

# TIGERTALES

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## Co-Presidents' Letter

Happy New Year to all White Plains students and their families! Not even the harsh winter weather can hinder the PTA from holding informative meetings and fun events!

At our November PTA meeting, LaTora Blair a representative from TD Bank, spoke about how students can begin or continue to make responsible financial decisions. Also, Enrique Cafaro, from the high school Safety Team showed an informative power point, which is shown to all students in the beginning of the school year, and spoke to parents about the safety procedures that the school follows in the event of an actual emergency.

The December **Holiday Craft Fair** was and continues to be a great success! All proceeds from the Fair go towards the PTA Senior Recognition Award Fund. Many thanks to Melissa Cardon and her crew of hard-working volunteers, along with Rose Lovitch and Joretta Crabbe. And a special thanks to our neighborhood sponsors for their donations of food and continued support.

Upcoming meetings:  
January 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:30pm in the high school media center, Principal Doherty along with Greg Gorman, Math Coordinator and Douglas Cronk, ELA Coordinator will discuss and

review Common Core Standards.

February 5<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm in the high school media center, WPHS PTA, WPMS PTA and PTA Council presents Michael Nerney, who will speak about adolescent brain development and substance abuse.

March 6<sup>th</sup>, 7:30pm in the high school media center, Dr. Jordan will present – Concussions; what every parent and student needs to know.

Please note that we encourage all students to attend these meetings as well as parents.

Community-wide **School Budget Forums** have begun, and preliminary budget sections have already been presented and discussed. A public hearing on the preliminary proposed budget will be held on January 23<sup>rd</sup>. The second forum will be held on Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. We encourage you to educate yourself about the school budget process and share your views and ideas.

Our April 23<sup>rd</sup> meeting is an important **Joint PTA BUDGET Meeting**, with PTA Council, WPHS PTA and WPMS PTA. WPHS PTA members will be given the opportunity to hear the Proposed 2014 – 2015 School Budget and decide whether or not to support the budget by a general membership VOTE. It is important for you to be a member of the WPHS PTA. If you are not a

'13-'14 member, our membership form is provided at the end of this newsletter. Please join and be an active voice at our upcoming meeting. While membership is accepted all year, we would appreciate all 2013-14 MEMBERSHIPS TO BE RECEIVED @ WPHS Main Office by the end of MARCH so that you can be counted in our membership numbers for this year.

And lastly, volunteers are needed for both the **Staff Appreciation Luncheon on May 2<sup>nd</sup>**, and at the **Loucks Track and Field Games being held this year on May 10<sup>th</sup>**. We are still looking for someone to head this event, please contact the PTA if you are able to help. The PTA is also looking for some motivated parents to step up and join our Board. There are a number of positions opening up for the 2014-2015 school year and everyone is encouraged to speak with the current board to learn about how rewarding an experience it can be.

We look forward to seeing you at our spring events.

Judy Eisele  
& Sandra Alexandrou

WPHS PTA Co-Presidents  
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# A Message From The Principal

*January 2014*

Dear White Plains High School Families,

It is only six degrees above zero as I write this note- the wind is howling and snow is blowing outside my window. Inside, our students are performing experiments, learning to speak English, Spanish, French, Italian, German or Mandarin Chinese; our symphonic orchestra might be rehearsing ...other groups of students are reading Shakespeare or Langston Hughes. Still others are solving problems in calculus class, swimming in our pool, exploring the role of propaganda in World War 1, or throwing a pot in ceramics. In every instance they are developing the skills they will need to be successful when they leave us. They are learning to think critically, to ask and answer probing questions, to work in a group or as one on behalf of many, they are questioning the status quo and imagining the role many of them will play someday as leaders and change agents.

This is a wonderful time for our students-many of our seniors have heard from colleges and universities to which they've applied and I've attached a list of acceptances here. We're proud of all of our young people and excited by their many successes.

I know I speak on behalf of our faculty and staff when I say we are deeply committed to the work we are engaged in and grateful for the opportunity to work in such a supportive, child centered community with such terrific kids.

## COLLEGE ACCEPTANCES

Adelphi University  
American University  
Berkeley College of White Plains  
Binghamton University  
Boston University  
Clark University  
Coastal Carolina University

Cornell University (School of I&LR)  
Dartmouth College  
Dominican College of Blauvelt  
Drexel University  
Eastern Connecticut State University  
Fairfield University  
Florida Atlantic University  
Florida State University  
Fordham University  
Fordham University (College at Rose Hill)  
Fordham University (College at Lincoln Center)  
George Mason University  
Hampton University  
High Point University  
Hofstra University  
Indiana University at Bloomington  
Iona College  
James Madison University (College of Business)  
Johnson & Wales University  
LIU Brooklyn  
LIU Post  
Loyola University Maryland  
Manhattan College  
Manhattanville College  
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts  
Mercer University  
Mercy College  
Mohawk Valley Community College  
Monroe College  
Montclair State University  
Morgan State University  
New England College  
New York Institute of Technology - Old Westbury  
Northeastern University  
Pace University, New York City  
Pace University, Pleasantville  
Pennsylvania State University, University Park  
Philadelphia University  
Providence College  
Purchase College State University of New York  
Quinnipiac University  
Rowan University  
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey at New Brunswick  
Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey at Newark (College of Arts & Sciences)  
Saint Joseph's University  
Saint Peter's University  
Salisbury University  
Salve Regina University  
Siena College  
St. John's University - Queens Campus  
St. Thomas Aquinas College  
State University of New York - Plattsburgh  
State University of New York at Albany  
State University of New York at New Paltz  
Stevenson University  
SUNY Alfred State College



SUNY College at Brockport  
SUNY College at Cortland  
SUNY College at Old Westbury  
SUNY College at Oneonta  
SUNY College at Potsdam  
SUNY College of Technology at Canton  
SUNY Delhi  
SUNY Fredonia  
SUNY Morrisville State College  
SUNY Oswego  
Susquehanna University  
Temple University  
Texas A&M University

The Catholic University of America  
The College of Saint Rose  
The College of Westchester  
The Ohio State University  
The University of Tampa  
Tompkins Cortland Community College  
Towson University  
Tulane University  
Union College  
University of Bridgeport  
University of Central Florida  
University of Hartford  
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (Liberal Arts & Sciences)  
University of Maine  
University of Massachusetts, Amherst  
University of Michigan  
University of New Hampshire  
University of New Haven  
University of North Carolina at Charlotte  
University of Oklahoma  
University of Oregon  
University of Vermont  
University of Wisconsin, Madison  
West Virginia University  
Westchester Community College  
Western New England University  
William Paterson University of New Jersey  
York College of Pennsylvania

I am excited about the upcoming semester and the work we will do together!

Ellen

Ellen Doherty, LCSW  
White Plains High School Principal



## ENGLISH 4 WISE (Wise Individualized Senior Experience Project)

1.5 Credits \*



### **Strengthen your credentials for:**

The college application  
The college experience  
The world of work ..... Life.....with a

### **Wise Individualized Senior Experience (WiSE) Project**

Use this WiSE opportunity to

- Explore a personal interest**
- Earn Academic Credit in your senior year**
- Be involved in a Hands on Experience**
- Internships**
- Learn Project Design**
- Develop Public Speaking Skills**
- Increase Resume & Business Writing Skills**
- Foster Community Connections**
- Maintain a Journal**
- Work with a Mentor**

### **Home Time Management Skills Build Independent Thinking, Research, Communication & Presentation Skills**

WISE (Wise Individual Senior Experience) gives high school seniors an opportunity to explore an area of interest through the development of an independent research project or a community internship. The WISE English 4 course is designed to prepare students for college level writing and research while complementing the projects/internships. The course focuses on the full range of English studies in the four strands of the English Language Arts curriculum.

\* Junior students should meet with their Guidance Counselor for details.

Please visit - <http://wiseservices.org/home> for more details on WiSE in the United States.



## Project Lead The Way Pathway To Engineering



Project Lead The Way (PLTW) is a national program forming partnerships among public schools, higher education institutions and the private sector to increase the quantity and quality of engineers and engineering technologists graduating from the country's educational systems.

The program offers a hands-on, project-based approach to learning that better prepares students for the rigors of college.

The program incorporates math, science, English, and technology skills needed for success. Taking PLTW



courses can help students decide whether an engineering-related career is or is not right for them.

At this time, the **Pathway To Engineering** strand of **Project Lead the Way** at White Plains High School will become certified by the 2015-2016 school.

By then (2015), students who will take the credit eligible Foundation Courses Students and meet RIT's minimum requirement for the end-of-year exam may register for and receive RIT undergraduate credit.

RIT requires these students to receive at least an 85 percent average in the course and score 70 or above on the college credit exam (70-79=C, 80-89=B, 90 and above is an A). The decision to apply for college credit is made after the exam has been taken and scored. **The RIT college credit grade is based solely on the stanine earned on the final exam and not on the course grade.** Therefore, the grade a student receives in the high school course may differ from the college credit grade. It is important for you to ask the teacher what the stanine grade is so that you can make an informed decision. If a student subsequently attends RIT, the college credit grade would be counted towards his/her overall grade point average. If a student attends another university, the course credits often are transferred without the letter grade. The total tuition charge for each course is \$200. RIT is converting to the semester system and each course will be worth three semester credit.

For more information, please visit the site <http://www.rit.edu/emcs/pltw/pltw-rit> and meet with your guidance counselor.

### **PLTW Pathway To Engineering Courses Offered Fall 2014:**

#### ***Foundation Courses:***

Introduction to Engineering Design (Design & Drawing for Production in NYS) - credit eligible 2015-2016

Principals of Engineering - credit eligible 2015-2016

#### ***Specialization Courses:***

Biotechnical Engineering

Aerospace Engineering

#### ***Capstone Course:***

Engineering Design and Development

## SUPA—Syracuse University Project Advance *(for Seniors)*

*English Reading & Writing Course 1 credit + (earn up to 6 college credits)*

Students enrolled in SUPA, an Honors level course, may earn six college credits. The credits earned through Syracuse University are transferable to many (though not all) colleges and universities.

During the fall, students will be enrolled in Writing Studio I, a freshman college level reading and writing course.



During the spring, students will enroll in Reading and Interpretation, a freshman college level literature course.

Students who qualify for this course will be required to register as a part time student at Syracuse University and will pay tuition to Syracuse University. Students pay a **reduced** tuition rate of \$110 per credit, a cost significantly lower than the part-time tuition rate of \$703 per credit. Upon satisfactory completion of the course, students should make a formal request directly to Syracuse University in order to receive a college transcript.

This course is available to students who earn a grade of "B" or higher in English 3R. Students who wish to apply must inform their guidance counselor of their interest, complete the honors application form, and then attend a formal meeting to be held in the spring.

For more information on the SUPA English Reading and Writing Course, please visit the Syracuse University website at <http://supa.syr.edu/index.php> and junior students should meet with their Guidance Counselor.

## ACE - Advanced College Experience *(Juniors & Seniors)*

1 credit (3 college credits from WCC)



The Advanced College Experience Program is an academic partnership between Westchester Community College and area high schools, which enables high school students to enroll in college level classes and earn college credit during their final year(s) of high school.

Classes are taught by approved, qualified high school teachers. Students must meet all college pre-requisites and follow the Westchester Community College syllabi. All classes take place in the high school during the students' regular school day.

Students pay a **reduced** tuition rate of \$59.67 per credit, a cost significantly lower than the part-time tuition rate of \$179 per credit. Students who complete all required coursework receive a grade which is recorded on an official Westchester Community College transcript, which can then be forwarded to the student's college for transfer credit evaluation.

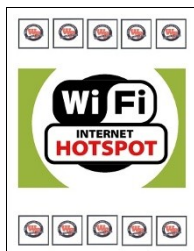
**ACE credits are recognized by all SUNY schools and a number of colleges and universities!** For more information, please go to the Westchester Community College site: <http://www.sunywcc.edu/admissions/ace/ace.htm> and students should speak with their guidance counselor.

<b>ACE Courses Currently Offered:</b>		Contemporary Mathematics	Calculus I
English 4 Composition and Lit I	College Algebra with Trigonometry		Biology - Anatomy and Physiology (4 CR)
African American History	Pre-Calculus: Functions & Coordinate Geometry	(not currently offered:	Entrepreneurship 1 & 2)

## WPHS WiFi & Office 365 (Formerly Live@EDU)

WPHS now has **WiFi** available to all WPHS staff and students. WiFi setup instructions are available for a WPHS staff or student's iPhone, iPad, Android, and Blackberry. Username and password is the same as when you log into the school computer network. The following zones are HOTSPOT Locations.

- South House Atrium
- Main Cafeteria
- Weight Room
- South Gym
- North Gym
- Pool
- Auditorium
- Media Center
- North House Atrium
- 2nd Floor Lobby
- Main Office



### Office 365 Quick Reference Guide

1. To access, <http://portal.microsoftonline.com> (NEW)
2. Sign in with username and password  
For students: **districtuser-name@live.wpcsd.k12.ny.us**  
Password is the same as district computer network
3. Click Sign In

### Students will have access to the following:

- Outlook (which includes Email, Calendar and Contacts) district issued & monitored email account that can only email students and school district staff
- Office in the cloud (incl: Word, Excel, Powerpoint & OneNote)
- Skydrive; online storage of files, documents, music, pictures, etc. accessible from any computer with internet access

Please see Mrs. Mondelli in the C125/C126 HS Computer Labs with any questions

Office 365 can be accessed 24 hours a day/ 7 days a week using any computer (& some smartphones) with internet access

### Office 365 training videos

<http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/office365-suite-help/get-to-know-office-365-RZ103709937.aspx>

### Office 365 Help and Instructions

<http://onlinehelp.microsoft.com/en-us/office365-enterprises/f6637580.aspx>

### How to share documents and files in Office 365

<http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/office365-suite-help/share-documents-in-office-365-VA103141040.aspx>

Office <http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/support/training-FX101782702.aspx>

OneNote <http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/onenote-help/work-together-in-a-shared-notebook-RZ102694333.aspx>

### OneNote is also available as an App:

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.microsoft.office.onenote>  
<https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/microsoft-onenote-for-iphone/id410395246?mt=8>  
<http://apps.microsoft.com/windows/en-us/app/onenote/f022389f-f3a6-417e-ad23-704bdf57117>

### OneNote Example in the classroom:

<http://blogs.office.com/b/microsoft-onenote/archive/2011/07/28/teaching-with-onenote-how-students-benefit.aspx>

Students should please see Mrs. Mondelli in the C125/C126 Computer lab for assistance.



## Science Research Program In The High School

### Recruiting Freshman to begin Sophomore Year Entrance Activity Due March 3rd

University At Albany's "University In The High School" Program (UHS)

#### WPHS Science Research Program

**PARENTS OF FRESHMEN!** Does your child love science? Do you want him/her to earn college AND honors credit while still in High School? Is your child inquisitive and creative? Does your child take initiative and work hard? Do you want to him/her to learn presentation and communication skills?

SCIENCE RESEARCH may be the perfect course for your child!

#### Students will:

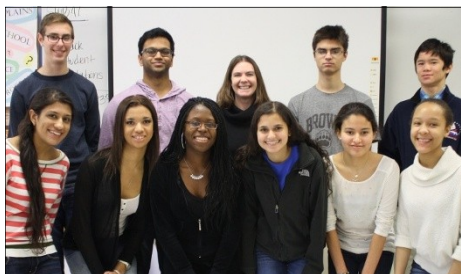
- Earn SUNY Albany UHS credits!
- Earn honors credits!
- Obtain service credits and valuable resume-enhancing experiences!
- Participate in opportunities to earn scholarships and prestigious awards!
- Learn valuable career & college skills such as organization, communication, and presentation skills!
- Research a topic of their choice!

#### Science Research Overview:

- Three year program (Sophomore-Senior year)
- Students conduct their own graduate-level research ex-

periments under the guidance of a professional research advisor

- Students design and implement their own research plan
- Students write professional scientific papers
- Students create and present professional PowerPoint slideshows and Poster Boards
- Students compete in various competitions, including the Intel Science Talent Search (STS) and the International Science and Engineering Fair (ISEF)



Seniors (Class of 2014) & Ms. Fleming

Requirements for acceptance:  
Entering 10<sup>th</sup> grade in Fall 2014  
Complete entrance application by March 3<sup>rd</sup> (see guidance counselor or Mrs. Fleming)  
Attend White Plains High School's Annual Science Research Symposium (Monday, May 19<sup>th</sup>)

**An informational meeting will be held on Wednesday March 12<sup>th</sup> from 7:00-7:30pm @ WPHS Media Center.**

**All incoming research students and their parents are expected to attend.**

Contact **Kimberly Fleming** for more information:  
[kimberlyfleming@wpcsd.k12.ny.us](mailto:kimberlyfleming@wpcsd.k12.ny.us) (914) 422-2305



## Make A Difference!

### Join The PTA

## WPHS Community Service Program - Hours Recognized on WPHS Transcript!

### Welcome to the WPHS Community Service Program.

We commend you for your interest in volunteering your time and energy to your Community. You will find Community Service Forms available under the **Guidance web page**. The forms are necessary to participate in the Program and to receive recognition and/or academic credit. Remember this service can be done anytime during your career at White Plains High School, including summers.

Please complete each form as indicated and return to Mrs. London (forms can be printed online =>).

Upon completion of a minimum of 60 hours of volunteer activity you will receive a Certificate of Recognition and credit on your transcript for Community Service. This credit is **in addition** to the 22 credits required for a White



Plains High School diploma. Community Service credit will be awarded according to the following guidelines:

If a student has served a minimum of 60 hours, but less than 120 hours, the student will be awarded one-half (.5) Community Service Credit for that year. Any hours beyond that 60 will be carried forward to the next school year. One-half (.5) Community Service Credit will appear on the student's transcript for that year. If a student has served a minimum of 120 hours, the student will be awarded one (1) Community Service Credit for that year. Any hours beyond 120 will be carried forward to the next school year. One (1) Community Service Credit will appear on the student's transcript for that year.

No student can earn more than one (1) Community Service credit per school year, for a maximum of 4 such credits over the course of grades 9 – 12. **This credit is elective, non-academic credit that cannot be used toward graduation.**

Documentation of hours served must be submitted by May 1 of each year. Hours earned following the May 1 deadline will be credited towards the following year's record.

The Community Service Program is available to assist all interested students – individually or as a group - with placement opportunities. For more information call or visit Program Coordinator Mrs. London, 422-2013, College & Career Center, White Plains, High School.

## BOARD ANNOUNCES SCHOOL BUDGET PLANNING PROCESS

The White Plains Board of Education has announced the district's 2014-15 budget planning process, continuing the successful community-wide forums held last year. Board President Rosemarie Eller said, "Next year's budget will be a tremendous challenge, responding to the state-imposed property tax levy cap, which is estimated at an approximate 1.5% increase. With proposed reductions in Federal aid, plus large increases in health insurance rates and pension costs – totally outside of district control, the district will need to consider about \$1 million in budget reductions to remain within the cap." *The district is seeking broad input on the budget from the community, at two Budget Forums:*

on **Thursday, January 23rd**, and

**Wednesday, March 19<sup>th</sup>**. Both are in the B-1 Room at WhitePlains High School, at 7:30 P.M.

Additional meetings will take place in the community and any group or organization wishing to host such a meeting may contact the Superintendent's Office at 422-2033. Discussions have also been held with staff to solicit their input.

All residents are invited to attend these sessions, to participate in focused dialogue on spending efficiencies, areas of concern, budget priorities and creative ways to increase revenues. A review of the district's financial situation, the state's and city's financial constraints, and other issues relating to development of the budget will be presented.

The district will also hold two Public Hearings: *the first on March 10<sup>th</sup>, on the Preliminary Proposed Budget, and the second on May 12<sup>th</sup>, on the Board of Education's Adopted Proposed Budget.* Both hearings will take place at Education House, 5 Homeside Lane, at 7:30 P.M.

Superintendent of Schools Timothy P. Connors said, "We hope to work together with the community to develop a budget that maintains the high quality of education in White Plains and that is fiscally responsible and can be supported by the taxpayers in the **May 20<sup>th</sup> vote.**"

The community is encouraged to visit the district's website, [www.whiteplainspublicschools.org](http://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org)

## WPHS Guidance Dept. Presents A Series of Important Meetings For 2014 Thursdays in the Media Center - Lesley Tompkins

**College Planning Workshop** Thursday, March 13 at 7:00 p.m.  
Centro Hispano (in Spanish)

**"Standardized Testing"** Thursday, March 27, 7:30 p.m.

This program is designed for 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students and parents/guardians. This evening is all about college entrance exams: the SAT, the ACT, the SAT IIs (subject tests). What are they? When should you take them? How many times/how many tests should you take? How are these used by colleges in their admissions process? These are the questions that we will answer over the course of this evening. Some students begin taking SAT Subject Tests as early as their sophomore year, so we encourage all freshmen, sophomore and junior parents and students to take advantage of this presentation.

**"Non-College Options: Technical and Trade Schools, the Military and Gap Year Programs"** Thursday, April 24, 7:00 p.m.

This program is designed for junior and senior students and their parents/guardians. Some students need post-secondary alternatives to a direct progression to a two or four-year college or university program. A variety of presenters will be on hand to talk to you about technical and trade schools, all branches of the Military and gap year programs. Every student who graduates from high school should leave with a plan of action, and as many options as possible should be considered in that plan. Many options other than college can lead to a satisfying and rewarding career. Any one of the options that will be presented this evening may lead a student back to college at a later date, or perhaps not. Nonetheless, any one of them can lead a

student to a fulfilling future. Please join us if you are interested in exploring these options.

**Naviance Night for Juniors**

**Wed., May 7, 7:30 p.m.**

This program will introduce juniors and their parents/guardians to the college exploration and application process using Naviance. All aspects of the program will be demonstrated, and a timeline will be provided to ensure that you are on track for submitting your applications in your senior year. This is an important evening for all juniors, but it is essential for students who intend to apply Early Decision or Early Action in the fall.

**"Student Athletes: What You Need to Know About the NCAA"**

**Wed., June 4, 7:30 p.m.**

This program is designed for ALL student athletes and their parents/guardians. Each year very talented athletes who have devoted countless hours to physical training and practice are disappointed when they realize that they are not eligible to be recruited by Division I or II schools because they have not met the academic requirements of the National Clearinghouse. If a student first discovers an academic shortcoming as a junior it can prove to be a difficult obstacle for the student to overcome in the time remaining in high school. If a student doesn't discover this until senior year, the obstacle may be insurmountable. Serious athletes must also be serious students from freshman year forward if they want to realize their dreams of participating at the highest level of college athletics. Please join us for this presentation by members of our counseling and coaching staff who will explain what you need to achieve academically in order to be NCAA eligible to compete in your chosen sport in college.



**If you will turn 18 years old this year, you can Register To Vote NOW!**  
<http://www.elections.ny.gov/VotingRegister.html>

### Qualifications to Register to Vote

- be a United States citizen;
- be 18 years old by December 31 of the year in which you file this form (note: you must be 18 years old by the date of the general, primary or other election in which you want to vote);
- live at your present address at least 30 days before an election;
- not be in prison or on parole for a felony conviction

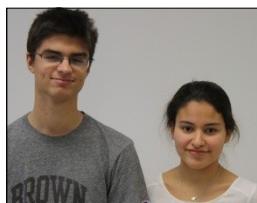
- not be adjudged mentally incompetent by a court;
- not claim the right to vote elsewhere

Register at: **Westchester County Board of Elections**  
25 Quarropas Street  
White Plains, NY 10601  
Phone: 914-995-5700  
Fax: 914-995-3190 914-995-7753

## Awards & Accolades

### 2 Class of 2014 Seniors Win Acorda Scientific Excellence Award!

White Plains High School Senior Max Golden won the Acorda Scientific Excellence Award. Max is in the third and final year of the Science Research Program led by Mrs. Kimberly Fleming. The Acorda Scientific Excellence Award is presented in recognition of Westchester and Putnam County high school students who are engaged in highly significant scientific, technological, engineering and mathematical (STEM) research. Max's study entitled "The Effects of Temperature and Pressure on the Growth of



Graphene by Chemical Vapor Deposition of Ethylene on CuNi(111)" demonstrated a novel approach to growing graphene as a potential for large scale production. Max was interviewed by Lisa Wexler at WFAS, and the interview was broadcast Sunday morning 1/26, at 9am on AM1230. The interview is also be available at [lisawexler.com](http://lisawexler.com). Max's mentor, Dr. Carl Ventrice Jr., submitted Max's research for publication to the Journal of Vacuum Sciences and Technology A, under the title "Growth and Characterization of Graphene on CuNi(111)". Max is the second author credited, and hopes it will be published within the next few months.

In addition, another White Plains High School Science Research senior, Diana Medina, has had her research submitted for publication. Diana is the first author credited in a study entitled "Adverse Effects of Daylight Savings Time on Adolescents' Sleep and Performance". Diana's study used the White Plains High School population to show that adolescent's sleep patterns and reaction times are significantly reduced the week following DST.

Congrats to Max & Diana for the recognition of their hard work and dedication to Science Research! - Kimberly Fleming

### Class of 2014 Seniors Kaitlin Doherty And Brian LaPlaca Recognized

#### Men's Swim & Dive Fundraiser

The men's swimming and diving team held their annual swim-a-thon on January 25. This year beneficiary is the Maya Legatt fund. The team raised over \$600 for this worthy cause. This is the 21<sup>st</sup> year that the team has raised funds for a community or national organization. Great job!

#### Varsity Female Swim Captain Kaitlin Doherty Commended

Swimmer and captain Kaitlin Doherty represented White Plains in two events, 50 and 100 free, at the New York State swim meet. This was the fourth straight year that Kaitlin qualified for states. She also received the Section 1 sportsmanship award out of 63 participants from Section 1. Congratulations!

- Coach Gilmartin



#### 2013 Youth of the Year

Mayor Thomas Roach and the White Plains Common Council recently named Brian LaPlaca the 2013 Youth of the Year. The award is given annually to a graduating high school senior from either a public or private school. The award recognizes outstanding volunteer service and contributions to making a difference in White Plains. Congratulations Brian!



***Congratulations to all of our WPHS Class of 2014  
National Merit Scholars On Your Outstanding Achievement!***



#### Semifinalists for 2013

*Max Golden  
Claire Nataro*

#### 2013 Commended Students

*Louisa Abbott  
Shamus Cardon  
Theodore Chomiak  
Arielle Hazi  
Sarah Lumelsky*

*Rachel Okun  
Vivekanand Tatineni  
Samuel Woehr*

#### 2013 National Achievement Scholarship Program

*Semi Finalist  
Ayan Waite*

*Outstanding Participant  
Najah Banks*

#### 2013 National Hispanic Recognition Program (NHRP) Scholars

*Brian LaPlaca  
Kiara Barone  
David Laguna  
Germain Meza  
Amanda Soyk*



## Awards & Accolades

### 142 Winter Sport Scholar Athletes Recognized

One hundred-forty-two White Plains High School students from seven Fall Varsity Athletic Teams were named Scholar-Athletes by the New York State Public High School Athletic Association.

This status is awarded on the basis of a team average of 90 or better from a specified number of athletes. High School Principal Ellen Doherty and Athletic Director

Jennifer DeSena introduced the coaches, who presented certificates and pins to all the students in a recognition ceremony at the Board of Education Meeting on January 13<sup>th</sup>.

Teams represented were Boys' Cross Country, coached by Fred Singleton; Girls' Cross Country, coached by Carlos Agudelo; Field Hockey, coached by Joan

Behrends; Girls' Soccer, Laura wen and Mike Rivera, Coaches; Girls' Swimming and Diving, Patricia Gilmartin, Coach, Girls' Tennis, coached by Sue Adams; and Girls' Volleyball, Caitlyn MacDonald, Coach. Both the Field Hockey and Girls' Tennis teams had 100% participation in the honors. - Michele Shoenfeld

### WPHS Wins 3rd Place In Business Olympics 2013

The Business Olympics is organized by the African American Men of Westchester. The competition was held on Friday, November 15<sup>th</sup> at Morgan Stanley in Purchase. Eighteen schools participated in the competition. The White Plains High School team won third place in the Business Olympics.

The goals of the Business Olympics are to introduce students to the world of business and teach them valuable skills in problem solving, working collaboratively, and presenting their business solution. The teams work together to solve business case studies

and they are judged on how well they collaborate, analyze, solve and articulate theoretical business problems and solutions. The documents included describe the program in more detail.

Our Business Education teacher, Anna Burns coordinated the meetings for the students to get to know each other and discuss the guidelines for the competition. The HS support staff

and Ms. Tompkins also assisted with the recruitment of the students. The 2013 WPHS team members are:



**Daniela Bautista  
Christopher Bratkovics  
Alisa Choubay  
Victoria Cignarella  
Robert Lovitch  
Gabrielle Mucciolo  
Ross Van Doren  
Linn Win**

(not in photo, Christopher Bratkovics)

- Lucy Roman

### 3 Class of 2014 Seniors Receive Italian Heritage Scholarship Award

The City of White Plains celebrated "Italian Heritage & Cultural Month" by hosting the White Plains Columbus Day Festival, sponsored and run by the Columbus Day Parade Committee of White Plains & the Antonio Meucci Lodge #213, OSIA.



Photo by Donna Louis

of 2014) were honored and awarded on September 28th:

Cristina Birittieri  
Leonardo Fonzetti  
Cristina Maida

Frank Tarone President of the White Plains Columbus Day Parade Committee & Antonio Meucci Lodge 213, OSIA, Paola Pesaturo,

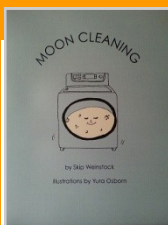
Vice President, and Rose Tassone, First

Vice President Antonio Meucci Lodge & Scholarship Chairperson presented the seniors with a \$1,500 scholarship award from the Generoso Pope Foundation, the sponsor of the scholarship and supporter of the WP Columbus Day Festival!

The scholarship was awarded in recognition of excellence in academics, outstanding community service, and for the study of the Italian language. The award also requires that the student be of partial or full Italian descent.

White Plains High School Seniors (Class

### WPHS English Teacher Receives Moonbeam Children's Book Award



The Moonbeam Children's Book Awards are intended to bring increased recognition to exemplary children's books and their crea-

tors, and to celebrate children's books and life-long reading. Skip Weinstock, an English teacher at White Plains High School for 31 years, received the 2013 Bronze Moonbeam Children's Book Award for the Children's Poetry

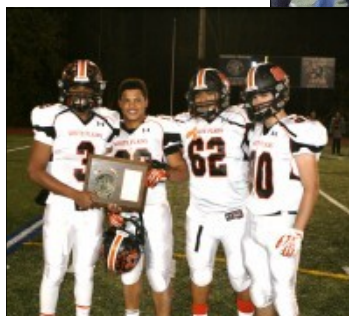
category. Mr. Weinstock's book, *Moon Cleaning*, illustrated by Yura Osborn (Millenium Press).



## Awards & Accolades

### Varsity Football Wins First Time Ever NYS Section I Championship!

It's been an amazing ride to watch the WPHS Varsity Football play its way (with an 8-1 record) to a first time ever NYSPHSAA Section 1 Class AA championship, defeating North Rockland 20-11 on November 9 for the title! It is WPHS's first Section I title ever since the NYSPHSAA tournament began in 1993, and first big achievement only to be compared to the 1979 bowl championship. Congratulations and Go Tigers!



Above: WPHS Seniors Cameron Crabbe, Chris Jordan, Jerry Rivera and Eduardo Rios holding the Section 1 AA Championship Plaque & first ever Section Title. photo by Albert Coqueran, The Examiner



The Section 1 Banquet was held on December 8th at The Crown Plaza. The Section 1 Class AA Coach of the Year was awarded to Michael (Skip) Stevens; Anthony Tacto and Jerry Rivera received All Conference Awards; Matthew Berube, Cameron Crabbe, Chris Jordan, Marshon Morris and Lukas Repetti received All Section Awards.

Many of the 2013 team members have received numerous awards, all listed on the [WPHS website](http://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org/Page/984) : [http://](http://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org/Page/984)



[www.whiteplainspublicschools.org/Page/984](http://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org/Page/984).

Congratulations WPHS Varsity Football, Coach Stevens, and all the coaches, and good luck to our seniors in their future endeavors!

WPHS Seniors Lucas Repetti, Matt Berube, Chris Jordan, Coach "Skip" Stevens, Cameron Crabbe, & Marshon Morris - photo by Joretta Crabbe



### FAIS Scholarship Awarded to 2 Juniors

FAIS, The Foundation for the Advancement of International Studies, is pleased to announce that it is awarding two outstanding juniors, Karlem Vacacela and Lauren Schulz, with the first ever FAIS Scholarship. The FAIS Scholarship has been created to provide deserving students the opportunity they might not otherwise have, to travel abroad for the first time by participating in one of the WPHS trips or ex-

changes. Karlem will receive \$2,000 and Lauren \$500. The two students will be participating in the WPHS sponsored trip to France during the upcoming spring break.

FAIS is a not for profit organization founded in 2010 by Sue Altman, a recently retired WPHS Social Studies teacher. FAIS supports the mission of



Photo by Sue Altman

the WPHS by helping students become engaged members of the global community.

We look forward to offering an annual scholarship each fall. For more information you can find us on the school website under District Information- Foundations and also on Facebook at FAISWP. Come join us at our upcoming wine tasting fundraiser at **Vino 100**, located at 171 E. Post Road, on **March 6, 2014 from 6-8 pm!**

# Junior Happenings



## Junior Semi Formal

Renaissance Hotel Friday, March 14 7—11pm

## Engineering Expo March 30 11—4pm

Meet reps from various colleges

## Spring 2014 Southern Westchester College Fair

April 28, 6:30pm Westchester County Center <http://wpccc.org/>

## The National Honor Society Induction April 30, 7:30pm

### NHS Advisors

Ms. Phillips (B215) [cindyphillips@wpcsd.k12.ny.us](mailto:cindyphillips@wpcsd.k12.ny.us)

Ms. L. Woodward [lindawoodward@wpcsd.k12.ny.us](mailto:lindawoodward@wpcsd.k12.ny.us)

## Juniors: College Planning Timeline for Spring & Summer '14

- Lesley Tompkins

<http://www.whiteplainspublicschools.org/Page/12676>

**BY NOW** your child should have picked up his/her PSAT results from guidance and logged into [MyCollegeQuickstart](#) to prepare to take the SAT in the spring. The access code for this is on your child's PSAT score report, and it is a tremendous resource that is available not only for test prep but also for college and career exploration. Your child should also be on [Naviance](#) exploring colleges using the "[SuperMatch](#)" to develop a list of schools that are of interest, and to learn about their admission requirements, application deadlines, etc.

**RIGHT NOW** your child should register for the [SAT](#) in May as well as one or two SAT Subject tests (required by many selective and highly selective colleges and universities) for June. We are a very popular regional testing center, so don't delay or you are likely to be closed out of our location. More information about these tests is linked to the HS Guidance Website. It would be a good idea to take the [ACT](#) with Writing in the spring as well.

**BEFORE THE END OF THIS SCHOOL YEAR** your child should decide which two teachers he/she would like

to ask for college recommendations, and ask them before the end of the school year. This is especially critical if your child is planning to apply [Early Action](#) or [Early Decision](#) to schools in the fall. [EA and ED application deadlines can be as early as October 15<sup>th</sup>](#), so waiting until September to ask a teacher for a recommendation is not a good idea!

**DURING THE SUMMER** consider visiting a college or two, or three. They won't be in session so you will likely want to go back in the fall to check out a favorite when classes are going on and students are there to talk to. But you can certainly get a sense of the type of campus/campus setting that appeals to your child.

**YOUR CHILD SHOULD ALSO USE THE SUMMER TO WRITE HIS/HER COLLEGE ESSAY!** Waiting until the fall will result in a rushed job if your child is applying early. The student essay is one of the most important parts of the application. It needs to be thoughtful and well done in every respect. In September, all that should be left to do is to check with your counselor and an English teacher for tone, clarity, and accuracy with regard to

grammar and spelling.

**BY THE FALL**, if your child arrives at school with a list of colleges that he/she will likely wish to apply to, scores from SAT, SAT Subject Tests and the ACT, two teacher letters of recommendation, and an almost-final-draft of a college essay, he/she will be well prepared to get applications out on time and with considerably less stress than students who wait until the last minute.

More information about college planning and a timeline for each grade level can be found at the Peterson's website: <http://www.petersons.com/college-search/planning-list-students-parents.aspx>

**DON'T FORGET ABOUT YOUR CHILD'S GUIDANCE COUNSELOR!** College planning begins in earnest in the spring of junior year, so your child should be sure to schedule a meeting with his/her counselor to discuss all of these things as soon as program planning ends in April. Your counselor is your most valuable resource in this process!! Something new from Guidance: **For news, updates, and valuable resources, follow WPHS Guidance on [Twitter!](#)**



WHITE PLAINS PTA COUNCIL  
SPECIAL NEEDS COMMITTEE  
Parents Helping Parents

**Special Needs Open/Free Workshop: Future Planning For Your Child**  
**Special Needs Trusts, Wills, Government Benefits, Insurance, Housing, & more!**

February 25, 7pm WPHS Media Center  
Speaker: Sheryl Frishman, Esq., Littman Krooks LL

# Seniors!

## Senior Happenings



**WPHS PTA Senior Recognition Application due April 25th**

**NHS Induction, April 30 7:30pm**

**Senior Awards Day May 9**

**Senior Breakfast May 30 10am**

**Senior Prom V.I.P. Country Club  
Thursday, June 5**

**Senior Awards Night  
June 11, 7:30pm**

**Attention!  
Graduating Parents  
Of Class of 2014!**

### **Senior Breakfast Coming - May 30th!**

**Last chance to help out the PTA and your  
child's grade with one of their last fond  
memories of WPHS!**

**Please Contact Carolina Burnett  
for Information:**

**914.686.2603    the.burnetts@gmail.com**

### **WPHS PTA SENIOR RECOGNITION Application Due 4/25!**

***The awards are presented to all 2014 graduating SENIORS who:***

- Complete 30 hours of service to the school or community between **July 1, 2013 and April 18, 2014**

***Community service hours cannot be the same hours used to meet NHS requirement***

- Complete essay, max 250 words. **Topic:** "How my community service impacted me"
- Application must be delivered to the PTA Mail Box in the WPHS Main Office by April 25, 2014 or emailed to [WPHSPTA@gmail.com](mailto:WPHSPTA@gmail.com) by the same date. Application should include: Application Form, Service Log, Recommendation Form
- Complete all requirements for graduation by June 2014.

Forms to keep track of service hours **ARE** available on our PTA website, accessed thru the High School main page under Site Shortcuts (click on PTA). The application packets are also available in the College & Career Center.

*The PTA congratulates the 59 Seniors from  
the Class of 2013  
who received the Recognition Awards this past June!*

### **The Woman's Club of White Plains Foundation**



#### **Spring Fashion Show & Luncheon**

**"Educate to Elevate"**

**March 29, 2014**

**11:30 a.m.**

**Cost \$65 adults \$35 students**

The Woman's Club of White Plains  
305 Ridgeway  
White Plains, NY 10605

**Proceeds from the event support the WPHS Local Scholarship Fund**

For more information please contact

Ms. Pilarte [ynazp@yahoo.com](mailto:ynazp@yahoo.com)

# PTA Happenings

## Message About the PTA Senior Recognition Fund Please Contribute Towards Senior Scholarship!

Dear Friends,

The White Plains High School PTA Recognition Committee raises money for scholarships for select graduating seniors. We recognize seniors who have demonstrated a commitment to community service. Last year the Recognition Committee raised over \$10,000. This year we hope to do even better. **To accomplish this we need your help.**

All donations, large or small, are important. Each one makes a difference!! Your gift is tax deductible and will be used only for the PTA Recognition Award. Your PTA gift may be eligible in your Corporate Matching Gift Program. Please make your check payable to the "WPHS - PTA Recognition Fund" and return it to the WPHS PTA, 550 North Street, White Plains, New York 10605.

Last year we were able to present 59 graduating seniors the PTA Recognition Award. They learned, in a tangible way, of their community's pride and support. We hope that you will continue to sustain our efforts on behalf of the Senior Class of 2014.

Sincerely,  
Ellen Doherty, Principal  
Judy Eisele & Sandra Alexandrou

**Donations Now Available Online!  
Simply Choose the 2014 Senior  
Recognition Web-page, And Click on Donate**

Spiritwear will be distributed at the November 21st PTA meeting

WPHS PTA Membership Form 2013 - 2014 ..... DONATE ONLINE!

2014 PTA Senior Recognition Award - DONATE ONLINE!

TIGERTOWN - WPHS PTA Newsletter - September 2013 NOW Available!

PTA Executive Board 2013 - 2014

News and Events - District and Community (click on event for details)

Parent Resources / Youth Bureau / Public Library

Calendar



### 2014 PTA Recognition Award



#### About the 2014 Senior Recognition Award

Beginning next year, you will receive a letter from the WPHS PTA Recognition Committee.

Every year we recognize and **GIVE AN AWARD TO EACH SENIOR** who completes all requirements to be eligible for the Senior Recognition Award.

This year we awarded 59 Class of 2013 seniors \$250 each, money they used toward college expenses. Our seniors count on us to help them out every year, we know by the number of thank you letters we receive from them during the summer months.

**Please support this year's seniors who are applying for this wonderful recognition award.**

Any financial donation, large or small makes a huge difference. Remember to please check if your company offers gift matching.

As always, your contribution is tax deductible. You can donate to our CLASS OF 2014 NOW!



OR, please make your check payable to "WPHS PTA Recognition Fund", and return to: WPHS, Attn: WPHS PTA, 550 North St., White Plains NY 10605. Thank you!

## WPHS PTA LOUCKS SNACK BAR EVENT MAY 10th!

**Saturday, May 10th Early (7:30am) to Late Afternoon (5pm)  
HELP FROM SENIOR PARENTS, Loucks PARENTS, ALL!**



Loucks Track & Field Games hosts over 2000 athletes (1000+ just on Saturday alone) in various track & field events!

The Loucks Memorial Games is recognized as a top high school meet in the nation, and we are the **ONLY** food service available on campus Saturday! (no pressure!)

**We need your help! Please Volunteer!**

**VOLUNTEERS:** We need shift help from early morning until late afternoon (7:30 am - 5:00 pm). Please pitch in w/ a time slot!

**FOOD DONATIONS:** We need food donations of: muffins, brownies and pasta salad. Send the items in

large plastic bags or disposable tins.

If you're making pasta salad, please use the following tried and tested recipe which has become the "official" WPHS PTA Pasta Salad:  
1 lb spiral pasta tossed with 1 bottle of Wishbone Italian dressing. Add vegetables if you can or just send in the pasta and dressing

Direct all responses/ questions to  
Fran Cignarella phone: 686-1104  
Catherine Murphy phone: 720-1010  
email: [wphspta@gmail.com](mailto:wphspta@gmail.com)  
It is important to **RSVP** your dish &/or volunteer service by Friday, May 2nd

**FOOD DROP-OFF LOCATIONS:**

Friday 5/9  
ALL DAY

Location to be determined!  
Saturday 5/10 7:30AM until 2PM WPHS LOUCKS STADIUM

(Use Bryant Ave. entrance, and make immediate left- notify security you are dropping off food. Snack Bar will be set up at the FIELD HOUSE, near parking lot @ Loucks Stadium)

**GOOD LUCK to all of our participating athletes!**

**All proceeds benefit the WPHS PTA 2014 Senior Recognition Award Fund**



# PTA Happenings

## Engineering Expo March 30th 11-4pm

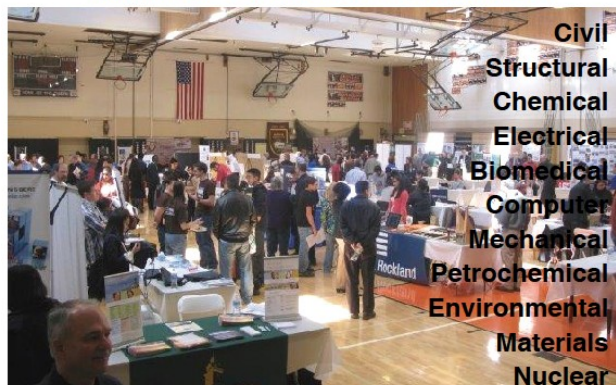
**We are proud to host our  
4th Engineering Expo!  
Sunday, March 30th 11-4PM**

**Volunteers Are Needed to  
help with PTA SnackBar!**

Please contact  
Catherine Murphy 720-1010  
catmurphy@mac.com;  
wphspta@gmail.com;

**We would greatly appreciate any help  
with setup, during, or cleanup.**

**Attention High School &  
Middle School Students!**



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**Save the Date!**

**LEARN** about career opportunities in the engineering field and about career opportunities in fields from bridge and building design to the world of nanotechnology and biochemical. Learn about college curriculum offerings, admission requirements and financial aid information.

**MEET** representatives of over 40 of the region's leading learning institutions including Rutgers, Cornell, Columbia, Penn State, Villanova, RPI and SUNY.

**DISCOVER** aisles of interactive displays and exhibits focusing on engineering and higher learning opportunities to help you meet the challenges of today's economic uncertainties.

Don't miss this opportunity to take control of your educational future, visit this year's Engineering EXPO.

**Learn . . . Meet . . . Discover!** You can be an engineer!



**SUNDAY**

**March 30th, 2014**

**White Plains High School**

550 North Street, White Plains, NY 10605

from 11 am to 4 pm



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Learn more at: **BeAnEngineer.org**



## STAFF APPRECIATION LUNCHEON

**Help Us  
Out!**

**Friday  
May 2,  
2014**



The WPHS PTA Staff Appreciation luncheon will be held **May 2nd**, as a way to express gratitude to the staff who work so hard to make White Plains High School a wonderful place for our children.

***WE NEED YOUR  
HELP!***

***Volunteers are needed with  
the luncheon set-up and service.  
We also need FOOD donations!***

Please send in a lunch item or dessert. Suggestions include empanadas, sesame noodles, rice dishes, ethnic foods, finger sandwiches and food that can be served at room temperature (use disposable tins!).

Please contact **Heidi Sobo**  
(422-3111 /  
heidisobo@aol.com) or **Lori  
Nicholson** (946-6840 / lori-  
anic726@aol.com)

to help out or donate!

\*Food items may be delivered to the Main  
Office or B-1 between 7:30-10am.

# Past Events From Fall 2013

## Westchester-East Putnam Region



The WPHS Choir was selected and honored to perform at The WEPR Fall Conference & Luncheon on November 8th at the Westchester Marriott. The Fall

Luncheon was attended by officers of PTA Council, district administrators, Board of Ed members, and Superintendent Tim Connors. Awesome job and well done!



## 21st Annual Holiday Craft Fair, Dec. 7th

The 21<sup>st</sup> Annual Holiday Craft Fair was held on Saturday, December 7 and was a huge success. We had many returning vendors as well as new vendors this year, and quite an array of items were on display. We are grateful for performances by the String Quartet and the Songwriter's Club that entertained our vendors and shoppers. We also thank **What A Bagel**, **Famiglia's Famous**, **Domingo's Deli and Pizza**, **Magnotta's Restaurant**, **Rooster's Market** and **Ernesto's** for providing food for the PTA Snack Bar, and the many volunteers



and custodial staff for helping with logistics. All proceeds from this event go to the WPHS PTA Senior Recognition Fund.

*Melissa Cardon,  
Craft Fair Committee Chair*



## WPHS Martial Arts Club

This year as part of our annual shelter drive in conjunction with FIGHT4THEM.org we were able to help donate 3 SUV's packed full of over one hundred bags of pet food, litter, cages, medical supplies, blankets, beds, treats and toys to Pet Rescue and the New Rochelle Humane Society!

A very special thank you to the following people for acting as contacts/drop sites in each building:

<u>WPHS-Mr. Crino</u>	<u>Highlands-Mr. Hauser</u>
<u>Eastview- Ms. Galvin</u>	<u>Church St. -Ms. Santarelli</u>
<u>Ed House- Ms. Pachonas</u>	<u>Ridgeway-Ms. Vendola</u>
<u>GW- Ms. Presser</u>	<u>Post Road- Mr. Cromer</u>
<u>Mamaroneck Ave - Ms. Cremin</u>	
<u>Community School- Mr. Russo</u>	



## Twelfth Night

The first play of the season, William Shakespeare's "Twelfth Night", was performed on November 21 - 23 in The Little Theater. WPHS student cast members were:

Blair Sabol, Anthony Fante, Rizza Estacio, Esther Ritchin, Arielle Hazi, Jack Steinberg, Kasey Levin, Jan Kaetker, Alecia Spitz, Damon Amadio, Dylan Calderon, Maeve Kraiger, Abby Lombino.

The next play, "Love Is In The Air" will debut February 6 - 8, in spirit of Valentine's Day!



- pictures by Seren Cepler

# PTA Happenings

## WPHS PTA SEEKS POSITIONS FOR Executive Board & Committees 2014-2015

### Why Should I Get Involved At WPHS And In The WPHS PTA?

**Get Connected.** There's no better way to know the happenings of WPHS other than taking on one of our committee or board positions that keep you empowered with information, connected with the high school, become acquainted with our administrators and teachers, and surprisingly learn how much our teens appreciate our support.

**Feel the Gratification.** Our PTA is an integral part of WPHS.

Our primary goal is to advocate for our students, and to facilitate and connect with our community through meetings and events. Our events raise money to support WPHS programs which benefit our students. Our Senior Recognition Scholarship Award benefits all eligible seniors.

**Please consider supporting us in any of the OPEN positions below.** Give us a call, we would like to answer any questions you may have regarding any of these committees.

WPHS PTA Co-Presidents,  
Judy Eisele 260-3270 Sandra Alexandrou 589-6910

## WPHS PTA EXECUTIVE BOARD & COMMITTEES

### 2013 - 2014

WPHSPTA@GMAIL.COM

*Those in blue are Open  
Positions for '14/'15*

**Judy Eisele 260-3270 Co-PRESIDENTS Sandra Alexandrou 589-6910**

Rhonda Herman.....1st VP, Programs 422-3088 <b>OPEN ..... Program Chair</b>	Sue Golden.....Secretary 682-9329 Gail Jasne.....Treasurer 309-2510 Catherine Murphy..... Immediate Past 720-1010 President <b>OPEN.....Faculty Representative</b> 422-2182 (WPHS) Sally Hall.....Special Needs Liaison 844-4170 <b>OPEN .....STARS Rep</b> <b>OPEN.....Spanish Bi-Lingual Liaison</b> <b>OPEN.....Department Grants</b>	Joretta Crabbe.....Craft Fair 948-4258 Melissa Cardon.....Craft Fair 831-9223 Rose Lovitch.....Craft Fair 949-4690 Brenda Velez.....Staff Breakfast 946-1160 Aliza Fante.....Staff Breakfast 831-8123 <b>OPEN.....Staff Breakfast</b> <b>Lori Nicholson.....Staff Appreciation</b> 946-6840 Lunch Heidi Sobo.....Staff Appreciation 422-3111 Lunch
Diana McShea.....2nd VP, Membership 439-0761 Sharon Sohl.....Membership Chair 804-7575 <b>Vicki Cignarella.....3rd VP, Newsletter</b> 761-7186 <b>OPEN.....Newsletter Production Chair</b>	Catherine Murphy.....4th VP, SnackBar 720-1010 <b>OPEN.....SnackBar Chair</b> <b>Caroline Furry.....5th VP, Publicity</b> 949-3948 Angel Tinnirello.....6th VP, Recognition 830-3367 Judy Woods.....Recognition Chair 714-5525 <b>Carolina Burnett.....7th VP, Hospitality</b> 686-2603 <b>Lisa Sanchez.....Hospitality Chair</b> 325-8843	Fran Cignarella.....Loucks SnackBar 686-1104 Catherine Murphy.....Loucks SnackGrill 720-1010 Angel Tinnirello.....Loucks Marketing 830-3367 <b>OPEN.....Loucks SnackBar</b> <b>Volunteer/Donations</b> Sue Garnsey.....SpiritWear 997-9397 Clair Strati.....SpiritWear 673-1286
	Karen Reynolds.....PTA Council Rep 684-0616 Gina Cipriani LaPlaca.....PTA Council 288-8458 Rep Martha Lichtblau.....School Budget Rep 946-0196 Carolina Burnett.....Senior Breakfast 686-2603 <b>Vicki Cignarella.....Senior Breakfast</b> 761-7186	

## WPHS Fine Arts Spring Calendar 2014

**Winter Play: "Love Is In The Air"**  
*The Little Theater*  
 Feb 6, 3:30pm, Feb 7, 7pm  
 Feb 8, 7pm

**Mid-Winter Concert I**  
*Honors String Ens, Symphonic Band*  
 Thursday, February 13 7:30pm

**Musical: Seussical**  
 March 7, 7 pm, March 8, 7 pm  
 March 9, 3pm

**Mid-Winter Concert II**  
*Concert Band, Symphony Orchestra*  
 Tuesday, March 11, 7:30pm

**Mid-Winter Concert III**  
*Treble Choir, Choir*  
 Thursday, March 13, 7:30pm

**Citywide Choral Festival**  
 Grades 5 -12  
 Wed March 26 7pm—Auditorium

**Jiggy Showcase**  
 April 3

**WPHS Portfolio Day**  
 April 9—11

**WPHS Spring Concert I**  
*Jazz Band & Symphonic Band*  
 Thurs May 1, Auditorium 7:30pm

**Spring Play in The Little Theater**  
 May 15: 3:30pm, May 16: 7pm,  
 May 17: 2:30pm & 7pm

**WPHS Spring Concert II**  
*Concert Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra,  
 Chamber Band*  
 Tues May 20, Auditorium, 7:30pm

**WPHS Spring Concert III**  
*Mixed Chorus, Treble Choir, Choir*  
 Thurs May 29, Auditorium, 7:30pm

**Citywide Art Show Reception**  
 May 29, 5pm TBD

**WPHS Spring Concert IV**  
*Concert Band &  
 Symphony Orchestra*  
 Tues June 3, Auditorium, 7:30pm

**One-Acts Performance**  
*in The Little Theater*  
 June 10 time: TBD



### WPHS Musical Production Presents Seussical The Musical!

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 Call 422.2234 for details

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WHITE PLAINS  
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## Happenings at the White Plains Public Library

### MUSIC MAKING Tuesday, February 18, 4:00 PM

Location:EDGE MEDIA LAB Age Group:TEENS

Producing professional-sounding music has never been so easy with the introduction of iPad creative software. Teens are welcome to exercise their creativity here with provided iPads and applications. Whether a novice interested in learning, or an experienced musician wanting to learn more, there is something for everyone at this exciting event. For teens. Instructor:A. OLNEY Registration Required:NO

### TEEN BOOK REVIEW CLUB Tuesday, February 18, 5:00 PM

Location:EDGE MIXING AREA Age Group:TEENS

Celebrate Teen Read Week by joining the library's new Teen Book Review Club. Review new books before they are published. Discuss ways to share your reviews with teens and publishers. Pizza and refreshments served.

Instructor:E. CARLSON Registration Required:YES

### CROCHET LIKE A BOSS Wednesday, February 19, 4:00 PM

Location:EDGE MIXING AREA Age Group:TEENS

Description:Learn to crochet and practice basic stitches.

Instructor:E. CARLSON Registration Required:NO

### 3D WORLD CREATION: GARRY'S MOD Thursday, February 20, 2014

Time:4:00 PM Location:EDGE MEDIA LAB Age Group:TEENS

Garry's Mod is a Sandbox Game based around the idea of building. Teens can digitally spawn objects and weld them together to create contraptions - whether it's a car, a rocket, a catapult or something that doesn't have a name yet - it's all up to their imaginations. Instructor:A. OLNEY Registration Required:NO

### ORIGAMI FOR TEENS Friday, February 21, 3:00 PM

Location:EDGE MIXING AREA Age Group:TEENS

Learn the art of Japanese paper folding. Refreshments will be served

Instructor:E. CARLSON Registration Required:NO

### SPACE ROCKET DESIGN Monday, February 24, 4:00 PM

Location:EDGE MEDIA LAB Age Group:TEENS

Every want to fly to the moon? Or even Mars? With Kerbal Space Program you can fulfill this dream. It is up to your rocket-design and flying skills, however. Good luck! For teens only. No Registration Required.

### Title:DESIGN AN APP Tuesday, February 25, 4:30 PM

Location:EDGE MEDIA LAB Age Group:TEENS

Learn to create a mobile app. For teens only. Required:NO

Instructor:A. OLNEY

### Title:3D PRINTING Thursday, February 27, 5:00 PM

Location:EDGE MEDIA LAB Age Group:TEENS

Come and see our new MakerBot Replicator 2 (3D Printer) in action. Teens will be shown the full 3D Printing process, from digital design to physical creation. Required:NO Instructor:A. OLNEY

### Title:POETRY SLAM AND OPEN MIC Wednesday, March 05, 6:30 PM

Location:AUDITORIUM Age Group:ADULTS, TEENS

Our exciting "1st Wednesday" series continues with Open Mic, SLAM competition and guest poet Ethan Rivera, a National Poetry Slam finalist in 2011 and a semifinalist in 2013. Please register at 6:30 pm. Slammers should bring one original poem of up to 3 minutes. Registration closes promptly at 7, and the program starts shortly thereafter. Co-hosted by local poet and slammaster Eric ZORK Alan. Refreshments served & all welcome! Contact Miriam Varian (422-6980, mvarian@whiteplainslibrary.org)

### Title:"WONDERFUL TOWN" SHORT-STORY DISCUSSION SERIES Thursday, March 20, 2:00 PM

Location:AUDITORIUM Age Group:ADULTS, TEENS

Description:Series dates: 3/20/14, 4/10/14, 5/1/14, 5/22/14. White Plains Librarian BARBARA WENGLIN returns to explore compelling short stories from the acclaimed anthology, "Wonderful Town: New York Stories from The New Yorker" ~ For this

session, please read

"The Treatment" by Daniel Menaker (p.336) &

"The Second Tree from the Corner" by E. B.

White (p.440). Register

once for series; OK if you can't attend every session. Refreshments served, all welcome! Registration Required:YES

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### POETRY SLAM AND OPEN MIC Wednesday, April 02, 6:30 PM

Location:AUDITORIUM Age Group:ADULTS, TEENS

Our exciting "1st Wednesday" series continues with Open Mic, SLAM competition and featured poet Tatyana Brown, a traveling performer, educator, organizer, and activist who ranked fourth at the 2011 Individual World Poetry Slam. Registration closes promptly at 7, and the program starts shortly thereafter. Co-hosted by local poet and slammaster Eric ZORK Alan. Refreshments served and all welcome! Contact Miriam Varian (422-6980, mvarian@whiteplainslibrary.org). Instructor:M. VARIAN

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**January 21 - March 6 (Tuesdays & Thursdays 4:00-5:30 pm)**

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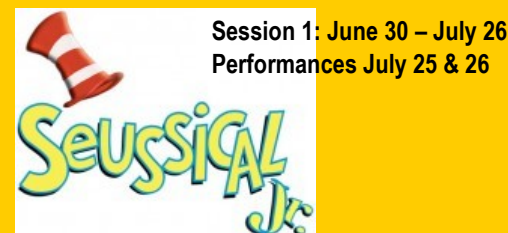
**February 19 from 9:30 - 4 pm**

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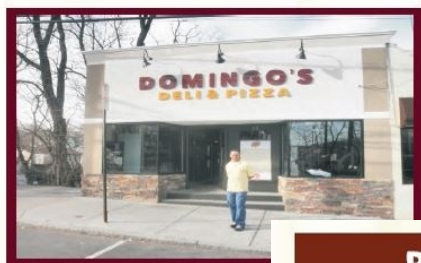
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