Congratulations to CEA scholarship winners

We congratulate the winners of the CEA Members Scholarships and their parents. The scholarship fund is supported through a $10 dues assessment and is invested and paid through the Columbus Foundation. Members’ dependents who are college seniors could apply for the $750 scholarship. Since 1995, CEA has awarded 767 scholarships amounting to $448,000.

We welcome Jesse Jackson

This year’s Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Awards Dinner keynote speaker is the Rev. Jesse Jackson. The American civil rights leader, Baptist minister and former U.S. presidential hopeful has been a leader in advocating for civil rights in the United States and abroad.

Jackson began his career as a Baptist Minister in 1968, after earning his degree from Chicago Theological Seminary. While an undergraduate in Illinois, Jackson already had become involved in the civil rights movement. In 1965, he went to Selma, Alabama, to march with Martin Luther King Jr., and became a worker in King’s Southern Christian Leadership Conference (SCLC). In 1966, Jackson helped found the Chicago branch of Operation Breadbasket, the economic arm of the SCLC, and served as the organization’s national director from 1967 to 1971. Jackson was in Memphis with King when the civil rights leader was assassinated on April 4, 1968.

In 1971, Jackson founded Operation PUSH (People United to Save Humanity), a Chicago-based organization in which he advocated black self-help and achieved a broad audience for his liberal views. PUSH later grew into the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition, seeking equal rights for African Americans, women, and homosexuals.

Jackson began traveling widely in the late 1970s to mediate or spotlight international problems and disputes. He visited South Africa to speak out against apartheid. He journeyed to the Middle East and campaigned on behalf of Palestinians for statehood. Though his missions were controversial, Jackson won praise for negotiating the release of U.S. hostages in Iran in 1980. In 1988, he traveled or spotlight international problems and disputes. He visited South Africa to speak out against apartheid. He journeyed to the Middle East and campaigned on behalf of Palestinians for statehood. Though his missions were controversial, Jackson won praise for negotiating the release of U.S. hostages in Iran in 1980. In 1988, he traveled to Iraq and Yugoslavia to help negotiate terms for the release of U.S. soldiers.

In 1997, President Bill Clinton named Jackson a special envoy to Africa, where he traveled to promote human rights and democracy. That year, Jackson also founded the Wall Street Project, which sought to increase minority opportunities in corporate America. That same year, Jackson also received a Master of Divinity degree from the Chicago Theological Seminary.

Purchase tickets for the King Awards Dinner to be held on Jan. 12. They will go quickly. Reservations can be made by calling CEA. Tickets are $30, and tables of eight are $240.
National American Indian/Alaska Heritage Month

November is National American Indian/Alaska Native Heritage Month. It recognizes and honors the original people of the United States and addresses the future of American Indian/Alaskan Native children. This is the perfect time to teach about these cultures, honoring their contributions and drawing attention to an often-unrecognized group of families within our own school district.

The commemoration began in 1916 after Red Fox James, a member of the Blackfoot tribe, rode horseback from state to state in the hope of gaining support for a day of tribute. The Boy Scouts of America was the first group to adopt the annual observance, followed by the state of New York and others who joined in the ensuing years. In 1976, Jerry Elliott (High Eagle of the Cherokee/Osage tribe) authored congressional legislation that was signed by President Gerald R. Ford. The following paragraphs pay tribute to some famous people within this culture:

Paula Gunn Allen was the daughter of a Lebanese-American father and a Pueblo-Sioux-Scotts mother. She received both her B.A. in English and her MFA in creative writing from the University of Oregon. Allen received a doctorate in American studies, with a concentration in Native American literature, from the University of New Mexico. In 1978, she received a National Endowment for the Arts fellowship and in 1980, a fellowship to study Indian women's writings. Her 1983 novel, *The Woman Who Owned the Shadows*, reflected her upbringing. Her collections of poetry include *Shadow Country* (1982). Her latest work is *Pocahontas: Medicine Woman, Spy, Entrepreneur, Diplomat* (2003), a look at Pocahontas through the eyes of a Native-American woman.

Graham Greene, actor, was born June 22, 1952, on Six Nations Indian Reserve in Brantford, Ontario, Canada. Greene began his theatrical career as a sound engineer, then made his acting debut on the London stage and won fame as Sioux wise man Kicking Bird in the film "Dances with Wolves" (1990). The performance earned him an Oscar nomination for Best Supporting Actor. In the decade that followed, he acted in more than 30 films, including "Die Hard with a Vengeance" (1995) and "The Green Mile" (1999). He has appeared in such television shows as "L.A. Law," "Northern Exposure" and "Wolf Creek." Greene, a full-blooded Oneida, lives in Toronto and does frequent television, movie, stage and voice work.

Jim Thorpe, 1888–1953, was probably the greatest all-round male athlete the U.S. has ever produced. His mother, a Sac, named him Bright Path; and in 1907, he entered the Carlisle Indian School at Carlisle, Pa. In 1908, he joined the Carlisle football team. Playing left halfback, he led Carlisle in startling upsets over such highly rated teams as Harvard, Army and the Univ. of Pennsylvania. In the 1912 Olympic Games, Thorpe won the broad jump and the 200-meter and 1,500-meter runs of the pentathlon; won the shot put, the 1,500-meter run and the hurdle race of the decathlon; and was the runner-up in other events. In 1913, however, Thorpe surrendered his awards because it had been discovered that he had played semi-professional baseball with the Rocky Mount, N.C., team. The medals were restored posthumously in 1982. In 1919, Thorpe played briefly with the New York Giants baseball team. He later played professional football with the Canton (Ohio) Bulldogs and other teams. Jim Thorpe, Pa., where he was buried in 1954, is named in his honor.

Bed bugs: We must remain vigilant

Bed bugs are small reddish-brown, oval shaped flat insects that are about 1/4-inch long. They feed on humans at night, then crawl away to hide in the cracks, crevices and recesses of furniture. Bed bugs do not transmit disease. STUDENTS ARE NOT TO BE EXCLUDED FROM SCHOOL FOR BED BUGS.

Bites are usually along a line, especially on the head and upper body. There is usually a pattern to the bites. Bed bugs are spread through the acquisition of infested second-hand furniture or by hitchhiking on items used during travel, such as suitcases, outerwear and other belongings. Once established, bugs can move through a building by crawling or transporting on humans.

Follow these procedures if you suspect you have found a bed bug in your building:
- Save the bug in a zip-lock bag or bottle.
- Call Buildings & Grounds at 365-5268. They will have specialists from a professional pest control company come to the school to identify the bug.
- Isolate the source where the bed bug was found, such as a book bag or on clothing, and place it in a plastic bag. Clothes and outerwear may be a source as bed bugs can hitchhike.

If the professional pest control company identifies the bug as a bed bug, the school should:
- Notify the parents or guardians.
- Send the form letter home with the child involved, notifying the parents or guardians.

Bed bugs do not necessarily mean poor hygiene or housekeeping, but a cluttered home could make it much harder to get rid of bed bugs.


Special note

CEA thanks the following buildings/units that have recently completed their United Way campaigns: Avalon ES, Como ES, Ft. Hayes MEC HS, Oakmont ES and Safety & Security.

Job-Sharing Request • 2012–2013

If you are looking for a job-share partner, fill out the form below and return it to the CEA office. A list will be printed and mailed to each person who submits the form to assist in finding a partner for job sharing. Even if you submitted your name last year, fill out a new form this year. Please return this form to Carol Wagner at CEA by Tuesday, Nov. 22.

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