

## July News 2019

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### Save the Date!

We're just a few short months from our October 5 *Wine Our Way* event at WillowsAwake Winery in Leeds! Attendees will have the opportunity to hear from cold-climate wine experts, enjoy a guided tasting of New England wines, sample hors d'oeuvres made from local farm ingredients, and tour the vineyard and tasting room at this beautiful new Maine winery.



### Become a sponsor or host committee member for our 2019-2020 events!

Wayfinder Schools will host two events during the 2019-2020 school year: *Wine Our Way*, our fall event hosted at WillowsAwake Winery & Vineyard, and our annual *in Conversation with Richard Russo* event, hosted by Pulitzer Prize-winning author Richard Russo and a visiting writer. **All pledges made by September 2nd will benefit from having their company/name on all promotional print materials for Wine Our Way.** Pledges made after September 2nd will still be represented on all day-of event materials.

Make your pledge early and benefit from representation at both events!

Click on the button below for more information.

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## Sewing Project

Before school let out for the summer, our students made pouches for reusable silverware! Not only did they learn new skills around the sewing machine, but they took a step in making an environmental impact by reducing their use of plastic silverware. Students also recycled old t-shirts by turning them into bags!

## Kiera's Passage Project

When Kiera was pregnant with her son, Ryker, she learned she has celiac disease. For her Passages graduation project, Kiera decided to focus on gluten-free cooking. She worked with her teacher and longtime culinary instructor Cathy Ames-Cruz to research recipes, budget, shop for and prepare a delicious Mexican meal. Her menu included zucchini soup, a beef casserole, fruit salad with cinnamon chips, a flourless chocolate cake and Mexican iced coffee. Before serving her meal to six lucky staff, students and community members, Kiera gave a presentation on celiac disease and how to shop for gluten-free food, including how to read food labels. Not only did participants learn something new, they enjoyed a fabulous meal as well. Congrats Kiera!



## Meet Andrea Itkin!

This month we would like to introduce Andrea Itkin! Andrea joined the board during our 2018-2019 school year and has been an integral part in planning our events. Before retiring, Andrea taught Wayfinders' Passages students



for 10 years followed by a year-long stint conducting acting workshops for residential students. We are so fortunate to have her expertise and guidance! Learn more about Andrea and the rest of our board below.

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