PG Students sweep TRAHC's 2008 Write! on Art Competition

Over 500 entries were submitted from the area schools and PG Middle and High School Students took home most of the awards.

The results were: Middle School

1st- Erika Rodriquez 2nd- Christina Cummings

> 3rd- Marissa Strebeck 1st- David Mitchell

2nd- Brett Eakin 3rd- Katie Brolo 3rd- Garrett Dudley

VISA or MasterCard #:

High School

1st- Jana Edwards **Poetry** 2nd- Brooks Eakin

3rd- Marvin Castro

1st- Lane Elliott 2nd- Kaitlin Schmidt 3rd- Chris Tatum

Pave the Hawk Plaza

Purchase an engraved brick to be placed in the Plaza walkway leading to the new facilities on the high school campus. Honor a graduate, student, teacher, friend, or family. All proceeds will benefit the Pleasant Grove ISD Education Foundation to provide programs for excellence in education. Contributions are tax deductible.

City/State/Zip_____Phone

(Commemorative bricks may be purchased for \$25.00 each with every brick order,)

Please make checks payable to: Pleasant Grove ISD Education Foundation

Mail to: PGISD Education Foundation - 8500 North Kings Highway, Texarkana, TX 75503

3 Digit Security Code (on back of card): ______ Expiration Date: _____

Visit - www.supportpg.org - to Order Online.

Spaces should be blank boxes. Please print clearly.

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Go Hawks! **PGISD Education Foundation**

4" x 8" Brick

Limit 3 lines 14 Characters per line (including spaces)

> \$100 **ALL ORDERS**

MUST BE PRE-PAID Please fill in the boxes below with your desired message, one character in each box. Please send acknowledgement of my

Honorary or Memorial gift to:

For more information contact: Kristen Giles - kgiles@pgisd.net or 903.831.4086

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Recognizing Alumni....



Lynlee Wright Harvey

Lynlee Harvey is a 1998 graduate of Pleasant Grove High School. She then attended Texas A&M University-College Station where she obtained her Bachelor's degree in Accounting and Master's degree in Management Information Systems. Lynlee is a Certified Public Accountant and worked in Dallas as an information systems consultant until she returned to Texarkana. She now owns Lynlee & Company (www.lynlee.com), specializing in weddings, invitations, stationery and personalized gifts.

Lynlee is a member of the Junior League of Texarkana, the Opportunities Angel Guild and the Pi Beta Phi alumni club. She has also served on the Board of Directors for Harvest Texarkana and Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure - Texarkana Affiliate and is a past sponsor for the Texarkana Debutante Cotillion Club. She and her family are active members of Williams Memorial United Methodist Church.

Lynlee is married to Steven Harvey, also a PG graduate. They have one daughter, Ava, 23 months, and are expecting their second child in July.

She is the daughter of Denise and Harrison Wright.

Middle School Band Hall and High School **Art Lab Completed**

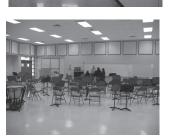
Middle School Band Students and High **School Art Students** are enjoying the new classrooms that were recently completed.











Hawk Store Opened at Central Services

There is now a one stop shop location for all your Hawk Gear. The Hawk store has opened at Central Services on Kings Hwy. Come by and check out our merchandise. We have merchandise from all the booster clubs and PTA.

Postal Customer

Yearbooks are on Sale

Don't forget to order your yearbook this year. You can send a check to the office at any of our campuses to purchase a yearbook.

Elementary \$20.00 Middle School \$30.00 High School is \$42.00 till May 1 then \$50.00



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District and All Campuses Meet Federal Accountability

Pleasant Grove ISD and all campuses meet adequate yearly progress (AYP). This is the federal accountability standard required by the law, No Child Left Behind. The results were announced earlier in December.

Pleasant Grove ISD Meets AYP

Pleasant Grove High School Meets AYP

Pleasant Grove Middle School Meets AYP

Pleasant Grove Elementary School Meets AYP

School Board Appreciation Month



Mabrey Payne and Rance Lockhart, Class of 2017, helped recognize school board members at the January meeting. January is School **Board Recognition Month.**

CITIZENS OF THE MONTH

These students were recognized for being Citizens of the Month.



board member, presents Nathan Jennings, 2nd grade



member, presents Lilly Allison - 1st grade, Cole Fomby – 7th grade, Curt King – 9th grade



January - Mark Addington, board member, presents Delaney Harbin, Kindergarten, Zhanae Freeman, 8th grade, Brenda Freeman, 12th

In order to become Citizen of the Month, a student must be nominated by a teacher. All students nominated must have no less than an "A" in conduct, possess good leadership qualities, display a cooperative attitude, and show courtesy to teachers as well as fellow students. The nominee must also represent the district in a positive way to the community.

Great Grant Giveaway

Pleasant Grove ISD Education Foundation members and corporate sponsors loaded on a school bus with balloons and Hawk Spirit Shakers Tuesday, December 18, 2008 to award more than \$15,000.00 in grants to teachers.

Teachers were surprised as the GREAT GRANT GIVEAWAY team entered their classrooms to award money for "Inspiration through Innovation" grants.



Cobb Financial in Partnership with the PGISD Education Foundation

"We're Digging In What?" Kim Altenbaumer-5th Grade Science-\$187.75 Teaching food chains by using owl pellets



Aven and Sal Williamson in Partnership with the PGISD Education Foundation

Capturing the Community Around Us: Through the Eves of an Artist High School Art Department- Nicole Brisco and Nina Cork-\$4,828.61 Students will utilize SLR and digital cameras, adobe software, and a large scale art printer to explore multi media digital photography as an artistic medium.



Peoples State Bank in Partnership with the PGISD Education Foundation Flash Back to Digital Learning

District Technology Department- Julie McClurg, Tracy Capps, Rick Patrick- \$3,280.20 Provide an easily accessible storage device to allow teachers to download education videos provided by Region 8 Service Center.



Bobby and Lisa Howell in Partnership with the PGISD Education Foundation **LOVE TO LEARN WITH iPODS!!**

Middle School Science Department – Jeanna Morris and Judith McKinley-\$2,203.11 This project is designed to use technology currently available through Apple and iPod for technology integration on the middle school campus.



Guaranty Bond Bank in Partnership with the PGISD Education Foundation

PGTV: It's Elementary!

High School Journalism Department- Charla Harris-\$1,561,00

Creating the next generation of broadcast journalists by introducing elementary students to PGTV with a one-day clinic and establishing an ongoing relationship with the participants.



Office Source in Partnership with the PGISD Education Foundation

Lights, Camera, Action: Take 2

High School Teacher- Beth Pesek-\$1,000.00

Working with video editing, from start to finish. Multimedia students will meet the state mandated Texas Essential Knowledge and Sills (TEKS) for video editing. Each student will learn to operate the video camera, learn how to shoot a variety of camera angles, import and edit video and create a final project.



Joseph and Nancy Robbins in Partnership with the PGISD Education Foundation

"When It Comes To Learning, We're Not the Same, Differentiation Is the Name of the Game" 1st Grade Teachers- \$823.40

Differentiating reading instruction through small groups to meet individual needs.



State Farm- Greg and Melanie Cockrell in Partnership with the PGISD Education **Foundation**

Inspiring Authors of the 21st Century

Third Grade Teachers and Technology Team- \$1,173.50

Inspiring students to be more creative writers by allowing them to author and illustrate their own multimedia story using Story Book Weaver Deluxe.

Teachers Awarded Teacher Take Wing Grants

Pleasant Grove teachers were awarded Teacher Take Wing Grants from the Junior League of Texarkana totaling just over \$1500.00. Deanna Landreth and Amy Coleman presented the teachers checks at the December School Board meeting.



School	Teacher	Grant
PG Elementary PG Middle School PG Elementary PG Middle School	Linda Kirby Melinda Shumaker Michelle Oubre Katie Whitecotton	PRIDE Touchdown History Sensational Sensory Stuff A Mouse Around The House
PG Middle School	Kim Altenbaumer	Don't Tie Me Down
PG Middle School	Deanna Morris	The Mobile Mouse
PG Middle School	Susan Friday	Bury the Old Hatchet

High School Yearbook Named Crown **Award Finalist**

The 2008 Hawk yearbook, Define, was one of 28 high school yearbooks from across the country named as **Crown Award Finalists by Columbia Scholastic Press Association.** This is the fourth consecutive year that the Hawk staff has been recognized by national journalism organizations. Editors for the 2009 edition were Amy **Boler and Autumn Scrivner.**

The Crown Award finalists will be presented with either a Gold or Silver Crown Award during CSPA's 85th Annua Convention, held from March 18-20, 2009 at Columbia University in New York.



PGISD Education Foundation Presents Check to District

Scott Norton, President of the Pleasant Grove ISD Education Foundation presented a check to John Tidwell, President of the school board for \$15,057.57. These monies were awarded to teachers for grants they had applied for this year.

Polar Express Day at the Elementary

Students enjoyed Polar Express Day at the elementary. Students wore pajamas and participated in many activities surrounding the book Polar **Express.** The students viewed the movie at the Performing **Arts Center at the High School** Thanks to the high school drama department for working the show and performing for the students.















Three High School Band Students earn spot in the All State Band.

The PGHS band had three students selected for the Texas ALL-STATE band!! Junior tuba player Greg Payne and senior alto saxophonists Ethan Hodde and Kevin Sutton each earned by competitive audition, a position in the All-State band. Together with students from around the state they will attend the Texas Music Educators Association Convention / All-State Clinic in San Antonio in February. There they will rehearse under the direction of internationally known conductors and present a concert on Saturday, February 14th. This is the largest music convention in the world and puts on display the phenomenal talents of Texas music programs. This is Ethan's second year to quality for All State Band.



Kevin Sutton, Ethan Hodde, Greg Payne