

# LEWISBURG ELEMENTARY

## PSA NEWSLETTER Jan. 2010

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello!

I hope that you all had an enjoyable break and that you are finding yourselves getting back into a routine in this New Year! Enclosed within this newsletter you will find very important information regarding the PSA fundraiser – The Dragon Dash. This is the only scheduled fundraiser that we have for this school year and we hope to keep it that way! We had an amazing amount of support for this endeavor last year, and based on the success that we saw from our First Annual Dragon Dash, we took a big leap of faith and cancelled the fall product sale that so many families had grown weary of. We hope that you will once again support us in this fundraising effort so that we can continue to provide the schools with free books, agendas, related arts programs, financial assistance to those in need, grants for the teachers and many, many other things.

You will also find information on an additional opportunity to purchase spiritwear for your family. The PSA is so pleased to have been able to provide you with the opportunity to purchase such reasonably priced logo wear for all members of your family and we are thrilled to see how many families were able to take advantage of it! We work hard to keep the prices as reasonable as possible because the spiritwear sale is not intended to be a fundraiser, but more a service to our families. It's not too late to get yours. If you are interested, there are further details included within this newsletter. For those of you who have already purchased your spiritwear, be sure to wear it if you stop by the school on Dragon Dash day!

Finally, the PSA is proud to invite your family to join us for the annual PSA Skating Party to be held at the Sunset Skating Rink on March 21 from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Admission is free. We do request that each person bring a non-perishable food item. There is a small fee for skate rentals. We hope to see many of you there! Please note that the January PSA meeting will be held on the second Monday of the month rather than the third, due the Martin Luther King holiday.

**Tara Humphrey**

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## Get ready...Get set...DASH!!!!!!!!!!



The second Dragon Dash FUNdraiser is right around the corner on Friday, January 22, 2010! **Building on the success of last year's Dash and in response to your feedback, this will be the ONLY PSA fundraiser for the 2009-2010 school year!** With the Dragon Dash there is nothing to sell, but we need kids to go out these next few weeks with their donation envelopes and ask friends, family members, and others they know to support their efforts while they run/walk for 15 minutes during the school day. If your family prefers not to solicit sponsors, please consider making a personal donation on behalf of your child/children. The funds raised through the Dragon Dash will be used to support school programs and purchases that benefit Kelly and Linntown students. Some examples of these programs are: the Needy Child fund (which is being used more frequently in this economy), Related Arts programming (the Butterfly Man, Bruce Van Patter), teacher grants, agenda books, playground equipment and more. All donations are due on Thursday, Jan. 21. We are looking forward to watching the kids *Dash* for their school and hope you will support their efforts. Please feel free to contact Courtney Rosevear at [briscoe0301@yahoo.com](mailto:briscoe0301@yahoo.com) or Tara Michaels at [Michaels@dejazzd.com](mailto:Michaels@dejazzd.com) if you have any questions.

**GO DRAGONS!**

# KELLY ELEMENTARY

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

### Kelly Cares for Kids

Dear Parents and PSA Members,

It is amazing how fast time will fly when you are having as much fun as we are having here at Kelly. I personally can't believe that the first semester is coming to a close. At the end of the first half of the 2009-2010 educational year, I would like to take a second to say thank you to everyone involved in our student's educational lives. It takes every one of us to educate the young minds who cross the threshold of Kelly Elementary on a daily basis. I am sure the second semester will be equally as productive as the first.

We are looking forward to having Officer Phil here to present a safety program to all of our children on Monday, January 11.

Please plan to attend our Second Annual Dragon Dash on Friday, Jan. 22. Last year many parents came to cheer on the students as they ran/jogged/walked/trotted around the gym. It was an exciting time for all.

It is time for our second round of Benchmark testing. During the next two weeks, we will be administering our DIBELS and 4-Sight assessments. These assessments are repeats from the beginning of the year and will provide us with data pertaining to individual student growth. From these assessments, we will identify basic areas of need for each student and will allow us to tailor our instruction to meet those needs.

Kelly Elementary and Bucknell have teamed up for a day of volunteering in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. On Jan. 19, students from Bucknell will give presentations in our classrooms. Each presentation will be grade-level appropriate and will pertain to the life of Dr. King, Jr. and the Civil Rights movement. Thank you to the Multicultural Services Department at Bucknell for arranging this opportunity for our students.

A newsletter for this time of year would not be complete if I did not include a section about the weather and proper attire. Please remember to send in hats, gloves, snow suits, and boots for your child. We will have outdoor recess as long as the temperature and wind chill stay above 10 degrees.

Important dates to remember:

- **Jan. 11** Officer Phil (all grades)
- **Jan. 18** no school for students (MLK Day)
- **Jan. 19** Bucknell MLK presentations
- **Jan. 22** Dragon Dash (all grades)
- **Jan. 28** Writing Program with Dr. Fincke (3rd Grade)
- **Feb. 12** is a snow make up for our December snow day

As always, thank you for all you do for us here at Kelly Elementary and for giving us the opportunity to educate your child.

Sincerely,

**Dustin Dalton**

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## Save the Date

**WHAT:** PSA 2010 Roller Skating Party

**DATE:** March 21

**TIME:** 4:30 - 7:30 pm

**PLACE:** Sunset Rink Roller  
Skating Rink



# LINNTOWN ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

## Dear Linntown Families,

I hope you all had a safe and enjoyable holiday season. It was nice to spend time with family and friends. Despite seeming a little sleepy on the first day back and not overly excited about homework, the kids are happy to be back at school.

It was wonderful to see so many of you at the holiday concerts. I have heard many positive comments about both performances. We are truly fortunate to have such a strong music program with both choral and orchestra opportunities for our students. Mark your calendar for March 9 — the date of the Pops Concert. This year's concert is extra special, as it is the 40th year that Linntown students have been participating in this event. One of my favorite things about the Pops Concert is that it marks the only time during the students' school careers when the entire school population performs together on stage. Mr. Walz has been busy planning this year's concert, which will take a look at music from the past 40 years, and will feature two former Lewisburg music teachers as guest directors. Another very important element of the Pops Concert is that it has always been an event to raise money for worthy causes. After benefiting Evangelical Hospital for many years, last year the concert proceeds went to the Lewisburg Area Education Association Provisional Fund. This worthy cause helps to support students in the Lewisburg Area School District whose families are in financial need. Last year's concert raised over \$3,500 for the fund. We are hoping to be even more successful in 2010. In the upcoming months, information will be mailed detailing how you can help.

Speaking of worthy causes, Linntown students were very busy during the month of December giving back to the community. With the help of the local chapter of Pennsylvania Retired Teachers, the fifth grade students collected hats and mittens. Our fourth grade students collected canned foods for the local food bank and brought in a whopping quarter ton of food! One of the very special things about this age group is their awareness and interest in helping those in need, combined with the true belief that they can make a difference.

I would also like to give a sincere thank you to the PSA for helping to make the holidays extra special for the District's neediest students. Each year, the provisional fund helps to provide clothing and other essential items to those who may need assistance. This year, through the coordination of Mrs. Miller, the Linntown and Kelly third grade counselor, students received Lewisburg T-shirts and sweatshirts through the PSA Spirit Wear fundraiser. The PSA generously allowed us to purchase the clothing at cost. I cannot begin to tell you how many of these students I saw proudly wearing the T-shirts and sweatshirts (many wearing both at the same time and now for two days in a row...) when they arrived back on the 4th. It may seem like a little thing, but for many students, this was the first time they ever had Lewisburg clothing to wear. I smile every time I see one those shirts now.

Bucknell Buddies will soon be starting up! The Linntown staff, along with assistance from eighth grade and high school students, will be coordinating the homework help beginning on Jan. 19 until the Bucknell students resume on Feb. 8. Letters have been mailed home for students who may benefit. If your child was in Buddies in the fall at Linntown, he or she has automatically been reenrolled for the spring. If you would like to change the days or any contact information, please mark it on the form that was mailed.

As always, we thank you for your continued support. Please feel free to contact me with any questions or comments that you may have. Stay warm.

**Paula J. Reber**

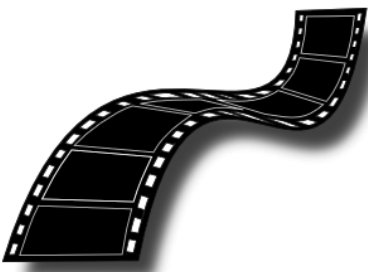
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## Linntown Families:

We are in the process of putting together the yearbook. If you have any photos from your child's class on a trip or at school, please burn them to a disc and turn them in to the school, Attention: Carolyn Garisto.

Also, add your name and phone number/e-mail in case there are any questions.

THANKS



# Dear Parents and Guardians:

## WE NEED YOUR HELP AND CONTINUED PARTICIPATION!

There will be two additional Community Input Sessions on Jan. 19 and March 16 at 7 pm in the Lewisburg Area High School Cafeteria.

The Lewisburg Area School District is continuing its public discussion to develop a Master Facilities Plan. As a result of the two previous community sessions held in the fall, we have a recommended facilities plan from DeJong Consulting and at least six addi-

tional alternative scenarios for consideration. Each of these options will be presented at the Jan. 19 meeting with ample opportunity for the public to provide feedback and additional ideas for consideration.

We need the assistance of the greater community to help us develop a long-term facilities plan that will meet the needs of our educational programs, extracurricular activities, and projected en-

rollment growth. It is critical that we have good representation from all segments of our community and urge you to attend these meetings.

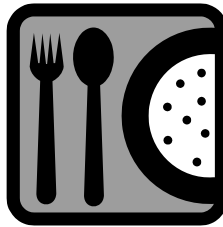
Please forward this to any individuals you believe may be interested in participating in this process. For more information on VISION 2020 and the Master Facilities Plan, please visit our website at [www.lasd.us](http://www.lasd.us).

## Cafeteria Help Needed

Help is needed in the cafeteria to aid students with their lunches each day throughout the school year.

**Lunch runs from 11 a.m. to 1:15 p.m.**

If you would like to help out, please sign up on the calendar located at the school office or e-mail Maureen Star-mack at [tmstarmack@dejazzd.com](mailto:tmstarmack@dejazzd.com). You may stay the entire time or as long as you desire.



## Lewisburg Little League Baseball

Registration for Lewisburg Little League began online in December. Please go to [www.lewisburgll.org](http://www.lewisburgll.org) for more information or to register online. All 2010 forms will be available online to print and return if needed.

In-person registration will be at KFC on Saturday, Jan. 9 from 12-5 pm

Wednesday, Jan. 13 from 5-8 pm and on

Saturday, Jan. 16 from 12-5 pm

You may also drop your forms off at the Market Street Deli up until Monday, Jan. 18.

**No late registrations will be accepted after Monday, Jan. 18.**

### PSA Newsletter Material Deadlines

Issue Month	Deadline
Feb. 10	Feb. 1
Mar. 10	Mar. 1
Apr. 10	Mar. 29
May 10	May 3

## PSA SAFE SCHOOLS DIRECTORY INFORMATION

There are some more additions and corrections to make to the Safe Schools Directory. Please add the following information to your copy.

### ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

#### MARINO

Draven Mr. Bennett 4th grade  
 Michael & Jan Michele Marino  
 164 Jean Blvd.  
 Lewisburg, PA 17837  
 Home: 570-522-3717  
 Cell: 201-780-3202 (Mike)  
 201-780-2663 (Jan)  
 E-mail: [jaggold@aol.com](mailto:jaggold@aol.com) (Mike)  
[masaki222@aol.com](mailto:masaki222@aol.com) (Jan)

#### WHITERITE

Coleman Mrs. Davidson 3rd grade  
 Jan Witherite (MOM)  
 618 Pennsylvania St.  
 Lewisburg, PA 17837  
 Home: 570-0945

#### MURPHY

Hunter Mr. Cicoria 5th grade  
 Kendall Ms. Jarrett 3rd grade  
 Harrison Ms. Papson 1st grade  
 CORRECT EMAIL: [llmurphy@dejazzd.com](mailto:llmurphy@dejazzd.com)

If you are new to the school district since this information was collected, if you have updates, or if your information needs to be corrected, please feel free to contact me.

Thanks!

Marcey Nolan  
[mnolan@bucknell.edu](mailto:mnolan@bucknell.edu)



# You Can Make a Difference for Our School

- **Clip** Box Top coupons from favorite products and send them to our school.
- **Sign up to support** our school on the BoxTops website at [btfe.com](http://btfe.com)
- **Shop** at over 100 favorite online stores through the BoxTops Marketplace® ([btfe.com/marketplace](http://btfe.com/marketplace)); our school earns up to 15% of your qualifying purchases, at no additional cost to you!
- **Purchase books** through the BoxTops Reading Room<sup>SM</sup> at Barnes & Noble; our school earns up to 6% of your purchases.

Feb. 17 is the next deadline to submit box tops. Please submit clipped Box Tops in baggies with the name of your child's teacher.

For more information on how you can help our school earn cash through Box Tops, contact Kim Gilger, our Box Tops coordinator, at [gilger@dejazzd.com](mailto:gilger@dejazzd.com) or visit [btfe.com](http://btfe.com).



Labels for Education

Keep clipping those UPCs from Campbell's and Pepperidge Farm products.

Save the CAPS from V8 products.

Way to go, Kelly and Linntown!



#### UPCOMING PSA MEETINGS

Jan. 11 – Kelly Library

Feb. 8 – Linntown Elementary

Mar. 15 – Kelly Library

Apr. 21 – Linntown Elementary

# Spiritwear

If you missed out on ordering or would like to order more of the spiritwear items, please complete the following form.

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Teacher:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Grade:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email:** \_\_\_\_\_

Product	Price	S	M	L	XL	XXL (add \$1)	XXXL (add \$2)	# of Items	\$ Amount
V-neck-run small Adult (gray)	\$10					N/A	N/A		
Long Sleeve T Adult (black)	\$10								
Long Sleeve T Youth (black)	\$7				N/A	N/A	N/A		
Short Sleeve T Adult (gray)	\$6								
Short Sleeve T Youth (gray)	\$5				N/A	N/A	N/A		
Sweatshirt Adult (forest green)	\$15								
Sweatshirt Youth (forest green)	\$14				N/A	N/A	N/A		

Make check payable to: **Lewisburg Elementary PSA**  
 Please return order form and payment to your child's classroom by  
**Wednesday, January 25, 2010.**  
**All sales are final.**  
 Questions? Please contact Tara Michaels at [michaels@dejazzd.com](mailto:michaels@dejazzd.com) or  
**523-8511.**

Total Items:      Total Due:

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