

Around the Schools

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

Evening for Educators

The Great Lakes Science Center in downtown Cleveland is hosting an Evening for Educators on Tuesday, Oct. 6, from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Teachers, administrators, virtual school and home-school associations are invited to explore the Center, meet fellow educators, enjoy refreshments and view an OMNI-MAX® film, all for free.

Visit http://www.great-science.com/educate/educator_guide_09-10.pdf to view and download the new 2009-2010 Educator Guide which contains information on a range of educational offerings including field trip opportunities, demonstrations, exhibits, traveling exhibitions, teacher resources and details about the Oct. 6 event.

To learn more or to reserve a space, RSVP before Oct. 5 by calling (216) 621-2400, or e-mailing edhelp@glsc.org. For field trip information, visit http://www.greatscience.com/educate/field_trips.php

Joan Jerome named Outstanding School Counselor

Parkside guidance counselor Joan Jerome earned the Outstanding School Counselor Recognition Award, District III, from the Ohio School Counselor Association.

Melissa Westfall, a Kent State University graduate student working on her master's degree in school counseling, interned under Jerome last school year. Westfall nominated Jerome for the inaugural award, citing Jerome's "empathy and ability to build trusting relationships with the students."



"She genuinely believes that all students can be successful and, like a compass, guides them through their adolescence," Westfall said. "She provides the students with the necessary tools and skills to deal with the trials and tribulations of life in order to become prosperous adults. I have learned more from her than I have from any of the textbooks that I have studied and have chosen to continue to work with her during my internship experience."

There are 12 districts within the Association – District 3 covers all of Cuyahoga County. Jerome and seven other regional winners are now in contention for the School Counselor of the Year Award, which will be announced in November at the group's annual conference in Columbus.

Jerome is a Westlake resident whose four daughters graduated from the Westlake Schools. She previously served as PTA Council president and Parkside PTA president during her daughters' school years.

The Stork Report ...

Jennifer White, 5th grade teacher, welcomed Maeve Marie at 7:39am on July 24. She was 5 pounds, 12 ounces and 19 inches long. Maeve is the third grandchild of Athletic Director Dennis Bartlett and his wife, Renee. Congratulations to the White, Bartlett and Parkside families on this latest addition.

With sympathies

Our deepest sympathies are extended to WHS foreign language teacher Nicolette Miller, and her husband, Duane, WHS math teacher, on the passing of her mother, Barbara Jean Holliday Palmer. Palmer, of Lancaster, OH, died Aug. 22. She taught first grade for the Lancaster City School District from 1960 to 1985.

Please keep the Miller and Palmer families in your thoughts during this most difficult time.

News Parents Can Use segment

The U.S. Department of Education is using a segment of its monthly television series, Education News Parents Can Use, to hold an interactive discussion about education policy with parents and the public at large. If you want to participate, you can call the broadcast live, send an e-mail or submit a short video. visit <http://www.ed.gov/news/av/video/edtv/index.html> for details.

Great Programming on WHBS

- Sept. 14 A: Varsity boys soccer v. Rocky River (9/5)
B: JV girls tennis v. Midpark (9/9)
- Sept. 15 A: Varsity boys soccer v. Solon (9/10)
B: JV girls tennis v. Midpark (9/9)
- Sept. 16 A: Varsity volleyball v. Brecksville (9/10)
B: Rocky River MS play: "Broadway through the Years" (2000)
- Sept. 17 A: Varsity boys soccer v. North Olmsted (9/12)
B: St. Bernadette play: "Godspell Jr." (2005)
- Sept. 18 A: Football v. Rocky River (9/11)
B: Demon Zone: Episode #3
- Sept. 19 A: Football v. Rocky River (9/11)
B: Demon Zone: Episode #3
- Sept. 20 A: Football v. Rocky River (9/11)
B: Demon Zone: Episode #3



Some of the faces from opening day 2009. Welcome Back!

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Athletic admissions policy

The free admissions policy for all staff members remains the same for the 2009-10 school year. Staff members will be admitted free of charge, along with one guest, at all home athletic contests by showing their staff ID at the pass gate. For away games in which Westlake is participating, your staff ID will be good for you only.

Ticket prices for the 2009-10 Southwestern Conference are as follows:

Football: General Admission (at the gate) = \$6; Reserved Seat = \$7; Student Presale = \$3; Senior Citizen = \$3.

All other WHS sporting events are \$6 for adults

and \$3 for students and senior citizens.

Freshman events: \$3 adults, \$2 student and senior citizens.

Additional discount packages for WHS and LBMS are available through the Demons Club. For more information call x. 6354 or email bell@wlake.org.

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