

Contract Ratified

Focus Now on County Executive and County Council for Funding

By a vote of 5,710 to 76, MCEA members voted overwhelming to ratify the proposed new contract. The Board of Education also voted to ratify (5-2). Board members voting in favor of the contract were:

Nancy Navarro, Patricia O'Neill, Judy Docca, Shirley Brandman, and Christopher Barclay. Those voting against were **Steve Abrams and Sharon Cox.**

(Abrams stated that he would support the funds in the budget, but proposed deferring ratification of the contract until after the county budget is approved in May.)

Attention now shifts to the county government to ensure full funding - both of the contract and of the proposed MCPS budget. It is not acceptable for politicians to say they support full funding of the contract, but then to cut the school budget by millions of dollars. Doing so pits contract funding against class sizes and programs.

County Executive Ike Leggett has until March 15th to submit his budget proposal. The County Council will then hold hearings, and approve a final budget by May.

The reality is that county revenues from income taxes are exceeding all predictions. There is no economic justification for not fully funding the proposed budget.

MCEA members are encouraged to contact County Executive Leggett to urge his support for full funding of both the contracts and the MCPS budget. He can be reached at ike.leggett@montgomerycountymd.gov.

SHORT TAKES

Free Bus Trip to Annapolis!

Join colleagues from across MCPS as we travel to Annapolis to talk with our legislators about the importance of full funding of public education. Tentatively scheduled for Monday March 19th, the bus will leave after work and return by 9:30pm. Free box dinners are also provided on the bus. Bus seating is limited. Contact Jon Gerson at MCEA if you are interested (jgerson@mcea.nea.org).

Job Fairs, Resume Workshops Scheduled

This year's Job Fairs are scheduled for April 10, 11 and 12 (Tues.-Thurs.). Check out the Human Resources Dept. page on the MCPS website for more details.

MCEA will again be hosting free Resume Workshops to assist members in preparing for the transfer season. These will be held on Monday March 12th and Monday March 26th. RSVP to Joan Renne (jrenne@mcea.nea.org) at MCEA to reserve a seat.

MCEA Leadership Elections Coming Soon

Elections are scheduled this spring for MCEA's four officers and five additional members of the MCEA Board of Directors. All members should have received a Notice of Nominations brochure. The deadline for nominations is March 14th. Candidates will speak at the April Rep Assembly (4/11), and the election will be conducted from April 25th to May 2nd.



TRADEWINDS

MCEA's Classified Ad Service

Tradewinds Submission Policies

Ads may only be submitted by MCEA MEMBERS or Representation Fee Payers, and must be noncommercial in nature. Service ads will only be run for services provided by MCEA members. Ads may be faxed (301-309-9563) or e-mailed to tradewinds@mcea.nea.org, and must contain your name, home phone number, and school/worksite.

MCEA reserves the right to reject any ads or edit or delay any ads submitted due to space limitations. Tradewinds can also be found online at www.mcea.nea.org.

Inclusion of any services, programs or goods in the *Tradewinds* does not imply endorsement by MCEA nor does MCEA assume any liability for any item included in the *Tradewinds*. For information or questions, call MCEA at 301-294-6232.

DEADLINE to submit ads for the next issue: March 5th.

FOR SALE

03 Saturn Vue 4WD: 50K miles, leather heated seats, sunroof, alloy wheels, 6 CD chgr asking \$13K, call Colleen @ 301-947-9209.

97 Toyota Camry: 83K miles, 4dr sedan, cassette player, ABS brakes asking \$4800 call 301-738-1521.

81 Chevy C-10: Stepside pickup in running condition, call 301-831-6619.

04 Motorcycle: *American Ironhorse LSC* under 2K miles, asking \$23K OBO. Garage kept, one owner, purchase incl battery tender. Many extras, call Larry @ 301-674-7176/301-898-3366.

Boat: 24' Pontoon boat, 1997 Harris Flote Bote. Royal Heritage 240 1/0 Teal/white 205HP 4.3 LXH Mercruiser. Aluminum pontoons, 8' beam, gasoline engine. Depth finder. Porta potty, sink, AM/FM radio, built-in swim ladder, located on Lake Gaston NC \$6,000 OBO call 301-469-0432.

Boat Slip: Pines Pt. Marina, Ocean Pines MD. Accommodates up to 26ft boat w/OC skyline views. Water, elec., store, bath, showers, picnic table, & grill. Boat servicing avail, rents @ \$2200/season 301-216-0927.

Bookcase Headboard: Super-sgle waterbed on 3-drawer pedestal w/ heater. Blk lacquer w/matching dresser, night stand & desk. No mattress or liner, \$150 OBO, call 301-695-5377.

Carpet: Beige background w/blue, pink, green floral design size 10x8 \$125 call 301-460-0751.

Condo: Damascus, 2br/2ba top flr w/ cathedral ceilings. Close to schools & shopping. Low condo fee incl water, many amenities. Call Heidi @ 301-213-0389 for more info or appt.

Condo: Pompano Beach FL close to Ft Lauderdale airport, 2br/2ba screened porch/balcony. Many amenities and upgrades. Pets allowed, asking \$295K. Contact Melissa @ 301-589-1618 for more info.

Dining Table: *Century One* 2 leafs, seats 10, walnut dble pedestal inlaid w/ 6 cushioned chairs, 2 w/arms, call Marcia @ 240-498-5655.

Fur Coats/Jacket: Lama fur, dk brown w/hat, other coat tan, ladies size 10, \$150-\$300 call 301-460-0751.

Furn: Table w/4 chairs, chrome legs, need new seat covers, table size 4x3 \$50; 2 access chairs, highback arm chairs, cherry wood frame, salmon colored fabric, \$75/ea; table w/4 chairs white metal, decorative ice cream parlor style, \$350, call 301-460-0751.

Furn: Children's Loft Bunk Bed Set w/desk, dresser, shelves, ladder and twin beds. Call 301-589-1376.

Furn: White wooden bunk beds. Full mattress on bottom, twin on top. Buyer welcome to take mattress, asking \$750 you haul, call 301-865-9833.

Home: 4br/3.5ba TH in of Columbia, hrdwds, grmt kit, fully fin basmt, lge deck. Asking \$415K call Kevin @ 410-953-0005 for pics.

Jewelry: 5 stone diamond ring. Paperwork avail asking \$1K OBO, call Sarah @ 703-944-4160.

Misc: Candelabra \$10; glassware \$.50 & up; flatware \$.50 & up; oak desk \$65; Set of 5 "*I Love Lucy*" tapes \$10; baby shoes w/snaps \$3; baby clothes \$1 & up (0-3T); Baby Einstein tapes 14 \$75; Jack Lalaine Juicer \$70 OBO; medical dictionary \$7; "*What to Expect....*" 2 vol. \$16; baby clothes \$1 & up; lamp \$3, and vases \$1-2; rabbit food & accessories \$15 and (2) HP56 blk cartridges for HP printer \$30 OBO call Nomi 301-528-3887.

Misc: Hammock w/free standing stand \$100; patio furn set, lg table w/6 chairs/cushions (2 swivel) asking \$350 call 410-531-2926.

Misc: (2) 5x8 carpets \$25 ea, hunter

green, beige-diamond shape around the sides and Char- Broil grill, 26x12 grilling space \$50 call Colette @ 301-924-5716
Misc: Playpen, highchair, toddler bed, portable crib, infant bath tub, full size box spring and mattress, chest of drawers, round table, lateral file cabinet, printer table, end table, wedding dresses size 6 and size 20, call for prices 301-977-8864.
Party Pack: Let *Bosala* Party Pack, pack your party! You select the snacks, we pack for you. Call 240-535-7426/240-477-4261 for rates.

Tea /Coffee Set: German Arzburg China, svc for 6 floral design, \$100, call 301-460-0751.

Tuner: *PolkAudio XM XRt12* Reference Tuner component. Adapts to any home-based tuner receiver, to access XM (sub req) Satellite program stations. Asking \$200 OBO call 301-972-5377.

TV: 46inch Hitachi projection HDTV built in DVD player 5 inputs 1 DVI input (no HDMI) Stand included. City Advantage (Circuit City) Plan ends 5/22/08 transferable asking \$500 OBO contact Melanie @ 240-447-8473.

Wedding Dress: Size 10, short sleeve, sweetheart neckline. Prof cleaned/boxed, asking \$250 located in Germantown call Sarah @ 703-944-4160.

FREE

To good home without young children: *Jack Russell* Terrier, 8 or 9 yr old free to a good home. Loving, energetic, neutered & vaccinated, call 301-938-9720.

WANTED

Walk behind *Gravelly* 12 hp or larger. Convertible tractor w/implements like snow brush, mower, etc., call 301-831-6619.

VACATION RENTALS

Bethany Beach: Walk to bdwlk/beach or take trolley. 2br/2ba+slp sofa in den w/screened porch, back deck \$875/wk + sec dep, call 301-540-1726.

Myrtle Beach SC: Oceanfront 3br/2ba condo, spacious lvg rm, dining area and kit; 3rd flr unit w/balcony overlooks pool, call 301-365-4327 for avail/details.

Myrtle Beach Murrell's Inlet SC: TH 2br/2.5ba, full kit, many amenities 3 night min rental, call Yvonne @ 301-330-4251.

North Ocean City MD: 2nd fl oceanfront condo. Large deck, 2brs, all amenities. Call 301-869-1444 for rates and availability.

North Fenwick Island DE: TH on bay w/priv ocean beach, boat dock, comm.

pool, 3br+den w/futon, 3.5/ba, slps 8, and screened porch w/deck. Call 301-493-8605.

Ocean Isle Beach NC: (2) beach cottages. Each has 3br, 2ba and lge kit. 10% discount to MCPS employees \$800/wk rate in season \$400/wk off season. Call Mike @ 240-672-8100.

Rehoboth Beach: 3br/3.5 bath TH, slps 8, NP/N/S. Comm pool 2 in-town pkg passes. Mins to beach/bdwk. Call Laurie @ 301-916-9262.

South Bethany Beach: Slps 8, South 5th St., Ocean block. 3br/3ba & shower downstairs, call Linda @ 301-490-6379.

St. Maarten, Netherlands Antilles: Flamingo Beach Resort in Caribbean, 1br ste w/KS bed; comfortably slps 4, max 6; full bath; complete kit/dining area, duty-free shopping and too many amenities to list. Avail Aug 11-18, 2007 \$1200 call 301-871-8226.

Vacation Rental: A week in FL or anywhere in the US or abroad. 1/br or 2/br. Check avail and price call Theodora @ 240-353-5460/301-353-9748.

Williamsburg VA: *Greensprings Plantation*, 2 master br/2ba, dining L, full kit, w&d, slps 6, many amenities, avail June 23-30 \$950, call Marcia @ 240-498-5655.

SERVICES OFFERED

Handyman Svcs: Home repairs, electrical, carpentry, decks, painting, ceiling fans, tile, power washing and more. Call 301-438-8733.

Home Services/Handyman: Up-county MC. Free estimates 301-831-6619.

Legal Services: Discounted fees for MCPS employees by fellow teacher and attorney. Estate Planning, Incorporations, General Business Matters, Powers of Attorney, Wills and Name changes, call Mike Bready 301-330-5011.

Legal Services: Reduced fees for fellow MCPS employees. Family law, wills, bankruptcy, misc. Eve & wknd appts. Judi Bluefeld Amick @ 301-279-7817.

Magician: Entertainment/great fun for your special party! Amazing magical illusions, lots of audience participation! MCPS disc, call Wendy @ 301-738-2127.

Makeup Artist: Weddings, special occasions, traveling svcs avail. Discounts to teachers, call Hollie @ 301-468-1745.

Mortgages: DC Metro's lowest mortgage rates for purchases, refin, and home equity loans. Free appraisals & addtl savings to MCPS staff. Earn \$ with my referral program call 301-651-3257.

Painting: Interior painting specialist serving FC & up-county MC since 1976. Free estimates & ref upon request 301-831-6619.

Party Back: Let *Bosala* Party Pack, pack your party! You select the snacks, we pack for you. Call 240-535-7426/240-477-4261 for rates.

Stationery: Customized invites, announcements, kids/adult stationery, notecards, more! Up to 25% disc, addtl MCPS disc call 301-806-8568.

Videography/Photography: Svcs avail for weddings, anniversaries, and other events. Packages also avail, disc for MCPS employees call 301-754-0844.

Wedding Photography: Discount for MCPS staff call 240-388-1412.

FOR RENT

Basement Apt: Semi furnished in Germantown TH. Full bath, fpl, cable, shared kit. 2 pools, free parking. Near 270, \$700+1/2 util. Avail starting in June. Call Nomi @ 301-528-3887/240-688-8251. N/S, N/P, couples welcome. Ref required.

Condo: In Mtgy Village, 2br/1ba, loft, fpl, bal, near shopping, I-270, and library \$1100/mo. Avail 03/01 call Ron @ 301-980-2503.

House: Sligo Woods, Silver Spring, sgle family 5br/2.5ba, fenced yard, no thru street \$1800/mo+ util call 301-526-3414.

TH: Mtgy Village 3br/2.5ba. brs on 2nd flr w/priv vanity. 2-story master br w/loft, laundry/utility room, storage and deck. Rsvd pkg space & overflow space. Asking \$1575/mo call 202-409-6389.

TH: Villages of Urbana. 3 fin levels 4/br 3.5ba \$1900/mo+util. Avail 7/1 call Tammy @ 301-253-0044/Rick @ 301-948-8161.

Roommate: White Oak TH, N/S teacher for furn master suite, rsvd pkg space, convenient to busline/Metro \$785/mo+ ¼ util, avail 2/28 call Dan @ 301-633-8153.

Roommate: Mtgy Village TH, N/S teacher for furn master suite. Incl priv office/bath, rsvd pkg space, near Lakeforest Mall \$735/mo+1/3 util avail 5/31, call Dan @ 301-633-8153.

Roommate: 1br avail on 3rd level in Mtgy Village TH, N/S \$550/mo incl util, cable, phone, use of kit/laundry. Must like cats, call Valerie @ 240-281-2737.

Interested in National Board Certification?
**MCEA's NBPTS
Candidate Information Meetings**

Thinking about whether to pursue national certification? Come to one of these information sessions to learn more and get your questions answered.

Wednesday March 14th
Wednesday March 21st
Thursday March 29th

All sessions at the MCEA Conference Center, 60 West Gude Drive, Rockville. **4:30 pm to 6:00 pm.**
Light refreshments available.

Discount Movie Tickets for MCEA Members

AMC Theaters - \$5.50
Regal Theaters - \$6.00
Majestic Theaters - \$6.75

Available in person at
the MCEA Conference Center
M-F, 8:30am - 5:00pm