

# WEEKLY WARRIOR

Official Newsletter of Philomath High School

## Families create together during Art Night

Last week, first trimester art students participated in Art Night Tri 1. Art Night celebrates the end of a trimester of art classes with an exhibit of student work, studio time for students to teach family and friends what they learned, and voting for People's Choice Awards. This trimester's People's Choice Awards went to senior Bailey Bell for her 3D sculpture and the 2D award went to JJ Lewis for his drawing, "Words of a Story."

Over 50 people were in attendance including students who were both art students and in that night's musical performance of Newsies. Philomath High definitely has some double-threat fine and performing artists!



Sophomore Luna Sutton worked on ceramic projects with her family.



Senior Bailey Bell poses with her award-winning piece.



Sophomore Levi Storch and family.



Sophomore Leah Kramer and family try ceramics.

Graduate EVERY student and transition each of them into a job, training, or college.



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# Dates to Remember

## December

- 14 PHS Winter Concert, 7 pm
- 18-Jan. 1 Winter Break

## January

- 15 No School - Holiday
- 17 Chat with the Principal
- 26 No School

## From ASB *By ASB Co-president Lorelei Schell*

### Giving Tree

The Giving Tree is located in the main hall. Tags with age ranges and appropriate gifts ideas are located on the tree and are up for grabs. Swing by and snag a tag to purchase a gift for a kid in need this holiday season. Gifts need to be delivered unwrapped and no later than Dec. 13. A box is located in the front office for gifts to be dropped off.

### Social Night

PHS is hosting a holiday social night on Wednesday, Dec. 13. The event will be in the auditorium starting at 7 pm. We will be showing Home Alone and having a sugar cookie decorating competition. There will be popcorn and an ugly sweater contest. Admission will be canned food.

### Holiday Assembly

The Holiday Assembly is going to be held on Thursday, Dec. 14. There will be fun games, a choir performance and a cheer performance. Join us for a fun time and lots of laughs.

### Spirit Week

This upcoming week is holiday spirit week!

- **Monday: Ski Trip** Bring out your inner skier or snowboarder. Wear your puffer jackets, boots, and hats.
- **Tuesday: Candy Canes** Wear red, white, or both to resemble everyone's favorite holiday treat - a candy cane!
- **Wednesday: Ugly Sweater** Find the ugliest sweater that you have and own it!
- **Thursday: Holiday Characters** Do your best to dress up as your favorite holiday character to spread some holiday cheer.
- **Friday: Pajamas and Santa Hats** Show up in your favorite pajamas but, don't forget your santa hat!

### Candy grams

Candy grams are being sold in the main hall for \$1. Stop by the table to buy a candy cane and leave a nice note for a friend. Tuesday, Dec. 12 will be the last day to purchase.

# Islas-Santos attends prestigious band conference

Every year, students audition to be part of Western International Band Clinic . This year we had one student from Philomath attend, senior Cody Islas-Santos. WIBC is an opportunity for students to participate in honor bands and work with world renowned composers and conductors. Cody said, "I loved the whole WIBC experience. I got to meet and get to know great composers, challenge my playing skills, and make friends with fellow band people. This trip reminded me of why I love music and I'm so grateful I could go this year."



# Newsies musical was big hit at PHS



PHS put on four performances of Newsies last week. The play was double cast and in the photo below sophomores Liam Bennett and Ike Avery had their big roles.



Freshman Maggy Real, sophomores Avery Wilson, Hollie Barton and Magnolia Warren.



Freshmen Isabelle Norman, Ashlynn Pike and Gunner Eveland.



Jackson Rice and sophomore Lucy King.



## Mr. Henderson presents to Planes, Trains, and Automobile Club

Planes, Trains and Automobiles Club invites a guest speaker each month to speak during their club meeting.

This month, Principal Mr. Henderson shared his passion for motorcycling with the students. He has been involved with many different motorcycle clubs since beginning this journey in 1976.

Mr. Henderson is currently part of two organizations: Indian Riders Motorcycle Group and Silent Service (which is a veterans motorcycle group).

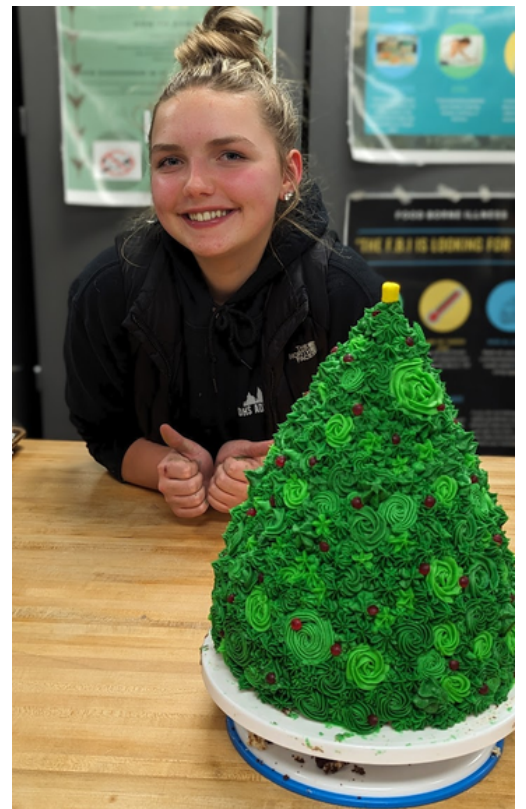
## Let PHS know about holiday absences

As we approach the new trimester and the holiday season we would like to remind everyone of the importance of students being in school. As we know families travel for the holidays, if your student is going to miss school, please let us know about the absences.



The best ways of notifying the school are calling the 24-hour attendance line at 541-929-3177, calling the main office at 541-929-3211, or emailing [shelly.kohn@philomath.k12.or.us](mailto:shelly.kohn@philomath.k12.or.us). If leaving a message or sending an email, please make sure to include parent's name, student's name, reason for the absence, and days of the absence.

When missing school, it is a student's responsibility to collect all work that they will miss while out of town. Please have your student reach out to their teachers in order to collect any work they might be missing before leaving on their trip. This will help students from falling too far behind in their classes. If you have any questions on the process for students missing school please reach out to us.



## Students create holiday cake

Sophomore Belle Muir (pictured above) and junior Natlie Dunn did a Culinary Independent Study last trimester. They created this chocolate and chocolate chip seven-layer cake.

# Senior News

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## Create FSA ID, use aid estimator to prepare for FAFSA

Seniors, if you haven't already, please take the time to [create an FSA ID](#).

The 2024-25 FAFSA form will be available by Dec. 31. [Learn how to prepare for and stay informed about the FAFSA launch](#).

Use the [Federal Student Aid Estimator](#) to get an early estimate of what your federal student aid could be after submitting the new form.

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## Seniors work on career ed

Seniors will work to earn .5 credit in Career Education. The first step is using YouScience, a tool designed to help students explore and understand their strengths and aptitudes.

Seniors should update or complete their YouScience by Dec. 14.

## Senior All Night Party registration now open

Senior parents, please go to the following [link](#) to fill out the Google Form to register your student for this year's Senior All Night Party. The cost is \$75 through the end of 2023 and the price goes up after that.

Please remember to bring your check to the PHS office, mail it in, or pay via Venmo, in addition to filling out the registration form. If you have any questions, contact [philomathseniorparty@gmail.com](mailto:philomathseniorparty@gmail.com)

## Important dates for seniors

### December 15:

Benton Community Foundation Scholarships open

### December 31:

FAFSA opens

### January 1:

Philomath Community Foundation Scholarships opens

### January 2:

Senior Yearbook Quotes due

### January 9:

FAFSA Drop In Workshop at PHS and from 3:30 to 5:30 pm.

Assistance provided to seniors and their parents to fill out the new FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid.

### February 15:

OSAC Scholarships Early Bird deadline

### March 1:

OSAC Scholarships deadline

### March 20:

Benton Community Foundation Scholarships due



# Take Classes as a Family!



## Winter Term 2024

### Improv Theatre Fun

**Starts: February 3**

**10:00-11:50AM**

**4-weeks, Saturday**

**CC-210, LBCC Albany Campus**

**Fee: \$69**

### Beginning Conversational Spanish: Family Edition

**Starts: January 8**

**5:30-6:50PM**

**8-weeks, Monday**

**CC-213, LBCC Albany Campus**

**Fee: \$69**

**Please note: Class locations vary. See the class schedule for locations nearest you!**

**Minors are welcome to register with the accompaniment of an adult guardian who must also register for the class**

**Call to register 541-917-4840  
or go to [linnbenton.edu/register](https://linnbenton.edu/register)**



**Click here to view all  
Non-Credit Classes**

# ATHLETICS & ACTIVITIES

## Winter sports get underway



Photo Credit Philomath News

Girls basketball beat Junction City 43-37 in first game of the year.



Photo credit Philomath News

Boys basketball knocks off 5a South Albany 54-46.



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Wrestling at Cascade meet: Varsity team places fifth and JV team goes 18-6 overall



Photo Credit Philomath News

Girls Basketball players junior Zoe Howard (center) and freshman Reagan Heiken (right) show off their dance moves during half-time of the boys basketball game. A Junction City player (left) joined in the fun as well!

## Booster Club to meet next week

The next Booster Club meeting is Sunday, Dec. 11 at 6 pm in the Community Conference Room.

## Information

Below you will find links to corresponding sites that will provide you with current information for athletics and activities.

### [OSAA](#)

Game schedules; dismissal, departure, and return times; rosters; coaches contact information, etc.

### [PHS Athletics Page](#)

Calendar, sports registration, athletic forms, athletic handbook and policies, athletic fundraisers, etc.

### [Athletic.net](#)

XC and Track and Field Meet information

### [Philomath News](#)

Local coverage about Warrior sports.

**Please note that game times are subject to change, so please check schedules prior to scheduled events.**

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# Community Events:

## Philomath Christmas

### Sing-a-Long

December 9, 2023

Marys River Grange Hall  
24707 Grange Hall Road

7:00 pm



- Dessert Pot Luck-
- Holiday Dress or Ugly Sweater-
- No Alcohol – Please Carpool-



For more information about the Parade of Lights, see the [Philomath City website](#).

