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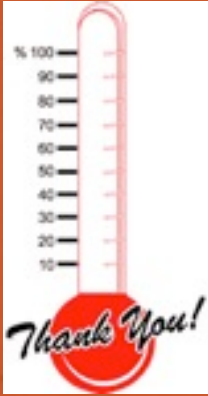
# THE VIKING VOICE

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### Calendar

For full calendar go to

[www.williamannincto.com](http://www.williamannincto.com)



#### MEMBERSHIP PLEDGE DRIVE

The PTO would like to thank our generous families for helping us achieve our fundraising goal of \$15,000. To date we have received a total of \$17,375 from over 300 families. If you still would like to make a donation and do not have a pledge form, please visit

[www.williamannincto.com](http://www.williamannincto.com)

#### JUNE

- 3 WAMS Music Dept. Trip to Hershey Park
- 8 WAMS PTO MTG/  
VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION BRUNCH  
(9:15 am/MEDIA CENTER)
- 9 Field Day/7th Grade
- 10 Field Day/7th Grade Rain Date
- 10 MVV Assembly, 6th Grade
- 10 Student Stars to Great Adventure  
9 am-6 pm
- 13 Medieval Times Field Trip/  
6th Grade
- 13 Field Day/7th Grade/ Rain Date
- 13 Student Stars to Great  
Adventure/Rain Date
- 13 BOE Meeting/7 pm/  
WAMS Auditorium
- 14 MVV Breakfast/7-7:45 am/  
Cafeteria
- 15 Last PAC Meeting/9 am/  
Small Cafeteria Annex
- 17 EARLY DISMISSAL/12:15 pm
- 17 7th Grade Viking VIP Luncheon
- 17 8th GRADE POOL PARTY
- 19 Band at TD Ballpark  
Patriot Game
- 20 EARLY DISMISSAL/12:15 pm
- 20 8th GRADE POOL PARTY/  
RAIN DATE
- 20 8th grade GRADUATION DANCE  
7-9:30 pm/gym
- 21 EARLY DISMISSAL/12:15 PM
- 21 8th GRADE GRADUATIONS  
5 pm / 6:30 pm / 8 pm
- 22 **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL**  
**EARLY DISMISSAL/12:15 pm**
- 22 4th Marking Period Ends/  
6th cycle ends
- 22 Awards Assembly/7th grade
- 23 Last Day for Staff
- 30 Report Cards Available on HAC



#### PTO MEETING UPDATE



Past, Present, and Future Volunteers, please remember to rsvp for our final PTO meeting of the school year,

**The Volunteer Appreciation Breakfast,  
Wednesday, June 8th, 2011 at 9:15 AM  
in the WAMS Media Center.**

The meeting will include a buffet breakfast, the induction of new PTO Board Officers, a school update by Principal Karen Hudock, and farewell remarks from our outgoing PTO Board Members.

All parents are welcome and encouraged to attend!  
Please rsvp to [wamspto@yahoo.com](mailto:wamspto@yahoo.com).

#### AUGUST

- 30 New to district student orientation

## Spring Pledge Drive Honor Roll of Donors

The William Annin Middle School PTO would like to thank our most recent donors for making our Spring Pledge Drive a success. Your donations have made it possible for us to enhance our children's learning environment by fulfilling the WAMS Wish List. If we inadvertently omitted a name, please accept our sincerest apologies. Thank you again for your generosity and support!

Ardiff Family  
Cordasco Family  
Curtin Family  
Gallimore Family  
Kisker Family  
Ruiz Family  
Shimoun Family  
Venn Family  
White Family

## Did you know?

Your overwhelming response to the Membership Pledge Drive has resulted in fulfillment of the WAMS Wish List, including:

- ✓ **Computer Cart** for Language Arts Teachers
- ✓ **Finish update to Woods Room equipment** which includes a portable planer, disc sander, and a disc sanding center
- ✓ **New Sound Board** and podium for the auditorium to enhance all the sound and allow for amplifying all performances, concerts, shows and meetings
- ✓ **Chalk Board Replacements** to enhance the visibility of the material, projectors can easily be displayed on white boards and it will cut down on airborne allergens created by the chalk dust
- ✓ Various **subscriptions** for social studies/world language programs
- ✓ Requests from **WAMS Media Center** such as FLIP video cameras to record data in science projects, make commercials in Comm Arts classes
- ✓ **Books** for the new Student Book Club groups where students choose and read the same book and then meet a month later to discuss the book

## NOTES FROM THE PTO SECRETARY

As PTO Secretary I would like to thank all of the volunteers for your dedication and support. It certainly made my job easy this year. Warm regards,  
Wendy Boudreau

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Thanks to the refreshment committee for helping to make another school event successful!  
Game Show was a fun night out for the students!

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Thanks to Liz Bagnato, Nina Collins, Elaine Edge and Tracy Giuseffi, the chairs of the End-of-Year Staff Appreciation Lunch, and all of the volunteers who made it a terrific success.

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Thanks to the members of the Cultural Arts Committee, Wendy Boudreau, Mason Hoeller and Liz Leonard for providing the Signature Project to WAMS students.

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Your PTO Dollars at Work:

On May 26<sup>th</sup> the PTO hosted a Cultural Arts Presentation entitled the Signature Project. The Signature Project is a tapestry that combines art, music, people, science, nature and food. It is an unfinished work of art that is comprised of individual signatures of people Patrick Dunning has met for the past 17 years.

## **WAMS-AO CAR WASH BUBBLES OVER WITH SUCCESS**

The WAMS-AO car wash, held on Saturday, May 14th was a huge success. Our student athletes and parents washed, rinsed and dried an endless line of cars and made a profit of \$3,400! That's a new record for our annual car wash event. Students learned a great lesson that hard work pays off and while they had fun, they also helped to defray some of the costs for William Annin's pay-to-play sports program. Congratulations to all those students and parents that came out to help. We are proud of you!



### **THANK YOU FOR REGISTERING YOUR STOP & SHOP CARD!!!!**

WAMS will be receiving a check for \$492.42 from Stop & Shop!!!!

## **EARTH DAY**

The seventh graders at William Annin Middle School celebrated Earth Day on April 29<sup>th</sup>. The day included a combination of interdisciplinary activities stressing the importance of reducing, reusing and recycling in order to make our school and community more eco-friendly. The entire seventh grade took a preliminary test in early March to determine a baseline of eco-conscious habits seventh graders are capable of changing. Over the course of a month, the students completed a daily log in their science classes. The week before Earth Day, students were retested to determine if there was an increase in their earth-friendly habits. We are proud to say that the seventh grade as a whole improved in all fourteen areas that were targeted!

In addition, a Public Service Announcement Contest was held. Participants created a video clip or PowerPoint that stressed the importance of being earth friendly. Grace Armstrong, Samantha Hahn and Srinivas Mandyam received first place, Kathie Guo, Erik Dannedberg, and Srinithi Vasudevan all received runner up prizes. The seventh grade also participated in the Eco-Rally on Sunday, May 1st sponsored by the Environmental Education Center at Lord Sterling Park. Amanda Warshaw received the Leadership Award for running her own eco-business and contributing to environmental charities. Earth Day was a success at Annin and we hope everyone will try and make every day Earth Day!

## **RIDGE HIGH SCHOOL PTO WELCOME DESK**

Volunteers are needed to staff the Ridge High Welcome Desk. Duties include signing visitors in and out of school, directing them to the appropriate offices and assisting with items dropped off for students to pick up. There are two shifts per day either 8-11 a.m. or 11-2:10 p.m. If you are available for a once-a-month commitment for the entire school year, please fill out the Welcome Desk Volunteer Form located online at [www.ridgepto.com](http://www.ridgepto.com) under "forms". You may sign up with a friend, but if two people are applying they must submit two forms stapled together. This year we will first fill the openings with the people who did not get a spot last year and then follow with a general lottery. We usually have more applicants than spots available for the Welcome Desk. If you have further questions, please call Lisa Decker 626-9340 or Kris Leopold 766-9202, Welcome Desk Coordinators. Do not turn in the Welcome Desk form with any other PTO sign-up form. The Welcome Desk form must be mailed separately to Lisa Decker by July 31, 2011.