

turns, Green-Sinnard said. Planning would be the primary task of the town manager, if that position is funded and approved, according to Green-Sinnard.

Roads Trustee John Russell proposed a resolution to request a grant of up to \$153,136 over three years from the Colorado Department of Local Affairs to pay for a town manager, with matching funds to come from the town's revenues. The board voted unanimously to move forward with the grant proposal.

Douglas Avenue to be improved

The board unanimously approved a resolution to sign a contract with the Colorado Department of Transportation (CDOT) to pave a portion of Douglas Avenue, using funds provided by CDOT, with matching funds from the town's savings account.

The next meeting will be at 6 p.m. Friday,

Dec. 11 at Town Hall, 42 Valley Crescent. Meetings are normally held on the second Thursday of the month, but the December meeting is an exception to this. Information: 481-2953.

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82nd Annual

Yule Log Pot Luck Dinner

Tue., Dec. 8, 6 pm
Palmer Lake Town Hall

Please bring a pot luck dish to share and place settings for your family.



Annual Yule Log Hunt

Sun., Dec. 13, 1 pm
Palmer Lake Town Hall

The person who finds the Yule Log rides the log as it is hauled back to Town Hall.
The winner also receives the first cup of



wassil. Those not participating in the hunt can enjoy Christmas carols and stories told by storyteller John Stansfield!

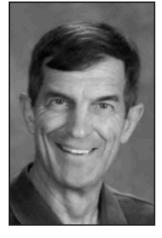


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Teacher Spotlight: Mark Ewig



According to Mark Ewig, what he does is fun. Mark currently serves as the social studies department chair at Palmer Ridge High School and teaches Advanced Placement (AP) U.S. Government and Politics, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, and AP U.S. History. Mark states, don't mind dressing up and really making a clown or fool of myself. have dressed up as Chief America, George Washington, Mrs. Doubtfire, and a 1920s guy." Additionally, Mark participates in school spirit weeks and remembers some of his outfits as legendary. Having fun enhances the significant multidimensional education Mark provides to his students.

Mark Ewig began his 17 years of teaching within Lewis-Palmer School District at Lewis-Palmer High School after a 26-year career in intelligence with the Air Force and teaching political science and intelligence at the U.S. Air Force Academy. When Mark retired from the military in 1996, he was encouraged by the passion and joy that he observed his wife getting out of teaching English at LPHS, and thus, he followed her example. Mark coached girls' basketball at LPHS, continues to make himself available to students before and after school, and always pays attention to current events so that he can tie the daily news into his curriculum. "I try to stay on top of my material in all areashistory, politics, and economics," says Mark. Staying current, fresh, and relevant matters to Mark. He has attended over 50 classes through the Colorado Council on Economic Education where he is now a mentor/master teacher presenting classes to high school teachers once or twice a year. Looking back on his career choices, Mark relates, "I have never doubted the wisdom of my choice. District 38 is a great district with fantastic students, parents, and teachers." LPSD is glad that Mr. Ewig chose to teach here because the district benefits greatly from Mr. Ewig's knowledge, experience, and investments.



Children Helping Children

Corinne Watne, a fourth grade student at Lewis-Palmer School District's Home School Enrichment Academy, wants to bring smiles to children in the hospital, and she is gathering support. Corinne was impacted by the Waldo Canyon fire in 2012 and has determined to show kindness to children in need. After the fire, Corinne went through a season where she was not her bubbly self. She was displaced from her home, lost many of her belongings, and had difficulties processing the tragedy. When the Black Forest fire occurred, Corinne was keenly aware that this event would impact more children, so she put actions to her compassion and began gathering and delivering games and crafts to children at shelters. Corinne believes that "kindness and love should always be shared." This fall, Corinne began making fleece nosew blankets for hospitalized children and hosting blanket-making parties. On Saturday, November 14, Corinne hosted one of her blanket parties at the Woodmoor Barn. She and her friends completed 13 blankets. Corinne's goal was to have 20 blankets to distribute to Children's Hospital on December 1. She now has 32 completed blankets to share. All of the children donating to the hospital will receive recognition. If you would like to support Corinne's efforts, read more at cuddlemenow.org or email cuddlemenow@gmail.com.



Upcoming Events

December 8 LPHS Holiday Band Concert
December 9 PRHS/LPES Choir Concert
December 10 PRHS Holiday Band Concert
December 15 LPSD Combined 6th Grade
Band Concert

December 17 Students' Last Day
December 24-28 District Closed