



THE PLCTA FOUNDATION SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

Dear Families and Friends:

The end of summer is quickly approaching. We had a wonderful time at Knoebels!! It was so great to see all of you and hear what a wonderful time your families had. If you missed this event our Annual Fall Celebration will be held on September 28th. Make sure you check the flyer out and RSVP. This is always a great time for all... Thank you to MaryEllen who has transitioned beautifully into her new position. Tuck her cell phone somewhere safe because you'll be using her number a lot of RSVP for event in the next two years. I look forward to sipping hot chocolate, roasting marshmallows with you soon.

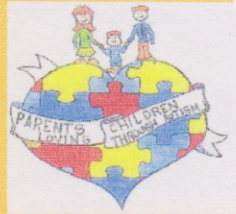
Before you know it our 2nd Holiday Auction will be here on December 6th. We need a lot of help to make this a success. Throughout the next few months, we will be asking for donations for our basket of cheer (this can be wine or alcohol) and Mary also has a list enclosed of items that she can use for baskets. Thanks to all who brought these items to Knoebels. We will be collecting at Robas right where you pick up your tickets (near parking lots). We never closed the gap of \$3,000 in our budget we lost last year. We are hoping this time around that the auction will bring our balance to what it was and that we will be able to sponsor everything on our 2013-2014 agenda. Remember our Walk for Autism costs annually \$24,000 to hold. We must cover that expense before we make a profit. We feel it is essential to bring forth these awareness events so our children can live in communities that are more compassionate and tolerant. Every event we hold is planned to bring the maximum awareness about how to support our children and spotlight their incredible potential. We appreciate all your help and support. Next month we will begin selling raffle tickets and tickets to attend the auction on December 6th. Marilyn was blessed to win the \$1,000 last year. Maybe you will win this year. I'm hoping for the iPad mini. Let's fill up the Clarion and bring in some Christmas Cheer together.

Our first Walk Meeting will be held on September 25th. As requested PURPLE will be the next color for our shirts. I know the young teens are screaming with joy as they read this.

Here's to wishing all our PLCTA students a great start to school. This is the first time my husband and I are not sending a child off to school. It goes by so very quickly...cherish each moment. They are indeed precious!

As summer comes to a close we hope that your vacations were filled with wonderful memories.

Your President Kathleen M. Walsh



September

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7 Teen Bowling 1pm Idle Hours
8	9	10	11	12	13 Board Meeting Walsh Home 7:30pm	14 Prayer group 10:00am
15	16	17	18	19	20 Last Day to RSVP for Robas	21 Teen Bowling Idle Hours 1pm
22	23	24	25 Walk Meeting 7pm PLCTA Headquarters 7:00pm	26	27	28 Robas Annual Fall Celebration See Flyer
29	30					

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**PLCTA'S ANNUAL
Trip To Roba's Family Farm**



Come And Join the Fun

Date: September 28, 2013

Location: Campsite # 29

Time: 5pm - 9pm

Food, drinks and snacks will be provided

We will be roasting marshmallows

Kids will receive a goodie bag

Cost: PLCTA Members and Immediate

Family - NO CHARGE

NON-PLCTA Members/Guests - \$10.95 per person

payable to PLCTA at Event.

If anyone would like to bring a side dish/dessert, please call Mary Ellen & let her know.

There will be no Coffee served. Hot Chocolate will be provided.

NOTE: as we are purchasing the tickets before hand, If you don't show up you will be responsible for the \$10.95.

ticket price day of event is \$ 12.95

"NO RAIN DATE"

RSVP's Must be made by

September 20, 2013

(There will be NO EXCEPTIONS)

RSVP's can be made

to Mary Ellen Frommert

570-877-8060 or 341-3388





PLCTA 2nd Annual Holiday Auction Sponsor Form

Name/Business _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

Value of Gift Card \$ _____

Make checks payable to PLCTA and mail to:

Parents Loving Children Through Autism Foundation

1243 Wyoming Ave 3rd Floor Scranton Pa 18509 Phone 341-3388

Due Date: November 30th

A 501C(3) Tax-exempt Non Profit Foundation

Dear Members:

As our new term begins, we are proud to announce PLCTA will be holding our 2nd annual Holiday Auction on Friday, December 6, 2013 at the Clarion Hotel. Last years Auction was a huge success, but we couldn't have done it without your help.

This year, in addition to the auctions, we will be adding basket raffles. Below is a list of items needed to make some beautiful baskets. I am asking each family to please consider donating an item or two on the list and bring it to Knoebels Fun Day. We will have a donation box set up, or you can call me at 606-6930 and I will pick it up. John Epp and I are excited to plan this event again and make it another huge success. Thanking you all in advance,

John Epp/Chairperson.....Mary Albano/Co-Chairperson

Jar Candles	Car wash items
Picture Frames	
Any Spa Item	Mens Cologne
Magazines	
Glass Stones	Coloring Books/Crayons
Avon Products	
Silk Flowers	Crayola Items
Baking Items	
Wine/Margarita Glasses	Childrens Books/all ages
Movie/Gift Cards	
Corkscrews	Toys ages 2-10
Any Xmas Item	
Costume Jewelry	Games ages 8-up
Scotch Tape	
Perfume	DVD's-Rated G & PG
Bows/all sizes	

*** Or any items not on the list that you would like to donate.

**EMBROIDERED PLCTA LOGO SWEATSHIRTS
ORDER FORM
(PLEASE PRINT)**

ORDERS WITH PAYMENT MUST BE RECEIVED



ORDER WILL NEED TO BE PICKED UP – MAILING IS **NOT** INCLUDED

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY STATE ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

NAVY	RED	Chocolate	SPORT GREY	BLACK
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Cost: Adult – S, M, L, XL \$ 25.00

2X \$ 27.00

Cost: Youth - S, M, L, XL \$ 20.00

TOTAL: \$ _____

MAIL ORDER FORM & PAYMENT TO:
PLCTA 1243 WYOMING AVE 3RD FLOOR
SCRANTON PA 18509

Is it too Heavy?

We have all heard the saying that God does not give us a cross that is too heavy to bear. Some of us might agree or disagree with that statement, on that Good Friday, our Lord was given a cross to endure, one that was so heavy that he fell beneath the weight of it, three times. The cross was hard for him to endure, not only due to the weight of it, but also the weight of our sins. Do you find at times in your own life that your cross is too heavy to endure? What might be the cause of this? the recent loss of a loved one, marital separation, family/personal sickness, drug and alcohol abuse. During these life storms, we feel our cross is too heavy to bear, we are weighed down beneath it, falling to the ground, unable to pick ourself up and carry on. On the road to Calvary, the crowd of bystanders saw our Lord struggling, trying to carry the heavy load upon his shoulders falling to the ground in exhaustion. The soldiers pressed a man into service from the crowd to help our Lord carry His cross, when we feel that our cross is becoming too heavy to bear, know that the Lord is right there to help you carry it, you do not have to carry it alone.

By: Michael Slater

