

# ABOVE & BEYOND

## PENN MANOR SCHOOL DISTRICT

A NEWSLETTER FOR PENN MANOR SCHOOL DISTRICT, MILLERSVILLE, PA 17551

## Community and Schools Make a Great Team!

When the community and the schools in the Penn Manor School District work together, terrific things happen! On any given day, you can find parents and grandparents working as volunteers in the schools across the District. These volunteers provide an extra set of hands for a busy teacher and can work one-on-one with students who need a little extra help in math or reading.

Special programs that are scheduled each year bring community members into the schools as well. Veteran's Day is a special time every year. This year, Eshlemen Elementary students participated in the Adopt a Vet, Adopt a Kid program. The veterans had a chance to share their experiences and students gained a better understanding of our nation's history.

Each year Hambricht Elementary PTO hosts a Fine Arts Day. Parents, community members, and local business people work to



Parent volunteer Yvette Brown helps 2nd grade Eshleman teacher Beth Kaplan by listening to student book reviews.

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#### **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Penn Manor School District shall strive for academic and personal excellence by fostering a democratic environment which motivates students, teachers, administrators, and parents to work collaboratively to improve the instructional program.

bring the arts to elementary school students, with fun and interesting activities on topics ranging from architecture to cake decorating.

Both Manor and Marticville Middle Schools hold Career Days. Parents and community members volunteer time to share their careers with the students. Careers in medicine, engineering, farming, finance, education, sales, mechanics, cosmetology, military, public service, construction, technology, legal services, law enforcement, and entertainment are a sampling of what has been represented. Later in the year, 8th grade students spend a day in the field shadowing a person whose career they are interested in learning more about. These two activities help to provide students with valuable information to stimulate their thinking about careers they may select in the future. Without the generosity and patience of business and professional people in and around the Penn Manor School District, this would not be possible.

At the high school, several classes incorporate working with the community as part of the curriculum. Penn Manor's Service Learning and Internship programs offer a unique opportunity for students to give back to the community while earning high school credits.

High school students host a Spring Fling each year. Spring Fling is a carnival type celebration featuring games, rides, music, food, and fireworks that is free to the public.

Junior Achievement is active in several of our schools, but needs more volunteers to accommodate all the classes that wish to participate. If you wish to help out, contact Kimberley Woods at 397-5779. Last year at the high school level, area business people held a mock interview session to prepare students for applying for a job. In the elementary schools, Junior Achievement teaches students about the economy and business operations.

When school and community work together, we can do so much more!

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## Superintendent's Message: From the Desk of Mr. Donald Stewart



One segment of this edition of Penn Manor's "Above and Beyond" is given over to cooperative efforts, joining together the resources of the school district with

the resources of our local community. This joining together of community and schools is the most important element for maintaining excellent schools and excellent futures for Penn Manor's children.

Good schools work in constant communication with strong communities and strong families. The balance of this relationship serves to keep schools ever mindful of the desires and expectations of the community. The balance of this relation-

ship serves to keep the community and its families ever mindful of the needs and the capabilities of its schools.

There are two Penn Manor communities. One of these communities is made up of our students and their families. This is actually the smallest of our communities. The larger of our two communities is made up of individuals who have no children enrolled in Penn Manor. This second community represents over seventy percent of Penn Manor's populace. For us to do our job well, we must always stay connected to both of these communities.

The Penn Manor School District provides many ways for students, parents, alumni, community members, and senior citizens to stay connected to our schools. Each school has its own active parent group that relies on the leadership of a few, but offers opportunities for all. The Penn

Manor Alumni Association maintains active contact with hundreds of our graduates and has recently published a very complete Alumni Directory. If you wish to purchase a Directory, please contact my office at 872-9500 ext. 2223. Our Penn Manor Education Foundation offers other opportunities to serve the school and community. You can communicate with the Foundation board by calling 872-9500 ext. 2241.

There are also a variety of ways that you can stay connected to Penn Manor utilizing advanced technology. Visit our website at [www.pennmanor.net](http://www.pennmanor.net). Information about individual schools, community information, sports schedules, and so much more is available with just a click of the mouse.

Find ways to stay connected to your schools. It will help us stay connected with you.

## PM Education Foundation Awards \$10,787.22

The Penn Manor Education Foundation (PMEF) is a non-profit community based organization dedicated to enhancing and enriching the educational experiences of the students and faculty in the Penn Manor School District public schools. One of the ways that the PMEF helps to achieve this is through venture grants. Teachers submit requests for activities, equipment, field trips, etc. they feel will compliment their curriculum. The Foundation awards as many of these grants as possible, several times a year. In August, the following grants were funded:

**Twilight School** — Funds to support hands-on projects for the Twilight School students.

**Conestoga Elementary** — Grant money provided to purchase a collection of Kenn Nesbitt books to have available during his visit to the school.

**Penn Manor HS** — Learning Support - Funds provided for a group field trip to study Indian Echo Caverns.

**Manor Middle School** — Learning Support - Grant funds to be used to take students to see the Mount Hope Estate production of "Edgar Allan Poe's Evermore".

**Manor Middle School** — Foreign Language - Latin textbooks will be purchased for use by gifted students.

**Central Manor Elementary** — Speech - Funds are being provided to purchase testing materials for speech and language evaluations throughout the district.

**Eshleman Elementary** — Kindergarten - Funds provided to purchase literature with mathematics materials.

**Hambright Elementary** — Funds approved to provide two education sessions for area pre-school teachers.

**Marticville Middle School** — Tech Education - Funds provided to purchase a structural tester that is lightweight and portable.

**Pequea Elementary** — Funds provided to purchase books and pamphlets for a Parent Resource Center at Pequea Elementary.

**Penn Manor HS** — Math Department - Funds provided to purchase 40 — TI89 Graphing Calculators and two — TI89 VSII View Screen packages



Poet Kenn Nesbitt shows Conestoga Elementary students how fun poetry can be!

## Did you know...

- Penn Manor School District residents receive an exclusive 10% discount on all computer equipment and accessories at CyberWarehouse Computer Outlet Center located across from Park City Mall.
- 2002-2003 school calendars are available at any school and at the district office on Charlestown Road. Pick one up today and don't forget to use the valuable coupons in the back!
- The Penn Manor School Board has approved a change in the 2003 graduation date. Seniors will now graduate on Friday, June 6, 2003.
- There is a new community page on the Penn Manor website. Community groups have been invited to post sign-up dates, tryout information, event details and contact information for rec sports, booster groups, and community organizations. Visit [www.pennmanor.net](http://www.pennmanor.net) and check it out! Want to add your group to the page? Call Cindy at 872-9500 ext. 2241.
- Penn Manor residents can sign up for free evening adult computer classes. The classes are taught at a slow pace and in-class assistance is offered. Classes offered are: January 8 — Computer Basics; January 15 — Internet Basics; January 22 — Computer Maintenance. To register for a class, please call 872-9520 ext. 1950 and leave your name and phone number.



# High Fives to...



## The National Merit Scholarship Program...

...is a privately financed academic competition for recognition and scholarships that began in 1955. High school students enter the National Merit Program by taking the PSAT/NMSQT® — a test which serves as an initial screen of the more than 1 million entrants each year — and by meeting published entry/participation requirements. Of 1.3 million entries for this year, the top 50,000 are recognized for their achievement. 34,000 will receive Letters of Commendation in recognition of their outstanding academic promise. Penn Manor is proud to have three students in this group - Chadd Funk, Samuel Miller and Carly Reist.

he scored 700 out of 800 on the math SAT. Sam is interested in continuing his education, possibly in music, at Millersville University.

Carly is the daughter of Timothy and Joanne Reist. She is currently ranked 10th in the Class of 2003. She is a member of the championship girls' soccer team and a member of girls' tennis team. Carly is treasurer of the senior class and a member of National Honor Society.

16,000 of the top 50,000 qualify as a Semi-Finalist with the chance to compete for Finalist honors. This year Penn Manor's Christian Herr was named a Semi-Finalist and will go on to the next



National Merit Program Honorees – Left to Right: Christian Herr, Chadd Funk, Carly Reist, and Samuel Miller.

Chadd is the son of Brian and Roanne Funk. He is currently ranked 1st in the Class of 2003. He is president of the National Honor Society and scored a perfect 800 on the math portion of the SAT test. Chadd is currently doing an internship with a brain surgeon and was voted "Most Likely to Succeed" by the senior class.

Samuel is the son of Gregory and Rose Miller. He is focusing on honors level math classes at Penn Manor. In October

round in this scholarship competition. Finalists will be announced in February and Merit Scholars will be announced in March. Good Luck, Christian!

Christian is the son of Thomas and Kathy Herr. He is involved in theater at the high school and has appeared in many productions. He is a member of ITS and National Honor Society. Christian received a Gold Key in regional competition and a Silver Key at the national level in Scholastic Writing competitions.

## "Why is it important to attend school?"

The Penn Manor School Board sponsored a poetry or prose contest for students in grades kindergarten through 12th grade in the Penn Manor School District in conjunction with American Education Week. The topic of this year's essay was "Why is it important to attend school?"

All students were invited to enter the contest. The entries were judged on creativity, content, grammar, and mechanics appropriate to the age of the author. One entry was chosen from each school and that student was invited to the Monday, November 11 school board meeting to read their entry. Each student also received a certificate honoring the writers. Common themes in the essays included that school helps to build self-esteem and instill responsibility. School also helps students develop good social skills, and through athletics and physical education class, keeps students healthy. Most students felt that if you want to be successful in the future and go to college, you need to attend school.

### Congratulations to the winners!

#### Central Manor Elementary

Joel Kreider (6th grade)

#### Martic Elementary

Celine Miller (6th grade)

#### Hambright Elementary

Brady Charles (2nd grade)

#### Conestoga Elementary

Allison Long (3rd grade)

#### Pequea Elementary

Amy Aston (2nd grade)

#### Eshleman Elementary

Amelia McMullen (6th grade)

#### LeTort Elementary

Olivia Buckius (1st grade)

#### Manor Middle School

Amy McDonnell (7th grade)

#### Marticville Middle School

Morgan Martelle

#### Penn Manor High School

Kent Bitzer (12th grade)

## Elementary "Run For Fitness"

The 13th annual Penn Manor Elementary "Run for Fitness" event drew 456 runners this year. One of the highlights of the day was a heated battle for the Participation Trophy.

This year's winner was Eshleman Elementary with 102 runners or 32.79% of their student body. This set a new participation record for the event. Eshleman students may have had a little extra incentive! If they could bring home the trophy, students who participated in the "Run for Fitness" would help make principal, Randy Fox, into a human sundae. The students enjoyed their reward during an assembly held for all Eshleman students at Manor Middle School.



Second grade Eshleman students dump chocolate syrup over Principal Randy Fox to celebrate bringing home the coveted Participation Trophy from the Penn Manor "Run for Fitness".

### Individual Winners

#### BOYS

Kindergarten – Collin Groff

1st Grade – R.J. Haas

2nd Grade – Ryan Marcy

3rd Grade – Andrew Herr

4th Grade – Sam Zegley

5th Grade – Tommy Tymon

6th Grade – John Myers

Hambright: 1 minute 20 seconds

Pequea: 3 minutes 16 seconds

Martic: 3 minutes 2 seconds

Eshleman: 2 minutes 57 seconds

Martic: 2 minutes 47 seconds

LeTort: 2 minutes 56 seconds

Pequea: 2 minutes 41 seconds

#### GIRLS

Kindergarten – Abby Schlegelmilch

1st Grade – Alissa Herr

2nd Grade – Kelly Shertzer

3rd Grade – Rachel Shetler

4th Grade – Maddy Hess

5th Grade – Tory Kauffman

6th Grade – Angie Hunsberger

Central Manor: 1 minute 37 seconds

Eshleman: 3 minutes 43 seconds

Homeschool: 3 minutes 21 seconds

Martic: 3 minutes 19 seconds

Pequea: 2 minutes 54 seconds

Homeschool: 2 minutes 49 seconds

Hambright: 2 minutes 57 seconds

### The Class of 2002...

...generously donated a permanent sign at Comet Field to mark the entrance off Route 741. Penn Manor graduate (Class of '72) Mike Mull handled all the necessary foundation work.



## Show Your Comet Spirit!



Sportswear and accessories featuring Penn Manor logos are now available! The Penn Manor School District and B&T Sportswear have teamed up to offer Penn Manor Spiritwear. Visit the district website at [www.pennmanor.net](http://www.pennmanor.net) and click on Penn Manor Spiritwear. You will be connected to the spiritwear webpage where you will find pictures of the items available, cost, sizes, and colors. Items being offered include t-shirts, sweat-shirts, sweatpants, hats, jackets, tote bags, stadium blankets, toddler and infant shirts, shorts, and more! Customers can order online, call B&T Sportswear at 1-800-826-0375, or pickup an order form at any of the schools in the District.



Penn Manor High School students were given the opportunity to talk with admission representatives from 29 colleges, business schools, technical schools and nursing schools during lunch. The schools set up tables offering information, applications, brochures and advice to the high school students. This was an excellent opportunity for students to ask questions of the admission representatives, obtain materials, and see what these schools have to offer.

# SPORTS CORNER



**GIRLS' TENNIS** had a fantastic season. The girls placed second in Section One.

In cross-over play they defeated Lancaster Catholic to finish second in the championship round to Manheim Township. Penn Manor's overall record was 9-1. Individually Barbara Bee placed 3rd in L-L League singles flight #1, Erin Sweigart placed 1st in flight #3, Allison Altdoerffer placed 1st in flight #4, and Ashley Everhart placed 2nd in flight #5. Barbara Bee and Allison Altdoerffer placed 1st in L/L League doubles flight #1 and 3rd in District 3 doubles earning a berth at States. Barb and Allison lost in the first round of States, but played their hearts out! We are so proud of them! This team of 18 girls was phenomenal. They exhibited the best in gamesmanship and sportsmanship throughout the season. They made Penn Manor proud!

-Coach Charlotte Miller

The **BOYS' CROSS COUNTRY** team became the surprise of the league by improving from 1-20 last year to 11-10 this past season. With only two seniors on the squad, the outlook looks very bright for next season. Five of the top seven runners return, including sophomore Chris Ecker and junior Jimmy Walsh, the number 1 and 2 runners. Evan Slagle, Neal Trump, Paul Bernhardt, Kevin Minnig, Brian Plumbo, Mike Horning, and Zak Rosenberg will all be important contributors as the team continues to move up in the standings. The team will miss seniors Brian Myer and Paul Ward, who were both consistent performers throughout the year.

The **GIRLS' CROSS COUNTRY** team (8-13) was hampered by injuries and small numbers (seven competitors), but will lose only one senior. Sophomore Kati Musselman led the team and captured an L-L League All-Star Honorable Mention distinction by finishing 14th in the League Championship Meet. Kati also set a new home course record of 21:01 for the 3.1 mile course. Musselman, juniors Sarah Tymon and Lauren Friedly, sophomores Abbie Mellinger, Rachael Ulmer, and freshman

Dana Mahoney, all will return next year and the more experienced squad will continue to improve.

In addition to Musselman's L-L League honor, seniors Bethany Masters and Brian Myer were honored at the L-L League Banquet with Outstanding Scholar-Athlete Awards.

-Coach Kaufhold

The 2002 Penn Manor Varsity **FIELD HOCKEY** team finished the league schedule, undefeated, with a record of 9 wins, 0 losses, and 1 tie, with the team becoming champions of L-L League Section I. The team advanced to league and District playoffs, losing in the first round of Districts to Lower Dauphin, the eventual District III champions, by a score of 2-1.

Six Comet hockey players were recognized by the Lancaster-Lebanon League as all-stars. Named on the First Team - senior Cristen Eberly and junior Britney Long; Second Team - senior Megan Good, and sophomores Carson Mumma, Lauren Schaefer, and Whitney Miller. Thanks to everyone who supported the team.

-Coach Stiklaitis

The Penn Manor **GOLF** team finished the 2002 season with another historic year. The team of Jarred Texter, Jordan Darrenkamp, Bob Bee, Tyler Groff, and Josh Baker set a new school record with a score of 372 at Crossgates Golf Course during our Section 1 tournament on September 16. This broke the previous mark set last year of 378. The team of Texter, Darrenkamp, Bee, and Baker finished in 2nd place at the Hershey High Invitational on September 7, with a score of 312. Individually, Texter placed 1st with a 71 and Darrenkamp came in 2nd with a 73. Both received trophies for their efforts. The team finished tied for 2nd in Section 1 play with 19-10-1 record and an overall record of 38-11-1. The L-L tournament held at Tanglewood had two players receive medals for their top 10 finish. Texter placed 5th and Darrenkamp placed 9th, both qualifying for the district tournament.

The district tournament held at Briarwood Golf Course saw Texter bring home the gold with a 71-68-139, five-under par, to win by two strokes. He is the first player from Penn Manor to win the District Championship. With this win he qualified for the State Tournament. Darrenkamp finished 23rd, missing the cut by two strokes. At the PIAA tournament held at Heritage Hills Golf Club in York, Texter finished in 6th place with a 74-72-146. This is Jarred Texter's second straight top-10 finish at the state tournament. It was another memorable season for the Penn Manor Golf Team.

-Coach Jeff Erisman

**BOYS' SOCCER** new coach, Doug Eby, was hired just two weeks prior to the start of

the 2002 season but he and his extremely young team had a solid season where they improved dramatically every game. The Comets ended the season in 6th place with a 2-9-1 record in Section 1 and a 3-10-1 record overall. Despite the losing record, Eby is confident that his young team will continue to improve and become very competitive in the coming years.

Junior Sean Shover was named a first team Section 1 All-Star and senior Josh Smith was named a Section 1 second team All-Star. Tim Kuklewski was honored as an Academic All-Star for the Lancaster-Lebanon League.

Honors within the team included:

<b>Hardest Work Ethic</b>	Sr. Tim Kuklewski
<b>Most Improved Player</b>	Jr. Derrick Mannino
<b>Most Versatile Player</b>	Jr. Sean Shover
<b>Most Consistent Player</b>	Sr. Josh Smith
<b>Most Valuable Player</b>	Jr. Alan Smith

Other highlights from within the Comet's soccer team were from freshman Terry Fry who scored three goals and had two assists, and freshman Zack Kurtz, and sophomore Zack Charles who added to the strength of the Comets. These young players in addition to a strong junior class of Mitch Crawford, Sean Shover, Travis Masten, Erik Sauders, Tyler Duschl, and Derrick Mannino should prove to be a formidable team next season.

For **GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL** this was a re-building season. We had one returning starter from last season in Liz Foster. Jackie Ochs-Gregory and Liz Brown were our other returning players with some varsity experience. This meant that there would be a lot of new faces on the varsity roster. The team improved throughout the season and played a lot of close matches. There were a total of eight matches that went to the third game. The Varsity team finished with a 4-10 league record, and a 6-11 overall record. The JV team finished with an 8-6 league record and a 9-8 overall record.

The Varsity team was lead by captain, middle hitter, Liz Foster; middle hitter Beth Irwin; outside hitters Jackie Ochs-Gregory and Karrine Riggins; and setter Kasie Shover. Kasie earned the starting setter position and really hustled and improved throughout the season. Karrine Riggins finished with 35 kills, 10 aces, and was a shining star on defense. Liz Foster finished with 25 kills, 18 aces, and 34 blocks. Beth Irwin really improved throughout the season and finished with 10 blocks and Jackie Ochs-Gregory finished with 11 aces, 8 blocks, and 67 kills.

Congratulations to our graduating seniors: Emily Marks, Liz Foster, and Beth Irwin. Thank you for your four years of hard work and dedication to the volleyball program.

- Coach Curt Snelbaker

# Manor-FFA News

Manor FFA reporters: Kami Mull and Nicole Eneedy

Our FFA members have been very busy this fall. Many of our FFA members exhibited their projects – livestock, produce, floral designs and other hand made items at the Lampeter and Solanco fairs. Among the award winners at the Lampeter Fair, Garrett Neff showed the Champion FFA Market Hog, Dana Carville exhibited the Champion FFA Market Lamb, and Brittanni Murray showed the Champion FFA Steer. Lori Hess earned 1st place honors in the Youth Encouragement contest where exhibitors earn points based on the number and place of their projects. The person with the most points is named the winner. Manor FFA members earned approximately \$100,000 through their projects at the fairs, through premium monies and the sale of animals at the Youth Livestock Auctions. Also, at this year's Lampeter Fair the Manor FFA held a petting zoo during the fair.

In September, members of the Manor FFA Floriculture team and Poultry team traveled to Springfield, Massachusetts to compete in the National FFA Eastern States Exposition. The floriculture competition included fresh floral design, corsage construction, customer service, plant/floral identification, salesmanship, and a written test. Members of the floriculture team were Cassie Griffith, Erin Eckman, Michelle Eckman, and James



*Pennsylvania Fair Queen, Jackie Pratt, and judge John Eaton, pose for a picture with Penn Manor's Dana Carville and her Champion FFA Market Lamb.*

Ploumis. They placed 4th as a team. The Poultry competition included carcass grading, part identification, judging laying hens, processed meat, broiler breeders, doing a team event, and taking a written test. The team's competitors included Bobby Bresch, Kristy Garrett, Michael Dyer, and Corey Hess. The team placed 2nd at the competition. Congratulations!

Jenna Bleacher, Ben Railing, Jeremy Appel, and Scott Gingrich competed in The National Meats Evaluation Event at the

National FFA Convention held in Louisville, Kentucky. The team earned a bronze award. These students were selected for the competition by placing 1st as a team at Penn State during the FFA Activities Week in June. At the convention the Manor FFA Chapter was recognized as one of the top chapters in the country based on community service, member activities, and chapter projects. Andrew Herr and Jenifer Falk accepted the award.

Manor FFA also had five of their alumni honored at the convention. Jason Martin, Mike Hess, Allan Herr Jr., Audrey Nissly, Adam Nissley, and Jeremy Railing earned their American FFA degree and were presented with their awards on stage at Freedom Hall at the Kentucky Fair and Exposition Center. The American Degree is a

national award, and the highest award that the FFA can bestow upon its members. To receive the award, each member must have obtained the state degree, have been a member for at least 3 consecutive years, completed 3 years of secondary education, graduated a minimum of 12 months before receiving the degree, earned and productively invested \$7,500 or a combination of \$1,500 and 2,250 hours of work outside of the classroom, and also maintain a "C" average scholastic record.

## Penn Manor Twilight School Receives Turkey Hill Grant

Penn Manor High School was named a recipient of an ExxonMobil Educational Alliance Grant for 2002 in the amount of \$500.00. Penn Manor is one of 42 educational institutions receiving a grant through the sponsorship of Turkey Hill Minit Markets. This grant will be used for Penn Manor High School's Twilight School program. Twilight School is an alternate education program for at-risk students.

Pictured in the photo on the right is Penn Manor High School assistant principal Phil Gale accepting the grant award from Turkey Hill employees Lou Ann Rapp and Ann Jones. Also pictured are Don Krow, director of Twilight School, and students Donte Lewis and Rachel Kling.



## Queen and... King!

Penn Manor's 2002 Homecoming game against Wilson was held on Monday, October 14. Despite the game being rescheduled due to bad weather, a large crowd filled Biemsderfer Field to cheer on the Comets and crown the 2002 Homecoming Queen. Holly Homsher was crowned Homecoming Queen with Lauren Dumm named runner-up.

Holly is the daughter of Andy and Dede Homsher. She is president of the Ski Club,



Left to Right: Lauren Dumm and Holly Homsher.

a member of the Varsity Club and a tri-captain of the varsity soccer team. Holly is on the LANCO United Premier soccer team, a summer camp instructor for girls ages 5 to 8, and a soccer mentor to first grade girls. She is also a member of the eastern Pennsylvania Olympic Development Program Team. Holly plans to attend college and study health sciences while continuing to play soccer.

Lauren is the daughter of Eric and Ann Marie Dumm. Lauren is senior class president, president of the Lancaster County Youth Peace Council, a member of the Penn Manor chorus, Manor singers, National Honor Society, and Peer Mediators. Lauren plans to attend college, majoring in political science and pursue a career in the Navy.

Other members of the court included Carli Brill, Keri Foster, Lindsey Freidly, Liz Nguyen, Shea Pontz, and Lindsay Shertzer.

At the annual Senior vs. Junior PowderPuff game held on Thursday,

November 6, Andy Nissley was crowned PowderPuff King. Students voted by depositing spare change into jars for each candidate at lunch and during the game. The proceeds will go the Dusty Lewis Family Fund in honor of 2002 graduate Dusty Lewis who recently lost his battle with leukemia.

Andy is the son of Wilbur and Sue Nissley. He is a member of National Honor Society, the Marching Band, and the Jazz Band.

Other members of the PowderPuff court included Travis Dantine, Brian Kiefer, Manny Santiago, Josh Shrom, Matt Staub, Steve Thomas, and Cory Wagner.



## Letort Dedication



The ribbon cutting ceremony at the newly renovated LeTort Elementary School took place on Sunday, October 6. Parents, students, teachers, community members, district administrators, and contractors were invited to tour the building. Music was provided by LeTort string students and refreshments were served.

The renovations included construction of a new library, an expanded all-purpose room, one new classroom, several small group instruction areas, new playground equipment, and an enlarged kitchen area. A geothermal heating and cooling system was also installed. Gilbert Architects designed the renovations. Benchmark Construction served as the general contractor.

Pictured with several LeTort students are from left: School Superintendent Don Stewart, School Board President C. Willis Herr, LeTort Principal Trisha Pearson, and Director of Building and Grounds Ed Nett.



Brianna's prize for answering correctly was a ride home from school in a fire truck! A fire truck supplied by Midlantic American LaFrance arrived at Manor Middle School to give Brianna and her younger siblings, Becky and Brandon, a lift home.

Using what she learned in school during Fire Prevention Week, Eshleman 2nd grader Brianna Mitchell called into 101 The Rose to answer a quiz question asking how many escape routes you should have in your home in case of fire.

Sixth grade students at Hambright Elementary had a chance to work on the schools' iBook computers recently to learn how to prepare a PowerPoint presentation. Each elementary school in the



District has a collection of a minimum of 10 iBooks. The computers are housed in a mobile cabinet that makes it easy to move the computers from classroom to classroom. There are plans to add more iBooks to the buildings on a yearly basis.

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## INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURE

The announcement of school delays or closing will be reported on the following local radio and television stations when possible before 6:00 a.m.:

- WDAC - 94.5 FM
- WROZ - 101.3 FM
- WARM - 103 FM
- WIOV - 105 FM
- WLAN - 1390 AM/97 FM
- WSBA - 910 AM
- WQXA - 105.7 FM
- WJTL - 90.3 FM
- WRKZ - 107 FM
- WITF - 99.7 FM
- WGAL - TV Channel 8
- WLYH - TV Channel 15
- WHTM - TV Channel 27
- WITF - TV Channel 33

When weather conditions develop during the day causing an early closing, high school and middle school students will generally be dismissed first followed by elementary students. Unanticipated weather conditions or other factors may require alterations in the procedures as described above. Parents of elementary students should have an emergency plan prepared in case of early dismissal.

## Penn Manor Pipeline

### Upcoming Events or Dates of Interest

**Monday, November 25, January 6, February 3, March 3 and March 31** in Manor Middle School Board Room:

- Committee of the Whole Meeting 7:00 p.m.

**Tuesday, December 3, Monday January 13, February 10, and March 10** in Manor Middle School Board Room:

- Committee of the Whole Meeting 7:00 p.m.

- School Board Meeting 8:15 p.m.

**Thursday, November 28, Friday, November 29 and Monday, December 2**

- No School - Thanksgiving Vacation

**Tuesday, December 10** - Manor Middle School Holiday Concert 7:30 pm

**Thursday, December 12** - Marticville Middle School Holiday Concert 7:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, December 18** - Penn Manor High School Winter Concert 7:30 p.m.

**December 23 to January 1** - No School - Holiday Break

**Monday, January 20** - No School

**Tuesday, January 21** - End of the 2nd Marking Period/No School for Secondary Grades (7-12)

**Tuesday, February 4** - Kindergarten Information Night at PMHS 7:00 p.m.

**Thursday, February 6** - High School Spring Parents Night 7:00 p.m.

**Friday, February 7** - Early Dismissal for Secondary Grades (7-12) only

**Thursday, February 13, Friday, February 14 and Monday, February 17**

- No School (Snow Make-up Days)

**Thursday, February 20**

- High School Course Selection Night - 8th grade 6:30 pm; upperclassmen 7:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, February 26** - Elementary Language Bowl - Grades 3&4

**Thursday, February 27**

- Elementary Language Bowl - Grades 5&6

- All Sports Information Night 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m., PMHS gym

**Tuesday, March 4 & Thursday, March 6** - Kindergarten Registration at selected schools 5:30 to 7:30 pm. Please call elementary schools for their scheduled night.

**Thursday, March 6, Friday, March 7 and Saturday, March 8** - High School Spring Musical 7:30 p.m.

**Friday, March 21** - No School - In-Service Day for Teachers

**Monday, March 24** - No School - Snow Make-up Day