

# UNION VALLEY NEWS - MAY 2010

## WORD OF THE MONTH - SERVICE

HAPPY "CINCO DE MAYO" - Wednesday, **May 5th**

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY - Sunday, **May 9th**.

NJ ASK TESTING - All third, fourth and fifth graders in public schools throughout NJ will participate in this mandated testing early in the month of May (see exact dates below). Please see that your third, fourth and/or fifth grader gets a good nights rest for each day of testing. A free breakfast will be available for all students each day of their testing. Students will not be required to participate, but breakfast will be available should they wish to have it. Students who are late or absent for testing will make up missed portions of the test over the course of the following week.

**NJ ASK 3: May 10<sup>th</sup> - 13<sup>th</sup>**

**NJ ASK 4: May 10<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup>**

**NJ ASK 5: May 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6<sup>th</sup>**

INTERIM REPORTS - issued on Friday, **May 14<sup>th</sup>**, for the fourth and final marking period.

BOARD OF EDUCATION - May's meeting will be held on **Monday, May 17<sup>th</sup>** at C.W.Lewis Middle School. The meeting begins at 7:00 pm.

ART NIGHT(S) - Union Valley's annual school wide celebration of our young artists will take place **May 18<sup>th</sup>** (Families A-L) and **May 20<sup>th</sup>** (Families M-Z). The program will permit you to enjoy the exceptional talent of all of Union Valley's students on display!

POLICE APPRECIATION WEEK - During the week of **May 24<sup>th</sup> through May 28<sup>th</sup>** all Gloucester Twp. Public Schools will participate in Police Appreciation Week activities. Be sure to ask your child what unit of law enforcement they learned about over the course of this week.

**SCHOOL CLOSED** - Schools & offices will be closed **Monday, May 31<sup>ST</sup>** in observance of Memorial Day.

**LOOSE CHANGE DRIVE** - My name is Erica Mulloy and I am a fifth grade teacher here at Union Valley. For the 4th year in a row, I am participating in the Breast Cancer 3-Day Walk. I will walk 60 miles over the course of 3 days. In order for me to participate in this amazing journey, I have agreed to raise \$2300. All proceeds benefit the Susan G. Komen Foundation. So during the **week of May 3<sup>rd</sup> -7<sup>th</sup>**, I will be having a loose change drive. Please consider donating for this very worthy cause. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**PLEASE NOTE** - Now that regular scheduled parent/teacher conferences for students in grades 1-5 have concluded, parents are requested to call the school office to schedule conference appointments with teachers where and when needs arise. This practice will enable teachers to schedule sufficient time to address issues/concerns while not infringing on classroom instructional time...as unscheduled visits are apt to do.

**KINDERGARTEN REGISTRATION 2010-2011 SCHOOL YEAR** - Please call for an appointment as soon as possible at 309-5031. You will need an original birth certificate, immunization records & two (2) proofs of residency. Students in grades 1-5 must call Central Registration for an appointment at 232-8300.

**KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION** - Wednesday, **May 26<sup>th</sup>** 9:45 to 10:30 for those assigned AM placement and 1:30 to 2:15 for those assigned PM placement.

**PTO MEETING** - The next meeting will be held **May 27<sup>th</sup>** at 7pm in the Library/Media Center. The PTO works to benefit the students at Union Valley and welcomes all new members. The PTO is now taking nominations for next year, please contact Linda Rudy. Next year's officers will be finalized at the **May 27<sup>th</sup>** meeting.

**SIXTH GRADE ORIENTATION** - Union Valley's Sixth Grade Orientation at Mullen Middle School is scheduled for Friday, **May 28<sup>th</sup>** (9:15 - 11:15) and at Lewis Middle School Wednesday, **May 26<sup>th</sup>** (9:15 - 11:15). Union Valley fifth graders will get a close and personal look at their new school come September 2010.

**SCHOOL SPIRIT DAY** - Friday, **May 28<sup>th</sup>**. Wear your Union Valley Spirit Wear!!!

**SUMMER ATTIRE REMINDER** - clothing that is too revealing for boys & girls is inappropriate for school and should not be worn - students will be asked to call home for a suitable change of attire.

**LUNCH ACCOUNTS** - As we approach the end of the school year, parents are requested to bring their children's lunch accounts up-to-date. Many students have not paid when they borrowed for lunch. If your student's account is not up-to-date, please remit payment as soon as possible as the school year is rapidly coming to an end. REPORT CARDS WILL BE HELD UNTIL ALL LUNCH MONEY OWED IS REPAYED.

**SPECIAL ATTENDANCE REQUESTS** - Please forward in writing to Mr. Seddon's attention any special requests pertinent to student school attendance for the 2010-2011 academic year. Please be reminded that Mr. Seddon's approval for such requests is required every year.

**SPECIAL TRANSPORTATION REQUESTS** - Special transportation arrangements do not carry over from year to year. If you need to make special transportation arrangements for the 2010-2011 school year please forward your request to the school office as soon as possible. Remember all requests must be for consecutive days.

**TRANSFERRING** - Please notify the office as soon as possible if your child will not be attending Union Valley for the 2010-2011 school year. Please send a written notice to the office with the new school name and address.