

### Important Dates:

- ☉ February 27—Board of Trustees Retreat. 9:00 am—1:00 pm.
- ☉ March 1—Trustees' Annual Fund phonathon.
- ☉ March 2—Read Across America
- ☉ March 2—Trustees' Education Committee. 5:15 pm.
- ☉ March 3—Rescheduled PTS (Parent-Teacher-Student) Conferences. 5:00—8:00 pm. SFC Meeting cancelled.
- ☉ March 4—College Information Night for parents of 10th and 11th grade students. 7:00 pm.
- ☉ March 5—Classes 8:30—12:00; Service Learning 12:00—2:00.
- ☉ March 8—Enrollment Form due date for March 10 lottery!
- ☉ March 8—Strategic Planning Committee. 5:30 pm.
- ☉ March 9—College Athletics information night for student athletes. 6:00 pm
- ☉ **March 10—Service Learning half day. 12:00 pm dismissal.**
- ☉ March 10—Admissions Lottery. 6:30 pm
- ☉ March 11—Camp Bournedale presentation for parents of 6th and 7th graders. 6:00.
- ☉ March 11—March 12—School Plays. Old Town Hall. 7:00 pm.

### News and Notes

**PTS (Parent, Teacher, Student) Conferences** have been rescheduled for Wednesday, March 3. Parents are invited to arrive any time after 5:00 pm, pick up a copy of your students' schedule, and make appointments on the teacher's doors for available time slots between 5:00 and 8:00 pm. The Student Government will be selling a pasta dinner at \$5.00 per person, plus \$1.00 for drinks, from 5:00—7:00 pm. Proceeds will support school dances.

**Parents who have not yet returned the Mid-Year Parent Satisfaction Survey** are urged to do so as soon as possible. A table with blank surveys will be available at the PTS Conferences for those who have a few moments that evening. These are important to the planning process for next year as well as to the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

**The Salem Academy Players will present** two one-act plays on Thursday and Friday, March 11 and March 12 at Old Town Hall, Derby Square, Salem. The Middle School, under the direction of Max Burbank, will present "The Cave" by Tim Kelly. The Upper School, under the direction of Denise Granniss, will present Tom Stoppard's "The Real Inspector Hound."

**Eighth Grade students took the national Mythology Exam** Thursday testing their knowledge of the mythology theme that runs throughout the 8th Grade English Language Arts classes. Curricular materials supporting an introduction to Greek mythology and the test are prepared by the American Classical League and are supplemented here by the Odyssey, Antigone, and other classical works.

**Ms. Sheahan and Ms. Rourke will take 12 middle school girls** to the Women in Science Conference at Salem State College on Tuesday, March 16. The girls were chosen in response to their essays explaining what they like about science and why they want to attend this conference.

**Fourteen students from Ms. Cynthia's Upper School dance** classes traveled to Wheaton College last night to see a performance by Trybe. Trybe is a Wheaton student run, multicultural dance company performing step, hip hop, and contemporary dance.

**Lynn Welbourn, Salem Academy's College Counselor,** will offer a an evening session on the college selection and application process for parents of 10th and 11th grade students at 7:00 pm on March 4. A guest speaker will focus on the differences between the SAT (College Board exams) and the ACT.

**Athletic coaches from Bates College, Endicott College,** and others will offer an evening session March 9 for students interested in knowing more about college level athletic programs, competitive sports, and athletic scholarships.

**College acceptances are rolling in,** with many colleges holding until mid-March before releasing decisions. At this point, 10 of Salem Academy's 15 seniors have been accepted at colleges including Assumption, Bates, Benjamin Franklin Technical Institute, Colby-Sawyer, Emmanuel, Gordon, Goucher, Ithaca, Lasall, McGill, North Shore Community College, Norwich, Simmons, Susquehanna, U. Mass Amherst, University of New Hampshire, and Worcester Polytechnic Institute.

ADMISSIONS LOTTERY for 2010-1011 March 10, 2010

Enrollment Forms Due by March 8, 2010

Siblings Must Submit Enrollment Forms to Save Spaces

PTS Conferences  
Wednesday

All Parents / Guardians are invited to  
Parent – Teacher – Student Conferences  
Wednesday, March 3 from 5:00 – 8:00 pm

No reservation is necessary.

Upon arrival, parents pick up a copy of the student's  
schedule, go to the teachers' classrooms,  
sign in for the next available 10 minute conference  
time,  
and enjoy refreshments in the Community Room while  
waiting for appointments.

The Student Government will provide a pasta supper  
Wednesday evening, \$5.00 for supper, \$1.00 for drinks.

**For questions or further information, please call  
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