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President's Message

The union has many different roles, one of which is community involvement. Recently the WTA representative council approved a procedure for making donations to various different Wayne Central student based activities as follows:

- 1. The WTA will donate money to support various student based activities** including student theater performances, clubs, sports boosters, high school year book, and any other valid student based activity as recognized by the Wayne Central School District and WTA.
- 2. Money will only be donated to fundraisers** where the WTA will

- have its name advertised in a public forum.
- 3. The procedure sets guidelines for the donation amount and numbers of activities** the WTA will support per fiscal year.

More information including how to request funds can be found on the WTA's website.

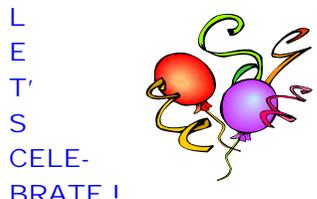
The WTA also coordinated a team for the 2007 Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk at Frontier Field. Employees of the Wayne Central School District joined forces with over 10,000 other walkers in support of an excellent charity. The weather was beautiful that day as walkers com-

pleted a 2.5 mile walk in downtown Rochester.

The Weisenreder Memorial Fund committee will be meeting soon to set up fundraising events for this school year. This Fund donates money to students and the families in need. If you are interested in helping out, donating, or identifying a student or family in need please contact Marty Hanley.

WTA supports our community and it shows!

Sincerely
 Jason Carter
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Welcome Aboard New WTA members!
 Ann Marie Evans, Betsy Irvine, Elizabeth Uetz, Jacklynn Sardone, Jennifer Colucci, Miles Lewis, Natalie Nicoletti, Nicole Favreau, Ryan Van Allen, Timothy McBride, Virginia Hammond DeRiso, and Patricia Morton.

Congratulations to:
 Jenny Wing and Laura Farber who raised \$165 and walked for Autism Awareness.

Thank you Lance Jason for your service as a WTA building rep at the HS.

Wedding Bells: Gillian McGrath is now a Bell as of the 1st weekend of School!

TV Stars (at 6 am!): Martha Hanley, Jonah Wright and Tammy Scheuer on Channel 8 news for FE's Reach for the STARS character education.

Congratulations Tri-athletes: Jeffery Jean, Kim Cox, Alexa Balta, Darlene Martino, Martha Hanley, Monica Bays, and Tracy LaBarge

Making the Stride!





The 3 R's: Remarks, Reminders, and Relief!



3rd Thursday: October 18th
DONUTS and Special Ed procedures: documenting to CYA, schedules and workloads. Phew do you think we can do it in 10 minutes!?!?

Issues acted upon/resolved:

- Clarifying District Teacher's handbook and sign off form.
- Outside hours—book group assignments.
- Salary rounding issue.
- Procedures for WTA donations

Issues currently being explored:

- Concerns regarding pre-determined

goals on summative evaluations.

- Dedicated release time for WTA President.
- Protecting confidentiality of student information.
- 504 case managers.

Dates to Remember:

October 22-26th is National School Board Recognition Week

Flu Clinic Schedule

October 23rd at OP 12- 2:00 pm ,

OE 2:30 – 4:30 pm

October 24th at MS -12:00 2:00 pm ,

HS 2:30 -4:30pm

October 25th at FE 2:30 – 4:30 pm.

November—HS Building Rep election.

November 8th—WTA Audit Committee mtg.

Rule of Thumb #42: "Attending school board meetings keeps you in the know!"

WTA Dues 2007-08:

Full time = \$615.00 and is distributed over 19 pay periods. Part time dues are prorated according to salary range.

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Wayne Teacher Resource Center

Do you wish you could spend some time with colleagues to learn, dialogue, and expand on a topic regarding teaching and learning that interests you? Behind every 7 hrs project in the last few years, was a professional learning group actively engaged in a collaborative learning experience. Many have mentioned to me that they miss this type of professional learning,

especially those that did a 'book-talk'. We can continue the collaborative experience through in-service credit this year. **The TRC can provide you with the materials and books you need and help you get started.** Contact Barb Heald today @ ext 1035 or bheald@wayne.k12.ny.us.

Your Topic, Your Group, Your Professional Learning.....

Every Teacher, Every Child, Every Day.....the Wayne Teacher Resource Center is dedicated to providing YOU with high quality professional development and support.

Barbara Heald, Director
Wayne Teacher Resource Center



Accepting the Honor

- Amber Wawrzaszek, Jim Tiffin
 Jessica Kleindienst, Jackie Courtney
 Mike Lester, Pete Derse
 Jay Gauthier, Riley Wheaton
 Lisa Marlowe, Jackie Senecal
 Becky Walzer, Lance Jason
 Lisa Marlowe, Andy Struzik
 Joanna Johnson, Mike Elliot
 Mark MacMillan, Jeff Uginie
 Tom Siembor

What do all these names have in common you

ask? They have all recently been honored by students at recent sports games here at WCSD. They were specifically chosen by particular athletes as having made a difference in these students' lives. When these teacher stood up to be honored, they stood up for all of us as a reminder that every day we are making a difference in someone's life! Often times, without even knowing or realizing it we are THE difference in our students' lives. It's not even necessarily the big things, but the day to day mundane consistency that we provide that speaks to the hearts of our students about keeping them

safe, caring about them no matter what, believing in them, encouraging them, teaching them, helping them to take appropriate risks and the next step forward. As we accept the honor bestowed upon these teachers I think about this comment by Jacob Iris:

When nothing seems to help, I go and look at a stonecutter hammering away at his rock, perhaps a hundred times without as much as a crack showing. Yet at the hundred and first blow, the rock will split in two, and I know it was not that blow that did it but that had gone before."





What's all the buzz about?



You might have heard your colleagues talking about MAP, the Member Assistance Program available from NYSUT Member Benefits Trust. Or maybe you've already joined. But if you haven't, you may want to once you read about MAP's benefits.

By joining MAP, an e-mail based program, you'll be among the first to hear about new, endorsed programs and program updates. You'll receive special offers from Member Benefits or from providers of its endorsed programs. Your opinions will be solicited on new programs under consideration for endorsement. When possible, you'll help Member Benefits test potential new programs and provide feedback.



Frequently, MAPers are entered into drawings for prizes donated by providers of endorsed programs and Member Benefits. Since MAP's introduction last spring, MAPers have entered drawings for Bose® Quiet Comfort 3 Acoustic Noise Cancelling Headphones, free admissions to the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum, a summer fun pack filled with a variety of items, and an OfficeMax gift card worth \$100. In addition, new MAP enrollees and existing MAPers are automatically entered into quarterly raffles; to date, prizes included digital cameras and an iPod nano.

MAPers receive e-mail communications from Member Benefits and occasionally from

its providers of endorsed programs. Member Benefits oversees the frequency of e-mail communications to ensure you will not be bombarded. On average, a MAP e-mail alert is sent once every three weeks.

Rest assured, Member Benefits does not share your e-mail address with outside interests other than endorsed program providers and then only under controlled circumstances. Once a program provider receives approval from Member Benefits to send you an offer or information, the vendor will be required to destroy the e-mail listing after sending the communication.



This exciting, new program allows you to help shape future programs and services exclusively available to you and your colleagues.

Help make a difference. Become a MAP team member. Enroll on our secure page by logging on to www.memberbenefits.nysut.org and see the feature on our home page.

For information about this program or about contractual expense reimbursement/endorsement arrangements with providers of endorsed programs, please call NYSUT Member Benefits Trust at (800) 626-8101, e-mail benefits@nysutmail.org, visit www.memberbenefits.nysut.org, or refer to your NYSUT Member Benefits Trust Summary Plan Description.

