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THE VIKING VOICE

EXPRESS

Calendar

MEMBERSHIP PLEDGE DRIVE



The PTO is proud to have presented a check to the BOE and Karen Hudock for \$15,000 based on fall fundraising totals. We need to raise \$15,000 more during the pledge drive to fulfill the WAMS wish list. So far to date we have raised \$5710. The PTO remains committed to provide funds to enhance our children's educational experience. All donations go directly towards funding the fantastic events and activities the PTO sponsors throughout the year, and it's tax-deductible. Thank you to all of you who have already contributed to our Drive. Your response to this fundraiser is truly appreciated! Please send your pledges! If you have not received a pledge form, please visit

www.williamanninpto.com to print one out!

VOTE for BOARD of EDUCATION CANDIDATES
VOTE on the SCHOOL BUDGET
REMEMBER to VOTE on WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27th
GET INFORMED

For information on each candidate, please go to
www.williamanninpto.com

PTO Meeting Update

At our last PTO meeting the evening of April 6th, Superintendent Valerie Goger presented the 2011-2012 school budget and answered parent questions, including inquires on the absentee ballot process. **Please vote on Wednesday, April 27th**. Former School Board Member, Lisa Winter also invited Julia Sass Rubin, of Princeton and Professor of Public Policy at Rutgers, to speak about the grass roots, parent organization, SOSnj (Save Our Schools New Jersey) which tries to lobby Trenton for needed school funds. We thank both speakers for their informative presentations.

Please consider attending the next Board of Education meeting, Monday, April 25th where plans for the solar projects will be finalized.

There will be no PTO meeting in May.

The final PTO meeting of the year will be the Volunteer Appreciation Brunch and Officer Induction for next year on Wednesday, June 8th with details to follow.

For full calendar go to
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APRIL

- 22 GOOD FRIDAY/
SCHOOL CLOSED
- 25-29 Teacher Appreciation Week
- 25 BOE Meeting/7 pm/WAMS Auditorium
- 27 School Budget Vote
- 27 General Meeting WAMS Athletic Organization/9:15 am Small Cafeteria Annex/ open to the public
- 28 Band Trip to Monroe Township H.S., 8:30am-2:00pm and Chatham Middle School, 5-10pm
- 28-29 Art Show/New Gym
- 29 Earth Day, periods 3,4, and 8

MAY

- 1 WAMS AO Nomination Forms due
- 3 NJ ASK TESTING/6th and 7th
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- 5 NJ ASK TESTING/6th and 7th
- 5 5th Elective Cycle Ends
- 6 NJ ASK TESTING/6th and 7th

8th graders arrive between 9:55 and 10:00 am during 6th/7th grade testing

** (morning buses on a 2 hour delay for 8th graders during 6th/7th grade testing)

- 9 BOE Meeting 7 pm WAMS Auditorium
- 9 NJ ASK TESTING/8th grade (Make-ups/6th and 7th grades)
- 10 NJ ASK TESTING/8th grade (Make-ups/6th and 7th grades)
- 11 NJ ASK TESTING/8th grade (Make-ups/ 6th and 7th grades)
- 11 RHS/WAMS Jazz 7pm RHS
- 12 NJ ASK TESTING/8th grade (Make-ups/6th and 7th grades)

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DISNEY'S CAMP ROCK ROCKED AUDIENCES

Please access the following link to view pictures of the Camp Rock Events:
[http://filip-everaert.smugmug.com/Events/William-Annins-Camp Rock](http://filip-everaert.smugmug.com/Events/William-Annins-Camp-Rock)

CELEBRATE SPRING AT NJ AUDUBON'S MAY DAY

Visit Scherman Hoffman Sanctuary in Bernardsville Saturday, May 7 from 10:00 to 4:00 pm for a free family event featuring live music and entertainment; hands-on nature activities; live animal demonstrations; displays from local organizations and more! Bring the kids for lots of fun nature crafts and games for the little ones, Nature's Treasure Hunt and free face painting provided by local Girl Scout Troops. Visit www.njaudubon.org/go/MayDay for more details, and we hope to see you there!

SEVENTH GRADE VIKING VIP'S

The seventh grade teams will be honoring four students per team who exemplify Viking Values every marking period. This replaces the Quarterly Character Awards given in past years. Each team of teachers voted on students based on the Viking Values. The four values are courage respect, integrity, and responsibility. Students who win the VIP award display the courage to do the right thing when no one is watching, treat others with respect, demonstrate responsibility, and act with integrity. This award recognizes the actions of the true VIP's at William Annin. The seventh grade teachers are proud of these students and their accomplishments and recognize their efforts at making our community a better place. The third marking period recipients are:

Gold Team: Sophia DeMarchi, Raquel Cordivari, Christophe Aigner, Anthony DelGaizo

Blue Team: Scott Gordon, Maly Marsters, Austin Conti, Julia Mueller

Green Team: Bernard Jewson, Shawn Zimmermann, Kaitlyn Boyle, Evelyn Bigini

ABSENTEE BALLOT

Consider sending an absentee ballot for the April 27th election. The county clerk must receive the ballot form one week before the election to be considered. If you change your mind and want to vote in person, you must bring your unused ballot along with you to the polls. It is once again crucial that we pass the budget to allow for optimal programming for our children. For a copy of the absentee ballot please go to:
www.williamanninpto.com

WAMS ATHLETIC ORGANIZATION NEWS

SAVE THE DATE:
May 14th is the WAMS AO Car Wash Fundraiser to Defray Costs of Pay to Play

WAMS Athletic Organization General Meeting & Open Board Positions

The WAMS AO general public meeting is **April 27** at 9:15 a.m. in the small cafeteria. The AO invites all interested persons to attend. The AO Executive Board is accepting applications for the 2011-13 school years for the positions of secretary, treasurer and PTO representative/Public Relations chair. These positions require a two year commitment. The job descriptions are as follows:

The **Secretary** keeps meeting minutes and attendance and reports the minutes at each meeting. The secretary is also responsible for generating contracts for the coaches and assistants and maintaining records.

The **Treasurer** handles the financial affairs of the AO and serves as liaison to each team regarding the finances. The Treasurer prepares quarterly and year end statements for review by the AO at their regularly scheduled meetings. The Treasurer prepares each team budget and is responsible for any and all disbursement of funds. The Treasurer is also responsible for ensuring compliance with annual tax filings.

The **PTO/Public Relations liaison** sits on the AO and PTO Boards and is responsible for communicating between the two entities. The PTO Representative is charged with generating school spirit surrounding the WAMS athletic program. He/she serves as liaison to the WAMS Webmaster for the AO and communicates athletic events in the Viking Voice and other local media.

Please submit applications by **May 1**. Applications/nomination forms can be found at the WAMS AO website or by accessing the following link:
<http://docs.google.com/viewer?a=v&pid=sites&srcid=ZGVmYXVsdGRvbWFpbmN3YW1zdGVzdHxneDozYjVINDM0OTcxNjg4MmM2>