

# Woodson PTISO Spring Fundraiser



Have you seen the **Brick** plaza on the patio outside the Auditorium? Have you used the **Student Directory** to find a phone number? Or purchased grocery store **Scrip**? Did your student take the **Mock SAT or ACT** or purchase their **summer reading book** at school? All of these services were provided for by the Woodson PTISO!

The PTISO's Spring Fundraiser is now underway, and you don't have to buy or sell anything to participate! We are asking for a donation in any amount you would like to contribute.

So far this school year, your previous gifts have allowed the PTISO to support:

**AP Computer Science**  
**AP Human Geography Lab**  
**Cav Cupboard**  
**Choral Department**  
**Custodian Appreciation**  
**Debate, Forensics, & Student Congress**  
**DJ for the After Game Dance and Senior Lock In**  
**English Department Writing Awards**  
**Girls State (Boys State is paid for by the American Legion)**  
**LD, DHoH, ED – Work Awareness & Transition**

**Library DVDs**  
**Model UN**  
**Saturday Night in the Suburbs**  
**Staff Member of the Month Recognition Award**  
**Student Driver Magnets**  
**Teacher Appreciation Luncheon**  
**Teacher Birthday gift cards**  
**Teacher of the Year Award**  
**Theatre Arts**  
**Woodson Writing Center**  
**Woodson Parking Lot Coalition**

In addition, for our Seniors, the PTISO sponsors **Baccalaureate**, the only occasion the Seniors have to wear their caps and gowns at Woodson, and **Cavalier Cruise**, the all-night, alcohol-free, drug-free graduation party.

Without PTISO funding, many of these programs and projects could not have been sustained or implemented. And, the PTISO can't do it without your support!

Donations can be made online at [www.woodsonptso.org](http://www.woodsonptso.org) or by check payable to W.T. Woodson PTISO. Thank you in advance for your support of our school!

Questions? Contact Sandy Barron at [cebarron@aol.com](mailto:cebarron@aol.com).

## WOODSON PTISO SPRING FUNDRAISER

Donations can be made online at [www.woodsonptso.org](http://www.woodsonptso.org) or by check payable to W.T. Woodson PTISO.

Send your check with this form to:

W.T. Woodson PTISO  
9525 Main Street  
Fairfax, VA 22031

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City State, Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation amount: \_\_\_\_\_

Thank you in advance for your support of our W. T. Woodson High School!



# The Cavalier Chronicles



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The W.T. Woodson mission is to create an environment where all students achieve and maintain high levels of academic performance, value learning, appreciate diversity, and demonstrate responsible citizenship. This newsletter is published monthly by the PTSO.

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## We Need You to Get Involved!!

The Woodson PTSO needs volunteers for officer and committee chair positions for next year. Please consider getting involved with the Woodson PTSO. Without the help of parent volunteers, the PTSO simply would NOT be able to provide the enormous level of support that we provide to the Woodson Staff and Students.

What we ESPECIALLY need is a treasurer. We'd ideally like this position filled **as soon as possible** so that we have some "corporate knowledge" over the summer. Previous experience not necessary, but any parent who has ever been a treasurer for any previous PTA, Little League, etc, would be very comfortable with the position. We don't have book fairs or gift rap sales, so we don't have nearly as many checks for small amounts!

### Openings in 2011-12:

- **PTSO 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President**- The job includes membership of the PTSO. More work in the beginning of the year. Along with this job V-P also fills in for the President when needed and must be able to make most monthly PTSO and Executive meetings.
- **PTSO 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President**- Over sees all fund raisers, fills in for 1<sup>st</sup> V-P when needed and must be able to make most monthly PTSO and Executive meetings.
- **PTSO Secretary**- Records the minutes to all the monthly PTSO meetings and Executive meetings, prepares the agenda, contacts committee chairs for input.
- **PTSO Treasurer**- The job includes keeping the checking and savings to the PTSO, write checks, give a monthly statement at the PTSO meetings.

All parents are welcome to come to a PTSO meeting to get a better understanding of what the jobs entail. For more information or to volunteer, please contact Donna Greer, PTSO 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President PTSO, at [Donna.greer@verizon.net](mailto:Donna.greer@verizon.net).

## Last Chance to Buy A Brick This Year!

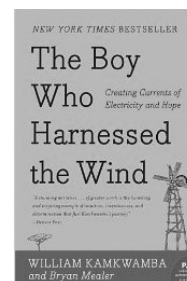
The brick courtyard between the auditorium and the front office entrance is landscaped with small trees, planters, and engraved bricks! If you have been thinking about ordering a brick but have been putting it off, don't put it off any longer! The deadline to submit your brick order for 2011 is **March 15**.

These bricks make great graduation gifts for members of the class of 2011. Or buy one for yourself, your team, group, club, class, current students, alumni, faculty, or staff. Each individual brick costs \$100 and will be engraved as you specify on the order form (included in this newsletter).

All proceeds will be used by the PTSO to fund teacher and school organization requests, and to provide additional monies for Woodson beautification projects, such as renovating the courtyards.

**Don't delay! Brick Orders are due by March 15.** Please contact Catherine Potter at [clpotter@cox.net](mailto:clpotter@cox.net) if you have any questions.

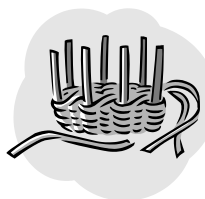
## This Summer's One-For-All Book



The One for All Book that all staff and students at Woodson will be reading over the summer is *The Boy Who Harnessed the Wind: Creating Currents of Electricity and Hope* by William Kamkwamba.

Volunteers are needed to help sell these books at Woodson and Frost events in early June. If you can lend a hand, please contact Linda Perkins at ([lindadenny85@gmail.com](mailto:lindadenny85@gmail.com)) or Dayna Cary ([carysmiths@cox.net](mailto:carysmiths@cox.net)).

## Calling All Crafters!



W.T. Woodson will once again host its Holiday Happenings Craft Show on November 12, 2011.

What can you do about it now, you ask??

Two things: 1.) Block the date on your calendar so you don't forget and 2.) Tell all your friends who make and sell crafts (handmade only!!) and have them contact Cathy McKinnell at woodsoncraftshow@gmail.com to reserve a spot.

## Save the Date for Woodson's Teacher

### Appreciation Luncheon — April 27!!

The Woodson Teacher Appreciation Luncheon is our chance to recognize the great work that the Woodson staff does every day. It is a very popular event, and is greatly enjoyed by the teachers!

We need volunteers to help set up, serve and clean up for this year's Teacher Appreciation Luncheon, which will be held on Wednesday, April 27. And, of course, we will also request donations of the delectable dishes that our Woodson families so generously share with our teachers and staff.

In the next few weeks, please watch your e-mail for links to sign up to help with this luncheon. In the meantime, if you have any questions, please contact Susie Morningstar at srcsjm@aol.com.

## Student Driver In Your Family?

Parents of student drivers: Remember you and your student driver need to attend a Driver's Ed presentation. They last about 90 minutes.

Students Driver Car Magnets are available for sale — \$8 per magnet or 3 for \$20. Both students and parents appreciate the added awareness these magnets provide to other drivers as students complete the required 45 hours of behind-the-wheel driving with a qualified driver before they can obtain their licenses. Place the yellow-and-black STUDENT DRIVER magnets on all cars being driven: driver's door, parent's door and rear of the vehicle. Everyone will feel safer.

Please contact Janice Yohai at jayohai@cox.net if you have questions.

## Safety & Wellness Committee and Woodson Community Coalition

### Calendar of Events:

### **RACE to NOWHERE**

March 13, 7:00 pm  
Cinema Arts Theatre  
9649 Main Street,  
Fairfax, VA

You've read about it in the paper and heard about on TV and now you have the chance to see it right here in Fairfax. Sponsored by Geshar Jewish Day School, this highly acclaimed documentary has been shown throughout the county and is now conveniently available for the Woodson school community. The film depicts the pressures our school-children and teachers face in a competitive system with a drive to perform. The film examines various outcomes for our students and educators: including stress-related illnesses, depression and burnout.

Tickets purchased in advance are \$10; at the door, tickets are \$15. To purchase tickets online, visit, <http://rtncinemaarts313-autohome.eventbrite.com/>

For more information, visit [www.racetonowhere.com](http://www.racetonowhere.com) or contact Michelle Stravitz at [mstravitz@verizon.net](mailto:mstravitz@verizon.net).



## Unified Prevention Coalition of Fairfax County Public Schools

### PREVENTION CONFERENCE:

*Life in the Middle: What Students and Parents Face in the Middle School Years.*

April 2, 9:00 am - 1:00 pm  
Lake Braddock Secondary School,  
Burke, VA

Topics highlighted include: Bullying/Cyber-bullying, Substance Abuse Hot-Button Issues, and Youth/Parent Communication. Presentations and exhibits will be by county experts of local organizations and agencies. The conference is limited to 300 participants. Community service hours will be offered to middle school students who attend the conference.

For more information or to register, visit [www.unifiedpreventioncoalition.org](http://www.unifiedpreventioncoalition.org). For questions, contact Lisa Adler, UPC Prevention Conference coordinator, at [lkadlerupc@gmail.com](mailto:lkadlerupc@gmail.com) or 571-278-9766.

## Coffee With Principal Yost

Principal Yost holds Parent Coffees on the second Wednesday of each month. These coffees provide an open forum where parents are encouraged to ask questions regarding any topic. Mark your calendar: **The next one is scheduled for Wednesday, March 9 from 9:30 am -10:30 am.** Please RSVP to Laura Mead [fpsquared@cox.net](mailto:fpsquared@cox.net).



## Support CAV CRUISE Class of 2011 All Night Alcohol- and Drug-free Graduation Celebration



### There Are A Lot of Ways You Can Help ....

#### **ALL: STUDENTS, STAFF, PARENTS**

**MARCH 8:** Eat at **BAJA FRESH** in the Pan Am Shopping Center from 4-10 pm and CAV CRUISE will receive 15% of total sales. It's hassle-free (no receipts to turn in), so tell your friends, take the team after practice, dine in or out and support a great cause!

**APRIL 30: Spring Plant Sale Delivery** — It's not too soon to think about your spring planting. Plant sales will begin in late March and benefit CAV CRUISE. Contact Cynthia Wainer at [bptracker@aol.com](mailto:bptracker@aol.com) with questions.

**SIGNS—Go Cavs ! (\$10) and Class of 2011 (\$15) or both (\$20) are available**, order online or contact Rob Luftglass ([robert.luftglass@verizon.com](mailto:robert.luftglass@verizon.com)) or Janet Burns ([janetburns217@verizon.net](mailto:janetburns217@verizon.net)) to get yours.

**VOLUNTEERS needed...** After the June 16 ceremony and your family's celebration, consider spending the night with 400 of your graduate's closest friends. Volunteer for either shift, 10:30 pm—2:30 am or 2:00 pm—6:00 am. It's fun!! To volunteer, please contact Donna Greer, CAV CRUISE Volunteer Committee Chair at [donna.greer@verizon.net](mailto:donna.greer@verizon.net).

#### **ATTENTION Parents of 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Grade Students: Your Help Is Needed Too!!**

CAV CRUISE is looking for volunteers to help with the 2011 CAV CRUISE, especially on June 16, the day of Graduation. As senior parents will be busy attending graduation and celebrating with their graduates and families on that afternoon and early evening, parent volunteers are needed to help CAV CRUISE committees with final set up and decorating at Oak Marr Recreation Center. If you are can help, please contact Donna Greer, CAV CRUISE Volunteer Committee Chair at [donna.greer@verizon.net](mailto:donna.greer@verizon.net).

**SECURITY Committee Chair Needed:** If you can help coordinate security at CAV CRUISE and help keep our graduates safe, please contact Jennifer Lewis-Cooper, [jalcooper@aol.com](mailto:jalcooper@aol.com) or 703-966-8304.

#### **ATTENTION Parents of RISING SENIORS — the CLASS of 2012!**

It won't be long before you are in my shoes — the parent of a graduating senior! Be a part of something special. Think about becoming involved in your student's last year of his/her high school career by being part of their ultimate graduation celebration — CAV CRUISE!! This is a wonderful culmination of four years of high school, and a chance for your future grad to celebrate with friends in a safe, supervised environment, with no alcohol or drugs, just GOOD CLEAN FUN!! And it's fun for the parent volunteers too! Be a part of any one of a number of committee: Decorations, Activities, Food, Prizes, Registration and Publicity, to name a few. For more details, please contact Jennifer Lewis-Cooper, [jalcooper@aol.com](mailto:jalcooper@aol.com) or 703-966-8304.

**AHOY SENIOR PARENTS:** Visit <http://cavcruise.woodsonptso.org/> for the latest info. Or, contact Jennifer Lewis-Cooper at [jalcooper@aol.com](mailto:jalcooper@aol.com) or 703-966-8304.

**TICKETS:** Don't wait, tickets are now just \$70. Make your senior's reservation today!! To date, 170 of your graduate's classmates have registered — let's aim for 100% participation. This is one celebration you don't want to miss! Purchase online at <http://cavcruise.woodsonptso.org/> or contact Delores Gehr, [reservations@cavcruise.woodsonptso.org](mailto:reservations@cavcruise.woodsonptso.org).

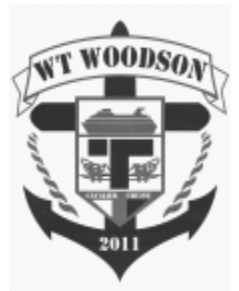
**SENIOR DVD:** Submit one or two of favorite photos of your senior for the DVD given to each graduate and shown at Baccalaureate to Pam Lorenz, [pame13@aol.com](mailto:pame13@aol.com).

**WOODSON WISHES!...** Send a special wish to your special graduate and have friends, relatives, teachers participate too! A special envelope will be given to each graduate at the Cruise! More information to follow...

**FOOD**—Donations are needed and gladly accepted for the CAV CRUISE. Please see the Food information form attached.



**SUPPORT CAV CRUISE Class of 2011**  
**All Night Alcohol- and Drug-free Graduation Celebration**



**There Are A Lot of Ways You Can Help ....**

**CAVALIER CRUISE 2011 FOOD AND BEVERAGE DONATION**

Parents,

We need your help to provide refreshments for approximately 450 Seniors during the Cavalier Cruise, WTW's all-night drug and alcohol free graduation party, on June 16/17, 2011. Though many area businesses generously donate items such as pizza, ice cream, bagels, buffalo wings, desserts, etc., we ask parents to help round out the menu for our grads.

Please indicate below which items you can provide and the amounts you are willing to donate, then either: e-mail your information to Jane Prosperi at pmj2@aol.com or mail this sheet to Cavalier Cruise Food, 9012 Colesbury Place, Fairfax, VA 22031. (Please remember to keep a copy of the sheet for your reference.)

The Food Committee will contact you in early May with specific information on drop offs and pick ups.

- Cheese cubes, (3 lbs) \_\_\_\_\_
- Individual bags of chips/pretzels/fish crackers (20 singles) \_\_\_\_\_
- Cut, cleaned, covered, fresh vegetables & dip (approx. 12-inch platter) \_\_\_\_\_
- Cut, cleaned, covered, fresh fruit (melons, berries, grapes, sliced oranges) (approx. 12-inch platter) \_\_\_\_\_
- Washed, whole apples and/or bananas (one dozen) \_\_\_\_\_
- Large bag of tortilla chips & salsa, (20-oz bag) \_\_\_\_\_
- Cookies (no nuts please) (one dozen) \_\_\_\_\_
- Marshmallows (large, 16-oz. bag) \_\_\_\_\_
- Individual-sized water bottles (24 bottles) \_\_\_\_\_
- Individual-sized Gatorade bottles (12 bottles) \_\_\_\_\_
- Individual-sized cans of soda (12 cans) \_\_\_\_\_
- Juice boxes (packages of 10 individual boxes) \_\_\_\_\_
- Whatever items are needed, PLEASE CALL ME \_\_\_\_\_

**Parents' Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **Student's Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone Number(s):** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail address:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Please contact Jane Prosperi (pmj2@aol.com, 703-280-1188) or Lisa Cherup (lisacherup@aol.com, 703-268-5332) if you have questions, suggestions or concerns. Thank you very much for your support and contributions!*



# ORDERS ARE DUE BY MARCH 15!!!!

W.T. WOODSON HIGH SCHOOL PTSO

## BUY A BRICK PROGRAM

To raise money to help fund various beautification projects around the school, the Woodson PTSO is selling personalized commemorative bricks to be added to the gathering plaza in front between the new main entrance and the auditorium. Each individual brick costs **\$100**, and will be engraved as you specify below. More bricks will be added to the plaza as they are sold. It is a great graduation present for your senior!

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Yes, we'd like to reserve the permanent bricks below.  
I understand that up to 3 lines may be used for engraving.

ANY SYMBOL IS CONSIDERED ONE SPACE (PERIOD, COMMA, DASH)  
ALL TEXT IS CENTERED AND CAPITALIZED UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED. **PLEASE PRINT NEATLY!**

**4 x 8 Brick**


**4 x 8 Brick**


**EXAMPLE**

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**MAKE YOUR CHECK PAYABLE TO:**  
Woodson High School PTSO

**SEND YOUR CHECK AND ORDER FORM TO:**  
Woodson High School PTSO (Brick Campaign)  
9525 Main Street  
Fairfax, VA 22031

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Paid: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have any questions, please contact Catherine Potter at [clpotter@cox.net](mailto:clpotter@cox.net).