

Member Organization Reports

October 2, 2014

CFA Notes

The 8th Grade had a day at Caumsett State Park on Sept. 5th. The class was broken into groups who worked together on different skills. The purpose of the day was to break down social barriers - to have kids meet and get to know other students outside their normal social group. The students and the teachers all felt the experience was well worth the time.

The CFA provided breakfast for the faculty on Sept. 16th, which is always a well appreciated start to the new school year.

Back to School Night for the Sr High is tonight, and the Jr High is next Thursday night. We will be selling printed directories and mini calendars on both nights along with membership to the CFA.

Our next meeting will be on October 14th at noon in the Jr High Library.

Homecoming week starts October 14th which leads up to the pep rally in the afternoon of October 17th and the homecoming football game on Sat. the 18th at 3:30pm. There will be no dance this year as attendance and enthusiasm for it has decreased over the years.

WSS Notes

September was a busy month. We selected and met with class parents, met with committee chairs and had our annual Welcome Breakfast, which was well attended by both old and new West Side parents. We ended the month with our annual Tomato Sauce Day, where the children had the opportunity to taste homemade tomato sauce during lunch, and then rounded out the month with Back to School Night. This week begins our Session 1 After School program that is well subscribed and will run until January 2015.

October holds more fun and exciting school events. Our photo day is next Thursday, October 9th. This year we switched photo companies and are now using Island Photography. This company was able to provide our parents with easy to use online proof viewing and ordering process that is similar to what they provide for our JR/SR HS families. Sales for our West Side Win Annual Raffle and Fundraiser are ongoing. As of this week, we have sold 152 tickets with approximately 50% percent of families participating. The West Side Win Cocktail party will take place on Friday, October 17 at 7pm at the Vardy/Stearn Residence where the winners of the raffle will be announced. On Thursday October 23 and Friday, October 24th our Community Room will be transformed into a book store when we host our annual Scholastic Book Fair for the children. This is always an exciting event for our students. Finally, on Friday, October 24th, the PTG will be hosting our annual Halloween Party from 5:30-7:30 in the WS Gym. We will be having a DJ, pizza, treats and costume contests for the children to enjoy.

Lloyd Harbor Notes

The first month of school went smoothly. The children as well as the PTG seem to be settling into our routines. We have launched our First Lego League Club, which is a partnership between the PTG and the CSH Ed Foundation. This is a robotics club where the children build a team robot that will compete in the spring against other elementary schools. We have also sent out sign ups for various other after school clubs that include the running club and basketball. We had Photo Day and Back to School Night on Tuesday and both went well.

Looking ahead, we are busy planning all of the various fun events that are coming up fast. We ordered LHS t-shirts for the second graders to wear on their various field trips throughout the year and on spirit days. We will also be planting daffodil bulbs in the courtyard with the 2nd graders next week, which will be something fun to look forward to in the spring. Meanwhile the 6th graders are getting excited for their first dance, which will take place on October 24th and their trip into NYC on Nov 5th to see Aladdin.

We have begun selling the raffle tickets for LHS Unites, with the drawing happening on November 14th at the Huntington Country Club and we are actively looking for sponsors for the Little Apple Fun Run, which will be on October 26th. On Halloween we will be hosting our annual Fall Festival, which will have a DJ, carnival games and a farmers market. Our farmers market will consist of baked goods from Kerbers, a local merchant, who has generously agreed to donate a portion of the sales back to the school. Next week Mr. Contess will be our guest speaker at the LHS PTG meeting speaking on technology in the school.

Goosehill Notes

Our Back to School picnic was a success.

The Welcome tea was well attended - approx. 82 parents participated.

We have a GH rep in place for all district organizations

We are focusing our efforts on Parents Night Out, November 10th at Honu. There will be raffles and select vendors on site. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year. We are looking to raise funds for additional playground equipment and academic programs.

Our first GPFA meeting will be held next Wednesday, October 8th. Mrs. Herschlein will speak about the Common Core Learning Standards and Assessments

Arts Booster Club

Become a member~ Complete the form and receive detailed communication about jr./sr. high programs in your inbox and art/media/music events, competitions and scholarships in our area.

Meeting-Please join us in the HS conference room, October 17th at 11 a.m. to brainstorm social/ fundraising event ideas, review needs and opportunities in Jr/Sr HS art programs and extracurricular activities.

Seeking ABC Student manager(s)-

High School 10th-12th grader. Community Service- The main areas of focus at this time will be managing the concession opportunities, soles4souls and supporting Coffee House Jam and Back to School Night with board supervision. However, talented, creative students can be far more involved as their time allows, creating ads for theater playbills and developing events that bring the arts and music to the broader student population. In addition, as these managers will be at the "pulse " and among CSH students, they may be the first to recognize needs and identify opportunities.

Reception/Awards:

Join us for the celebration on October 20th at 4p.m. at Suffolk Community College Campus to honor Lauren Brimeyer, Brandon Miller, Andrew Kurland and Allegra Gold. The Suffolk Center on the Holocaust, Diversity and Human Understanding, Inc., has selected these four artists for Embracing Our Differences Competition for 2014. This contest is a meaningful effort to build a community that values peaceful coexistence and cultural understanding. The full exhibit of 27 works of art will take place at the Van Nostrand Theater on the Suffolk County Community College Campus in Brentwood from October 16-29

CSH students accepted to attend the 2014 NYSSMA Annual All State Festival in Rochester, N.Y. in Dec.

(First time in 51 years that 5 students are attending.) All State musicians honored:Christine Collins, Ben Kazenoff, JT Sepanski Vocalists: Emily Gallagher, Timothy Sherlock

Cultural Arts Committee Notes

LLOYD HARBOR SCHOOL: David Adler Author 3rd grade

WEST SIDE SCHOOL: Journey into North American Indian Territories. 4th grade

Jr HS: Civil War reenactment 10/3

7 th grade: Brian Heinz. Writers workshop 10/7 & 8.