

Monday, June 19th, 2017

Chips From The Axe

The Abraham Lincoln Railsplitter Weekly Memo



Do you have information or a shout-out for “Chips”? Email it to David Lon by 9:00am Monday. Include the words “For Chips” in the subject line.

Bell Schedules

	Regular	Half-Day	Two-Hour Late Arrival	Adv. End of Day
Adv	7:51 – 8:06			
1	8:10 – 8:55	7:51 – 8:19	9:58 – 10:31	7:51 – 8:36
2	8:55 – 9:40	8:19 – 8:46	10:31 – 11:04	8:36 – 9:21
3	9:40 – 10:25	8:46 – 9:13	11:04 – 11:37	9:21 – 10:06
4	10:25 – 11:10	9:13 – 9:40	11:37 – 12:10	10:06 – 10:51
5	11:10 – 11:55	9:40 – 10:07	12:10 – 12:43	10:51 – 11:36
6	11:55 – 12:40	10:07 – 10:34	12:43 – 1:16	12:21 – 1:06
7	12:40 – 1:25	10:34 – 11:01	1:16 – 1:49	1:06 – 1:51
8	1:25 – 2:10	11:01 – 11:28	1:49 – 2:22	1:51 – 2:36
9	2:10 – 2:55	11:28 – 11:55	2:22 – 2:55	2:40 – 2:55 ADV

Events Calendar

Have an event for the Abraham Lincoln High School Google Calendar? Please submit it to Mr. Blitzstein at:
https://docs.google.com/a/philasd.org/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfUTX1KzXLm4fjXb_kHjkKbqrhgumCcxTGpgMdhYcM-cvWQ/viewform

Abraham Lincoln High School Google Calendar: https://calendar.google.com/calendar/b/1/render#main_7%7Cmonth

Staff and Student Shout-Outs

- **Congratulations to the PFT on your new contract!!!**

- **From the ESOL Team:**

Huge shout out to: Soying Fong (senior), Ayrin Rajan (senior), and Rama Arab (junior) for participating in the Veterans National Education Program (V-NEP) Global Peer Interview Initiative.

On their own time, they have researched each other's countries, interviewed one another about life in their native country, their journey to America, their experiences in this country, favorite subjects in school, etc.

Mr. Yaasiyn Muhammad, Curriculum Specialist, will be at Lincoln on June 13th to film the discussions with the students regarding what they learned during the interviews with their fellow students. The interview video will be posted on the V-NEP website in the near future.

You make us all very proud!

- **From Mr. Ehling-** Freshman academy dance. Kids were great, lots of dancing!



- Pictures from the ALHS School Show:





- From Mrs. Mahoney- Shout out to Nick Ehling for being an awesome DJ for the Freshman Academy Spring Fling Dance--he played a variety of songs and was totally high energy.



- **From Mr. Lenzinski-**

1. Shout out goes to the Social Studies Department on another great year! We grew by three, and I thank Phoenix Ninh, Sydney Carpenter and Michele Suarez for joining our team! Thank you all for your commitment to our students and I am looking forward to another great year next year!
2. Shout out goes to my Data Team: Amanda Mahoney, Sara Caswell, Jerry Chapman, Karen Kardon-Weber, Neal Convey, Jayne Johnson, Fran McAdams, Lisa Quinn, Marquis Coates, and a special shout out to Nadia Schafer for all of the help that she has given me and for her patience with me this year as I learned how to build the Data Wall!
3. Shout out to our morning walking crew: Amanda Mahoney, Terri Goldman, Gerri Venditto, Phoenix Ninh, and our newest member Lisa Quinn.
4. Shout out to Mr. Lon for reviving the CHiPs!

- **From Mr. Cammarota-** Two students from the softball team were awarded All-Public honors for Softball

Autumn Nolan First team All-Public
Erika Velez Second Team All-Public

Seniors Madison Lukasik, Jonnae' Rose Blocker, and April Davis will also be sorely missed as we rebuild next year.

- **From Paula Miller-** Karen Kardon Weber's outstanding career at ALHS was highlighted on a segment of Channel 3 News. Here Karen Kardon Weber is seen being interviewed by Cherri Gregg.



- **Shout Outs from Mrs. Caswell-**

Karen Kardon-Weber: For keeping us all on our toes, informed and up to date and never missing a birthday!

Erica Swift: For putting on an amazing drama show and pulling it off even with all the hiccups before and during the show! And, of course, for letting Morgan live out her "High School Musical" dreams. She's amazing!

The 9th Grade Academy-for making me feel welcome and giving me a place to call home. It's been an awesome first year at Lincoln and I look forward to many more.

David Lon-For providing endless support to all of my crazy endeavors from the Aspen Challenge Eco-Fair to my kids redesigning school. I really appreciate all of your support, encouragement and innovation. Can't wait to see what next year brings.

Lynn Podrat-For all of your support through my first year at Lincoln. Thanks for all the late afternoon chats, endless ideas and words of encouragement. You will be missed next year.

Mrs. Rhodes-for taking time out to help me with classroom management and parent communication ideas as I began my second year in the classroom.

Paula Miller-For including me and welcoming me into the science fold. It's been so much fun doing everything from Aspen Challenge to Swim Team to PEEP 2.0. I really appreciate you including me and introducing me to your network.

Anna Reed and Maria Pishko-For being patient and answering my sometimes endless questions about how to correctly do the IEP paperwork.

Dan Joyce-For being the best pool boy ever! Looking forward to a great 2017-18 swim season with his support.

Lisa Quinn-For thinking of me and bringing me a whole cart of real science supplies to put to use next year!

Nick Ehling-For being an awesome DJ and getting our somewhat shy 9th graders out on the dance floor and having a ball!

My students-for coming here every day and giving me the chance to do what I love.

Mr. Nelson and the Lincoln Administration-for taking a chance on me as a second year "career changer" teacher and giving me an amazing school family and place to call home.

Patricia Berrian and Linda Raddi-For their endless support and help with all of my kids! Don't know how I would have made it through some days without Ms. Berrian in my first period!

- **From Stacie Johnson-** YEAR END SHOUT OUTS!!

This has been my 1st year with this Lincoln Family and it has been a smooth transition. I would like to shout out a few people.

- 1) My 1st SHOUT OUT is to Mr. Nelson & Ms. Rhodes for being AWESOME Administrators and for their unwavering support this school year.
- 2) Shout Out to Ms. Burton for the autonomy and support in shaping the Accounting Program.
- 3) Shout Out to MY ACCOUNTING STUDENTS!! This was the 1st year we participated in the community's volunteer tax program with the Campaign for Working Families. They became certified and made me proud to see them take the responsibility of tax preparation seriously.
- 4) Finally, SHOUT OUT to the SENIORS OF 2017. My students really worked cooperatively (& I had zero altercations in my room this year!!). Special thanks to Carlos Crooks, Lihong Ren, Clarrisa O'Connell and Yasmeen Hassan. Your leadership has not gone unnoticed. I look for you guys to do great things in the future. Good Luck in your next chapter.

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER EVERYONE!!!!



- **From Mrs. Podrat-** I would like to thank the Lincoln staff for their support and encouragement these past 6 years. It has been my pleasure to serve such a wonderful group of people and I will miss you all. Love Mrs. Podrat



Chess Summer Camp at Lansdowne Library

Where: Lansdowne Library
 55 S Lansdowne Ave.
 Lansdowne, PA 19050
 Street Parking Available

When: June 26 to June 30

Time: 10:00 to 3:00

Cost: Instruction Free - \$5.00 for Friday Pizza

Hosted by: Lansdowne Library
 Certified U.S. Chess Federation Coach
 Anthony Durkin
 Program Founder and longtime teacher
 Julius Hernadi



Chess Camp Details

- Campers should be USCF rated 1100 or less.
- Each day there will be instruction and rated play.
 - Instruction will cover Basic Mates, Tactical and Mating Patterns, Basic Pawn and Rook Endings.
 - Each day there will be 2 rated games. Some games will be reviewed the following day.
- Campers are encouraged to bring clocks.
- Campers should pack a lunch M-Th. \$5.00 for Pizza on Friday
- Campers under age 8 or campers with para- professionals in school must be accompanied by an adult on site.
- Pre-registration is required. Deadline for registration is June 23. Camp is limited to 20 individuals.
- To register e-mail ajjdurkin@gmail.com.

- **From Mrs. Raddi-** Thanks to everyone for their participation with the senior class and graduation! It takes an army to pull it off and we all came together to make what I feel was a successful graduation for the class of 2017.
- **From Mr. Larsen-**

Varsity Baseball

Congratulations to Senior Aaron Freeman, and Juniors Ken Brough and Victor Cerda as they participated in the Carpenter Cup All Star Tri-State Tournament on Friday June 16. So very proud of these young men as they represented Lincoln with pride and class . Though we lost 4-1 to Delaware County South, the Public League can hold their heads up high knowing we represented the league well. Sad to see the season end.



FAPA

I want to take this time to say CONGRATULATIONS and THANK YOU to our Art Teachers, Jay Bevenour and Dr. Cheryl Henry, our Music Teachers, Rosemarie Coleman and Thomas Lawler, and our Drama Majors Teacher, Erica Swift on concluding another very busy, eventful, and successful school year. Your hard work and enthusiasm towards getting the most out of our students talents while developing their sense of creativity was evident through all the exhibits, performances, and shows throughout not only our building, but the city as well, during the entire school year. I am truly honored to work alongside you. AGAIN, THANK YOU! ENJOY YOUR SUMMER!

Finally

BIG BIG SHOUT OUT to Mark Adami and Karen Kardon Weber.

Thank you for all your support, advice, encouragement, patience, humor, and most of all friendship. Thank you both for always being my compass, pointing me in the right direction towards being the best I can be for my students and players. I know that job was not easy. You have been and always will be an inspiration to your students, colleagues, and to me. You will be tremendously missed.

- **From Mrs. Vujovic-** Huge shout-out to Ms. Corso for a very successful and productive year as the ESOL coordinator. With the support of the ESOL team (Ms. Griffin, Mr. Ehling, and Ms. Deissler), she was able to establish a very strong and prestigious program at ALHS. For example, recently she led a group of students from India, China, and Syria who researched the assigned topics on their countries for V-NEP Veterans National Education Program. The students made a video recording, which will be soon available at <http://v-nep.org/global-awareness-map/>. Ms. Corso's professionalism and devotion to ESOL students are truly outstanding.



- Congratulations to Mrs. Podrat for winning the first annual “Take Your Picture With Lincoln’s Most Handsome Men” raffle.



NEW Railsplitter News

Student News and Announcements

Recurring Railsplitter News and Important Information

Academy Information Bank

Ninth Grade Academy

- **Virtual Data Wall:**
<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1oAmWFMzXteel6lIUgEeUTNeejZ3biqdqbjOx8MiDHw/edit?ts=588f3259#gid=1833858537>

Academy of the Arts

- **Virtual Data Wall:**
https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/17J_pDXW_pTUxoabIWnfSUcVw0cCUX8wdasxwtQXRMEc/edit?ts=588f3259#gid=1833858537

Academy of Professional Services

- **Virtual Data Wall:** <https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1MLB1uNo0WIKSYzAzZ6T-k6B90ezdU194cEprs6bfk-w/edit?ts=588f3259#gid=1833858537>

Academy of the Sciences

- **Virtual Data Wall:**
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Railsplitter Athletics

Professional Development

This Week in History (A Bob Lendzinski Production)

June is

- The Great Outdoors Month (so get out there and explore nature. It's good for your mental health! Until you encounter the Doylestown bear.... Yeah, that's not good)

The second week in June is

- Universal Father's Week

June 12

- National Children's Day (Every day is National Children's Day in my house)
- 1942: Anne Frank gets her diary as a birthday present in Amsterdam

June 13

- National Weed Your Garden Day
- 1866: US House of representatives passes 14th Amendment (Civil rights)

June 14

- National Flag Day (after my parents did one of those Ancestry.com DNA tests, we will be adding a new flag to the Lendzinski crest this year. We already knew Polish, English, and MikMak -- Native Americans from Nova Scotia and the first to greet Leif Erikson. We are now adding Irish. And no, Paula, I am not really upset about this)
- 1777: US Continental Congress adopts the Stars & Stripes replacing the Grand Union flag

June 15

- National Dump the Pump Day (should be something else that rhymes with Dump, but we'll just leave that right there)
- 1215: King John signs Magna Carta at Runnymede, near Windsor, England

June 16

- National Fudge Day! Yay!
- 1858: Abraham Lincoln says "A house divided against itself cannot stand" accepting Illinois Republican Party's nomination for the Senate

June 17

- National Eat Your Vegetables Day (My favorite? Spinach)
- 1631: Mumtaz Mahal dies during childbirth. Her husband, Mughal emperor Shah Jahan I, then spends more than 20 years building her tomb, the Taj Mahal.

June 18

- Father's Day (Happy Father's Day to all of the Father's out there in Lincoln Land)

618: Coronation of the Chinese governor Li Yuan as Emperor Gaozu of Tang, the new Emperor of China, initiating three centuries of the Tang Dynasty's rule over China.

June is

- African-American Music Appreciation Month

June 19

- National Martini Day
- 1829: Robert Peel founds the London Metropolitan Police (Bobbies), believed to be the first official local police force in the world.

June 20

- National Ice Cream Soda Day
- 1214: The University of Oxford receives its charter (it's older than the Aztec Empire)

June 21

- Summer Officially begins
- 1993: English mathematician Andrew Wiles proves last theorem of Fermat (Math teachers, help me out on this one)
- Also, Congratulations to all of our Retirees! We wish you the best and do not become strangers!

June 22

- National HVAC Technician Day (bet you didn't know this was a thing, did ya?)
- 1633: Galileo Galilei forced to recant his Copernican views that the Earth orbits the Sun by the Pope (Oct 31 1992 Vatican admits it was wrong)

June 23

- National Pink Day (Dig that Pink!)
- 1974: 1st extraterrestrial message sent from Earth into space

June 24

- National Pralines Day
- 1901: 1st exhibition by Pablo Picasso, 19, opens in Paris.

June 25

- National Catfish Day
- 1678: Elena Cornaro Piscopia, a Venetian, is awarded a doctorate of philosophy - first woman to receive a university doctoral decree

June 26

- National Beautician's Day
- 1896: 1st movie theater in the US opens - Vitascope Hall in New Orleans, charging 10 cents for admission

June 27

- National PTSD Awareness Day
- 1950: North Korean troops reach Seoul, UN asks members to aid South Korea, Harry Truman orders US Air Force & Navy into Korean conflict

June 28

- National Insurance Awareness Day
- Franz Ferdinand, Archduke of Austria and his wife Sophie are assassinated in Sarajevo by young Serb nationalist Gavrilo Princip at 10.45, the casus belli of WWI
- Also, Treaty of Versailles, ending WWI and establishing the League of Nations, is signed in France

June 29

- National Handshake Day (I doubt Howie Mandel will get on board with this)
- 1964: Civil Rights Act of 1964 passed after 83-day filibuster in the US Senate

June 30

- National Meteor Watch Day
- 1938: Superman 1st appears in DC Comics' Action Comics Series issue #1

