

Dear Families,

Thanks to all who attended the ice cream social this week. It was fun to see many familiar faces return and also to greet new families. Thanks especially to all parents and teachers who helped to scoop and talk about our great PTA! We're grateful for the Lenox Scoop Shop for donating ice cream!

Students are doing a wonderful job getting back into routines. It's been great to get to know new students and to welcome back all of our returning students.

Our school thrives because we exist in partnership with parents, community and health groups.

This week I met with representatives from IS183 and the Norman Rockwell museum. In the next weeks, we will share exciting opportunities for students that will come from our partnership with these wonderful organizations.

Girls On the Run, a new partnership with Berkshire Health Systems, begins Monday. These are just a few of our wonderful partners for 2016- 2017.

Thanks to all students who stayed calm and wore crazy socks today to celebrate Spirit Friday!

We hope to see Kindergarten families at the potluck next Wednesday.

Enjoy the weekend,

Mary Berle, Principal



MBE UPCOMING EVENTS

MONDAY, Sept. 12

8:00-8:30 a.m. Chess Club
3:15-4:45 p.m. Girls on the Run
7:00 p.m. Instrument Rental Night
(cafeteria)

THURSDAY, Sept. 15

7:00 p.m. School Committee (MMRHS)

FRIDAY, Sept. 16

Spirit Day - Crazy Socks

TUESDAY, Sept. 13

6:00-8:00 p.m. Cub Scouts

WEDNESDAY, Sept. 14

8:00-8:30 a.m. Chess Club
3:15-4:45 p.m. Girls of the Run
5:30-6:30 p.m. PTA Kindergarten Pot
Luck Dinner

Future Events

Sept. 21; 7pm

PTA Kick-off Meeting

Sept. 22; 5pm

Open House; meet teachers/curriculum overviews

Sept. 23

Half Day; 12 noon dismissal

Oct. 5; 8am

School Council Meeting

Oct. 7, 14, 21, 28

Spirit Days (Pocket Day)

Oct. 9-15

Fire Prevention Week

Oct. 10

Columbus Day—No School

Oct. 12

All School Assembly 10am

Oct. 20 3:30-7pm

Parent/Teacher Conferences

Oct. 21

Half Day; 12 noon dismissal

**MUDDY BROOK
MUSIC REMINDER**



A reminder to have your Grade 3 or Grade 4 student sign up for a school music ensemble no later than September 16, 2016!



Grade 3 students may select between
chorus and orchestra (or both)



Grade 4 students may select up to 2: band, orchestra, chorus



**PARENT RENTAL NIGHT: Monday, Sept 12th—Cafeteria
7:00PM**

YOUNG ARTISTS PROGRAM!

With **IS183**
art school
of the Berkshires

**REGISTER
NOW!**

kids have
FUN

make
ART

and
LEARN

with
IS183!

9 Fridays, 3:30pm - 5pm
September 30 to December 9

Studio Location: ****Citizens' Hall, Stockbridge****

Member Tuition: \$190 Not Yet Member: \$215

Art Around the Continents for ages **5-7**

Faculty Artist: Jared Gelormino

Bring together busy hands with the whole-wide world as we make art that explores people and places nearby!

Imagine, Design, Build! for ages **8-12**

Faculty Artist: Angel Heffernan

This class is about making—from our imaginations to the physical world, we will bring ideas to life!

IS183 Art School includes a wide range of media, encouragement of creative thinking, and a chance to explore! ****Sign up today 413-298-5252 x100!!****

IS183.org

This program is neither sponsored by nor endorsed by the Southern Berkshire Regional School District

Student's Name(s) _____ Grade(s) _____

Parent(s) or Guardian(s) _____

Person(s) authorized to pick up child _____

Address _____ Email _____

Home Phone _____ Cell Phone _____

Name/Phone of local person to contact if parent(s) cannot be reached _____

Allergies _____

Please list any special needs below (Medical, Accessibility, Learning, other): _____

Are you interested in volunteering as a program assistant? YES _____ NO _____

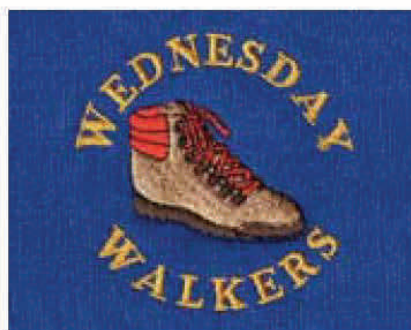
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WEDNESDAY WALKERS



Grab your sneakers and walk with friends and family from our Muddy Brook community. We'll meet at the front of the school every Wednesday morning for a quick half an hour walk around the Muddy Brook campus. Younger children are welcome to come along.

**First Walk on
Wednesday, September 14th**



FREE COMMUNITY EVENT

with local author and 9/11 survivor

Mike Jaffe

Saturday, September 10th
4:00 - 6:00 pm

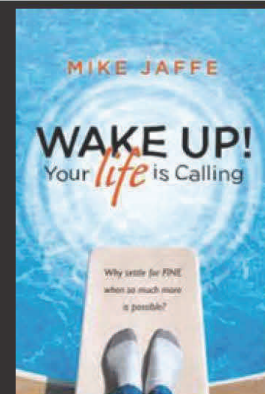
Hosted at:
Berkshire South Regional
Community Center
15 Crissey Rd, Great Barrington

Join us for an **INSPIRING TALK**
to commemorate the
15th Anniversary of 9/11
and hear Mike's story of that
fateful day and the powerful
lessons he learned that
transformed his life

INSPIRING TALK

After the talk, Join Mike for a book signing.
Proceeds from the sale of his book, *WakeUp! Your
Life is Calling!*, will go to benefit Berkshire South
Regional Community Center

Event appropriate for adults and teens with **FREE CHILDCARE**
available for younger children.



Mike Jaffe is a nationally recognized speaker, seminar leader, executive coach, best-selling author, and founder of The Mike Jaffe Company, a global leadership development firm that unlocks the potential of individuals and teams through conscious communication, experiential learning, and transformational conversations.

For more info, please contact us at wakeup@humanwakeupcall.com or 413.854.2401

WWW.HUMANWAKEUPCALL.COM

RACE INFORMATION

LOCATION: Stockbridge, MA

DISTANCE: 5 Kilometers (3.1 miles), mostly flat, 2 hills, 1 water station.

- Professional, chip-timed course

DATE: October 23, 2016

TIME: 9:00 a.m.

Registration begins at 7:30 a.m.

START: Stockbridge Library, Main & Elm Streets, Stockbridge, MA

FEE: \$25 (\$30 on race day)
\$50 for a family
\$10 for youth ages 12-17
\$5 for kids (3-11) for 100-yard dash

REGISTER by September 30, 2016

TECH T-SHIRTS provided to all pre-registered entrants (available in adult sizes only)

FACILITIES: Restrooms and parking available at Stockbridge Town Offices, 50 Main Street

Additional entry forms, course map, and online registration available at <http://stockbridgelibrary.org> or <http://berkshirerunningcenter.com/3heartstores.com>



1st Annual Family Fun 5K

Sunday
October 23, 2016
9:00 a.m.

Registration starts at 7:30 a.m.

Promoting Healthy Minds
in Healthy Bodies

GOLD Sponsors:



America's Most Exciting Bank



And a generous donor in honor of

NEPR

Stockbridge Library, Museum & Archives
PO Box 119, Stockbridge, MA 01262

Stockbridge Library Family Fun 5K Registration Form

Please print clearly:

Last Name _____ First Name _____
Address _____
Phone _____ Email _____ Race Day Age(s) _____ Adult T-Shirt Size(s) S M L XL (please circle)

Fees:
\$25 for registrations received by September 30, 2016; \$30 on race day for a family
\$10 for youth aged 12-17
\$5 for kids (3-11) for 100-yard dash
\$5 I am unable to participate but would like to make a donation.
Please make check payable to **Stockbridge Library Association** and mail to PO Box 119, Stockbridge, MA 01262.

I am voluntarily entering the Stockbridge Library Family Fun 5K and assume all risks associated with participation in this event. I agree to hold all organizers of this event harmless from present and future claims arising from my participation.

Signature: _____ Date Signed _____ Signature of parent if under 18 _____

The Stockbridge Library, Museum & Archives

The mission of the Stockbridge Library Association and its Historical Museum and Archives is to be a vibrant center of community life in Stockbridge. The Library serves the needs of the residents of Stockbridge and the surrounding communities by promoting lifelong learning, facilitating inquiry, fostering creativity, strengthening community, and preserving the historical record of the town.

The Stockbridge Library Association is a private, non-profit organization providing free public library and museum services. The money raised from the Family Fun 5K will be used to fund program offerings for people of all ages at the Stockbridge Library, Museum & Archives.

Thank You to Our Sponsors!

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THE SHERMAN INVESTMENT GROUP



WINDY HILL FARM



Prizes

\$100 Cash Prize presented to:

- Top Male Runner
- Top Female Runner

Prize for Best Costume

And more!

Other Information

Costumes encouraged.

Refreshments will be provided for all participating runners and walkers.

Children's activities will be available during the event at the park next to the Stockbridge Town Offices.

All proceeds benefit the Stockbridge Library, Museum & Archives.

Contact Us

Stockbridge Library, Museum & Archives
46 Main Street, PO Box 119
Stockbridge, MA 01262

413-298-5501
info@stockbridgelibrary.org

Visit us on the Web:
<http://stockbridgelibrary.org>



South Berkshire Kids
& CHP Family Network presents



PARENT WORKSHOP

FREE

**Location: Community Health Programs, Inc. campus
444 Stockbridge Road, Great Barrington**

Workshops held in the community room of the Administrative offices
Pre-registered childcare held in the Family Services building playroom*

Registration is required, 413-464-5095, southberkshirekids@gmail.com

Wednesday, October 5th, 2016

6:00-8:00pm

Scott Noyes presents

“Parent/Child Interactions & Self Esteem”

Join us for this informative workshop on how we talk to our child(ren). Topics covered will include the difference between praise and encouragement, how to avoid self defeating patterns, creating responsibility and independence and discipline approaches.

***Childcare is available but space is limited & pre-registration must be confirmed by calling Jessica @ 413-464-5095 or southberkshirekids@gmail.com**

This series is funded by the Department of Early Education & Care
www.SouthBerkshireKids.org





Community Health Programs



Come shop at the
Maternity & Children's Consignment Sale

Saturday, September 10, 2016 9:30am-2:00pm

Sunday, September 11, 2016 9:00am-noon

(Many items will be half price on Sunday)

AT

**Community Health Programs (main campus)
444 Stockbridge Rd, Great Barrington, MA**

Community Health Programs is sponsoring a two-day consignment sale including maternity clothing and all types of quality children's items: **Fall/Winter clothing** (sizes newborn to youth 14), toys, games, books, furniture, baby equipment & more.

Proceeds: 70% to sellers, 30% to Community Health Programs.

Volunteers Shop Early!

We need hundreds of volunteers to make this sale a success. Besides helping a great cause and having lots of fun, volunteers get to **shop early** at the preview sale on Saturday, September 10th from 8:00-9:30am.

For more information about consigning or to become a volunteer please call 413.528.0457 or email WIC@chpberkshires.org.

23rd ANNUAL WINTER OUTERWEAR DRIVE

COLLECTION: Will happen during the month of October at the schools in Southern Berkshire and Berkshire Hills Regional School Districts and the Rudolf Steiner School, churches and synagogues in South County, Berkshire South, Barnbrook Realty, Aubuchon Hardware and GNC in Gt. Barrington.

DISTRIBUTION: Saturday, October 29th, 9am to 6pm and Sunday, October 30th, 9am to 2pm at Berkshire South Community Center, 15 Crissey Road, Gt. Barrington.

CLOTHING DROP-OFF AND SET-UP: Friday, October 28th from 3pm to 6pm at Berkshire South, 15 Crissey Road, Great Barrington.

WHAT: COATS, HATS, MITTENS/GLOVES, SCARVES, BOOTS, SNOW PANTS, WARM CLOTHING, BLANKETS, (really anything warm!). Please check that clothes are unstained, not torn, and do not have mildew and that zippers are working. (That is, in "wearable condition".)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP!!!! Susan Happ

QUESTIONS: Please call Susan Happ at 229-8754, Ext. 387 or email to shapp@sbrsd.org



COOL SKATING FUN

Join the **Pittsfield Figure Skating Club (PFSC)** for Figure Skating, Learn to Skate lessons or our Introduction to Hockey program.

A cool after school or weekend sport that is fun at any skill level for boys and girls alike for ages 3 and up!

Season runs October 1 to March 11, ending with our **Fantasy on Ice Show**



Come to our Open House for Registration

Friday September 16th 2016

5:30-7:30pm

The Pittsfield Boys & Girls Club

16 Melville St, Pittsfield, MA

Saturday September 17th 2016

10:30am-12:30pm

The Pittsfield Boys & Girls Club

16 Melville St, Pittsfield, MA



Ice skating is a skill children can learn for balance, coordination, life lessons and fun!

Ice Skating develops new and long term friendships.

PFSCinformation@mail.com

www.pittsfieldfsc.com



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A SCAVENGER HUNT "HORSES AND HIKERS FOR HEALING"

NEW DATE:

SAT, SEPT 17 @ 10 AM

Berkshire Equestrian Center – Richmond, MA



**NATURE LOVERS, HIKERS AND
FAMILIES**

REGISTER TODAY!

\$100 HIDDEN ON THE TRAIL!!!

SOLVE ALL CLUES FOR SPECIAL PRIZE!

**BBQ Hoedown and activities included for
participants**



Tickets available for Hoedown only

Register at: www.berkshirehorseworks.org

Call (310) 488-9777 for more information

Registration 9:00 AM, Scavenger Hunt 10:00 AM,

Hoedown to begin at 1:00 PM

PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THOSE AT-RISK IN THE BERKSHIRES





THE KILPATRICK
Athletic Center

Bard College at Simon's Rock
84 Alford Road, Great Barrington, MA 01230
(413) 528-7777 simons-rock.edu/kac

Snapper Swim Club

An USA Swimming Age-Group (6-18)
Swim Team

Fall/Winter practice will start on September 15th

Improve your swimming TECHNIQUE and ENDURANCE

Three training groups available:

Advanced (5 days)/Intermediate (4 days) /Novice (3 days)

Practices held Monday-Friday

Registration September 1st-15th in the Aquatics Office

To schedule a try-out, contact Head Coach Jim Hennessey at
jhennessey@simons-rock.edu or 413-528-7775



SwimAmerica

Swim Lessons

Choose SwimAmerica for these reasons:

- *Experience - Over 5,000 Berkshire region children enrolled since 1996*
- *Quality – Small classes, flexible schedule, individualized training*
- *Staff- Most experienced, diverse and dedicated in the region*

For Safety, Fun, Opportunity & Fitness

Parent/Infant & Terrific Twos Swim Classes

*Offered Tuesday afternoons –
beginning September 27th!*

Preschool Lessons (ages 3 and 4 years)

*Offered Saturday mornings beginning September 17th!
& Thursday afternoons -beginning September 29th!*

School-age Lessons (ages 5 and up)

*Offered Saturday mornings –
beginning September 17th!*

For more information, call 528-7777.



THE KILPATRICK
Athletic Center
Bard College at Simon's Rock

UNIQUE SPORTS OFFERINGS

Learn to CLIMB on the only INDOOR rock climbing wall in Berkshire County!

Kid's Intro to Climbing

Ages 6 to 9 years

Thursdays, 4:30-5:30 p.m.

Session 1: Begins 9/14, Ends 10/19

Session 2: Begins 10/26, Ends 12/7



Youth Climb Class

Ages 10 to 13 years

Thursdays, 5:45-6:45 p.m.

Session 1: Begins 9/14, Ends 10/19

Session 2: Begins 10/26, Ends 12/7



We have the only public squash courts in South County!

Junior Squash Program

Age: 10 to 16 years

For more information, contact Instructor Jim Ladden at 518-325-5960 or 518-325-1600.

Adult Squash Clinic

Ages 16 years & up

Mondays, 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Session I: Begins 9/12, Ends 10/10

Session II: Begins 10/24, Ends 11/21



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