



THE BEACON

MT. GREYLOCK MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER—MARCH 9, 2006

“Nature and books belong to the eyes that see them”.

-Ralph Waldo Emerson

Forms Needed For Sports

-School Nurse

Students interested in participating in a spring sport must have an emergency form on file in the nurse's office. They also must have a physical documented within the year. It is preferable to students to be followed by his/her private physician. Those students not being seen by his/her physician may see the School Physician, Dr. Kathryn Wiseman, on **Tuesday, March 7**. Interested students should see Mrs. Dubendorf, School Nurse, for forms in order to receive an appointment. **Completed forms are due in the nurse's office on Monday, March 6. Parents with questions may contact Mrs. Dubendorf at 458-9582 ext 154.**

Annual Math League Contest Winners for the 7th and 8th grade

-Courtenay Gibson

During a morning assembly in the middle school, Ms. Pelletier, the Mt. Greylock Mathematics Dept. chair, recognized 12 middle school students for their achievement in a recent administration of the 2005-2006 Annual New England Mathematics League Contest. The 12 students, six of them from the 8th grade, Ashlyn Moors, Max Reinhardt, Matty Roach, Arthur Robitaille, Sam Shuker-Haines and Johanna Tremblay, and six of them from the 7th grade, Cal Brooks, Taylor Maynard, Kristina Morin, Scott Nash, Dan Phelps and Jake Verter were the top scorers in their categories.

Ms. Pelletier presented each winner with a certificate of commendation and they were awarded prizes donated by the Math Dept. and Where'd You Get That. The grand prize, a TI-83 calculator, was won by Matty Roach, whose name was chosen by drawing from the winning group of contestants. Mrs. Gibson, the 7th grade math teacher, would like some computers for her classroom. If you are planning to retire one of your home computers (Windows 98 or better), and are able to recycle it for class use, please consider donating it to her classroom. **(Call 458-9582, ext 135.)**

"WHERE'D YOU LEARN THAT?!" IS COMING TO MT. GREYLOCK

"Where'd You Learn That?!" is a new middle school after-school program that will run for three-weeks during the month of April. Have a little extra free time? This is your chance to have fun with your friends and experience something new. There are lots of great workshops for 7th and 8th graders which will be offered 1 or 2 times per week immediately after school. Classes are designed and taught by Williams College students and community members. All sessions will be held at MGRHS or on-campus at Williams. Transportation will be arranged for those taking courses at Williams.

So, there's no reason not to give it a try! Check backpacks next **Friday, March 17th** for Where'd You Learn That?! catalogs! Registrations are Due by **Friday, March 24th**. Here's the line-up: Great Galloping Games from "Where'd You Get That?!", Chess, Indoor Rock Climbing, Hispanic Culture, Video, Photography, Chinese Language and Culture, Irish Dance, Athletes In Action with Williamstown Physical Therapy, Scrap booking, Art and Creativity, Introduction to Computer Programming, Creative Writing, and Poetry. Have any Questions? **Please contact: Kaatjewhite@aol.com or 458-2258 or Barbara.G.Robertson@verizon.net or 458-5676**

Jump Up and Go! Get a Healthy Start

Mt Greylock is pleased to announce that an after school program of fitness fun and nutrition will be offered Tuesdays and Thursdays in March and again in May. This program is supported by a grant obtained from Blue Cross/Blue Shield and the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. The grant promotes the ideal of 5-2-1- five fruits and vegetables a day, no more than two hours of screen time a day and one hour of activity a day. Mr.Floyd and Mrs. Strizzi will support the 5-2-1 ideal in the after school program.

Classes start **March 16th** they will end in time for students to take the 4:00 bus home. Interested students should sign up with either Mr. Floyd or Mrs. Strizzi. **For more information contact Mrs. Strizzi at extension 139 or sstrizz@mgrhs.org.**

SPORTS

Students from Mt. Greylock Regional High School and the Williamstown Elementary School made a very strong showing at the Massachusetts Junior State Squash Championships held last weekend at the Squash Busters Center on the campus of Northeastern University in Boston.

Sarah Crosky, a 9th-grader at Mt. Greylock, won the Girls Under-17 title. In the Boys Under-15 division, 9th-grader Matt Baker-White progressed to the finals before losing, while 8th-grader Sam Sokolsky-Tiffit placed third. Ben Krant, a 5th-grader at WES, finished tied for second in the Boys Under-11 category. The players belong to the Williamstown Squash Club, where they train under Zafi Levy, Head Men's and Women's Squash Coach at Williams College.

GOINGS ON

Mon. Mar. 13– PTO meeting at 7 pm in library

Tues. Mar. 14-School Committee meeting at 7 pm at Lanesboro Town Hall

Fri. Mar. 17– St. Patrick's Day



The Forum-submissions for the April issue are due **Friday, March 17th**. Send to:

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Please send items for the next issue of The Beacon by **noon, Tuesday, March 14 to:**

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