



Wolcott High-Lights

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WHS MISSION STATEMENT: Wolcott High School provides a positive learning environment where students are engaged in meaningful learning that develops the intellectual, creative, social, technological and physical skills necessary to prepare them for the next phase of their lives.

Principal's Message



I want to take this opportunity to apprise you of what Mrs. Nancy Nevins and students from her AP United States History class have been doing. Since last November, they have been participating in the inter-district program, "Preserving our Histories". This program is designed to integrate the techniques of "doing history" with 21st century skills by creating a five minute broadcast quality documentary on the experiences of a World War II veteran.

Although our students have been working cooperatively with Watertown High School students, each school will be creating a website, using WordPress. Each site will contain the actual documentary, links to their historical research, and will document the process of making their film. They will also be presenting their work in a competition on April 29, 2010 and their documentary will be shown at the Connecticut Student Film Festival on May 7, 2010.

Also, I am pleased to announce that Adam Swatt is our 2010 Poetry Out Loud: National Recitation Contest Champion. Adam will be representing Wolcott High School in the statewide competition on Tuesday, March 16, 2010 at Saint Joseph College in West Hartford. This program was created by the National Endowment of the Arts and the Poetry Foundation to encourage high school students to memorize and perform great poems. Poetry Out Loud accomplishes this by integrating the dynamic aspects of slam poetry, spoken word, and theater into the English class. Congratulations!

Warm Regards, Robert Eberle, Ed.D.

BEATLEMANIA

The "Cast" recreates the sights and sounds of The Beatles so faithfully that you will recall when the world was engulfed in the most pleasant fever of all: BEATLEMANIA!

The "Cast" continue in their show as The Beatles changed in their careers. Three different costumes coincide with the changing music and times. Theirs is the first, original and only complete representation musical force called The Beatles. The "Cast" features former members who starred in the Broadway production and have performed in all 50 states and over 20 foreign countries.



Wolcott High School Music Department's Washington DC Fundraiser presents a live performance of THE CAST OF BEATLEMANIA on Saturday, March 27, 2010 in the Wolcott High School auditorium at 8:00 p.m., doors open at 6:45 pm. General admission is \$25.00 for advanced orders and \$30.00 at the door. Gold Seating, including a pre - concert Meet and Greet reception & Preferred Seating costs \$40.00 for advanced orders and \$45.00 at the door. The pre-concert meet and greet reception will be held at the Bin 300 from 5:00 pm to 6:45 p.m. Tickets are available at the following: Wolcott High School, 457 Bound Line Road, Wolcott, (203) 879-8165 x 21 (www.whpna.com); Migliaro Fuel, 392 Wolcott Road, Wolcott, (203) 879-1328; The Print Shop 450 Wolcott Road, Wolcott 203-879-3353 For credit card orders call Carol at 203-879-5471 x 100.

Important Attendance Office Information

The Parent/Guardian must call the School Attendance Office on the day the student is absent. In the absence of a phone call, a note signed by the parent must be delivered to the Attendance Office within two (2) days of the student's absence; otherwise the absence shall be considered unexcused.

The Parent/Guardian should submit a copy of a doctor's medical excuse in the event of a student's extended illness.

Important Health Office Bulletin

All 10th grade students must have a completed physical examination form on file in the Wolcott High School Health Office by March 31, 2010!

Art Department Honors

The Scholastic Art Awards Exhibit was held last month at the University of Hartford's Silpe Gallery. Andrew Cipriano received an award certificate for his ceramic vessel on display at the show. Other students selected to participate in the competition were Gabrielle LaMadelaine, Alicia Markie, and Danielle Molnar. Their work is presently on display in the art department showcase.

Also, a new section of the AP Studio Art course was approved by the College Board. The 3-Dimensional Design section can be completed in a wide selection of media, and now joins the current offering in 2-Dimensional Design and Drawing.

Community Service Club News

The Community Service Club is already off to a great start in 2010. On January 10th we visited the Bristol Soup Kitchen and helped prepare and serve a hot dinner to over one hundred people. Beginning February 1 and running through the 4th, the club collected donations for Haiti. Thank you to everyone who donated and especially to the Community Service Club volunteers who made posters, read announcements and collected donations during their lunch! Wolcott High School students and staff donated \$320.00 during the "Hats on for Haiti" event which was forwarded to the International Red Cross. These donations, along with others from around the country, will help to provide assistance to earthquake survivors.

National Honor Society News

The Wolcott High School National Honor Society is greatly involved in the Wolcott community. Starting in October, NHS members volunteered at the WHS Open House where they assisted both teachers and parents. Each member was assigned to a specific teacher and monitored how long the meetings were to ensure that all parents had time to meet with teachers. They were also there to give directions to parents.

In November, members held an Election Day Bake Sale fundraiser. All of the goods were homemade by NHS students. Everything from cupcakes, to brownies, to muffins, and cakes could be found at the Bake Sale. All money raised went towards the annual NHS Holiday Party for students with special needs. We would like to thank all of the citizens who supported our efforts by buying baked goods on Election Day!

December was a very busy month as NHS members helped out at Eighth Grade Orientation. We led tours of the school for interested parents and students. The eighth graders enjoyed themselves and showed excitement for their upcoming first year of high school. Later on in the month, the NHS hosted its annual party for students with special needs, a tradition dating back more than 30 years. The students had a fantastic time playing games and doing crafts with NHS students. They also got a visit from Santa who brought them stockings stuffed with holiday goodies. It was an enjoyable time for all.

The National Honor Society has big plans for the remainder of the year. We will be partnering with Student Council to help out with the Senior Citizens Prom in the Spring. In March, NHS members will run the craft table at the RIEB Bookswap. March and April will also be very busy as members will be planning the induction ceremony for the next generation of NHS members. The induction ceremony will be April 14th and it is always an entertaining night because members choose a theme and act out skits portraying the four main characteristics of a NHS member: character, service, scholarship, and leadership. NHS members will also be selling delicious products from Pasta Heaven to raise money for the various scholarships the organization gives out on Senior Awards Night in May. Also in May, the NHS will end the year by taking a trip to Newport to tour the Breakers.

Save the Date!

- Mar. 26: Student Council Powder-Buff Volleyball Game, gym, 6:30 p.m.
- Mar. 27: BEATLEMANIA Concert, WHS Auditorium, 8:00 p.m.
- Mar. 31: District-Wide Instrumental Music Festival Concert, 7:00 p.m., WHS Auditorium
- April 1: WHPMA Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Guidance Conference Room
- April 1-3: FIRST Robotics WHS Team MAX CT Regional at the CT Conference Center in Hartford
- April 2-9: No School - Spring Recess
- April 13: PAC Meeting, WHS Resource Center, 7:00 p.m.
- April 14: National Honor Society Induction, 7:00 p.m., WHS Auditorium
- April 22: Science National Honor Society Induction, 7:00 p.m., Resource Center
- April 24: Junior Prom
- May 1: Senior Prom
- May 7-9: WHS Student Theater presents the Broadway musical, "FAME", Friday & Saturday- 7:30 p.m., Sunday-5:00 p.m.

