

HELIX SCHOOL DISTRICT MONTHLY NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2012

Booster Club Crab Feed

Thursday, February 21st, 5 – 7 pm

Mark your calendars! Tickets go on sale December 26th. Mr. Miller will be in front of Wal-Mart from 8:00 am – 12:00 pm. Tickets will also be available at PGG or at the Helix Christmas Tournament, on January 4th and 5th. Don't wait! There are only 350 tickets. Each ticket sells for \$25.00, for all-you-can-eat shrimp, fried oysters, crab and clam chowder. Call Mr. Miller at 276-4274 for more information.

A Note of Thanks

Thank you goes out to John Thorndike for helping organize the Helix School Public Safety Awareness Day.

The high school ASB executive council would like to thank Friday Bracher and Darrick Cope for transporting them to OASC in Seaside.

A **HUGE** thank you to all those voters in the Helix School District that helped support the bond passage.

PTO Cookie Dough Fundraiser

A big "Thank You" goes out to all who helped make this year's Cookie Dough Fundraiser a big success. The proceeds help the PTO fund field trips, assemblies, character programs, and teacher appreciation. This year's top sellers were 1st place Kuper Bracher, 2nd place Ashton Miller, and 3rd place Karsten Bracher. If you have not received your cookie dough please contact the student that sold it to you, or Friday Bracher at (541) 457-2564.

Wreaths for Remembrance Ceremony

The Helix EuroClub, consisting of 18 freshman and sophomore students will be conducting the 3rd Annual Wreaths for Remembrance ceremony on Sunday, December 16 at 2:00 pm. A record number of 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 them and have not forgotten them over the holidays. Thanks to all who supported this program by purchasing wreaths.

Canned Food Drive A Success

The high school and middle school student councils organized a K-12 canned food drive to collect non-perishable items to help feed those less fortunate. Nearly five hundred pounds were recently transported to the Athena Christian Church food pantry. This pantry services individuals in need in Weston, Athena, Adams and Helix. This year the Helix School District and the Athena food pantry sponsored a Helix family with a much needed "food basket" to help make their holiday season more enjoyable.

Helix Christmas Break Tournament

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

Friday, January 4th:

Game 1: 12:00 -- Helix vs. WWVA (Girls)

Game 2: 1:30 -- Helix vs. WWVA (Boys)

Game 3: 3:00 -- Bickelton vs. Klickitat (Girls)

Game 4: 4:30 -- Bickelton vs. Klickitat (Boys)

Saturday, January 5th:

3:00 -- Losers of game 1 & 3 (Girls)

4:30 -- Losers of game 2 & 4 (Boys)

6:00 -- Winners of game 1 & 3 (Girls)

7:30 -- Winners of game 2 & 4 (Boys)

Admission: Adults -- \$2.00 per day/ or
\$3.00 for two day pass
Students -- \$1.00 per day/ or
\$1.50 for two day pass

Grizzly Booster cards are not honored at this tournament. The proceeds go to help fund Homecoming.

Helix Christmas Concert

The Helix School District Christmas Concert will be on Thursday, December 20th at 7 pm. Please join the students as they celebrate the Christmas season with beautiful music. They have worked very hard to get ready and are excited to share their talents with you.

Chamber of Commerce - Annual Tree Lighting

The Chamber of Commerce will be sponsoring their annual tree lighting event on Thursday, December 6th at 6:00 pm. There will be Christmas caroling, cookies and hot cocoa. Start off the holiday season with community spirit and fellowship.

Knowledge Bowl Competitors Take First Place!

Congratulations to the Griswold "Nerdlings" for taking 1st Place in the first Knowledge Bowl meet in Stanfield on November 14th! The entire Knowledge Bowl team is comprised of the following high school students: Peter Case, Elizabeth Schatzlein, Willie Wood, Jarred Cope, Ana Goodwin, Brody Hill, Braden Sprenger, Tucker Wilson, Darion Burgess, Makenzie Mize and Connor Westfall with Mrs. McClellan as their advisor. Keep up the good work and good luck at your next meet on December 12th!

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 (infant & preschooler sizes) to be donated to the Pioneer Relief Nursery which will benefit local families this holiday season. This drive will end on Friday, December 21st.

Helix Website

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