

Around the Schools

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Schools employees

Room 111

Holiday Boutique

The hard-working students of the WHS Special Needs Program have been busy preparing for the 9th annual Room 111 HOLIDAY BOUTIQUE! You can find beautiful hand-made jewelry, tracing and cutting patterns, sewing, stuffing pillows, gluing, painting and assembling. The students have practiced shopping, making change, counting money and taking inventory. Their verbal skills are polished for hospitality and salesmanship. Soon they will be balancing the books for what should be a successful business venture and learning experience.

The staff and students would like to take this opportunity to invite you to shop in Room 111:

* Dec. 14, 15, 16, and 17 from 7:30am – 3pm.

* Dec. 18 from 7:30am – Noon 12:00 p.m

All items have been hand-made with mostly donated materials. Proceeds from past boutiques have been used to purchase items for the classroom including: a television with cart, DVD player, VCR, radio/cd player, laser printer, shop vac, phone/answering machine, books, workbooks, groceries, craft supplies, digital camera, video camera, and social events.
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Our own Crystal Apple

Parkside 6th grade teacher Jan DeLuca was selected as a recipient of the Plain Dealer's Crystal Apple Award (See photo on page 2). DeLuca was nominated by one of her students, Nate Hofford, who read an essay he wrote about her when the Plain Dealer, Nate's parents, DeLuca's husband, Ken, and central office staff showed up to surprise her last week with the award announcement.

DeLuca is in her 36th and final year of public school teacher. This is the 19th year of the Crystal Apple Awards, sponsored by Bryant & Stratton College, that annually recognizes an extraordinary educator who inspires, challenges, supports and helps individuals realize their true potential. The Awards are given out four times per year. The 12 winners will receive their Crystal Apples at an awards banquet held at The Plain Dealer in May.

Congratulations!



Design Squad

Adam Purdy, teaching the inaugural Design Squad class at WHS, will be one of the featured teachers in a Design Squad Teacher's Guide webinar hosted Dec. 15 from 4-5:15pm with PBS and ITEA.

The free webinar highlights Design Squad's latest resource, the Design Squad Teacher's Guide. Get a sneak peek of the guide's 7 new challenges that focus on 3 core topics: force, sound and electricity.

Join the webinar at <http://wgbh1.na4.acrobat.com/itea/>. Advance registration is not available and space is limited. Log on early - at least 15 minutes prior to start time.

Save the Date

CITIZENS FOR WESTLAKE SCHOOLS will host 'A Taste of Westlake' on Feb. 26, 2010, from 7 to 10pm at La Centre Banquet Facility.

All proceeds support Citizens for Westlake Schools campaign efforts. The 2006 „A Taste of Westlake' was a sold out event!

Co-chairs are Julie McCallister (Juliemcc1028@aol.com or (440) 899-1422) and Christie Wiedt (christiesbn@aol.com or 440.899.1997).

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New for this year, part of all proceeds from the Boutique will be donated to charity. There also will be a raffle for a beautiful kid-sized teepee. Additional proceeds will be used for equipment, supplies, and activities for our classroom.

SEE YOU THERE!

For more information call The Boutique at x. 2027.



Nate Hofford reads his essay about Jan DeLuca (third from left) for the Crystal Apple Award.

Green & White Revue 2010

The 210 Green & White Revue is coming April 16 & 17.

Volunteers are needed with production, publicity, auditions, ticket sales, judging, programs, security, ushering, snacks and concessions.

Email Dmr44145@aol.com to volunteer. Look for show updates at www.westlake.k12.oh.us/greenandwhite/index.htm.

This year's co-chairs are Kathy Rankin and Karen

Great Programming on WHBS

- Dec. 14 A: parkside 6th grade concert (12/8)
B: Judy Galbraith: What Kids Need to Succeed (2008)
- Dec. 15 A: LBMS 7th grade concert (12/9)
B: LBMS play: Murder's in the Heir (2000)
- Dec. 16 A: Varsity girls basketball v. Berea (12/12)
B: WHS play: You, the Jury (2007)
- Dec. 17 A: WHS holiday choir concert (12/14)
B: WHS play: You Can't take it with you (1994)
- Dec. 18 A: WHS Christmas band concert (12/10)
B: The Demon Zone: Episode #14
- Dec. 19 A: WHS Christmas band concert (12/10)
B: The Demon Zone: Episode #14
- Dec. 20 A: WHS Christmas band concert (12/10)
B: The Demon Zone: Episode #14

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Founders Day 2010

presentation.

The event will be held at Avon Oaks Country Club, 32300 Detroit Road, Avon.

Please send a \$25 check payable to Westlake Council of

PTAs with your name, phone number, PTA unit to: Kelly Pinkas, 27027 Grove Court, Westlake, OH 44145.

Reservations are due by Friday, Feb. 12, 2010.

Celebrate Westlake Council of PTAs on Founders Day 2010 at the Blue and Gold Awards Reception, on Thursday, Feb. 18, 2010.

The event features a 6pm social hour, 7pm dinner and 8pm awards

Program A begins at: 8am, Noon, 4pm, 8pm, Midnight, 4am
Program B begins at: 10:10am, 2:10pm, 6:10pm, 10:10pm, 2:10am, 6:10am
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