

NTEA Connection

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WASL Survey

The Washington Education Association is requesting that all locals survey members concerning the WASL and OSPI leadership. Next week you will receive some information on the WASL and a brief questionnaire. Please take one minute to fill out the survey and return it to your building representative. This is important as the WEA Representative Assembly is scheduled in mid-May and our NTEA Delegates need to give our members valid representation. Thank you for your time.

WEA's Special Programs

When you put the size and strength of over 80,000 members of the WEA to work for you, the result is some of the best benefits, service, and rates in the state. Here are a few of the programs available to members. To see all of the discounts, go to the WEA website at www.washingtonnea.org for more information.

Entertainment Discounts: Enjoy discounts at major entertainment centers in California and Florida (Disneyland, Disney World, Knotts Berry Farm, Universal Studios, San Diego Zoo, Sea World, Busch Gardens, Six Flags, Medieval Times, Mercado, LegoLand and more). Call 800-622-3393, ext. 7234 to request your Entertainment Discount Packet.



Dining Out Discount Program: On the Town Passport Unlimited is an unrestricted professional dining membership with hundreds of restaurants throughout the northwest. Call Charlie Eastman at 800-535-8502.

Travel and Entertainment Discount Program: Leisure Plus is your deluxe package for travel and entertainment savings. Members get savings on dining, hotel stays, movie tickets, theme parks, park guides, car rentals, airline tickets, condos, cruises, and vacation packages.

Emergency Roadside Assistance Program: The MotorPlus program covers your entire household. Members receive emergency roadside service, lockout service, emergency travel expenses, ambulance service, vehicle theft reward, and destination assistance.

Join Big Brothers / Big Sisters for some fun on May 3rd after the levy rally!

North Thurston Teachers' Bowl For Kids' Sake May 3

The rally won't be the only spirited event to take place on Saturday, May 3rd. At 3:00 p.m. that afternoon you will find many of our teachers at Westside Lanes participating in "The Teachers Bowl For Kids' Sake" which benefits our own local Big Brothers Big Sisters Agency. They are hoping for a little "friendly competition"



between schools, so contact Laurie Jones at Seven Oaks if you'd like to put together some teams and she will get you all the materials you need for this very important fundraiser. Laurie says Seven Oaks has had several teams for the past three years and "it is always a ball"- no pun intended. Each team bowls two games and there are pizza and pop provided, crazy bowling challenges, an awesome DJ, and raffle prizes!

BBBS is involved with several of our NTPS sites and has matched many of our students with a valued and inspiring mentor. BBBS deserves our support and YOU deserve the fun! Contact Laurie regarding your interest today and we'll see you May 3rd at 3:00p.m.

Special Education Boot Camp 2008

Get ready for five days of intense work on special education issues. Three five-day sessions will be held this summer across the state to provide focused information emphasizing the responsibilities of all educators working with children with disabilities.

Training dates are June 23-27 in Federal Way; July 14-18 in Anacortes; and July 28-August 1 in Poulsbo. Topics will cover Special Education and the Law , Approaching Difficult Conversations and Meetings , IEP , Response to Intervention and Effective Instruction , and Behavior Interventions .

The trainings, presented by the WEA Special Education Cadre, are open to all school employees, parents, administrators and community agency personnel.

Three college credits or 30 clock hours are available. Registration is \$250 and includes training materials, breakfast and lunch on each of the five days.

A registration form with course information is available online. You may go to www.washingtonea.org. The boot camps are very popular and classes fill up quickly!

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Perennials For Sale: 15 plants / 10 varieties, including agapanthuas, daylily, lavender and peony. Call Mark at 923-4858.

Concrete Basin -- ideal for fountain or planter. Four feet diameter. Cost: \$75.00 Call Mark at 923-4858.