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ALDO LEOPOLD CHARTER SCHOOL

WEEKLY UPDATE

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We shall never achieve harmony with the land, any more than we shall achieve absolute justice or liberty for people. In these higher aspirations, the important thing is not to achieve but to strive. -Aldo Leopold

News for all

Student Led Conferences

The reason that we have Student Led Conferences and not the traditional Parent/Teacher conferences, is because we believe that it is important that students learn to speak for themselves. In the days before the conferences, students reflect back on their first quarter to prepare themselves to share with you where they failed themselves, what makes them proud, and what they hope to achieve going forward. This time around **middle school conferences will be on Thursday and Friday, October 24 & 25. High school conferences are on Friday only.** There will be *no school* on these days. However, **YCC and Internships will run.** High school students are responsible for getting themselves from their work crew or internship to the school for their conference and back to the job site. Call Cathie (HS) or Andrea (MS) to schedule your conference.

Let the stars shine



Anna (sophomore), Aji (senior), Denali (Silver senior), Ruby (Denali's sister), Reaya (Silver Senior), Michelle (senior)

Aldo is too small to have our own sports teams, so our athletic students play sports for the Silver High Fighting Colts. For five years (!!) seniors Aji and Michelle have been a force on the girls' varsity team. This past Saturday, the girls played Ruidoso in their final home game (well...depending on how their next away district games go, they *may* have one more game at home). The Ruidoso goalie earned her keep with the dozens of shots on goal by the Silver team. Bad news: none of those went in. Good news: 2 minutes and 36 seconds into overtime, Michelle scored the winning goal and the crowd went wild!!

Color our town beautiful!



will be on **Saturday, October 26 at 1:00 pm**. Come see the finished project and pick up a native plant *for free!*

There are many kinds of walls

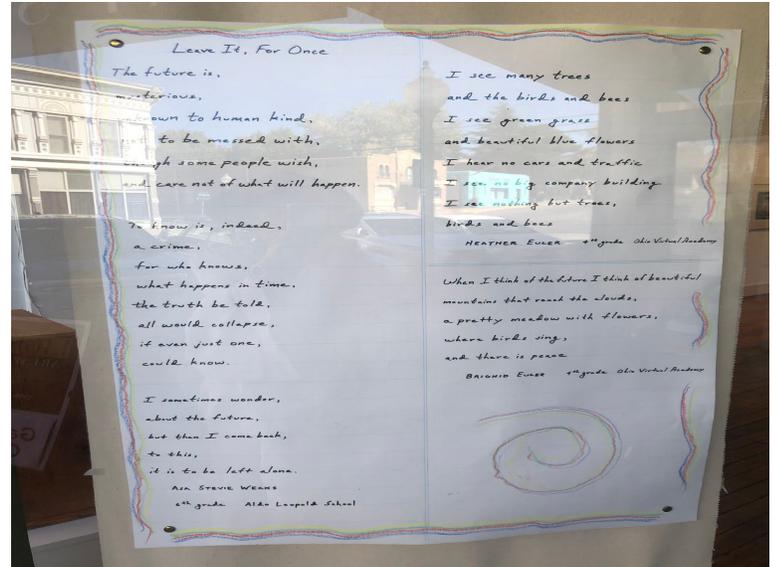
The former Silver City Poet Laureate, Elise Stuart, visited Mr. Cantrell's 6th grade class four times this year to encourage a love of poetry. One sixth grader has the poem that she wrote in those four sessions, hanging as part of the Poetry Wall at Light Source Gallery on Broadway. The poetry wall was inspired by a tradition in ancient Mecca for the tribes to honor one poet's poem by embroidering it on cloth and hanging it during the festival days.

Leave it, for once

The future is,
Mysterious
Unknown to human kind,
Not to be messed with,
Though some people wish
And care not of what will happen.

To know is, indeed,
a crime
for who knows
what happens in time,
the truth be told,
all would commapse
if even just one
could know.

I sometimes wonder
about the future
but then I come back,
to this
it is to be left alone.



Another hoop

Our **charter renewal hearing date** has been set: **Thursday, December 12 in Santa Fe**. We are third on the agenda, so probably around 1pm. As we know more we will let you know more. If you are interested in testifying on behalf of renewing our charter, please contact Mr. Sherwood. Almost there!

Lunch

Wed., Oct. 23 < Cowboy Chili, Corn Bread, Veggie Tray, Mixed Salad, Fruit

Thu., Oct. 24 < Pot Stickers, Steamed Rice, Stir Fried Veggies, Salad, Fruit
(HS ONLY! *MIDDLE SCHOOL HAS SLCs*)

Fri., Oct. 25 < No SCHOOL (SLCs-MS & HS)

Committees

Wed., Nov. 64:30pm.....[SHAC](#).....Jim's room

Calendar

Thurs & Fri., Oct. 24 & 25.....Student Led Conferences, Middle School-No school

Fri., Oct. 25.....Student Led Conferences, High School-No school

Mon.,-Thurs., Nov. 4 - 7.....Sonoran Sojourn - All students new to the HS

Say it loud and proud

The middle school public speaking class has been researching topics they care about and learning how to present these topics as a speech. **Wednesday morning at 8:45** on our locally run radio station **KURU 89.1** these brave kids will be answering questions about poaching, the media, suicide, and endangered species. Please, tune in!

High School

As if backpacking wasn't enough

Any student new to the high school (all 9th graders, included) will be going to Arizona from **Monday morning, November 4 through Thursday, November 7** on what is known as the [Sonoran Sojourn](#). This trip includes: Chiricahua Mountains (Turkey Creek region), Dragoon Mountains (Eastern Chiricahua Stronghold), El Coronado Ranch, Coronado Dairy, Forest in the Desert, Catalina State Park, Arizona-Sonora Desert Museum, Tohono Odham Gardens, Los Morteros —plus a side-trip to Tucson's Fourth St. The purpose is to: To deepen our understanding of desert ecosystems and the myriad adaptations (plant and animal... “human-beings” included) that sustain life in desert regions. See the website for a detailed [letter and permission slip](#).

Middle School

The fun begins

The middle school student council will be throwing their first event of the school year!

Movie/Games will be shown and played at the middle school this **Friday evening, October 25**. Doors open at **6:00** and no students will be admitted after 6:30. Admission is free, drinks and food will cost you between \$0.50-\$1.00. Here's the most important part for parents: ***please pick your kid(s) up by 8:30 pm!!***

Parking!

The Middle school parking lot will be redone either next week or the following week. Be on the look out for directions about temporary changes to the flow of traffic (or Miss Bailey out there waving frantically).

Things are happening

The [middle school weekly update](#) this week covers Andrea's new car, SLCs, what some students and staff did on their fall break, Mr. Cantrell (always), and what is going on in the 7th grade classes.

Mission

Aldo Leopold Charter School provides an engaging and challenging educational program emphasizing direct experience, inquiry learning, stimulation of the creative process, and stewardship of our community and natural environment.

Vision

Aldo Leopold Charter School graduates will use the skills, perspectives, and information they gain at school to enhance their own lives and to advance social, economic, and environmental sustainability.