

CN PRITTS NEWSLETTER

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Notes from Mr. Snyder

Kindergarten Registration for Clifford Pritts is scheduled for Wednesday, March 10, 2010. If you are registering a student, please call Bonnie at the school so we can begin to prepare for our registration. If you are unable to

attend registration, please notify the office so we can make proper arrangements to insure your child is registered.

The school calendar and snow make up days are currently being reviewed. Once

it is finalized, a copy of the changes will be sent home with your child.

We will be administering the 4-Sight Test for the 3rd and final time during the week of March 15th, 2010.

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Spelling Bee

Monday, February 1, 2010 was an exciting afternoon at Clifford N. Pritts Elementary School.

Eleven 5th and 6th grade students took the stage to compete in the annual Spelling Bee.

The following students participated: Timmy Bish, Nicholas Cafasso, Spencer Boehm, Aleshia

Hissem, Jake Ritenour, Ronnie Williams, Tanner Bell, Allison Hauer, Jozi Zelasko, Gretchen Beatty, and Jeremy Kinneer. After a number of rounds and some really difficult words Gretchen Beatty, from Mrs. Coffman's fifth grade class, was the Spelling Bee champion. Way to go Gretchen! Congratulations also to Runner-Up, Jeremy Kinneer, also from Mrs. Coffman's fifth grade class. Both Gretchen and Jeremy will represent Clifford N. Pritts at Jr. High East for the next round in the Spelling Bee. They will compete against 5th - 8th

IMPORTANT REMINDER SCHOOL IS IN SESSION ON MARCH 5

grade students from the other elementary and junior high schools in the Connellsville District on Wednesday, February 24, 2010.

Good Luck Gretchen and Jeremy, CNP is rooting for you!



IMPORTANT CAFETERIA NEWS

Are you unemployed right now? Has there been a reduction in your household income?

Did you know that you may apply for free or reduced meals at any time during the school year?

Request a form at school office or see Peggy Johnson in the cafeteria.

ANNUAL READING NIGHT COMING SOON

We are so excited to announce our theme for the upcoming Annual Reading Night on Friday, March 26, 2010. We invite you to join us for:

A READING JOURNEY

C.N. Pritts and Title I are teaming up and planning a wonderful family night filled with excitement and wonderful stories. We are still in the process of scheduling our guest readers for the evening, but we know it's going to be a great night.

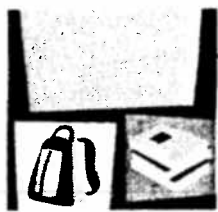
pleased to announce that Sadecky's Puppets will be here to present "CASTLEMANIA" which focuses on a collection of classic stories which all take place in a castle setting. This promises to be a captivating performance, which will include musical tales about Tom Thumb, Stone Soup, The Emperor's New Clothes and other favorites.

We will be sending home detailed paperwork next week with a complete explanation of how the night works and asking for RSVP's at that time. Be sure

to look for the information!

If you would like to volunteer to help during this event, please call Sharon Beatty at 724-455-2794 or come to the next PTG meeting on Monday, March 8th at 7:00 PM.

"Reading can take you places"



We are very

Perfect Attendance

2nd Nine Week Grading Period

KINDERGARTEN... Brayden Anderson, Noah Basinger, Candy Burkholder, Kris Burkholder, Mason Charles, Jerry Gales, Haddon Hoffer, Corey Keslar, Brett Lancaster, Michael Lancaster, Sadie Ritcher, Dylan Shepler, Abigail Stepanic, Shyanne Stillman

FIRST GRADE... Elijah Brown, Zachary Harbaugh, Shelby Kelley, Johnathan Keslar, Haylee Rodkey, Maria Sipe, Samantha Sipe, Chase Webster

SECOND GRADE... Brayton Pletcher, Cameron Pritts, Mya Shawley, Grace Solomon

THIRD GRADE... Jonathan Baum, Kaybree Benton, Aimee Eutsey, Alexander Miller, Emily Mowry, Jace Neiderhiser, Joseph Ream, Ciara Snyder, Tristen Stepanic, Hannah Stillman, Karissa Wright

FOURTH GRADE... Kevin Burkholder, Morgan Charles, Hayley Hollis, Addison Leichter, Olivia Ream, Abigail Ritenour, Tiffany Ritenour, Jeffrey Sarnelli, Koltan

Sheele-Liston, Alexander Shultz, Cynthia Trout, Allyson Wright

FIFTH GRADE... Tanner Bell, Morgan Berger, Eliza Cross, Jeremy Kinneer, Colton Miller, Samara Mowry, Thomas Porter, Julie Siesky, Grant Solomon, Owen Szymanski

SIXTH GRADE... Spencer Boehm, Seth Bruner, Devin Cafasso, Madison Crocetti, Morgan Hart, Hannah Hiltabidel, Tyler Micklo, Benjamin Ream, Steven White, Joseph Wright

PROGRAMS, PROGRAMS, PROGRAMS

Students were entertained on Thursday, February 4th with a wonderful program entitled "STEELTOWN: A Celebration in Song of Pittsburgh's 250 Years." Gateway to the Arts provided us with the opportunity to invite songwriter-recording artist Tom Breiding to the school. His songs capture life in Pittsburgh throughout its 250-year history. Playing guitar, banjo, and harmonica, Tom delivered songs depicting generations of workers in the steel, coal, and glass industries of Pittsburgh. The students learned about Western Pennsylvania's key role in building and shaping America and about various musical genres, emphasizing the importance of American folk music. Making the program even more exciting, Tom asked several students to take the stage

to help accompany him during his last song and had the entire audience sing along with him.

Here are a few interesting facts about Pittsburgh that you might find interesting. They were provided by Gateway to the Arts.

Did you know?

- KDKA was the world's first commercial radio station. (1920)
- The Regional Enterprise Tower (formerly the Alcoa Building) was the first all-aluminum building. (1953)
- WQED was the first U.S. public television station. (1954)
- Dr. Jonas Salk at the University of Pitts-

burgh was the first to administer the polio vaccine. (1954)

• Allegheny County Port Authority was the first mass transit bus system. (1964)

• Carnegie Mellon University Robotics Institute was the first robotics center. (1979)

• The David L. Lawrence Convention Center in downtown Pittsburgh was the first certified green convention center in the United States and was the largest certified green building in the world at the time it was built. (2003)



Getting to Know the Staff

Mrs. Sarina Hoover – Third Grade: Mrs. Hoover says that her favorite TV shows that she watched when she was growing up was a toss up between “Bewitched” and “I Dream of Jeannie”. She loved their ability to wiggle a nose or blink the eyes to change their outcomes. When she was in elementary school, Mrs. Hoover said she doesn’t remember going on any field trips. But, she re-



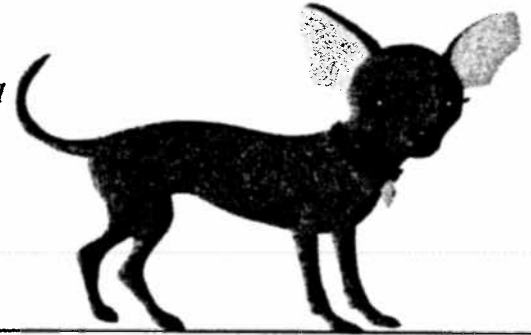
members a performance group that came to her school, “The Knickerty Knockerty Players”. She LOVED their shows and remembers being “transported” to another magical place and time! Mrs. Hoover’s favorite teacher in school was her secondary art teacher, Mr. Beale. He demonstrated his love of children in a gentle and compassionate manner.

She KNEW he truly cared about his students.

The best family vacation Mrs. Hoover has ever taken was a trip to the Outer Banks in North Carolina. She & her husband with their 3 children shared a house with her husband’s parents and brother. His two other brothers and their wives and families were close by, too. “Time spent with those we love is wonderful,” Mrs. Hoover said.

Mrs. Brenda Kalp – Aide: Mrs. Kalp spent her summer vacation raising a litter of Chihuahua puppies and a litter of Pomeranian puppies. In case you were wondering, Mrs. Kalp has several pets! They include several Chihuahuas and Pomeranians. Raising puppies is her hobby and she enjoys talking walks when the weather cooperates. Mrs. Kalp says that her favorite TV

shows to watch are crime dramas. She particularly likes CSI, NCIS, Without a Trace and Cold Case. We asked Mrs., Kalp if she had a favorite flavor of ice cream and she immediately said anything with chocolate!



Ms. Crystal Firestone – Fifth Grade: Ms. Firestone has 2 favorite ice cream flavors

chocolate and strawberry cheesecake! The best field trip she remembers taking in elementary school was in 2nd grade. She went to the circus and she really enjoyed watching all the animals perform. Miss Prosser was Ms. Firestone’s favorite teacher in school. She taught 3rd grade and she was nice and made learning fun in the process. The

Flintstones and The Brady Bunch were Ms. Firestone’s favorite TV shows that she watched when she was growing up. The best family vacation that she has ever taken was when she went to Myrtle Beach. Ms. Firestone, her husband and her mom met her Aunt and her family at the beach and they had a great time!

Mrs. Vicki Tressler – Library Clerk: Mrs. Tressler was busy this past summer helping her daughter and husband shop for a house. They were successful and found one in Emsworth, PA and moved in at the end of September. Mrs. Tressler does not have any pets, but she used to

have four turtles at her house at one time! Playing the piano is a favorite hobby of Mrs. Tressler’s. She started taking lessons in the 4th grade. She enjoys playing at her church and at many weddings throughout the year. American Idol and Survivor are two of her favorite TV shows that she

watches. She enjoys them because the whole family watches the shows together.



LIFETOUCH PICTURES

It’s not too late to schedule that important appointment for your son or daughter’s haircut! Photographers from LIFETOUCH Studios will be at CNP on Tuesday, March 2nd to take student pictures. So, get plenty of rest, pick out a great shirt and get ready to show off your best smile!

Be sure to check your student’s backpack for more detailed information.

Connellsville Area High School
 proudly presents
"SINGIN' IN THE RAIN"
 March 4, 5, 6
 7:30 PM
 March 7
 2:00 PM
 Senior High School Auditorium
 Tickets are available at:
 Connellsville High School Box Office
 Call 724-626-4063 or 724-628-1350 for more information

QUESTIONS?
 Call any PTG officer:
 Jennifer Shawley 724-455-7013
 Wendy Leichtler 724-455-1227
 Gena Caldwell 724-787-1775
 Lynn Farkas 724-455-6265

PTG MEETING ATTENDANCE

MONTH	PARENTS & TEACHERS
SEPT.....	47
Oct.....	17
Nov.....	27
Dec.....	No meeting
Jan.....	15
Feb.....	cancelled

*Hello,
 The annual Dinner and a book is March 26th. Save that date!
 If you can help come to the next PTG meeting for the details. Lots of help is needed for this event.
 Thanks to everyone who sold Sarris Candy. The totals are not in yet, look for those numbers in next month's newsletter. Delivery is Thursday March 25th.
 The February PTG meeting was cancelled due to the weather.
 The next meeting is March 8th at 7:00pm. I hope to see you there! Remember a sitter is provided.*

*Jennifer Shawley
 PTG President*



We know you've heard of it because you get an order form every month. Have you tried it? If you haven't, you don't know what you're missing! There are so many wonderful benefits from this monthly fundraiser, but we won't bore you with ALL the details. There is a huge selection to choose from (you've seen the order form)! The food is delivered to the school once a month for convenient pick-up. C.N. Pitts earns a portion of the monthly sales as profit and the money is spent on your kids. For example, the money we earn through Market Day sales helps to pay for monthly programs, field trips, Book Fair vouchers, etc. HOW GREAT IS THAT!?!

Now we know you're getting really excited about Market Day and you're wondering what you can do to help, right? Pick up that order form and mark off the items you want to try and return it to the school before Friday, February 26th. Need a little more time? No problem! You can place your order online at www.marketday.com up until March 2nd.

Don't miss this great opportunity to order your fish and seafood for the Lenten Season. There is a super selection of items available to suit everyone's taste. Here's another great suggestion...order your Easter ham, veggies and pies for Easter dinner and you'll be helping our school earn money!

CenterStage
 Connellsville Jr. High East
 proudly presents
"HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL"
 March 19, 20
 7:00 PM
 March 21
 2:00 PM
 Tickets for all performances are \$7.00
 For more information or to purchase tickets
 Contact Mr. Ben Haines
 724-628-8910