## CLELIAN CONNECTION

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT CLELIAN HEIGHTS SCHOOL?



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### A letter to the Clelian Heights School Community

Dear Clelian Heights Families, Welcome back! We are all certainly missing the summer vacation days, but also look forward to what lies ahead in the 2018-2019 school year! A very special WELCOME goes out to our new students and their families!

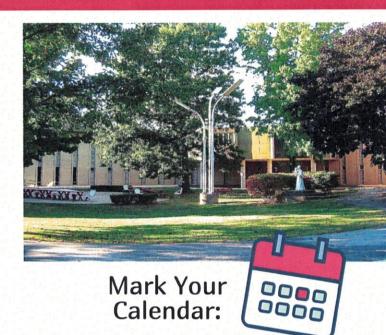
After Extended School Year, our maintenance and housekeeping staff were busy preparing our school building and grounds for this new beginning! Freshness is in the air as you walk through the halls! This time was also dedicated to installing a new floor in our foyer area. This was a huge undertaking, but I think you will like the results! Other improvements to the building/property include;

- · Widening the road leading to the Clelian Center
- Paving the school garden, making it more accessible for all students
- Fencing around the school garden thanks to an Eagle Scout Project
- Painting many areas both inside and out of the building

As far as the school programs, we have opened a Science/STEM space for students to discover, interact and explore the world around them in a more hands-on manner. In addition, almost all the teachers have requested and received new materials for this promising school year! We have been blessed with new employees who will share their gifts with the Clelian Height students and staff. They are featured in this newsletter. New or old, all of our staff members are dedicated to the students. We appreciate your trust in us and will work energetically to challenge them to learn as much as possible and increase their independence for the future.

May our Lord be with all the Clelian Heights family... students, parents, family members and staff as we begin this journey into a new school year.Peace and blessings to each of you and your loved ones.

With a Special Remembrance in my Prayers, Sr. Charlene Celli, Principal



Semptember 16

21st Annual Wholey's Old Fashioned Chicken Barbecue

September 17

Act 80 Day No School for Students

September 18

Classes Resume

September 27

Open House for All School Parents

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#### New Faces Around Clelian Heights School



My name is Patty Schomer. I came to Clelian from a long time experience in residential care. I am currently a PCA. I am a wife of 33 years, a mother of 3 and a grandmother of 4.



Hi, I'm Diane Izatt, a new PCA at Clelian Heights. I received my Bachelors of Human Services at California State University at Fullerton California and an MA in Community Education at IUP. I moved from California in 1999 with my husband and two children to Murrysville, Pa. I have worked in social services for many years with high risk adolescents and families. Some fun things I like to do are whitewater rafting, canoeing, skiing, and bike riding. Some things I've done in the past are sky diving, horseback riding, sailing, deep sea fishing and snorkeling in California. I'm looking forward to working with students and staff at Clelian Heights.



My name is Victoria Maher and I am the Educational Technology Specialist at Clelian Heights. I graduated in 2016 with a B.S. in Middle Level Math Education and in 2018 with a M.S. in Instructional Design and Technology, both from Saint Vincent College. Previously, I served in AmeriCorps at Latrobe Elementary School. I hope to continue that same spirit of service here at Clelian Heights. I look forward to working with staff and teachers to make Clelian Heights the best that it can be for all our students!



Jess Stairs: Transition to Work, home economics, and reading and math teacher for Room 108. She attended Indiana University of Pennsylvania where she earned a B.S. in Family Consumer Science Education in 2013 and a B.S. in Special Education 7 - 12 grades in 2017. "I hope to teach students to be more independent and prepare them for life after high school. While teaching at the Extended School Year Program, I could surely feel God's presence at Clelian Heights and I'm excited to be a part of all he is doing here!"



I am Penny Bittner, a new PCA. I graduated from Seton Hill University and I am presently working towards my Master's of Special Education there. Previously, I worked for AmeriCorps, I created a sixth grade reading intervention program at Greensburg - Salem

Middle School. I was a PCA at Ft. Allen in an Autistic Support Classroom, a TSS at FBR, and Adult Autism Community Intervention Specialist at Kaliedescope Family Services. I was an elementary teacher at Aquinas Academy and Holy Trinity in Mt. Pleasant. I hope to learn a great deal and to have fun here at Clelian Heights! Everyone, both staff and students, have been wonderful!



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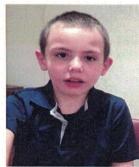
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#### Renovations and Additions

#### **New Flooring**

Clelian Heights School updated the lobby flooring right before school started this year. Everything was removed from the lobby, including the railings and furniture pieces. Crews worked to take out the carpeting, clean the floor, and lay all the necessary layers to achieve the new look. The flooring wraps all the way from the front door to the main hallway. This lovely new floor will keep our school looking bright and inviting to all those who enter!



# Paved walkways throughout the interior and an exterior fence add to the functionality of the garden.

#### Accessible and Safe Gardening

The school garden has been updated to allow students better access by paving the gravel pathways through the garden. The lovely vegetable garden gives students a chance to hone their skills in gardening class. Students plant, prune, water, and care for all of the plants and the produce they provide. Last year, which was the second year for the garden, Clelian Heights was able to donate 355 pounds of produce to the food bank!



Our garden now has a protective fence thanks to an Eagle Scout and his project!

#### More Driving Space

For clients of the Clelian Heights Center dismissal has been a traffic jam for quite some time, but they recently completed a road widening project. Now, instead of one lane of traffic, the road can support two with the ability to turn around more freely. We hope that this project makes pick up and drop off run more smoothly for our friends in the Center.





New widened and improved roadway.

#### Clelian Heights Crusaders Basketball

Crusader Basketball is beginning its tenth year and is excited to try for its third championship!



The basketball season will be starting soon. At the beginning of the season will be the staff and students game. This game is a great time for all involved and we look forward to it!



- This season the teams will play N.H.S. and Clearview.
- The Junior Varsity team will have a night time showcase at Seton Hill University.
- While the Varsity team will be showcased at Franklin Regional during school hours.
- With the cheerleaders making a comeback this year.



#### Earning with Box Tops!

Box Tops are a great way to help earn money for Clelian Heights! You can clip the Box Tops from the products you buy and send them into school, or use the app to help us earn!



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Twenty-First Annual Wholey's Old Fashioned Chicken Barbecue

#### **Chicken Barbecue!**





**Dinner Includes:** 

- · Half-Wholey's Chicken,
- Parsley Potato,
- Vegetable,
- Apple Sauce,
- Roll & Butter.
- · Beverage,
- and Dessert!



#### Popular Baskets include ...

Boys Will Be Boys - A boy's 20" Bike with a gift card for a helmet.

**Girls Need One Too!** - A girl's 20" Bike with a gift card for a helmet.



All For Her - Bath & Body Works - \$180.00+ value of assorted creams, soaps, hand soaps, air fresheners, and more ...

All About the Kitchen- \$110.00+ value of all the appliances you need. A Mr. Coffee 12 cup programmable coffee maker, a 7-Qt. Select a Temperature Smart Pot Crock Pot, a Faberware Blender, and a Presto Cool-touch Electric Griddle.

Select and Celebrate! - \$200.00+ value of two Steeler tickets with an assortment of snacks to enjoy.



Murrysville/Delmont Holiday Inn - \$175.00 value includes a dinner certificate to the Lamplighter, a get-away overnight at the Holiday Inn Express in a Jacuzzi Room and a hot breakfast in the morning.

... and sixty plus other baskets of wonderful prizes!

September 16th, 2018
In the Clelian Heights
and family!



#### Baskets, Baskets!



This year for the first time there will be two types of baskets!

Popular Baskets: \$1.00 a ticket Special Baskets (\$300+ items): \$5.00 a ticket

#### Special Baskets include...

A Tailgate Package - all of your tailgating needs, including the grill! Plus 3 Seats Sunday December 2nd at 1 p.m. - Steelers vs. Los Angeles Chargers!

A Golfer's Delight Sports Package - Greensburg Country Club and other local courses!



A Money Jar - A jar filled with Lincolns, Washingtons, Hamilitons, and Jacksons. We stopped counting at \$300+!

Winners do not need to be present to win. Simply write your name and phone number on your tickets. We will call you to arrange for pick up of your prize(s)!

All Proceeds related to this event benefit the Clelian Heights Project Fund.