

WAYNE'S WORLD

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President's Message

The Wayne CSD school budget for the 2008-2009 school year was passed on May 20, 2008 with a 75 percent vote. The WTA used a portion of its returned VOTE-COPE contributions from NYSUT to launch a Get Out the Vote campaign in support of the budget. As part of this campaign the WTA mailed letters to fellow NYSUT retirees and members from other school districts who were eligible to vote, placed an advertisement in the Wayne County Mail Newspaper, and posted 5 yards signs through the Walworth and Ontario area. **Thanks go out to WTA members Pat Yates, Kathy Uerz, Jean Stein, & Julie Diffenderfer** who allowed us to place signs in their yards.

The WTA is currently engaging in its VOTE-COPE drive for the 2008-2009 school year. We are asking all members to donate at least \$1 per paycheck – members who signed up for this deduction previously do not have to do anything as the deduction continues year after year.

Unlike the NEA-NY where PAC were automatic for every member, NYSUT collects its political action funding through VOTE-COPE. Without your donation NYSUT's capabilities are limited.

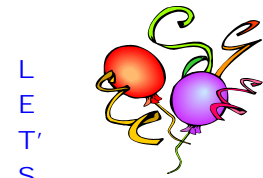
Save the date- the Making Strides for Breast Cancer walk will be held at Frontier Field on October 5, 2008. The event is co-sponsored by NYSUT and will mark the second year in a row in which the WTA participated. More information regarding signing up to participate and collecting donations will be distributed the first week of the 2008-2009 school year.

The WTA is currently working on an MOA that will allow members to take ½ paid day for breast and prostate cancer screening. This ½ day screening will not be deducted from you accumulated sick days. You will be eligible for 1 paid ½ day cancer screening per year. If you have already used a sick day for this current school year, you will be able to apply for a ½ day

credit to be added to your sick bank. There will be more specific information as to what you need to do to take advantage of this MOA including providing proof of screening, once the MOA has been signed and goes into effect. Finding breast or prostate cancer early when it is most treatable can make the difference between life and death. The American Cancer Society recommends yearly mammograms starting at age 40 and continuing for as long as a woman is in good health. A breast exam by a doctor or nurse should be part of a periodic health exam, about every three years for women in their 20s and 30s and every year for women 40 and older.

WTA elections for building reps, negotiators, and a tie breaker election for delegate will be held this Thursday, May 29. Ballots will be distributed Thursday morning and due by the end of the contract day in your building.

Jason Carter



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CELEBRATE !

Stork visits: It was all boys in April!

OP: Jackie Lesek had baby Logan during the last week of April.

Sara Stein welcomes baby Ethan!

OE: Jeramiah Brant's wife gave birth to Nathan!

Wedding Bells are ringing at the HS- Frank Geoff (former HS) and Lorraine Isgreed tie the knot on May 24th!

FE: collected \$59 for the Weisenreder fund through a quick in house bottle & can collection.

MS: Congratulations to Amy Stahl (7th grade math) who was hired by Barrons (the book Co.) to write a review book to prepare students for the NYS Math test given in March. You can buy it in stores beginning in August!

Wayne Central School District's

2008 Golf Tournament

When: Friday, June 13, 2008

Where: Crooked Pines ~ Macedon, NY

Who: Present & Past Wayne Central Employees (spouses included)

\$25.00 per person—Checks can be made out to Martha Hanley



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

WTA Thursdays

May 29 VOTE—COPE
& WTA Elections



Issues currently being discussed / explored:

- Part time staff and superintendent's conference days.
- Cancer screening release time
- Domestic partner agreements
- Reworking of the WTA Citizenship Awards

- Staff Harassment training

Issues acted upon/resolved:

Dates to Remember:

May 12 (Mon.) VOTE –COPE drive begins.

May 29 (Thurs) Elections for Building Reps & Negotiators

May 29 (Thurs.) JP Morgan Corporate Challenge at RIT

June 2nd (Mon) Proposals for summer and fall TRC professional Development sessions due to Barb Heald.

June 6th (Fri) Baby Blanket collection for Afghanistan ends.

June 13 (Fri) Open enrollment / Insurance plan changes due to HR.

Rule of thumb #48: "When people tell you to go home—maybe you should!" (I ought to listen to my own advice!)

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Who's Got Spring Spirit!?!?



1. Julie Crandall, Rachel Ford, Jen Laux, Tim McBride, Amy McGinn, Krista Surowy, and Lee white.

2. Rhiley Wheaton, Tracy Watson, Lisa Marino, Beth Peters, and Molly Van Orman.

3. Ashley Aman, Kim Cox, Cathy Crable, Nancy Domm, Brenda Drexler, Luarie gilbert, Nancy Golden-Gulino, Martha Hanley, Sylvia Hungerford, Tracy LaBarge, Amy Mc Ginn, Heather Melnick, Kimberly Northrop, Jessica Rice, Amy Tausch, Beth Uetz, Jason Carter, Kevin Shoemaker.

4. April Roods Donald Nelson-Nasca, Dan Keilon, Brian Petty, Rachel Ford, Shari Hurney, Jason Carter, Shelly Hop-

kins, and Kasha Grisley.

Spring Fever has hit! All these WTA members are going above and beyond to reach out in their community to make a difference. That's what makes teachers/educators such a special group of people—they never stop reaching out, helping others, trying to make a difference! Of course I could recognize each and every one of you throughout the course of the year for the extra hours, the amazing fund raising efforts, the special attention paid to that one kid or family, the creativity, the ingenuity, the passion, the drive that these 4 groups of staff represent. In case you don't know what they're all doing:

Group 1 is the Spike's Hike Team who just

hiked for the Special Olympics over the weekend and by participating in the 50/50 share program Wayne will get 50% back of what they raised!

Group 2 is the Afgans for Afghanistan blanket collection team! There is still time to donate a blanket if you wish.

Group 3 is the awesome Corporate Challenge team. The 2007 challenge helped the foundation donate more than \$500,000. to not-for profit organizations across the US.

Group 4 is the group of teachers who are offering courses in our first ever Summer Exploration Institute for 3rd thru 8th graders— everything from Adventure Activities to a Youth Fire Academy!

Investing for Your Future

403 B's, Roths, IRA's Mutual Funds, Annuities, stocks, bonds, life insurance, 529 plans. What's in your portfolio? When should you start investing? How do you know if your investing enough? What if you want to change something? Come get all your questions answered or just find out what Mike has to offer (besides cookies and brownies. . .)

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