

## Important Dates:

- ☺ October 14—Video Game Night, 6:00-10:00pm at SACS.
- ☺ October 15—AP Science Study Session, Peabody High School, 8:00am—2:30pm.
- ☺ **October 18—SFC Meeting, 7:00pm, RM 125.**
- ☺ October 19—Spanish Heritage Night, 5:30-8:00pm in the café.
- ☺ October 19—Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:00pm.
- ☺ October 20—SFC Bake Sale, (*in-school event*).
- ☺ **October 26—Service Learning Half Day, 12:00pm dismissal.**
- ☺ **October 26—PTS Conferences.**
- ☺ October 26—Student Government Pasta Supper, 5:00-8:00pm.
- ☺ November 4—Service Learning, (*full day of school*).
- ☺ November 4—Lower School Movie Night, 6:00-8:00pm.
- ☺ **November 11—VETERANS' DAY OBSERVED, NO SCHOOL!**
- ☺ November 16—Board of Trustees Meeting, 6:00pm.
- ☺ November 17—Fall Athletics Banquet, 6:00pm in the café.

## News and Notes

**Salem Academy's Video Game Fundraiser** is scheduled to take place **Friday, October 14th from 6:00pm-10:00pm** at Salem Academy. There will be a \$5 entry fee along with food and beverages for purchase. Games will be played in tournament fashion and there will be a champion for each game played. Proceeds from the event will support Salem Academy Athletics. Please contact Drew Betts for additional details: [abetts@salemacademycs.org](mailto:abetts@salemacademycs.org).

**The first meeting of the SFC (School, Family, Community) Team** is scheduled for **Tuesday, October 18th, 2011 at 7:00pm** at Salem Academy. The SFC is Salem Academy's parents' organization. All parents are invited and encouraged to attend. Please contact Jennifer Banville for additional details: [jbanville@salemacademycs.org](mailto:jbanville@salemacademycs.org).

**Hispanic Heritage Night** is scheduled for **Wednesday, October 19th, 2011 from 5:30pm-8:00pm**. There will be a pot luck supper of traditional dishes, music, and dancing. All families welcome! (Habra un cena de comida tradicionales y musica de la cultura hispana. Todas las familias bienvenidas)!

**The first SFC Bake Sale** is scheduled for **Thursday, October 20th, 2011**. Any parent interested in volunteering to bake or donate their time as bake sale cashier **between 11:00am and 1:00pm** should contact Sharon Ramos at: [ramosfour@comcast.net](mailto:ramosfour@comcast.net).

## Author Doug Wilhelm 'Reveals' His Writing Style to Students



The Revealers author Doug Wilhelm is not a new face at Salem Academy. October 13<sup>th</sup> marked Mr. Wilhelm's third visit; this year supported by a grant from the Salem Education Foundation. As part of the "Bully Out" grant written by

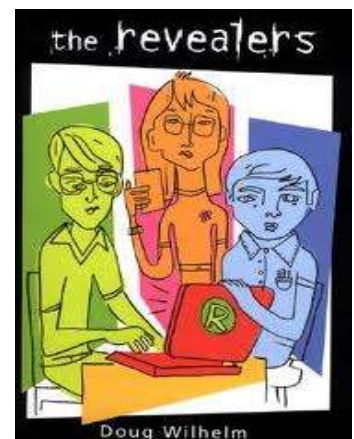
6<sup>th</sup> grade ELA teacher Shawn Berry, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> grade students had the opportunity to meet the author of their current classroom novel, The Revealers. Not only did Mr. Wilhelm discuss writing this novel (and its upcoming sequel to be released in December), he shared experiences that have shaped him as a writer providing interesting and tested methods about taking ideas and creating something amazing. Mr. Wilhelm shared a small mini-lesson showing drafting techniques he uses when writing his novels.

Eighth grade students who had last seen Mr. Wilhelm as 6<sup>th</sup> graders, re-connected and discussed the value of finding their writing voice knowing that strong written communication skills will be a valuable tool in their future.



Sixth grade students practicing for The Revealers play to be performed in December received first hand pointers and a promise, if it's possible, that Mr. Wilhelm will attend a performance!

— Shawn Berry, 6<sup>th</sup> Grade ELA Teacher



# SFC Meeting

Tuesday, October 18th, 2011

at 7:00pm in room 125

All parents and families are invited  
and encouraged to attend!

Contact Jennifer Banville with any questions:

[jbenville@salemacademycs.org](mailto:jbenville@salemacademycs.org)

## News from the Nurse

Dear Parents/Guardians:

As mandated by the Department of Public Health, the nursing office will be conducting health screenings for all 7<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> graders. Ms. Wolf will be testing vision, hearing and body mass index (BMI) during the month of November.

Each student will be screened individually and results will be mailed home confidentially. These screenings are an important means of public health. Not meant to be diagnostic, they provide information to families and children to help them lead healthy lives and make decisions about health care.

As always, you may decline to have your child screened. Please notify Ms. Wolf by October 28<sup>th</sup> if you do NOT want your child to participate in screenings.

**Julie Wolf, RN, School Nurse**

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## College Visits ~ October 2011

**10/17—Mass. College of Liberal Arts**

**10/21—American International College**

**10/24—Worcester Polytechnic Institute**

**10/27—Assumption College**

**10/31—Endicott College**

11th & 12th Grade Students: Please be sure to notify your teachers and obtain a pass for these college visit sessions.

If you have any questions, or would like more information on and of the institutions listed, please contact College Counselor, Ms. Lassen: [mlassen@salemacademycs.org](mailto:mlassen@salemacademycs.org)



## Lower School “College Spirit” Day

On Friday, October 7<sup>th</sup>, 2011 Lower School Connections competed in a “College Spirit” day. Students dressed in the colors and/or logos of their Connections’ college or university. Ms. Hansen’s Florida Gators tied with Ms. Downes’s Wisconsin Badgers for the highest percentage of students participating.

*Students pictured here (L to R) Lilah Monahan, Nyona Dukes, Angel Ezhe, Hannah Magee, and Chanelle Camah were the overall spirit winners for their Connections and/or grade level.*



## Cross Country Meet Schedule

10/20/2011—Franklin Park, Dorchester, 4:00pm

10/25/2011\*—Franklin Park, Dorchester, 4:00pm

*\*Championship meet—High School*



## Fall Soccer Game Schedule

10/14/2011— vs. *KIPP Academy (Lynn)*

at Memorial Field, Salem, MA, 4:30pm

10/21/2011— vs. *Foxborough Regional Charter*

at Memorial Field, Salem, MA, 4:00pm

10/23/2011— vs. *Cambridge Charter School*

at MIT Briggs Field, Cambridge, MA, 9:00am