Fishkill Plains Helps Injured John Jay Graduate, Mark Abrams

by Steve Schwartz

Every Friday Fishkill Plains Elementary School dresses down. Each staff member that dresses down contributes $1.00. This year, we have decided to contribute the first half of this year’s money to the Mark Abrams Fund. Our school sent $250 to his fund from our dress down money.

*Editor’s Note:* As of February 20, 2007, $1145 has been donated by WCT members to help defray the cost of obtaining a wheelchair accessible vehicle for Mark after his spinal cord accident. If you are still interested in helping Mark, please contact Ann Meagher at 845.702.0443 or Jimmy Goodwin at 914.475.4469.

**Dates to Know**

| February 27 | R.A. meeting |
| March 9 | payday |
| March 12 | BOE meeting (WJH, VR, & OV) |
| March 23 | payday |
| March 26 | BOE meeting (KR & BR) |
| March 27 | Superintendent’s Conference Day & R.A. meeting |
| April 2-9 | Spring Recess |
| April 6 | payday |
| April 10 | BOE meeting - (JJ & SR) |
| April 20 | payday |
| April 24 | BOE meeting - (RCK, OG, & MC) |
| April 24 | R.A. meeting |
| April 26 - 28 | NYSUT’s Representative Assembly |

**May 4**

payday & WCT dinner party held at Sinapi’s at Arbor Ridge - 6-7
cocktail hour, 7-11 party (SAVE THE DATE)
Good News!

- Congratulations to Bernie (VW) & Leslie Leventhal (MC/WCT president), proud grandparents of Henry Martin, son of Michael & Shari Leventhal. Henry Martin Leventhal was born January 27, 2007 at 6 lbs 12 oz and 20” long. Mother, father, and baby doing well!

- Congratulations to Tim and Michelle Murphy (KR) on the birth of their 2nd son, Owen George. Owen was born February 11, 2007 weighing 8 lbs., 12 oz. and 22” in length.

Ralph & Janet Capasso Scholarship

The WCT, in conjunction with the Wappingers Congress of Retired Teachers, is offering three (3) $1500 scholarships to seniors presently enrolled in any public or private high school planning to attend college in the fall of 2007. To be eligible, candidates must have a parent or legal guardian who is a member in good standing of the WCT.

The selection process for these awards will require the following:

- an application
- an essay
- a high school transcript
- one letter of recommendation
- a personal interview for the finalists.

Applications are available in the WCT office. Please call 227 - 5065 to request an application or pick it up directly. To be considered, applications must reach the WCT office no later than 5 p.m. on April 10, 2007.

Committee members are: Catherine Kim, Marla Rohwer and Kathryn Shekitka.
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