



South Colonie Central Schools welcomes new district staff

- Joseph Bernard Bus Driver
- Kristen Bettis Lisha Kill English Teacher
- Yvette Betzwieser Veeder School Monitor
- Jared Bongo CCHS Social Studies/CALC Physical Ed Teacher
- Kurt Borchardt CCHS Technology Teacher
- Margaret Brady Lisha Kill Music Teacher
- Audrey Bushey Veeder School Monitor
- Jennifer Buyce Shaker Road Elementary Teacher
- Barbara Candee CCHS Keyboard Specialist
- Jamie Carr Sand Creek Social Studies Teacher
- Thomas Charbonneau Bus Driver
- Lisa Dilcher Roessleville Special Ed Teacher
- Kathleen DiLello Forest Park School Monitor
- Colleen Dillon Saddlewood School Monitor
- Elizabeth Dollard Roessleville Elementary Teacher
- Sara DonVito Sand Creek School Monitor
- Gianleo Duca CCHS Social Studies Teacher
- Lynn Eliason CCHS School Monitor
- Elizabeth Elliott Sand Creek School Monitor
- Lauren Fetsko Shaker Road Elementary Teacher
- Jessica Fiore Sand Creek Teaching Assistant
- Meghan Flaherty CCHS Art Teacher
- Louis Gabriel, Jr. CCHS School Monitor
- Rachel Graber Sand Creek Math Teacher
- Katherine Greco CCHS Technology Teacher
- Kari Grugan Lisha Kill Math Teacher
- Stephan Gay Forest Park Custodian
- Courtney Hamilton CCHS Math Teacher
- Jolene Hansen Forest Park Remedial Reading Teacher
- Lindsay Henner CCHS Social Studies Teacher
- Sharon Herald Saddlewood Food Service Helper
- Joyce Hilgenberg CCHS Food Service Helper
- Mary Hlywa-Swears CCHS Science Teacher
- Adam Hoffman Sand Creek Social Studies Teacher
- Catherine Horton CALC Food Service Helper
- Leslie Horton Sand Creek Special Ed Teacher

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South Colonie Board of Education President James "Tim" Ryan (left) and Superintendent Michael Marcelle honored 17 administrators and teachers who earned tenure at a special school board reception in September. For more, please turn to pages 2-3.

The Energy Educator

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT
BY DISTRICT ENERGY
MANAGER JAMES BROWN

Did you know that the United States uses a lot of energy — nearly \$1 million worth each minute, 24 hours a day, every day of the year. We consume about one fourth of the world's energy resources while having less than 5 percent of the world's population. But we aren't the only ones guilty of this; the citizens of Asia and Europe use a lot of energy too.

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Congratulations tenured staff

▶ 17 HONORED AT FALL RECEPTION

Seventeen of the district's finest administrators and teachers were honored by the South Colonie Board of Education this fall for their recent tenure appointments.

A reception was held at Saddlewood Elementary School in September where President Tim Ryan joined other board members and administrators in presenting the honorees with certificates for this accomplishment. Featured on pages 2-3 are some photographs capturing the night. Congratulations to all!

- Anne Acton Veeder Elementary Education
- Dominick Cammarere CCHS Science
- Megan Carlin CCHS English
- Francis Coccozza Lisha Kill School Principal
- William Dollard Sand Creek Associate Principal
- Beth Lomanto CCHS Science
- Brigham McCutcheon CCHS English
- John Moak Shaker Road Elementary Education
- Heather Norton Veeder Elementary Education
- Beth Panucci Veeder Elementary Education
- Peter Paquette Lisha Kill Health
- Nicole Rotondi Lisha Kill Elementary Education
- Jennifer Schubert CCHS Technology Education
- Stacey Sebert Lisha Kill Science
- Kathryn Skanes Sand Creek Math
- Stacey Swanson Sand Creek ESL
- Elisa Vickers Roessleville Elementary Education



South Colonie staff

**PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO VOTE ON THE
BUS PURCHASE PROPOSITION AND
PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECT THIS FALL**

Thursday, October 19th

11 a.m. - 9 p.m.

***At any South Colonie
elementary school***

REMEMBER ... EVERY VOTE COUNTS!



NEW STAFF ... CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

- Juli Hutchins CCHS English Teacher
- Sandra Jeffers Lisha Kill Food Service Helper
- Kevin Kelley CCHS Custodian
- Emily Lawyer Roessleville Elementary Teacher
- Michael Link Bus Driver
- Daniel Lozano, Jr. District Office Account Clerk
- Melissa McQuade CCHS English Teacher
- Marc Mann CCHS Custodian
- Jason Martin Risk Management (BOCES)
- Josephine Mastrocinque Lisha Kill School Monitor
- Beverly Micare CCHS School Monitor
- Joseph Micare CCHS School Monitor
- Christina Mikus Lisha Kill Art Teacher
- Joel Miller CCHS Music Teacher
- Kathleen Moro Roessleville School Monitor
- Marc Mostransky Sand Creek English Teacher
- Teresa Moran Sand Creek Music Teacher
- Lindsay Morris Veeder Elementary Teacher
- Jennifer Neyenhouse CCHS Social Studies Teacher
- Laurie Nieckarz Bus Driver
- Michele Nusbaum School Monitor/Bus Garage
- Susan O'Brien District Office Secretary/Human Resources
- Mary O'Connell CCHS Art Teacher
- Michelle Papa CCHS Math Teacher
- Diane Peltier Sand Creek School Nurse
- Thomas Peppas CCHS School Monitor
- Joanne Perrino CCHS School Monitor
- Maria Persons CCHS School Monitor
- Alveria Pompey CCHS School Monitor
- Katherine Puntel Shaker Road Elementary Teacher
- Susan Reed Roessleville School Monitor
- Robert Reside Bus Driver
- Angelica Roddy Sand Creek Teaching Assistant
- Douglas Rosenberg CCHS Math Teacher
- Betsy Ryan Lisha Kill Art Teacher
- Morgan Ryan Cook Forest Park Teaching Assistant
- Arleen Schillaci Forest Park School Monitor
- Joel Scism CCHS Technology Teacher
- Sandra Sherwood Bus Driver
- Michele Small Bus Garage Keyboard Specialist
- Tracey Stammel CCHS Keyboard Specialist
- Jessica Stanton Roessleville Art Teacher
- Stephanie Stoye CCHS Math Teacher
- Jennifer Szpila Roessleville Elementary Teacher
- Courtney Tedesco Lisha Kill Special Ed Teacher
- Kelly Ulion CALC Science Teacher
- Martha Vadney Roessleville School Monitor
- James Vardaro CCHS English Teacher
- Mary Waddingham Roessleville School Monitor
- Laurie Walsh CCHS Typist
- Bridget Weise Sand Creek Remedial Reading Teacher
- Nicholas Yatrakis CCHS Math Teacher
- Joanne Ziegler Sand Creek School Monitor



TWO VERY IMPORTANT STEPS TO SAVINGS

1. PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN OFF ALL LIGHTS WHEN YOU LEAVE AN EMPTY ROOM.
2. PLEASE REMEMBER TO TURN OFF ALL COMPUTERS, PRINTERS AND OTHER ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT WHEN NOT NEEDED.

If you have a question for the Energy Educator you can email Jim Brown at: James.Brown@southcolonie.k12.ny.us

South Colonie News & Notes

► ENERGY MANAGER OF THE YEAR FOR BROWN

Congratulations to South Colonie Energy Educator James Brown for being named 2006 Energy Manager of the Year by the New York Capital Region Association of Energy Engineers Chapter. Jim also received word this fall that he is now a Certified Energy Manager through the Association of Energy Engineers.

► OPEN HEALTH INSURANCE ENROLLMENT

November is Open Enrollment for health insurance. The district offers the following health plans: Capital District Physicians' Health Plan, Blue Shield of Northeastern New York-Traditional Blue 907 and Traditional Blue POS 211. Benefits become effective January 1, 2007. For more information and rates regarding these insurance plans, please contact the Insurance Department at the District Office, 869-3576, ext. 2450.

► CHANGES IN THE PAYROLL DEPARTMENT

There have been some changes in the Payroll Department at the District Office this school year. Shirley Kelty has replaced Carolyn Gabriel, who has retired. Please call Shirley with questions about sick days, vacation days, annuities, bonds, and other payroll questions at 869-3576, ext. 2455.

► CCHS A 'TOP 3 SCHOOL' IN THE CAPITAL AREA

Congratulations to the staff and students of Colonie Central High School. The readers of Capital Region Living Magazine have voted Colonie Central High School the third "best local public school" in the Capital District.

The area's leading life and leisure magazine conducts the annual readers poll each spring and publishes the results in its May issue. The survey covered 116 categories from "best weekend getaways" to "best pizza" in the area. Colonie Central High School finished third behind Bethlehem and East Greenbush. For more visit www.capitalregionliving.com.

Energy Educator

... SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT

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Energy costs are an enormous expense for us individually and our nation's schools. Through basic changes in operations and individual behavior, our district has achieved reductions in energy use of better than 20 percent. To date, we have avoided over one and a half million dollars in energy expenses. However, there is more to it than just dollars saved.



You have a role in making energy conservation the rule rather than the exception in our schools. We all make choices about when to use energy and when not to. Every time we turn the lights off when we leave a room, or shut the computer down when not in use, we are also making an environmental choice.

Ninety-six percent of all energy produced in the United States comes from non-renewable resources, which release vast amounts of carbon dioxide, contributing to global warming.

Your wise choices about when and how to use energy has led to a reduction in the amount of carbon dioxide that our schools release into the air, thus helping to contain the threat of global warming.

Two thousand, nine hundred and ninety one — the amount in tons of carbon dioxide not released into the air as a result of your efforts to conserve energy in our school district. In order to remove this much CO₂ from the air, you would need to plant 5,363 acres of trees (trees take in carbon dioxide, and release oxygen as part of photosynthesis).

Your efforts demonstrate to taxpayers that you use their money frugally, and are good stewards of the environment. As we begin another school year let me take a minute to thank you for your efforts and let's continue the good work we are doing in South Colonie.