

# Nordic News

November-December 2007

Important information for all those aboard the Viking Ship!

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT LESHER

### NOVEMBER



- 15 National Junior Honor Society Induction Ceremony ~ 7 PM
- 21-23 NO SCHOOL ~ Thanksgiving Break
- 26 NO SCHOOL ~ K-9 Staff Collaboration Day
- 28 Rotary Student of the Month Luncheon



### DECEMBER

- 6 IB Informational Meeting for current 6th graders ~ 6 PM ~ Poudre High School
- 7 Winter Dance
- 13 ♪ Vocal Holiday Concert ~ 7 PM
- 17 Boys Basketball begins
- 18 ♪ Advanced Instrumental Holiday Concert ~ 7 PM
- 20 End of 2nd Quarter
- 21 NO SCHOOL ~ Teacher Work Day
- 24 WINTER BREAK ~ thru January 4, 2008



*Looking Ahead  
to 2008*

### JANUARY

- 7 Return to classes ~ 2nd semester begins
- 11 1st Semester Report Cards sent home with students
- 21 NO SCHOOL ~ Martin Luther King Day

### FEBRUARY

- 8 School of Choice Deadline for 2008-2009

## THANK YOU LESHER!



Our generous Lesher families and staff members helped to provide Thanksgiving food for those less fortunate in Fort Collins by donating 82 frozen turkeys (197 lbs. total) and 3,910 cans (2,755 lbs. total) while contributing to the Poudre School District food drive for the Food Bank.

Special thanks to organizers Penny Dessor and Marty Marsh. Also, many thanks to Scott Marsh, Tom Dodd, and Penny Dessor for the use of their trucks, and delivery of the goods to the Larimer County Food Bank. As always, Officer Pink, was on hand to help out where needed.

## PSD prepares to transform junior highs to middle schools for grades 6-8

The middle school committee is researching 40 years of middle level education best practices and visiting successful middle schools. Components consistent across successful middle schools include high expectations for student achievement, challenging students academically, using “active learning” strategies, creating adult advocacy or connection with students, and assuring the school structure supports social, emotional, and cognitive needs of students grades 6-8.

In late November, PSD tentatively plans to announce the year—either 2009 or 2010— that grade levels will change district-wide.



# National Junior Honor Society (NJHS)

The induction ceremony for members of the Leshar National Junior Honor Society (NJHS) was held on Thursday, November 15th at 7:00 PM in the Auditorium. We congratulate the following students who are current members of NJHS this year:

**8th Grade:** Andrea Arreguin, Alexander Bieman, Tyne Clifton, Julia Cooper, Sofia Drummond-Moore, Canace Finley, Grant Fourcroy, Jordan Gless, Austin Gloss, Griffin Hay, Ryan Hoenig, Shagun Kaul, Wahida Khan, Mary Lopez, Brady Mosbrucker, Angela Natrasevski, Griffin Paul, Jason Pelkey, Karen Perez, Diana Pham, Juliana Pham, Diana Potterveld, Andrea Raab, Logan Rogers, Hannah Simpson, Molly Smith, Gwendolyn Snider, Paul Sorensen, Heather Stepp, Emily Swartz, Galt Tomasino, Jeanette Yanez, Edward Zhu, and Olivia Zoch.

**9th Grade:** Axel Anguiano, Evon Harmon, Sarah McLaughlin, Aileen Mendoza, Claire Seitzinger, Abigail Smith, Lucas Suazo, and Marci Witzak.



## WINTER SPORTS SCHEDULES

### GIRLS BASKETBALL



November  
1  
5  
8  
12  
15  
19  
29  
December  
3  
6

### 7th Grade

Bye  
vs. CLP JH  
Vs. Wellington  
@ Webber  
vs. Preston  
@ Kinard  
@ Boltz  
@ Lincoln  
Vs. Blevins

### 8th Grade

Bye  
@ CLP JH  
@ Wellington  
vs. Webber  
@ Preston  
vs. Kinard  
vs. Boltz  
vs. Lincoln  
@ Blevins

### WRESTLING



November  
6  
9  
13  
16  
20  
30  
December  
4  
7  
11

vs. Webber  
vs. Lincoln  
Bye  
@ Blevins  
@ CLP JH  
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@ Wellington  
vs. Kinard  
vs. Boltz

**Fans ARE WELCOME AT ALL LESHER EVENTS . . .COME CHEER ON OUR VIKINGS!**



**BOYS BASKETBALL** ~ Tryouts & practice will begin on December 17 and will continue after Winter Break. The season starts January 16 and ends February 14, with the district tournament to be held February 20, 21 & 22.



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DEADLINE  
February 8, 2008**

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