

**HELIX SCHOOL DISTRICT
MONTHLY NEWSLETTER
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Booster Club Crab Feed

Thursday, February 26th, 5 – 7 pm

Mark your calendars! Tickets will be available at the Helix Christmas Tournament, on **December 29th and 30th**. Don't wait, there are only 350 tickets! Each ticket sells for \$30.00, and includes all-you-can-eat shrimp, fried oysters, crab and clam chowder. Call Mr. Miller at 276-4274 for more information.

Annual Tree Lighting and Pep Assembly

Let's help kick off the High School Basketball Season with a Community Pep Rally and Christmas Tree Lighting on **Tuesday, December 2nd**. You can start the evening at 4:30 pm at the Helix Market with free soup. The pep rally begins at **6:00 pm** in the main gym and the Christmas Tree lighting will follow at the tree by the Post Office. The band will play the fight song and Mark, the Pastor of the Helix Community Church, will do the invocation. After, we will light the Christmas Tree and sing Christmas carols. To conclude, there will be cookies and hot cocoa at the Helix Market. Start off the holiday season with community spirit and fellowship. GO GRIZZLIES!!!

Wreaths for Remembrance Ceremony

The Helix EuroClub, will be conducting the 4th Annual Wreaths for Remembrance ceremony on **Sunday, December 7th at 1:00 pm**. Wreaths will be laid on veteran's graves at Olney Cemetery in Pendleton following a short program by the EuroClub and the VFW. All are invited to attend and send a message to veterans that we appreciate and have not forgotten them over the holidays. Thanks to all who supported this program by purchasing wreaths.

Canned Food Drive a Success

The middle school student council, under the guidance of Sharilyn Newton, organized a K-12 canned food drive to collect non-perishable items to help feed those less fortunate. Nearly nine hundred pounds were recently transported to the Athena Christian Church food pantry. This pantry services individuals in need in Weston, Athena, Adams and Helix.

4-H Club Collecting Hat and Mittens

The Helix Heart of the Country 4-H Club is organizing a stocking cap, mitten, and coat drive! We are asking Helix students to bring in new or gently used stocking hats, mittens, and coats (size 0-6) to be donated to the Pioneer Relief Nursery which will benefit local families this holiday season. This drive will end on **Friday, December 19th**. There will be a tree in the elementary wing to display these items.

Helix Christmas Concert

The annual Helix Christmas Concert will be **December 16th, at 7:00 pm** in the new gym. All band students will meet in the main gym by 6:40 pm. All K-3 students will meet in the library at 6:50 pm. Parents who are interested in helping manage their student's class before they go on stage should contact Mr. Butler.

Helix Christmas Break Tournament

During Christmas break, the Helix School District will be hosting a high school basketball tournament.

Monday, December 29, 2014

Game 1 - 1:00 pm, (Girls) WWVA vs. Klickitat
Game 2 - 2:30 pm, (Boys) WWVA vs. Klickitat
Game 3 - 4:00 pm, (Girls) Helix vs. Bickleton
Game 4 - 5:30 pm, (Boys) Helix vs. Bickleton

Tuesday, December 30, 2014

Game 5 - 1:00 pm, (Girls) Loser Gm 1 vs. Loser Gm 3
Game 6 - 2:30 pm, (Boys) Loser Gm 2 vs. Loser Gm 4
Game 7 - 4:00 pm, (Girls) Winner Gm 1 vs. Winner Gm 3
Game 8 - 5:30 pm, (Boys) Winner Gm 2 vs. Winner Gm 4

*Team listed first is the home team and should wear white.

Admission prices:

Adults \$2.00 per day/ \$3.00 for a two-day pass
Students \$1.00 per day/ \$1.50 for a two-day pass
Grizzly Booster cards are **not** honored at this tournament. All proceeds go to the GHS Homecoming Fund.

Senior Parent Night

There will be a Senior Parent meeting on **Monday, December 8, from 5:30-7:00 pm** in Mrs. DeRuwe's classroom. A meal and drinks will be provided. Computers will be made available to help parents prepare for the FAFSA, which is required for students who may choose to seek financial assistance for additional schooling after they graduate from Griswold High School. Please RSVP Mrs. DeRuwe at 457-2175, ext. 3779, if you plan to attend.

Helix Friends of the Library

The Friends of the Library would like to thank the Helix community for supporting the book fair. With your support, we matched our sales from last year and as a result many more books were earned for the RIF program at school and new selections were added to the Helix Public Library. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make the book fair successful.

Helix Website

Just a reminder that the Helix School website is a great source of information for school delays and closures, breakfast and lunch menus, sports schedules, scores, Booster Club information, staff email addresses, and more. The address to this website is **<http://www.helix.k12.or.us>**.