



MEA UPDATE

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MSHS TRAGEDY

There has been an amazing outpouring of support from the community during this horrific time. Teachers and leaders from across the state and nation have reached out to the MEA to see what was needed. Several have sent items to MSHS and some have donated to the Dr. Kaspar Scholarship Fund.

If you are still struggling to cope during this difficult time please click on the link below for information on how to receive help. Please also feel free to call our office for support during this difficult time at 731-0400.

www.millardmea.org

MEA STUDENT SCHOLARSHIP

Children of MEA members that are graduating from a Millard High School this spring are eligible for this scholarship. Three (3) \$2,000 scholarships are available to the children of MEA members. For more

information please click on the link below.

www.mpsfoundation.org

CRYSTAL APPLE AWARD

Our second quarter winner is Bonnie Skaff, a first-grade teacher at Cather Elementary. To nominate an amazing teacher for January please click on the link below.

<http://www.millardmea.org/>

To view pictures of Helen Lykke-Wisler receiving her first quarter honor please click on the link below.

http://www.millardmea.org/media/IMG_4223.jpg

MEA NIGHT OUT

The next MEA Night Out will be on Friday, January 28th, 2011 at 9:00 pm at Western Bowl. Please RSVP to Molly Erickson if you would like to attend by Friday, January 21st.

NSEA CHILDREN'S FUND

Every MEA member sees children who face such struggles. They know of children who are underdressed in cold weather; of students who eat well only when school is in session; and of students who can't see the front of the room clearly because they receive no vision testing. Teachers frequently spend their own dollars to help these children. But teachers can't help every child. That's why NSEA created the Children's Fund. Contributions to the NSEA Children's Fund come from teachers and businesses across the state. For teachers to receive funding to help a child, there is no red tape, no form to fill out. Simply contact the NSEA at 800-742-0047 and ask for Sally Bodtke. Or e-mail her at: sally.bodtke@nsea.org

UPCOMING VINTAGE FINANCIAL WORKSHOPS

MEA and Vintage Financial have teamed up to offer individual members and their spouse one-on-one chat sessions. These sessions are for you to ask personal questions about your finances that you would not be comfortable asking in a large group. The sessions will be offered at all three high schools:

West - Thursday, January 27th
South - Monday, January 24th
North - Tuesday, January 25th

All sessions are in 30-minute intervals beginning at 4:00 and running until 5:30. To set up an appointment please call Mary Jo at 731-0400.

Click below to see the flyer.

http://millardmea.org/media/MEA_Wellness_Flyer_All_Schools.pdf

ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

Begin thinking about a new (1st year) teacher in your building that we can honor at the 2011 President's Dinner. Every year Millard nominates a first-year teacher to honor at our President's Dinner and then we go on to honor that person at the Delegate Assembly at the state level. If they win there they will have a chance to compete nationally as well. **So, if you have a new teacher in your building that should be honored please email that to me by Friday, March 4th.**

NEGOTIATIONS UPDATE

Both the MEA Board of Directors and the MEA Building Representative Council have approved the Negotiation's Team. Your team will be as follows:

Matt Heys - Chief Negotiator
Tyler Berzina - Statistician
Molly Erickson - President
Paul Schulte - Vice President
Mike Wiesen - NSEA UniServ