

VIKING VOICE EXPRESS

CALENDAR

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The First Basking Ridge Turkey Trot 5K and Health Walk Was a Complete Success!

Almost 200 runners and walkers came out in support of this healthy event. The WAMS PTO and co-chairs Elaine DiDario and

Julie Keating would like to thank their committee members Gillian Carey, Cathy Cheo-Isaacs, Marcella Conway, Jennifer Davidson, Elaine Edge, Tracy Hicks, Kim McCarver, Maura McEnroe, Susan Sahler, Kari Scaglione, Gayle Shimoun, Kim Starkes, Mary Youngberg, Collette Zimora and Christine Ziegler for all their hard work.

And a big thank you to race day volunteers Valerie and Michael Barber, Ryan Carey, John Conway, Jack DePoortere, Donna Farrell-Wilson, Casey Fern, Dylan Hicks, Charlie, Grace and Sean Keating, Irene McDonnell, Monique McHenry, Karly Newhouse, Brad and Brandon Sahler, and Ryan, Kyle and Aidan Starkes. A special thank you to Officer Werner and the Bernards Township PBA for their donation. A great day was had by all, many non-perishable food items and frozen turkeys were collected for the Food Bank of Somerset County and we all started the holiday season in a healthy way!
 Congratulations to all walkers and runners!

DECEMBER

- 7 7th Grade Field Trip "A Christmas Carol"
- 7 PAC Meeting/9 am/Small Cafeteria Annex
- 7 PTO Board Meeting/10:30 am Room 110
- 8 2nd Elective Cycle Ends
- 8 Club Picture Day
- 8 Character Education Day
- 8 WAMS Orchestra Concert/7 pm Auditorium
- 9 **6th GRADE FAMILY FAIR/7-9 pm Gym-SPIRIT WEAR WILL BE SOLD**
- 14 WAMS Band Concert/7 pm/ Auditorium
- 19 BOE Meeting/7 pm/WAMS Auditorium
- 22 Character Education Day
- 23 EARLY DISMISSAL-12:15 pm
- 26 WINTER HOLIDAY RECESS/
SCHOOL CLOSED UNTIL TUESDAY 1/3/12

TURKEY TROT 5K AND HEALTH WALK

"Thanks to Co-Chairs, Julie Keating and Elaine DiDario for all of their hard work in making our first Turkey Trot so successful."

A BIG THANK YOU ...

to everyone who helped make the 7th grade author's luncheon a huge success. We thank Elizabeth Barickman, Marcella Hain Conway, Brenda Curnin, Diane Dennis, Rhonda Dunten, Elaine Edge, Kristina Folkart, Irene McDonnell, Brenda Moran, Windie Scarola, Christine Schoenfeld, Cristi Vilade, and Karen Wexler for a real treat!

Staff Appreciation Holiday Luncheon Wednesday, Dec 14th

Our committee is looking for volunteers to supply appetizers, desserts and beverages for this special luncheon thanking the WAMS faculty for their hard work. If you can donate something, please email the committee chairpeople:

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 Thanks!

The Basking Ridge Turkey Trot 5k and Health Walk presented by the **WAMS PTO** was a great success. The following are winning runners who go to WAMS:

11 Year Old Boys

1st-Brett Asay
2nd-Christian Zamora

11 Year Old Girls

1st-Carollyne Conway
2nd-Elizabeth Wilson

12 Year Old Girls

1st-Catherine McDonnell
2nd-Sanya Bery

3rd-Rachel Bereslau

13 Year Old Boys

1st-Peter Alexis
2nd-Carson Ferdinand
3rd-Eric Lu

13 Year Old Girls

3rd-Abbey Edge

14 Year Old Boys

1st-Cameron Dignan
2nd-Justin Dignan

Except where noted, the missing winners were from towns other than Basking Ridge.

7TH GRADE VIKING VALUES

The 7th grade teams will be honoring four students per team who exemplify Viking Values every marking period. Each team of teachers nominated and voted on students based on the Viking Values. The four values are courage respect, integrity, and responsibility. Students who win the VIP award display the courage to do the right thing when no one is watching, treat others with respect, demonstrate responsibility, and act with integrity. This award recognizes the actions of the true VIP's at William Annin. The seventh grade teachers are proud of these students and their accomplishments and recognize their efforts at making our community a better place. The first marking period recipients are:

Gold Team: Julia Lindsey, Georgia Tompkins, Lucas Miller, Alex Esposito

Blue Team: Max Hahn, Sal Dimaggio, Madeline Cox, and Brooke Lucas

Green Team: Maeve Egan, Ellen Mahoney, Matthew Page, Avi Zucker

PTO MEETING - SAVE THE DATE

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OUR NEXT PTO MEETING
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 11TH, 2012 AT 9:15 AM
IN THE WAMS AUDITORIUM.

AFTER PTO NEWS AND EVENTS & AN ANNIN UPDATE FROM PRINCIPAL KAREN HUDOCK, THE MEETING WILL PROVIDE AN
OVERVIEW OF THE 8TH GRADE WASHINGTON D.C. TRIP
(SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 29TH-30TH)
FROM THIS YEAR'S FACULTY COORDINATORS:
JENNIFER FOWLER, DAVID PETERSEN, AND JEN CHMURA.

SEE YOU THERE IN JANUARY!
[NO PTO MEETING IN DECEMBER.]

4TH ANNUAL ANNIN'S GOT TALENT SHOW

The 6th grade teachers will be holding the 4th annual Annin's Got Talent Show for 6th grade students to participate in on December 23rd. Please come out to audition and perform for your peers to help create both an entertaining and joyful day at WAMS. We welcome all types of performers including singers, dancers, comics, rubix cube masters, jump-ropers geniuses, magic magicians, cup stackers, artists and more!! Sign ups for the talent show will be in study hall rooms beginning November 7th and auditions will take place in the first few weeks of December.

SIXTH GRADE FAMILY FAIR FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9, 7-9PM IN THE ANNIN CAFETERIA

The William Annin Peer Leaders invite all sixth grade students and their families to this evening event, which promises to offer fun and entertainment for everyone. There will be carnival-type games such as a baseball toss, football throw, and a can knock down, among many others. Various prizes and gift baskets are waiting to be won. Admission is \$5 per student and \$2 for each family member. Each paid admission earns some free game tickets, but additional tickets will be sold for .50¢ each. Some light snacks and refreshments will also be sold. Participants can enter a drawing to win a chance to throw a pie at an Annin administrator. Other drawing prizes include BBQ basket, a stay in movie night basket, assorted spirit wear and tons of other fun treasures. All proceeds will directly benefit the sixth grade activities account to offset costs associated with their end of the year field trip or in-house programs. The William Annin Peer Leaders in coordination with the WAMS PTO are excited to bring you this second annual 6th grade community event.