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April 7, 2008

KMUC Board Meeting
6:00 p.m.
KMUC Office

April 8, 2008

Managing Your Financial Life
6:30—9:00 p.m.
KMUC Office

April 9, 2008

CBC/President's Meeting
6:00 p.m.
KMUC Office

April 14 & 21, 2008

Sign Language Class
5:30—8:00 p.m.
KMUC Office

April 15, 2008

Autism Workshop
4:30 p.m.
Millhome Supper Club

April 22, 2008

Pre WEAC RA Meeting
5:30 p.m.
KMUC Office

May 2—4, 2008

WEAC RA
Madison



Success in Plymouth

For the last few months, the residents of Plymouth and the members of the Plymouth Education Association have anxiously anticipated the outcome of last Tuesday's school board election. Not in recent memory has anyone witnessed the level of participation and interest in the campaigns leading up to the vote.

At stake were two seats on the Plymouth School District Board of Education. The seats were vacated by two members who chose not to seek another term, both of whom served as outstanding advocates for the District and its employees. Finding quality successors was critical.

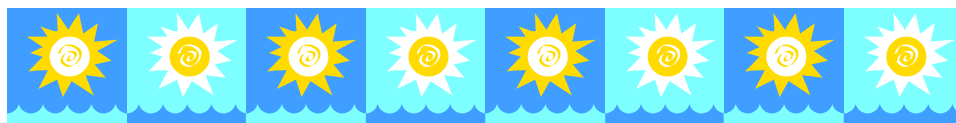
Late last year, members of the Plymouth Education Association (PEA) partnered with other community members to seek viable and effective candidates. After several candidates emerged, the PEA asked each to complete a questionnaire designed to elucidate their respective positions, beliefs, and leadership styles.

As that process played itself out, the PEA Executive Committee recommended two candidates to its membership—Mark Rhyan and Jerry Prah. Mark is the Chief Operating Officer for Sargento who has two children in the Plymouth School District. Jerry, who is retired from the computer industry, sent his children to District schools. Both are involved and respected members of the community who share a belief in the importance of education. They also both share a resolve that the Plymouth School District must strive to be the best in the state.

The campaign that followed was impressive. With help from a mass community, business, and KMUC member volunteers, the candidates worked tirelessly to get the message out. Together, they knocked on doors, wrote letters to the editor, sent postcards to potential supporters, participated in community and civic organizational meetings, and planted signs. They talked to friends and neighbors. They talked to strangers. They met almost weekly to coordinate efforts. It was the most thorough and well-planned school board campaign anyone had ever witnessed.

This time, the hard work and dedication paid off. Both candidates won by impressive margins. In a testament to the campaigns' coordination, the vote totals were nearly identical. Mr. Rhyan won with 2,745 votes to his opponents 1,032. Mr. Prah prevailed by a count of 2,742 to 1,050.

To the very many KMUC members who helped in this successful effort—thank you and congratulations!



Tune-Up Your Finances this Summer!

Are your finances in tune with your personal goals? Is your retirement strategy keeping time with your lifestyle?

This summer, we're hosting *Financial Tune-Up* presentations offered by WEA Trust Member Benefits. Attend presentations to learn about the Wisconsin Retirement System (WRS) and how to choose a retirement savings plan that is right for you.

You may also sign up for a personal consultation with a Member Benefits consultant to orchestrate aspects of your personal finances to fit the tempo of your life and reach your retirement goals.

When: July 7, 2008
Time: Understanding WRS 10:00-11:00 a.m.
Retirement Savings: The Keys to Success 2:00—3:00 p.m.
Where: Kettle Moraine UniServ Council, N7778 Rangeline Road, Sheboygan

Register online at weabenefits.com

Spouses/guests welcome. Seating is limited.

Preparing to Begin your PDP April 29, 2008

Do you wonder about any of these questions?

- ◆ What is a Professional Development Plan?
- ◆ What is this first year of reflection all about?
- ◆ How do I set a goal?
- ◆ What has to be included in my plan when I submit it for approval next year?
- ◆ Who do I submit this plan to and how do I find those people?
- ◆ Where do I find help?

KMUC will be hosting a workshop for all first year teachers who will begin working on their Professional Development Plan this summer. If you are interested in attending contact Sarah Berth at berths@weac.org or call 920-565-2913 to register.

Autism—Stories & Strategies April 15, 2008 Millhome Supper Club 4:30—8:30 p.m.

We have strategies to help you and also to help understand the puzzle of Autism Spectrum Disorders. Strategies that assist teachers working with students on the Autism Spectrum are strategies that can be used with All Students.

Come join other colleagues. We still have room at this workshop if you are interested. Please call Sarah as soon as possible if you are interested in attending. The reservation will need to be made no later than Thursday, April 10.