

District names Art Regier Volunteers of the Year

In celebration of *Volunteer Appreciation Month*, Superintendent Mick Miller is proud to announce Van Woolfe, JoAnne Savage, Caty Ramirez, Kara Schulke, Kanet Turner, Margarita Almanza, John Ladderud, Katie Christianson and Kathryn Southwick Hess as the district's 2012-2013 *Art Regier Volunteers of the Year*. The *Art Regier Outstanding Volunteer Award* was instituted in 1991 as a memorial to "Grandpa Art" Regier. Regier, a retiree who devoted years of service to elementary schools in Walla Walla, epitomized the spirit of volunteerism in education. His tireless dedication and concern for the students he served are the inspiration for this award.

Van Woolfe – Walla Walla High School Pottery Program volunteer
Nominator – John Butenhoff

JoAnne Savage – Homelink Program volunteer
Nominators: Connie Taylor-Randall, Kate Venneri, Pam Clayton and Valerie Gentzler

Caty Ramirez – Edison Elementary volunteer
Nominators: Sarah Rathbun

Kara Schulke – Garrison Middle School and Prospect Point Elementary volunteer
Nominators: Jackie Scholl, Gina Yonts, Chris Gardea

Kanet Turner – Sharpstein PTA, Walla Walla Citizens for Schools and district athletic programs volunteer
Nominators: Matt Bona and Brandy Martinez

Margarita Almanza – Blue Ridge Elementary volunteer
Nominator – Kim Doepker

John Ladderud – Prospect Point Elementary volunteer
Nominators – Michele Briones, Leah Taylor, Debbie Smyth and Karen Watson

Katie Christianson and Kathryn Southwick Hess – Safe Travels Alliance volunteer
Nominators – Michelle Higgins, Donna Painter, Ki Bealey and Pete Peterson

In other School Board meeting business...

Board members:

- approved minutes from the March 19, 2013 regular board meeting, personnel report, out-of-state travel, extra curricular contracts, issuance of certificated contracts and notifications of reasonable assurance, April 2 accounts payable and March payroll, April 16 accounts payable, March financial report, Policy 1400 - meeting conduct, order of business and quorum, Policy 3231 - student records, and Policy 6570 - data and records management.
- approved: Policy 3413 - Student Immunization and Life Threatening Health Conditions

Personnel Report

Employment

(Certificated)

Erika Helm, Kindergarten, Edison, (2013-2014 school year)

Paul Quick, Auto Mechanics, Wa-Hi (2013-14 school year)

Jen Tinker, Science (temp.), Wa-Hi (2013-2014 school year)

Quote of the Week

“The world is a book and those who do not travel read only one page.”

Augustine of Hippo

Resignation/Retirement

(Classified)

Justine Benson, Para-Educator, Garrison, (4.5 years)

Jeremy Edwards, Asst. Custodian, Sharpstein, (30 years)

* Jeremy's retirement is effective March 2014 when he will have 30 years service

Katy Laumb, Para-Educator, Prospect Point, 2 years

Amanda Zagal, Para-Educator, Blue Ridge, (2.5 years)

Leave of Absence

(Certificated)

Jeremy Hubbard, Third Grade, Blue Ridge, 12 years

* *Jeremy will continue as Blue Ridge Math Coach*

Cindy Palmer, K-8 Elementary, Homelink, 8 years

* *For the 2013-14 school year*

Gayle See, Physical Education, Wa-Hi, 32 years

* *For the 2013-14 school year*

Out-of-State Travel

Chris Eastep to attend LAT Certification & Sports Medicine in Albuquerque, NM (Funding: Vocational)

Maria Garcia to attend Library of Congress, Institute of Educational Sciences in Washington DC & Virginia Beach (Funding: Staff Achievement Grant)

Bill Bialozor and **Mark Mebes** to attend Rifle Championship in Albuquerque, NM (Funding: Vocational)

Jim Smith to attend Nike Basketball Clinic in Las Vegas, NV (Funding: Coaches professional growth)

School Board plans public work session to discuss Walla Walla High School bond

Public Work Session

- Tuesday, April 23, 2013

- 6:30 – 8 p.m.

- District Board Room/364 S. Park Street

The Walla Walla School District Board of Directors will conduct a public work session on Tuesday, April 23, 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Purpose of the work session is to review and continue discussion of the high school facilities bond election, including discussion of an all-weather track, listen to input and discuss options.

The work session will be in the District Board Room at 364 S. Park Street and is open to the public.



Anne Golden
Board President

Learn from an expert how to recognize and stop alcohol and drug abuse

Event: Tall Cop Says Stop (Idaho Law Enforcement Officer Jermaine Galloway)

Topic: Learn from an expert how to recognize and stop alcohol and drug abuse

Date: Monday, April 22

Three Free Sessions:

11:20 a.m. to 12:15 (students); 1:30 to 4 p.m. (educators & community professionals); 6 to 8 p.m. (parents and families)

Location: Walla Walla Valley Academy Auditorium

Information: Tricia Lofthouse: 525.1050 ext. 226

www.tallcopsaysstop.com