



## Newsletter Highlights

- Reading Tutors Needed
- Birthday Wishes
- Kid Movie Night- A success

## The Weeks Ahead

**"Light A Candle" 4-5 grade concert**

Tues., December 5 – 7pm

**PTA Meeting**

Wed., December 6 – **9:00AM**

**Christmas/Winter Break**

Mon., Dec. 24 – Tues., Jan. 2

**Schools Reopen**

Wed., January 3

## Profile: Mr. Ament

Chuck Ament is a fourth grade teacher. He lives in Kingsville with his lovely wife Katie and his four wonderful children. Mr. Ament is known at Sparks for being a kind, capable teacher with a great sense of humor.

**Hometown:** Latrobe, PA

**Hobbies:** Building, family, TVs

**Favorite Food:** Pierogies, Katie's chicken parmesan

**Favorite Color:** Dark Orange

**Favorite Team:** Steelers

**Favorite Movie:** Most musicals, Princess Bride

**Favorite Children's Book:** Rikki Tikki Tambo

**Favorite Childhood Memory:** Hunting

## Winter Concert

"Light A Candle", an evening of instrumental and choral music will be presented by the fourth and fifth grade students on December 5 at 7pm. Please join us!

## Kid Movie Night

**Kid Movie Night / Parent Night Out - A Fun Evening For Everyone**

The movie CARS was shown to a sold-out crowd of Sparks Elementary kids on Friday, November 17<sup>th</sup> while their parents had an opportunity to get a jump on some holiday shopping.

The kids ate pizza and popcorn as they cheered racecar Lightning McQueen around the track. During this event, more than 200 canned and boxed food items were collected and given to the Sparks Elementary student council to add to the Hereford Food Bank donation. Thank you to all adult, middle school and high school volunteers for helping to make this a fun event for the kids.

## Birthday Wishes



Spark's Library Gift Fund Committee would like to thank the families of the children listed below for making a contribution to the fund. A number of books have been purchased for the benefit of Sparks Elementary Library honoring these students.

## Volunteer News

Thank you to all who have volunteered at Sparks. We know you have much to do during the holidays and we truly appreciate the time and energy you set aside for the school and students.

Please don't forget to log those hours! You can list them on your sign in card or email them to Rachel Wenck at [wenckfamily@gmail.com](mailto:wenckfamily@gmail.com). And if you have not returned the blue County Volunteer Form, please do so right away. The deadline to get those forms in is Dec. 8th!

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## Sparks Reading Partners Needs You!

Volunteer as a reading tutor in the Reading Partners Program.  
You will read one-on-one with a first or second grade student.

Volunteers sign up for two (2) one-hour sessions:  
Monday & Tuesday OR Wednesday & Thursday  
All sessions are late morning or after lunch.

This program runs for six (6) weeks from late January through early  
March.

Specific information regarding exact dates and times will follow. An  
organizational meeting and training will be held for all reading partner  
tutors.

**Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!**

\*\*\*\*\*Cut and Return to Mrs. Worthing's mailbox\*\*\*\*\*

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Please check...I can volunteer on...

\_\_\_\_\_ Mondays/Tuesdays *or* \_\_\_\_\_ Wednesdays/Thursdays

Questions? Email Mrs.Worthing at [bworthing@bcps.org](mailto:bworthing@bcps.org)