

West Salem School District

May 2012



Newsletter

Appreciate Your Teacher

Troy M. Gunderson, Superintendent

In honor of “Teacher Appreciation Week 2012,” and in light of the recent political debates surrounding teacher compensation and teacher performance, I thought it time we examined this most noble profession and give thanks to those who dedicate their lives to serving our children.

Why is so much attention and scrutiny placed on the teaching profession? Teachers, like other public employees, are rightfully exposed to external examinations of their compensation and performance. This is simply part of serving as a public employee. However, the biggest reason teachers are under the microscope is because their work is so vitally important. Simply put, when your job is one we all count on, we all pay close attention to how well you do.

What do teachers do? A recent national survey indicates the “average” teacher spends 50 – 60 hours per week teaching, grading, supervising, communicating with parents, serving on committees, and preparing. They work an average of 185 contract days per year and teach an average of 21 students in an elementary setting and 28 in a secondary setting. The typical week includes 25 hours of classroom instruction, 3 hours of supervision, 2 hours of telephone and e-mail communication, 2 hours of committee work, 5 hours of preparation during the work day, and nearly 20 hours of grading and preparation beyond the workday. Teaching is dynamic, exciting, stressful and rewarding work. While the daily demands of curriculum, achievement, and management can be overwhelming, the rewards of student success and appreciation are priceless.

Who are our teachers? Based upon national statistics there are approximately 3.2 million public school teachers in the United States. The “average” teacher in the U.S. is a 43-year-old female with just over 15 years of teaching experience. In West Salem, we currently employ 137 teachers. The “average” West Salem teacher is a 40-year-old female with 10 years of local experience and 13 years of total teaching experience. We – School District of West Salem residents – are fortunate to have recruited, retained, and developed such a wonderful staff of professionals. Ours is a team of true superstars!

The national designation of Teacher Appreciation Week gives each one of us the opportunity to stop and simply give thanks to a teacher. Speaking as a person who has been attending school in one form or another for more than 40 years, I offer some personal notes of gratitude.

Thank you to Mrs. Albright for making my 4th grade year special. Thank you to Mrs. Anderson, my high school guidance counselor, for your unrelenting optimism and encouragement and to Mr. Kyes who made high school physics “phun!”

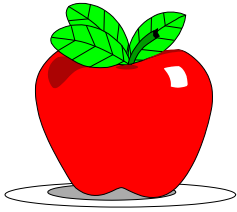
Thank you to the many wonderful teachers at Melrose-Mindoro High School who served as my co-workers during my time as a teacher. I will always cherish your mentoring and your modeling of true service to children. It was an honor working with so many great people.

Thank you to the spectacular staff at West Salem High School for making my time as your principal the absolute highlight of my career. As your principal, I rang the bells and ate lunch with the kids – you tackled everything else. I am forever grateful.



Teacher Appreciation Week 2012
May 7-11

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Thank you to the many wonderful teachers who shared their gifts with my own children. My two daughters were fortunate enough to attend the School District of West Salem for their entire k-12 education. From kindergarten with

Mrs. Kammel to a Senior Exit Project with Mr. Maves, my children enjoyed the world's finest education. Thank you all.

Thank you to my mother for your 30 plus years as a teacher. I was never in your classroom, but your work ethic and dedication proved to be the best lessons of all. Finally, thank you to my wife for your 20 plus years as a middle school science teacher. You simply give your absolute best everyday to "your kids."

Thank you to the current teaching staff at the School District of West Salem. Your patience, service, and dedication during my time as your superintendent have been nothing short of spectacular. The past 18 months have been unusually trying. Your resolve to "serve with passion" is greatly appreciated.

While the numbers offered at the beginning of this article define the business side of education, it is the personal relationships created by compassionate and talented teachers who inspired the gratitude and appreciation noted at the end. In a world becoming ever more reliant on technology and "cyber-communication," taking the extra time to appreciate the value of human relationships is even more important. Do your part – thank a teacher!

Mark Your Calendar...

West Salem High School Summer Musical
presents

**JOSEPH & THE AMAZING
TECHNICOLOR
DREAMCOAT**

Thursday, June 21 - 7:00 p.m.

Friday, June 22 - 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, June 23 - 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, June 24 - 2:00 p.m.

School Board Members

Tom Ward ~~~~~	397-9873
Scott Scafe ~~~~~	786-0969
Jason Falck ~~~~~	786-0935
Thomas Helgeson ~~~~~	612-0018
Syl Clements ~~~~~	786-1491
Jane Halverson ~~~~~	786-1067
Ken Schlimgen ~~~~~	786-4382

Board meetings are held the second and fourth Monday of each month.

Aluminum For Athletics

When cleaning up around the garage, etc., you are encouraged to bring all aluminum cans to the can pen in the southwest corner of the Heider Center parking lot for recycling. West Salem Athletics will gain full benefit of this collection project. Also, if you have any car or truck batteries for recycling, please drop them off at West Salem Auto Repair at 513 Brickl Road, West Salem. Dave Eckelberg and the guys there have graciously offered their services to be our collection point for those recyclable batteries.

Heider Center Events

Marie W. Heider Center for the Arts

2011-2012 Heider Center Events



**Box Office
(608)786-2550**

Monday: Noon to 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday: Noon to 4:00 p.m.

Friday: Noon to 4:00 p.m.

www.heidercenter.org

Visual Arts Series

West Salem High School Senior Art Show

May 1-31, 2012

Reception: May 24, 6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

NESHONOC YEARBOOK DEDICATION MAY 18

WEST SALEM HIGH SCHOOL'S 2012 NESHONOC YEARBOOK DEDICATION CEREMONY IS SET FOR FRIDAY, MAY 18, AT 7:00 P.M. AT THE MARIE W. HEIDER CENTER FOR THE ARTS.

THE EVENT WILL REVEAL THIS YEAR'S DEDICATEE, WHO, BY TRADITION, IS EITHER A DISTRICT EMPLOYEE OR A COMMUNITY MEMBER SELECTED BY THE NESHONOC'S SENIOR EDITORS FROM AMONG A LIST OF NOMINEES WHO HAVE MADE A POSITIVE IMPACT ON WEST SALEM STUDENTS. GREAT ANTICIPATION ORDINARILY PRECEDES THE EVENT, FOR THE NAME OF THE DEDICATEE IS NOT DIVULGED UNTIL THE NIGHT OF THE PRESENTATION.

THE PROGRAM, ABOUT AN HOUR IN LENGTH, WILL CONSIST OF SPEAKERS—STUDENTS, COLLEAGUES, FRIENDS, AND FAMILY—RECOGNITION OF PAST DEDICATEES, INTRODUCTION OF THE NESHONOC AND JOURNALISM STAFFS.

AFTER THE CEREMONY, YEARBOOKS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED TO THOSE WHO HAVE PURCHASED THEIR BOOKS IN ADVANCE. A LIMITED NUMBER OF ADDITIONAL BOOKS WILL GO ON SALE THE FOLLOWING WEEK.

A RECEPTION HONORING THE DEDICATEE, AS WELL AS FORMER DEDICATEES AND EDITORS, WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE HEIDER ROOM FOLLOWING THE PROGRAM. BOTH THE PROGRAM AND THE RECEPTION ARE FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.

Keep Informed by the WSPD!

The West Salem Police Department has partnered with Nixle to keep you instantly informed about important community alerts! There are two easy ways to join. **First**, go to www.Nixle.com to register your email and cellphone number to receive alerts and advisories. This method allows the message to be sent via email as well, which can contain more information than a text message. The **second** way to join is by simply texting one of the keywords (WSPOLICE or WSSD) to 888777. A follow up text message with West Salem's zip code, 54669, ensures you'll get messages related to our community.

WSHS Graduation, May 27, 2012,
at 1:30 p.m.

Open Enrollment

For more information, visit the DPI website:
<http://dpi.wi.gov/sms/psctoc.html>

Public School Open Enrollment Program
Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction
P.O. Box 7841, Madison, WI 53707-7841

Toll-free: 888-245-2732

Email: DPIopenrollment@dpi.wi.gov

Important open enrollment dates

- June 8, 2012 – Nonresident school districts must mail notices of approval or denial. If the application is approved, the school district must notify the parents of the specific school or program to which the student is assigned. If the application is denied, parents have 30 days to file an appeal.
- June 15, 2012 – Resident districts must notify applicants if the application is denied. If the application is denied, parents have 30 days to file an appeal.
- June 29, 2012 – Parents of accepted applicants must notify the nonresident district if the student will attend the nonresident district in the 2012-13 school year. If the parent fails to make this notification, the nonresident district may refuse to allow the student to attend the district.

Opportunity for service—Come Join the Fun!

The *Postal Food Drive* is May 12, 2012.

The food pantry board is looking for volunteers to help mark and sort the large quantity of food that arrives. Last year because of awesome volunteers, we processed 4000 pounds of food in 6 hours! Any amount of time between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. would be appreciated. We will be working in the basement of Our Saviors Lutheran Church at 359 N. Leonard St. All ages welcome. Please call Lynette Ender 786-0723 to sign up.

The West Salem Area Aquatic Center Committee is looking for new members. If you are interested, they meet the first and third Thursdays at the Hazel-Brown Memorial Library at 7:00 p.m. For more information contact Becky Auna at 608-786-0097.

School Board Meetings — April Was A Busy Month



There was a full house at the April 9 board meeting. Student artwork was honored and will be on display in the Heider Meeting Room for one year. This was the last board meeting for board members Errol Kindschy, Ken Spraez and interim Connie Dutton-Snell.

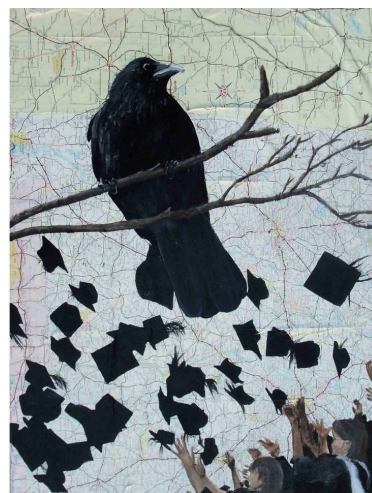
Serve with Passion to Ignite Creativity, Innovation, and Excellence



At the April 23 board meeting, new board members took the oath of office and the new student board representatives were introduced. Welcome to the school board Syl Clements, Jane Halverson, Ken Schlingens, Alyssa Noll, and Kevin Martinson.



THIS JUST IN....



Julia Schomberg is the Second Runner-up in the national Dr. Suess "Oh, the Places You'll Go" Scholarship competition. This is AWESOME news!

Below is the link and the description of her work, as critiqued by the judges (which included the world-renown artist Peter Maxx). I think this is HUGE news for an art student from our area to place nationally!

<http://www.drseussart.com/documents/PressReleaseWinner.pdf>

Quenten Brown, WSHS Art Teacher

Centralized Registration. All students NEW to the West Salem School District will need to register at the District Office prior to attending the elementary, middle or the high school. The District Office is located at 405 Hamlin Street East. Additional information is posted on our website. www.wsalem.k12.wi.us and click on New Student Registration

The 2012-2013 School Year Student Calendar is available on the District's website. The Early Release dates have been set.
www.wsalem.k12.wi.us

The West Salem School District prohibits discrimination in all its programs and activities on the basis of race, color, creed, national origin, age, disability, and where applicable, sex, marital status, familial status, parental status, religion, sexual orientation, genetic information, political beliefs, reprisal, or because all or a part of an individual's income is derived from any public assistance program. Persons with disabilities who require alternative means for communication of program information (Braille, large print, audiotape, etc.) should contact the Pupil Services Director at (608)786-0700. To file a complaint of discrimination write to: Pupil Services Director at 405 East Hamlin Street, West Salem, WI 54669 or call 608-786-0700. The West Salem School District is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

**B-A-O-AB?
Donate Blood
It takes all blood types,
all generations...Especially Yours**

West Salem Blood Drive
Monday, June 25, 2012
12:30 - 5:30 p.m.

Presbyterian Church
625 West Franklin Street, West Salem, WI

Blood donor card or driver's license or two other forms of ID required at check-in.

American Red Cross



Appointments call 786-0684. Walk-ins are Welcome.

Taco Nacho Night was once again a huge success!

The Village People Organization would like to thank and recognize the support of the West Salem School District, private businesses, individuals, volunteers and those that turned out to enjoy the festive evening.

Because of this widespread involvement, the Boys & Girls Club of West Salem will receive a much appreciated boost in covering the day-to-day operational expenses.

It truly does take a village to raise a child, especially when the village is lucky enough to have a Boys' & Girls' Club to create a "Positive Place" for kids!

West Salem High School Volleyball Camp

(for girls entering grades 9-12)

July 23-26 at the West Salem Elementary School
Sophomores, Juniors, Seniors - 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Freshmen - 4:00-5:30 p.m.

July 27th - ****Central Tournament****

*Brochures can be picked up at the West Salem Park and Rec. Office or the West Salem High School Office.

Boys and Girls Basketball Camps

July 23-26, 2012

Grades K-3 (fall 2012) 10:30 a.m. - noon

Grades 4-6 (fall 2012) 12:30 - 3:30 p.m.

Camps will be at WSES

Contact Scott Koepnick: 786-1220 ext 2014, or 783-1136, or koepnick.scott@wsalem.k12.wi.us

Looking For Used Cell Phones

The Knights of Columbus is collecting used cell phones. There is a box located in the District office to drop off any used cell phones. Proceeds from the collection of the phones will be used for Special Olympics. Thank You.

High School Students Score High at State Meet

The high school forensics team competed at the state in Madison on Friday, April 20th. Students competing included Seniors Kate Kaiser (Farrago), Alec Otto (Prose Reading), and Bailee Schmidt (Play Acting), Junior Rachael Jahnke (Solo Acting), and Freshmen Dani Adams (Play Acting) and Erin Faella (Farrago). Erin and Alec earned gold medals for achieving a perfect score of 25. Kate, Bailee, Dani and Rachael earned silver medals for achieving a score of 24 out of 25. Congratulations team!

Coaches Kim Volden and Andrea Armstrong

Summer Gardening at the School Garden!

The time is coming for gardening! With the warm March weather, students have already helped to plant some early vegetables during recess.

Mr. Langer will be working throughout the spring with the students during school hours. However once summer comes, he will offer a regular work night each Monday (weather permitting!) from 5:00 to 7:00 beginning June 11.

Mr. Langer already has an extensive email list of garden helpers, but if he does not have your contact information and you would like to, and can, help work during the summer please contact Mr. Langer via email or a note to him via the elementary school office.



Mr. Langer uses email to contact his list of helpers throughout the summer regarding various garden planting and maintenance projects.

If you would like to help in the school garden this summer send an email to Mr. Langer at: langerdavid@wsalem.k12.wi.us

Our school garden is planted with the goal of offering its harvest to the school lunch program in fall.

Happy Summer!

West Salem Community Fitness Center

Annie Labus, Fitness Director

Strength training is an important part of any fitness routine. Strength training can help you burn fat and lose weight. When you increase your muscle, it helps increase your metabolism which then helps you burn more calories during the day.

Strength training can help make your life easier in other ways. When you lift weights and do strength training exercises it makes you stronger and that means that lifting groceries, gardening, boating and so many other activities will become easier and more enjoyable to do. It can also help reduce arthritis pain, lower blood pressure and help with balance and flexibility. When you have more muscle it helps cushion your joints and that makes weight bearing activities more comfortable.

Strength training can be done with just about anything and anywhere. At the fitness center you can use free weights, machines, bands, medicine balls, and even taking a yogalates class will help you use your own weight to build muscle. At home you can do push ups, chair dips, fill a milk jug up with water and use that to lift. You can purchase a resistance band, small free weights, kettlebells, medicine and exercise balls. With so many resources on the internet, on DVD and at the library you can easily learn how to use any of these items to help build muscle strength.

The Fitness Center has so much to offer! Come in and ask our staff how we can help start your strength training routine today.

Current fitness center hours

Monday–Friday mornings 5:00–8:00 a.m.
Monday–Thursday evenings 3:00–9:00 p.m.
Fridays 3:00–7:00 p.m.
Sunday 4:00–7:00 p.m.

CLEAN SHOES ARE REQUIRED TO ENTER THE FITNESS CENTER AND INDOOR TRACK. Current fitness center hours and class schedules are specified on the school website www.wsalem.k12.wi.us. Click on the fitness center icon to get the latest information about your community fitness center. You may call 786-1220 extension 2275.

For a full-color version of this and past newsletters, check out the West Salem School District Website at <www.wsalem.k12.wi.us>

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
March 26, 2012
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice President Errol Kindschy. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee News, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, WIZM, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, St. Joe Country Market, River Bank-Barre Mills, West Salem Post Office, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district web site, and district office on March 21, 2012.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Eric Jensen led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Thomas Helgeson recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Ken Spraetz, Jason Falck, Tom Ward (via teleconference), Errol Kindschy, Connie Dutton-Snell, and Thomas Helgeson. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Dean Buchanan (7:05), Eric Jensen, Mark Carlson, Mike Malott, John Smalley, and Lisa Gerke; Student representative: Megan Tabbert. Finance Director: Davita Molling, Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Scott Scafe and Michael St. Pierre.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Falck moved, Ms. Dutton-Snell seconded to approve the agenda as presented. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Connection with the Community

Megan Tabbert reported on:

1. Several high school students qualified for state solo and ensemble.
2. The seniors are finishing up their SEP portfolios, which are due Friday.
3. The high quiz bowl team qualified for Nationals in Atlanta, Georgia.
4. The high school ecology club will be hosting an ecology/environment day tomorrow.

Correspondence

A thank you note from the middle school MathCounts team was read.

Public comments – One person signed up and will be allowed to speak during the agenda item.

Written and Oral Reports

Buildings and Grounds Committee – Mr. Helgeson reported on the progress of the softball and baseball SEP projects and the request from the West Salem Legion to use the baseball field and outfield advertising.

Long Range Facilities Committee – Mr. Helgeson reported that the committee met for a sixth and final time and wrapped up the committee's plans for the future of the district's facilities.

Supervisor reports were reviewed. Mr. Gunderson will report on agenda items as they occur.

High School Art Teacher Quenten Brown invited Board members, administration and district staff to select a piece of artwork from the District Honors K-12 Art Show, which is on display in gallery, to be displayed in the Heider Meeting Room for the next year.

Odyssey of the Mind coaches: Angie Hemker, Alyssa Jarosh, Kari Huth, Carrie Andres, and Jennifer Wheeler were present with their students and trophies from the recent state competition.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Helgeson moved, Ms. Dutton-Snell seconded to approve the Regular Board Meeting Minutes of March 12, 2012; and invoices to be paid. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mr. Ward moved, Mr. Falck seconded to accept the donations from the GAP Giving Program for the Link Crew and from Kwik Trip for the high school business education class. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Spraetz moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #671.1 Payroll. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Spraetz moved, Ms. Dutton-Snell seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #524 Personnel Records. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Helgeson moved, Ms. Dutton-Snell seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #532.3 Staff Leaves and Absences. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to approve for a first reading of policy #426 Homeless Children and Youths. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Helgeson moved, Mr. Spraetz seconded to approve for a second reading of policies: #110 School District Mission, Vision and Key Performance Initiatives; #529 District Vehicle Driver Requirements; #527 Family and Medical Leave; #523.1 Health Examinations; and Staff Grievances. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunderson presented the plan for implementation of the proposed technology solution. Mr. Ward moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to approve the technology proposal. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunderson reviewed additional information in the proposed employee handbook.

Mr. Spraetz moved and Mr. Ward seconded to approve the 2012-2013 staffing plan as presented by the administration. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Helgeson moved, Mr. Falck seconded to approve the second grade job share with Jessica Macha and Mindy Court. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Spraetz moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to issue a layoff notice to high school social studies teacher Alish Neinfeldt for the 2012-2013 school year. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to accept resignations from elementary school teacher Cheryl Kammel, middle school teacher Ellen Bice, cross country coach Liz Faller, and softball coach Brian Lusk. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dutton-Snell moved, Mr. Ward seconded to accept the administration's recommendation to hire Jonathan Selck as a freshman baseball coach. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Cameron Robaczewski, Kyle Lang, Jennifer Kelley, and Rachel Janke representing the high quiz bowl team were present, along with coach Laura Skemp-Deal. The team members heading to nationals will be Cameron Robaczewski, Kyle Lang, Jennifer Kelley, Christopher Stockus, Chad Seitz, Michael Uebele. Mr. Falck moved, Ms. Dutton-Snell seconded to approve \$5,000 for airfare and registration expenses for the high school high quiz bowl team trip to nationals. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kindschy welcomed the motion for closed session: The Board will discuss, consider and, if appropriate, take action pursuant to Wis. Stats §19.85(1) (c) "Considering employment, promotion, compensation or performance evaluation data of any public employee over which the governmental body has jurisdiction or exercises responsibility" regarding the Human Resources/Payroll Manager and the high school associate principal positions.

Mr. Helgeson moved, Mr. Falck seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 8:59 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Falck Aye, Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ward disconnected from the meeting.

Closed Session

Adjournment

Mr. Falck moved, Helgeson seconded to adjourn at 9:21 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jason Falck, Clerk

School District of West Salem
Special Board Meeting Minutes
March 28, 2012
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 6:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Vice President Errol Kindschy. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee News, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, WIZM, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, St. Joe Country Market, River Bank-Barre Mills, West Salem Post Office, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district web site, and district office on March 21, 2012. This meeting was at the request of a board member.

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Errol Kindschy led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Scott Scafe recited the District Mission Statement.

Roll Call

Present: Jason Falck (6:10), Errol Kindschy, Scott Scafe, Connie Dutton-Snell, and Thomas Helgeson. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Mark Carlson, Mike Malott. Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Ken Spraetz and Tom Ward.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Kindschy welcomed the motion for closed session: Closed session, under exemption provided for in WI Statutes 19.85(1)(a) Deliberating concerning a case which was the subject of any judicial or quasi-judicial trial or hearing before that governmental body; and pursuant to WI Statutes 19.85(1)(f) Considering financial, medical, social or personal histories or disciplinary data of specific persons, preliminary consideration of specific personnel problems or the investigation of charges against specific persons except where par. (b) applies which, if discussed in public, would be likely to have a substantial adverse effect upon the reputation of any person referred to in such histories or data, or involved in such problems or investigations; and pursuant to Wis. Stat. S. 120.13(1)(c) to discuss, consider and take action, if appropriate, regarding recommendation(s) for pupil expulsion and to review and discuss confidential pupil records under 118.125.

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded that the Board convene in closed session at 6:05 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Closed Session

Adjournment

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Falck seconded to adjourn at 8:41 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jason Falck, Clerk

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
April 9, 2012
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Vice President Errol Kindschy. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee News, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, WIZM, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, St. Joe Country Market, River Bank-Barre Mills, West Salem Post Office, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district web site, and district office on April 4, 2012.

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Roll Call

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Approval of Agenda

Ms. Dutton-Snell moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve the agenda as amended by removing the Policy Committee report from Connection with Community. A roll vote was taken: Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraetz Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Connection with the Community

Student reports – None.

Correspondence – None.

Public comments – None.

Written and Oral Reports

CESA #4 Report – Mr. Kindschy reported on his last meeting: Act 10 items, WERC decision on base salary calculations, cooperative purchasing between districts, and a survey to be filled out by board members.

Bearing Wall Committee – Mr. Gunderson reported that Tom O'Brien was selected as the 2012 recipient of the Bearing Wall Award.

Administrator reports were reviewed. Mr. Gunderson acknowledged and thanked the school board member candidates and Ms. Dutton-Snell for filling in the vacancy left by Linda Brown.

Art teachers Quenten Brown, Krista Beron, Danielle Tsukano, and Angie Hemker were present to introduce each student to the board member, administrator or district staff who selected their piece of art work to be displayed in the Heider Meeting Room.

Board Member and Student representative recognition – Mr. Gunderson acknowledged Megan Tabbert and Ms. Dutton-Snell with a certificate of commendation from the Wisconsin Association of School Boards for their service to the children in Wisconsin Public Schools. Mr. Gunderson also acknowledged, with a plaque from the WASB, Ken Spraez, Errol Kindschy and Linda Brown for their service to the children and the school district.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Helgeson moved, Ms. Dutton-Snell seconded to approve the minutes from the Regular Board Meeting of March 26, 2012; the minutes from the Special Board Meeting of March 28, 2012; and the invoices to be paid. A roll vote was taken: Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Ward seconded to accept the donation to the elementary school LMC from Diane Block. A roll vote was taken: Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Ward moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to make the following resolution: Be It Resolved that the School District of West Salem will borrow on a short-term basis the sum of \$900,000 at an interest rate of 2.25% from May 9, 2012, until July 20, 2016, for the purchase of technology. A roll vote was taken: Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Spraez moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve for a second reading of board policy #671.1 Payroll, #524 Personnel Records, #532.3 Staff Leaves and Absences, and #426 Homeless Children and Youths. A roll vote was taken: Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Helgeson moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to accept the administration's recommendation to hire Barb Buswell as the Human Resources/Payroll Manager. A roll vote was taken: Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Dutton-Snell moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded to accept the administration's recommendation to hire Mike Malott as the High School Associate Principal. A roll vote was taken: Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunderson reviewed the proposed employee handbook. Ms. Dutton-Snell moved, Mr. Ward seconded to approve the 2012-2013 Employee Handbook. A roll vote was taken: Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Abstain, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

There were no resignations to present for board action.

Adjournment

Mr. Spraez moved, Ms. Dutton-Snell seconded to adjourn at 8:37 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Ms. Dutton-Snell Aye, Mr. Scafe Aye, Mr. Spraez Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, and Mr. Kindschy Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Scott Scafe, Acting Clerk

The following minutes have not been approved by the school board.

School District of West Salem
Regular Board Meeting Minutes
April 23, 2012
Marie Heider Meeting Room – 7:00 p.m.

Convene

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Tom Ward. The meeting was noticed to the Coulee News, La Crosse Tribune, WLSU Radio 89 FM, WXOW TV-19, WKBT-TV, WKTY, WIZM, Union State Bank, First Community Credit Union, St. Joe Country Market, River

Bank-Barre Mills, West Salem Post Office, Village of West Salem, posted at each school, district web site, and district office on April 19, 2012

Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag

Tom Ward led everyone in the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance and Troy Gunderson recited the District Mission Statement.

Swear in new board members

Board Clerk Jason Falck administered the Official Oath to serve on the school board to Ken Schlimgen, Jane Halverson and Syl Clements.

Roll Call

Present: Syl Clements, Jane Halverson, Thomas Helgeson (via teleconference), Tom Ward, Jason Falck, Ken Schlimgen, and Scott Scafe. Also in attendance – Administrators: Troy Gunderson, Dean Buchanan, Eric Jensen, Mark Carlson, Mike Malott, John Smalley, and Michael St. Pierre; Student representatives: Alyssa Noll and Kevin Martinson. Finance Director: Davita Molling, Recording secretary: Patrick Bahr. Excused: Lisa Gerke.

Approval of Agenda

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Clements seconded to approve the agenda as presented. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Organization of the 2012-2013 School Board

Mr. Falck moved, Mrs. Halverson seconded to nominate Tom Ward for the office of President. Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to close the nominations and case a unanimous ballot for Tom Ward as the President of the West Salem School Board. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Falck seconded to nominate Thomas Helgeson for the office of Vice President. Mr. Clements moved to nominate Ken Schlimgen for the office of Vice President. Motion failed due to lack of a second. Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Thomas Helgeson as the Vice President of the West Salem School Board. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Helgeson moved, Mrs. Halverson seconded to nominate Jason Falck for the office of Clerk. Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to close the nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Jason Falck as the Clerk of the West Salem School Board. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved to nominate Syl Clements for the office of Treasurer. Motion failed due to lack of a second. Mr. Helgeson moved, Mr. Falck seconded to nominate Scott Scafe for the office of Treasurer. Mr. Falck moved, Mrs. Halverson seconded to close nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Scott Scafe as Treasurer of the West Salem School Board. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Carlson introduced the new student board representatives, Alyssa Noll and Kevin Martinson.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Helgeson seconded a resolution to authorize the board officers to borrow money pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 67.12(3) for the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 school years. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to select the Union State Bank of West Salem as the bank depository. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to authorize facsimile signatures pursuant to Wisconsin State Statutes 66.042(3). A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Falck moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to authorize the board officers to invest surplus funds pursuant to Wisconsin State Statute 66.042(3). A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Falck seconded to continue with the current schedule to select the second and fourth Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. for regular school board meetings and one meeting in December. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Connection with the Community

Kevin Martinson reported on:

1. Senior Exit Project presentations have started in Mr. Maves class.
2. Taylor Varichak won state for VICA skills and will be competing at nationals.
3. The baseball team's conference record is currently 3-2.

Alyssa Noll reported on:

1. The high school drama club will be performing Charlotte's Web on Thursday, April 26, 2012.
2. The Visual Arts Classic (VAC) and Forensics teams recently competed at state.
3. The high school band had a clinician from UW-Eau Claire, Dr. Phillip Ostrander, to work with students.

Correspondence

Mr. Ward acknowledged recording secretary Patrick Bahr in honor of Administrative Professionals Week.

Public comments

Chase Miller, Richard Miller and David Stelloh were each given the opportunity to speak on the subject of expulsions.

Written and Oral Reports

Supervisor reports were reviewed. Mr. Gunderson reviewed his report which included the following topics: health insurance consultant, technology, WERC/ negotiations, long range facility planning and the Crisis Drill on May 4.

Consent Agenda

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Clements seconded to approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of April 9, 2012, and the invoices to be paid. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Discussion/Action Items:

Mr. Falck moved, Mrs. Halverson seconded to accept the donation from the La Crosse Community Foundation/ Corinne Zielke Scholarship Fund for an indoor batting cage. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs.

Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. LeRoy Krall reviewed the recommendation to suspend the gymnastics program for the 2012-2013 school year. Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Clements seconded to suspend the gymnastics program for one year. After some discussion, Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to postpone the discussion until the next board meeting. A roll vote was taken on the postponement: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously. No vote was taken on the original motion to suspend the gymnastics program for one year.

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Clements seconded to offer the support staff renewals for the 2012-2013 school year as presented. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Gunderson reviewed the process in creating and the implementation of a strategic plan.

A summer Board Retreat will take place in June or July of 2012.

Mr. Scafe moved, Mr. Schlimgen seconded to approve the Board Committees as presented. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mrs. Halverson seconded to approve Tom Ward as the CESA Convention Delegate and Board of Control Representative. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mr. Clements moved, Mr. Scafe seconded to approve the auditor contract for one year with Johnson Block and Company, Inc. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Clements seconded to accept the resignations of Joanne Gorges as a high school cook, Matthew Huenink as a high school technology education teacher and Jamie Olson as a high school freshman/JV football coach. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye,

Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Mrs. Halverson moved, Mr. Clements seconded to set the second meeting in May as Tuesday, May 29 at 7:00 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

High school graduation – Mr. Ward will present the Bearing Wall Award at graduation and the rest of the board members plan on attending the ceremony.

8th Grade Promotion – Mr. Buchanan invited the board to attend the ceremony which will take place on May 31 at 7:00 p.m. in the Heider Center.

Adjournment

Mr. Schlimgen moved, Mr. Falck seconded to adjourn at 8:28 p.m. A roll vote was taken: Mr. Clements Aye, Mrs. Halverson Aye, Mr. Helgeson Aye, Mr. Ward Aye, Mr. Falck Aye, Mr. Schlimgen Aye, and Mr. Scafe Aye. Motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Jason Falck, Clerk

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The 8th Grade Class would like to thank those that participated in the April 2 fundraiser. Special thanks to Pizza Villa of West Salem for the opportunity to raise funds for the students' class trip.

THANK YOU

The West Salem High School Athletic Booster Club would like to thank the following donors for making the Annual Fun Night a success:

Ace Hardware of West Salem	Minnesota Vikings
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Features Sports Bar	West Salem Friends of Baseball
Fox Hollow	West Salem Girls Basketball
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Green Bay Packers	West Salem Softball
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Hog Wild--Jerry Beyers	West Salem Woods Class
I-90 Cenex	Westview Inn
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Koepnick Kreations	Alexa Langreck --SEP
Embroidery	Alex Martinson --SEP
La Crosse Loggers	Angie Hemker
Le Coulee Cheese Castle	Brian & Jeanne Babiash
Linda's Salem Bakery	Carl Schmitz
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Matthews Bow Inc	Ken Spratz
Milwaukee Brewers	Mary Koepnick
Milwaukee Bucks	Matt Huenink
Minnesota Twins	Michelle Hansen-Avon



2012 Swimming Pool Information

The pool will open with regular hours on
Saturday, June 9.

Pre-summer hours of 3:30-6:30 p.m. begin June 4.

Early Risers will begin Tuesday, May 29.

Monday-Friday	1:30-5:00 p.m. & 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Saturday	1:30-5:45 p.m.
Sunday	2:00-5:45 p.m.
Family Swim	Sun. 1:00-2:00 p.m. Tues. & Thurs. 8:30-9:30 p.m.
Adult Lap Swim	Mon. - Sat. 12:45-1:30 p.m.
Adult Early Risers	Mon. - Fri. 6:00-8:00 a.m.
Swim Team	Monday-Friday 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Times may vary due to weather, number of swimmers, mechanical problems, and emergency situations.

Private parties by reservation only, Saturday and Sundays 6:00-8:00 p.m. E-mail Sam Ruud (ruud.sam@wsalem.k12.wi.us) or call the pool at 786-0323 with questions. School use forms are available in the district office. Proof of insurance will be required.

Cost is dependent on the number of swimmers.

Base cost is \$85.

Swimming Lessons

Students must pre-register with the middle school office for lessons. Students must have completed kindergarten in order to be part of the summer school swim sessions.

Session I	June 11 - June 22
Session II	June 25 - July 6 (No lessons on July 4)
Session III	July 9- July 20

POOL PASSES WILL BE SOLD AT THE POOL
STARTING JUNE 4.

Membership	Resident	Non-Resident
Family	65.00	95.00
Single High School/Adult	40.00	50.00
Through 8th Grade	35.00	50.00

Daily Admission Fees

Through 8th Grade	1.00
High School (9-12)	1.50
Adult	1.50
Waders (Accompanied by Parent)	.50

**Refunds cannot be given due to changes in weather or equipment problems.

*Skippers (Preschool age 3-5) July 23-27
Classes offered at 8:00, 8:45, 9:30, 10:15, and 11:00 a.m.

*This is a preschool class that works at two different levels, water adjustment skills and beginner swim skills.

This class is not part of summer school program and costs \$25. Registration for Skippers begins Tuesday, June 12th at the pool. Payment is due at time of registration. Please come to the pool to register your swimmer.

West Salem Sharks Swim Team

There will be an informational meeting for swimmers and their parents for the summer season on Monday, June 11th, at the West Salem Pool at 5:00 p.m. We will not swim this day. The first practice will be Tuesday, June 12th from 5:00-6:30 p.m for the 11-18 year olds. The registration cost for the swim team is \$30, which includes swim meet fees, coaching, and a t-shirt. Please bring the registration fee to the meeting, along with your child's t-shirt size. Practices for 8 and under and 9-10 year olds are held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 5:00-6:30 p.m., and 11-12 year olds and 13 and up practice Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday, weather permitting. Swimmers ages 8-18 are welcome. We hope to give the swimmers six opportunities to swim in meets this summer, including both home and away meets. This is a fun way to meet friends, learn and improve swimming skills, and have a good time. Contact Coach Sarah Niebuhr with any questions at niebuhr.sara@uwlax.edu.



VAC (Visual Arts Classic) State Competition Results



Medium	Team Member	Long-Term Placement	On-site Placement
Drawing	Tori Hansen	1st	3rd
	Alec Otto	1st	3rd
Painting	Mike Reedy	1st	
	Ivy King	3rd	3rd
Printmaking	Joe Faella	2nd	2nd
	Zoe Ault-Brinker	2nd	HM
Ceramics	Alicia Powers	2nd	2nd
	Erica Rich	1st	2nd
Sculpture	Erin Faella	3rd	2nd
Computer Graphic Design	Seth Walker	HM	3rd
Personal Adornment	Rachel Auna	1st	2nd
Digital Photography	Julia Schomberg	3rd	1st

Medication Drop Off

August 18, 2012
La Crosse County HHM
6500 State Road 16, La Crosse

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or call 785-9999

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(WI Statute 403.414 & 943.425)



West Salem Area Aquatic Center Committee Fundraiser

Eat at Cousins Subs of Onalaska and help the West Salem Area Aquatic Center Committee prepare for the future!

Cousins Subs of Onalaska will donate 10% of sales toward the new Aquatic Center from all sales between 4:00 p.m. and 9:00 p.m. the nights of the fundraisers, and will give a free cookie certificate to all the students of the school that brings in the most in donations.

May 5 - Coulee Christian School
and Christ-St. John's
May 12 - West Salem High School
May 19 - West Salem Middle School
May 25 - West Salem Elementary School

SEP Project Fundraiser

Building a concession stand by baseball field.
Show your support by purchasing a logo to be painted on your driveway or in front of your business.
This logo will be approximately 4' x 4' in orange or black. The cost will be \$30.



For more information contact:
Nolan Wahoske: 608-234-2970 or 786-4773
Brent Servais: 608-797-4373 or 788-5307

Calendar of Events

MAY

- 4 OEC - Kindergarten - Rain Date
Golf-V at BRF - 3:00
Track-V at Coulee/South Central Meet at UWL - 3:30
Baseball-JV/V (H) Viroqua - 5:00
- 5 State Solo/Ensemble Contest at UW-L
OEC - Grade 1 Volunteer training - 8:00-11:00
- 6 May Fair
WSHS Jazz Band performs
- 7 NHS Induction Ceremony
OEC - Grade 1 Volunteer Training - 8:30-11:30
Baseball-JV/V at Onalaska Luther - 5:00
Track-V at Viroqua Invite
- 8 **Early Release - Dismissal at 12:30**
Golf-V at Arcadia Invite - 1:00
Soccer-JV/V (H) Logan - 5:00/7:00
Softball-JV/V (H) Luther - 5:00
- 9 OEC - Grade 1 (Christianson, Kammel)
- 10 OEC - Grade 1 (Bradley, Johnson, Wheeler)
Golf-V at GET - 3:00
Baseball-JV/V (H) Mel-Min - 5:00
- 11 OEC - Grade 1 (Crow, Wagner)
Soccer-JV/V at Lodi - 5:00/6:45
Softball-JV/V at Onalaska - 4:30
OEC - Grade 5 Volunteer Training - 8:30-10:30
- 12 Track-V at BRF
Golf-V - Conference Meet - 8:00 at TBA
Baseball-JV/V at Sparta-Doubleheader - 11:00
Soccer-JV at Tomah Invite - 10:00
Softball-JV/V at Tomah Triangular - 11:00
OEC - Grade 2 Volunteer Training - 8:00-11:00
OEC - Grade 5 Volunteer Training - 12:00-2:00
- 14 7th grade band/choir concert - 7:00
Golf-JV at BRF - 3:00
Softball-JV/V (H) Arcadia - 5:00
OEC - Grade 5 (Burdick, Czajka)
OEC - Grade 2 Volunteer Training - 8:30-11:30
- 15 Baseball-JV/V at Arcadia - 5:00
Soccer-JV/V (H) Mauston - 5:00/7:00
Golf-JV (H) WS Invite at Fox Hollow - 1:00
Track-JV Conference Meet at TBA
OEC - Grade 5 (Brodsky, Jeranek, Stachowski)
- 16 OEC - Grade 2 (Court/Macha, Kochie)
- 17 8th grade band/choir concert - 7:00
Golf-V at Holmen Invite - 1:00
Soccer-JV/V at Central - 5:00/5:00
Track-V at Whitehall Norse Invite
Softball-JV/V at Westby - 5:00
WSMS Track Meet (H)
OEC - Grade 2 (Hickey, Zais)

- 18 **NESHONOC Yearbook Dedication**
Baseball-JV/V at Westby - 5:00
OEC - Grade 2 (Hesse, Servais)
- 19 Softball-JV/V (H) WS Tourney - 9:00
Grade 3 Volunteer Training (8:00-11:00)
- 20 WSHS Farewell Band/Choir Concert and Awards
Picnic
OEC - Woodsie Training
- 21 6th grade band/choir concert
Track Regionals at Viroqua
- 21-25 OEC-Grade 7
- 22 Baseball-JV/V at Aquinas - 4:30
Soccer-JV/V (H) Aquinas - 5:00/7:00
- 22-23 Golf Regionals at Sparta
- 24 Soccer-V/JV at Holmen - 4:00/5:45
Track Sectionals at Boscobel
Softball Regional Quarter-Finals
- 25 Baseball Regional
- 25 OEC - Grade 3 Volunteer Training - 12:00-3:00
- 27 **Graduation - 1:30**
- 28 **No School**
- 29 Baseball Regional
Softball Regional Semi-Finals
OEC - Grade 3 (Schwartz, Mathison)
- 29-30 Golf Sectionals at Unity
- 30 Baseball Regionals
OEC - Grade 3 (La Fleur, Weber)
- 31 8th Grade Promotion - 7:00, Heider Center
Softball Regional Finals
Soccer Regional Semi-Final
OEC - Grade 3 (Deml, Patterson)

JUNE

- 1 OEC - Grade 6
- 1-2 Track State Meet at UWL
- 2 June Dairy Days - WSHS Bands perform
Soccer Regional Final
- 4 OEC - Grade 1 - Rain Date
OEC - Grade 2 - Rain Date
- 4-5 Golf State at University Ridge (Madison)
- 5 Softball Sectional Semi-Finals
Baseball Sectional
OEC - Grade 3 - Rain Date
OEC - Grade 5 - Rain Date
- 7 Last day of 2011-2012 School Year - 12:30
dismissal and buses leave at 12:40
Soccer Sectional Semi-Final
- 8 Softball Sectional Finals
- 9 Soccer Sectional Final
- 12-14 Baseball State
- 14-16 Softball State
- 14-16 Soccer State at Uihlein Park
- 21-24 Summer Musical - Joseph & the Amazing Technicol-
or Dreamcoat

From the Superintendent
School Board Meeting presentations
It's Time For Gardening

JOSEPH & THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

NESHONOC Dedication

VAC - State Results

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West Salem Walk Now For Autism Speaks

Saturday, May 12, 2012

Registration: 9:30 a.m.

Walk starts: 10:00 a.m.

West Salem Village Park

Coulee Region Autism Support has been formed to help Autistic children throughout the Coulee Region.

Lorie Line

is coming to the Heider Center

May 9, 2012 at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets available:

1-800-801-5463 - or - www.lorieline.com

Last Day of the 2011-2012 School Year

Thursday, June 7, 2012

12:30 Dismissal

12:40 Buses Leave

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