



Behrman Buzz

*Home of the Stingers!
Located in Historic Algiers Point*

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Calendar of Events

**Monday, December 3 -
Friday, December 7**
ANNUAL BOOK FAIR

Friday, December 7
Breakfast and Pictures with
Santa.

Tuesday, December 18
ASCA PD
NO SCHOOL

**Monday, December 24 -
Friday, January 4, 2008**
Christmas Holidays
NO SCHOOL

Tuesday, January 15
Behrman Charter School PD
Early Dismissal

Monday, January 21
M.L. King, Jr. Holiday
NO SCHOOL

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Mrs. Faydra Alexander
Mr. Brian Young
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Hollywood South

The Behrman auditorium was the scene of much activity when "Casting Call" Variety Talent Competition Show was filmed there. The winners of the talent competition will be featured in a Big Sky Motion Picture **Spring Break '83**. The auditorium was transformed by the staging and by the high tech lighting and sound equipment. Although the auditorium was off limits during the production, the 8th graders were treated to a sneak preview.



Happy Birthday, Pre-K

A joint birthday party was held by the classes of **Ms. Henderson, Mr. Lambert, and Ms. Brunet**. Parents and siblings of the students were invited as well as the faculty and staff. The honorees were treated to a parade by the Behrman Charter School Marching Band. The teachers of the students provided a delicious buffet that was enjoyed by everyone.



Holiday Greeting Card Contest

State representative **Jim Tucker**'s office sponsored a Holiday Greeting Card Design Contest for art students in local schools. **Huong Nguyen** and **Ervin Ifford** entered the contest from Behrman. The lucky winner gets \$100.00 for his art class to spend on supplies. Representative Tucker will use the entries as holiday cards from his office. **Ms. Kaschalk**, as usual, inspired her students to do their best.

Christmas Trees

The **Hubbell Library** at Algiers Point is having a Christmas Tree Sale on December 1st and 2nd. There will be other offerings for sale besides trees. The funds raised from this sale will go to repairing the termite damage in the attic of the library. Also mark your calendars for **December 28**, the actual 100th birthday of the Algiers Point Branch. The festivities will begin at the library with hors d'oeuvres and a jazz band. There will be a second line to **Warren's Corner** for a late night party. Tickets for the birthday gala can be bought at the library and at the Christmas Tree Sale. Support our local library.

*All
Dressed
Up*

Students and faculty came to school in their most elegant attire when Thanksgiving lunch was served in the cafeteria. Coats and ties, pearls and dresses were seen all over the school. The Thanksgiving Day meal offered by the cafeteria was delicious and enjoyed by all.



BOOK FAIR

Don't miss the annual **Martin Behrman Library's Book Fair**, beginning **Monday, December 3 through Friday, December 7**. It will be held in Room 106 (near the kindergarten classrooms) in the basement. There will be a great selection of books for all ages. Plus lots of other things perfect for holiday gifts. The Book Fair will be open from 7:20 a.m. until 2:45 p.m. Cash and Credit Cards (Discover, Visa, MasterCard and American Express) will be accepted.

Paul Bunyan and Pancakes

Ms. Singleton's Second Grade read the story *Paul Bunyan and Pancakes* and decided that a pancake breakfast would hit the spot. The next morning the second floor of Behrman Charter



School was filled with the delicious smells of pancakes on the griddle. The aroma soon had all of the neighboring teachers dropping by to see what was cooking. Everyone was treated to hot pancakes and maple syrup. The second graders are glad that their teacher is such a good cook.

Hurricanes

By Essence Hinton & Khalil Wilkes

Mrs. Harrison's third grade class has been learning about the geography of Louisiana. Part of this lesson taught us how hurricanes are formed. As a result of this lesson, the class had to research how many storms we have had in the past 10 years, beginning in 1997. We were responsible for putting our findings in a bar graph. It was very interesting to learn about the many hurricanes. Mrs. Harrison always makes learning fun.



The Stingers and the Hornets

Students from Behrman Charter School attended the Hornets' game when they played the Philadelphia 76ers. It was a victory for the Hornets as they won 92 – 74. The lucky students attending were: **Clavin Pacheco, Ervin Ifford, Sean Sterling, Khalil Wilkes, Kenneth Harton, and Kentrell Johnson.** They are very thankful to **Mr. Gregory Bryant** for making all of the arrangements and for taking them.

Boo at Behrman & Halloween at the Hive

Trick or Treating began early on Halloween morning. The Pre-K, Kindergarten and First Grades dressed in costumes and went to all of the other classes asking for treats. They were not disappointed. After lunch the lower grades had their faces painted, played games and had fun in the cafeteria. The upper grades were treated to a dance from 3:00 until 5:00.



Thanksgiving Baskets



Each grade level collected canned goods and other food items for Thanksgiving baskets that were distributed to needy families. The boxes were decorated in a creative holiday fashion by the students. Turkeys were donated by the **Fellowship of Christian Athletes** for each basket. **Mr. Kenneth Mitchell**, our school social worker, made sure the baskets went to deserving families.

Good Students

An Honors Convocation was held Thursday, November 15 in the school cafeteria. Students were recognized for their academic achievement. The Top Scholar Award was given for straight A's, the Principal's Honor Roll for earning 3 A's and 2 B's, and the Merit Honor Roll for earning straight B's. Each student's name was called as they received their certificate. Many parents were in attendance to watch as their children received their awards. **Mrs. Harrison** planned this event and made sure that it went smoothly.



FROM THE SCHOOL SOCIAL WORKER/COUNSELING DEPARTMENT

Get psyched up for School

With a regular routine, children begin to know what to expect. This reduces anxiety about school or any impending changes. The key is preparation. Begin by discussing certain issues such as bedtime, wake-up time, and homework time. For example, should homework be done immediately after school or later that evening? Weekly family meetings are a good time to discuss these issues.

Mental Health Counseling

Project Fleur de Lis provides comprehensive mental services for children and families. Children who are in need of support, either socially, academically or emotionally, can be referred by their teacher, counselor, parent or social worker. To register a child, go to www.projectfleur-de-lis.org. Here at Behrman, the school counselor may be seen in Room 200 or the school social worker in Room 216B.