

## World Water Day!

This past Monday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> of March, was National World Water Day, and the whole school had the privilege of having a guest speaker to talk to us about the matter; Dr. Jack Dunningan. Dr. Dunningan is a Senior Policy Advisor to the Undersecretary of Commerce for Ocean & Atmosphere National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration. He gave a very informative presentation about how water is the life force that keeps our Earth healthy and unique. He explained how some local practices have a global effect on everybody, as well

as future challenges with water such as keeping its quality clean and accessible to third world countries. I was most shocked to hear that every day millions of people die from not having the water they need.

Before Dr. Dunningan left, he graciously donated two sets of books, which are from the NOAA and Smithsonian publications. They are titled *Hidden Depths*, *Atlas of the Oceans* and *Ocean, Our Water, Our World*. These are located in the Upper School building and we give

great appreciation to him for his contribution to our library.

The talk for me was influential and was a great reminder for me to turn off the water every time I brush my teeth or wash the dishes. Hopefully if we all spread the word, we can all help save water. Today we take so much for granted, even something as simple as water. The world needs to take action, not just for itself but for all those who live inside it.

Chelsea Connor  
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## Children's Garden Puppeteers to put on a show

As part of our outreach efforts, the Waldorf School of Baltimore Children's Garden Puppeteers will be performing *Roly Poly Rice Ball*, a Japanese tale, at 4:30 p.m. on Thursday, April 15, at the Waverly Branch of the Enoch Pratt Free Library, 400 East 33rd Street. We'd love to see you there for this after-

school program. The story is mostly appropriate for children from nursery through first or second grade, but many older children do enjoy it.

The Children's Garden Puppeteers participated in last spring's marionette workshop: Kimberly Field, Jen Baumgartner, Wendie Grader Beck, Laura Ferguson, Jessie Whitaker,

Lisa Bechmann, Brooke Redgrave, and Charlotte Landgraf. Gretchen Maxwell and Jane Emory also participated in the workshop but are not performing in the current show, although Gretchen typed the script for us.

Charlotte Landgraf

## Get your green on: Waldorf School at Eco-Fest, April 17

Calling all eco-minded parents and Waldorf family members. Already planning to attend the Baltimore Green Works Eco-Festival on Saturday, April 17? In case you're still in traction from too much snow-shoveling and didn't hear about it, Baltimore Green Week's kick-off event, EcoFest, invites local food vendors, growers, businesses, and organizations that maintain a sus-

tainable focus. There will be plenty of activities happening so use this opportunity to try something new like yoga, take a bike ride around the reservoir, dance or sing along to June Star and the Frontier Dentists or take a moment to enjoy a back massage.

Sounds like fun, yes? Well, while you're there, imagine yourself as an ambassador for the Waldorf School.

We are looking for volunteers to be a vibrant presence at our booth. The Green Committee is working with the WCA to come up with some engaging activities, and we'll be well-supplied with beautiful promotional materials and talking points so you can share your enthusiasm for Waldorf education with other festival-goers. People are always in a great mood at this event, and it's a perfect opportunity to