



## Author visits Muhlenberg Elementary Center

Talking doughnuts, kindly otters and mixed-up states were all the rage during author and illustrator Laurie Keller's visit to Muhlenberg Elementary Center on November 3, 4 and 5. Ms. Keller is the creator of a number of award-winning picture books, including *The Scrambled States of America*, *Arnie the Doughnut*, and *Do Unto Otters*. All students attended assembly programs where she showed slides of her work, talked about where she gets ideas, and taught students to draw some of her most famous characters.

Students prepared for the visit by reading her books and creating related art projects in art class under the direction of Mrs. Maureen Yoder and Mrs. Kristy Manwiller. The halls of MEC were decorated with the students' artwork, and Ms. Keller felt truly welcome when she arrived. Third and fourth grade students had the opportunity to win a copy of the *Scrambled States* book by learning U.S. geography and beating the map test that Mrs. Denise Stumpf had them play in computer class.

Reading specialists, Dr. Roula Elliker and Mrs. Leslie Angelucci-Kuriger organized an evening workshop for families to meet the author. During the workshop, Ms. Keller shared the hilarious story of Arnie, the talking doughnut, and she offered simple instructions for how to draw the Arnie character. Families then had the chance to

write and illustrate their own Arnie adventure, based on scenarios provided by the author. After reading, writing and drawing Arnie, everyone also enjoyed eating doughnuts that looked just like him!



*Author, Laurie Keller, in center*

The highlight of the author visit was a "Parade of Scrambled States" throughout the school on Thursday afternoon. Ms. Keller, dressed as Uncle Sam, served as the Grand Marshall and was accompanied by the MEC Music Department. Mr. Ken Kemmerer, Mrs. Cynthia Frymoyer, and Mrs. Amy Bourey led students along the parade route in singing "This Land is Your Land." Each fourth grade class paraded as a different U.S. state, wearing costumes they made under Mrs. Yoder's direction. Teachers and staff volunteered to make their own costumes to represent even more of the states. Students were especially excited to see Principal Steven Baylor dressed as Mount Rushmore, representing South Dakota, with his side kick Assistant Principal Tim Moyer accompanying him dressed as North Dakota!

Laurie Keller books will be flying off of the library shelves for the rest of the school year!

*The author visit was made possible by the Muhlenberg PTO and their support of our annual book fair as well as by the elementary center school store.*

# District NEWS



## MUHLENBERG SCHOOL DISTRICT



Muhlenberg School District continually strives to ensure that our buildings are safe and welcoming places for students, staff and visitors. In order to gauge parents' perceptions as to how we are doing, we would like to invite you to complete a survey regarding your thoughts about school climate and safety in the building your child attends. We would like to e-mail you a link to complete this survey in January. In order to do so, we will need an e-mail address to send this correspondence. In addition to the survey, Muhlenberg may have other school and district correspondences which may be sent via e-mail. If you are interested in completing this survey and receiving future correspondence through e-mail from the District, please complete and return this form to your child's teacher by December 15, 2010.

**Parent's Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name	Grade
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### Information for Muhlenberg School District Residents

By Pennsylvania state law, in order for a child to attend Muhlenberg schools, a child must be a resident of the school district. With certain exceptions, a child shall be considered a resident of the school district only if his or her parent or guardian resides in the district. Please take notice that the Muhlenberg School District actively monitors residency requirements, will disenroll students not actually living within its boundaries, and will charge tuition, which is currently set at the secondary rate of \$50.48 per day and the elementary rate of \$46.57 per day, to the parent or

guardian of any child for the period in which such child has been enrolled in violation of the residency requirements. Furthermore, any person who knowingly falsifies information for the purpose of improperly enrolling a child in the district may be prosecuted criminally. The Muhlenberg School District has and will continue to be vigilant of improper enrollments in order to ensure taxpayers' monies are used for providing the best education for our properly enrolled Muhlenberg students. We thank you for your continued support and assistance in these efforts.



### Alumni news articles accepted

Alumni news articles may be e-mailed to [steinb@mail.muhsdk12.org](mailto:steinb@mail.muhsdk12.org) or mailed to: Brenda Stein, Muhlenberg School District Administrative Office, 801 Bellevue Avenue, Laureldale, PA 19605

# District NEWS

## Foundation supports new after-school program at CE Cole

The Muhlenberg School District Foundation is pleased to announce the start of an after-school program at the C.E. Cole building for fifth and sixth graders. Fall session will run from October through December and a winter session will run from January through March. The Olivet's Boys and Girls Club is running the program and has hired four high school students to oversee the program's activities: Lynn Santo Domingo, Giselle Garcia, Matthew Becker and Cindy Fernandez.

The Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday program has 34 students involved from 3:30 until 5 p.m. Students who signed up with Dr. Ryan Giffing, C. E. Cole's Principal, but were unable to join us for the fall session due to lack of space, will be at the top of the list for our winter session.

The foundation will continue to help our Muhlenberg students wherever feasible. To do this the foundation held a fundraising dinner on Sunday, November 14, at the Heidelberg Country Club. The evening included a buffet dinner, a silent auction and entertainment by Cliff Starkey. Thanks to all who attended to help support the Foundation and its activities.

## School Board News

Congratulations to  
Board President  
Donald B. Raifsnider, Jr.  
who was elected Second Vice President  
of the Pennsylvania School Boards Association  
at the PSBA October Conference.

## Commended Scholar named

Maryrose Yerger, a senior, was named a National Merit Commended Scholar. This award is based on her scores from the PSAT during her junior year. Maryrose placed in the top 5 percent from more than 1.5 million students who took this exam last October.

Congratulations Maryrose!

## AP Scholar Awards for the 2009-2010 School Year

Seven 2010 graduates have received recognition for their achievement on the AP Examinations. The following students received the award of Scholar. These students received scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams: Bethany Berger, Catherine Kelley, Catherine Kreider, Rachel Lehr, and Eduardo Trejo. The following students received the Scholar with Distinction award; Steven Casper and Stephanie Rohrbach. This award is given to students who receive an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams. Muhlenberg High School also has one National AP Scholar, Steven Casper. Steven has received an average score of at least 4 on all AP exams taken, and scores of 4 or higher on five or more of these exams.

Congratulations to all of our AP Scholar Award recipients.

## Looking for Something?

### Find it on the World Book Web

Thanks to a generous donation from the Junior Women's Club of Muhlenberg, the school district now subscribes to the World Book Encyclopedia Online. This web-based product includes thousands of encyclopedia articles, photographs, maps, videos and more. Users are able to hear the text read aloud as well as have it translated into 14 different languages. Current news, learning activities and games, along with a dictionary and biography center are also available on the World Book Web. Students have direct access to the website from all school district computers, but can also use the product from home by visiting [www.worldbookonline.com](http://www.worldbookonline.com). The user ID for remote access is "muhlsd" and the password is "muhls."

## Muhlenberg High School

### School counselors at Muhlenberg High School are:

- 1) conducting senior interviews and are now in the heart of the college application process, monitoring seniors during PSSA retesting.
- 2) working with students and offering career assistance and research opportunities.
- 5) working with new transfer students as they continue to enroll daily.
- 6) working with seniors in the process of SAT/ACT registration and test preparation.

**ASVAB Testing.** The Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) exam was offered at MHS on Wednesday, November 10.

**Career Center:** The Career Center has been busy with various college representatives coming to visit the students, along with military personnel.

The last representative will be visiting in early December. See our Web site for all the dates and times. This month select juniors will be attending the Young Women's Symposium and the Young Men's Symposium. This is a great day for the selected students to interact with professionals of their future careers. In December, the Career Center will host its annual Alumni day for our current students to talk to recent college graduates about college life.

## Muhlenberg Middle School

**House Activities:** "Houses" are a new concept at Muhlenberg Middle School. Every student in the school is assigned to a teacher's house. Each house meets one period in a six-day cycle and consists of 10-15 students. Since the beginning of the school year, each house has done activities to get to know each other, worked on academic or social goals or discussed ways to improve the school. Mrs. Patti Brenner's house decided that they wanted to go beyond the school walls and help out in the community. In October, students created pumpkins that were delivered to clients at Ageless Harmony on Kutztown Road.

In October, each house also participated in a scarecrow competition. Students and teachers worked together to create their own representation of a MMS scarecrow. The scarecrows were very creative. The winning scarecrow was created by eighth grade teacher Mrs. Tara Clemens' house.

**Career Fair:** Our eighth grade Career Fair will take place on Thursday, December 2, from 8 am to 12 noon in the MMS Gymnasium. Various careers and occupations are

represented at this annual event. Eighth grade students complete a questionnaire about career interests prior to the event and are matched up with three participants they must interview. In addition, all students participate in a scavenger hunt to locate various careers within their identified career cluster. Parents and local community leaders are encouraged to participate. Please contact Mrs. Patricia Brenner at 610-921-8034, ext. 3511 for more information.

## CE Cole

**Wanted: Guest Speakers at Cole:** Are you a community entrepreneur willing to speak to students about your experiences? Penny Vojtasek is the guidance counselor for the C.E. Cole Intermediate School. This fall, Mrs. Vojtasek has been working with other Muhlenberg counselors to ensure that Pennsylvania's Career Education and Work standards are being addressed either through regular classroom instruction or through activities sponsored or delivered by the Guidance Department. In pursuing that goal, Mrs. Vojtasek would like to invite entrepreneurs living or working in the Muhlenberg School

District to speak to students about entrepreneurship. A guest speaker would address students in their classroom for 20-30 minutes at a time that is convenient for the speaker. Mrs. Vojtasek will provide an outline that speakers can use as a guide for their presentation, which can be as formal or as informal as the speaker would like it to be. If you are a community entrepreneur and would be willing to speak with one or more classes about the challenges and rewards of entrepreneurship, please contact Mrs. Vojtasek at 610-921-8212, ext 2004, or [vojtasekp@muhlsdk12.org](mailto:vojtasekp@muhlsdk12.org)

## Muhlenberg Elementary Center

The Muhlenberg Elementary Center counselors and grade levels are divided as follows: Beverly Packard (kindergarten and first grade), Karen Madeira (grades 2 and 3) and Janet Gift (grade 4). Counselors move with their students through the grades. In addition to seeing students individually and in small groups, counselors also teach classroom guidance lessons in the fall and in the spring in each grade level.

This fall, counselors have spent part of their guidance classes in topics related to the school-wide character education program. Our school has adopted a Cool Muhl Rule to "Treat others the way you want others to treat you." The counselors have read the book "Do Unto Otters" to each classroom to reinforce this rule and also to help prepare students to meet the author of this book, Laurie Keller, who visited the school in early November (see article on page 1). The students enjoyed this book and were excited to be able to meet the author.

# Counseling CORNER

# Winter Sports Schedule

## Boys' Basketball

Fri	12/10	Exeter Tip-Off	A	6:00
Sat	12/11	Exeter Tip-Off	A	6:00
Wed	12/15	Ephrata	A	6:30
Tue	12/21	Daniel Boone	H	6:15
Thur	12/23	Pottstown	H	6:00
Mon	12/27	Susquehannock Tourney	A	4:00
Tue	12/28	Susquehannock Tourney	A	4:00
Tue	1/4	Fleetwood	A	6:15
Fri	1/7	Reading	H	6:15
Tue	1/11	Conrad Weiser	A	6:15
Thur	1/13	Twin Valley	H	6:15
Sat	1/15	Hamburg	A	12:00
Tue	1/18	Exeter	A	6:15
Sat	1/22	Pottsville	A	6:00
Tue	1/25	Governor Mifflin	A	6:15
Thur	1/27	Fleetwood	H	6:15
Sat	1/29	Schuylkill Valley	H	1:00
Tue	2/1	Wilson	A	6:15
Fri	2/4	Conrad Weiser	H	6:15
Sat	2/5	Palmyra	H	12:00
Mon	2/7	Twin Valley	A	6:15
Thur	2/10	Daniel Boone	A	6:15

\*Coach Reggie Weiss

## Girls' Basketball

Fri	12/10	Muhlenberg Tip Off	H	6:00
Sat	12/11	Muhlenberg Tip Off	H	3:00
Mon	12/13	Warwick	A	6:30
Thur	12/16	Wyomissing	H	6:00
Tue	12/21	Daniel Boone	A	6:15
Thur	12/23	Hamburg	A	6:00
Tue	12/28	Girls Holiday Tournament	H	4:30
Wed	12/29	Girls Holiday Tournament	H	4:30
Tue	1/4	Fleetwood	H	6:15
Thur	1/6	Reading	A	6:15
Sat	1/8	Ephrata	A	12:00
Tue	1/11	Conrad Weiser	H	6:15
Fri	1/14	Twin Valley	A	6:15
Sat	1/15	Holy Name	A	12:00
Tue	1/18	Exeter	H	6:15
Tue	1/25	Governor Mifflin	H	6:15
Fri	1/28	Fleetwood	A	6:15
Tue	2/1	Wilson	H	6:15
Thur	2/3	Conrad Weiser	A	6:15
Sat	2/5	Palmyra	A	12:00
Mon	2/7	Twin Valley	H	6:15
Wed	2/9	Daniel Boone	H	6:15

\*Coach Joshua Ressler

## Bowling

Mon	12/13	Reading	H	3:45
Wed	12/15	Wilson	H	3:45
Sat	12/18	Snow Roller Tourney	A	1:00
Tue	12/21	Governor Mifflin	A	3:45
Wed	12/23	Exeter	H	3:45
Tue	12/28	Winter Break Team Tourn	A	2:00
Mon	1/3	Oley Valley	A	3:45
Tue	1/4	Schuylkill Valley	H	3:45

Wed	1/5	Antietam	A	3:45
Thur	1/6	Wyomissing	H	3:45
Tue	1/11	Central Catholic	A	3:45
Wed	1/12	Daniel Boone	A	3:45
Tue	1/18	Hamburg	H	3:45
Fri	1/21	Conrad Weiser	A	3:45
Mon	1/24	Twin Valley	H	3:45
Tue	1/25	Daniel Boone	H	3:45
Mon	1/31	Hamburg	A	3:45
Thur	2/3	Conrad Weiser	H	3:45
Mon	2/7	Twin Valley	A	3:45

\*Coach William Tetterton

## Swimming & Diving

Sat	12/11	York Sub/Down.West	H	1:00
Thur	12/16	Reading	A	5:00
Sat	12/18	Bucknell Invitational	A	11:00
Tue	12/21	Schuylkill Valley	H	4:00
Sat	1/8	Central York	A	10:00
Tue	1/11	Exeter	H	4:00
Thur	1/13	Ephrata	H	4:00
Sat	1/15	Muhl. Mayheim	H	9:30
Tue	1/18	Cocalico	H	4:00
Thur	1/20	Governor Mifflin	H	4:00
Tue	1/25	Wilson	A	4:15
Thur	1/27	Lower Dauphin	H	4:00
Tue	2/1	Wyomissing	A	4:00
Sat	2/12	CPL Diving Championships	A	TBA
Sat	2/19	CPL Swimming Champ.	A	TBA
Fri	3/4	District III Championships	A	TBA
Sat	3/5	District III Championships	A	TBA

\*Coaches Julie McCarthy, Todd Eisenhofer, Cori Entler

## Wrestling

Sat	12/11	Quakertown Duals	A	9:00
Wed	12/15	Wilson	H	6:30
Sat	12/18	Muhlenberg Duals	H	9:30
Wed	12/22	Exeter	A	6:30
Wed	12/29	Newport Holiday	A	9:30
Wed	1/5	Governor Mifflin	H	6:30
Sat	1/8	Hamburg	A	8:30
Wed	1/12	Twin Valley	A	6:30
Fri	1/14	BCIAA Individual	A	TBA
Sat	1/15	BCIAA Individual..	A	TBA
Wed	1/19	Daniel Boone	H	6:30
Thur	1/20	Reading	A	6:30
Wed	1/26	Conrad Weiser	H	6:30
Sat	1/29	BCIAA Team/Indiv. Tourney	A	10:00
Wed	2/2	Manheim Twn.	H	6:30
Sat	2/5	Central Bucks Tourney	A	8:00
Wed	2/9	Wyomissing	H	6:30
Sat	2/19	Sectionals	A	TBA

\*Coach Matt Horst

## J.H. Boys' Basketball

Thur	12/16	Northeast	A	3:45
Mon	12/20	Exeter	H	3:45
Wed	12/22	Northwest	A	3:45
Tue	1/4	Governor Mifflin	H	3:45

Thur	1/6	Wilson West	A	3:45
Mon	1/10	Holy Name	H	3:45
Thur	1/13	Central Catholic	A	3:45
Thur	1/20	Wilson Southern	H	3:45
Mon	1/24	Northeast	H	3:45
Thur	1/27	Exeter	A	3:45
Mon	1/31	Northwest	H	3:45
Thur	2/3	Governor Mifflin	A	3:45
Mon	2/7	Wilson West	H	3:45
Thur	2/10	Holy Name	A	3:45
Sat	2/12	Hamburg Tourney	A	TBA

\*Coach Stan Kuczawa

### J.H. Girls' Basketball

Fri	12/17	Twin Valley	H	3:45
Tue	12/21	Fleetwood	A	3:45
Mon	12/27	Penn Manor	A	1:00
Wed	1/5	Daniel Boone	A	3:45
Fri	1/7	Governor Mifflin	H	1:00
Tue	1/11	Conrad Weiser	A	3:45
Fri	1/14	Wilson West	H	3:45
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Fri	1/28	Wilson Southern	H	3:45
Tue	2/1	Twin Valley	A	3:45
Fri	2/4	Fleetwood	H	4:00
Sat	2/5	Hamburg	A	3:45
Fri	2/11	Daniel Boone	H	3:45

\*Coach William Lobb

### Junior High Wrestling

Sat	12/11	Schuylkill Valley	H	9:00
Wed	12/15	Wilson	H	5:00
Wed	12/22	Exeter	A	5:00
Wed	1/5	Governor Mifflin	H	5:00
Wed	1/12	Twin Valley	A	5:00
Wed	1/19	Daniel Boone	H	5:00
Thur	1/20	Reading	A	5:00
Sat	1/22	Lower Dauphin	A	3:00
Wed	1/26	Conrad Weiser	H	5:00
Sat	2/5	Wyomissing Tourney	A	TBA
Fri	2/11	Wilson Tourney	A	TBA
Sat	2/12	Wilson Tourney	A	TBA

\*Coach Mark Frymoyer

### Winter Track Schedule - TBA

## Race for the Cure swim meet set

The Muhlenberg Swimming and Diving Team will host a home swim meet December 21 at 4 p.m. The team will be designating this meet as a "Race for the Cure" to support Cancer Awareness. Please come out to support the team in our efforts to "Make some Waves" in the fight for a cure. Cancer awareness shirts will be available for purchase along with other items to help raise funds to support cancer awareness. Thank you in advance for your help in this worthwhile cause.

## Water Polo team excels

Our girls water polo team placed 4th at the Pennsylvania Western Conference Championships, and they placed 7th in the State at the PA State Championships. The individual recognitions for the girls and guys team, at this point are:

**Girls:** **Lauren Bauer** - 2nd Team All Western Conference; 2nd Team All State; **Gabby Schaffer** - 2nd Team All Western Conference; 2nd Team All State; **Haley Hoxsie** - 3rd Team All Western Conference; 3rd Team All State; **Kacie Fuhrer** - All State Freshman Team  
**Boys:** **Sean O'Brien** - All State Freshman Team; **Chad Doerrman** - All State Freshman Team



## Golf highlights

This year's golf team was led by senior **Evan Grater**, who was team captain and seventh place finisher at the BCIAA Individual Boys Golf Championship at Willow Hollow Golf Course on September 29.

His strong finish at counties earned him a trip to the Boys District III Golf Championship at Briarwood Golf Course in York where he finished sixth among Berks County golfers and 45th overall.

Other key contributors to this year's squad were seniors **Zach Figard**, **Peter McGinley**, **Tyler Swavely**, **Kurt Niehus**, juniors **Riley Seiders** and **Larry Houser**.

## Grads making waves in swimming

The following Muhlenberg 2010 graduates are making some waves as they continue their swimming/academic careers at the college level: Zach Chow, West Virginia University; Kristina Ciatto, West Chester University; Carli Rapp, Widener University; Brianna Sieck, Wheeling Jesuit University; Janelle Florida, Clarion University.

## Turner assists at county naturalization ceremony

Kathryn Turner, a sophomore at Muhlenberg High School, attended the semi-annual Naturalization Ceremony at the Berks County Courthouse on September 29 to congratulate 36 new citizens. The ceremony was presided over by Judge Jeffrey K. Sprecher of the Court of Common Pleas.

As a representative of the Children of the American Revolution (C.A.R.), Kathryn has attended these ceremonies for the past several years to welcome each new citizen and present them with a small American flag. Kathryn is very active in the C.A.R. and has served 2 terms as secretary and as president of the local chapter. On the state-level, she has served as the state recording secretary and was recently elected to serve as the organization's state chaplain.



*Kathryn Turner, a student at Muhlenberg High School, left, presents a flag to one of the new Berks County citizens.*

# Highschool NEWS

## Music News

Several Muhlenberg High School students successfully auditioned for select ensembles. Mariah Bankemper, Edwin Cacho, Abraham Cruz, Erica Ligenza and Josh Nanna were selected for the Music Educators of Berks County (MEBC) Senior High Chorus. At the PMEA District 10 Chorus auditions, Erica Ligenza earned a spot competing against students from schools in seven counties. At the inaugural MEBC Vocal Jazz Choir auditions, Maryrose Yerger was one of only four altos selected to this elite group.

The MHS Concert Chorus has been selected to perform in the rotunda of the State Capitol Building on Wednesday, March 2, 2011 at 12:00 pm. This is part of the observance of Music In Our Schools Month.

## Muhlenberg "Impact" News

### Cell phone recycling.

Did you receive a new cell phone recently? The Impact Committee is continuing its cell phone recycling fundraiser. Protect the environment and support the high school. All proceeds will help fund the IMPACT program, which rewards and encourages students to have a positive attitude, good behavior, attendance and academics. Please bring your old cell phones to Ms. Denise Zielinski at the high school.

## Muhlenberg High School Impact Partners

(confirmed 10/23/2010)

"3001" The Hair Connection	Four J's Electronics	Care Centers	Pizza Como USA	Dr. Joseph Yarworth, Retired
AMF Hiester Lanes	Goodman Vending Service	Microplay Video	Reading Phillies Baseball Club	Superintendent
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Buca Di Beppo	Jack Frost Big Boulder	Muhlenberg Athletic Boosters Club	Schell's Dairy Swirl	
Can Do Karate, Inc.	Jr. Women's Club Of Muhlenberg	Muhlenberg Community Partnership	Mr. Scott D. Schwenk, Principal (Retired)	<b>Please Call Ms. Denise Hasenauer Zielinski At 610-921-8078 To Find Out How You Can Contribute To Our Incentive Program!</b>
Carvel's Ice Cream Store	Laureldale Garden Club	Muhlenberg PTO	Sheetz	
Ce Gee's Drive In	Steve Little, World Boxing Champion (Deceased)	Ozzy's Sports Fun Center	Starbucks Coffee	
Chik-Fil-A	L'official Family Hair	Pennsylvania Army National Guard	Target	
Cindy's Bridal & Tailor Shop		Pinnacle Sports	United Artists, Inc.	
Cliffhangers			United States Army	
Fairground Square Mall			Wendy's	
Fantasy Skating Center				

## MISSION

Muhlenberg School District is dedicated to providing a program of educational excellence that enables all students to reach their highest potential so they will lead us successfully and responsibly into the future.

## SHARED VALUES

- All students have the potential to become responsible citizens in our society.
- The home, school and student have shared responsibility for student achievement.
- An informed and involved community is essential to the development of strong educational partnerships and quality programs.
- An effective school provides a safe, supportive, and nurturing environment.
- Embracing diversity and individuality within the context of mutual respect promotes a positive learning environment.
  - Outstanding programs and effective instruction produce academic excellence.
- Participation in extra-curricular activities fosters self-confidence and positive attitudes.
- Learning opportunities that integrate technology and develop higher level thinking skills empower students to succeed in a global society.
- High expectations and commitment to continuous improvement are fundamental for high achievement.

## VISION STATEMENT

The Muhlenberg School Community will promote academic excellence in a safe and nurturing environment, while celebrating unity, respecting diversity, and empowering all students to become contributing citizens in a global society.

## SCHOOL BOARD

Donald B. Raifsnider, Jr, president

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## ADMINISTRATION

Theresa D. Haught, Ed.D., Superintendent

Vlacia Z. Campbell, Ed.D.,  
Asst. Superintendent

## ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

### December

- 1 - CIS Picture Re-Take Day  
Special Meeting and & Annual  
Organization and Committee-of-  
the-Whole mtg., HS, 6:30 pm
- 4 - SAT, 8 a.m.  
PMEA District Band auditions
- 5 - HS Winter Concert, 3 pm
- 8 - School Board mtg., HS, 7 pm
- 15 - CIS Winter Concert, HS, 7:30 pm
- 14-17 - 4Sight Testing Window (gr 3-11)
- 16 - MS Winter Concert, 7:30 pm
- 23-31 - No School; Winter Break

### January

- 3 - School Resumes
- 4 - Music Assoc Mtg., HS, 7 pm
- 5 - Committee-of-the-Whole mtg,  
HS, 7 pm
- 6 - Berks County Science Olympiad,  
Kutztown University
- 12 - Financial Aid Night, HS Cafe, 7-9  
pm  
School Board Mtg., HS, 7 pm
- 13-15 - PMEA District 10 Chorus Fest
- 14 - Act 80 Day; Early dismissal

- 17 - No School; Teacher InService
- 19 - Concert Only A Mother Could  
Love, EC, 7:30 pm
- 20 - Snow Date - Concert Only A Mother  
Could Love, EC, 7:30 pm
- 21 - End of 2nd marking period  
Grade 9-12 early dismissal  
Faculty Revue, MS, 7:30 pm
- 22 - SAT, 8 am
- 26 - Parent Scheduling Mtg, Gr 9-11,  
HS A-117, 7-9 pm
- 27 - Scheduling Assemblies, Gr 10-11
- 27-29 - PMEA District 10 Orchestra  
Festival
- 29 - Snowcoming Dance, HS Gym,  
7-10 pm
- 31 - All-County Jazz Auditions

Possible Snow Make-up Days: February 21, April 18-21 and April 25. Because of the unstable nature of PA winters, staff and students are cautioned not to make "firm" vacation and travel plans for the above dates. Any additional snow days will be added to the end of the school year.

## Muhlenberg

*Excellence in Action*

**Newsletter** Deadline for next newsletter: Jan. 7. Published for citizens of the Muhlenberg School District, **Newsletter** is printed at Key Printing, Reading, Pa. Submit news of school or community interest to Brenda Stein, Newsletter, at return address or email [steinb@mail.muhsdk12.org](mailto:steinb@mail.muhsdk12.org). Include your name and phone number for verification purposes. Timely articles will be used as space allows. <http://www.muhsdk12.org>

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