

# Comet Classic News

A Newsletter for Penn Manor Comet Classic Cardholders

Winter 2020

## You're invited to a free performance on February 27

Comet Classic Cardholders will be treated to Penn Manor Productions' *Wizard of Oz* Thursday, February 27, at 6 p.m., in the Penn Manor High School auditorium. Free tickets must be picked up at the box office, which is open Tuesdays and Thursdays, from 6-8 p.m. The box office also will be open every evening the week of the show and at 4:30 p.m. on the day of the show. Seating is limited.

**This is the only free showing for the musical, and all seats are general admission.**

### About the Musical

Based on the beloved movie of the same name, *The Wizard of Oz* tells the story of young Dorothy Gale, who is whisked away by a tornado to the magical land of Oz.

She teams up with a Scarecrow, Tin Man and Cowardly Lion to find the mighty Wizard of Oz, whom she believes can send her home. Along the way, they must avoid the Wicked Witch of the West, who is trying to steal the magic slippers that once belonged to her evil sister but are now on Dorothy's feet.

Dorothy eventually learns just how magical friendship can be and how wonderful it can feel to go home again.



### The Wizard of Oz cast

Dorothy	-----	Emily Witmer
Tin Man	-----	True Herbert
Scarecrow	-----	Alex Detter
Cowardly Lion	-----	Rowan Brooks

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In addition to the cast members above, this show includes more than 100 students in the cast, crews (set, stage, lights, sound, costumes, makeup, props and marketing) and orchestra pit.

There will be 104 separate characters onstage during the production, which includes more than 160 costumes and hundreds of props. In addition, there are 27 scenes with 11 different sets. The cast includes 18 "munchkins" – elementary students from six different Penn Manor schools.

Of historical note, this will be the last show in the current high school auditorium, which will be replaced by a new performance space.



## Upcoming Events

**February 17**

Presidents Day, NO SCHOOL

**Feb. 28 & 29, March 6 & 7**

*The Wizard of Oz*, PMHS auditorium; 7:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. (Feb. 29 only)

**April 7, 7 p.m.**

Central Manor Elementary spring concert

**April 9-12**

Spring Break, NO SCHOOL

**April 28, 7 p.m.**

High School Chorus/Orchestra Concert, PMHS auditorium

**May 1**

Spring Fling, Comet Field

**May 6, 7 p.m.**

HS Bands/Vocal Jazz Concert, PMHS auditorium

**May 13, 6 p.m.**

Pequea Elementary Spring Concert/Art Show

**May 20, 6 p.m.**

Hambright Elementary Spring Concert

**May 29**

Last Day of School

## Property tax rebates are available for senior citizens

Penn Manor School District has approved an increase in the income limit for senior citizens to qualify for rebates of up to \$650 on their school property taxes. Seniors may also qualify for a state rebate of up to \$975 on property taxes or rent payments from the previous year. The program benefits residents age 65 or older, widows and widowers age 50 or older and people with disabilities age 18 or older.

To qualify, homeowners must earn no more than \$35,000 to apply for the state rebate and no more than \$30,000 to apply for the 2019 Penn Manor rebate. There also is a state rebate program for renters earning no more than \$15,000.

When calculating total income, applicants should include 50 percent of Social Security income and 100 percent of other income types. Spouses, personal representatives or estates also may file rebate claims on behalf of claimants who lived at least one day in the previous year.

Applicants must first qualify for a state rebate before applying for a Penn Manor property tax rebate. **Applications are currently being accepted for tax bills from the 2018-2019 school year dated July 1, 2018.**

Since the tax rebate program was implemented, the school district has refunded more than \$600,000 to taxpayers.

More information, including a printable application form, is available at [pennmanor.net/tax/taxrebate/](http://pennmanor.net/tax/taxrebate/). Applicants with questions about the Penn Manor rebate form can contact the Penn Manor Business Office at (717) 872-9500, ext. 2252. Staff members at local state representatives' offices also are available to help with the application process.

They can be reached at:

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