



THE BEACON

MT. GREYLOCK MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER - MARCH 30, 2006

“If everyone is thinking alike, then somebody isn't thinking”.

-General George S. Patton

LAST CHANCE!

In case you missed it, below is the list of after-school courses offered for 7th and 8th graders, through the new "Where'd You Learn That?!" program. Classes will run for 3 weeks this April and will be held at Mt. Greylock and on the Williams campus. Transportation and scholarships are available. The registration date was extended to Tuesday, March 28th, so if you did not sign up, check back with Barbara for any openings left for the programs listed: **Barbara Robertson, 458-5676, Barbara.G.Robertson@Verizon.net. Thanks!**

-Tuesday: Great Galloping Games; Advanced MGRHS Indoor Rock Climbing Williams Field; House Forks, Pins, and Skewers: Tactical Chess Williams College; Hispanic Culture Williams College; The Horrendous Rule of 3 (T & F) (video class) Willinet, Spring St.

-Wednesday: Chinese Language and Culture Williams College; Picture This! Photography for Beginners MGRHS; Write Now! MGRHS

-Thursday: Irish Dance MGRHS; Athletes in Action MGRHS; Scrapbooking MGRHS

-Friday: Introduction to Computer Programming Williams College Art and Creativity MGRHS; The Horrendous Rule of 3 (video class) (T&F) Willinet; Spring St. Poetry Williams College

After School Bus Transportation

-Mark Amuso, MG Business Manager

Our transportation company has asked that we remind parents that “after school” bus transportation is limited to a predetermined route, referred to by students as “the loop”. Unfortunately, drivers can not deviate from the assigned stops/routes to accommodate the individual needs of students. Please discuss where along “the loop” your son/daughter will exit the school bus; so your family can determine if an additional form of transportation will be advisable from that point to home.

Math Supplies Needed

-Courtenay Gibson

Reminder: Mrs. Gibson’s regular Pre-Algebra classes will need to bring calculators after the April vacation. The calculator does NOT need to be a TI-89. A \$12-\$15 scientific calculator from Wal-Mart, Stop & Shop, or Staples is all that will be needed. Be sure to write your student’s name on it (both the case and the calculator) with a sharpie.

Boys Lacrosse is Back!

Any boy in 7th-10th grade who is interested in playing lacrosse on the newly formed travel lacrosse team this spring should visit our website for more information. The team is open to all boys who live in the Greylock School District - as well as surrounding towns. The season starts with our first practice on April 11th and runs through mid June. No experience is necessary.

For more information please visit our website at: www.williamstownlax.com or Contact Jeff Stripp - 413-441-7419, Email: js@williamstownlax.co

Freshman Fundraiser

Just in time for planting! The Freshman class is selling summer blooming flower bulbs. This fundraiser is an established program through Dutch Gardens, a division of Gardener's Supply Co., based in Burlington, VT. It is the only gardening fundraiser endorsed by the National Gardening Association. The bulbs are of highest quality and are 100% satisfaction guaranteed! Students will be taking orders **March 28 - April 7**, and delivery will be the first week of May. Don't miss out on these!! **Contact any Freshman, or Chris van Luling - advisor, at 458-3965.**

The Great Carrot Heist

I remember like it was yesterday
A regular day
Except it was raining
Little bombs of H2O
Then the dreaded announcement
From the speaker of death
No Recess
We would rather watch paint dry
Than have to stay inside
The teachers were talking
We saw a bag of carrots on the desk
They were calling us
Begging us to eat them
So we gobbled them up
They tasted like heaven
Suddenly that horrible screechy voice
"Did you eat my carrots?"
Next thing we knew we were five little boys
With mouthfuls of carrots
Marching to the principal's office.

Brian Pilot

GOINGS ON

Sat. Apr. 1- *April's Fool's Day*

Mon. Apr. 3- NO SCHOOL. Full release day for Faculty

Tues. Apr. 4- School committee meeting at **7 pm** in library

Wed. Apr. 5- Building committee/Public forum at **7 pm** in library- cost analysis for school options

Fri. Apr. 7- marks close, third quarter

Sat. Apr. 8- Noted educator Jonathan Kozol to give a talk at **8 pm**: "The Shame of the Nation: The Restoration of Apartheid Education in America" at Williams College in Brooks-Roger Recital Hall. **Free**

Mon. Apr. 10- PTO meeting at **7 pm** in library

Fri. Apr. 14-SCHOOL CLOSSES- Spring Vacation and report cards go home

Middle School Dance

There will be a middle school dance on Friday, April 7th from **7 -10 pm** in the school cafeteria. *Please check with the school for bus schedules for students needing a ride home.

Attention Parents!

Look for **THE BEACON** on the Mt. Greylock website under MS News: www.mgrhs.org- **The website has been updated the last several weeks with current Beacon information. Check it out!**

Please send items for the next issue of **THE BEACON** by **noon, Tuesday, April 4** to:
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