



Wilmington Montessori School



WEDNESDAY WEEKLY

MTAD (Montessori Teachers' Association of Delaware) presents
AMS 2010 Living Legacy
Judi Bauerlein

Wednesday, October 13, 2010
7:00 – 8:30 p.m.
WMS Great Room

Living a Learning Community: The Importance of Working Together

Judi's workshop will focus on the collaboration between parents and teachers creating a peaceful learning community for children. She will discuss the benefits of choosing a Montessori education for children.

Tickets at the door
 \$10.00 per person
 \$15.00 per couple

Judi Bauerlein is the past President of the American Montessori Society. She has started and run two Montessori Elementary magnet public schools. She has been a Montessori preschool, elementary, and high school teacher and teacher trainer for more than forty years and runs workshops on Montessori curriculum and philosophy around the world.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

- Sept. 22: Back to School/Curriculum Night
Preschool
7:00 p.m., **register for childcare by emailing cass_winner@wmsde.org**
- Sept. 23: 9-12 Program Overnight
- Sept. 28: Homeroom Parent Meeting
9:00 a.m., Room 26
- Sept. 29: Back to School/Curriculum Night
5-9 Program
7:00 p.m., **register for childcare by emailing cass_winner@wmsde.org**
- Oct. 5: Diversity Advisory Committee meeting
All are Welcome!
6:30 p.m., Library
- Oct. 6: Student Portraits
- Oct. 8: WMS Dance Party
Everyone is welcome!
6:00 p.m.
- Oct. 11-15: Scholastic Book Fair, Great Room
- Oct. 13: Parent Education Workshop
Judi Bauerlein: Living a Learning Community
7:00 p.m., Great Room
- Oct. 14: Book Fair Family Night
5-7 p.m, Gym & Great Room
- Oct. 20: Admissions Open House – Tell a Friend!
9:15 a.m.
- Oct. 20: Flu Shots
- Oct. 22&25: Preschool and Elementary Conferences
No classes
Register for childcare by emailing cass_winner@wmsde.org





RUMMAGE SALE NEWS

The Pod has arrived! We are now accepting donations for the Rummage Sale. Take this opportunity to declutter your house while recycling something to a new family and earning money for the school. It's win-win-win!

Desired items *in new or like-new condition*: toys, books, clothing--especially fall and winter baby, kid and adult clothes, purses, jewelry, furniture, lamps, framed art, housewares, craft supplies, outdoor play equipment, sports equipment, holiday decorations, lawn and garden, etc.

Due to the high disposal cost of what does not sell, we cannot accept: encyclopedias and old reference books, library books, magazines, personal items such as breast pumps, bike helmets, car seats, baby equipment more than 5 years old, stuffed animals, cell phones, computers, old tv's, metal office desks, mattresses, used blinds/shades.

Drop off

Every **Tuesday and Thursday from 8:20-9:30 a.m.** at the Pod. Just pull up to the Pod (located by the soccer field) and we will help you unload.

The Pod will be open **this Saturday morning, September 25th from 8:30-10:30 a.m.** Other Saturday drop offs are October 9th and 23rd.

For small items, there are bins located in the front lobby (by the sofa) as well as inside the side doors (across from Cass' office). The key to the Pod will be at the front desk and may be borrowed to add things to the Pod at your convenience.

Questions about donations? Interested in volunteering?
Email Carol Thomson crthomson3@comcast.net.

CELEBRATING DIVERSITY

The Diversity corner, located in the hallway past the business offices, has a rotating bulletin board display created by parent volunteers. The goal of this display is to enrich the cultural education of our children and celebrate the diversity among the families in our school.

We need parent volunteers to help create displays throughout the year. Suggested display topics are located on the sign up board, and include children/schools/homes around the world, African American History month and Spring celebrations around the world.

Have an idea not listed? Feel free to contact Diversity Advisory Committee chair Leslie Bastianelli (leslieasb@mac.com).

Big News! Now, you can submit your co-op hours electronically – no paper required (well, almost, we still need receipts submitted for purchases)!

Bookmark

<http://wilmingtonmontessori.wufoo.com/forms/wms-coop-report/> to submit electronically. Questions? Contact Lori Oberly at lori_oberly@wmsde.org.

Curriculum Night

Curriculum night is the opportunity for you, as parents, to meet your child's teachers, visit the classroom and learn about the curriculum and classroom activities for the school year. It is a wonderful way for you to start the school year informed and will provide you with insight and information on your child's daily routine and schedule. Preregistered childcare is available by emailing cass_winner@wmsde.org; \$15 for the first child, \$7.50 for each additional child.

Curriculum Nights are scheduled for:

Preschool: Sept. 22 @ 7:00 p.m.

5-9 Program: Sept. 29 @ 7:00 p.m.

WMS Board of Directors Update

The WMS Board of Directors recently appointed WMS parent Steve Johnson to the Board. Steve has been in the financial services and asset management business for much of his career and is currently the Chief Operating Officer at InvestorForce. Steve has an MBA from Harvard Business School and a BA in History and Economics from Yale University. He is a great addition to the Board to continue its big picture work.

Nick Sotiropoulos and Paul Sakaguchi have resigned from the WMS Board. The Board thanks Nick and Paul for their decade of service combined.

READING ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Lifelong learners are lifelong readers...and to that end a number of WMS students demonstrated their love of reading by joining the New Castle County Summer Reading Club this past summer. Each child who completed the program read books appropriate to their reading level, or was read to, for at least ten hours. At the end of the program they all received a certificate of completion signed by the Governor, the County Executive, and their local librarian as well as a free book. Join us in congratulating these children on a well-read summer.



Nico Froio from Room 14
Leon Huhn from Room 15
Cresentia Jung from Room 10
Ethan Low from Room 10
Evan Low from Room 15
Kalyne Moist from Room 3
Becky Siple from Room 10
Zach Siple from Room 10
Samantha Steblai from Room 10
Zev Wilson from Room 20

MEET DENISE KNOFF

Administrative Assistant in the Business Office

Denise has been with WMS for 22 years and is a familiar face in the Business Office. Denise is a mother to 4 grown children and the proud grandmother of WMS Preschool student, Dominic.



See Denise for any questions related to:
Scheduling time with Leanne Alexandrini, Director of Educational Programs ■ Changing programs or schedules for your child
■ Photo day ■ Students records ■
6th grade families - transitioning to your graduates' next school

*According to Denise, the best part about WMS is....
"the children and the educational philosophy. I come from a family of educators and have found WMS to be the best type of school for children. I can't imagine my grandson at any other school."*

Our Mission

Wilmington Montessori School is a collaborative learning community rooted in Montessori principles, inspiring the joyful discovery of self and a passion for learning and independent thinking. We empower children to be knowledgeable and responsible contributors to the global community.

E-mail Wednesday-Weekly@wmsde.org by Friday to submit information and announcements for publication in the following week's Wednesday Weekly. All submissions are subject to modification for space constraints and/or content clarity.