

TONIGHT: Panel on Proposed Water Line

TONIGHT, **Thursday, Nov 4, 7:00pm in the Williamstown Elementary School cafeteria**, the Mt. Greylock Parent Teacher Organization (PTO) and the Williamstown Elementary School PTO will host an informational meeting about the proposed extension of the town water line to Mt. Greylock Regional High School. The meeting will include a panel presentation and a Q&A session. Panelists will include representatives from the Board of Selectmen, Northern Berkshire Health Systems, the Williamstown Planning Board, the Clark Art Institute, and Mt. Greylock Regional High School (MGRHS).

TONIGHT: Community Forum for

Superintendent Search

-Robert Petricca, Chair of School Comm.

The MGRHS School Committee has hired a search firm to assist with the selection of our next superintendent. We invite you to participate in the identification of the characteristics we will be looking for in our new superintendent by attending a Community Forum and/or completing a *Leadership Profile Assessment* form. The first forum took place last night (Wed, Nov. 3) at the Williamstown Town Hall. Everyone is invited to a second forum **TONIGHT, Thu, Nov 4, 7:00pm in the Lower Level Meeting Rm, Lanesborough Town Hall.**

Please complete the *Leadership Profile Assessment* form and bring it to the Forum or FAX (847-724-8467) it directly to the search firm Hazard, Young, Attea & Assoc **by Fri, Nov 12. Copies of the form are available on the school's website: www.mgrhs.org**

SAO Helps School in Afghanistan

-Amy Moore-Powers

The Student Activities Organization (SAO) is fundraising during the month of November to raise money for a school in Afghanistan. Students are hoping to meet the \$500 challenge laid down by Mrs. Kaiser. If the SAO meets that goal, Mrs. Kaiser will come to school dressed as a baby! Look for more details about how you can contribute in next week's *Beacon*. For more info contact: **Amy Moore-Powers at**

amoore-powers@mgrhs.org

Field Trip to McCann Technical School

-P.J. Pannesco

Middle School students who are interested in a technical/vocational program during their high school years, will be visiting McCann Tech on Monday, November 29, 2004.

Interested students should see Middle School Guidance Counselor P.J. Pannesco to obtain a parent permission slip. Parents who have questions should contact P.J. Pannesco at 458-9582 x 157 or at

pjpannesco@mgrhs.org

UNITY:

United, Meighboring, Interdependent, and Trusted Youth

Welcomes New Members

-Peggy Talbot

Mt. Greylock's middle school UNITY organization has begun meeting on Mondays, after school in room W-22. UNITY is "Youth working together to make a difference in our communities, our schools, and ourselves." UNITY aims to provide opportunities for youth expression, development and working with students from other Berkshire County schools. The goal is to promote a positive image of youth, participating actively in your school and community, being respectful of yourself and others, and living with awareness and concern for community issues. **If you are interested in joining see Mrs. Talbot in room W-22.**

SPORTS

Cross Country:

Sat, Nov 6, 2:00 Individuals at HOME

Sat, Nov 13, 11:00, Western Mass at Northfield

Basketball Travel Team:

Tryouts

-Jonathan Igoe

Williamstown Youth Center Basketball Travel Team Tryouts will be held at the Williamstown Elementary School Gym. Anyone interested in playing for the Youth Center must attend both try-out sessions. Cost to play is \$100.

7th+8th Boys: Fri, 11/12, 6-7:30 & Mon, 11/15, 6-7:30

7th+8th Girls: Mon, 11/15, 3-4:30 & Tue, 11/16, 3-4:30

In house basketball begins the week of Nov 29, open to 7th-10th graders, coed, plays Sat. mornings 10-11:30 and Wed evenings. Cost to play is \$35.00

For more info call the Youth Center 458-5925 or visit

www.williamstownyouthcenter.org

Sports Forms Due

-Nurse Dubendorf

Winter sports begin after Thanksgiving vacation. **Health forms are due by Monday, Nov 29.** Athletes must have a completed EMERGENCY FORM and documentation of a PHYSICAL within the last year before they begin team practices. Feel free to check with me to see what forms you need.

Dr. Childsey Art will offer winters sports physicals at the school on Mon, Nov 8. Interested athletes can pick up a form from my office and must return completed forms to me by Fri, Nov 5 in order to see Dr. Art. Questions: **Dianne Dubendorf 458-9582 x 154** or

ddubendorf@mgrhs.org

Alpine Ski Team:

1st Meeting TODAY

-Coach Jay Dube

The Alpine Ski Team will be holding the first of two meetings **TODAY, Thu, Nov 4, at 2:45 in the hallway outside of the Gym** for all 7th-12th grade students interested in participating as a racer with the team. Please attend this meeting and if interested contact the men's or women's Captains Jody Dias, Julia Real, Ashley Dufour-Martinez, Daniel Lovett or me, coach Jay Dube 458-0657, jdube@clarkart.edu for more information.

Pictures Packages Gone Home

All middle schoolers have received their picture packages as of last week. If parents did not receive them or if there is a problem, please contact: **Deryle Capozzi at school: 458-9582 x 147.** Thank you.

JCL Induction Ceremony

-Marge Keeley

JCL members are invited to the annual induction ceremony **Thu, Nov 18**, immediately after school in the auditorium. A movie will follow the induction ceremony, and the event will conclude with free pizza and soda in the cafeteria.

ADDITIONS TO *THE PRIDE*:

Jamie Snow & Cody Schwarzer

-Lynn Penna

Penna's Pride is a new middle school program this year. Every week teachers nominate students whom they have seen doing something nice for another or in any way making a positive change at Mt. Greylock. **This week 8th grader JAMIE SNOW and 7th grader CODY SCHWARZER were added to Penna's Pride.**

Javajive—This Friday

JavaJive is Friday, Nov 5, 7-10 pm at the First Congregational Church. Admission prices are \$1 performers; \$3 students; \$5 adults; and \$10 families. **Interested performers should contact Mollie Berman at javajivech@yahoo.com** by the end of TODAY, Nov 4. Want to help? Please bring baked goods to the church by 6:30 on Nov 5. Helping with stage and tech support, contact Tom Plunkett at tom@eziba.com

GOINGS ON

Mon, Nov. 8, 7:00pm: PTO Meeting in Mt Greylock

Library. Send any agenda items to Lisa Hiley at

lisahhiley@adelphia.net

Tue, Nov 9, 7:00pm, WES Auditorium: Special Town Meeting to vote on approving bond to pay for extending W'town water line to Mt. Greylock

Thu, Nov 11: NO SCHOOL, Veterans Day

Fri, Nov 12: Report Cards go home

Thu, Nov 11 & Fri, Nov 12, 7:30 pm: performance of Shakespeare's *Pericles*, Mt. Greylock auditorium.

Look for The Beacon on Mt. Greylock's website under MSNews at www.mgrhs.org

Please send items for the next issue of *The Beacon* by **noon, Tues, 11/09/04** to debbydane@aol.com or to stomberg@adelphia.net