

## GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS - JUNE 2010

### YOU ARE INVITED!

**The McCall Parents' Association invites you to a RETIREMENT OPEN HOUSE in honor of Principal Vandy French. Please join us on Thursday, June 10 from 6 pm to 8 pm in the Palmer & Tucker Rooms, First Congregational Church, 21 Church St., Winchester.**

Principal Vandy French is retiring at the end of this school year. In 1967, Vandy began his teaching career at Winchester High School. He served as an Assistant Principal at Winchester High School from 1975 to 1984. In the fall of 1984, Vandy became Principal of the McCall Junior High School, now known as McCall Middle School.

Over the years, Vandy has been active in many aspects of our community. He was one of the founders of the Winchester ABC Program, an advisor to the Multi-Cultural Network, a founding member of WinCAM, one of the founders of Parent-to-Parent, and a former board member of the Sports Foundation. Vandy has been a coach and is also an active supporter of the arts in our Town.

To celebrate Vandy's career in the Winchester Public Schools and his contributions to the community, the McCall Parents' Association, the WHS PFA, and other community members are hosting an OPEN HOUSE for Vandy on June 10 at the First Congregational Church.

You and your family are invited to join us in reminiscing and wishing Vandy well. Please share this invitation with friends, students, classmates and parents who might like to join in this celebration. All are welcome. Music to be provided by the Jubilation Singers, WHS Chamber Singers and the WHS Octets. Light refreshments will also be served. If you have any questions, please contact us at [president@mccallpa.org](mailto:president@mccallpa.org).

### McCall Middle School Interim Principal Announcement

Superintendent Bill McAlduff recently announced the appointment of Mr. Ralph B. Marotta as the Interim Principal of the McCall Middle School effective July 1, 2010. Mr. Marotta has thirteen years of experience as an Assistant Principal at the middle school level both in Winchester and Medford, and is currently serving as the assistant principal at McCall.

Mr. McAlduff anticipates conducting a new search for the McCall Middle School's principal position starting in December 2010.

### INFORMATION FROM EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

iPod Tectutorial Follow Up - The iPod Tectutorial was presented on May 10, 2010, by Ms. Golas and Mrs. Najarian. For those of you who could not attend, you can access the resources presented by using the link below. iPods not just for music!

<http://mail.winchester.k12.ma.us/~jnajarian/Technology%20Tips>

Ms. Golas, Instructional Technology Specialist for Lynch and Lincoln and Mrs. Najarian, Instructional Technology Specialist for Vinson Owen and Muraco

### DISTRICT TECHNOLOGY COMMITTEE

We will be looking for new members in September. If you would like a follow up email of our first meeting in October please email me directly at [aschrimpf@winchester.k12.ma.us](mailto:aschrimpf@winchester.k12.ma.us). Annamaria Schrimpf, Director of Educational Technology

### WFEE Teacher Tribute

Looking for a way to say "thanks" to your teacher at the end of the school year? A Winchester Foundation for Education (WFEE) **TEACHER TRIBUTE** is the answer! In 2009 WFEE provided over \$170,000 in grants to support curriculum, teacher development and technology throughout our school district. Some examples of WFEE grants at WHS include: Purchase of equipment such as interactive white boards and LED projectors, funding of teacher professional development, support for the Electric Vehicle Club and the Robotics Club, student leadership training.

**Honor a Teacher Today** and help us continue to fund WFEE programs!

#### Teacher Tribute

- WHO:** Your child's teacher, an administrator or staff member.
- WHAT:** A donation to the **Teacher Tribute Program** brings a small gift to your honoree plus a card naming the donor, thanking the recipient for "guidance, motivation and inspiration to students as one of Winchester's finest educators.
- WHEN:** Donate now through June 7<sup>th</sup>, teacher gifts will be delivered at the end of the school year.
- WHERE:** Through [www.wfee.org](http://www.wfee.org) or with a check sent to WFEE, PO Box 1005, Winchester, MA. 01890. Please include the name of teacher to be tributed and your inscription, plus your name, address and email
- WHY:** A donation to the **WFEE Teacher Tribute Program** thanks someone special for a job well done and helps fund WFEE programs benefiting all Winchester students. The amount of your gift is kept confidential. Donations are tax deductible and eligible for employee matching gifts.

**PLEASE NOTE: A TEACHER TRIBUTE CONTRIBUTION FORM CAN BE FOUND ONLINEAT:**

<http://whspfpa.org/clientimages/39852/june2010/wfeeteachertributeform6-10.pdf>