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Plans underway for District 4 Spring Conference

In the past few weeks, many of you have received several emails from me inquiring about your preferences on arrangements and plans for our annual District 4 Conference. If you attended last year's conference at Norwin, you may remember that no schools stepped forward to host this year's event. As a result, we were originally working with District 3 Directors, advisors and students to try to host a joint Region B Conference. Due to conflicts with travel distance and other concerns, it was recently decided that such a conference would not be possible.

Mrs. Lynn Clark and the Student Council members at Norwin Sr. High School have once again gone above and beyond the call of duty to help us out. Along with assistant Mr. Ryan Long, students Jessalyn Grant, Lee Scandinaro, Anna Hart, Michael Bartolac, David Waugaman, Corinne Dally, Aydin Alikaya and Nicole Shuckhart are planning and putting together a conference you won't want to miss. We will be holding our conference on Wednesday, April 27, 2011 at Pluma's Restaurant and Banquets on Colony Drive in Irwin. It is right off of Route 30 and only four stop lights from the Irwin exit of the Pennsylvania Turnpike.

The tentative schedule calls for registration to begin at 8:30 AM and will feature a keynote address by Mr. Andy Costanzo, director of the Gold Summer Leadership Workshop at Susquehanna University and former NASC Advisor of the Year. Andy will also speak to smaller groups of delegates during break-out sessions. We will also have student-led break-out sessions and group work and a general meeting for advisors. Lunch will consist of salad, pasta with choice of sauce, dessert and a beverage. The conference will conclude by 1:30 PM for those who must pay attention to schedules, practices and games.

Although registration will be done through the mail, please be sure to check our conference web site for more details and updates as the conference approaches. Be sure to visit www.tyingknots2011.weebly.com.

Be sure to watch your mail in the next few weeks for more information and details on how and when to register!

A Fond Farewell....

.....to Miss Danielle Spinden of Fort Cherry Jr./Sr. High School. Danielle completed her term as our Region B Representative at our January State Board meeting. For the past two years Danielle has served as student chair of the Special Projects Committee and was also a member of the State Conference Committee

Danielle stated that her favorite part of being on the State Board was "meeting such amazing people, adults and students alike and making friends for a lifetime. Knowing I met so many people and learned so much from them are memories that will last a lifetime." Danielle cites the NASC trip to Colorado as the highlight of her tenure on the State Board.

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Link to these sites

www.pasc.net

PA Assoc. of Student Councils - website

www.nasc.us

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We wish Danielle the best of luck in all she does in the future. We will miss your beautiful smile on the State Board!

....and a warm welcome

.....to our new Region B Rep, Miss Caroline Steliotes. Caroline is a freshman at Quaker Valley High School in District 3. She has attended the Grove City Blue Workshop and will attend the Grove City Gold Workshop this summer. She has also chaired a Middle Level Conference at her school where she plays lacrosse. You may reach Caroline at qv14.steliotes@qvmail.org. Part of the duties of her position is to represent the students of Region B. I'm sure she would be happy to hear from you and will do whatever she can to help.

Welcome to the State Board, Caroline, and best of luck in your term!

Please help us keep our records up-to-date!

One of the biggest problems facing District Directors, our Membership Coordinator Carole Kustafik and our Executive Director Jim Finnemeyer is trying to stay up-to-date on our member schools, principals and advisors. From year to year, as you can imagine, there is a large turnover in principals and advisors. If you plan to leave your position as advisor or if your administration changes, please notify me at rschwart@wiu.k12.pa.us, or Carole at captkski@comcast.net or Jim at pascinfo@aol.com. We often spend time trying to track down new email addresses for those that bounce back and cannot be delivered. Taking a minute to update us on changes will save a great deal of lost time and will ensure that your council continues to receive the latest information on the district and state levels.

Keep in touch with PASC

I'm sure many of you are very aware of our PASC web site and are receiving our monthly newsletter by email. However, if you are relatively new to advising and would like to be more up-to-date on what is going on with PASC, be sure to visit our web site at www.pasc.net. You should have received your school log-in and password with your paid membership. In addition, you may also sign up there to receive our monthly newsletter packed up dates and the most recent PASC as well as NASC news. I will also be posting this newsletter and information concerning our district. Be sure to check back often to find out the latest news.

Summer Leadership Workshops

Member schools and advisors will soon be receiving information about dates, cost and sites of our 2011 Summer Leadership Workshops. Students from middle school/junior high through high school are eligible to attend these workshops to learn more about such topics as leadership, time management, running a meeting, project projects from beginning to end and dealing with diverse groups in your council and your school, to name just a few. Though they last only a few days, these workshops will provide your officers and council members with an invaluable experience. Be sure to look through the information when it arrives and encourage your council members to consider signing up to attend. They won't be sorry they did – and neither will you!



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