

The Friday Notes

Our 226th Season
April 8, 2016

Principal's Corner





For the last fifteen years, students in grades 4 – 12 who attend school in the Town of Huntington have participated in the Huntington Youth Writes Contest. This year, over 850 students submitted entries in the categories of poetry, essay, and short story. It is an independent writing contest in which winning entries are published in a journal and honored at the Youth Writes Awards ceremony later this spring. It is an honor to announce that two West Side fifth graders were recognized for their talent. Congratulations to Bryce Kipnes, first place winner in the essay contest, and to Sophie Cohen, who took second place in the essay contest as well.

FLES students celebrated World Language month in many different creative ways! The celebrating culminated with a poster parade led by our fourth grade students during morning assembly. A fun time was had by all as we enjoyed their beautiful artwork depicting this year's poster project theme, *Abre puertas con el español*, Spanish opens doors. The winners of this year's West Side FLES poster contest are: Honorable Mention: Desmond Mehta, Reagan Reilly, and Bennett Vitagliano, Third Place: Julia Bruzzese, Second Place: Giana Marino and First Place: Katherina Cotek. Bravo to all students for a job well done! Special thanks to Max Adler, Neena Arneja, Lauren Kania, Isabelle Apostolakos, Becky Schmitz, and Jackie Shammah who sang "Homeward Bound" at Friday's morning assembly.

Thank you to Mrs. Marino, Mrs. Masata, and our PTG volunteers for another successful Sports-Game Night! Over 140 people participated last Sunday night for our biggest turnout ever! Special thanks to Mr. Yost for once again running an activity in the gym.

NYS Testing Dates

ELA make-ups will continue next Monday and Tuesday. The New York State Math Assessment will take place next Wednesday through Friday. Math make-ups will take place the following week. Parents can help to prepare their children for success by:

-  ensuring children get a good night's sleep before each day of testing
-  providing children with a balanced breakfast on the morning of the exam
-  encouraging children to try their hardest
-  **making sure children arrive to school on time – assessments will begin promptly at 9:00 AM**



6th Grade Activity – April 10th

Dear Class Parents: Please forward this to your classes. The next 6th grade activity with Lloyd Harbor School is coming soon! Long Island Sports Hub – Games, races and fun! Sunday, April 10th from 6:00-8:00 pm – 165 Eileen Way, Syosset. Pizza and water will be served. The form will be sent via backpack shortly.

Talent Show

The Talent Show is a little over a month away on SATURDAY, MAY 14. We have a tremendous turnout of applications and now have more acts and participants than ever before!! The quality of the show is up to you. The more you practice, the better the show will be.

If you would like to edit your own music, please send me a cd or mp3 of your edited song or you can send it directly to my e-mail (Randi_Weiss@hotmail.com) ASAP. It must be 2 minutes or less. If the music is not received by April 15, I will send an email with the first two minutes of your child's song. Once I cut the music, there will be **NO CHANGES**. So, if you want a specific section of a song, you must send me the start count and end count of the music by Friday, April 15th. Please read the Talent Show Rules for rehearsal dates and other important information. I will send to your email your assigned day for the May rehearsal by the end of next week. If you do not receive an email, please contact me immediately so I can check to see if I have the correct spelling of your email.

**A note to all 6th grade parents: I am so happy to announce that Ana Shammah's daughter, Carley, has graciously volunteered her time to choreograph the 6th grade number. ALL SIX GRADE STUDENTS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE...BOYS AND GIRLS. If that is the ONLY act you are in, you will still need to send in a participation form with the \$35 fee no later than next week. Forms are available at the security desk. For additional information as to rehearsal times for this group, please contact Ana Shammah at Ana18@verizon.net

Student volunteers are not required to come to the first two rehearsals at West Side, but are required to be there for the dress rehearsal at the PAC on May 13th. It is so exciting and the feeling in the air is electrified. Now it's up to you to make the show a success...I know you will!!! Talent Show 2016 here we come!!!!

Recess Volunteers

If you would like to volunteer at recess during the 2015/2016 school year, please contact Lauren Jasinski at WestSideRecess@gmail.com, if you have not added your name to the Recess Committee sign-up sheet already.

Upcoming Sports Drive

While doing your spring cleaning in the next few weeks, please make sure to put aside any outgrown/lightly used sports equipment. There will be a sports equipment drive and tag sale later this spring to benefit a school district on Long Island in need. More details to follow from 6th grader, Drew Pultz, and other members of the H.E.R.O. Project.

Yearbook

DO NOT GET CLOSED OUT!!! The yearbook is a beautiful keepsake for your child. School events, portraits, candid photos and so much more. Every grade is represented in the yearbook. **Yearbooks will be sold online only. Order your book today!**

Just follow the steps below:

Step 1: Visit <http://www.memorybook.com/parentpay>

Step 2: Enter your pay code 78934 and click next

Step 3: Buy a yearbook for \$30.00 or yearbook with personalized name for \$32.25

Order online through: April 20, 2016

If you have any issues with your order, please contact Ingrid Wright at wrights103@aol.com

You can still get your pictures in the yearbook! The Yearbook Staff invites students and parents to submit photos for the yearbook. If you've got great photos of school and community events or you and your friends just having fun, we'd like to see them. Our photographers can't be everywhere. Help us get as many photos as possible to create a terrific book everyone will want to have.

Here is how you can submit photos online:

- Go to: <https://images.memoryebooks.com/login>
- If it does not automatically log you into the site, enter username: 403103590
- Browse to select the photo(s) you wish to upload.
- Enter information about the photo and provide contact information in case the staff needs additional information.
- Click "Save Details".

It's that easy! Submit your photos today! Contact Kathleen Milana at milanakat@yahoo.com to volunteer.

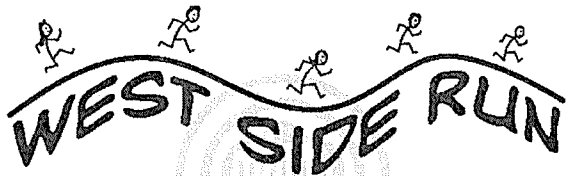
Upcoming Events

PTG Meeting	Tuesday, April 12 th at 9:30 AM in the Conference Room
BOE Meeting	Tuesday, April 12 th at 8:00 PM at District Office
SIT	Thursday, April 14 th at 3:30 PM
NYS Math Assessment	April 13 – 15
SIT Self Nomination Forms Due	Friday, April 15 th
West Side Wednesday	April 20 th (Wear your West Side clothing!)
Talent Show Rehearsal	Wednesday, April 20 th in the Gym at 3:15
Earth Day Birthday	Thursday, April 21 st
Noon Dismissal	Thursday, April 21 st
Spring Recess	April 22 – April 29

Attachments from the School

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24th Annual



5K & 1 Mile Run

Sunday
May 22, 2016

West Side School
Laurel Hollow
Cold Spring Harbor C.S.D.

Directions to West Side Run

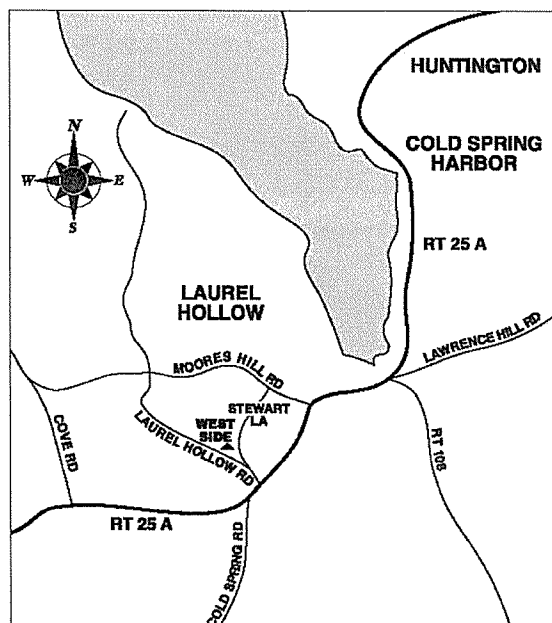
The West Side School is located just one block north of Route 25A in the village of Laurel Hollow, Syosset, NY.

From the West

Take the LIE or Northern State to Route 106. Turn left- North, to Route 25A, Northern Blvd. Turn right- East, on 25A. Continue for 3.2 miles, just past the 4th traffic light, turn left onto Laurel Hollow Road (don't go down the hill on 25A). Follow the signs to the parking area.

From the East

On 25A continue through Huntington and Cold Spring Harbor past the Fish Hatchery, on left, and the Cold Spring Lab, on right, up to the top of the hill on 25A. Turn right on Laurel Hollow Road at the hilltop, *before* the traffic light. Follow the signs to the parking area.



Application Form

I, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself, my heirs, my executors, my administrators and assigns, do hereby waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I have against the West Side School Parent Teacher Group Inc., Cold Spring Harbor Central School District, the Village of Laurel Hollow, the Oyster Bay Fire Department, Just Finish Inc., their representatives, employees, agents, successors and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me in the West

NAME _____ **Email** _____ PHONE _____

ADDRESS _____ TOWN _____

ZIP _____ AGE (as of race date) _____ SEX _____

EVENT: 5k \$20.00 1M \$20.00 PHYSICALLY CHALLENGED

APPLICANT SIGNATURE (Parent, if under 18) _____ *Fill out race application, detach and return with check.*



Dear West Side Families,

Please join us in supporting our upcoming 24th annual West Side Run on Sunday, May 22, 2016. The Run is one of two fundraisers that West Side School PTG holds each year. The money raised goes towards many PTG sponsored events during the school year (Halloween Dance, Movie Night, Sports/Game Night Skate Night, to name a few).

Over the past few years your generous donations have also gone towards the purchase of the following:

- New Feature Parking Lot Board at Entrance Circle
- Playground Picnic Tables
- New Piano for the Music Department
- Equipment for our Science Department
- New Rock Climbing Wall for the Gymnasium
- New Basketball glass backboards/hoops for the Gymnasium
- Repaving/stripping of the outdoor basketball court
- Equipment for WSS Newsroom (IPTV Cart and Green Screen Technology)

We appreciate the 18 business sponsors and over 65 family sponsors who contributed last year, and we hope you will be able to sponsor this year's event.

Thank you to all of those who continue to donate and support our amazing school. As a reminder, the Business & Professional Sponsorship minimum donation is \$250. This will include your logo placed on the back of WSS Run T-shirts, your company name printed in the 2017 program, and your company name placed on the WSS parking lot board. Over 500 T-shirts will be circulating with your logo on it!

The Family Sponsors will have their names printed in the 2017 program and placed on the WSS parking lot board.

We look forward to running with you on Sunday, May 22nd. Thank you in advance for your generosity and for supporting a long standing tradition and fun family event!

The West Side Run Committee: Cat Bauer, Scott Bowden, Ted Hilton, Jack Sergi, Carol Solinger, Anna Shammah, Nancy Fastuca

Business Sponsor Form

Thank you for supporting West Side School by sponsoring the WSS Run on Sunday, May 22nd!!

Business and professional sponsors will have their logo appear on the back of over 500 T-shirts that will be seen throughout the community for years to come. Their name will also appear on the WSS Sponsor Board located in the parking lot and will be printed in the 2016 West Side Run application.

Name of Company: _____
 Address: _____

 Contact (person & phone #): _____

Business & Professional Sponsors: Standard Size Ad: \$250 _____
 Double Size Ad: \$500 _____
 Other _____

Business card or artwork is due by Friday April 22, 2016

Please make checks payable to WSS/PTG. Checks can be sent to:
 West Side Run Committee
 West Side School PTG
 1597 Laurel Hollow Road
 Laurel Hollow, NY 11791

Please email company logo/artwork to: Cat Bauer – bauerfamilytoronto@gmail.com.
 Any questions, please contact: Cat Bauer or another committee member. Thank you for your support!

Family Sponsor Form

Thank you to all who have already sponsored the WSS Run! However, to those who haven't had a chance, below is a copy of the Family Sponsor form. Thanks in advance for supporting the WSS Run on Sunday, May 22nd.

Family: _____
 Address: _____

Family sponsors (names on WSS Sponsor Board & 2016 Application)

Gold Patron	\$200
Patron	\$150
Sponsor	\$100
Supporter	\$ 50
Other	_____

Platinum Sponsorships (names on WSS Sponsor Board, 2016 Application)

500 West Side Run T-shirts	\$2500	_____
Trophies	\$ 700	_____
Timer Company Charges	\$ 700	_____
Printing of 6000 Applications	\$ 650	_____

Please make checks payable to WSS/PTG. Return to:
 West Side Run Committee
 West Side School PTG
 1597 Laurel Hollow Road
 Laurel Hollow, NY 11791

Any questions, please contact: Cat Bauer - bauerfamilytoronto@gmail.com or another committee member. Thank you for your support!



WEST SIDE SCHOOL

After School Running Club

Get in shape for the West Side Run on May 22nd

Session Dates: Wednesday May 4th, May 11th & May 18th

Time: After school till 4:10 (prompt pick-up)

Eligible: Students in grades 2-6

Parents are welcome to come join in the fun and can bring younger siblings (at no additional cost)

Cost: \$20.00 for all 3 days

Deadline for registration is Friday, April 22, 2016

Contact Cat Bauer with any question: bauerfamilytoronto@gmail.com



I give permission for my child _____ in room _____

to participate after school _____ on _____

Enclosed is \$ _____ to cover the cost. (Exact cash or check made payable to the West Side PTG .)

In case of an emergency, please contact:

Name _____ Phone _____

Parent/Guardian Signature _____ Date _____

Cold Spring Harbor Central School District
SHARED-DECISION MAKING
SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT TEAM • SELF NOMINATION FORM

We are in the process of putting together our School Improvement Teams (SIT) for the 2016-2017 school year. The purpose of SIT is to improve the educational performance of all students in the schools through the collaborative participation of team members in the decision-making process.

Each school’s team consists of teachers, administrators and parents. One of our parent representatives from each school must be a parent of a special education student. Each team is required to meet at least once a month from September to June, and to the extent possible, the meetings will be scheduled at the end of a regular school day. One parent per household, per school enrolled is eligible for nomination. **If you are currently sitting as a member of SIT, it is necessary to resubmit your name.** The term of office is for one year, not to exceed a three-year term.

If you will be able to commit to these meetings, and have the desire to participate in this very important and innovative process, please complete the form below.

1. **NAME:** _____ **Email:** _____

2. **Please indicate the school you wish to represent:**

NOTE: Your child must attend this school as of **September 2016.**

- _____ Goosehill Primary School (4 Representatives)
- _____ Lloyd Harbor (4 Representatives)
- _____ West Side (4 Representatives)
- _____ Cold Spring Harbor Jr/Sr High School (6 Representatives)

3. **___ I would like to serve as a parent of a student with special needs.**

(One representative per school.) Your child must have an individualized educational plan.

4. **Indicate the grade(s) your child(ren) will enter the fall of 2016:**

_____ grade(s)

Please write a brief sentence or two as to why you would like to serve as a SIT parent member. If you have any questions about the SIT committee, contact your building principal.

Please return this form to the District Office to the attention of the CPC Chairperson, no later than April 15th.

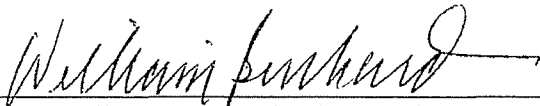
Cold Spring Harbor Central School District
The Francis Roberts Community Center
75 Goose Hill Road
Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724
Attn: CPC Chairperson

COLD SPRING HARBOR CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
75 Goose Hill Road, Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

**** PLEASE POST ****

Please be advised that a regular meeting of the Board of Education will take place on April 12, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at The Francis Roberts Community Center, at which time the Board of Education may consider a motion to adjourn to Executive Session to discuss matters appropriate for Executive Session. If no such motion is adopted, the meeting will recess until 8:00 p.m.

At 8:00 p.m., the Board of Education will reconvene its public meeting to discuss Board Agenda items appropriate for Public Session, pursuant to the Open Meetings Law.



William Bernhard, District Clerk

For Kids & Teens! Programs from Cold Spring Harbor Library's Youth Services Department. Registration Required!

Science Week @ the Library

Weather in a Jar
For Children in grades K-2
Monday March 28 @ 4:30 pm
Watch your very own rainstorm come to life in a jar!

Little Scientists: Noticing Nature
For Children in ages 3 -5 with Adult
Tuesday, April 12 @ 2:00 pm
Explore the world of science with books & activities.

Super Science: Magnetic Detectives
For Children in grades 3 -5
Thursday, April 14 @ 4:30 pm
Become a magnetic detective! Explore the world of science & magnetism and discover what does and doesn't stick to a magnet and why!

Safeguard Smart: Credit Education for the Next Generation

Monday, April 11 @ 7:00 p

For teens and their parents. Develop a basic knowledge of budgeting, credit cards, and investing instruments.

Practice SAT Test

Saturday, April 16 @ 10 am - 2 pm

Take a full-length exam sponsored by the Princeton Review

For more information about any Kids Or Teen Programs, contact a Youth Services Librarian at the Cold Spring Harbor Library 631-692-6820

Programs and Services from the Information Services Department

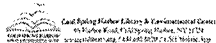
SWEET & SAVORY CREPES COOKING DEMO & TASTING
Thursday, April 21 at 6:30pm



Learn how to create a variety of dishes with delicious crepes. Lucy Van Horn returns to demonstrate how to make sweet and savory crepes. Bring your appetite! Class limited to 20 students.

This program is open to adults & young adults ages 16+. Fee: \$5 cash or check, payable to the Cold Spring Harbor Library.

For more information or to register, stop by Information Services, call 631-692-6820, or visit www.cshlibrary.org.



Cooking Demonstration & Tasting:

Sweet & Savory Crepes

Thursday, April 21 at 7pm

Lucy Van Horn will demonstrate how to prepare a variety of crepe dishes. This program is open to adults and teens.

Register in advance with your \$5 cash or check, payable to the Cold Spring Harbor Library.

Limited to 20 attendees.

For more information about any Adult Program, contact Information Services at the Cold Spring Harbor Library at 631-692-6820.



Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory
DNA LEARNING CENTER

2016 SUMMER SCIENCE CAMPS!

Sign up at: <http://summercamps.dnalc.org>

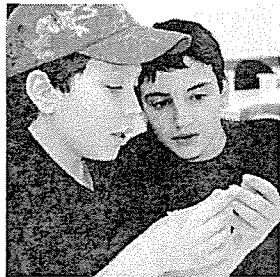
Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory's DNA Learning Center (DNALC) is the world's first science center devoted entirely to genetics education. The DNALC "invented" DNA camps over 30 years ago, and over 18,300 students have participated. Guided by experienced instructors, students entering 6th–12th grades use sophisticated laboratory and computer equipment to perform experiments several grade levels ahead of their peers.

Fun with DNA (entering grades 6, 7) Build an understanding of cell biology, microbiology, biotechnology, and genetics through hands-on experiments.



World of Enzymes (entering grade 8, or Fun with DNA alumni entering grade 7) Explore the use of enzymes in molecular biology and the food and health industries.

Green Genes (entering grade 9, or World of Enzymes alumni entering grade 8) Perform the same recombinant DNA techniques used to manufacture human proteins such as insulin.



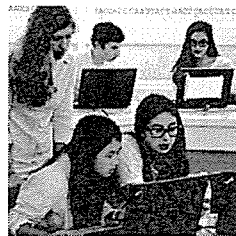
Forensic Detectives (entering grade 9) Experience forensics through a series of labs and activities in a more realistic fashion than portrayed on TV—it's not just DNA!

Backyard Barcoding (Green Genes alumni entering grade 9) Explore how DNA barcodes can be used to identify a species and how to use this information for forensic identification and taxonomy.



DNA Science (entering grades 10–12) Perform lab experiments in molecular biology, culminating in the construction and cloning of recombinant DNA.

Silencing Genomes (DNA Science alumni entering grades 11, 12) Experience the power of RNA interference (RNAi), a Nobel-prize winning discovery that has revolutionized how genes are studied.

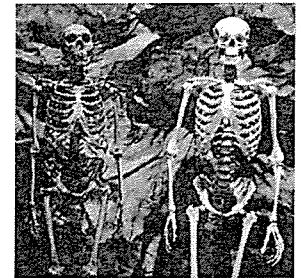


BioCoding (DNA Science alumni entering grades 11, 12) Get started in bioinformatics and computer programming (coding). No programming experience required!

Genome Science (DNA Science alumni entering grades 11, 12) Use biochemical and computer methods to analyze the genetics of living things.

DNA Barcoding Research (DNA Science alumni entering grades 11, 12) Use DNA barcoding to survey the biodiversity of an ecosystem and present your findings at the end of this two-week independent research program.

NEW!
Being Human (entering grades 11, 12) Connect the prehistoric world with modern human biology through anthropological labs that will get you up close and personal with your ancient ancestors.



For more info about DNALC programs visit

www.dnalc.org

email dnalc@cshl.edu

phone 516-367-5170

FOUR LOCATIONS!

Dolan DNA Learning Center
334 Main Street
Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

DNA Learning Center West
5 Delaware Drive - Suite 5
Lake Success, NY 11042

Harlem DNA Lab
2351 First Avenue at 120th St
East Harlem, NY 10035

Brookhaven National Lab
Office of Educational Programs
Upton, NY 11973



Huntington Historical Society

Presents

Passport to the Past

summer camp program



Tending to the kitchen herb garden on the historic Kissam property.

2016 Registration is Open!

Time Travel takes on a whole new meaning! A unique summer camp designed to bring history to life!

Offering 2 two-week, Monday through Friday, half-day summer camp sessions, 9 am to 12 noon for children ages 7 to 12.

Campers can wear colonial costumes, play old fashioned games, tour historical sites, handle various artifacts, and enjoy hands-on colonial-era activities including:

- Weaving, Candle Dipping
- Felting Wool, Maypole Celebration



REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

\$300 for Society members / \$400 for non-members.

Family Membership fee to join Huntington Historical Society \$60 (for a \$100 savings per child)

Session IJuly 11 to July 22

Session II.....July 25 to August 5

PASSPORT TO THE PAST -2016 REGISTRATION FORM

Refund policy: Tuition is refundable minus \$30 registration fee 30 days prior to session start date.

Parent's Name: _____ Camper's Name: _____ Age: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Circle Session: Session I / Session II

Amex/ Mastercard/ Visa/ Discover Credit Card: _____

Exp. Date: _____ Security Code: _____

Make checks payable to: *Huntington Historical Society*

Mail to: 2 High Street Huntington, NY 11743

Registration Fee: _____

(Optional \$60.00) Society Membership: _____

TOTAL: _____

For more information please call 631 427-7045 ext 404

The Huntington Historical Society is a private non-profit organization.