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PARENT FACULTY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER ~ JUNE 2008

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From the Office of Principal Tom Gwin

Congratulations to the students of the Class of 2008 as they move on from the Winchester Public Schools. The seniors will finish with their prom on the Skywalk at the Prudential Center on June 4, a luau at Borggaard Beach on June 5 (6:30 pm), graduation rehearsal/senior luncheon on June 6 (10:30 am- the gym), graduation on Sunday, June 8 (2 pm- the gym), and the all-night graduation party (9:30 pm, June 8, McCall). I am very proud of our seniors as they achieved academically, artistically, and athletically, committed themselves to service in the community, and modeled the characteristics of responsibility, integrity, dignity and excellence for the underclassmen. I would also like to thank the senior parents for all of their support.

The Main Office is a very busy place these days as the WHS administration and faculty close out the year while simultaneously planning for next year. We are committed to completing the registration and scheduling process so that students receive accurate schedules much earlier in the summer than in the past, an increased number of students get their selected electives, and the number of directed study halls for students is minimized. We will send an update of our progress in mid July. Have a great summer!

Climate Control Leadership Training: On Friday, May 2, sixty-three WHS students, nominated by teachers and representing the diversity in the school community, participated in a leadership training geared to enrich the school climate. This program, originating from the School Improvement Council and supported with a grant from the PFA, is the beginning on an initiative to provide ongoing training for students in leadership and character development. During the training, students discussed the barriers that kept different groups of students apart in the school, the qualities of an ideal school climate, and steps and strategies they could take to improve the atmosphere in the school. The 63 students, under the direction of youth development consultant, Tabitha May-Tolub, and facilitators from the Winchester community, also participated in activities meant to break down the barriers among themselves. Students completed evaluations of the program at the end of the day. Students were asked "What was the most important thing that you learned today?" Answers included:

- Everyone has a story you don't know about.
- Everyone has more in common than you think.
- Students really can make a difference.
- Not to judge people.
- Making everyone feel safe and comfortable.
- Being honest and open is the best thing a person can give back.
- We can all learn from each other to make WHS a better place.
- We can actually change things in the school for the better.
- To be nice to people.
- Be yourself.
- Keep an open mind.
- I matter.

At the end of the day, the students were energized and motivated to make positive change in the school. WFEE recently awarded WHS a grant so further trainings can take place next year. Stay tuned for further developments.

JUNIOR AWARDS NIGHT HAS BEEN CHANGED FROM JUNE 10 TO MAY 28, 7:30 P.M.

From PFA President, Carol Cashion

As we turn (remarkably) to the last page of the 2007-2008 school calendar, I want to use this space to thank the parents of WHS for making such an important contribution to the success of this school year. Thank you, first, for your financial support of the PFA. Nearly half of our school families answered our Direct Appeal, and with that funding we were able to support a wide range of projects, ideas and initiatives that both strengthened student learning at WHS and strengthened our school community as a whole. It's wonderful to be able to "yes" to good ideas and urgent needs. We are so grateful.

Secondly, a big thank you to all the members of the PFA Board and other PFA volunteers who worked hard all year in so many different capacities. I won't list everyone here, but I'd ask you to scan the names posted on the website of those who served this year and offer them a word of appreciation when next your paths cross on the sidelines, at year-end events, or in Winchester Center. Not only do I appreciate their work, but I've discovered something surprising and encouraging: WHS students appreciate it as well. They've even willing to say so, frequently and eloquently. Just because our sons and daughters are more independent doesn't mean they don't feel encouraged and validated by our continuing involvement in the life of their school. Amazing, but true!

Enjoy June and enjoy the summer, and very best wishes from the PFA to our graduating seniors and their families. See the rest of you in September!

WHS-PFA: NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2008-2009 BOARD

There are still openings on next year's PFA Board. The Nominating Committee is looking to fill the positions of Co-Secretary, Assistant Budget & Grants Coordinator, and Co-chairs for the Enrichment Committee. If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact Karen Erikson at Karenerikson@comcast.net or 781-729-7249. Thank you.

STRAWBERRY POPS

The WHS Music Dept presents its Strawberry Pops on Tuesday, June 3 in the High School courtyard facing Nelson St.* The evening includes performances by the Concert Band, Jazz Band, Orchestra, Sinfonietta, Chorus, Chamber Singers, and Octets. Admission is \$5, and includes strawberry shortcake. Serving starts at 6:30, the concert at 7:30. Bring your own blanket and join us under the stars for a lovely evening of music.

*Rain location – the high school auditorium.

ATTENTIONS ENGINEERS

The **technology and engineering** department at Winchester High School has recently begun several projects. We would like to invite **all experienced engineers** to assist us in our endeavors. Thanks to funding from ENKA, WFEE, the WHS Parents Association and the Murphy Foundation we have entered our planning stages for three major projects. We would like to bring in **engineers who are interested in robotics or in building a solar powered electric car.** If you, or someone you know, would be interested in participating, please contact Debe Holland at debe.holland@comcast.net. We appreciate any knowledge that you could bring to the projects.

CLASS NEWS

CLASS OF 2008: SENIOR NEWS

With Graduation 2008 fast approaching for the seniors there are many fun events still to come! For Prom 2008, the Senior Reception will be at the McCall Middle School at 6 pm. After the reception and the promenade, the students will board buses to the Prudential Center and they will be bused back at 11:30 pm.

On Thursday, June 5th, the Senior Luau will take place at Borggaard Beach from 6:30 to 9:30 pm. Come for a fun, relaxing night full of food and outdoor activities.

On Friday June 6th, Graduation Rehearsal will start at 10:30 am in the Gym. The faculty asks that all students be prompt and attendance will be mandatory. Following the rehearsal there will be a senior luncheon at 12:00 pm in the WHS courtyard. Students can pick up their caps and gowns, and senior gifts in the auditorium during the luncheon.

On Sunday June 8th, the Class of 2008 will receive their diplomas at the Graduation Ceremony in the WHS Field House (Gym). Seniors should meet in the cafeteria in cap and gown no later than 1:30 pm.

The All-Night Graduation Party is Sunday June 8th, starting at 9:30 pm. The Class of 2008 would like to thank the All Night Graduation Party Committee who worked so hard to provide us this event. The seniors truly appreciate it.

The Class Officers of the senior class would like to thank the WHS administration, faculty, staff, the PFA, the parents, the class advisor Mr. Robbat, parent advisors Mrs. Erikson and Mrs. Novicki for supporting the Class of 2008 over the past four years. Also they would like to thank Ms. Town for coordinating the senior activities.

Congratulations Class of 2008!

Memo from the class of 2010

As many of the members of the WHS community may or may not be aware the Class of 2010 is holding a used book drive to benefit the Winchester Oncology center. This center hits close to our grade as several members of our class have suffered from cancer. Any books can be dropped off in the main entrance hallway at WHS before Town Day. All books collected will be sold at a stand outside of Lucia's Restaurant for the duration of town day. Other items will be sold to benefit the Oncology center including "goody bags" and face painting will be available for small children.

We would also at this time like to thank the class cabinet that has helped us so much this year. We would also like to have even more people getting involved in class activities next year, as junior year is quite important.

In closing, we would also like to wish the class of 2008 the best of luck as they are released out into the world. They will be missed in the community and the lessons they taught us will not be soon forgotten.



Winchester High School

CLASS OF 2010

Town Day Booth

Saturday, June 7, 2008

will feature, among other items, a

Used Book Sale

All of the proceeds will be donated to the Winchester Hospital Cancer Center

We need

your help to make this successful...

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DONATE all your unwanted paperback and hardcover used books (must be in fairly good condition). Drop off bins will be set up in the following locations until Friday, June 6th:

- Winchester High School foyer
- DeRosa home: 8 WagonWheel Dr.
- Marotta home: 3 Parker Rd.

-VOLUNTEERS needed from the Class of 2010 to work 1 hr. shifts from 8 AM until 4 PM. Contact one of the Class Officers to volunteer or for more information.



The Guide



A Monthly Newsletter from the WHS Guidance Department June 2008

Dear Parents...

In September 1998, I arrived in Winchester to assume the position of Guidance Director. I can clearly remember how nervous parents seemed about entrusting the stewardship of the department to someone with whom they were unacquainted. As I got to know parents and students, however, I understood that they viewed our department as the gateway to their children's future, and I realized that my job was not only to counsel students and parents, but to ensure that our Guidance Department kept pace with the constantly changing world of college admissions. I was fortunate to work with guidance counselors who constantly reaffirmed my belief that they were consummate professionals.

Now, after thirty years in education and ten years as Guidance Director at WHS, I am retiring. I wanted to share this with all of you. I did not want either students or parents to return in September and be surprised to learn that a new Guidance Director had been hired. But perhaps more importantly, I wanted to say "Thank you" to all of you who have made my job one that has brought me satisfaction and a sense of fulfillment. I have met so many motivated and hard-working students in my tenure at WHS. It really does give me hope for the future of our country. I can't imagine what other path my career might have taken had it not brought me to Winchester, but I am grateful to you for your support and encouragement through the years

Sincerely,

Alice Schellhorn

Summer Mailing to the Class of 2009

A mailing will be sent to next year's seniors in July that will include an unofficial transcript with the student's grade point average (GPA) based upon six semesters. It will also include a list of important dates and deadlines. There is still time before the end of the school year for students and parents to start the college search or explore post-secondary options. Juniors who have not yet established a **Naviance** account should do so as soon as possible so they may

have access to the college planning tools that this web-based service offers.

Final Transcripts for Seniors

The Guidance Department's annual **Graduation Survey** conducted on **Naviance**, asked seniors to indicate to which college or post-secondary institution they wanted their final transcript sent. The Guidance Department is aware that plans do change. A number of seniors have paid a deposit to one college to hold a space for next fall, but have chosen to remain on a waiting list at a second college. Graduates are asked to notify the Guidance Office **immediately** if they wish to change the college to which their final transcript will be sent.

Transcripts to Private Schools

During the course of the academic year, some underclassmen have requested that their transcripts be sent to other high schools to which they are applying. When an underclassman has made a final decision to leave Winchester High School to attend another secondary institution, he/she must notify the Guidance Department, provide the name and address of the school, and request that a final transcript be sent to the receiving school. Without a written request, signed by a parent, neither the transcript nor any other records will be sent.

Space Still Available on College Campuses

Current seniors or past graduates who may have postponed the college application process for a variety of reasons should know that it's not too late to apply to college for next fall. The National Association for College Admission Counseling's web site allows prospective applicants to use the **Space Availability Survey** to find colleges and universities throughout the U.S. that still have spaces available for qualified students in their Fall 2008 freshman and/or transfer classes. 295 colleges and universities still have openings for next September. In Massachusetts, University of Massachusetts Dartmouth and University of Massachusetts Lowell are among the 15 colleges that still have openings for freshmen. Survey results may be viewed at: www.nacacnet.org.

Additional Summer School Information

The Guidance Office has been receiving information from summer school programs that Winchester High School students have attended in past years. In the May newsletter, information was provided about summer school programs at Minuteman Tech in Lexington, Belmont Hill School in Belmont, and Northeast Regional Tech in Wakefield. Other area summer schools that have notified the Guidance Department of their schedules and programs are:

- **Medford High School**

Dates: June 25 – August 6, 2008

Time: 8:00 – 10:00 am or

10:05 am – 12:05 pm

Place: McGlynn Middle School

3002 Mystic Valley Parkway, Medford

Tuition: \$250.00

Registration: Begins Tuesday, June 10 thru Friday, June 20, from 2:00–5:00 PM at the Community Schools Office, Medford High School, 489 Winthrop Street, Medford; or 12:00-2:00 in the 1st floor Guidance Office at Medford High School and the McGlynn Middle School.

REMINDER: Students who need summer remedial work to receive credit for a course they have failed during the year must receive **prior written approval** before enrolling in any summer school course. Approval forms are available in the Guidance Office. **Any student considering summer school, whether for remediation or for enrichment,** should refer to the **Summer School Policy** in the Course of Studies booklet.

Internship Program: Women In Technology

BAE Systems in Lexington is planning to continue its very successful Women in Technology Program that it implemented for the first time in Massachusetts this year. The program allows high school-aged women who have an aptitude in math and science the opportunity to explore careers in various engineering disciplines. It also provides mentorship to those young women in hopes of encouraging them to pursue a technical career. The program plan calls for

sessions to be held once a week for 16 weeks, from 1:30-3:30 PM. The WHS senior who took part in the program this year had the opportunity to rotate through Electrical, Mechanical, Software, Microwave, Signal Processing and Manufacturing. Students leave school in time to be in Lexington by 1:30 each Wednesday afternoon, and must provide their own transportation. Any female students in the classes of 2010 or 2009 who may be interested in applying for this internship opportunity should contact Alice Schellhorn immediately.

Summer College Fair at Brown U.

Brown University's Office of Summer Studies will be hosting its 16th Summer College Fair on Thursday, July 10, 2008 from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. Over 100 selective colleges and universities will be sending admissions representatives to participate in this event. The fair will be held at the Olney-Margolies Athletic Center (OMAC), Hope and Loyd St., Providence, R.I. Prospective college applicants and their parents are invited to this program. For directions go to the following web site: <http://brownbears.cstv.com/school-bio/brow-visit-guide.html>

Boston University Summer Reading Skills Program

Boston University is offering classes in Malden and Medford for students from kindergarten through college. The classes are taught by instructors from BU's Institute of Reading Development. The programs for high school students in grades 9-11 develops strong reading comprehension while doubling reading speed (based on standardized test results.) A comprehensive approach to reading, studying, and taking notes in novels, textbooks and non-fiction is taught. Flyers with the dates and times of these customized programs for every age are available in the Guidance Office. For more information call 1-800-978-9596.

The Guidance Department wishes a safe, enjoyable and restful summer to all!!

Connect & Commit, Community Service-Learning

We had a very successful 4th annual Winchester Youth Service Day on **May 10**—thank you to all the students and adults who participated. 200 WHS and McCall students completed service projects at the high school, town hall, recreation center, Borggaard Beach, the Aberjona and several other sites, and the results were wonderful.

The district-wide Service-Learning Showcase and Celebration, presented by Connect & Commit, is on Thursday, June 5, 3:30 – 5:00 pm in the front courtyard of WHS. Join students, teachers, parents and community members to learn about the valuable service-learning that classrooms carried out during the year and to celebrate the extracurricular service that students have done through the C&C club and in other school groups.

- Mr. Lannon's Sculpture and Studio Art students and Ms. Daniels' Foods classes' Empty Bowls service learning project will take place at the celebration: learn about local hunger, enjoy a bowl of homemade soup and take a handmade ceramic bowl home.
- Ms. Harvey's Economics service-learning project on homelessness with the Somerville Homeless Coalition
- Ms. Harvey's Dandelion School Exchange Project in Beijing, China
- Ms. Hillstrom's Winchester High School/English High School Exchange
- Mr. Petty's Integrated Analysis project on plastics
- Ms. Alvarez' AP Spanish students' Spanish Butterflies project with Ms. Phelan's 2nd grade class at Muraco Elementary
- Jackie Lionetta's School Store for a Greener WHS

- Julia McElhinney's independent study Temperature Monitoring project
- Ms. Elion's reading class' Book Brunch
- Ms. Pomerantz' 7th grade English Great Depression /Food Drive project
- Ms. Harrison's Ambrose 2nd graders at the Winchester Nursing Center

These projects and others were made possible by funds from many generous sources, including the Mass. Department of Education, Learn and Serve America, the Winchester Foundation for Educational Excellence, the Winchester High School PFA, and the Winchester Community Service Foundation. Thank you!

Tuesday, **June 3 is the last club meeting**—students please come help with the last preparations for the June 5 celebration and for the June 7 Town Day booth.

Volunteers are still needed this summer for:

- The Reading Discovery Program, July 21 to August 14. Work with teachers Monday through Thursday, 8:30-10:30 am, to tutor incoming 1st and 2nd graders in reading at this program held at Ambrose Elementary. Training is provided, and it's okay if you can't volunteer all 4 weeks. Sign up in the Connect & Commit office by Friday, May 23.
- The Winchester Extended Program for Special Education needs volunteers July 7 – August 7 or 14th (5 or 6 weeks), 4 or 5 days per week, 8:30 – 11:30 am. Work under the direction of a teacher to support the learning of students in this program, mostly elementary level. At Lynch Elementary. Minimum commitment is 1 full week. Sign up in the Connect & Commit office by Friday, May 23.

You can sign up these or many other summer service opportunities in the Connect & Commit office. Students are encouraged to come by until June 17 for individualized help identifying service projects for the summer or to pick up a Summer Service Opportunities guide (also available through your guidance counselor and on the C&C bulletin boards).

Thanks to all the adults volunteers who made recent service projects possible, including Kate Ebbott, Pam Reeve, Nancy Wilson, Brett Cook, Karen Erikson, Mr. Marchand, Mr. Skinder, Charlie Lizotte, Officer Perenick, Ruthann deRedon, Tracy Troiano, Geraldine McGill, Jack LeMenager, Ms. Mullane and others I might have missed.

Please see the final list of this year's opportunities below. To be placed on the parent email list for monthly updates next year, please send me an email at the address below.

Have a wonderful summer!

Best wishes, Amanda Gordon, Program Director, agordon@winchester.k12.ma.us 781-721-7020 x1999

Connect & Commit June 2008 Volunteer Opportunities

Events

Sundays, May 4 to June 15

TOPSoccer Junior Coaching 1:00 – 2:00 pm, Lynch field

Join other "junior coaches" who serve as one-on-one buddies with a TOPS athlete to provide guidance and support while performing soccer drills, playing in a game and sharing a Popsicle and conversation. TOPS (The Outreach Program for Soccer), offered by the Winchester Soccer Club, allows children with disabilities to play soccer through rule and equipment adaptation. Not necessary to be there every week. Excludes Memorial Day. Contact Melinda at melindaweber@comcast.net with questions. (As always, a C&C liability waiver is required.)

May 28-June 1st

2008 Spring Showcase, Boston

Boston Ballet School

Are you organized and cool under pressure? Do you enjoy the satisfaction of staging a performance? The BOSTON BALLET SCHOOL is looking for volunteer leaders to work backstage and manage a team of volunteers during each performance of the school's 2008 Spring Showcase which features young dancers from all three of the ballet school's locations. Performances are Friday, May 30, Saturday, May 31, and Sunday, June 1 at the BCA's Cyclorama, 539 Tremont St., Boston. Rehearsals are in the evening on May 28 & May 29. Responsibilities include gathering volunteer contact information, assigning volunteers to rehearsals and performances, directing volunteers before and during a performance, and serving as communications liaison between the Boston Ballet School and volunteers. Volunteer Leaders should understand what it takes to plan an event and be willing to assist with 2-3 performances and/or rehearsals. If you are interested please contact Marissa Krolewski at mkrolewski@bostonballet.com or (617) 456-6264.

Thursday, June 5 District-wide Service-Learning Showcase & Celebration 3:30 – 5:00

Join students, teachers, parents and community members to learn about the valuable service-learning that classrooms carried out during the year and to celebrate the extracurricular service that students have done through the C&C club and in other school groups. The Empty Bowls service learning project will take place at the celebration: learn about hunger locally, enjoy a bowl of homemade soup and take a handmade ceramic bowl home. In the front courtyard of the high school. Presented by Connect & Commit.

Saturday, June 7 – Connect & Commit table at Town Day – 2 hour shifts

Students needed to represent Connect & Commit and sell C&C tie dyed T-shirts, give out information about the program and the student club. Sign up at Connect & Commit office.

June 7th-8th

Hike-a-Thon, Blue Hill Reservation, Milton

Habitat for Humanity

Mark your calendars for the 13th Annual "Take a Hike for Humanity" hike-a-thon, sponsored by Habitat for Humanity Greater Boston. This year's hike takes place on Saturday and Sunday, June 7-8, at Blue Hill Reserve in Milton, MA. Register as an individual or as part of a team (\$25 per hiker) for either day, then set a goal and start collecting pledges from friends, family members, neighbors, etc. Walkers of all ages and ability levels - and their dogs - are welcome! Registration forms are available on-line at www.habitatboston.org/events.html, or call 617-423-2223 to request one. Don't feel like taking a hike? **Volunteers are also needed**

to work the registration tables at Blue Hills Reserve on both days of the event. To volunteer, please contact fghome@aol.com. All proceeds benefit the **Newton Habitat** project (www.habitatboston.org). When you register, make sure to specify that you are raising money for **Habitat Greater Boston**, as there are many other Habitat affiliates participating.

June 14th PMC Bedford Kids Ride

John Glenn Middle School, Bedford

The town of Bedford is gearing up for its fourth annual PMC Bedford Kids Ride. More than 300 children are expected to ride one of several routes to raise money for the Pan Massachusetts Challenge benefitting the Jimmy Fund. Check out all the ways you can volunteer at <https://kids.pmc.org/kids2006/volunteer/>. Opportunities range from road crew/crossing guard to events/face painter to food server. If you'd rather ride, sign up for "Fenway", an off-road ride just for teens, <https://kids.pmc.org/kids2006/register/>. There will be a party after the ride with music, refreshments, face painting and more. All riders will automatically be entered into a raffle with fantastic prizes! Riders will receive an additional raffle ticket for every \$10 raised. The ride hopes to raise \$70,000 for the PMC. If you have any questions contact: Amy Mason, a.mason10@verizon.net, 781-275-2248, <http://kids.pmc.org/bedford>.

Saturday, June 21st WorldFest Woburn, Woburn

Social Capital Inc.,

On Saturday, June 21st, Woburn is holding the 2nd annual WorldFest Woburn! Last year, over 500 residents engaged in an exciting day of culturally educating activities. More than 20 diverse vendors hosted tables with food and information from Bulgaria, Argentina, Native America and Sri Lanka. Several bands entertained the crowd with various native sounds from Ireland, Brazil and the Caribbean. In addition to the enchanting music, dancers performed for the crowd. Our goal for WorldFest Woburn! 2008 is to continue the legacy of diversity in Woburn. In the past, Woburn residents from various cultural backgrounds have displayed art, jewelry, and clothing, many of whom will return this year and look forward to learning about our cultural traditions. This year we hope to increase participation in WorldFest Woburn!, and are looking for volunteers to help run the event. If you are interested in participating in this year's event, please contact Andrew Gibson at 781-935-2244 or andrew@sciwoburn.org for more information.

Ongoing

Crate and Barrel/ Second Step donation project

Other students needed to help pick up goods from Crate and Barrel that are being donated to Second Step, a Newton based non-profit agency that provides transitional support service to survivors of domestic violence. Drive the items to the store in Newton, then unload and sort the items at least twice a month on Monday nights. Must have a driver's license and preferably access to a truck or large SUV. Contact WHS student Cam Becker at 781-721-5845.

Jewish Community Center

333 Nahanton St., Newton

Sundays: April 6th, May 4th, May 18th, June 1, June 8

1:00-4:00pm

(12:15-4:45pm with travel)

10 children with neurological difficulties participate in a swim program, followed by a music therapy program. Volunteers provide one-on-one assistance (i.e. have fun and keep safe) and staff provide all direct care. The facility is Kosher and nut-free. Swim caps are required in the pool; there are some there to use if you don't have your own. Bring a towel and a swim suit.

Contact: *Doreen Cummings* or *Patricia Ludwig*, DCummings@jfcsboston.org, PLudwig@jfcsboston.org; 781-647-5327;

www.jfcsboston.org

Junior Volunteer

Winchester Hospital

Winchester

Youth volunteers can run non-patient errands such as delivering charts and reports or transporting specimens to the laboratory, or they can perform patient oriented tasks such as transporting patients within the hospital by wheelchair or stretcher, discharging patients, or delivering flowers. During the summer volunteer shifts are: Mon-Fri 8-11am, 11am-2m, 2-5pm and 5-8pm; Sat-Sun 9am-12noon, 12noon-3pm. A minimum commitment of 24-32 hours is required in the (3-4 hours for 1 day per week for 8 of the 10 weeks).

Volunteers must be 14 or older, have a current (within 12 months) TB test, and official documentation of your immune status (copy of school records are acceptable). There is a \$17 fee for the volunteer uniform. To request an application and confidentiality agreement form: contact Paulette Van der Kloot, Volunteer Services, 781-756-2626, pvanderkloot@winhosp.org.

Campaign Intern

Jason Lewis

Winchester

Summer internships can be full or part-time (flexible hours). Interns will canvass and call voters, record call results, recruit new volunteers, organize and run campaign fundraisers and rallies, help with media outreach and help with issue research and position papers, and If you passionate about progressive politics, interested in becoming involved in a grassroots political campaign, have great organizational and interpersonal skills and are able to work in a fast-paced and diverse environment, please send your name, contact information, and a few sentences on why you want to help get Jason Lewis elected to: Carmen Russell, Campaign Manager, info@electjasonlewis.com (www.electjasonlewis.com)

Deliver Meals

Meals on Wheels

Winchester

Volunteers pick up meals at the Winchester Hospital between 10:30 and 11:00 and, using mapped out routes, deliver them in 35-45 minutes to up to 10 shut-ins. Deliveries are Mon-Fri, but not on holidays. Volunteers can volunteer as much or as little as they want throughout the summer on a regular or irregular basis. Volunteers must have parent's permission, a driver's license and car. Contact Barbara Margossian 781-721-9817.

Teen Leadership Council

Cradles to Crayons

Quincy (Factory Summer)

To be a teen leader you must commit to the following:

- Attend a training session on Saturday, June 7th from 10 am -1pm
- Work at least 14 hours in 1-5 hour increments at The Giving Factory
- Specialize in at least one project area and complete a minimum of 2 shifts in that area before leading a volunteer group.
- Spend one Saturday during the summer leading volunteer groups in The Giving Factory
- Attend 2 scheduled all TLC crew member volunteer days. Dates TBD at training.
- Attend Cradles to Crayons' annual Back-pack-a-thon. Date TBA.

To apply please send the following materials to TLC Program, c/o Lindsay Jensen, 82 Myrtle Street,

Quincy, MA 02171: Completed application packet, one letter of recommendation and a short essay or creative document that addresses "What I Bring to Cradles to Crayons"

If you have any questions please contact Lindsay Jensen at lindsay@cradlestocrayons.org

Tour Guide

The Massachusetts Secretary of the Commonwealth and The State House Tours Division invite high school students to become State House volunteers and welcome visitors to the Massachusetts State House! Every summer for the past 20 years, high school students are selected and trained to give tours of the State house for six or more hours per week. To find out more about the program, request an application, and be added to the waiting list, call Mary Rinehart, Director at (617) 727-3676. You can also go to the [statehouse website](http://statehousewebsite.com) for more details.

State House

Boston

River Clean Up Charles River Clean Up Boat DCR Nonantum Road boat ramp in Newton (Or pick up along the river)

Volunteer to help scoop debris from the Charles River. Our typical day starts about 9:30 (after the morning traffic) and ends around 4:30 or 5:00. The intent is that it be an enjoyable, as well as productive, day. Safety is the most important element. We do not go in bad, or uncomfortable, weather, and head for home if there are any threatening signs. The boat works best with a crew of 2 volunteers and an operator. In addition to financial and volunteer support, the Museum of Science has made available free passes to their exhibits for all volunteers. Ask the captain for one when you go on the boat. To volunteer, contact Robert at 617.262.4028 (rbcant@earthlink.net) or Tom McNichol at 508-877-3624(h) or 508-596-4701 (c) (cleanupboat@yahoo.com) http://rbcant.us/cleanupboat/volunteer_information.htm; http://my.calendars.net/cleanup_boat



**Winchester Youth Center, 458R Main Street,
Winchester, MA 01890, 781-721-0906
www.winyc.com**

WINCHESTER YOUTH CENTER (WYC)

The Winchester Youth Center (WYC) is committed to fostering leadership skills and a long-term commitment to community service through healthy social and experiential-learning activities for teens.

To learn more about the WYC call 781-721-0906 or stop by anytime, we're located on the backside of McCall.

WINCHESTER YOUTH SERVICE DAY

Thanks to all of the WHS students, parents, and faculty members who participated in the 4th annual Winchester Youth Service Day on Saturday, May 10th!

More than 200 6th-12th graders completed clean-up and beautification projects at 14 different sites all over town! Thanks also to the WHS PFA, McCall Parents' Association, Winchester Savings Bank, and Winchester Co-operative Bank for their generous support of this awesome event!

ROCK FOR YOUTH FINALS

Friday, June 6th
7:00-10:00

Final round of the Battle of the Bands

Town Day stage, behind the Winchester Public Library

Featuring:

Girls with Moustaches, Grand Theft Penguin, Hoboken Philharmonic Jazz Quartet, The Real Ghost Pirates, and Sean Kirkpatrick & the Plaster Disaster

Admission is free

Ballots are \$2 each

Proceeds from the Rock for Youth benefit the Harrison Chadwick Youth Service Scholarships and help support the WYC

TOWN DAY

Come check out our WYC booth at Town Day We'll be selling our handcrafted jewelry, backpacks, purses, WYC t-shirts, and sharing info about the WYC!

WYC COFFEE HOUSE

Thursday nights this summer

July 10 & 24 and August 7

8:30-midnight

Featuring live bands, comedians, poets, and open mike

Delicious homemade drinks and desserts

A fun, cool place to spend a summer night!

Admission is \$4

High school and college students only

Please contact the WYC if you are interested in performing at an upcoming Coffee House

MOVIES ON THE COMMON

Thursday nights this summer on the Town Common

Join us for the Indiana Jones Trilogy!

Feature presentations will begin at dusk

July 17: Raiders of the Lost Arc

July 24: Indiana Jones and the Temple of Doom

August 14: Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade

Bring your blanket and lawn chairs and enjoy a night of family fun!

Movies are free to the public

Popcorn and drinks will be available at the WYC concession stand,

all proceeds support the Winchester Youth Center

SCHOOL RELATED EVENTS

In the Mood, JAZZ BAND BENEFIT SEMIFORMAL DANCE, Saturday, June 14, 8:00 to 11:00 pm, St. Eulalia's Church Hall, 50 Ridge Street

Are you in the mood for great music, good company, dancing and a delicious dessert buffet? Then join us at *IN THE MOOD*, a benefit semiformal dance for the Winchester School Bands.

Music by the McCall Jazz Band, Winchester High School Concert Band and Winchester High School Jazz Band.

Tickets are \$20 per person, \$10 for students and senior citizens.

Invite your family and friends! If you order 8-10 tickets, we will reserve a table for you. Contact:

Betsy Goodell, 781-721-0290, bgoodell@us.ibm.com

Tickets are also available at Book Ends.

Meeting of Friends of Music

The final meeting of the year for Friends of Music will take place on Tuesday, June 10 at 7:00 pm in the High School chorus room. We will be recapping the year, approving our budget for next year and electing officers for next year, and starting planning as well. Please join us. If you have any questions, contact Melodie Wing at melodiewing@comcast.net.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Winchester Scholarship Foundation Needs Your Help

In 2007-2008 the Winchester Scholarship Foundation (WSF) awarded \$303,125 to 77 Winchester students. Eligible students graduated from WHS, were accepted at an accredited school or college, showed ambition, broadness of interest, service to others, good citizenship and demonstrated a financial need beyond what family resources were able to support.

The WSF was built on the belief that education unlocks the door to opportunity. The founders of the WSF were concerned about the rising gap between higher education costs and a family's ability to pay. The WSF tries to bridge the gap so deserving Winchester students can realize their full potential.

With college expenses spiraling, your help is needed now more than ever. Donations can be mailed to **Winchester Scholarship Foundation, P. O. Box 174, Winchester, MA 01890**. Thank you!

Farmer's Market: Mark your calendars for Saturday, June 14 – the date of Winchester's first Farmer's Market! Laraway Road (between the town common and the train tracks) will be the site of our market every Saturday from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm, from June 14 into October. At least 10 vendors are committed so far. Spread the word to your neighbors, and visit <http://www.winchesterfarmersmarket.org/> for information. Fred Yen and committee are busily working on vendor recruitment, marketing, and fundraising; contact Fred at fcp://@winchester.k12.ma.us,%231001790/Mailbox/Compose fredyen@att.net or 781-856-0761 to get involved.

Studio Art Classes

Small group studio classes in drawing and painting in Winchester are being offered by former Winchester High School art teacher and Director of Art, David Ardito.

The Fall term of art classes at the Sanborn Cultural Center on High Street in Winchester will start in September, 2008 and will run through November, 2008. There will also be Winter and Spring terms to be announced at a later date.

There will be a total of 10 class meetings in each term and classes are held on Tuesdays from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Class size will be limited to 6 students.

Instruction will include **life drawing and painting** with an emphasis on the development of observational drawing and painting skills and also on expressive drawing and painting techniques. There will also be opportunities for students to develop their **creative portfolios for college admission** and instruction will include portfolio assessment and counseling. Classes are offered on a first come, first serve basis and juniors and seniors will receive priority over underclassmen.

David Ardito is an artist with thirty-five years art teaching experience at the secondary level, most recently for nineteen years at Winchester High School. He was the K-12 Director of Art for Winchester Public Schools for nineteen years and is currently on the art education faculty at Mass College of Art.

For David Ardito's resume, a registration form and for more information about fees and curriculum please email David at vdpaa@yahoo.com or david.ardito@massart.edu or call 781 910 7119.