

# Chestnut Chatter

Covington Elementary School Newsletter

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## *Elementary Christmas Program December 3, 2009 at 7:00 p.m.*

The fourth and fifth grade students will be presenting a musical production entitled “**December in Our Town.**” Our first, second, and third graders will be performing with their individual grades. The program will take place in the Covington Middle School gymnasium.

The students will be going over to the middle school on the afternoon of the 3<sup>rd</sup> for a dress rehearsal. *The fourth and fifth graders will be dismissed from the middle school. Please be sure to make arrangements with your child.*

The children will also find out where their assigned room to meet for the evening performance will be. Please have your child(ren) arrive at the assigned room by 6:45 p.m. dressed in their best clothes. The children will line up in the room with their teachers and proceed to the gym.

Because of the large number of people attending the program, we ask that you do not have your child leave after their performance. It is difficult to have them get down from where they are sitting **and impolite to disrupt the program.** Please pick up your child in his or her assigned room after the program.

We look forward to seeing everyone as you join us to celebrate the holiday season with music!

## *The Gift of Sharing*

Once again the students and staff will be sharing the spirit of Christmas by participating with our local AMVETS in the annual food drive. Food barrels will be placed in the front lobby. Everyone is encouraged to donate food items (no glass containers please!) to this worthwhile event through the

morning of December 18. The classroom with the highest tally of donated food items will earn a pizza party sponsored by the AMVETS. Please help support this food drive, which will supply many local families with wonderful food baskets for the holidays.

## Thank You!

*The holiday season is upon us, and we want to express our gratitude for the continued support received daily.*

*Fall conferences were attended with 93% of the students represented! It's awesome to see the interest you have in your child(ren)'s education.*

The Fall Book Fair was a huge success! At this time of year be sure to take the time to sit with your children; encourage them to read, listen to them read, and read to them. Reading is a wonderful gift that never goes out of style! Thanks for your participation and support!

## **~ Veterans Honored ~ American Legion Donates Flags**

On November 11, 2009, elementary students, staff and honored veterans gathered in the Donna K. Dewey Gymnasium at CES. The assembly began with the presentation of the Color Guard and the singing of “The Star Spangled Banner.” Student council members led the Pledge of Allegiance. Commander Art Stephan presented new United States and Ohio flags to CES by the A.B. Cole Post No. 80 of the American Legion.

Mr. Joe Meyer introduced the honored veterans and himself,

stating what branch of the Armed Forces each served.

Letters from US Veterans who have gone to Washington, D.C. to see the various memorials were read by fifth grade students

Thanks to all veterans and the men and women serving in the armed forces for their dedication and service, and especially the American Legion A.B. Cole Post No. 80 for our new flags.

## **SchoolMall Fundraiser for Technology at CES – Kickoff – Wednesday, January 20, 2010**

*The 11<sup>th</sup> annual SchoolMall fundraiser program is scheduled for kickoff on Wednesday, January 20, 2010. The booklets for renewing and ordering magazines will be sent home on the kickoff date. There are eleven cards to fill out in the booklet. Each student that completely fills out all 11 cards in a book will receive participation prizes and his/her name will be placed **into** Covington Elementary's grand prize drawing. Also, a FREE “Glow-In-The-Dark” Looney Tunes T-shirt will be sent from SchoolMall if two paid orders come from a booklet.*

*Points are earned for technology with each completely filled out booklet. The eleven years of the SchoolMall fundraiser have provided funds to purchase items for the elementary lab such as: multiple computers, software (math, reading, science & other skill development), headphones, keyboard covers for typing skill development, computer memory upgrades, and network switches (providing improved access to the district servers and the Internet). Additionally, SchoolMall provides an online shopping mall at [www.SchoolMall.com](http://www.SchoolMall.com) for over 200 leading merchants; like Toys'R'Us, Sears, Target, Walgreens; with Covington Elementary receiving a percentage of the purchases.*

*Thanks for supporting education at Covington Elementary School.*

## Big Bucc Award

### "Citizenship"

Congratulations to our November Big Bucc students who were chosen and recognized due to their ability in "citizenship."

**Kindergarten:** Jarrek Boehringer, Aiden Helman, Dakota Clarkson, Garret Fraley

**1<sup>st</sup> Grade:** Alyssa Kimmel, Randy Anthony, Jaden Barhorst, Weston Partin

**2<sup>nd</sup> Grade:** Hailey Baker, Brenna Miller, Parker Lucas

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Hunter Alexander, Lily Hargrave, Caleb Rawson

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Emily Burns, Mason Dilley, Lindsey Kimmel

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Derek McCool, Brandi Young, Deron White

**Big Bucc students from September, October, and November were honored at a pizza party with Mrs. Gephart after school on November 24<sup>th</sup>.**

**Congratulations to all ! ! ! !**

## Principal's List and Honor Roll

The following students are on the Principal's List (all A's) for the first nine weeks of school at Covington Elementary.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Nick Brown, Emma Hand, Lily Hargrave, Gray Harshbarger, Chad Miller, Sam Pritchard, Caleb Rawson, Ashby Rench, Madison Williams, Anna Winn

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Deborah Burns, Cade Harshbarger, Spencer Hogue, Bryan Miller, Reuben Miller, Ellen Peters

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Shelli Burns, Alexis Counts, Emily Cordonnier, Anna Dunn, Adam Lefeld, Brooklyn Meyer, Branden Robinson, Savanna Schaurer, Jesse Wall

The following students are on the **Honor Roll** (all A's and B's) for the first nine weeks of school at Covington Elementary.

**3<sup>rd</sup> Grade:** Hunter Alexander, Ian Benedict, Paige Boehringer, Darlene Burns, Laura Burns, Kaleb Dykes, Parker Dysinger, Tyler Fraley, Elijah Gibson, Makenna Gostomsky, Kyle Grieshop, Lillian Hamilton, Lauren Hebert, Emily Hedrick, Audrea Herron, Sam Hutchinson, Emma Kendig, Tom Kuether, Logan Leal, Jacob McQuinn, Clair Minnich, Ashlyn Plessinger, Leah Poling, Sarah Remley, Kayla Scott, Jack Shell, Jake Slusher, Tyler Travers, Olivia VomBaur, Garrett Warner, Samantha Whiteman, Ian Wilson, Chad Yohey, Natalie Zeitz,

**4<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Danielle Alexander, Sarabeth Anderson, Emily Clark, Brittany Daniel, Breann Dieperink, Mason Dilley, Sienna Edwards, Ryan Gengler, Derek Hite, Sarah Hubbard, Lindsey Kimmel, Alex Layman, Nathan Lyle, Victoria Lyle, Braden Miller, Jett Murphy, Legend Patty, Shae Robinson, Cameron Schilling, Joey Schmelzer

**5<sup>th</sup> Grade:** Austin Alexander, Megan Alexander, Allison Angle, Ashley Anthony, Kenny Atkinson, Allison Babylon, Nathan Blei, Kelly Bowman, Kaylee Dykes, Evan Eley, Triston Francis, Jenna Hagan, Ryan Hembree, Kailyn Pond, Sarah Retz, Haley Rosengarten, Kara Schaffer, Josh Sowers, Devon Taylor, Kodie Taylor, Hope Thomas, Casey Waag, Justice Warner, Deron White, Rachel York, Brandi Young

**These students were recognized for their accomplishments during the November awards assembly and at a breakfast with Mrs. Gephart on November 11<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations to our outstanding honor students! Keep up the fantastic work!**

