



# Jefferson Journal

January 2010

## PTO NEWS

Next meeting is January 5th @ noon in the conference room. All are welcome to attend.

At the December meeting, the PTO decided to give grants to teachers that apply for large classroom items/needs. Some of the decisions will be made in January.

Thanks to Garret Priest for putting together the student directories.

\*\*Apples we distributed to all the students for National Education Week.

\*\*Yearbook - Kari Keup is spearheading this project. If you have photos for the yearbook, please email her. [kkeup@iw.net](mailto:kkeup@iw.net)

\*\*Christmas Meal - teachers will be receiving an appreciated luncheon on Wednesday, Dec. 22, 2010. Thank you parents.

President - Kami Canfield

Secretary - Heidi Fiechtner

Treasurer- Heather Engstrom

Sincerely, PTO

## Principal's Corner

Happy Holidays to all! Your children are such a blessing. Thank you for being such wonderful parents.

Our 2nd grade and 4th grade music programs were wonderful! The students enjoyed themselves and Mrs. Werness did a fantastic job. Parents, thank you for your support.

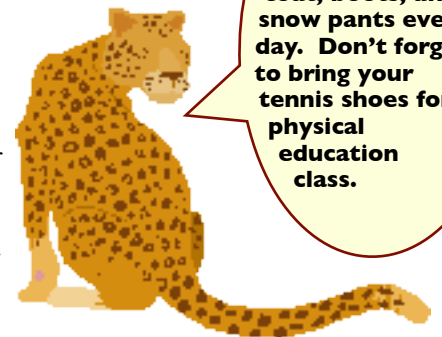
The Salvation Army took all the food items. The Student Council assisted Lieutenant Bowers in filling up his van. The food will be appreciated by many in our community. Thank you for supporting this community giving experience.

Detective Tim Toomey will speak to our 5th and 6th graders on the 27th about internet safety. We will have an evening program for our parents. I encourage you to come. This will be quite an eye opener about what our children can see and how our children can be vulnerable to internet predators. The PTO will sponsor cookies and coffee for the evening program. The evening program will be open to the public on January 27th, 2011 from 6:30 - 7:30 in the lunchroom. I hope to see you there.

### Special Points of Interest:

- ☉ Jan. 3rd - Teacher in-service
- ☉ Jan. 4th - School Begins
- ☉ Jan. 13th - 6:30 pm Family Institute to present to parents in the lunchroom
- ☉ Jan. 14th - End of 2nd quarter
- ☉ Jan. 18th - NAEP testing in 4th grade
- ☉ Jan. 21st - 12:30 Dismissal
- ☉ Jan. 21st - PM K comes in the morning (No AM K come this day)
- ☉ Jan. 27th - 5th and 6th grade internet safety with Tim Toomey
- Jan. 28th - 5th gr. Living History Fair
- ☉ Feb. 1st - 5th /6th grade performance @ DD Miller Auditorium @ 7 pm

**Remember to wear your hat, mittens, coat, boots, and snow pants every day. Don't forget to bring your tennis shoes for physical education class.**





On January 13th, Family Leadership Institute will be presenting information on how “YOU CAN BE THE POWER IN YOUR CHILD’S EDUCATION”. This presentation will be held in the lunchroom and runs from 6:30 - 7:45. The PTO will sponsor cookies and coffee for the evening program.

National Assessment of Educational Progress (NAEP) testing will take place on January 18th for the 4th graders. All district 4th graders will be taking this test. This is the nation’s report card that informs the public about the academic achievement of elementary and secondary students in the United States. <http://nationsreportcard.gov>

Boys and Girls Club - If your child goes to the Boys and Girls Club after school, the District encourages the students to ride bus #78 from the Middle School to the Boys and Girls Club.

Thank you for taking care and not entering the staff parking lot before and after school. This zone is for bus movement only. For the safety of all students, this must be a safe zone for buses and bus students. During the snow season the buses need extra room to move about with the snow. Please keep this in mind. Thank you for your support.

Holiday Fun! Activities for the holiday celebration include - **K** Reindeer fun and a Santa Box. **First grade** - Christmas wreaths, puzzle exchange and visiting Cedarview, **Second grade** - Sing at Cedarview & write thank yous, **Third grade** - Watch Polar Express in their pj’s, **Fourth grade** - Adopting an animal at the zoo called an alligator turtle and a Hawaiian party, **Fifth grade** - Turtle Racing, **Sixth grade** - Bowling

List-serve- If you get a new email address, you need to unsubscribe your old address first and then subscribe with the new one. <http://www.watertown.k12.sd.us/schools/elem/jefferson/index.htm>

#### WHAT, NO SANTA?

(Left to right) Dingle - Austin, Winky - Justin, Blinky - Quincina, Santa - Tanner, Mrs. Claus - Seth, Jingle - Kohl, Mistletoe - Connor  
These students performed for the first grade classes and did a wonderful job!





*“Enhancing educational opportunities for students”*

We wish you and your family a very safe and happy holiday season!

### Arrow Fans – Did you know?

Thanks to the following supporters

- ❖ **Dacotah Bank**
- ❖ **Mike Luken at Hoftiezer Real Estate**
- ❖ **Redlinger Bros Heating and Plumbing**

The Arrow Education Foundation will receive \$25 for each 3-point basket in Varsity Boys and Girls Basketball and \$15 for each Varsity Wrestling match pin, at home and away.

Thanks for the excellent community support and participation at the PIZZA BASH on December 17th held prior to the Arrows vs. Yankton boys' basketball game!

Our generous sponsors for this event were

**GODFATHER'S PIZZA  
HY-VEE  
COCA-COLA**

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### INNOVATIVE EDUCATION GRANTS

to be

Awarded in March

The Arrow Education Foundation will award \$27,500 in *INNOVATIVE EDUCATION GRANTS* to teachers with creative and innovative ideas to enhance student learning. Applications will be accepted from WSD staff and other grant partners until 5 pm on February 15, 2011.

See [www.arrowfoundation.org](http://www.arrowfoundation.org).

#### Class Reunions for 2011

Class reunions for the classes of '56, '61, '71, '81, '91, and '01 are being planned. Check the

**WHS Alumni and Friends Newsletter** and our website for details.

If you're a WHS grad and didn't receive a Newsletter, please send us your current address.

#### SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GRADUATING SENIORS:

MARTY KRANZ, ERIC TENNIS,

#### BRUHN ARTS

Arrow Education Foundation Scholarship applications will be available on the WHS website [http://  
watertown.k12.sd.us/schools/srhigh/student\\_services/scholarships2.htm](http://watertown.k12.sd.us/schools/srhigh/student_services/scholarships2.htm)

Applications will be accepted until February 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please contact the Foundation if there are questions.

The Foundation also awards the Donus D Roberts Forensics Scholarship and supports the Davis Award.

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