



PLCTA December January Newsletter

Dear Friends and Families:

As we embark on the brink of a New Year I would like to take some time to thank all of you for being faithful in your service to the children and their families of PLCTA. To all who serve and work so hard year round, I thank you. We could never hold so many events without the loving support of our families and communities.

I would like to thank all of you who work so hard to make our Christmas Auction a success. To all who donated, bought and sold raffle tickets, attended. THANK YOU. It was a wonderful time for all.

There is much to accomplish in 2014. But before we do, I would just like to wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Your children continue to make my world a better place to be in. Seeing them grow over the years and being a part of that growth is such a blessing in my life. I love you all very much. May the grace of God and the kindness of others find a place deep within your heart this Christmas! Let us remember how blessed we are to have a mighty King who was born on Christmas Day. This is the season where traditions come alive! May you all be blessed!



Merry Christmas from the PLCTA President
and Board of Directors.

Christmas Blessing to all! *Kathleen Walsh*



January Social Groups for PLCTA

Older Teen/ Young Adult Groups (recommended age 16 and beyond)

Idle Hours Bowling Social

January 11th

January 25th

Bowling at 1:00pm. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to get shoes and ball.

The Youth Group and Middle Groups will be combining for a movie in January.

The date of the movie will be January 19th at
Cinemark40 Glenmaura National Boulevard, Moosic, PA

You must RSVP to MaryEllen at 570-346-2955. We will all go to see one of the earlier shows but time will be announced later to the people that RSVP. Make sure you leave a number so MaryEllen can contact you with the time closer to the showing..

Upcoming Socials in February

Older Teens Young Adults Bowling at Idle Hours on February 8th and February 22nd

Youth group will be doing mini golf on February 16 2014 at Idle Hour Lanes 1:30 pm.

Middle Group TBA

January

2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
			8	9	10 Board Meeting 7pm at the PLCTA HQS	11 Older Teen Young Adult Bowling 1pm
5	6	7	15 Walk Meeting 5pm PLCTA Headquarter.	16	17	18 Prayer Group at the Walsh Home 9:30am
12	13	14				
19 Movie for Youth and Middle Group 346-2955	20	21	22 Snow Date for Walk Meeting 5pm	23	24	25 Oldren Teen Young Adult Bowling 1pm
26	27	28	29	30	31	



Happy New Year!!!



Thank you to all who contributed to PLCTA Gives Back we collected 100 items for those in need this holiday season.

Dear Family and Friends:

“For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Saviour, who is Christ the Lord” (Luke 2:11).

Wishing you and your family during this Holy Season: peace, joy and love. May peace and happiness be in your home. May you and your loved ones be blessed with all things bright and beautiful this Christmas time and always.

Michael



Christmas Prayer:

God give us the eyes this Christmas to see the Christmas star. Give us the ears to hear the song of angles from afar. Give us the eyes and ears attuned for message from above, let “Christmas Angels” speak to us of hope and faith and love. Hope to light our pathway when the way ahead is dark. Hope to sing through the stormy days, with the sweetness of the lark. Faith to trust in things unseen and know beyond all seeing that it is our Father’s love we live and have our being. Love to break down barriers of color, race and creed, love to see and understand and help all those in need. **Amen**





Auld Lang Syne

Another year comes to an end

Sipping wine with closest friends

Snowflakes blanket lighted trees

Carolers sing with Christmas glee

A mother gives birth at midnight

Church bells in the distant chime Silent Night

A Lover steals a kiss under the mistletoe

A Hero returns home safely to a family that missed him so

Forgiveness and kindness find their way in each heart

Christmas Cards bridge a gap to friends who drifted apart

Traditions come alive all over the world

Grave blankets gently placed to shelter the cold

A nurse rocks an orphan child fast to sleep

Prays to the Lord for his soul to keep

Nations plot for power and build weapons to destroy

Prayers are said for Peace and Joy

It's Christmas,,, a time to love and rejoice

Make a promise to do better

It's simply a matter of choice

Written by Kathleen M. Walsh

This Christmas

mend a quarrel.
Seek out a forgotten friend.
Write a love letter.
Share some treasure. Give a
soft answer. Encourage youth.
Keep a promise. Find the time.
Forgive an enemy. Listen.
Apologize if you were wrong.
Think first of someone else.
Be kind and gentle.
Laugh a little. Laugh a little more.
Express your gratitude. Gladden
the heart of a child. Take pleasure
in the beauty and wonder of the earth.
Speak your love. Speak it again.
Speak it still once again.

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Signs of Hope

Our theme for 2014 is Signs of Hope. We are *hoping* to hold a very special project for Autism Awareness Month. We are asking each family to create a sign to bring to the walk this year. The sign will define your child's journey. You can be as creative as you would like. For example: You will pick something that marked a major accomplishment for your child. You can enlarge a photo of that accomplishment. You can embellish a word that defines a character trait such as

Determination Courage Perseverance Optimism

We will be asking you to bring this sign to our Annual Walk and if you can be so kind to hand them in at the end of the walk I will also display them at our Annual Dinner. Make sure you take a picture of your child/family holding that sign and mail that to me so I can put into our slideshow.

Now that the holidays are over please also send me your child's new school photos in the mail.

Kathleen Walsh 404 Carnation Drive Clarks Summit PA 18411

These special events will be here before we know it. Look for information about the Walk/Run arriving in your mailboxes by the end of January. I have chosen a wonderful book for local schools this year. Rain Brings Frogs. Do you believe that in every challenge we face there's a silver lining? We do!

Let's celebrate each milestone our beautiful children make as we stand in unity for better opportunities and acceptance.