DYRSAA-Newsletter

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Happy Spring!

I feel like I say this every month, but it's been true... the DYRSAA has been very busy again!

The 2015 NEA Leadership Summit in Anaheim, CA was terrific! I met lots of people from around the country, I listened to interesting key note speakers, like Sir Ken Robinson (famous for his TED talks), and I participated in a facilitative leadership track that lasted the whole three days. My thanks to the MTA for sending me!

The DYRSD School Committee ratified our contract! The negotiation team is busy at work getting the new contracts made up for everyone.

Pat attended the Emerging Leaders follow-up weekend. Sounds like it was a great time!

Nina and I participated in a conference call with the MTA technology department so that we can get our new website up and running! Stay tuned for that! And thanks again to Nina, for being our new webmaster!

I attended the first MTA ESP Crucial Conversations training in Framingham March 27-29. It was awesome! I met other ESP leaders and had a chance to network, while getting some great training! MTA will be offering this training to members in the future, and I encourage you to go!! It's great for professional and personal conversations!

We are now looking ahead to the end of the year. We're discussing a party for June. Suggestions and help are always appreciated! You can email any one of us, or speak to your building rep.

It's been a great school year, the DYRSAA is getting stronger every day! Thank you everyone for your support and activism! Judy Provencher

NEWS FROM BUILDING REPS

Wixon: Our very own Cathy Stoecker applied for and was granted the School to Farm grant for \$800. All of us here at Wixon are psyched to have this type of activity available for the students.

Central Office: Sue Nelson welcomes a new grandbaby girl. Her name is Molly Scarlett Carter weighing 6 lbs. 8 ozs. She was delivered to this wonderful family March 18th.

Baker: Would like to welcome Emily Zink and Beth Coady to the campus.

Marti Tardif has put together an awesome fund raiser for our unit. If you haven't heard about it then let our newsletter tell you that "Paint Night" at the Cape Cod Irish Village is coming. Sign up online to paint a full size painting on canvas with the instruction of Laurie Abruzzese for a cost of \$45.00 per person. It is happening Tuesday May 12 from 6-8. Sign up online at:

http://paintnite.com/pages/ events/view/capecod/878356

Hey, there is still the 50/50 Raffle from the Ratification Meeting that has not been claimed. The winning ticket number is 953093. You've got until April 15 to claim or the money goes into the "general fund"

Save the Date !

Friday June sth, we're pretty sure. End of year party. West Dennis Beach 4:30 to whenever. BYOBeverage and food. We'll give more details as the date gets closer.

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Attention from our Benefits Office

Health Reimbursement Arrangement There is a distribution of the "emergency fund" at the end of the plan year. Questions call: Beverly Haley Employee Benefits Phone: 508.398.7612

Monthly Giveaways

Our benefits chairperson, Deb Morris said it's easy, simply log onto the MTA benefits page using your user name and password, go to "giveaways" and register to win.

April=\$100 Best Buy gift card

May=\$250.00 Home Depot card

June=\$150 Apple Store card

NOTE; THESE ARE NOT THE ONLY ITEMS OF INTEREST!!

www.mtabenefits.com

Check out the BJ's discount!!

Can only be done at web site.

NEXT BUILDING REP. (5:30-6:30) AND EBOARD (6:30-7:30) MEETING WEDNESDAY 5/6 D Y HIGH

Do you know you're obligated to pay the full annual dues as determined by the MTA bylaws if you retire or take a leave of absence before the end of the school year?



Anyone interested in attending the annual meeting on May 8 and 9th along with Judy and Pat are welcome. We have room for 2 more people. Contact Judy/Pat if you're interested by April 6.



Monday June 1st!

We have until April 13 to get the money to Judy. Thirty seats have been reserved for US! First come first serve basis. Contact Judy Provencher for details.