

Around the Schools

... a publication for and
about Westlake City
Schools employees

Dates to Celebrate

Oct. 4-10: Fire Prevention Week. Visit the National Fire Protection Association web site -- www.nfpa.org -- for more information.

Oct. 6: German American Heritage Day

Oct. 11 -- Simchat Torah (Jewish holiday)

Oct. 12: Columbus Day

Oct. 12-15: National School Lunch Week. Visit www.school-nutrition.org for more information.

Oct. 18-24: national Character counts Week. Visit www.charactercounts.org

Oct. 19-23: national School Bus Safety Week. Poster contest theme for 2009 is "Cross in View, It's the Right Thing to Do!" Visit www.napt.org for more information.

Oct. 24: Make a Difference Day. Visit www.usaweekend.com/diffday.

Oct. 31: Halloween

WHS junior signs with ND

WHS junior Kalpana Beach has verbally accepted a full athletic scholarship to the University of Notre Dame in South Bend, Ind. She will participate in basketball and track and field.

Kalpana is a 6'1" basketball guard named 1st Team SWC for the past two years. She averaged 15 points, 8 rebounds and 2.5 steals as a sophomore. In track & field she was named SWC champ in the high jump the past two years. She placed 7th in the state as a freshman, and as a sophomore placed 2nd in the state and 4th in the nation. She holds a school record of 5'10" in the high jump.

Walk Now for Autism

Holly Lane 1st grade teacher Lisa Forshey and her family are walking Saturday, Oct. 10, in the third annual Autism Speaks Walk Now for Autism. Last year the Forshey team, HUGS FOR SEAN, raised more than \$4,000 to fund Autism research.

This year, 1 in 150 children will be diagnosed with Autism. That's one child every 20 minutes, making Autism the nation's fastest-growing serious developmental disorder.

The team is inviting anyone to join them on the walk or make a donation. Visit the team's page at <http://www.walknowforautism.org/faf/donorReg/donorPledge.asp?ievent=304276&lis=1&kntae304276=8E994E7946A4451E986528C3148FBA39&supld=199923959>.

WCSD earns proclamation for Excellence

The hard work of our staff and students was recognized as the Sept. 28 Board of Education meeting when state Rep. Nan Baker presented a proclamation to the Board recognizing the district's 11th consecutive Excellent report card from the ODE. The proclamation was signed by Baker and Ohio House of Representatives speaker Armond Budish.

The proclamation recognizes the hard work of our teaching staff, the fact that each school building earned an Excellent rating and our highest Performance Index yet (106.3). Congratulations to everyone for maintaining Westlake's Excellent reputation.

H1N1

H1N1 swine flu is a respiratory illness caused by type A influenza viruses. Due to its rampant person-to-person spread within the general population, the CDC identified H1N1 as an epidemic. On June 11, the World Health Organization raised the worldwide pandemic alert level to Phase 6 indicating that the identified virus has caused sustained community level outbreaks in two or more countries in one WHO region and at least one other country in another WHO region.

Keep update on the facts surrounding H1N1 by checking out web site, www.wlake.org, where we will communicate any new information.



Parkside music teacher Mike Allan's broadcast on sound. Check it out on the Parkside Spotlight page at <http://www.westlake.k12.oh.us/Parkside/spotlight/Main.htm>

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Target field trips

Target annually awards 5,000 field trip grants of up to \$800 each. Educators may choose their own field trip and use the grants to cover transportation costs, entry fees, supplies and resource materials. For updated information and to apply online visit www.target.com/teachers.

The lockout/tagout standard is designed to protect employees involved in service and maintenance activities against the unexpected start-up of machines or equipment, or the release of stored energy that could cause injuries.

This procedure is designed to supplement other standards. Under the energy

What is lockout/tagout?

control program, there are requirements for periodic inspection of the energy control procedures. Hazardous energy sources include thermal energy, mechanical energy, electrical energy and potential energy.

Lockout is preferred over tagout. Lockout/tagout is a very important fact

of the ECP. If executed correctly, it's an invaluable part of the program. Employees must do all they can to make sure the program is safe and hazard free.

Lockout/tagout must be the first and last procedure performed each shift.

Great Programming on WHBS

- Oct. 5 A: Varsity volleyball v. Avon Lake (9/24)
B: WHS play: 12 Angry Jurors (2002)
- Oct. 6 A: Varsity boys soccer v. Olmsted Falls (9/30)
B: St. Bernadette play: Music Man Jr. (2002)
- Oct. 7 A: Varsity volleyball v. North Olmsted (10/1)
B: WHS One Act Plays (2000)
- Oct. 8 A: Varsity boys soccer v. Mentor (10/3)
B: LBMS play: The Wonderful Wizard of Oz (1997)
- Oct. 9 A: Varsity football v. North Olmsted (10/2)
B: The Demon Zone: episode #6
- Oct. 10 A: Varsity football v. North Olmsted (10/2)
B: The Demon Zone: episode #6
- Oct. 11 A: Varsity football v. North Olmsted (10/2)
B: The Demon Zone: episode #6

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

WHBS sponsor credits begin at: 7:50am, 3:50pm, 7:50pm, 11:50pm, 3:50am