



# The Eagle Newsletter

## SUPERINTENDENT'S MESSAGE

It is Spring Break time where we all have an opportunity to rest and rejuvenate so that we are ready to finish the year with a bang! I know the high school students are going to enjoy the break immensely because they have just successfully completed writing a cross-curricular research paper for their



English, Science, Social Studies, and Mathematics classes. I want to complement our students on the excellent work which has already been turned in! The elementary students are making their final push to pass off their Hall of Fame timings so that they can participate in the year-end celebration. I hope that all of you are successful in your efforts!

A also want to give a HUGE thank you to all of those involved in the PFA Auction & Dinner which raised a substantial amount of funds, which we will be able to use to create a playing field next to our basketball court. Thanks to all who donated so generously to create the baskets. Thanks to all who spent their hard-earned money to purchase the baskets for sale. A huge thank you to the PFA volunteers who set up the gym, who prepared the dinner, who did all the leg work of organizing the event, and who spent their time cleaning up. Without all of the great help, the event would not have been nearly as successful. We love the PFA and would encourage all parents to become an active part of the great organization.

The school is in the process of doing a survey of what our climate and culture are like. Parents will have an opportunity to participate in letting us know what kind of a job we are doing. The survey will open for parent input on April 13. I would encourage all of you to participate. Look for e-mail and text instructions about how you can access the survey when it becomes available. The students have already filled out the survey, and our staff will have an opportunity to share in the process immediately after Spring Break. The results of the survey will help us know how we can improve upon the great school we already have!

## To Do List:

- Plan for high school parent teacher conferences
- Mark Spring Break on your calendar!

## SYNC YOUR CALENDAR:

March 18-19 — High school parent teacher conferences, 3:00 to 7:00 p.m., in the high school commons and classrooms

March 17-19, 10:00 am to 3:00 p.m. — Scholastic Book Fair, buy one, get one free! In the cafeteria

Mar. 20, 8:30 a.m. — Citizen of the Month assembly

March 23 – April 4 — Spring Break, no school.

April 13, 7:00 p.m. — Idaho Heroes Open House for 4th grade projects

April 15, 8:00 a.m. — SAT testing for all high school juniors

April 15, 7:00 p.m. — Board meeting

April 17 — High school Sock Hop Dance

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Please be courteous to our neighbors and continue to use Lincoln Road to access the school.



## TCPCS SOCK HOP DANCE

When: Friday, April 17,  
7:00-10:00 p.m.

Where: TCPCS Commons

For Whom: Everyone!  
Bring your socks!

Cost: \$5 per person, \$7 per couple



Senior Jessa Marinus, center, shakes the hand of former Idaho Falls Mayor Jared Fuhrman as she receives her Mayor's award scholarship on March 18.



Twenty-five Promise Award students take the stage, including four from Taylor's Crossing.

## POETRY OUT LOUD STATE CONTEST

On March 7, we were honored to have one of our finest high school students, Nevada Harris, junior, represent our school at the state level Poetry Out Loud contest. Nevada was one of 17 Idaho students who prepared two poetry recitations to present to the state judges. The event was held in Boise at the Owyhee Hotel.

"I enjoyed it very much," said Nevada. "It

was exciting, fun and a new experience that I hope to repeat next year. I was glad I was able to do it and have my family come to support me as well."

Part of the event included a teacher's discussion, which English teacher Sherry Newell took part in. She said excellent ideas were generated from the meeting, including have a state Poet Laureate visit the school.

## HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

### MAYOR'S SCHOLARSHIP FUND RECIPIENTS

Taylor's Crossing had a chance to show off our bright, promising students at the annual Idaho Falls Mayor's Scholarship Fund awards night. Five students from our school were represented this evening, and each had a chance to receive their award from current Idaho Falls Mayor Rebecca Casper, along with former mayor Jared Fuhrman. In all, 50 students from local Idaho Falls schools received scholarships.

- McKenzie Gerard, 9th
- James Droegemueller, 11th
- Jessa Marinus, 12th

As a senior student, Jessa was able to receive a \$1,500 scholarship to any Idaho college or university. The underclassmen received a \$500 promise award that will be granted when they enroll in an Idaho post-secondary program at some point in the future.

*"Only four out of ten Idaho high schoolers go on to college... this program hopes to change that."  
— Idaho Falls Mayor Rebecca Casper*

At the awards night, recipients were treated to a reception where they could mingle with the sponsors of the scholarship program. After enjoying a live jazz band and dessert, the students' program began in the Colonial Arts Theater. Each student was called to the stage to receive a medal and have their talents and strengths recognized in a video and photo montage. Then the mayor spoke to the students and congratulated them on their promising future.

Our school's recipients were:

- Seth Acheson, 9th
- Kyler Butikofer, 9th



From left: Jessa Marinus, McKenzie Gerard, James Droegemueller, Kyler Butikofer, and Seth Acheson.

## SPRING DINNER AUCTION A SUCCESS!

The “Venetian Dreams” Spring Dinner and Auction Fundraiser was a big success! From a finger-licking BBQ rib dinner to the wonderful Venice atmosphere to the lively bids on the auction baskets, the whole evening came together well. The PFA was extremely thankful for the diligent committee members who put hours into setting up this event and making sure it ran well. Overall, the evening generated close to \$11,000 in profit, which will be donated to the school’s efforts to add fields, grass and sprinklers.

We send a huge thank you out to the following donors, whose contributions helped the evening come together. We appreciate how wonderful you are to our school community!

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Bob Mills  
Cabin Creeek Inn (Crook)  
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*A big thanks to all the families who donated to class baskets!*

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## PFA NEWS

### Spring Box Tops Contest Winner!

Congratulations to Regan Miley (11th grade) and Cooper (1st Grade) & Alexis (Kindergarten) Ruesch! They were the winners of our Spring Box Tops competition and won movie tickets to the Paramount Theater. The school earned \$280! Keep clipping your Box Tops in preparation for our next submission deadline in the fall.

**Next PFA meeting:** April 29th, 6:00 p.m., High School commons. At this meeting we will be taking nominations for the open seats for next year's PFA board. The open positions are:

- President
- Vice President
- Secretary
- Treasurer

We also need a Volunteer coordinator, a Box Tops coordinator, and a Book Fair helper.

### High School Scholarships

The PFA is happy to announce the availability of three scholarships to our seniors. The applications will be available April 6 at the front office. Applicants must be accepted to a post-secondary program. Deadline is May 1.

## BOARD UPDATE

The school board is in the middle of strategic planning for the future of the school. They are reviewing policies and making plans that will create a stronger school. A few of these changes will be creating an abbreviated statement which summarizes our mission and vision. Public input on these changes is invited. A public comment session is held at the beginning of each board meeting.

## SMITH'S SCHOOL SUPPORT PROGRAM

Did you know that by shopping at Smith's food center, you can give a donation to our school?

The Smith's Community Rewards program is set up to give up to \$1.5 million to local nonprofit organizations. And giving your support to our school is easy!

1. Visit [SmithsCommunityRewards.com](http://SmithsCommunityRewards.com)
2. Sign in to your Online Account, or create an account
3. Find and select your organization and click "Save"

Nonprofit Organization #: 80033

You'll start earning rewards for our nonprofit organization on qualifying purchases made using your Rewards Card! Remember your card for every trip to make it easy to earn money for our school!

## NOTES FROM THE KITCHEN

The school lunch staff created a special atmosphere in the lunch room on March 2nd, Dr. Seuss' birthday. With decoration and fun hats, the staff brought a playful sense of humor to the day. They even served green eggs and ham as the main dish!

During National School Breakfast Week, they were able to give students little prizes and treats for taking time to enjoy a healthy morning breakfast.

As we wrap up the school year, please be aware that any student with over \$5.00 charged to their account will not be allowed to receive a lunch. Please make payments to the front office. Thank you, and enjoy your spring break.

— Beth Long, Food Service Director

