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Warwick

Newsletter of the
Warwick School District

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Warwick High School Stage Presents Spring Musical “South Pacific”

Warwick High School Drama Department presents Rodger & Hammerstein’s great musical, *South Pacific* this Friday and Saturday, March 17 and 18 at 7:30 PM and Sunday, March 19 at 2 PM in the Warwick High School Performing Arts Center, 301 West Orange Street, Lititz.

Tickets are still available and can be purchased in the WHS auditorium lobby one hour prior to each show. Prices are: (Center Section) \$13 for Adults, \$11 for Senior Citizens and Students; (Rear Mezzanine & Left/Right Front) \$11 for Adults, \$9 for Senior Citizens and Students.

The story for Rodgers and Hammerstein’s 1949 musical, *South Pacific*, is drawn from a Pulitzer-Prize-winning novel by James A. Michener, entitled “Tales of the South Pacific”. Set in an island paradise during World War II, two parallel love stories are threatened by the dangers of prejudice and war. Nellie, a spunky nurse



from Arkansas, falls in love with a mature French planter, Emile. Nellie learns that the mother of his children was an island native and, unable to turn her back on the prejudices with which she was raised, refuses Emile’s proposal of marriage. Meanwhile, the strapping Lt. Joe Cable denies himself the fulfillment of a future with an innocent Tonkinese girl with whom he’s fallen in love out of the same fears that haunt Nellie. When Emile is recruited to accompany Joe on a dangerous mission that claims Joe’s life, Nellie realizes that life is too short not to seize her own chance for happiness, thus confronting and conquering her prejudices.

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A MESSAGE FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT...



I don't know about you, but I can hardly believe it's March! Perhaps it's because of the predominately mild winter, but it surely feels as though this year is moving by quickly.

At the beginning of March, we held a mid-year inservice day for all staff. This training involved discussions about several events happening in the life of Warwick that are influencing our future. You have read about many of them in our newsletters and on our website.

They are:

- Our comprehensive plan 3-year rewrite
- The feasibility study of our facilities, enrollment trends and related planning for the future
- The implementation of more specific planning for college and career readiness for all students
- A focus on innovation using 21st Century learning skills: (4 C's) communication, collaboration, critical thinking and creativity

So with these four things happening simultaneously, we decided as a district to stop and take some time to identify what all of this means for Warwick. Our vision statement, "Knowledge, Skills, Values" captures a big picture look at what we want to impart to our students. But these four events have caused us to look deeper and ask some questions like:

- What do today's graduates need to be successful?
- What are employers looking for in a graduate?
- What skills do students who are headed to post secondary education need?
- What does, and what should a Warwick graduate look like?
- How do we translate Knowledge, Skills, Values to what we are actually doing with and for our students?

These are all great questions. What we do know, is that while standardized testing information is important and can be helpful in identifying content needs, it certainly doesn't tell us enough. We also know that we are doing a terrific job at delivering content, and we will continue to do so. We put the teaching of our content under the "Knowledge" umbrella of our vision statement.

We have also focused a great deal of attention and time to meeting our students' emotional needs, providing resources for mental health, examining our own life experiences, learning about trauma and finding ways to provide additional resources to families. One of those events is a screening of the movie Resilience. You can read more about our Resilience event coming up on March 23rd on page 3. We are grateful to the Warwick Education Foundation for sponsoring this event. We will continue to learn and grow in this area, which we put under the "Values" umbrella.

Based on our comprehensive planning, the focus on college and career readiness, what we have seen and learned about innovation, and ensuring that our facilities have what we need in order to prepare our students for the 21st Century, we have begun to focus on those 4 C's which fit under the "Skills" umbrella.

Our staff spent the inservice day collaborating across grade levels and subject areas identifying what they need to teach these skills in their classrooms, as well as identifying what they believe the characteristics of a Warwick graduate should be. The day provided us with excellent feedback and direction.

We are looking for your feedback and direction as well, specifically for our feasibility study. Warwick will host a public focus group on Monday, April 24 at 6:30 PM in the middle school auditorium. We welcome and encourage your participation.

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You are Invited to Attend: “Resilience” - the Biology of Stress & the Science of Hope

Warwick School District invites our parents and members of the Warwick school community to attend an important, free evening event entitled, “Resilience” on Thursday, March 23, 2017 at 6:30 PM in the Warwick Middle School Auditorium. This program is funded through the generosity of the Warwick Education Foundation and brings attention to the emerging science of childhood stress and adversity.

WSD will be showing a video called, “Resilience - the Biology of Stress & the Science of Hope”. The video is a one-hour documentary that chronicles the birth of a new movement among pediatricians, therapists, educators, and communities who are using cutting-edge brain science to disrupt cycles of violence, addiction and disease. Warwick will also have a panel discussion afterwards that includes experts in this field and also students who have faced adversity will give testimonials to

how intervention and support can help to bring about change.

Here is a statement taken from the video: “High “doses” of stress during childhood get into our bodies, change our brains, and lead to lifelong health and social problems—everything from domestic violence and substance abuse to heart disease and cancer. Who knew that if your parents got a divorce when you were growing up, you have a significantly higher risk of heart disease? Or that if your mother had a drinking problem, your own risk for depression in adulthood is much higher? The science of “Toxic Stress” and the major findings that came out of the Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Study should be common knowledge public health information. But the movement is still in its infancy. We started making RESILIENCE to make this science digestible and relevant to everyone, and to



showcase some of the brave and creative individuals who are putting that science into action. There is a growing group of pediatricians, educators and communities who are proving that cycles of disease and adversity can be broken.”

Warwick School District and the Warwick Education Foundation are excited to share this program and its powerful message with our community.

SUPERINTENDENT’S MESSAGE

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In addition to this work being done by our staff, our students continue to do amazing things! Please check our website and social media accounts for daily updates on all the great things happening at Warwick.

Thank you for your continued support of Warwick School District.

Sincerely,
Dr. April M. Hershey
Superintendent

WARWICK SCHOOL DISTRICT MISSION STATEMENT:

“In collaboration with the community, the mission of the Warwick School District is to enable all students to acquire the knowledge, skills, and values necessary to become responsible, productive, and resourceful citizens.”

WMS Future City Team Takes 4th in Nationals

Congratulations to the 2017 Warwick Middle School Future City Team for placing fourth in the National Future City Competition in Washington D.C. In addition to being selected as one of the top five teams in the Nation, Warwick's team also received the award for *Best Use of Aerospace Engineering* and *Best Fire Protection Engineering*.

Upon being named one of the top five teams in the competition, the WMS Future City Team had to

present one last time to determine the order of their team's placement. Warwick finished with an Honorable Mention, taking fourth place.

While Warwick Middle School Future City team has been named regional champions for four straight years, this is the best final placement upon their advancement to National competition. Congratulations, team!



This year's WMS Future City project was named Pompeii, a city with a Mediterranean climate. The city of Pompeii successfully tamed Mt. Vesuvius and turned the active volcano into an infrastructural asset.

2017 WHS Science Fair Winners



Overall Winners

The 2017 Warwick High School Science Fair was held on Thursday, March 9 in the school's small gymnasium with more than 80 students participating in 10 different science categories, including: biochemistry, botany, inorganic chemistry, organic chemistry, earth and environmental science, engineering, health & medicine, microbiology, physics, & zoology.

The fair is held annually and gives science students the opportunity to present and explain their individual projects and research to staff and students, their families, and the community. Students use cardboard tabletop displays containing drawings, photos, charts, graphs, and research information to showcase their projects. The unique displays are lined up in rows that stretch from one end of the high school small gym to the other by their scientific category. Students dress professionally; explain their project research



Division Winners

and outcome, and answer questions posed to them by members of the local science community and various district staff members who serve as judges.

Although the competition is open to all students, the science fair projects are a requirement for Warwick High School's Advanced Chemistry classes, taught by Mrs. Laurie Hess. These student projects are the culmination of many months of data gathering, lab work, charting, research, and reporting. Most students are either juniors or sophomores.

Displays were open in the evening to the general public for viewing on March 9, 2017.

Science fair participants and winners were honored with certificates and monetary awards for their efforts on Friday, March 10 in the high school auditorium.

Please Note!



**Warwick School
Calendar Changes
for 2016-2017**

Please note: Warwick School District Calendar has been adjusted to reflect the snow day on Tuesday, March 14. The tentative last day for students has moved from Thursday, June 8 to Friday, June 9, 2017.

Since we have already used our snow make up day on February 17, 2017, and we did not have a snow day until after our next scheduled snow make up day on March 3, we are required to add any additional snow days to the end of our school calendar. Due to the collective bargaining agreement with our staff, the days around the Easter holiday cannot be used for snow make up days.

Therefore, if we should have additional snow days, they would also be added to the end of our school calendar.

DISTRICT ART SHOW 2017



March 10, 2017

MAKING A CUT TO CURE CANCER

Warwick Middle School's Student Council recently sponsored a volleyball tournament to raise money for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Two rounds of games were held - one for seventh grade teams, and one for eighth grade teams. The competition was intense, and many teams showed their spirit by creating unique team uniforms. The top team from each grade then battled each other in a championship game held on March 1, 2017. The eighth graders were victorious. The winning team had a great incentive - they got to cut Assistant Principal Mrs. Michelle Harris's hair in front of the rest of the student body on March 6!

The winning team (all boys) opted to watch from the sidelines and handed the hair cutting responsibilities over to the second place winners (all seventh grade girls). The girls had instructions to cut Mrs. Harris's hair directly above the rubber band guides that were holding her hair in sections around her head. The pony tails were put into place prior to the cutting by Stephanie Bollinger, owner of Classic Images Salon who will now submit the severed sections to Pantene Beautiful Lengths (they require 8" lengths for donation) a charity that makes wigs for people fighting cancer. All together, the WMS Student Council raised \$352.25 to help children battling cancer.



Two Warwick TSA Teams Win Their Divisions in TEAMS

Three Warwick Technology Student Association (TSA) teams from WHS participated in the 20th Annual Tests of Engineering Aptitude, Mathematics and Science (TEAMS) competition hosted at Warwick High on Tuesday, February 28, 2017.

Congratulations to the WHS Sophomore team who won the Junior Varsity Division and the WHS Senior team who won the Varsity Division.

The TEAMS test is a challenging engineering test in which students work together to solve multiple choice problems, write essays, and compete in a hands-on design challenge related to a theme.

Schools participating in this year's competition included: Germantown Academy, Lampeter-Strasburg High School, J.P. McCaskey High School, Penn Manor High School, and Warwick High School.



WHS Senior TSA Team



WHS Sophomore TSA Team

One School, One Book “The Lemonade War” An Evening with Jacqueline Davies

Tuesday, April 11, 2017

Warwick families are invited to attend an evening with Jacqueline Davies, the award winning author of Warwick's One School, One Book, *The Lemonade War*!

The Warwick Education Foundation and Warwick's One School, One Book Committee will host a free author visit on Tuesday, April 11, 2017 at 6 PM in the Warwick High School Performing Arts Center, 301 West Orange Street. This event includes a presentation by Mrs. Davies, a question and answer session, and a book signing opportunity.

Tickets are free and available on a first come, first served basis. To receive your ticket, please RSVP by visiting : tinyurl.com/RSVPAuthorVisit .

(If you do not have access to the Internet, please contact Mr. Will Maza at 717-626-3703, ext. 3854 to RSVP over the phone.)



Jacqueline Davies, Author

Warwick Offers Adult Education Classes

ADULT EDUCATION OFFERINGS – Winter 2017

Please check the Warwick School District website or call the district office for additional workshops added throughout the year.

***Workshops added throughout the year may not be in chronological order. *Senior Citizens age 62 and over –NO CHARGE.**

Course	Workshop	Date	Time	Location	Cost*	Enrollment
W17-8	Pound Rockout Workout 	Mon. Mar. 6, 13, 20, 27, Apr. 3, 10	4:00-5:00 PM	HS Library	\$40.00	15
W17-13	Ceramics: Functional Pots on the Pottery Wheel	Tues./Thurs. Mar. 21, 23, 28, 30, Tues. April 4 & 11	4:00-6:00 PM	HS-B122	\$60 +\$20 Materials	8
W17-14	Microsoft Office 2013—Excel Intermediate	Tues. Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28	5:30-7:30 PM	HS-A147	\$40.00	12
W17-15	Knitting Basics and Projects	Tues. Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28	3:30-5:00 PM	HS-A101	\$40.00	12
W17-16	Knitting Basics and Projects	Thurs. Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23	6:00-7:30 PM	HS-A101	\$40.00	12
W17-18	English as a Second Language for Adults – Session I 	Wed. Mar. 1, 8, 15, 22, 29	6:00-8:00 PM	Lititz Elementary Room 104	No Charge	15
W17-19	English as a Second Language for Adults – Session I 	Wed. Apr. 5, 12, 19, 26, May 3	6:00-8:00 PM	Lititz Elementary Room 104	No Charge	15
S17-1	Knitting Basics and Projects	Tues. May. 2, 9, 16, 23	3:30-5:00 PM	HS-A101	\$40.00	12
S17-2	Microsoft Office 2013—PowerPoint	Tues. May. 9, 16, 23	5:30-7:30 PM	HS-A147	\$40.00	12
S17-3	Knitting Basics and Projects	Thurs. May 4, 11, 18, 25	6:00-7:30 PM	HS-A101	\$40.00	12
S17-4	YogaFit	Tues. Mar. 7, 14, 21, 28 Apr. 11, 18	5:00-6:00 PM	Bonfield Music Rm	\$40.00	12
S17-5	Tai Chi for Arthritis	Thurs. Mar. 23, 30, Apr. 6, 13, 27, May 11	4:30-5:30 PM	Bonfield Music Rm	\$40.00	12
S17-6	YogaFit	Thurs. Mar. 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, Apr. 6	5:30-6:30	Bonfield Music Rm	\$40.00	12
S17-8	Pound Rockout Workout 	Mon. Apr. 24, May 1, 8, 15, 22, Tues. May 30	4:00-5:00 PM	HS Library	\$40.00	15
S17-9	YogaFit	Tues., Apr. 25, May 2, 9, 16, 23, 30	5:00-6:00 PM	Bonfield Music Rm	\$40.00	12
S17-10	Tah Chi for Arthritis	Thurs. May 18, 25, June 1, 8, 15, 22	4:30-5:30 PM	Bonfield Music Room	\$40.00	12
S17-11	Yogafit	Thurs. Apr. 13, 27, May 11, 18, 25, Jun. 1	5:30-6:30 PM	Bonfield Music Room	\$40.00	12
S17-12	Pound Rockout Workout 	Wed. Apr. 26, May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31	4:00-5:00 PM	HS Library	\$40.00	15
S17-13	Demystifying Personal Technology 	Mon. May 22	4:00-5:30 PM	HS Library	\$10.00	20

Sign Up Now: Warwick Offers Adult Education Workshops

Warwick School District Adult Education Program is offering computer and non-computer related courses this spring. Workshop descriptions and registration forms are available at the District Office and can also be found on the Warwick School District website (www.warwicksd.org). We have new workshops offered, so come join other Warwick residents and have some fun while learning in a friendly, easygoing atmosphere. Bring a friend! Senior citizens who are Warwick residents are invited to attend any session at no charge. Registration forms should be mailed or dropped off at the Warwick District Office (301 West Orange Street, Lititz, PA 17543). All registrations are accepted in the order in which they are received.

Registrations from non-district residents are accepted if seating in workshops is available. *The non-senior adult session fees are listed on our website with each individual workshop. Note: All computer courses will teach Microsoft Office 2013 Professional Edition.

COMMUNICATIONS PLAN UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who took the time to complete the WSD Communications Survey this past fall. We have used the survey results to update the District Communications Plan.

The 2017 updated version of our Communications Plan is posted on our website at www.warwicksd.org.

Thank you for your help!

Warwick to Host PUBLIC FOCUS GROUP

Warwick School District NEEDS YOUR INPUT!

We need your help and input! The Warwick community is invited and encouraged to attend a public focus group on Monday, April 24 at 6:30 PM in the Warwick Middle School Auditorium to gather stakeholder input related to the future needs of the district in regards to facilities and enrollment.

The format of the community focus group will be a short presentation by WSD Superintendent Dr. April Hershey and WSD Business Manager Nate Wertsch, followed by Mr. Craig Kimmel and Ms. Erin Hoffman of Reese, Lower, Patrick & Scott (RLPS), who will be collecting input and feedback.

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Upcoming Events Across the District

- WHS Musical, "South Pacific"
Fri. & Sat., Mar. 17 & 18 at 7:30 PM &
Sunday, Mar. 19 at 2 PM
- District-wide Elem. Title 1 Parent/
Family Night, LE, 6:30 PM
- WHS Jazz Band/Moonlighters Concert,
WHS PAC, 7:30 PM
- Good Fri. WHS Choir Performance,
Apr. 14, 12:15 PM @ LCOB
- LE Spring Musical, Apr. 21, 7 PM
- KH Spring Musical, Apr. 21, 7 PM
- WHS/WMS Orchestra Concert,
Apr. 23, WHS PAC, 3 PM
- JB Open House, Apr. 27, 6:30 PM
- JRB Spring Musical, Apr. 28, 7 PM
- WHS Senior Prom, Apr. 29