

The 3 R's: Remarks, Reminders, and Relief!

3rd Thursdays—

10 Minute Meeting

January 23rd- Free Donuts!
10 minutes— We've got the
Cream!

Topic :

Your 7 Hours of Professional Development

If you wish to donate to Larry Ruth's Campaign—make your check payable to "New Solidarity" and send it to Ed Currier.



Problems/issues recently resolved

1. Exit Survey—new and improved!
2. In-service credit to be awarded for AED training.
3. Seniority issues all addressed and resolved.
4. Request for back up alternative to Electronic submission of budget.

Itemizing your Taxes? WTA deductible dues amount is \$532.00.

Rule of thumb #3 Need tuition help? Always ask for a tuition waiver and keep asking!
(Contact HR.—Abbi Buddington for details)

Donna Schumacher and her Scholarship committee have been sponsoring a **3-point Basketball shoot out contest at Wayne's Home Basketball games**. At last report, they had raised around \$100.00! She shoots—She scores!



Knights of the Round Table (President's Council)

You remember the Knights of the Round Table - those gallant

few who were willing to put their swords aside and come together peacefully to discuss issues, ideas, and concerns and then ride off into the sunset ready to fight for and protect the community of Camelot (or something like that). Every month, here at Wayne Central, seven people can be seen gathered at the "round" table, side by side as equals, swords sheathed, discussing concerns and issues, and planting the seeds of ideas. These seven are Pat Yates - WTA President, Lori Sensenbach, -WTA Internal V.P., Kathy Emison, -contract expert/Retirement Delegate, Mike Havens - Superintendent, Abbi Buddington - Human Resources, Greg Atsef - Assistant Superintendent of Business, and Larry Spring - Assistant Superintendent of Instruction.

This coming together began back in the days of Dr. Crombe (several superintendents ago) and was called the Joint Faculty Administrative Council.

Different administrations have held different views regarding this coming together at the table. The current administration highly values this spirit of collegiality. Pat Yates says, "This round-table group has become a community of trust for fact gathering and decision making. I cannot name any other group that has helped me grow more." "I'm enjoying the spirit of shared decision making that these meetings produce. I feel that the good will generated by both parties at this table will enable us to continue to solve many problems in the future," states Kathy Emison.

What is the goal or overall purpose of these meetings? Larry Spring believes that, "The "roundtable" is very positive activity for the district. It functions as a low-key way to bring out concerns and issues, to gather information, get questions answered, and discuss issues. It is a great way for the administra-

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tion and association to collaborate around common issues... great solutions come from these discussions." Abi Buddington summarizes it in this way, "The purpose and goal of these meetings, is to look at our organization through the lens that considers, "What is best for the children in our district?" I feel very fortunate to

be surrounded with strong educators who hold this purpose dear to their hearts. I also feel we are committed to looking at each issue with the goal of finding a solution that offers benefits to all involved. I have enjoyed the challenges and rewards these meetings have produced."

Truly, the goals of the "round" table are being met. Barriers of the us vs. them mentality have been broken down. The door of communication is open. A collegial atmosphere exists and is inspiring true collaboration. Chivalry is not dead - welcome to the new code of the Wayne Knights of the Round Table!



VALENTINES DINNER DANCE

Benefit for Darlene Fousse

Friday February 7th, 2003

Arena's Banquet Center - Webster

Flower City All Star Big Band 9 pm—Midnight!

\$30.00 per person / \$60.00 per couple

Tickets on sale through 1/23

Contact: Julie Crandell, Tom Sousa, or your building contact person

