

**TWLS Tuesday Take Home**  
**November 17, 2009**

**Calendar of Events**

**NEW**

We are looking for senior citizens to grocery shop for on Tuesdays. Please let us know if you know of anyone who could use our help.

We have some news that is bitter sweet. Ruth Cracraft has accepted a full time position and her last day will be tomorrow 11/18/09. We are happy for her but will miss her in our community. We are having a lunchtime celebration for her to wish her well in her new endeavor. Ann Rooney will be teaching writing and spelling until we get the right person to fill the position. Remember at TWLS, We never say goodbye, we say see you later!

**November Calendar**

25-27 No School Thanksgiving vacation  
17 Specialists phone conf. 6:30-9:00 pm  
19 Specialists phone conf. 6:30-9:00 pm

**December Calendar**

4 Birthday celebration(s)  
2 PDT at 11:00 a.m.  
15 PDT at 5:00 p.m.  
21-1/1 No school winter break

**Possible Dreams Come True!**

**Meet Ben Lurie** – PR and Web Development Intern: Some of you may have seen me in the TWLS office over the last couple weeks – it's been a pleasure to meet you, and I hope to meet the rest of you soon. I'm a recent graduate of Carleton College; a History major who's very interested in communications and social media. I've interned at a couple newspapers and a non-profit over the past few years, and I'm very excited about working with Julie on improving the TWLS online presence. Currently I'm working on making our blog and website more accessible and more useful – see the next note for details!

**Blog Updates:** If you're interested in learning more about TWLS life, both in and out of the classroom – or if you know someone who might be interested in learning more - please keep an eye on our blog or send them to it. Over the next weeks, we'll be posting videos of classes at TWLS, commentary on our methods, news stories, and anything else we think you might find useful for learning more about us. Is

there anything you'd particularly like to read about? Send me an email at [b.lurie@twls.org](mailto:b.lurie@twls.org) or post on the blog at <http://www.twls.org/twls-talks/>.

**Tuesday Take Home & Connections Now Online:** Looking for either newsletter but can't find it in your email inbox? We are now posting both the Tuesday Take Home and Connections on our website in .pdf form. Go to <http://www.twls.org/twls-talks/tuesday-take-home/> for the Tuesday Take Home or <http://www.twls.org/twls-talks/twls-connections-quarterly-newsletter/> for Connections. Questions? [b.lurie@twls.org](mailto:b.lurie@twls.org).

**GIVEMN.org:** TWLS is part of a new website, GIVEMN.org. It's a one-stop-shop for making donations to your favorite charities and there are no transaction fees right now....so 100 percent of your donation goes to the charity. Consider making a gift to TWLS through GiveMN.org. If you do, be sure to write a donor testimonial and link it to your Facebook page.

**2009-10 Tour Dates** – We have a whole new place, which means everybody should come check us out in our new home! We have day and evening tours available every month:

***Do you know anyone who should attend our next tour?***

Wednesday, December 2 at 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, December 15 at 5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, January 6 at 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, January 19 at 5:00 p.m.

***We are seeking a parent volunteer to come for the first five minutes of each tour to share a 1-2 minute story about how TWLS has impacted or is impacting your child's life. Contact Julie if you're willing to share your story.***