

CK District and Community News

A Newsletter for the CKSD School Community

May 2012

Join the celebration!

Central Kitsap School District, in collaboration with Olympic College, will celebrate Asian American and Pacific Islander Heritage Month with a community celebration on May 24 at 6:00 p.m. Join us at Klahowya Secondary School as we pay tribute to the contributions that Asian and Pacific Islanders have made to American history, society and culture.

“The theme for this year’s celebration is, “We gather together... and this is what we do.”

In 1978, President Jimmy Carter designated the first ten days of May as Asian-Pacific Heritage Week. Twelve years later, President George H.W. Bush signed an extension making the week-long celebration into a month-long celebration. In 1992, the official designation of May as Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month was signed into law.

Have you thanked a teacher lately?



“Often, when I am reading a good book, I stop and thank my teacher.”

— Anonymous

Teacher Appreciation Week is May 7-11, 2012.

Teacher Appreciation Week is celebrated nationwide as a time for communities to honor their local educators. It’s also the perfect opportunity to show your child’s teachers how much they mean to your family.

Teachers play a key role in the growth and development of students and are some of the most influential adults in a child’s life. Please take a moment to say “thank you” for all they do. You’ll be glad you did, and so will our teachers!

Capital Projects Update

Planning is underway for Jackson Park Elementary, the first major project on our list of items that will be funded by the 2011 Capital Projects Levy. Our plan is to create a warm, welcoming learning environment for students, parents, teachers and the community. The new Jackson Park Elementary (at right) will be a school building that is adaptable for future needs -- a building that supports learning and serves the community.



Honoring our Native American graduates

Central Kitsap School District invites parents and community members to its 2012 Native American Honoring Ceremony. The ceremony will be held on Monday, May 7, at 6:30 p.m. in the Klahowya Secondary School Auditorium.

Featured speaker is David Boxley, a Tsimshian carver from Metlakatla, Alaska. Boxley has learned the traditional carving methods of his grandfather’s people and has carved 70 totem poles all over the country, including the Smithsonian National Museum of the American Indian, and more than a dozen poles in his home village. He is determined and dedicated to revitalize and carry on the rich culture of his tribe.

Drummers and singers from the Port Gamble S’Klallam tribe will also be performing in honor of CKSD’s graduating Native American students. Refreshments will be served following the ceremony.

The Central Kitsap School District provides equal educational and employment opportunity without regard to race, creed/religion, color, national origin/language, age, honorably-discharged veteran or military status, sex, sexual orientation—including gender expression or identity—marital status, or the presence of any sensory, mental, or physical disability, the use of a trained dog guide or service animal by a person with such a disability, or HIV/Hepatitis C status.



Kids' Day 2012

Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue is sponsoring its annual Kids' Day event on Saturday, June 2, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at

the Kitsap County Fairgrounds. This free life safety event is open to the public. To learn more, call (360) 447-3550, visit www.ckfr.org, or find Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue on Facebook.

Camp West Sound (Grades 1-5)



Camp West Sound is on the campus of West Sound Academy in Poulsbo. Activities are designed to boost summer math and reading retention as kids lose themselves in their play and good times. Register for weekly sessions that run from July 9 through August 17. Tuition for each five-day week is \$175. Visit www.westsoundacademy.org to learn more, call (360) 598-5954 or write to ebutler@westsoundacademy.org.

Learn to speak a foreign language



Foreign Language for Youth is offering language classes (grades 1-6) at before and after school beginning October 2012 and ending in spring 2013. Tuition is \$294. If you are interested, please visit www.foreignlanguageforyouth.org/wp/preregistration to share your language preferences and schedule. Classes are being planned now. Pre-register by June 30 for a \$25 discount. For more information, call (360) 779-5269, write to konni@fl4y.org or visit www.foreignlanguageforyouth.org.

Family Science Saturdays



The Naval Undersea Museum invites families with children (grades K-6) to Family Science Saturdays. The next event is scheduled for May 5 from 10:00 a.m. until noon. To learn more, visit www.navalunderseamuseum.org.

Head Start offerings



Head Start is a federal program that promotes school readiness of children up to age five. Local offerings include services for children up to age three and prenatal women (Early Head Start) and Head Start Preschool Services (part day, full day and home-based). The program also provides other services including child development, nutrition and health education and services. Income guidelines and other eligibility criteria apply for these free programs. Now is a good time to apply for placement next fall. To learn more, call (360) 473-2075 or visit www.kcr.org/head_start.htm.

Tracyton Soccer Club registration



Registration is now underway for boys and girls (ages 4½ to 19) for the 2012 Tracyton Soccer Club Fall Recreational and Select Soccer Season. To register, visit www.tracytonsoccer.com. For more information, please call (360) 434-8227.

Special in Education Awards

The Special Education Parent Advisory Council's tenth annual "Special in Education" Awards is scheduled for May 17 at 7:00 p.m. at Ridgetop Junior High. Childcare is available. To learn more, or to arrange for childcare, please contact Sharon Dommermuth at (360) 308-0187 or theupside@comcast.net.



Take me out to the ball game!



OHS Baseball is selling reduced-price tickets to the Mariners vs. the LA Angels of Anaheim game on Friday, May 25, at 7:05 p.m. Discount seats are available at all levels. To learn more or purchase tickets, contact Nate Andrews at natea@cksd.wednet.edu or visit <http://olhs.cksd.wednet.edu/staff/athletics> for a flyer/order form.

New voter registration



If you are new to the area and wish to register to vote, you may pick up a registration form at any school. Or, register online at www.kitsapgov.com/aud/elections.htm. A military spouse may register to vote as a resident without affecting the military person's "non-resident military" status. To learn more, call (360) 337-7128.

Free pancakes!



Central Kitsap Fire & Rescue is hosting a free Open House and Pancake Breakfast in celebration of Emergency Medical Services Week. The event will be held on Saturday, May 12, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. at Station 51 (10955 Silverdale Way). It's the perfect chance to enjoy some free pancakes and to offer some well-deserved thanks to those who serve.

Go have a ball... a bowling ball!

The CKPTSA Council is presenting Mom/Son Bowling on May 19 at All Star Lanes. Reservations are required; there are three sessions from which to choose. Postmark deadline for registration is May 12. To learn more, please call (360) 710-0202.



Every Person Is Capable (E.P.I.C.)



E.P.I.C. is a program designed to provide children with opportunities to learn new skills. It allows youth and teens to experience new and exciting activities, including: break dancing, hip-hop dance, guitar lessons, skateboarding, DJ lessons, drum lessons and cooking lessons. Classes meet once a week at the YMCA. Youth must register for courses at the Welcome Center or online. All courses are free except for the Culinary Arts course. For more information, call (360) 307-4013.