



# Bulldog Community Beat

March 2011

Elbert School District 200

Character First quality of the month

## Forgiveness

(vs. rejection)

Forgiveness: Clearing the record of those who have wronged me and not holding a grudge.

1. A release from fault or offense; pardon
2. Absolution from payment
3. A renunciation of anger or resentment against an adversary

*"The weak can never forgive. Forgiveness is the attribute of the strong"*

~ Mahatma Gandhi

### HELP NEEDED!!!

Volunteers needed to read with Elementary Students!

8:30-10:00 am Tues-Fri

2:00-3:00 pm Thurs

Contact Anne Green at the school 303-648-3030 x202 or [agreen@elbertschool.org](mailto:agreen@elbertschool.org)

Help a child learn to love reading!



### Book Club NEWS

Current Book:

And Then There Were None  
by Agatha Christie

Next month's book:

Beastley  
by Alex Flinn

## Happenings in the Hallway



### Dual Credit

The Post Secondary Enrollment Options Act allows Colorado high school students to apply approved college credits towards high school graduation. At Elbert, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> grade students take these post secondary level courses here with our own specially qualified teachers. These courses are considered "dual credit" and fulfill HS graduation requirements with credits from Pikes Peak Community College. According to a recent report by the Colorado Department of Education, our high school has the most students participating in the PSEO Act than any other school in Elbert County, and more than all of the Douglas County schools combined. Thanks to the remarkable Elbert staff members who make this worthwhile opportunity available to our students!

### State Capitol Face Lift

The 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Colorado History class is raising funds to help refurbish the state capital building. It is in need of repair and the state budget cannot cover the costs. The class is collecting aluminum cans this semester and will cash them in at a recycler, hoping to raise at least \$500. The reward for reaching this goal will be a field trip to the Royal Gorge. The collection site will be at the Elbert Country Store and on March 19<sup>th</sup> the class will be there to collect your cans or cash donations.

If you need your aluminum picked up or have other questions, contact Mac McGuire at the school or [rmcguire@elbertschool.org](mailto:rmcguire@elbertschool.org)  
Thanks for supporting this worthwhile project!

### Big Hearts Earn Big \$\$\$

Congratulations to everyone who was a Heart Hero for the American Heart Association! Elbert Elementary School raised \$1,118 to help save lives, plus discussed ways to be healthier ourselves! Way to go awesome Elbert students, parents, staff, and community! Thank you John Reardon and Sami Wills for talking with students about having a healthy heart.

The top fundraisers were 1<sup>st</sup> gr. Lane Olkjer, 2<sup>nd</sup> gr. Ally Nowicki, 3<sup>rd</sup> gr. Jessica Cook, 4<sup>th</sup> gr. Clyde Bolejack, 5<sup>th</sup> gr. Jacob Nowicki, and 6<sup>th</sup> gr. Logan Pumroy. In Jump for Heart, Jason Mackey and Dylan Nicholas tied for first with 200 jumps with a single jump rope. On the longer jump rope, helper Courtney Bonine jumped 105 and Jason Mackey was officially 1<sup>st</sup> at 100. Other top jumpers on long ropes were 1<sup>st</sup> gr. Sadie Bunham, 2<sup>nd</sup> gr. Hailey Rogers, and 3<sup>rd</sup> gr. Carolyn Maben.



## Community Teamwork

### Meet Troop 2283!

One of the many outside groups that use our building for meetings and activities is the Girl Scouts. Led by Kindra Evans and Jo Cornelius, this mixed level troop consists of 3 Brownies (2<sup>nd</sup>/3<sup>rd</sup> grade), 6 juniors (4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> grade) and 2 cadets (6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade).

Each year the girls earn 3 to 5 badges in activities like camping, hiking, singing, dancing and a variety of crafts like cooking and sewing. They also participate in community service projects like planting trees, visiting with senior citizens, and making blankets for premature babies. The Girl Scouts also fundraise each year by selling their famous cookies, and we all have our favorite, don't we? Says Ms. Evans, "We have a great group of girls that treat each other with kindness and respect."

Please call her at 303-648-0194 if you know a young lady who would like to join in the fun. Troop 2283 meets every other Wednesday from 4:15-5:45 at the school.

### Our Future is Bright



Ben Williams was recently honored with a President's Volunteer Service Award. This award was presented by the Prudential Spirit of Community Service Awards program on behalf of President Obama. Young people from all over the nation apply for this award. He was nominated by Principal Bob Beebe.

Ben, a junior, put in more than 150 volunteer hours at the school last summer. Some of the tasks he accomplished were cleaning lockers, cleaning storage closets and washing windows. He also volunteered at summer school, helping younger children with reading and math.

What motivated this young man to do so much work, for free? Ben was Elbert School's choice to attend the HOBY Leadership conference in June of 2010. HOBY is a program for young people interested in making their world a better place through leadership and community service. In order for Ben to go back as a Junior Leader, he needed to prove he was serious by performing volunteer work. He knew there was work to be done in and around our school, and chose to earn his hours there.

Ben stated he learned a lot from the experience. "I had to wake up every day at 7 a.m. I had to be patient with the students I was teaching. I learned a lot of people skills. The teachers would instruct me, then I would instruct the students. The school also looked better by the end of summer because of the work I did. I found I really enjoyed volunteering!"

All of us at Elbert School appreciate Ben's determination and dedication. Our school is a better place because of his hard work.

# SPORTS

## Basketball Wrap-up

### Peewee Tournament

Third Grade Girls  
4th place finish  
Third Grade Boys  
2nd Place Finish  
Fifth Grade Girls  
2nd Place Finish  
Fifth Grade Boys  
2nd Place Finish  
Sixth Grade Boys  
Consolation Champs

### High School

Girls' Season Record  
16-5  
Boys' Season Record  
10-10-1

### Scores

Boys

Girls

1/29 vs. Flagler 54-40 loss	1/29 vs. Flagler 49-41 loss
2/3 vs. Hanover 44-29 Win	2/3 vs. Hanover 61-28 Win
2/11 vs. Hilltop 61-44 Win	2/11 Hilltop 59-18 Win
2/12 vs. Simla 58-43 Loss	2/12 vs. Simla 56-44 loss
2/16 vs. D & B 44-28 Win	2/16 vs. D & B 39-22 Win
2/17 vs. PPC 50-48 Win	2/17 vs. PPC 73-19 Win
2/19 vs. Kiowa 51-42 Loss	2/19 vs. Kiowa 49-29 Win
District vs. Flagler 51-50 Loss	District vs. Stratton 53-41 Win
	District vs. Deertrail 45-39 Loss



## Notes from the Editor's Desk

So the "Bulldog Community Beat" is off and running! One issue under our belts and the next in your hands as we speak! We hope you are enjoying enlightening stories and useful information about our students and our school. We're still developing, so give us your opinion and what else you'd like to see on our pages. And if you know someone out of town or out of state who might like to receive the BCB, send us their email address. We will gladly forward it to grandparents and other relatives, old neighbors, and friends of Elbert School, and especially alumni. We are compiling a list of our past graduates - and there's a lot of them out there - so we can report to you their accomplishments and whereabouts. Please help us get them on our emailing list too! Have a great March - the month of HS basketball playoffs, leprechauns & shamrocks, Parent-Teacher conferences, and of course the ever popular SPRING BREAK!

### Where Are They Now ?

Kimmy Anderson graduated from Elbert School in May of 2005, after attending Elbert from Kindergarten on. She began college in the fall at UCCS (University of Colorado at Colorado Springs).

In May of 2008 she was married to Dustin Broadway and continued her college education. In January of 2009 they moved to Paris, Texas where Kimmy was able to finish her UCCS degree taking online classes. In May of 2009 she returned to Colorado Springs to walk with her graduating class from UCCS earning a bachelors degree in communications. Anyone who knows Kimmy would find this degree appropriate as she does love to talk! After her college graduation, she found a job at Paris Fitness and Aquatic Center. She is an assistant manager and is in charge of the payroll and expenditures. She and her husband bought a new house in November of 2009 in a small area right outside of Paris, a town called Reno.

In June of 2010 we found out that they were expecting a baby. Liam Scout Broadway made his appearance on January 27, 2011 at 2:04. He came in at 19 inches long and weighed 7 lbs 5 oz. Both parents and grandparents think that he is the most beautiful baby around. Kimmy has made a great life for her family down in Texas, and she got her start in Elbert School.



### Student Government

Thank you for reading the HS Student Council Section of the newsletter. Our activities include service projects, such as our recently completed "Soldier Care Package" contest; school wide social events such as February's talent show, and spirit activities like homecoming and karaoke night. Elbert Student Council strives to promote service, school spirit, and leadership through school functions.

This year's officers are:

Taylor Younger – President

Craig Peck – Vice President;

Shelby Loflin – Treasurer;

Hayley Brown – Secretary;

Ben Williams – Historian.

Student Council also has around 15 "at large" members and class representatives from grades 7-12.

### BOOSTER CLUB CORNER

"The Elbert Booster Club strives to encourage school spirit by supporting the school and community through a variety of athletic, academic, artistic and social events, and fundraisers."

#### Winter Sports Banquet - Roast Beef Dinner

March 16th - 5:30-6:30

Adult \$6.00/Students \$4.00/Athletes & Coaches FREE

#### Spring Concert /Silent Auction

March 17th 5:30-6:45 - BIDDING

7:00 Concert

Next MEETING: 3/30 @ 6:00

In concessions area

Email:

elbertboosters@hotmail.com

or go to school website:

Click on: "BOOSTER CLUB"



# Exploration Library

## STORY TIME!

Monday's @ 10:30 a.m.

Come and listen to a story and music.  
Have a snack and be creative working  
on a special craft project.

## Gardener's Gathering

Monday's @ 1:00

Many gardener's meet to exchange  
ideas, seeds, catalogs, and a great deal  
of enthusiasm!

## Friends of the Library

1st Tuesday of the Month @ 4:30

Volunteer group that meets once a month.

- Help with raising funds
- Sponsor Programs
- Provide Supplies
- Promote the Library

## Craft Time

4th Tuesday of the Month @ 4:30

## Game Night

3rd Thursday of the Month @ 5:00

## Genealogy Fun!

2nd Saturday of the Month @ 1:00

Beginning to advanced genealogy enthusiasts  
are invited!

“Children are made readers on the  
laps of their parents.”

~ Emilie Buchwald

## Elbert Junior Cheer Clinic

Morning full of fun and cheering. Elbert's Junior Cheer did an amazing job entertaining the crowd at the Kiowa vs. Elbert Basketball game. Great job done by ALL! Thanks!



## An

## Author Among

## Us!



We have an author among us. I had the privilege of interviewing Mrs. Carolyn Hinshaw, the 3<sup>rd</sup> grade teacher at Elbert Elementary School. Mrs. Hinshaw comes to us from California, and is a Graduate of the University of California, Riverside. She is married to Wayne Hinshaw and they have 2 lovely daughters, Ashlyn – 11<sup>th</sup> grade and Jenna – 8<sup>th</sup> grade.

When I asked Mrs. Hinshaw what brought her to Elbert, she smiled and said “It’s a long story, you’ll have to read the book” The title of her book is **I Didn’t Deserve It: A Gift from My Father**. It is in the editing stage, and she wasn’t sure when it would be published. Mrs. Hinshaw always has a wonderful smile on her face it truly lights up a room. Mrs. Hinshaw has been teaching for 20 years; this is her 5<sup>th</sup> year at Elbert, and what an honor it is to have her teaching here. Last year her 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class scored 100% in Reading on their CSAP. What a great accomplishment. I don’t think many educators can say that.

When asked what she liked about Elbert, she replied “I love the people, the sky and the land,. It is so beautiful here. Everyone here is so kind and polite. She also said the school is awesome; she loves the small class sizes and smart students. Mrs. Hinshaw, thank you for coming to Elbert, and we are anxiously awaiting the publication of your book.

Elbert is PROUD of you!

## Spring Break Opportunity

Driver's Education—March 21-24

For information and to make reservations for  
the class can be made by contacting Rick  
Kolm at 303-621-2696 or by email at  
rkolm@comcast.net



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We're on the web:  
[www.elbertschool.org](http://www.elbertschool.org)

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## Current Resident



## Places to GO, People to See...FREE

### Denver Art Museum

[www.denverartmuseum.org](http://www.denverartmuseum.org)

Free admission the **FIRST** Saturday of each month

### Denver Museum of Nature and Science

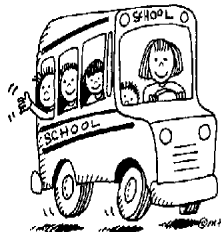
[www.dmns.org](http://www.dmns.org)

April 17th Earth Day Event

### Denver Botanic Gardens

[www.botanicgardens.org](http://www.botanicgardens.org)

March 20th



## ***What Makes Elbert School Great?***

### **2nd Grader - August Jobe**

August likes Elbert School because its fun, she likes to play with her friends and her favorite subject is reading.

### **6th Grader—Logan Pumroy**

Logan likes Elbert School because it's small, not a really big school, the student body isn't really big. There are more activities, and the teachers make learning fun, and he learns a lot from them. Science is Logan's favorite subject, he enjoys participating in the science fair, and Mr. R. has them doing mixtures and filtrations right now in science. Logan is glad he's here.

### **8th Grader—Katie Listul**

Katie likes the small class sizes, the classes and sports that Elbert offers. She loves sports, and is anxiously awaiting track, she wants to do the mile, 400 and maybe the shot put. Katie has a lot of friends here. Her favorite classes are Math, Science and Music.

### **10th Grader - Becca Zunker**

Becca likes everything about Elbert. The good teachers and good friends. Band is Becca's favorite subject, Mr. Goodger makes it fun with bringing new ideas to band. She enjoys the field trips and excursions he provides for the class. She plays the trumpet.