

From the Desk of Ralph Marotta

I hope you received my recent communication announcing my retirement. In it I expressed my sincere appreciation to the McCall community -- parents, teachers, residents, and especially the outstanding young people who have passed through McCall's doors -- for making this school a place proudly held in high regard for its excellence, diversity, and respectful climate. Mr. Jorge Goncalves has been appointed by Superintendent McAlduff as the Principal of McCall commencing on July 1. We welcome him and are committed to a successful transition.

I would like to extend my sincerest thanks to the Parents Association and its leaders this year, Anne Marie Hill and Paula Michienzi, and to those many parents who in their special roles make a real difference in our school including Lisa Evangelista and Lisa Vahey who are directly responsible for the preparation of this monthly newsletter.

As a resident and WHS parent as well, I will remain active in our community. I am honored to have served McCall as Interim Principal and formerly as the Assistant Principal. I will miss the rewarding work we do here.

Other staff members who are undertaking new beginnings after this school year include Grade 8 Science Teacher Susan Marchese and Teaching Assistant Alyssa Iuliano. Retiring this year is Guidance Secretary Susan Malatesta and Pat Floyd in our Food Service Program. Congratulations to all and thanks for your many years of fine service to Winchester.

On Town Day, Saturday, June 4, McCall's Origami Club will be selling its wares. All proceeds will benefit the Japanese Red Cross for earthquake and tsunami relief. There will be some amazing items for sale. This activity is another example of our students supporting the McCall Core Value of "Service to Others." Look for the McCall booth on Town Day!

June 6 is Moving Up Day from 9-10:30 when our 8th Graders will go to Winchester High School, our current 6th and 7th Graders will meet members of their Core Teams for next year, and we welcome our new 6th Graders from across the district. It's an exciting day that will help prepare students for the new school year beginning August 30, 2011. Our traditional Grade 8 Awards Ceremony, during which teachers recognize 8th Grade students for achievement, improvement, leadership, and community service, concludes the school day on June 6.

Later in this newsletter, you will find information and a schedule of events held in June including the Grade 6-8 final exams, the traditional Grade 8 Canobie Lake Park trip on June 22, and the Grade 8 Graduation Ceremony and Dance on June 23 at 6:30 at Knowlton Stadium behind McCall (Rain location is the WHS Field House for the Graduation). A large committee of parents led by Mikie Ulwick and Dori Carellas organized these year-end events for Grade 8. Congratulations and thanks to the entire committee for its outstanding work on behalf of our Graduating Class.



Letter From the Co-Presidents

Paula Michienzi and Anne Marie Hill

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As the close of school draws near, we welcome a new principal at McCall Middle School for the school year 2011-2012 –Mr. Jorge Goncalves of the Beverly Public Schools.

We wish him well in his new role!

We thank Interim Principal Ralph Marotta for his dedication and commitment to our children and for his many years of service here in Winchester. He has been a great leader, first as an Assistant Principal, and now as Principal during this time of transition. His retirement is a loss to the McCall community. We wish Mr. Marotta and his family all the best!

We thank our Board so very much for their tireless commitment and countless hours of dedicated volunteerism. Their goal was to help make things better for both our students and parents, and they have succeeded admirably. They have done everything from fundraising for programs to organizing and running those programs! They have also played a key role in communicating vital information to our parents through the newsletter, weekly announcements, community news, and email blasts. We could not do what we do without the efforts of all of you. Thank you.

For those of you who will be with us next year, please look for informational emails regarding school opening, pickup and drop off, school council elections, a new student coffee and many more items over the summer. During June and July, many items will be posted to the website. Please go to mccallpa.org to learn about textbook lists, lunch menus and calendars for dances, parents meeting and newsletter deadlines.

For those of you who will be moving on, we wish you only the best!! Enjoy your summer!!

A Farewell Message from Paula Michienzi

After nine years at McCall Middle School, my youngest and I will be Moving On together! I thank the teachers and administration for their hard work and dedication to our children and their families. You are what makes McCall a truly special place.

I also have a special thank you to Anne Marie, Brian, Leah, Lisa E. and Lisa V. for their continued dedication, support and friendship. We were a team and a really good one at that, as we managed to accomplish everything we set out to do this past year. I will miss you!

To my fellow parents, you will be in excellent hands next year with your new Co-Presidents Anne Marie Hill and Laura Krotky. They both are very dedicated, committed and hard working women. I don't doubt that anything they put their minds to they will accomplish and I wish them success in the coming year.



Save the Dates:

- June 2, McCall Choral Concert
- June 4, Town Day
- June 5, WHS Graduation
- June 7, 9:00am, June Parents' Association Meeting
- June 7, Instrumental Concert
- June 11, "In the Mood" Band Dance at Chidley Hall
- June 16, 8th Grade Final Exams Begin
- June 17, 6th Grade Final Exams Begin
- June 20, 7th Grade Final Exams Begin
- June 21, 22, 23 Early Release, School Dismissed at 11:10
- June 22, 8th Grade Canobie Lake Park Trip
- June 23, Last Day of School, 8th Grade Graduation and Dance 6:30pm

Important information: The School Committee has approved the final calendar for the 2011-2012 school year. It is posted on the District web site www.winchester.k12.ma.us. **The first day of the 2011-2012 school year is Tuesday, August 30.** Grades 6 and 9: 7:45am-10:40am. Grades 7 and 8 (and grades 10-12 also): 11:30am-2:15pm. Wednesday, August 31 and Thursday, September 1 will be full days at McCall (7:45am-2:15pm). No School on Friday, September 2 and Monday, September 5 for Labor Day.

Absent snow days, the last day of school for students would be June 12. This final calendar includes early release days for all levels. An important change to note is that the Professional Development (no school) day originally scheduled for November 2 has been rescheduled to November 10, giving families a 4-day Veteran's Day weekend.

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**McCall Parents' Association Direct Appeal**

We would like to thank all of you who have contributed to the Direct Appeal so far. All of your contributions go back to the school so we encourage anyone who hasn't made a donation yet to strongly consider doing so. **A contribution of any amount is welcome**, particularly in these days of increasingly tight budgets. 38% of families have donated so far. We would like to see that number at 50%. If you have not yet participated and wish to, there are several ways for you to do so: mail a check with this form to Martha Sampson, Assistant Treasurer, at 16 Salisbury Street, (payable to the McCall Parents' Association); drop a check with the form off at the McCall Main Office; or use PayPal by going to [mccallpa.org](http://mccallpa.org) and click on **Donate** at the bottom of the page and follow the directions. We are now a **501c3 tax exempt organization!**

**Thank you!**

Name of student(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Grade(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
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Contribution: \$75 \_\_\_\_ \$100 \_\_\_\_ \$150 \_\_\_\_ Other \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Name(s) of Parent(s)/Guardian(s) \_\_\_\_\_

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**Notes from the Library**

**Jane Henchey**

**Overdue Books**

Students receive overdue notices for books that have not been returned to the library. **All books must be returned by June 15<sup>th</sup>**. Many students have a number of books that are long overdue. If your child receives a notice and thinks that she/he has returned the book(s), please remind her/him to stop by the library and speak with the librarian. Thank you to the parent volunteers who helped in the library throughout the school year. I particularly wish to thank Susan Verdicchio for coordinating the parent volunteers.

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Notes from the Nurse

Mary Lamuraglia, RN

IMMUNIZATION INFORMATION ON GRADE 6 STUDENTS. This information should be received before the end of school. If your child will have their annual exam during the summer months, please mail a copy of the physical and immunization record to school to my attention. Unfortunately, students have been sent home on the first day of school in past years if their records were not complete. If you know your child is transferring to a new school system and you will need their medical record transferred, let me know before the end of the school year. I am not here in the summer and records are in a locked cabinet and cannot be accessed by the school secretary. Many students are complaining of allergy symptoms. I am able to administer allergy medications if they are sent in with a signed medication permission form. These forms are available in my office. Many allergy sufferers benefit the most from taking the medication at home in the morning. Please make sure your student is carrying an inhaler if they suffer from asthma. If the inhaler has not been used in over 2 weeks, remember to waste 2 puffs to ensure the proper dose is administered. At the end of this year, please pick up all medications and EpiPens that have been kept at school. Have a happy, healthy summer.

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**Attention all parents:** If your child is not returning to the Winchester Public Schools in September of 2011, please notify our Registrar, Mrs. Diana Deering as soon as possible. Either stop by the office and fill out a release of records form or send an email to Diana with the following information: where your child will be attending school in the fall, any change of and your permission to mail out records and final transcript to the attending school.

**Math News:** The grade eight algebra programs for next year will build on the achievements and success of the previous year. Skills and concepts that the students have learned will be reviewed at the beginning of next year and reinforced throughout the program. As we build on these

understandings, our students will recognize the power of algebra as a problem solving tool, and they will appreciate its relevance to our lives. Because the program will require that the children make observations of graphic models and draw conclusions, it will be necessary for each student in algebra or advanced algebra to have his/her own graphing calculator. We recommend the Texas Instrument TI 83 or TI 84. These calculators perform all of the functions necessary for the program and are the models that the teacher will use for demonstrations. We look forward to the opportunity of providing an experience for our students that will cause them to feel comfortable and confident in themselves as they are being challenged by new and exciting ideas.

**Computer Technology News.** Computer Education teachers Anna Kerkorian and Pat DeVries have rounded out the school year with a variety of **Web 2.0 tools** that grades 6, 7 and 8 have implemented within their curriculum. Web 2.0 is the interactive web, whereby digital media and text may be created on the web or uploaded, both in real time. All projects are done in a private and secure portal. The use of these tools has addressed 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills such as collaboration, communication, critical thinking and problem solving.

The *sixth grade Computer Literacy classes* have utilized **Wordle** ([www.wordle.net](http://www.wordle.net)) and **Voicethread** (<http://voicethread.com>). We were introduced to our students' lives when they created a Wordle, word clouds of text that shows greater importance based upon how often a single word is entered. Voicethread is a media album but the real power of the album is the potential to add comments. Upon the completion of their 'How to' project, their classmates within the entire sixth grade Computer Literacy classes could view and make positive comments. They were all very excited to share their Voicethread with their peers and welcomed the quick feedback.

The *seventh grade Computer Literacy classes* have been **podcasting** and creating **electronic flashcards** for their Mp3 players. The foundation of their curriculum is Internet safety which is based upon the i-SAFE program. Topics for this project included: cyber bullying, copyright, plagiarism, Internet safety, computer viruses, and social networking. Through a multi-faceted step plan they researched using their web evaluation and search skills, scripted a scenario that applies their topic in the life of a young teen, and recorded their podcast in **Audacity**, an audio editing program. Creativity juices flowed as they applied their knowledge to an authentic situation in their podcast.

The *eighth grade Computer Literacy classes* applied several Web 2.0 tools in the course of their curriculum. They created public service announcements using **Microsoft Moviemaker**. To plan and research with their partner they collaborated using **Google Apps for Education** in Mrs. DeVries classes. This allowed them to type information at the same time to the same document. After the video was made they promoted their social, health or environmental issue through an interactive online poster called **Glogster** (<http://edu.glogster.com>), which allows one to incorporate video and audio files in addition to the usual text and images. In Mrs. Kerkorian's classes eighth grade also blogged, sharing their thoughts in a discussion, about the latest technology in **EduBlogs** (<http://edublogs.org/>).

The real time potential of the Web 2.0 tools and the versatility of multimedia have enhanced the teaching and learning process in our Computer Literacy classes.

*Winchester Youth Center*

**WYC Drop-in Center**

The drop-in center will close for the summer on Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>. Please join us at 2:30 for a closing day party!

**Rock For Youth Finals**

Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> 7:00-10:00pm. Final round of the Battle of the Bands Town Day stage, behind the Winchester Public Library. Admission is free. Ballots are \$2 each. Proceeds from the Rock for Youth benefit the WYC's Youth Service Scholarships and help support the WYC Special thanks to our sponsors: Winchester Community Music School & The Real School of Music

**Winchester Youth Service Day**

More than 150 McCall and WHS students participated in the 7<sup>th</sup> annual WYSD on Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>. We completed clean-up and beautification projects at 10 sites all over town, donated \$500 worth of non-perishable foods to the Woburn Council of Social Concern's food pantry, sent 25 care packages to our troops in Afghanistan, and had a really great day! Special thanks to Winchester Rotary, En Ka Society, Winchester Savings Bank, Winchester Co-operative Bank, WHS PFA, and the McCall Parents' Association.

**Parent Conversations:** We will not be having a meeting in June due to several conflicting meetings on or around our usual meeting day. If you have any questions or concerns as the end of the school year approaches, please don't hesitate to call Phyllis Greenspan at [781.721.7026](tel:781.721.7026) x1608. Hope to see you all in the fall at our first meeting in October!

**Winchester Friends of Art:** It is hard to believe that the end of the school year is right around the corner! Thank you for all of the support of Friends of Art this past year. We all had a lot of fun and raised over \$8000.00 for the Winchester Public School's Art Department programs. Next year's art department budget is even tighter and most of the FOA allotments that each teacher will receive will be used to purchase consumable art supplies. This is a far cry from the "good days" when the FOA allocations could be used to purchase equipment such as drying racks, printing presses, kilns, computers, etc. as a supplement to their budgeted WPS funds that covered the consumables such as paint, paper and glue. In addition to the annual teacher allocations we continue to fund the Tom Tracy, Dave Ardito and the Friends of Art Scholarship programs for graduating WHS students seeking to further their formal education in the Visual Arts. These scholarships will be awarded by Terry Lannon, WPS Art Director at the awards night on May 25<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to all of this year's scholarship recipients!

We invite you to join us on Town Day, **June 4<sup>th</sup>- Town Day Art Show in the Maurer Auditorium at Town Hall, 10am – 4pm**. We are looking for volunteers to help set up on Friday during the school day, Saturday for two hour shifts throughout the day and clean up after 4pm on Saturday. Art teachers may need help getting artwork to and from the town hall. If you are available to help, please contact your school's art teacher to find out any specific needs. If you would like to help at the check in table at Town Hall on Saturday we have plenty of shifts available. Please let us know! Contact Sue Clark directly at [sueclark64@gmail.com](mailto:sueclark64@gmail.com) with Art Show Help in the subject line.

**Dance to Benefit Winchester School Bands, Saturday, June 11 from 8PM-11PM, First Congregational Church, Chidley Hall, 21 Church Strete.** Are you "In the Mood" for a night of dancing to the music of the Winchester School Bands? All are invited to bring friends and family to the semi-formal benefit dance for the Winchester School Bands on Saturday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. **The WHS Concert Band, McCall Jazz Band and WHS Jazz Band will provide the dance music.** Elegant desserts will be available throughout the performance. Tickets are \$20 each or \$10 each for senior citizens and students. To purchase tickets or reserve a table for 8-10 people, please contact Martha Sampson at [781-721-5143](tel:781-721-5143). Tickets will also be available at BookEnds in Winchester Center. Please note the change of venue for the dance this year.

**June 23rd is the date for the 8th grade Graduation and Celebration Dance.** If weather permits we will be having an outdoor ceremony on Manchester field which will begin at **6:30pm**. Proper dress is required, boys should wear a jacket and tie and girls should wear a semi-formal dress. More details will follow. The Dance/Celebration will immediately follow the Graduation in the McCall Cafeteria from approximately 7:30 until 10:00pm.

We would like to thank all the parents who have volunteered their time and talents to make this day special for our children. It's not too late to help out, please contact Mikie Ulwick at [johnmikie@verizon.net](mailto:johnmikie@verizon.net) or Dori Carellas at [dcarellas@comcast.net](mailto:dcarellas@comcast.net) if you would like to volunteer.

**Chaperones Needed For 8th Grade Graduation and Dance on June 23.** Request for 6<sup>th</sup> and 7th Grade Parents to chaperone. Our 8th graders will graduate on Thursday, June 23 and we very much need your help as chaperones for the graduation and dance. The tradition has always been that the 8th grade parents not chaperone the Graduation Dance, we rely on the younger classes for parent volunteers. It is a great tradition and one that parents will return in kind to you next year! **We need about 25 volunteers in all.** Parents are needed to usher at the graduation (5 or 6 people), a short commitment of about an hour (5:30-6:45pm). We need parents to chaperone at the dance and help with the food and drink tables (20 people), from 6:45 to 10:15pm. **Volunteers do NOT have to clean up.** The 8th grade parents will return to clean up. **We are also looking for a gracious volunteer to coordinate the 7th grade parent chaperones that night.** Please consider giving some time to this event. It's a very special night and fun to see what lies ahead for your children. You'll even learn about a few surprises that we have planned! Please contact Amanda Lewis if you can help: [lewisspringer@comcast.net](mailto:lewisspringer@comcast.net) or [781-729-3295](tel:781-729-3295)

**You're Invited! Sachems FC Soccer Tryouts ~ June 1- 25. The Sachems FC is looking for talented boys and girls to fill the following teams: BU10 - BU11 - BU12 - BU13 - BU14 - BU15 - BU17 - BU18 GU10 - GU11 - GU12 - GU13 - GU14 - GU17. For more information about our tryouts (specific times, dates and field locations) or to register for tryouts, please go to [www.sachemsfc.com](http://www.sachemsfc.com).**

**Sachem Late Registration Notice:** The Sachem Youth Football and Cheerleading (SYFC) program is accepting late registration candidates for the 2011 football season. Late registration is

open to all those interested in the 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Football Clinic and the 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup> Grade Football Team. The SYFC program is open to all middle school age residents of Winchester. The 2011 season will be the sixth for the SYFC program. The mission of the SYFC program is to develop self-esteem, school pride and a sound understanding of the fundamentals of the game of football in each member, while working within a team first concept.

Late registration will close June 30<sup>th</sup>. If you wish to join the 2011 SYFC Football program please complete a registration form and mail it to the SYFC headquarters by the June 30<sup>th</sup> deadline. To obtain additional information on the SYFC program or a 2011 registration form please go to [www.sachemyouth.org](http://www.sachemyouth.org) or contact Paul Manganaro at [pmanganaro@manganaro.com](mailto:pmanganaro@manganaro.com)

Friends of Art: **June 14th-** Our annual end of year celebration pot luck dinner, this year our theme will be "Red, White or Blue Food", the 14th is Flag Day afterall! The pot luck will be held at the home of Sue Clark at 159 Horn Pond Brook Rd. 5pm - 9pm. This is a great way to get to know our wonderful art teachers and other members of the Friends of Art in a friendly, welcoming social atmosphere. Please RSVP to Sue Clark at [sueclark64@gmail.com](mailto:sueclark64@gmail.com).

**Teacher Tribute:** Looking for a way to say “*thanks*” to your teacher at the end of the year? A Winchester Foundation for Education (WFEE) **Teacher Tribute** is the answer! A donation to the **Teacher Tribute Program** brings a small gift to your honoree plus a card naming the donor, thanking the recipient for “guidance, motivation and inspiration to students as one of Winchester’s finest educators.” Donate now through June 10th, teacher gifts will be delivered at the end of the year. Donate on line at [www.wfee.org](http://www.wfee.org) or fill out a form and mail it with your check to: P.O. Box 1005, Winchester, MA 01890. WFEE has given McCall teachers nearly \$11,000 in grants for next year. Those grants will bring document cameras to 7th grade classrooms, a new enamel kiln to our Art Department and funding for a program to link 7th grade students with their counterparts around the world. A Teacher Tribute supports the WFEE grants program.

**Winchester Community Music School presents a Festival For Pianists! For children ages 9-12** , 🎵 July 25-29, 9AM-12:30PM. Featuring Music History classes, Mechanics of Piano workshops, Piano technique seminars, Music Theory classes  
Piano Duet (coaching and rehearsal), Recreation/Musical Games, social time with your fellow pianists, Masterclass, Program Presentation & Recital on Friday, July 29, 11:30 AM for family & friends

### **Basketball June Summer Camp Is Coming!**

Winchester Basketball Summer camp is just around the corner! Tap off the Summer with your basketball friends, Quinton Dale, and Jason Cacciapuoti, our WHS Varsity coaches.

Camp dates are June 27-July 1st from 9AM-3PM @WHS, Manchester Field outdoor courts and McCall Middle School. Players that are entering Grades 3-12 in the Fall are encouraged to attend. Registration is now open. Spots are limited. Go to [www.winchesterbasketball.org](http://www.winchesterbasketball.org) for more information.

**Summer French Mini-Camp for 6<sup>th</sup> graders.** Enrollment has begun for the **5th annual summer French mini-camp**. This goal of this camp is to develop a love of languages in students by teaching them French in a fun, interactive environment. During these classes, the children will learn a range of topics that will incorporate French conversation, culture and geography. A session for current 6<sup>th</sup> graders will be held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from July 5- July 28th. Classes will be held from 4:00-5:00 pm at 11 Amberwood Drive. A separate session will be offered to current 2nd-5th graders on the same dates from 2:45-3:45 pm. To enroll your child or for additional information, please contact Karen Fagan at [kmcfagan@comcast.net](mailto:kmcfagan@comcast.net) or [781-729-7064](tel:781-729-7064).

**Girl Scouts of Eastern Massachusetts Day and Resident Camps.** For more Information or to Register for Camp: [www.hercamp.org](http://www.hercamp.org) or 617-350-8335 or [camp@girlscoutseasternmass.org](mailto:camp@girlscoutseasternmass.org)

**Day Camps**

**Camp Cedar Hill – Waltham, MA – Day Camp** – Girls entering grades 1-12

Hours: 9am-4pm with Extended Day available for additional cost 7:30am-9am and 4p-6p  
Bus Transportation with stops in: Arlington, Auburndale, Bedford, Belmont, Boston, Brighton, Brookline, Cambridge, Dedham, Dorchester, Jamaica Plain, Hyde Park, Lexington, Mattapan, Milton, Needham, Newton, N. Quincy, Roslindale, Roxbury, Somerville, Waltham, Wellesley, Weston, West Roxbury, Winchester.

**Camp Cedar Hill - Open House Sunday, May 22, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Camp Edith Read – Norton, MA – Day Camp** – Girls entering grades 1-12

Hours: 9am-4pm with Extended Day available for additional cost 7:30am-9am and 4p-6p  
Bus Transportation with stops in: Avon, Brockton, Dighton, Foxboro, Holbrook, Mansfield, Norton, Raynham, Sharon, South Easton, Stoughton, Taunton, West Bridgewater,

**Camp Edith Read - Open House Sunday, June 19, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Camp Favorite – Brewster, MA – Day Camp** – Girls entering grades 1-6

Hours: 9am-4pm with Extended Day available for additional cost 7:30am-9am and 4p-6p  
Bus Transportation with stops in: Eastham, Harwich, Hyannis, Orleans, Sandwich, Truro, Yarmouth.

**Camp Favorite - Open House Sunday, June 5, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Camp Greenbrier – Acushnet, MA – Day Camp** – Girls entering grades 1-12

(There is NO swimming at this camp) Hours: 9am-4pm with Extended Day available for additional cost 7:30am-9am and 4p-6p  
Bus Transportation with stops in: Berkley, Dartmouth, Lakeville, New Bedford, Raynham, Taunton.

**Camp Greenbrier - Open House Sunday, July 17, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Maude Eaton – Andover, MA – Day Camp** – Girls entering grades 1-10

Hours: 9am-4pm with Extended Day available for additional cost 7:30am-9am and 4p-6p  
Bus Transportation with stops in: Andover, Beverly, Billerica, Danvers, East Billerica, Haverhill, Lawrence, Methuen, Middleton, North Andover, North Billerica, Peabody, Tewksbury, Wilmington.

**Camp Maude Eaton - Open House Sunday, May 22, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Camp Rice Moody – Reading, MA – Day Camp** – Girls entering grades 1-10

Hours: 9am-4pm with Extended Day available for additional cost 7:30am-9am and 4p-6p

Bus Transportation with stops in: Burlington, Everett, Lynnfield, Malden, Medford, Melrose, Revere, Saugus, Stoneham, Wakefield, Woburn

**Camp Runels – Pelham, NH – Day Camp** – Girls entering grades 1-12

Hours: 9am-4pm with Extended Day available for additional cost 7:30am-9am and 4p-6p

Bus Transportation with stops in: Chelmsford, Dracut, Dunstable, Lowell, Haverhill, Methuen, Newburyport, North Chelmsford, Tyngsboro, West Newbury.

**Camp Runels - Open House Sunday, May 22, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Camp Virginia – Bolton, MA – Day Camp** – Girls entering grades 1-12

Hours: 9am-4pm with Extended Day available for additional cost 7:30am-9am and 4p-6p

Bus Transportation with stops in: Acton, Ayer, Boxboro, Concord, Framingham, Groton, Hudson, Littleton, Maynard, Marlboro, Stow, Sudbury, Wayland.

**Camp Virginia - Open House Sunday, May 1, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Camp Wind in the Pines – Plymouth, MA – Day Camp** – Girls entering grades 1-9

Hours: 9am-4pm with Extended Day available for additional cost 7:30am-9am and 4p-6p

Bus Transportation with stops in: Abington, Berkeley, Braintree, Carver, Fairhaven, Halifax, Hanover, Hanson, Kingston, Marion, Middleboro, Pembroke, Plymouth, Sagamore Beach, Wareham, Weymouth, Whitman.

**Camp Wind in the Pines - Open House Sunday, May 22, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Camp Winnetaska – Ashland, MA – Day Camp** – Girls entering grades 1-12

Hours: 9am-4pm with Extended Day available for additional cost 7:30am-9am and 4p-6p

Bus Transportation with stops in: Ashland, Framingham, Franklin, Holliston, Hopkinton, Medfield, Medway, Millis, Natick, Norfolk, Norwood, Sherborn, Southboro, Walpole, Westwood.

### **Resident Camps**

**Camp Favorite – Brewster, MA – Resident Camp** – Girls entering grades 3-12

Celebrating our 53rd Summer! Is the premier sailing and water sports camp for girls in New England. Also has an extensive biking program. All programs include swimming, boating, campfires, games, crafts, and more.

**Camp Favorite - Open House Sunday, June 5, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Camp Runels – Pelham, NH – Resident Camp** – Girls entering grades 2-12

Celebrating our 81st Summer! An Arts and Crafts Camp with extensive pottery, ceramics, wax, photography, drama and other creative arts programs. Also serves as the base camp for our most extensive backpacking programs. Unique ½ week camp sampler is ideal for first time campers. All programs include swimming, boating, campfires, games, crafts, and all that camp has to offer.

**Camp Runels - Open House Sunday, June 5, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Camp Wabasso – Bradford, NH – Resident Camp** – Girls entering grades 3-12

Celebrating our 54th Summer! Home to our Horseback Riding Program. Enjoy our fully equipped riding stable including horses, tack and expert instructors. Also home to our theatre programs – production, performance, costume and writing skills while preparing original works to showcase in our on site theatre house. All programs include swimming, boating, campfires, games, crafts, and all that camp has to offer.

**Camp Wabasso - Open House Sunday, May 22, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Camp Wind in the Pines – Plymouth, MA – Resident Camp** – Girls entering grades 2-12

Our Adventure Sports Camp with a state-of-the-art challenge and adventure facility with a 20' rock face climbing wall, boulder cave and high ropes course in an air-conditioned tower. Unique

two night camp sampler is ideal for first time campers. All programs include swimming, boating, campfires, games, crafts, and all that camp has to offer.

**Camp Wind in the Pines - Open House Sunday, June 5, 2011 1pm-4pm**

**Winchester School of Chinese Culture (WSSC)**'s multi-cultural, bilingual summer camp will give your child a memorable time! Unitarian Church of Winchester, 478 Main St, Winchester, MA 01890. For kids ages kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade Camp Dates: June 27- July 29th (one week per session, total 5 weeks). The 5-weeks Chinese Day Camps will offer Chinese immersion experience with rich cultural activities. **You don't need to speak a word of Chinese to enjoy this camp.** Camp is licensed by Massachusetts Early Education Commission.

Besides fun and intensive language training, students can choose Chinese painting and dance as electives. Culture Education Classes include Origami Paper folding, dough figure making and more. Math, computer graphic and science project will also be part of the fun activities. Weekly field trips are exciting and educational! **Whatever your child's Chinese level is at, we will have custom made teaching plan for him/her.**

**Annual Winchester Rotary Club Pancake Breakfast** held on Town Day is Saturday, June 4th. It will be held in the McCall Middle School from 8:00 AM until 11:00AM. Tickets are \$ 6.00 per person. They can be purchased in advance from a Rotary member or at the door. All proceeds are returned to the community through financial grants. There will be a number of raffles, balloons and a DJ. It is a great way to start off the Town Day activities and enjoy breakfast with family and friends !

***Schedule Your Audition for The Northeast Massachusetts Youth Orchestras with Musical Director, Gerald Dolan:*** The music continues! With NYSO's Spring Afternoon of Concerts just a few days away, it is time to think about auditions for next year. Most of you know that as of May 31st, there will no longer be a youth orchestra under the name of NYSO. However we want to assure everyone that there will be a very similar musical organization that takes its place called the Northeast Massachusetts Youth Orchestras, NMYO. Thank you to Randy O'Keefe for his support of our new program in providing Masconomet High School as our continuing rehearsal space. We hope you will join us in launching this new youth orchestra, which will be identical in most ways to what you have enjoyed in NYSO. We look forward to hearing your audition for NMYO on June 11th at Ipswich High School. Gerald Dolan, Walter Pavasaris, Corey Seapy, Abby Haynes, Sarah Skinner, Trisha Craig, Nalani Fujiwara