



# LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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## HAPPY ST. BALDRICK'S DAY !!

### Principal's Message . . .

I could not be more proud of our students and staff, and their families, too! Our St. Baldrick's event has really brought out the best of Lincoln. Brave heads went bald, generous wallets opened up, community barbers and stylists offered their skills for free—all for a great cause. Lincoln was honored to host this event, but I want to assure families that the reason for our “festivities” was not overlooked. Although Lincoln celebrated St. Baldrick's with joy and laughter at our assembly, we are cognizant that cancer is very real—in our towns, in our neighborhoods, in our schools, and in our homes. It is humbling to have been a part of this event and we hope that our small effort will have made a difference in the life of those suffering from this disease.

Sadly, as your principal, I know that I must also address a far less proud moment at our school. As a public school, our affairs, whether positive or negative, are open, reported, and discussed in public via the radio, newspapers, television, school board meetings, and even in general conversation in our homes. Many students are not directly affected by Ms. Betty Burden's recent arrest for driving the school bus while under the influence of alcohol. Some students, however, may be quite upset by this event, and the attached pamphlet, developed by our social workers, may help parents to address this serious matter with their child.

Thank you for your continued confidence and support. Best wishes for a peaceful spring break.

Mr. Angelaccio

*What's it mean to be brave?*

*Check out photos from our St. Baldrick's event.  
Watch for more photos after break!*

### FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDENT

The Board of Education met on Thursday evening, March 18<sup>th</sup> for a Regular Business Meeting. Following is a summary of the meeting:

The Open Session began with Board member reports on the recent Lincoln PTA meeting and the D57 Educational Foundation's Spring Dinner Dance. The Dinner Dance Fund Raiser was a huge success. Please watch for reports from the Educational Foundation for final numbers. Thank you, Ed Foundation for all of your support for the District 57 students.

There was a report of the recent bus incident. Board President Joe Leane provided a summary report of the incident and actions taken to date. The Superintendent reported on action steps that are being taken to ensure the safety of our transportation system. (For detail of the action steps, visit [www.d57.org](http://www.d57.org))

Items on the Consent Agenda included Board action to approve minutes from meetings on February 18 and March 4, 2010; approval of February 2010 Financial Report; approval of the District Technology Plan; and approval of 2010-2011 Student Fees and Collection Service.

Personnel Transactions were also part of the Consent Agenda. The Board approved the first motion which sought Board approval of five resignations and one recommendation for termination (bus driver). The Board approved a separate motion which sought Board approval of one recommendation for termination (transportation coordinator).

New Business Items included (1) a first reading of a number of Board policies; (2) approval for release of four part-time, non-tenured certificated staff (effective June 11); and (3) approval for release/reduction in force for non-certificated staff (effective June 11).

The meeting adjourned at 9:12pm.

### More . . .

- ☞ Helping Children Cope—Tips for Parents
- ☞ 6th Grade Spring Event—April 9—Permission Form
- ☞ Asbestos Abatement Notice from District Office
- ☞ Education Foundation News
- ☞ YMCA Day Camp Flyer
- ☞ Prospect's Flyer to Audition for Company

# ST. BALDRICK'S

LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL  
MARCH 19, 2010

As of 3:00pm today, Lincoln Middle School raised over **\$4600** for St. Baldrick's. We thank everyone who contributed in any way—financial contributions, time and expertise to shave heads, Kyle Yuknis for the idea, Ms. Elzer for her dedication to make it happen, the custodians who swept afterward, and especially all those brave souls who volunteered to go bald in support of the even braver children battling cancer!



We acknowledge the following businesses for donating their time as barbers and stylists:

- 7 West Hair & Nail Center
- Joseph John Salon
- Halo Hair & Nail Studio
- D D Hair Design
- Ed's Cut and Style Shop
- City Barber Shop



And our moms with scissors, too!



**WATCH FOR MORE PHOTOS AFTER BREAK !**



# Panthers Visits Moorings

We are proud of our students who represented the Lincoln Panther Team on March 17 at the Moorings, a retirement home in Arlington Heights. The Panther students auditioned to perform at the Service Learning Project required auditioning to be a part of an entertainment program for the residents of the Moorings.

Macey Berkley –Emcee  
Jessica Motylewski– Emcee

Jamie Maughan – Bad Romance Dance  
Jenna Gudritz- Bad Romance Dance

Oliver Khairallah– Card Tricks  
Rebecca Horn- Jokes  
Tommy Mathews- Violin

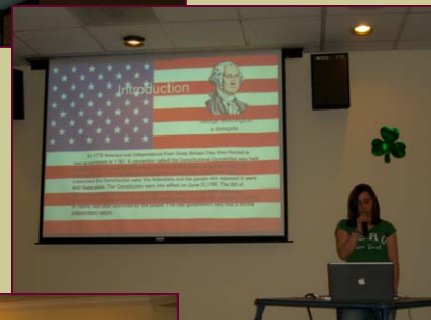
Maggie Martorano- singing “We are the World”  
Allyson Munn- singing “We are the World”  
Michaela Malone- singing “We are the World”  
Camila Soriano- singing “We are the World”

Olga Smirnow– Poetry  
Angie Hasse– Poetry

Monica Orzel – Fireflies Dance  
Alexandra Gorodiski- Fireflies Dance

Erica Nelson– Reporting for the *Lincoln Roar*

Will Jakobowski- Bill of Rights Presentation  
Kathryn Cichon- Bill of Rights Presentation  
Kishan Trivedi- Bill of Rights Presentation  
Jessica Parzynski- Bill of Rights Presentation



**April 1, 2010 is Census Day!**

The Constitution requires a count every 10 years of everyone living in the United States regardless of their nationality, citizenship status, race, age, or gender. This count is called a census, and it's happening again this spring. On April 1, 2010, all the students at Lincoln will be participating in their own school census. During their social studies classes, the students will take part in a short 10-question census. The census data collected will be used for students to generate graphs and chart on the information obtained.

**7th Grade Springfield Trip**

After a full year of research and planning we are pleased to announce that the 7<sup>th</sup> grade trip to Springfield, IL has been scheduled for Thursday, May 13, 2010. Students in social studies classes have already completed their study of Illinois Government and will be learning about the Civil War and Abraham Lincoln's Presidency starting in mid-April. The purpose of the trip is to reinforce and enhance these concepts in a fun and memorable way. Your child has been given all the information and permission slip from their social studies teacher. All forms and payment are due to their advisory teacher no later than **Monday, April 5, 2010.**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

Spring Break  
March 22—26

Classes Resume  
March 29

7th and 8th Grade Orchestra Prospect High School Festival  
March 31

3rd Quarter Ends Board of Education Meeting  
April 1

No School  
April 2

PTA Meeting 7:30pm  
April 6

PHS Visits 8th Grade  
April 8

6th Grade Outing Report Cards Mailed  
April 9

Early Dismissal Day  
April 14

Board of Education Meeting  
April 15

7th and 8th Grade Spring Dance 7-9 pm  
April 16

**TRACK AND FIELD STARTING**

**If you enjoy running, jumping, throwing, and being part of a great team then track and field might be for you!**

**If you are interested, please sign up in the commons. You must have a current physical on file with the nurse.**

Track and Field starts Monday, March 29—first day after break.



**ATTENTION  
6TH GRADERS!**

**FRIDAY, APRIL 9  
5—7 pm**

**PARTY TIME PALACE**

**Check out the attached flyer!  
Sign up and join in on the fun!**

The State Wrestling Tournament was held at Northern Illinois University in DeKalb, IL over the weekend with the top wrestlers from across the entire state competing. Brendan Chapman qualified for the tournament with excellent wrestling at Regionals and Sectionals tournaments. Brendan won his Preliminary Round match with a pin. Brendan wrestled well, but lost a couple of very close matches in the following matches.

**Wrestling!**

Congratulations to Sam Lobono, Aditya Kamath, Alex Straczek, and Quinn Dircks who qualified for sectionals and congratulations to Brendan for moving on to state competition and a great season.

**Please keep your email address current!**

Parents can update their email addresses through the parent portal. Direct your browser to: <http://powerschool.dist57.org/public>. Enter your student name and password. Click on "email notification," make your changes, and be sure to hit submit.

It's not too late! If you did not **order a yearbook**, there is still time! Send \$17 to the school office—cash or checks payable to Lincoln.

### Lin "Cannes" Film Festival

Lincoln Middle School celebrates the annual Lin "Cannes" Film Festival today, Friday, March 19! It's a great way to wrap up the school week before spring break! Lincoln will turn into a multiplex movie theatre for the afternoon showing a variety of movies chosen by Lincoln staff members. The movies focus on positive character traits. Students enjoy refreshments and raffle prizes provided by the Lincoln PTA!


### Important Information Regarding Prospect Math Placement

—8th grade students at Lincoln will take the spring Prospect math placement test on Friday, April 30, at Lincoln, to finalize math placement at Prospect High School. These tests will be especially important to 8th graders presently taking Algebra 1, so parents may wish to encourage some extra review at home in addition to the planned review that will be scheduled for students at school.

### Important Information Regarding Foreign Language Placement Exams

—8th grade students at Lincoln will take the spring Prospect foreign language placement exam on May 3, 4, or 5. The exam will be administered in foreign language classes.

Attention 6th Grade Parents: The **Illinois Department of Public Health requires all sixth grade students to have a dental** check by May 15, 2010. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Judi Brown, RN, Lincoln Health Office, 847.385.3816. Parents who have not yet returned a dental form were recently emailed a notice from our health office. Please check your email. We appreciate your help in meeting the Department of Public Health requirement.



## Lincoln Spring Dance

*The 7th and 8th Grade Spring Dance* will be held on Friday, April 16th, from 7–9 p.m., in the West Gym at Lincoln. There will be a DJ and a lot of dancing. This is a casual dance, formal attire is not encouraged. We ask that you make sure your son or daughter complies with the school policy in regard to the school dress code:

- Shirts with shoulder straps less than two fingers wide (for example, spaghetti straps and strapless dresses or tops are not allowed)
- Exposed backs, midriffs, or navels
- Clothing with spikes or safety pin chains
- Necklines that are low or revealing
- Exposed underwear
- Any revealing skirts or shorts
- Clothing advertising or glorifying the use of drugs, tobacco, alcoholic beverages, sex or violence
- Pocket chains or heavy metal jewelry with spikes
- Gym shoes with roller skates attached
- Hats of any kind, including bandanas

We hope this will be a fun and enjoyable evening for all who attend. Students are to be picked up promptly at 9pm

## February Cheetah of the Month Being Respectful



Elliott Anderson  
Ray Beyer  
Esthefany Garcia

Justin Hills  
Marlee Hoffman  
Rosio Linares  
Andrea Mique  
Kyle Sadowski

Kamila Widalski  
Kyle Yuknis

