.

The show is great for the whole family. Kids of all ages are welcome. The matinee on December 5th, will be perfect for the wee little ones.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students, and \$6 for children under 10.

The production will take place right down the street from the Open Classroom in the City Academy Auditorium.

555 East 200 South SLC, UT

Parking is also available behind the school.

The Open Classroom Upper Grades, along with Tina and Claudia's class, will be walking down to City Academy to see a free sneak preview at 1:00 PM on Thursday, December 3rd.

We hope to see many of you there to support past and present OC students.