

Eagle's Eye

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PTO President's Letter

Believe it or not, now is the time of year that we begin planning for the 2011-2012 school year. We must begin looking at the PTO budget and deciding how to allocate funds for our committees because much of the fundraising done this school year pays for events and programming early next year.

The biggest chunk of our budget, approximately 35%, goes to providing cultural arts programming. Cultural Arts is at the core of our mission as a PTO, which is to enhance the curriculum here at New Eagle. During the year each child participates in a number of all-school as well as grade-level-specific programs intended to expose our children to the arts and/or to expand a specific area of learning by providing an outside performer, artist, or educator. In addition to these programs, each year the PTO welcomes a visiting author to the school as well as an "Artist in Residence" who runs a week-long intensive with the children in a particular area of the arts. This year we are looking forward to hosting the Walnut Street Theater. A complete list of the 2010-2011 cultural arts events is included in this newsletter. Please take a look and ask your kids about the programs they have enjoyed.

We are hopeful that our upcoming Parent Social (Friday, April 1st at Mixx in Villanova) will bring in the funds to continue our support for these outstanding programs. Funds raised at the social will be earmarked for Cultural Arts. So mark your calendars and come out to enjoy a fun evening with friends and an opportunity to support the arts at New Eagle. Our other fundraising efforts this year have come in a little short so we really need your help to continue providing quality programs for our children. We'd also like your input and suggestions...

FEBRUARY 2011

Feb. 14 Valentine Classroom Parties 2:30
Feb. 17 Group Picture Day
Feb. 21 Presidents Day No School
Pizza Bingo, originally scheduled for February, has been changed to March 11 (watch for details later)

I hope you noticed our survey request in the PTO Blast. If not, here's the link: www.surveymonkey.com/s/8CGP52Y. This is your chance to provide input about how the PTO budget is allocated, particularly regarding our Cultural Arts programs. The PTO is your organization – please share your thoughts so we can best represent the interests of the students, parents, teachers, and staff at New Eagle. We look forward to reading your responses!

.Jenny Wessels, PTO President 2010-2011
wessels@comcast.net

Friends of the New Eagle PTO

Thanks the following individuals for their generous contributions to the New Eagle PTO

Anonymous (2)	The Niemeyer Family
The Delaney Family	The Sellig Family
The Elken Family	Walt & Stephanie Smith
The Evitts Family	Jenny and David Wessels
The Hottenstein Family	Nina D'Iorio & Kip Wolin
The Lebeau Family	Gail and Nick Wright
The Lee Family	
Mark & Maria Micolucci	
Marian Nalitt & Devin Murphy	

To become a Friend of the PTO, go to our website www.neweaglepto.org and click on the 'Giving' link.

Guidelines for a 2 Hour Delayed Opening

In order to maintain a consistent interpretation, the following procedures have been established for operating the elementary schools on a two-hour delayed opening. Most of the guidelines pertain to kindergarten since that is the area most greatly affected by a two-hour delayed opening.

Kindergarten Procedures AM kindergarten will be canceled on days when we have a delayed opening.

Breakfast No breakfast is served on a day where there is a two-hour delayed opening..

Procedures for the Remainder of Classes All other classes will follow their revised two-hour delayed opening schedule. Special attention should be given to the scheduling of language arts and mathematics.

School Board Committee Meetings, Minutes, and Reports

School Board meetings, workshops, and special meetings are scheduled on Mondays throughout the school year and begin at 7:30 p.m. in meeting room 200 of the Tredyffrin/Easttown Administration Offices (West Valley Business Center, 940 West Valley Rd., Suite 1700, Wayne), unless otherwise announced. All community members are welcome to attend.

Dates, topics, and times are subject to change so check the District website for the School Board, its various committees and their [meeting dates, agendas & minutes](#). Meeting minutes are also available on the T/E School District web site by clicking on "School Board" then "Meeting Dates, Agendas and Minutes." Click on the name of the meeting on the corresponding meeting date.

Below is the URL for the School Board Committee meeting summaries - you will need to click on "Monthly Summaries" on the left side of the page and then you will see the available months for download.

<http://www.tesd.net/2127101028153840363/site/default.asp>.

T/e-Bulletin Board

For a complete listing of community activities fliers, visit the [T/e-Bulletin Board](#).

(Bookmark this new address as your old bookmarks will not work with the District's new website.)

Fliers are posted about the 10th and 25th of each month. The T/e-Bulletin Board is a service to the community. While the T/E School District reviews fliers for content, the District is not responsible for the actual activities or events.

Eagle's Eye Newsletter

The purpose of the **Eagle's Eye** is to inform parents of New Eagle, district or PTO functions and information. Information that does not fall into these categories will not be published. Submissions for the **Eagle's Eye** newsletter should be submitted electronically, whenever possible, and no later than the deadline below to nees_newsletter@yahoo.com Word docs or pdf files preferred (no PowerPoint). Next deadline: Feb. 22 for the March issue.

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Co-Editors

New Eagle Elementary 2010-2011 Cultural Arts Schedule

September: Robin Moore Working as a team, 3rd grade classes erect a 12-foot Cheyenne tipi on the school grounds. Students gather inside to hear a traditional Native American story and to compare and contrast how the Lenape Indians of our area and the tipidwelling Indians of the Great Plains were able to obtain all that they needed from the plants and animals in their environment.

October: Mother Goose Mother Goose entertains the Kindergarteners with interactive rhymes about letters and numbers.

October: Jump with Jill Jump with Jill is a live rock 'n roll concert about nutrition for elementary school children. This exciting program addresses an urgent need to connect with kids in a time when advertisements for high fat, high sugar foods and endless opportunities to choose the couch over physical activity are at an all-time high. With fun props, catchy songs and dancing, students learn about many aspects of health. Like how to choose healthy foods, why our bodies need calcium and how to include it in your diet, why whole foods are so healthy, and why our bodies need exercise. This show is performed for the entire school.

November: Richard Aldorasi

4th graders participate in this hands-on living history program that introduces students to the historical methods and techniques of Colonial papermaking and printing.

November: The Franklin Institute How to Build a Storm: The Weather Show Lightning, twisters and hail — oh my! This show reveals the science of weather ... to the extreme. Where does our weather come from, and what factors make it a sunny day or a blustery one? Our first graders make a cloud, explore thunder and lightning, and even create snow!

January: Janet Wong, Visiting Author Janet S. Wong is an award-winning author of poetry collections and picture books. Some of her books include Knock on Wood: Poems About Superstitions, Grump, and Homegrown House. She will spend the day with our

children presenting her work and inspiring them to write. This presentation is for the entire school.

January: Master Cheng, Chinese Paper Cutter This presentation is for the 2nd grade in conjunction with their celebration of Chinese New Year. Master Cheng is a professional artist of traditional Chinese paper cutting. This art form has been used to adorn walls, windows and clothing in China for more than 2,000 years.

February: Philadelphia Zoo Remarkable Rainforest! The Philadelphia zoo comes to New Eagle with real, live animals from the rainforest. Traveling naturalists bring animals and bio-facts for an educational and exciting encounter with wildlife for our 1st graders as an extension of their Rainforest unit.

February: Day in the Life of a Continental Soldier

A day-long program for our 4th graders presented by Valley Forge volunteers in which the students engage in hands-on-learning about a variety of daily life tasks during the time of the Revolutionary War. This program expands on the 4th grade social studies curriculum.

March: Betsy Ross Presented to the 3rd and 4th grades. A chance to meet, hear stories from and ask questions of Betsy Ross. An extension of the 3rd and 4th grade social studies lessons.

May: Kits Interactive This inspiring one-woman show combining history, music, dance and period costumes is presented to the 2nd and 4th grades.

May: Walnut Street Theater Philadelphia's own Walnut Theater, the nation's first and oldest theater, comes to New Eagle to present "The Boy Who Cried Bully" as an all-school assembly.

May: Walnut Street Theater Residency Walnut Street Theater's teaching artists will spend a week with our 4th graders in workshops teaching them the ins and outs of a theater performance -- everything from actor warm-up, improvisational theater games and basic acting techniques. The week will culminate in a final performance by the 4th graders for the rest of the school.

Chinese Paper Cutter Master Cheng Coming to New Eagle on Jan. 28th

Master Paper Cutter Cheng will be at New Eagle on January 28th to do a demonstration of the traditional art of Chinese paper cutting. Cheng uses a pair of scissors to cut intricate designs out of plain paper. He can go from a simple snowflake to an intricate design with animals and flowers.

The art of paper cutting dates back to the Han Dynasty in the 6th century when paper was invented. Traditionally, when everything was white and covered with snow, red cut outs added a splash of color.

Master Cheng has been practicing the art of paper cutting for the past 45 years.

This is a presentation sponsored by the PTO Cultural Arts Program

The Philadelphia Zoo Coming to New Eagle on Feb 18th

The Philadelphia Zoo is coming to New Eagle on February 18th with real live animals from the rainforest. Zoo experts will come to the school for 1st grade to have an interactive, educational and engaging experience with live animals.

This is a presentation sponsored by the PTO Cultural Arts Program

Parent Seminar with Barbara Bogle Feb. 16th

Save the date for New Eagle's parent seminar! On February 16th at 7:00 in the evening, New Eagle will host a parent seminar given by parent coach and former TE guidance counselor, Barbara Bogle. Learn great parenting tips to help you create a more positive home environment. Refreshments will be served and free babysitting services are available. If you would like further information, please contact Kerry McDonough (610-639-3159 or klmcdonough@comcast.net).

Save the Date Pizza Bingo March 11

Save the Date for New Eagle's Annual Pizza Bingo Night Friday, March 11, 2011 to be held at Valley Forge Middle School. Two seatings: 5:30pm and 7:30pm.

Details and sign-up to follow.

Poet Janet Wong Visited our School on January 13th

Sponsored by the PTO Cultural Arts Program, award-winning poet Janet Wong visited our school. She was there for the whole day for an All School Assembly and working with every grade teaching the students about poetry and inspiring them to write. Children did poems about family members and friends.

Some of their comments were:

"I thought the program was.....GREAT! I understand everything and I think she should come next year"

"I liked writing the poem, because I bet my friend would like it"

"I learned how fun is to write a poem"

Too Many Sweets?

What do you think about the idea of having "sweet treat-free" birthday celebrations at New Eagle? The idea has been posed to the PTO Health & Safety Committee, so we're looking for feedback and suggestions from our parents and teachers. Actually, this idea is already in place in New Eagle since the Kindergarten class successfully opted for "no treat" birthday parties this year. Children celebrated their birthdays and All About Me presentations in class, but without the sugary snacks. We're looking for input about whether to expand the idea to grades 1-4.

What do you think? Please email Karen Kruza Quinn at Karen@quinnca.com with your thoughts and ideas.

Girl Scout Cookies

If you are buying Girl Scout cookies this year please consider buying an extra box and donating them to Mrs. Ryan. Mrs. Ryan is collecting boxes of Girl Scout cookies for the veteran's center and the 228th Engineer Co who have soldiers stationed in Afghanistan. The soldiers really miss the little things we take for granted here at home - like Halloween candy and Girl Scout cookies. The 228th Engineer Co will ship them to the soldiers they have stationed from our area. Collection boxes will be in the gym. Thank you for your support.

REMINDER - Check the Online Calendar Often!

To access the District calendar, visit www.tesd.net and click on "Calendar" at the top of the page. To access your school's calendar, visit www.tesd.net, click on "Schools" and select the name of your school. From your school's home page, click on "Calendar" at the top of the page.

Film Screening at TSC: "Race to Nowhere"

We are excited to let you know that The Saturday Club will be hosting a screening of the film "Race to Nowhere: The Dark Side of America's Achievement Culture" on Thursday, February 10, 2011 at 7:15pm.

Synopsis: A concerned mother turned filmmaker aims her camera at the culture of hollow achievement and pressure to perform that has invaded America's schools. Featuring the heartbreaking stories of young people who have been pushed to the brink and educators who are burned out and worried that students aren't developing the skills needed for the global economy, RACE TO NOWHERE points to the silent epidemic running rampant in our schools. RACE TO NOWHERE is a call to families, educators, experts and policy makers to examine current assumptions on how to best prepare the youth of America to become the healthy, bright, contributing and leading citizens in the 21st century.

Tickets will be \$10 (plus a small processing fee) and will be available shortly at racetonowhere.com. Because we have limited capacity, please plan to purchase your tickets as soon as they are available.



InterSchool Council (ISC) Meeting Minutes - 1/1/11

The InterSchool Council is comprised of representatives from each of the T/E elementary and middle schools along with high school grade representatives. Council Chair Holly Amsterdam leads the discussion with district and School Board members contributing information. All ISC meetings are open to the public. The following topics were covered at the January meeting.

Budget - An update on the budget deficit was given by Karen Cruickshank, School Board President. The district is facing an \$8.8 million deficit for 2011-12. At the last School Board meeting, a vote was passed to keep the Act 1 Tax Exemptions as an option in reducing the budget. There are approximately 10 more meetings before the budget is finalized. The next School Board meeting is Monday, Jan. 24 and the next Finance Meeting is Feb. 14. See tesd.net for budget documents and dates. Betsy Fadem, School Board, indicated that there were new voices heard at the last School Board meeting and appreciated the professional tone. All township residents are encouraged to understand the fiscal crisis the school district is facing.

HES Update - Parent Representatives Kristen Mayock and Andrea Roundtree provided a report on events at HES. They received a Safe Routes to School Grant. They had a week to promote walking to school, putting parents at various spots to aid in the walking efforts. Officer Friendly also came to talk to the children about safety.

Another grant received by Hillside was for their Green Roof. The Green Roof was installed on part of the school's roof last summer. The grant covered installation and 2 years of maintenance but the roof is essentially self-maintaining. The roof helps with storm water run-off and saving energy and heat. There are two other Green Roofs planned/installed within the district - Penn Medicine and Tredyffrin Library.

DES Update - Parent Representative Ronya Hopkins reported that DES had a service project Jan. 14-28 in honor of MLK day. The project benefitted Home of the Sparrow, a charity focused on helping homeless families and children.

Professional Evaluation System - Presented by Dan Waters, Superintendent and Richard Gusick, Director of Curriculum, Instruction, Staff Development and Planning. The presentation was in response to a situation in T/E last year and the administration had promised to present the procedures for Teacher Evaluation. Throughout the school year teachers are observed and evaluated at various times, depending on tenure.

Sue Tiede, Director of Personnel, continued the presentation by explaining that tenure eligibility in T/E occurs after a "Satisfactory" rating is received in the second semester of the third year in one district. Once a teacher reaches tenure, he/she is considered a "professional employee". Areas of Evaluation are Planning and Prep, Classroom Environment, Instructional Delivery and Professionalism. If there is formal notification to a Professional Employee of "Unsatisfactory" performance, and there is no improvement in their Professional Improvement Plan (PIP), there is dismissal after 685 days (1 year, 10 months). Throughout the PIP, there may be various classroom observations as the goal of the PIP is to see improvement.

Dr. Waters emphasized that T/E has great teachers and the above dismissal situation is an outlier and part of due process.

Extended Learning Opportunities - Courses that are non-traditional, experience based or outside the classroom are considered Experiential Learning Opportunities (ELOs). Kevin Fagan, Assistant Principal, CHS, made a presentation about ELO program at the high school. It has been in the district for years. It has evolved for many reasons such as global influences, new technology, T/E Strategic Plan and the number of high school students that satisfy their core requirements throughout 7th to 10th grade.

Some types of ELOs are Service Learning and Independent which are self-guided learning opportunities. Another is Allied Health and Teaching for those focused on medicine and teaching. There is also Early College experiences where students can take college courses at participating colleges. The On-line Course program provides approved courses to those students seeking organized on-line learning activities. The ELOs

do not count against the 42 period high school cycle cap.

The next ISC meeting will focus on Student Achievement and FLITE. It will held on February 9 from 7:00-9:00pm at the TE Administration Building on West Vally Road. The public is invited to attend.



Parenting Sessions: A Framework for Support in Raising Children

7 to 8:30 p.m. Berwyn United Methodist Church 140 Waterloo Avenue, Berwyn, Pennsylvania All sessions are free and open to the public

- Jan. 26, 2011 Effective Communication and Boundary Setting
- Feb. 23, 2011 Technology and the Internet
- March 23, 2011 Transitions from the home into life.
- April 27, 2011 Impulsivity and Anger

About the Facilitator: A. Michael Blanche is a licensed clinical social worker specializing in dealing with addiction and dual diagnosis primarily in adolescents for over 13 years. He provides counseling at Bryn Mawr College, West Chester University, and has a private practice in West Chester. (www.amichaelblanche.com)

To register: Call the church office at 610-644-5555 and select 0. Although pre-registration is appreciated, walk-ins are welcome.

For more information: www.berwynumc.org or Gail Campbell 610-644-7843

Next ARCH Community Meetings

Dates: February 9; March 16; April 13; May 18

Location: T/E School District Administrative Office, West Valley Business Center, 940 West Valley Road, Suite 1700, Wayne, PA 19087

Are You Buying a Cell Phone for Your Child?

Consider spelling out your expectations in a family cell phone contract. For examples go to www.archcares.org/information.htm

School Board Update

Summaries of School Board Committee Meetings for January 2011

Visit www.tesd.net and click on 'School Board' for meeting dates, agendas and minutes. The public is warmly invited to all Committee meetings.

Education Committee, Chair: Betsy Fadem

Prepared by: Committee Chair

The Education Committee met on January 11, 2011. The Committee received a report from the administration on two topics; Experiential Learning Opportunities (ELO) at Conestoga High School and Math Curriculum Updates. The CHS administration presented a detail review of the ELO for our students. Originally these opportunities expanded the educational experiences beyond the "traditional walls" of the school. In recent times, these opportunities have expanded through technology. The District will continue to offer online courses to students in certain under subscribed courses and in courses the District is not offering in a classroom setting.

The administration provided the Committee with an update on the changes to the math courses for the 2011-2012 school year. These changes were implemented in response to the impending introduction of the Keystone exams. In summary, the changes will continue to meet the math instructional needs of all students by 1) including more Pre-Algebra topics in grades 5, 6, and 7; 2) tailoring the various Algebra 1 related courses to meet the needs of all 8th grade students and 3) providing an Algebra 1 academic level course for 9th graders that will meet two periods per day.

The Committee then revisited the 2011-2012 school calendar and recommend the following adjustment: Since January 2, 2012 is the Federal Holiday to celebrate New Year's Day, the District will be closed for school that day and one day will be added to the end of the school year, making the last half day for students June 12, 2012. These changes will be listed on the District website and reflected on the District calendar.

Facilities Committee, Chair: Pete Motel

Prepared by: Administrative Liaison

The Facilities Committee met on January 14. The District's architect updated the Committee on the status of the 2010-2011 construction projects all, with the exception of the demolition of the ESC building at 738 First Avenue, have been completed. The ESC demolition project is progressing on schedule. The Committee reviewed the budgets and final costs of the 2010-2011 projects and noted that all of the projects were completed under budget.

The Committee then discussed the list of 2011-2012 capital projects that are scheduled to go out for public bidding over the next few months.

The administration informed the Committee that lead and radon testing has been completed at both HES and VFMS. All lead testing at HES had satisfactory results and VFMS results are pending. A few of the radon tests at HES will require remediation work that will be completed as soon as possible. Radon testing results at VFMS were satisfactory.

The Committee reviewed the infrastructure and capital sources and uses report and noted that the 2010-2011 capital projects are projected to cost close to \$4.5 million. The administration noted that the annual depreciation expense (approximately \$6 million at T/E) is often used as a benchmark for determining spending on capital projects.

The Committee discussed the need for a permanent location for the Maintenance Department and centralized storage for the District. The architect presented several sketches of proposed structures to house the maintenance and storage functions on Old Lancaster Road. The Committee will continue to discuss these sketches.

Finally, the administration presented three budget reduction strategies discussed at the January Finance Committee meeting. The replacement of light fixtures in the District's gyms and exterior areas with higher

efficiency fixtures could result in electricity savings. Another strategy would accelerate projects on the infrastructure report that could reduce electricity usage. It was noted that these projects could be accelerated but they most likely could not be completed during the 2011-12 year. The Committee asked the administration to revise these strategies.

Finance Committee, Chair: Kevin Mahoney

Prepared by: Administrative Liaison

The Finance Committee met on January 10, 2011. The administration presented the Treasurer's report for December 2010. Total revenues collected to date were compared to monthly budgeted revenues with projected variances showing a budgeted deficit in excess of \$1.2 million. Also discussed was the summary of total expenditures to date with projected variances from budgeted expenditures showing the budgeted use of fund balance at less than \$200 thousand.

The Committee heard that final preparations were being made to send the District's lien property list to the County's tax claim bureau. The Committee discussed the costs and benefits of using a law firm to collect delinquent taxes as opposed to utilizing the County's tax claim bureau. This will be discussed at future meetings.

The Committee reviewed the budget calendar and noted completed items and as well as future dates.

The administration reviewed the preliminary proposed 2011-2012 budget and the assumptions used in the budget projection model. The Committee asked the administration to continue to review the supporting methodology for the assumptions and revise as new information becomes available. The preliminary proposed budget will be presented for a vote by the School Board at the January 24th Regular Board Meeting.

The administration lead a discussion on the Level 1 budget strategies. The Committee asked the administration to determine which ones could be implemented during the 2011-12 budget year. The revised strategies will be discussed at upcoming Committee meetings as the budget is developed prior to its final approval in June.

Finally, the Committee discussed the website "openPAgov.org." The Committee suggested that the Public Information Committee review the site as it relates to the District.

Policy Committee, Chair: Kevin Buraks

Prepared by: Administrative Liaison

The Policy Committee began the January Meeting by reviewing Policy 5116 - Non Resident Students- Enrollment Eligibility. The Committee recommended that the District no longer permit students who attended Conestoga High School their sophomore and junior years but whose family moves from the District after the last student day of the student's junior year to enroll as a senior. The Committee will review this policy again at its February meeting.

The Committee continued its review of Policy 51199- Foreign Students and International Exchange Study Program. The Committee agreed that it will be at the District's discretion that international students with a J-1 status sponsored by community members through the American Field Service (AFS) or the Rotary International Foreign exchange be enrolled in our schools, up to a maximum of six students.

The next item of business was a review of Draft Policy 4105: Payroll Discrepancies and Current Policy 3365: Payrolls. The Committee agreed to move the language of Policy 3365: Payrolls to Draft Policy 4105: Payroll Discrepancies, which will then be renamed Payrolls. Policy 3365 will be repealed. The Committee also agreed to move the detail from the policy to the regulation.

The Committee then discussed Draft Policy 9317: Act 1 Exceptions (Impact on Budget Timeline). Committee members made specific changes to the existing language. The Committee will review the draft policy again at its February 8, 2011 meeting.

In the 2000 Policy Series, Policy 2200: Central Office Administrative Organization and Policy 2202: Administrative Cabinet were recommended for a first reading. The language of Policy 2610: Administration Organization was moved to Policy 2110 and Policy 2200. The repeal of Policy 2610 was also recommended.

The Committee reviewed Policy and Regulation 5406 - Administration of Medication to Students. Many revisions had been made to this policy over several months as the Committee incorporated several new State regulations.

The Committee then discussed Policy and Regulation 1120: Communication with the School Board and Policy and Regulation 2110: Superintendent as Executive Officer. .

Public Information Committee, Chair: Debbie Bookstaber

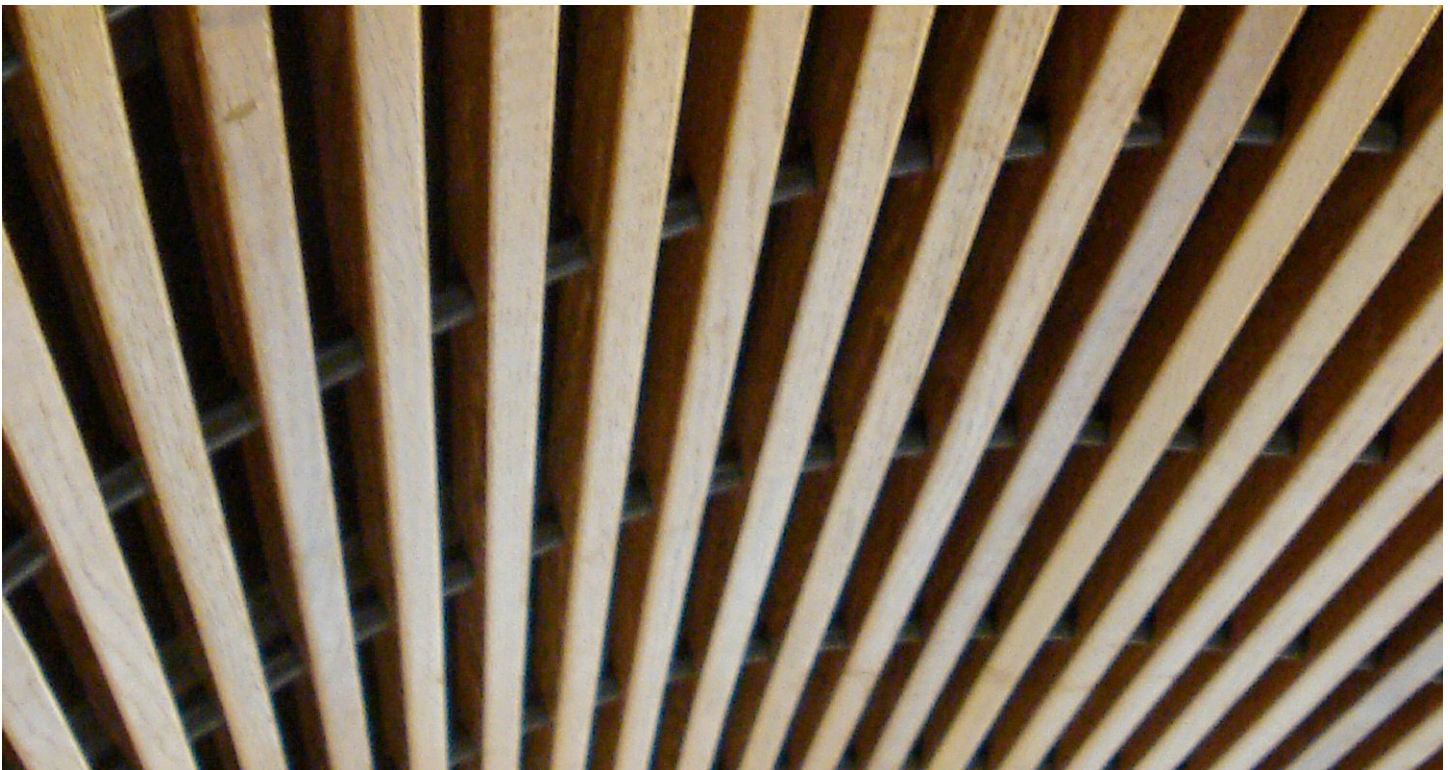
Prepared by: Administrative Liaison

The Committee discussed communication initiatives regarding the 2011-2012 budget. The Committee began by reviewing the budget communication pieces already in place including special mailings, press releases, the budget section of the TESD web site and updates in the District's e-newsletters. The Committee recommended that the administration post Dr. Waters' introductory statements from the January 10, 2011 Finance Committee meeting on the TESD web site and also

begin making meeting materials available on the TESD web site prior to the meeting.

The Committee reviewed topics for future T/E Board Talk programs. The Committee recommended that the January 24, 2011 priority discussion on the budget be the feature of the next program. The Committee supported the administration's recommendation of including an upcoming presentation on social networking and cyberbullying as part of a future T/E Board Talk program.

The administration provided an update on the District's e-newsletter program. At the recommendation of the InterSchool Council, the e-newsletter is now sent to community subscribers and all District parents. The District's Information Services Department reports that the District has an email address for 94% of families with students attending TE schools. As of January 11th, the e-newsletter is sent to 6,596 recipients. Lastly, the Committee discussed the PA Open Gov web site.





⚽ 2011 STATE CHAMP SOCCER CLINIC ⚽

Girls Ages 4 yrs – 14 yrs old
Saturday, February 26th • 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.

\$25 Session Fee - \$5 discount for siblings
Conestoga High School Gymnasium

Benefiting the Conestoga HS Girls Soccer Booster Club

**Fun Games, Skills Instruction, Competitions & More! Training conducted by the
Conestoga Girls Coaching Staff & 2010 State Semi-Finalist Players**

What to bring: A soccer ball, water bottle, sneakers, shin guards, & socks.

Space is Limited – Register Now!!!

*Your cancelled check is confirmation of registration – Registration & Payment to
Tracey Ellerbeck at 1821 Hawthorne Place, Paoli, PA 19301*

REGISTRATION/CONSENT

Participant Name _____

Age _____

Address _____

Phone (Home/Work/Cell) _____

Email _____

Allergies/Physical Limitations? If yes, please explain: _____

Taking medications? If yes, please explain: _____

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Emergency Contact Name/Phone # _____

Medical Insurance Co. Name & Policy # _____

Fees Due:	Session Fee	\$ 25.00
	Sibling Discount	(\$ 5.00)
	Total Enclosed	_____

As the parent/legal guardian of the child named above, I hereby give my full consent and approval for my child to participate in the Conestoga High School State Champ Soccer Clinic. I understand there are certain risks of injury inherent in the practice and play of this sport and I am willing to assume these risks on behalf of my child. I hereby certify that my child is fully capable of participating in the camp and that my child is healthy and has no physical or mental disabilities or infirmities that would restrict full participation in these activities. I do hereby waive, release and hold harmless Conestoga High School, Conestoga HS Girls Soccer Booster Club, Conestoga HS girls soccer players and coaching staff, its officers, directors, employees and other affiliated personnel or organizations for any injury that may be suffered by my child in the normal course of participation in the camp and the activities incidental thereto, whether the result of negligence or any other cause.

Signature Parent/Guardian

Date

Mail **registration and check** payable to Conestoga HS Girls Soccer Booster Club (CGSBC) to:
Tracey Ellerbeck, 1821 Hawthorne Place, Paoli, PA 19301
For more info, please email Jana Walker at jana.walker@comcast.net
Please visit www.stogasoccer.org.

DELTA (Districts Educating and Learning Through the Arts)

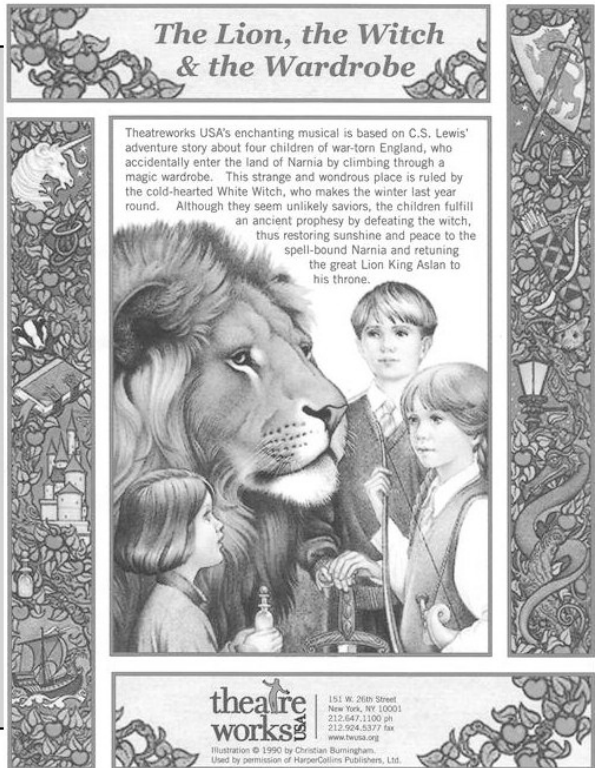
comprised of the PTO Cultural Arts Committees of Radnor, Tredyffrin-Eastown & Great Valley Elementary & Middle Schools

presents

A NYC-based touring production of
THEATREWORKS USA

The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe

Check it out! www.theatreworksusa.org



**Friday, March 18
at 7:00pm
Radnor Middle School Auditorium**



Tickets: \$10

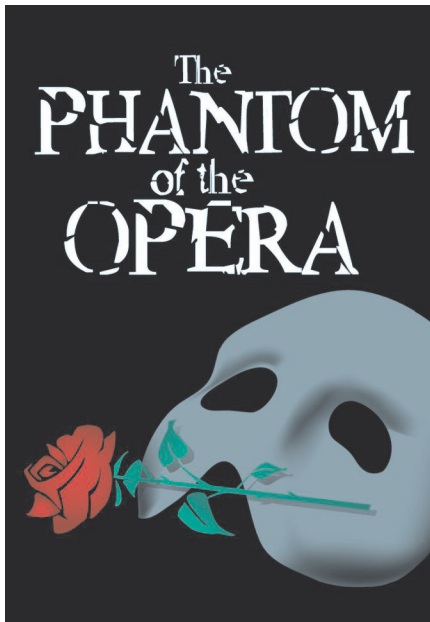
TICKETS: The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe..... _____ persons x \$10 per = _____
TOTAL enclosed: _____

Name _____ Email _____ Phone _____ Teacher _____

Return this form to school office in envelope marked "DELTA shows-PTO Cultural Arts". Checks payable to DELTA .
Use this form or visit www.artsdelta.net for information.

Elementary & Middle School Newsletter Copy

'Stoga Theatre presents the enormously popular Andrew Lloyd Webber musical...



Conestoga High School

Hobson C. Wagner
Auditorium

Performance Dates

March 1 10:00 am
March 2 - 4 7:30 pm
March 5 2:00 pm
& 7:30 pm
March 6 2:00 pm

Directed by Nicole Gerenyi

Produced/Musically Directed by Suzanne Dickinger

Unrequited love, jealousy, and terror characterize this story of a deformed composer who haunts the grand Paris Opera House and falls in love with a young soprano. Conestoga's talented all-student cast, crew and pit orchestra will be among the first high school students in the nation to perform this challenging musical.

All Seats Reserved - **\$20** Premium Seats, **\$15** Standard Seats. Special Discount Tickets - **\$10** Standard Seats **only** for Students (Age 19 & under), Seniors (62+) & TESD Staff. Group discount ticket information is available on the website.

To purchase tickets go to www.stogatheatre.com or call 610.240.1022.

Reading Connection

Tips for Reading Success

Beginning Edition

February 2011

New Eagle Elementary School
Melissa Radico, Reading Specialist

Book Picks



Read-aloud favorites

■ *A Circle Is Not a Valentine*

In this story by H. Werner Zimmermann, Alphonse can't seem to paint the right shape on his friend's valentine. After trying a square, a circle, and a triangle, he discovers that a heart is the best shape for showing his feelings.



■ *A Spoon for Every Bite*

A wealthy man makes fun of a poor family for owning only three spoons. But in his quest to become so rich that he uses a new spoon for each bite, he learns an important lesson. A folktale by Joe Hayes. (Also available in Spanish.)

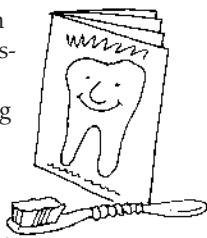
■ *Duck for President*

An ambitious duck starts out as a farmer, then becomes governor, and finally president. He thinks each job will be easier than the last. But to his surprise, he finds that big responsibility means hard work. Doreen Cronin's story will give your youngster a clever lesson in politics.



■ *The Tooth Book*

Encourage your children to learn how to take good care of their teeth with this colorful nonfiction book by Edward Miller. They'll get tips on brushing and flossing, visiting the dentist, and eating healthy foods. The book also explains how cavities form.

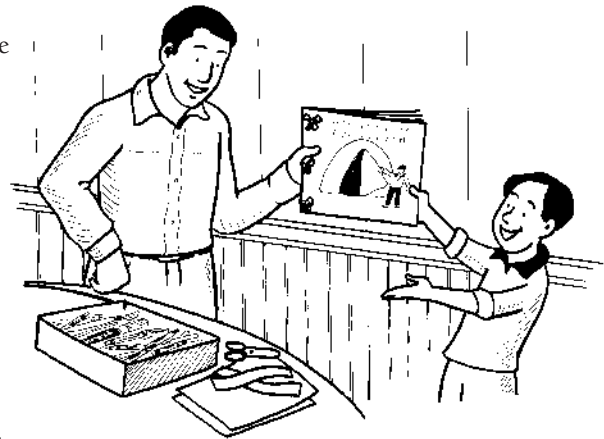


Little publishers

How does a story become a book? Your youngster can learn what goes into creating a book by "publishing" his own. Here's how.

1. Explore books. Show your child how every book has a cover with a title and the author's name and usually a picture. Flip through several books together, and point out other features, such as the title page, the author's photo and biography on the back cover, or a page listing other books the author has written. Your youngster can get ideas for things to include in his own books.

2. Write and illustrate. Encourage your child to make up a story. It might be about a favorite topic (scouts, planets) or a recent event (birthday party, basketball game). Have him write (or dictate to you) at least four or five sentences, putting each one on a separate sheet of paper. Then, suggest that he draw a picture to go with each sentence.



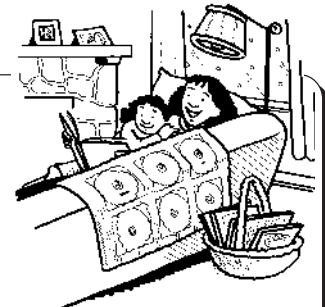
3. Design a cover. For the front, he can write a title ("The Best Camping Trip Ever") in large letters and add an illustration. To make the back, help him write "About the Author" with a few sentences about himself.

4. Put it together. Have your youngster glue the pages of his story onto separate sheets of construction paper and his front and back covers onto cardboard. Finally, stack everything in order, punch three holes along the left edge, and tie his book together with yarn.♥

Winter reading rituals

Raise a child who loves to read with these family traditions:

- Fill a basket with wintry titles from the library or your own collection, such as *Owl Moon* by Jane Yolen. Set it in the living room or family room for reading anytime.
- Create a ritual by reading a special book each time it snows. A fun choice is *Frosty the Snowman* by Steve Nelson and Jack Rollins.
- Invite another family for a cozy "read-in." One person can read aloud to the group, or each person can curl up with her own book.
- Read a book and follow up with a winter craft or activity. For instance, try *Gingerbread Baby* by Jan Brett, and then make gingerbread cookies.♥



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Fact finding

Turn your child into a reading detective! These ideas will build her research skills and help her become a whiz at reading for information.

Discover details. Almanacs and trivia books can show your youngster how much fun it is to discover facts while she reads. Ask a librarian to help you find several. Then, see who can find the most interesting or outrageous fact. (“The world’s smallest dog is only six inches long!”)

Gather background information. Before a school field trip or family outing, help your youngster read about the destination.



For instance, if her class is going to a history museum, browse its Web site together to see what’s on display (portraits of presidents, antique cars). She’ll learn more from her trip if she knows what to look for or expect.

Look for answers. List 10 pieces of information to find in a newspaper or magazine. Examples: the highest and low-

est temperatures on a weather map, the name of a local restaurant, today’s date. Then, go through the newspaper or magazine pages together looking for the answers.♥

Fun with Words Word of the day

Your child can learn new words and practice using the words he studies in school with this activity.

Choose

Have family members take turns picking a word of the day. When it’s your youngster’s turn, he can choose one from a vocabulary or spelling list or from a book he brings home. On your day, try to pick a new word for him to learn.

Use

Look for opportunities to say the word often throughout the day. For example, you can ask him to pour the *liquid* when he wants a glass of milk. Or mention the *transportation* you’re taking when you go someplace. At bedtime, have your child write the word on a slip of paper to add to a “Vocabulary Jar.” *Idea:* After a month, he can pull out the words to see all the ones he learned!♥



Recipes for writing

Here’s a fun way for your youngster to practice reading and writing instructions.

Together, look at recipes in cookbooks or on Web sites. You can explain that they give step-by-step directions for making food. Point out measurements ($\frac{1}{2}$ cup, 2 tbsp.) and action words (add, stir, mix).

Then, give your child recipe cards or index cards to write instructions for her favorite snacks (trail mix, peanut-butter-and-banana toast). Help her think through each step and then write it or dictate it to you. *Example:* “Toast 1 slice of bread. Spread with 1 tbsp. of peanut butter. Peel and cut a banana into pieces. Put the pieces on top of the peanut butter.” It may help if you make the snack as she writes so she won’t miss a step. When you finish, enjoy the treat together.♥



Q&A Reading to siblings

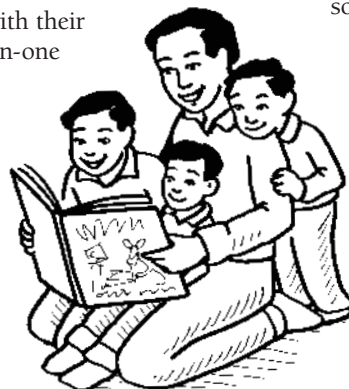
Q My husband and I have three boys, ages three, five, and seven. Should we read to them together or separately?

A Both! Your youngsters will benefit from sharing books with their brothers *and* from one-on-one story time.

Reading together as a family can help all your children become better readers. Choose a mix of easier and harder books—your youngest will hear advanced vocabulary, and the older ones can build comprehension skills by

explaining the plot to him. You might read together after dinner or on weekend mornings. *Tip:* Take turns reading bedtime stories on different beds so everyone has a turn to be “host.”

Try different combinations for individual story time. You might read to the two youngest while your husband reads to the oldest, and then switch the next night. One-on-one reading lets each child hear books that are just right for him.♥



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Baja Fresh \$25		\$	Electronics Boutique \$25		\$
Banana Republic \$25		\$	Express \$25		\$
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Children's Place \$25		\$	iTunes® \$15, \$25		\$
Chili's Grill & Bar \$25		\$	J. Crew \$25		\$
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Comfort Suites \$100	\$	Journeys Kidz \$25	\$
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Mobil \$50, \$250	\$	Six Flags One-Day Admission Ticket \$32.00	\$
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Office Depot \$25, \$100	\$	Sports Authority \$25, \$100	\$
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Omaha Steaks \$25	\$	Sunoco \$50, \$250	\$
Omni Hotels \$100	\$	Super Fresh \$25	\$
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Orvis \$25, \$100	\$	Supercuts \$25	\$
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