



# The Bear Facts

December 2009/January 2010

December 2009							January 2010						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S	S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5					1	2	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
13	14	15	16	17	18	19	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
20	21	22	23	24	25	26	17	18	19	20	21	22	23
27	28	29	30	31			24	25	26	27	28	29	30
							31						

575 Beaumont Road • Devon, PA 19333  
 Office: 610-240-1400  
 HSA Website: [www.beaumonthsa.org](http://www.beaumonthsa.org)

District Hotline: 610-240-1970  
 District Website: [www.tesd.net](http://www.tesd.net)

## Mark Your Calendar!

January 1 No School!  
 January 15, 5-8pm Pizza Bingo  
 January 18 No School!  
 January 27 Cultural Arts Prog.

## HSA Meeting Schedule

Feb 17<sup>th</sup> @ 9:15 May 19<sup>th</sup> time TBA  
 Mar 17<sup>th</sup> @ 9:15 June 9<sup>th</sup> @ 9:15  
 Apr 21<sup>st</sup> @ 9:15

\*all meetings are held in the large group room  
 \*HSA meeting minutes will be available, for you to view, in the HSA file folder in the main office, on the HSA website, and on the HSA bulletin board in the lobby.  
 \*For those of you who have volunteered, or are considering it, the district "Guidelines for Volunteers" will be in the HSA file folder in the main office.  
 office for you to look at!  
 \*The district "Guidelines for Volunteers" will be in the HSA file folder in the main office for you to review.

Hello Beaumont Families,

Winter Break ALREADY!! The first half of the year has gone by so quickly. I wanted to take a moment to thank all of the great families we have here at Beaumont. All of your support and involvement has made for a wonderful first half of the year. I am looking forward to working with all of you throughout the rest of the school year.

Winterfest was a huge success, bringing back the crafts for the kids was a wonderful idea! Everyone has said how much the event was enjoyed. The Staff and Teacher breakfast was put together so nicely, all that attended were treated to a wonderful meal to start the day.

When we get back after break we jump right into two big events, Pizza Bingo and Father Daughter Dance. Enjoy your break because we will be looking for more great volunteers for these events in the New Year!

We have been using the email blast in place of room parents for a little over a month. I would love to have feed back. Feel free to email me or stop me in the school and let me know what you think! It is for the families of our school, so we want your input!

Remember to check out the Beaumont HSA website ([beaumonthsa.org](http://beaumonthsa.org)). It is an easy way to get connected to what we are doing at Beaumont. Any flyer, order form or important information is on the website.

Thank you for being an important part of our Beaumont community.

Warmest Wishes,  
*Sherri Sartner*  
 HSA President  
 On behalf of our HSA Board

## Table of Contents

Family Events at School	2	Father Daughter Dance	13
TE All Call	3	MASH Ice Cream Social	14
Guidelines for 2-hour delay	4	Main Line Camp Fair	15
Pizza Bingo	5	Winter Break Fun!	16-18
Kids Night Out	6	Berwyn/Paoli Little League	19
Flite Bookmark Winner	7		
School Board Update	8-9	Lunch Menu	20
Teacher Updates	10-12	January Calendar	21

NEXT BEAR FACTS: February 1, 2010 SUBMISSION DEADLINE: January 25, 2010  
 SUBMISSIONS TO: [bearfacts@beaumonthsa.org](mailto:bearfacts@beaumonthsa.org) CONTACT: Kate McAllister, Editor

December 4, 2009

Dear Beaumont Families,

This is a very important reminder about school-related activities and events. For all family events at Beaumont (including Winterfest, Play Day, evening performances, Pizza Bingo) please be sure that your children have consistent parent or guardian supervision for after school and evening activities.

It is expected when students attend after school or evening functions that parents or guardians are present at the activity and supervising their children. We always welcome siblings and this adds to the expectation that families are present with their children.

During school events, children are never permitted in school areas beyond where the event is taking place. Rarely, if ever, are the students permitted in the second grade or fourth grade hallway areas or in the hallways near the science rooms. The second floor and second grade wing are often blocked off as custodians are completing their cleaning duties in the evenings. Children should not be left unattended in areas of the building without parent presence unless an activity has scheduled adult supervision (such as a large group movie or adult-facilitated stations).

The Beaumont staff members and the H.S.A. plan many fun activities for the children. Our first goal is to maintain the safety of the students at all times during activities. In addition, it is never recommended that parents drop off children at school during events leaving them unattended by their parents.

Thank you for your support and understanding. Please call if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Demming  
Principal

Sherri Gartner  
H.S.A. President

# **TE All Call**

## T/E School District's Emergency Phone Notification System



The T/E School District will use TE All-Call, an automated emergency phone notification system, to communicate emergency closings, late openings, early dismissals and any unscheduled closing or emergency situation that may happen during the school day. Please notify the school's main office as soon as possible if your contact numbers change at any point during the school year. For families new to the T/E School District, here are some frequently asked questions and answers about TE All-Call:

**1. Can I opt out of receiving early morning school closing calls but still receive other types of TE All-Call emergency messages?**

No. If parents request to have all phone numbers removed from the TE All-Call system then they will not receive any type of phone calls from TE All-Call, including emergency messages sent from the system during the school day. Weather-related emergency closing information will continue to be recorded on the TE Information Hotline (610-240-1970) and broadcast on local TV networks.

Parents who are concerned about receiving early morning calls on inclement weather school closing days may want to consider changing their numbers on file to cell phone or work numbers. While the system can call up to three numbers per student, parents are not required to have three numbers on file. Some parents have stated that they plan to turn cell phones off or turn home phone ringers down on snow days if they do not want to receive the early morning call.

**2. How many phone numbers per student can be called?**

Three.

**3. Will the system call all of the numbers on file?**

Yes. All three numbers on file will be called even if the first call is answered. The system will leave a voicemail or answering machine message if no one answers the phone. If you use the same phone numbers for more than one child, duplicate numbers will only be called once.

**4. What should I do if my work number has an extension?**

The system can only accept direct phone numbers. Consider using a cell phone number or other direct phone number in place of a number with an extension.

**5. How can I ensure that I receive a call?**

TE All-Call is provided through SchoolMessenger, a company recognized for providing superior phone notification solutions. In order to ensure that you receive a call, it is essential that we have accurate phone number information on file. Please notify your school office if any of your contact numbers change.

**6. Does TE All-Call send email or text messages?**

Not at this time. If you would like to receive email updates with information on school district announcements, activities, events and meetings, please join our email notification program by sending your email address to [notification1@tesd.net](mailto:notification1@tesd.net) or by visiting the T/E School District web site at [www.tesd.net](http://www.tesd.net).

# **GUIDELINES FOR A TWO-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 the kindergarten program 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**

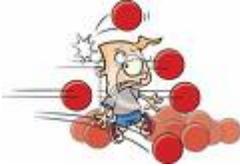
No breakfast is served on a day where there is a two-hour delayed opening.

## **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.



# More & Moore Fun Presents Kids Night Out



nrtech.com

## Kids Night Out

Boys and Girls in grades K- 5th  
6:30-9:00pm  
(Drop off 6:30-7:00pm  
Pick up 9:00- 9:30pm)  
\$15.00 per child

## Date:

January 9 and 30, 2009

## Activities Include:

Basketball  
Kickball  
Jump Rope  
Hula Hoop  
Tag and Many More

**Location: Tredyffrin/ Easttown Middle School 801 Conestoga Rd Berwyn Pa 19312**

Kids Play in a safe and secure environment for 3 hours while you enjoy a terrific night out on the town.

*A Night where BOREDOM is not an Option*

**Register Today!!!!!!!!!!!!Register Today!!!!!!!!!!!!**

**Walk- in's accepted!!!!!!!!Walk-in's are accepted!!!!!!!!Walk- in's accepted!!!!!!!!**

## Register today by

sending in the completed form below with payment to **More&MooreFun @ PO Box 381 Swarthmore Pa, 19081-381**. Please make all checks or money orders payable to Durell Moore.

**Come Out and have FUN!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

For more information please contact Durell Moore at (610) 505-0643 or [MoreMooreFun@yahoo.com](mailto:MoreMooreFun@yahoo.com)

-----Cut Here-----

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ Gender: \_\_\_\_\_

Parents Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

Cost: \$15.00 Per Child

Total Fee: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make all Checks or Money Orders Payable to Durell Moore:**

## FLITE Bookmark Winner Announced!

### Congratulations!

Third grader Patricia Egan designed the winning bookmark for BES. The contest was held in order to increase awareness of FLITE, the Foundation for Learning in Tredyffrin/Easttown. FLITE is a non-profit organization that funds programs to support excellence in our schools for all of our students. FLITE funds many school programs, including the after school homework clubs at all five elementary schools and both middle schools, the instrument rental program, and the preschool program for children needing financial assistance. For a full program listing and more information, or if you would like to make a tax-deductible donation to FLITE, please visit [www.flite-pa.org](http://www.flite-pa.org) on the web.

Look for Patricia's fabulous bookmark to be distributed at future school book fairs and school board meetings.

A special thank you to all who participated in the bookmark competition, and to the art department, who ran the bookmark contest on behalf of FLITE.





# School Board Update



Summaries of School Board Committee Meetings for **November 2009**

Visit [www.tesd.net](http://www.tesd.net) and click on 'School Board' for meeting dates, agendas and minutes.

## **Education Committee, Chair: Debbie Rollins**

Prepared by: Committee Liaison  
Reviewed by: Committee Chair

The Education Committee met on November 10<sup>th</sup>. The Committee heard a report on **non-mandated programs**. The report distinguished between the curricular and extra-curricular programs that are required by the state (mandated programs) and those that have been put in place through local decisions (non-mandated programs).

The Committee heard a report on **high school health and physical education** classes, some of which are non-mandated programs. The intention of the District is to reorganize elective PE classes into core classes, while maintaining current options for student activities.

The Committee heard a report on **foreign languages in the elementary school (FLES)**, which is a non-mandated program. The report reviewed the original goals of FLES that were announced when the program was established. An alternate program of study was presented to address emerging needs, as well as the original FLES goals. Students would receive additional instruction in science, social studies, music, art, media, and applied technology. The administration recommended replacing FLES instruction in this manner. On November 23<sup>rd</sup>, the Board approved a recommendation to authorize the superintendent to initiate the first step in the required PDE approvals in order to eliminate the FLES program at the end of this school year. Review of the program will continue through the budget process or until action is taken by the Board.

The Committee heard a report on **aides and paraprofessionals** that are not mandated by regulation or law. The current responsibilities of these employees were reviewed. The Committee heard a report on preliminary findings on the **high school schedule** study. Information about the number of periods high school students are currently scheduled was included. The administration recommended continued study of this topic and maintaining the current 8 period schedule for the 2010-11 school year. The administration will also continue to explore strategies to increase teacher-student interactions during teacher professional periods and to investigate alternative ways of scheduling teachers at the high school, including assigning

six classes per teacher. The Committee accepted these recommendations.

The Committee received information about the **9th grade science program**. Beginning in 2010-11 all 9th grade students will take Biology, and the course called Introduction to Chemistry, Physics, and the Environment will be retired. As a result, students will have increased opportunities for science electives. Students who wish to continue to study Chemistry and Physics in 11th and 12th grades will be offered the option to take Environmental Science in 10<sup>th</sup> grade.

## **Facilities Committee, Chair: Pete Motel**

Prepared by: Business Office

The Facilities Committee met on November 13<sup>th</sup>. The administration presented the District's construction update. The update included all change orders for the month and a recommendation that the Committee approve the ARM Associates proposal of \$10,000 and \$41,000 for VFMS and VFES roof projects. The Committee discussed sidewalk projects and grounds projects that should be added to the infrastructure report. The administration stated that water testing for lead and radon, and mitigation if necessary, would be conducted during the winter and spring breaks.

The Committee revisited last month's discussion concerning the large tree by TEMS that may need to be removed for safety. The condition of the tree was evaluated by two specialists. Both parties agreed that the tree could not be saved. The Committee approved the removal of the tree by the lowest quote from a responsible vendor.

The administration presented two versions of the Capital Sources & Uses report. The first version showed the projects listed as either a capital improvement project or as a deferred maintenance project. The administration explained that the projects are split out this way so that the Committee can evaluate how to best fund the projects. Options include funding the capital improvement with new debt and funding the deferred maintenance with general fund balance or using all fund balance or all debt. The second version of the report showed the projects categorized as capital improvements, deferred maintenance, roofing, regulatory and safety, ESC disposition and soft costs. The Committee noted that the

recommendation of how to fund the projects would come from the Finance Committee.

A representative from Tredyffrin Township gave the Committee an update on the Township's sidewalk project. The work will begin earlier in 2010 than was previously planned. The Committee also discussed the green roof project and the roof warranties. The Committee agreed that if the District gets the proper warranties and there is no cost to the District then the roof project can start this summer.

The Committee discussed the parking situation at T/E Middle School. The Committee asked the administration to take another look at the parking study. The Committee also asked for parking counts, the number of spaces necessary and new information regarding the timing of the Township's sidewalk project. The Committee asked the architects to update the drawing and come up with some phasing of the plans that still address the bus drop off area as well as add new parking spaces.

The Committee approved the acceptance of a Safe Routes to Schools grant. The funds will be used to study routes taken by students who walk to Hillside Elementary School.

### **Finance Committee, Chair: Kevin Mahoney**

---

Prepared by: Business Office  
Reviewed by: Committee Chair

The Finance Committee met on November 9, 2009. The administration discussed the Treasurer's report for the period ending October 31, 2009 and highlighted revenue items that have been collected below the monthly budgeted amount. Those revenues are current local real estate taxes, transfer taxes, interest income and FICA and retirement revenues. It was also noted that the total real estate assessment for the District has declined by approximately 1% due to taxpayer real estate assessment appeals.

Next the Committee heard the results of the year ending June 30, 2009 audit. The auditors issued an unmodified opinion or "clean" opinion that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the School District. The auditors also commented on the importance of the fact that the District was able to produce a very modest increase in the general fund balance even with declining revenues. The administration asked that the Committee approve the fund balance designation as it was listed in the audit.

A representative of Boenning & Scattergood, Inc. presented an outline of the District's debt options available to finance capital assets. The presentation included an example of a \$10,000,000 bond issue that the District could use to finance capital projects. The combined principal and interest in the first nine years would be approximately \$350,000 and would increase in the tenth year when a majority of the District's current debt ends. The Committee

then discussed how to fund the projects either with the debt scenario above or with fund balance or a combination of both. The Committee will discuss the funding of the capital projects at future finance and facilities Committee meetings.

The Committee discussed the Request for Proposal (RFP) for childcare services. The administration recommended that the Committee approve Tot Time Child Development Centers, Inc as the vendor, provided that Tot Time agrees to limit tuition rate increases.

Lastly, the Committee discussed the District's 5-year budget including a projected deficit for the 2010-2011 budget year. The administration presented some strategies for balancing the budget. The discussion focused on educational, non-educational, extra-curricular and staffing strategies. The Committee asked the administration to add to the strategies, staffing to the top of range as allowed by the District's policy, possible sale of District assets, debt options, miscellaneous other taxes, business opportunities, transportation charges, fees for athletics and/or activities, and parking fees. The Committee asked that these strategies be identified by their impact on the educational program and the budget and the likelihood of being implemented.

### **Public Information Committee, Chair: Pat Wood**

---

Prepared by: Committee Chair

The Public Information Committee met on November 12, 2009. There were two major topics of discussion. The first discussion was about a letter to all members of the community informing them about the development of next year's budget and the projected financial shortfall. Under Act 1 there is a cap of 2.9% on the allowable tax increase for next year. However, there are allowable exceptions for additional taxation. The State would allow the District to tax additionally for certain limited exceptions. If the District was to consider applying for any of these exceptions, then the budget would have to be presented for public viewing, and sent, with the request for the specific exceptions, to the State by early January. The exceptions would enable a school tax increase up to an additional 4.3%. To be sure that the community is informed, the Committee asked that the letter be sent as soon as possible.

The second item of interest is a proposed transition to an on-line calendar for the 2009-2010 school year. This would offer additional convenience to the school community and offer cost savings. It would allow more flexibility because it could be updated throughout the year. It would also allow inclusion of more scheduled events at each individual school. Paper copies of the calendar will be available at the schools for those who are interested.

The Committee reviewed requests received under the open records law and determined that none of the information would be of general interest to the community and there would be no reason to post it on the web site.



# BEAUMONT GRADE LEVEL NEWS

## DECEMBER 2009

### Kindergarten



December brings many exciting activities to Beaumont's Kindergarten classrooms. We kicked off the month with a weeklong unit on hibernation. The children learned about animals that hibernate, why they hibernate, and the ways those animals prepare for their long slumber. They created their own "hibernating bears" and added them to a bulletin board display where they will "hibernate" throughout the winter months.

After that we jumped right into our "whimsical" activities with the Gingerbread Man. This theme always brings a certain magical feel to the month of December. We read many versions of the age-old tale about the Gingerbread Man throughout the month. One of our literature based activities included creating a giant gingerbread man cookie, baking him in the oven, and, as usually happens, we ended up chasing that little rascal all over the school as he left clues to his location - he could be heard chanting, "Run, run as fast as you can, you can't catch me, I'm the Gingerbread Man." Fortunately, we did track him down and then we enjoyed having a little gingerbread snack for all our efforts!

In addition, the children continued with their journal writing using their "gingerbread journal". And in math, through hands-on exploration, we continued to expand our lessons on number sense and graphing.

We culminated the month with our annual Gingerbread Tea. This event extended an invitation to our parents to join us in the classroom to enjoy a day of creativity. Together with their children, parents created a stuffed gingerbread man using all sorts of fabric and notions to decorate their unique and special masterpiece which they then took home as a remembrance of this special time in Kindergarten.



### First Grade



#### Fabulous Firsts

We can't believe that 2009 is already coming to a close! First graders have been working on strategies to apply in addition and subtraction. These include always beginning with the larger number, doubles, doubles plus 1, doubles minus one, using a number line, counting on/up, and fact families. "Additionally," the children are expected explain, through words or pictures, why they selected a particular strategy. They extend this skill when solving our weekly word problems, especially the "bonus" problem.

First grade wishes everyone a happy and healthy New Year. We'll see you in 2010!

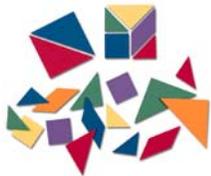


## Second Grade

The second graders had been hard at work as we neared the holiday season. We finished our social studies unit on dinosaurs and are really excited to be learning about ancient China. It is very interesting to us to be finding out about this country and the innovations it has given to the world. We look forward to our lion mask project and we hope you will be sure to show up for our China Day celebration later in the winter. We have also started our science unit on Soils as our Changes unit came to an end. We are now getting our hands dirty playing with all of the parts of soil and observing worms in their natural habitat. Who knew we could call "getting dirty" research? We also really enjoyed opening our Holiday Literature Boxes, so thank you for all of your help with these. They were a great way to connect literature, art, the holidays, and FUN!!! We hope that you have a great winter break and a happy 2010. See you in the New Year!

## Third Grade

This month, the third graders were working hard on our *Tribal Tribute* project. We hope you were able to visit our *Tribal Tribute* last Friday, the 18<sup>th</sup> of December. If so, we bet you were amazed at what you saw 😊



As a math project, the third graders will be working with "Tangrams." We have worked on putting the seven tangram pieces together to form the traditional square. However, after the break we will be using these pieces to build other geometric shapes.

## Fourth Grade

December seems to be one big blur in 4<sup>th</sup> grade! The 4<sup>th</sup> graders returned from Thanksgiving break and were immediately introduced to their next big project, the traditional Winter Stories. The hard work began with coming up with a creative idea, writing the rough draft, proofreading and finally beginning the "fun" stage of writing the final draft in a large book filled with lots of pictures, colors, and of course glitter! The 4<sup>th</sup> graders are looking forward to sharing these stories with K-3<sup>rd</sup> grades on December 22<sup>nd</sup>. In social studies, classes are finishing up the study of colonization and we will be introducing the next unit, The American

Revolution, after the holidays. In science, the students are immersed in the new unit, Motion and Design. They have created a car out of Kinex and are learning about motion, force, and friction. We know after this busy month of December, that students and teachers will truly enjoy the winter break. May this holiday season bring everyone lots of joy and peace. We wish you a very happy and healthy New Year!

**SAVE THE DATE!!**

**FOR THE FATHER-DAUGHTER  
DANCE**

*"Winter Wonderland"*



**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2010\***  
**7:00-9:30 PM**  
**BEAUMONT ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

Invitations will be sent out January 2010  
Bring your special date – Father, Uncle, Grandfather, Big Brother, etc.  
Dress Fun and Fancy

**NEW THIS YEAR...CORSAGE SALE**  
**Look for pre-order details in January!**

**\*Please note that the T/E school calendar has this event scheduled for  
2/20. We have changed the date to 2/27.**

# MASH ICE CREAM SOCIAL 2009



FOURTH GRADE MASH VOLUNTEERS WORKED  
VERY HARD SELLING TICKETS, SCOOPING  
ICE CREAM AND SERVING TOPPINGS.

MASH RAISED APPROXIMATELY **\$950**  
TO HELP CHILDREN IN NEED. THAT  
MEANS THEY SCOOPED ABOUT **475** BOWLS  
OF ICE CREAM!!

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING  
STUDENTS WHO HELPED MAKE THIS A FUN  
FILLED AND DELICIOUS EVENT!

Emma Tierney  
Katie Hughes  
Maddie Nikolic  
Madison Madeira  
Kristen Monestero  
Julia Semmer  
Leah Swope  
Lauren Cauley  
Billy Gallagher  
Grace McEvoy  
Ryan Buck  
Andrew Gluck  
Zach Simpson  
Matt McClintick

Luke Borger  
Alex Cooke  
Sean Bailey  
Matthew Cameron  
Matthew Dempsey  
Teddy Roach  
Max Mooney  
Kevin Ryle  
Mia Dubendorf  
Madeline Alwine  
Emily Steinhardt  
Julia Cummins  
Liam Kiser  
Kyle Nicholson  
Kiley Allen

Eli Papadopoulos  
Mitchell Lamb  
Michael Needles  
Melissa Horan  
Jahnvi Rao  
Adam Morrow  
Brett Flatley  
Sean Bacskai  
Sean Piotti  
Emma McGillis  
Maddie Bove  
Michael Erickson  
Rachel Lopez  
Kayla Wagner  
Jacob Robinson

# What are your kids doing this summer?



Our 23<sup>rd</sup>  
Year!

Representatives from approximately 100 day and overnight camps will be available to answer questions and discuss their programs in detail.

Whether you are looking for a camp with an academic, sports, or other leisure activity focus, you will find it at the 2010 Main Line Camp Fair.

Admission  
is Free

## Main Line Camp Fair

Wednesday, January 27, 2010  
5:30-8:30 pm

Conestoga High School  
200 Irish Road  
Berwyn, Pennsylvania

(Snow Date: February 3, 2010)

Families with children ages preschool thru 18 are welcome to attend.

SPONSORED BY THE DEVON  
ELEMENTARY PTO

For more information and a list of camps attending visit:  
[www.mainlinecampfair.org](http://www.mainlinecampfair.org)

# Winter Break Fun!

## TYLER ARBORETUM

[www.tylerarboretum.org](http://www.tylerarboretum.org)

515 Painter Rd, Media, PA 19063-4424

(610) 566-9134

### Junior Naturalists: Winter "Bug-sicle" Hunt

Mon, Dec 28, 1pm - 2:30pm

There are still insects throughout the Arboretum, but they are not easy to find!

*Pre-registration required.*

### Flow Yoga in the Arboretum (Session 1)

Tue, Dec 29, 6:30pm - 7:30pm

Enjoy integrating the practice of yoga with the wonders of nature.

*Pre-registration required.*

### Winter Bird Walks

Wed, Dec 30, 8:15am - 10:15am

Enjoy our Bird Walks Every Wednesday

*Free with admission; no pre-registration required.*

### Weekday Wildflower Botany Walks

Wed, Dec 30, 11am - 1pm

Enjoy our Wildflower Botany Walks every Wednesday!

*Free with admission; no pre-registration required.*

### Sunday Wildflower Botany Walks

Sun, Jan 3, 1:30pm - 3:30pm

Can't attend our weekday wildflower walks?

*Free with admission; no pre-registration required.*

## Academy of Natural Sciences

[www.ansp.org](http://www.ansp.org)

1900 Benjamin Franklin Parkway, Philadelphia, PA 19103

215-299-1000

### **All-Star Week – Saturday, Dec. 26 - Thursday, Dec. 31, 11 am - 4 pm**

Enjoy different live shows, special guest stars and crafts each day during this week long showcase of the Academy's best shows.

Saturday, Dec. 26 - Dinosaur Day

Monday, Dec. 28 - Butterfly Day

Wednesday, Dec. 30 - Reptile Day

Sunday, Dec. 27 - Animal Day

Tuesday, Dec. 29 - George Washington Carver

Thursday, Dec 31 - Bug Day

**Brandywine River Museum,  
www.brandywinemuseum.org  
U.S. Route 1, P.O. Box 141  
Chadds Ford, PA 19317 • Phone: 610-388-2700**

**Alice in Pictureland: Illustrations of Lewis Carroll's Classic Tales  
*through January 10***

Alice, the Mad Hatter, the White Rabbit and the other wonderful, fanciful figures found in Lewis Carroll's famous books have delighted people of all ages since their first appearance in *Alice in Wonderland* (1865) and *Through the Looking-Glass* (1871). This exhibition includes work by John Tenniel, the first illustrator of Carroll's Alice stories, as well as by subsequent noteworthy artist-interpreters, including Arthur Rackham, Peter Newell, Jessie Willcox Smith, and Barry Moser. The exhibition features over 40 objects, including original artwork, proofs, prints, and first edition books.

**Dolls at Christmas  
from the Ann Wyeth McCoy Collection  
*through January 10***

A family favorite returning this year is the doll collection of the late Ann Wyeth McCoy, who received her first bisque doll as a Christmas present when she was eight years old. For many years following, at Christmas or her birthday, a fine doll was a treasured gift. The collection includes dolls made by some of the world's most famous manufacturers, including Kaemmer and Reinhardt, Simon and Halbig, and J.D. Kestner, to name just a few. The dolls are dressed in their original clothes or in costumes designed and sewn by Mrs. McCoy from antique fabrics.

**LOWER MERION CONSERVANCY**  
Rolling Hill Park  
1301 Rose Glen Road, Gladwyne

Winter Bird Count  
Sunday, Jan. 3rd  
8:30 AM  
Free!  
Audience: Adults, children ages 2 & up

Join experienced BirdWatch volunteers for Lower Merion Conservancy's 15th annual winter bird count. Please meet at the Conservancy cottage to be divided into teams to count winter resident birds at Rolling Hill Park, Saunders Woods, Riverbend and Flat Rock Park. We will look for woodpeckers, juncos, water birds, hawks and many more species. We will end the morning tallying the count and enjoying hot chocolate, coffee and donuts.

### **PLEASE TOUCH MUSEUM**

www.pleasetouchmuseum.org  
Memorial Hall, Fairmount Park  
4231 Avenue of the Republic (formerly North Concourse Drive)  
Philadelphia, PA 19131  
(215) 581-3181

Countdown 2 Noon  
Thursday, Dec. 31st  
9am-3pm  
Free with admission!

Midnight is too late for the little ones to ring in the new year so ring in 2010 at noon and 1pm. Then go home, take a nap and prepare for your own midnight celebration.

Bring the whole family for party activities, music, programming and loads of themed kid-friendly fun all in one place!

### **JENKINS ARBORETUM**

631 Berwyn Baptist Road  
Devon, PA 19333  
(610) 647-8870  
[www.jenkinsarboretum.org](http://www.jenkinsarboretum.org).

The Jenkins Arboretum was to be developed as a public park, arboretum and wildlife sanctuary for the use of the public and responsible organizations engaged in the study of arboriculture, horticulture and wildlife for educational and scientific purposes, as defined by the will of H. Lawrence Jenkins. Admission is free 365 days of the year.

### **Nov 27 thru Jan 2, 2010**

Fine Art Nature Photography Exhibition with photos by Andy Smith.

### **GRANGE ESTATE**

143 Myrtle Ave., Havertown

Holiday Weekends at the Grange Estate  
Saturdays & Sundays through Dec. 27th  
1-4pm  
Admission is free to the Model Train Display  
Admission to the Mansion is \$5.00 for adults, \$1.00 for students

Enjoy the Model Train Display in the Carriage House, tour the beautifully decorated mansion and end your visit with a stop in the delightful Gift Shoppe stocked with unique seasonal gifts.

## Berwyn Paoli Area Little League

Dear Parents:

WELCOME TO THE 50th SEASON OF BERWYN-PAOLI LITTLE LEAGUE  
BASEBALL!

BPALL will be celebrating its 50th year of Little League Baseball in 2010. As we approach our first snow fall of the season, we turn our thoughts to the warm Spring of 2010 and Baseball! We are pleased to announce that on-line registration is now open for the 2010 Spring season for returning players. All players registered before February 15th, 2010 will be guaranteed placement on a team.

To register, please go to our website at <http://www.eteamz.com/berwynpaolill/>.

Alternatively you can come to our open registrations on one of the following dates:

January 9th - T/E Middle School Library - 10am to 2pm

January 16th - T/E Middle School Library - 10am to 2pm

The open registrations are also a good opportunity to meet league volunteers and to discuss any questions or concerns. If your child is playing in the league for the first time, we will need proof of age and residence for him or her.

Should you have any questions about BPALL registration, please feel free to contact our player agent, Ramesh Raghupathi, at [RaghupathiRR@comcast.net](mailto:RaghupathiRR@comcast.net).

IF YOU HAVE NEIGHBORS OR FRIENDS WHO ARE NEW TO THE AREA AND WOULD LIKE TO PARTICIPATE IN BPALL ACTIVITIES AND NEED TO REGISTER THEIR CHILD(REN) TO PLAY, PLEASE FEEL FREE TO FORWARD THIS E-MAIL TO THEM, OR ASK THEM TO CONTACT OUR PLAYER AGENT AT [RAGHUPATHIRR@COMCAST.NET](mailto:RAGHUPATHIRR@COMCAST.NET).

We look forward to a great year for BPALL in 2010!

**Tredyffrin Easttown School District**  
**Elementary Lunch Menu**  
**January 2010**

All lunches include a choice of skim, 2% white or low-fat chocolate milk.

Please include your child's full name with all pre-payments.  
 Paid Lunch \$2.35  
 Reduced lunch \$ .40

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Day 4</b> 4	<b>Day 5</b> 5	<b>Day 6</b> 6	<b>Day 1</b> 7	<b>Day 2</b> 8
A. Pizza Dippers w/Marinara Sauce ▼ B. Pizza C. Yogurt Bites ▼ D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼  Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Carrot Sticks w/Dip ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Popcorn Chicken B. Pizza C. Yogurt Bites D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Green Beans ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Cheeseburger on a Whole Wheat Bun B. Pizza C. Yogurt Bites D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Corn ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Oven Baked Breaded Chicken B. Pizza C. Yogurt Bites D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Whipped Potatoes ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. 5" Individual Pizza ▼ B. Turkey Hot Dog on a Bun C. Yogurt Bites D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Green Beans ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼
<b>Day 3</b> 11	<b>Day 4</b> 12	<b>Day 5</b> 13	<b>Day 6</b> 14	<b>Day 1</b> 15
A. Macaroni & Cheese ▼  B. Chicken Patty on a Whole Wheat Bun  C. Tuna Salad on a Bun D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼  Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Corn ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Chicken Fingers w/Dipping Sauce  B. Chicken Patty on a Whole Wheat Bun  C. Tuna Salad on a Bun D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Peas & Carrots ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Meatball Sandwich on a Sub  B. Chicken Patty on a Whole Wheat Bun  C. Tuna Salad on a Bun D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Baked French Fries ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Baked Potato Bar w/Broccoli & Cheese ▼  B. Chicken Patty on a Whole Wheat Bun  C. Tuna Salad on a Bun D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼  Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Stuffed Crust Pizza ▼  B. Chicken Patty on a Whole Wheat Bun  C. Tuna Salad on a Bun D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Baby Carrots w/Dip ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼
<b>Day 6</b> 18	<b>Day 2</b> 19	<b>Day 3</b> 20	<b>Day 4</b> 21	<b>Day 5</b> 22
<b>Staff Inservice</b> <b>NO STUDENTS REPORT</b>	A. Ham & Cheese Hoagie  B. Pizza ▼ C. Turkey Breast Sandwich* D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Vegetarian Fried Rice ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Pasta w/Spaghetti Meat Sauce  B. Pizza ▼ C. Turkey Breast Sandwich* D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Green Beans ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Chicken Nugget w/ Whole Wheat Dinner Roll B. Pizza ▼ C. Turkey Breast Sandwich* D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Baked Potato Puffs ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Double Stuffed Crust Pizza ▼  B. Hot Dog w or w/o Sauerkraut C. Turkey Breast Sandwich* D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Mixed Vegetables ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼
<b>Day 6</b> 25	<b>Day 1</b> 26	<b>Day 2</b> 27	<b>Day 3</b> 28	<b>Day 4</b> 29
A. Oven Baked Breaded Boneless Chicken Drumstick B. Cheeseburger on a Bun C. Hummus Bites ▼ D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼  Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Carrot Coins ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Toasted Cheese Sandwich ▼  B. Cheeseburger on a Bun C. Hummus Bites ▼ D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Tomato Soup ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Cheesesteak Sandwich on a Steak Roll  B. Cheeseburger on a Bun C. Hummus Bites ▼ D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Carrot Sticks w/Dip ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Soft Chicken Taco w/Shredded Cheese, Tomato, Lettuce, Salsa B. Cheeseburger on a Bun C. Hummus Bites ▼ D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter or Salad Bar ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Corn ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼	A. Pepperoni Pizza  B. Cheeseburger on a Bun C. Hummus Bites ▼ D. Peanut Butter and Jelly Uncrustable on White or Whole Wheat ▼ E. Salad Platter ▼ Tossed Garden Salad ▼ Green Beans ▼ Chilled Fresh and Canned Fruit ▼

**HEALTHY SNACK**  
**MINI RICE CAKE STACK**



8 Mini Apple-Cinnamon Rice Cake Stacks  
 1 1/2 Tablespoons Natural Peanut Butter  
 4 Banana Slices



Spread 4 rice cakes with peanut butter, top each with a banana slice and top with another rice cake

**Per Serving:** 297 calories, 13g fat, 2g saturated fat, 0g mono fat, 0mg cholesterol, 40g carbohydrates, 8g protein, 4g fiber, 91mg sodium, 293 mg potassium

**▼ Identifies Vegetarian Items**



# JANUARY 2010



MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
				1 NO SCHOOL
4 3:30-4:30 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Sports  Day 4	5 3:30-4:30 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Sports  Day 5	6 3:30-4:30 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Sports  Day 6	7  Day 1	8  Day 2
11 3:30-4:30 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Sports  Day 3	12 3:30-4:30 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Sports  Day 4	13 8:00 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra 3:30-4:30 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Sports  Day 5	14 8:00 Chorus Cultural Arts Assembly - Amazing Grace  Day 6	15 5:00 - 8:00 Pizza Bingo  Day 1
18 NO SCHOOL	19 3:30-4:30 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Sports  Day 2	20 3:30-4:30 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Sports  Day 3	21 8:00 Chorus  Day 4	22 8:00 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Orchestra 9:30 & 1:00 Kindergarten Dream Pillows  Day 5
25 3:30-4:30 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade Sports 3:30 - 4:30 Art Club - Grades 1-2  Day 6	26 3:30-4:30 3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade Sports 3:30 - 4:30 Art Club - Grades 1-2  Day 1	27 Cultural Arts Assembly - Master Cheng - paper cutter 3:30-4:30 4 <sup>th</sup> Grade Sports  Day 2	28 8:00 Chorus 3:30-4:30 Science Explorers 3:30 - 4:30 Clay Club - grades 3-4  Day 3	29 9:30 & 1:00 Kindergarten Jammie Party  Day 4