



# CNP JUNE NEWSLETTER

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## Connellsville Summer Sports Series

### JUNE EVENTS

- June 1st Last Chance to order Market Day
- June 7th Market Day 6-7 PM
- June 9th Band Concert 10 AM
- June 11th Last Day of School Early Dismissal

The Connellsville Recreation Board will be working with local businesses and the school district to provide five summer activities for area children.

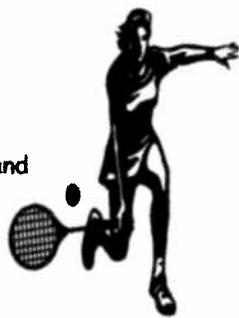
Starting June 28th we will be having a five week sessions of tennis, basketball, arts and crafts and golf. We will also be having a baseball camp for two weeks and will be starting a flag football league in the fall. We are asking that the school district allow us to copy and distribute information regarding the programs throughout the district.

Prices will be set at:

\$20.00 for the first child with additional camps being \$10.00

\$10.00 for the second child with additional camps being \$5.00 Free for the third and any additional children

More definitive information will be given to the district closer towards the end of the school year.



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*Summer Food Service Program  
The Connellsville Area School District will once again be offering the  
Summer Food Service Program.*

*June 21 thru  
July 30, 2010.  
11:30 am-1:00 pm*

*All children 18 and younger are eligible for a FREE lunch regardless of family size or income. No pre-registration is necessary. Adult lunches are available for \$2.50. Visit one of the following sites:*

- Bullskin Elementary*
- Dunbar Twp. Elementary*
- Springfield Elementary*
- South Side Elementary*
- Zachariah Connell Elementary*

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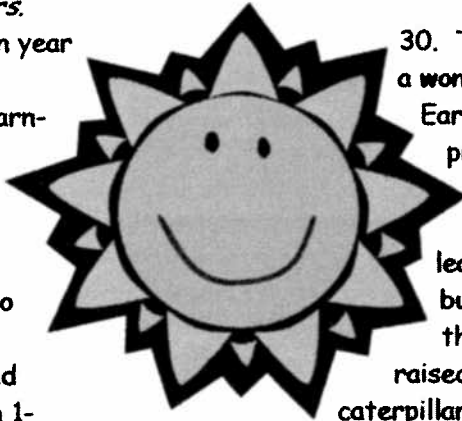
Please send them in with your child  
To school to place in a drop-off box.

"Thanks for taking the time to help  
Our school earn a few extra dollars  
Help keep the Earth clean!"



# CLASSROOM NEWS

As kindergarten winds down the year, Mrs. Cramer and Mrs. Shepler look back at a fun year of learning. They finished all 26 letters, learning the capital, lowercase, and sound for each. They also have a collection of songs that go with each letter. The children can now count and write their numbers from 1-

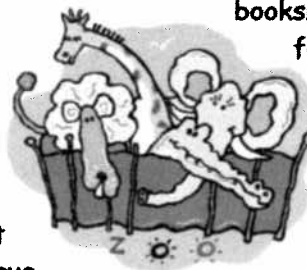


30. They had a wonderful Earth Day program where they released butterflies that they raised from caterpillars and also

sang the song "Mr. Sun". And now that school is coming to an end "Mr. Sun—These little children are asking you to please come out so we can play with you!" As for playing, both classes are also excited about their first Fun Day at CNP. Thank you P.T.G. for all of the really cool extras that you ad to our school experiences. We appreciate you.

First Graders in Mrs. Stepanic's room have been busy with many fun spring projects. They learned all about taking care of the earth. They were visited by a wump that taught them all about how pollution and carelessness ruined the Wump World. 1<sup>st</sup> Grade enjoyed the Earth Day celebration as they sang "Everything Grows" and "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle". Everyone did such a nice job. Even the frogs came out to visit! First graders have been learning about plants. They have taken a close look at seeds and plant parts. Students are amazed at how a simple plant does so much. The students also learned the importance of those creepy

crawlers in relation to plants. They have learned the life cycle of many insects and even watched the life cycle of the butterfly. Everyone was so excited to see the butterflies hatch. Time to set them free! They also studied the honeybee and took an imaginary trip inside the hive and rapped it all up with a yummy honey treat! Oh, we are just so buzzy! The class is moving on to animals and how they need those amazing plants. Speaking of animals, the children were very excited about their field trip to the Pittsburgh Zoo. 1<sup>st</sup> graders continue to perfect their writing skills. They have



written many stories and poems this year as they learned the process real writers go through. The poems they wrote for Mom were terrific. Just ask Mom! Finally, first graders are stepping up their addition and subtraction skills by adding/ subtracting double digits. Our reading has come so far. Students have worked hard to become independent readers and are even hitting the chapter books! They are so ready for second grade (if Mrs. Stepanic decides to let them go).

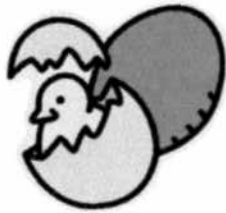
Mrs. Show and Mrs. Ulery's students are wrapping up unit 6 in Reading. Second graders have been challenged this year with the new Reading series. The stories have been great! They are still working very hard on their cursive writing. It would be a very



good idea if second graders practice cursive over the summer. They have worked so hard forming each letter!! The students are working hard completing a Geometry chapter. Second grade loves working with shapes and fractions. They have also been busy studying the "States of Matter" in Science. Both classes

loved the "Junie B. Jones" play at the high school and our Earth Day program was great!! We sang a song with the third graders titled, "Earth Day Birthday." Everyone did a great job!! Students should continue reading, writing, and practicing Math facts over the summer. It has been a good year!!

*Mrs. Hoover's* third grade class enjoyed participating in the Earth Day program at school. They sang *Earth Day, Birthday* with the second grade. It is a great song to the tune of *The Twelve Days of Christmas* but with animals in the lyrics. The students will be tie-dyeing tee shirts to wear to Awards Day. They wrote a class limerick, typed it in the computer lab, and Miss Dix taught the students to insert pictures of the class behind and around the text. Third grade is also incubating 31 chicken eggs in the classroom - hopefully we will have chicks soon! They had a registered nurse



visit our class. She did some fun activities with the students to go along with our Health unit on Preventing Disease. Third Graders made ecosystems to decorate the hall in front of their classroom - stop by to see them. *Mrs. Hoover's* class also enjoyed an ice cream party for having the most students sell Sarris candy for the spring sale. *Mrs. Parsons's* 3<sup>rd</sup> Grade class had a wonderful trip Carnegie Science Center on April 28<sup>th</sup>. The class really enjoyed their day. They watched an Omnimax movie about life under the sea. It was truly amazing. They had many exhibits on robots this year and they had a lesson on programming robots. The children participated

in the on stage lesson. The students also enjoyed the miniature railroad display. This year Fallingwater was added to the display and the children really enjoyed that since they had visited the actual Fallingwater in November. As an added treat the class had enough time to stop at the Dairy Queen on the way home. Earth Day was a great success. 3<sup>rd</sup> Graders joined second grade in a lively song about our beautiful Earth. They were able to release 7 butterflies from our classroom. We are all looking forward to Fun Day and some additional fun activities to close the school year.

4<sup>th</sup> graders in *Miss Polosky* and *Mrs. Henry's* class participated in the 3<sup>rd</sup> annual AgFest held by the Fayette County Conservation District. On May 13<sup>th</sup> the classes traveled to the Fayette County Fairgrounds and learned about farm animals,

crops, and the technology used to run one of Pennsylvania's most valuable industries. Since the last newsletter, 4<sup>th</sup> grade has taken the Science portion of the PSSA test. All of our students really put forth their best effort on a difficult exam!

For Earth Day, 4th grade classes walked along the bottom portion Nebo Road and collected litter. The look of the road after they finished is proof that "a little goes a long way!"



Students in *Ms. Firestone's* 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math class are starting to do ratios, and they have an extra credit project that is very interesting. We will see who gets the right answer. In Social Studies the students have recited the Preamble, and now they are studying the states with their capitals. They will be taking the first part of the test this week, and the second part next week. They are making posters to



cheer the 6<sup>th</sup> grade on at the track meet. In corrective reading the class made booklets to go with "The Indian Captive" they turned out really nice! They also did reports on a biome in Science that were really remarkable! The fifth grade students in *Mrs. Coffman's* class have been studying our beautiful earth! In computer lab, they made power points about

biomes. They did research and created posters with ideas to keep their planet healthy. Visit the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade hallway to see some of their slogans. The class field trip to Old Bedford Village was a great success. They were able to see many of the things that they have been studying in History! As the year winds down, the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade class will continue to review and practice math skills. They don't want to forget anything from 5th grade!

*Mrs. Ladowitz* and *Mrs. Schilling* are busy wrapping up the year with their 6<sup>th</sup> Grade classes. They are in their last chapter of history and they are studying the



World Wars, the Great Depression and the Holocaust. 6<sup>th</sup> Grade enjoyed their field trip to Gettysburg. It was nice to see the place where the North and South clashed in what remains the largest battle ever on the American Continent. Their day began with the Cyclo-rama, Film and Museum and then they spent several hours on the battle-field. The students visited such places

as Little Round Top, Devils Den and the Pennsylvania Monument. Pictures are available at [www.mrsladowitzsclass.wikispaces.com](http://www.mrsladowitzsclass.wikispaces.com)

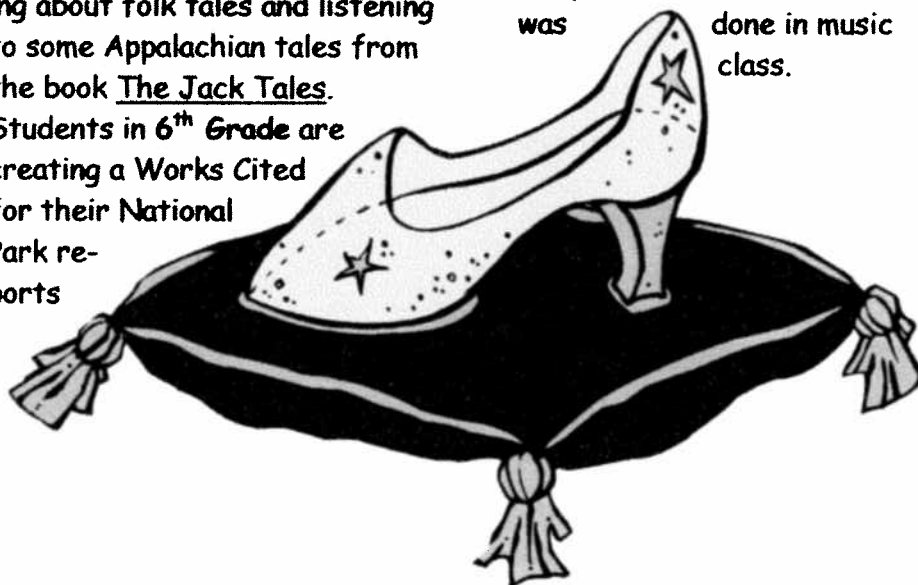
6<sup>th</sup> Grade would like to thank some of you for making this trip possible. A special thanks to the parent chaperones, the parents that helped us fundraise, and the businesses that donated to our trip!

## HAPPENINGS AT THE LIBRARY

*Miss Dix* is making sure that her students get the most that they can out of their time with her during Library class. Kindergarten has been enjoying the classic fairy tales and will be meeting Eric Carle and his wonderful picture books. 1<sup>st</sup> Grade is enjoying Hans Christian Andersen fairy tales and the parts of a fairy tale. 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade continues to learn how to use Athena to locate books in the library. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Grade students are

finishing the Hank the Cowdog story The Cookie Moon. They have also practiced using the Almanac. 5<sup>th</sup> Graders are learning about folk tales and listening to some Appalachian tales from the book The Jack Tales. Students in 6<sup>th</sup> Grade are creating a Works Cited for their National Park reports

using Word 2007. They will also complete a bookmark based on the composer research that was done in music class.



*Hello Everyone,*

*Wow! Another school year gone by.*

*What a great FUNDAY! Thanks to all the volunteers that made it happen.....*

*Each student will again be receiving a yearbook, compliments of PTG.*

*Please continue to save Campbell's soup labels, Box tops, Tyson labels and Shop& Save receipts over the summer.*

*We will be having a June Market Day Sale. Orders are due to school by May 28th and internet orders are due June 1st and pick up is June 7th.*

*Many THANKS to Lynn Farkas Treasurer and Wendy Leichliter Vice President for their hard work over their term. Welcome Kelly Sarnelli Vice President and Jamie Ream Treasurer to the PTG board.*



*Farewell and Good Luck to all the 6th grade students.*

*THANKS to everyone for your outstanding fundraising efforts! It is only with the continued support of the parents that the PTG can continue to provide for our children.*

*Have a great summer!*

*Thanks,*

*Jennifer Shawley*

**QUESTIONS?**

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**PTG MEETING ATTENDANCE**

MONTH	PARENTS & TEACHERS
Sept.....	47
Oct.....	17
Nov.....	27
Dec.....	No meeting
Jan.....	15
Feb.....	cancelled
March.....	19
April.....	33
May.....	28

