

## PTA Newsletter

*June 2009 issue 4*

### THANK YOU VOTERS!!!

2009-2010 Budget passed with 298 in favor for and 103 against. The proposition to donate AES to the Town of Amenia also passed.

The PTA met on 05/11/09 at AES.

BOE president Dale Culver and board member Joe Matteo explained the district's school budget for the 2009-10 school-year. They both expressed that this was a good budget - lean and balanced the educational needs of our children with the fiscal constraints of the times. A discussion of the contingency budget included information that the district could lose the federal stimulus money for next year and put the district in the position to make even more extreme cuts to program in the 2010-11 budget. Proposition II on the ballot asked the voters to authorize the district to donate the Amenia Elementary School to the town of Amenia.

Our Treasurer reported that after funding our budgeted events, the PTA should have approximately \$2,000 to begin next year.

The vice presidents gave their reports noting dates for upcoming events – all buildings can use help during field day, speak to your VP.

The PTA sponsors lunches for all district employees – teachers, staff, bus drivers – These will occur the last week of school and is the PTA's Thank You to all of our district employees.

### ***Get connected.....***

Sign up and receive information from the Key Communicator. A great way to receive *up to the minute* school district information via email.

Contact Tracy Trotter at  
[ttrotter@webutuckschools.org](mailto:ttrotter@webutuckschools.org)

**The PTA still has a vacancy for the president position.** Please consider this position or another way to get involved. The other positions are as follows:

High school VP – Herb Johnson

4-6 VP – Trini Stevens

Pre K-3 VP – Kristen Lazarus

Treasurer – Mary Murphy

Secretary Pre K-6 – Dawn Marie Klingner

Secretary 7-12 – Joanne Boyd

### ***2008-2009 Officers***

President Sue Pomeisl

AES VP Kristen Lazarus

WES VP Ella & Trini Stevens

EBMS VP Herb Johnson

WHS VP JoAnn Herald

Secretary K-5 Dawn Marie Klingner

Secretary 6-12 Joanne Boyd

Treasurer Mary Murphy

and

**Parent volunteer YOU... Join today**

## **PTA**

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### ***Vice President News***

#### **AES**

Parents whose children will be in grades K-3 next year are invited to attend an informational tour of WES with Mrs. McEnroe on June 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 pm

49 students attended Kindergarten screening in April and their Orientation will be at WES on June 10th.

June 11th is the Spring Concert.

June 16th is Kindergarten Field Day at AES.

June 17th the 1st and 2nd grades will have Field Day at the **High School**.

All three grades will celebrate with a picnic lunch and award ceremony on June 17th at AES.

**PARENT VOLUNTEERS** are needed for the picnic lunch!!!

The first grade enjoyed their trip to the Bronx Zoo, despite the mist and drizzle. The 2nd grade had a great day at the Peabody Museum in Ct.

If you are interested in helping with future events please feel free to contact Kristen Lazarus at 518-789-9405.

#### **WES**

Parents whose children will be in grades 4-6 next year are invited to attend an informational tour of EMBS with Mrs. McEnroe on June 4<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm

June 4th will be WES Spring Concert.

June 10th 3rd - 5th will be having their field day at the high school. The students will also be having a picnic lunch and award ceremony June 10th at WES. Rain date for field day will be on June 12th.

**PARENT VOLUNTEERS** are needed for the picnic lunch.

The 5th graders enjoyed a trip to the Maritime Museum. Everybody had a fantastic time!

If you are interested in being a volunteer on field day please contact Trini Stevens at 845-505-4409.

***PARENT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR  
END OF THE YEAR ACTIVITIES...  
CONTACT YOUR VICE PRESIDENT  
TODAY....***

The NorthEast Community Center offers after-school child care for children K-5 and is considering offering programs for the Pre-K students and 6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> graders.

Erin Jenkins, coordinator of the NECC after-school programs would welcome any comments, suggestions or feedback in order to ensure programs that meet the parents' and children's needs and increases enrollment.

**Please take the time to contact Erin by phone 518 789 4259 or email [erin@neccmillerton.org](mailto:erin@neccmillerton.org) with your response to the following questions.**

The NECC offers child care at the Millerton Elementary Building until 6 PM for K-5 students. The district provides transportation to MES and the program includes homework help, recreation, arts, enrichment and field trips.

**Have you used the program for any of your children?  
If you haven't used the program, were you aware of it?**

Currently the charge is \$10/day full price and \$5/for reduced rate, with discounts for siblings and/or full week enrollment

**Is the price a barrier to enrolling in this program?  
Would you enroll your children if the rates were lower or if it were free?**

**Is the location preventing you from enrolling?**

**What could we add to our offerings and how should we get the word out to encourage more families to take advantage of our programs?**

**Would you be interested in using the program for your Pre-K children?**

**Would you enroll your middle school student (6<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade) in the program?**

Thank you very much for your input.