

TOWLE BRIDGE

NEWSLETTER



**NOVEMBER
2023**

"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."

2nd Corinthians 9:11



Thanksgiving Food Drive



Fall is here, which means colorful leaves, the beginning of cold weather, and Thanksgiving! There are some families who, without help, will not be able to sit down and have a Thanksgiving dinner, but the Sunday Breakfast Mission wants to help! The **senior class** would like to invite Towle Institute students and their families to join us in providing food for the Sunday Breakfast Mission's outreach to people who cannot afford a Thanksgiving meal. We want every student to bring in as many food items for the Mission's Thanksgiving Boxes as he/she can on **November 6th**, which is **week 10** (see list below, any bag or box will do). *To make things more interesting, we are making this a competition!* The **class** who brings the most items (averaged over the number of the students in the class) will win up to two free pieces of pizza on week 11, November 13th. Mrs. Todd will notify who the winners are at the end of the day on Week 10. **Please mark your bag with your grade!** Let's help the Sunday Breakfast Mission make Thanksgiving a special time for those who are truly in need!

- 1 Gravy Mix or 1 Can Gravy
- 1 pkg. of Instant Mashed Potatoes
- 1 box of noodles (such as noodles with cheese and broccoli)
- 2 pkg. Macaroni and Cheese
- 1 lg. or 2 sm. cans sweet potatoes
- 1 Stuffing mix
- 1 box of spaghetti
- 1 box of macaroni (or other pasta)
- 1 jar or can of spaghetti sauce & 1 lg. can of tomatoes
- 2 cans of Corn, Green Beans, Peas, Carrots, Beets and Mixed Vegetables
- 1 jar each of peanut butter and jelly
- 2 sm. or 1 lg. can of tuna
- 1 lg. or 2 sm. cans of beef stew or chicken & dumplings or ravioli type meal
- 1 can of Cranberry Sauce
- 1 pkg. rolls
- 1 Loaf of Bread
- 1 pkg. of bagels
- 1 pkg. of English Muffins
- 1 can of drink mix
- 1 pie or 1 pie crust and 1 pumpkin filling
- 2 pkg. Jell-o gelatin & 2 pkg. of pudding
- 2 cans of fruit (of either fruit cocktail, peaches or pears)
- 2 boxes of Cereal
- 1 can each ham, spam, corn beef and chicken

ACADEMIC ADVISING NOTES

Seniors, please keep an eye on your calendars : make note of college application deadlines. Deadline dates at the beginning of a month are always the trickiest!

Keep in mind that Towle will be closed for Thanksgiving during the week of November 20th and then for Christmas from December 18, 2023 to January 1, 2024. Any Senior needing transcripts or letters of recommendations to be sent to colleges for late December or early January deadline dates must submit completed request forms by December 4, 2023.

Remember to allow *THREE* working Mondays for teachers to write letters of recommendations. Don't forget, as a courtesy, to supply the teachers with a stamped, addressed envelope to the college where the letter should be sent. Also, please remember to give Mrs. Watts at least *TWO* Mondays' notice to send transcripts to colleges.

If you are going to take the SATs or the ACTs, please use the School Code 080071 so Towle will receive a copy of the score report. These scores, however, are *NOT* automatically printed onto your transcript.

Please feel free to contact Mrs. Watts jill.watts@towleinstitute.com with any questions and/or concerns. Thank you!

-- Mrs. Watts

FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

The Towle Lions Need You! Check out the open gyms starting November 1st. We have teams for girls and boys (6th - 12th grades)! No experience or commitment required! All open gyms and practices will be held at:
Grace Church, 355 Paper Mill Road, Newark, DE 19711
Open House & Practice times listed on the Bulletin Board of this Newsletter!

Questions: Contact Sara Chick at sara.chick@towleinstitute.com or 302-584-0709.

-- Mrs. Chick

NEW TO TOWLE!

Meet Christopher Mao

Interview by Emily Matthews

Where did you go to school before Towle?

I was homeschooled last year, but I went to Independence the year before that.

Do you have a favorite subject?

I like math because I like solving problems.

Do you have any pets? If so, what kind of pet(s) do you have?

I have two turtles named Peaceful and Gentle. I also have a cat named Fluffy.

What is your favorite holiday and favorite thing to do during that holiday?

My favorite holiday is Christmas because it celebrates Jesus' birth and it's fun to give and receive gifts.

What is your favorite place to go on vacation?

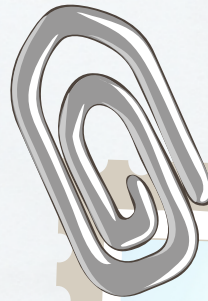
I went to Rome and Sorrento in Italy. It was like a field trip because I had just been studying Roman history.

What is your favorite food and/or restaurant?

My favorite restaurant is Delfino in Italy.

If you could have any superpower, what would it be?

The ability to see the future



Meet Aurora Slaten

Interview by Mackenzie Riley

Where did you go to school before Towle?

Homeschooled

Do you have a favorite subject?

Science, because its fun

Do you have any pets? If so, what kind of pet(s) do you have?

Two pets, a cat and dog. Their names are Cleo and Maple

What is your favorite holiday and favorite thing to do during that holiday?

Christmas, and I love to go Christmas shopping with my grandmother

What is your favorite food and/or restaurant?

My favorite food is burgers, and my favorite restaurant is Wendys

What is your favorite place to go on vacation?

South Carolina

What is your dream vacation spot? (A place you've never been)

Hawaii

If you could have any superpower, what would it be?

Flying



BULLETIN BOARD



Towle Basketball Open Gyms:

3:30-5:30pm

Nov 1st, 3rd, 8th & 10th

Practices begin the week of Nov 13th

Tuesdays 5:30pm CoEd

Wednesdays 3:30 Girls / 5:30 Boys

Fridays 3:30pm CoEd

Cornerstone Youth Group
Come join our youth group!
Revolution (REV) for
highschoolers and Under the Cross
(UTX) for middle schoolers

Upcoming Events

11/17 - UTX @ Cornerstone

11/19 - REV @ Cornerstone

Cornerstone Presbyterian Church
109 Gypsy Hill Road
Landenberg, PA 19350

Gauging Bible Quiz Interest!

Trinity Community Church is
scouting for next year's Bible
Quizzers!
Grades 6th-12

Come check out a practice, help
volunteer at a meet to see what
it's all about!

Email Faith Miler @
faith@onetruehealth.blog
or text 610-322-9833

TOWLE BRIDGE STAFF

Kelly McHugh



Hi, My name is Kelly. I am currently a freshman here at Towle. I've been coming to Towle since I was in sixth grade, prior to that I went to a small Christian school called Landenberg Christian Academy (LCA). I love sports, I play lacrosse year round as well as play on the Towle basketball team in the winter. Thanks for reading!



Emily Matthews

Contributor • Illustrator



Hello! My name is Emily Matthews and I am a sophomore here at Towle. This is my first time working on the newsletter, but I have been at Towle for three years now. I enjoy reading good books, writing stories, and playing with my family's two dogs. I just accomplished my long-time goal of self-publishing my first novel, called *Keepers of the Crystal: The Three*, and am currently working on rough drafts of the second and third books in the series.

I am always brainstorming for newsletter articles/comics and would love to hear your ideas. Thank you for making Towle such a sanctuary in today's world.

Faith Miller

Designer • Contributor

I have lived many lives in this body but the one that mattered started the day Jesus met me in the wilderness and gently brought me back to His flock.

From an art-school drop-out to a successful corporate operations manager to a yoga & fitness coach, marketing & branding creator, mom & wife, homemaker, homesteader, designer & host have been the ways I have explored identity and my gifts.

However it was not until finding my only *true* and *lasting* identity as a **disciple of Jesus** in the Bible and embarking on a mission of scholarship in ancient scriptures did I finally meet my creator, and now I want only for the things that I do and give of myself on this side of time to give Him glory and complete our mission here.



Festival de la lavanda de Brihuega
When I lived in España <3

What does a designer/curator do?

My background in branding/marketing has given me experience in digital communications & messaging. Helping stylize the Towle Bridge was a simple way to volunteer to use that experience to help the many contributors that work to bring this together. A designer will create the initial design and format as well as assist with helping to arrange and adjust messaging and images for a polished and impactful finished product! I have worked on digital newsletters for Health & Wellness as well as in the public Charter School arena which has helped me transfer those experiences to the task!



WHERE DO YOU GET EMOTIONAL SUPPORT?

BY MRS. K

Have you heard about Wally? Wally is an emotional support animal (ESA) for a gentleman who is also a huge Phillies fan.

Just recently, the baseball fan and Wally were barred from entering the stadium to meet the Philadelphia Phillies players. To be honest, I would not like to meet an alligator out of his pond!

This incident which was widely publicized in the media made me consider where do I get my emotional support? Of course, the first people I think of are my family members. Outside this circle, what other sources give me support?

My plants!!!! I love houseplants! Do you? I grew up with spider plants and different types of ivies and pathos growing on windowsills.

A third of my family room is devoted to large houseplants. Half of the year the plants go outside to



get invigorated, the other half of the year, they all need to be brought inside to survive the cool months. Here is a photo of Irene.

Irene came to me in a lovely arrangement that the Towle family gifted me after my Mother passed away over 12 years ago. This plant has grown tremendously over these years to have become a mini-tree!

When I am surrounded by plants, I feel at peace and calm. When you treat them well, you get so much in return — oxygen, flowers, new leaves, HOPE! Perhaps there will be a new acronym? ESP — emotional support plant.

Share with us what ESA or ESP is in your life! Submit your story to Elizabeth.kaliakin@towleinstitute.com

Thank you! Mrs. K.

Thanksgiving Thinkers

BY EMILY MATTHEWS



Instead of turkey, the Pilgrims probably ate...

- a) Octopus and seagulls
- b) Bison and prairie dogs
- c) Oysters and venison
- d) Antelope and groundhogs

The Pilgrims probably served pumpkins...

- a) In pie
- b) In slices
- c) With lobster
- d) Stewed

The first Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade included...

- a) Elephants
- b) Zebras
- c) Giraffes
- d) Sea Lions

According to legend, which Christmas song was originally intended for Thanksgiving?

- a) Frosty the Snowman
- b) Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer
- c) White Christmas
- d) Jingle Bells

What did President George H. W. Bush do during his Thanksgiving proclamation that established a presidential tradition?

- a) Cheer on his favorite football team
- b) Pardon a turkey from being eaten
- c) Wear a Pilgrim hat
- d) Do a tap dance

Answers on page #15 ([Calendar Page](#)).



2023 STROLL FOR TOWLE

On the 21st of October, a group of lively Towle families enjoyed a lovely morning together as they strolled around Newark's Reservoir to fundraise for our school. The weather was beautiful, although there were some heavy winds around the reservoir! Everyone was warmly rewarded after the walk with delicious snacks and hot chocolate! Thank you, One and All, for participating!
Mrs. Kaliakin



Towle Renaissance Field Trip

Summary by Joshua Cericole

On Thursday, October 5th my family and I went to the Renaissance Fair. It took almost two hours to get there but it was worth it. I was excited because I love history and my whole family decided to dress up. We saw mud slingers, glass blowing, blacksmithing and jousting. For lunch we ate turkey legs and pickles on a stick.



I liked the atmosphere and how they had an ongoing play with the actors. The Queen of England was battling the Queen of thieves. The end of the day ended in a huge joust and fight with fireworks and explosives. It was a great time and I can't wait to go back.

Join Us in Our Mission

Remember ★ Honor ★ Teach



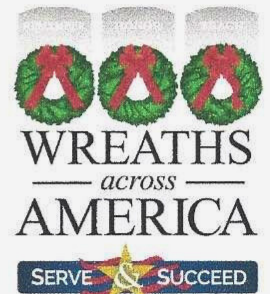
★ **December 16, 2023** ★

National Wreaths Across America Day

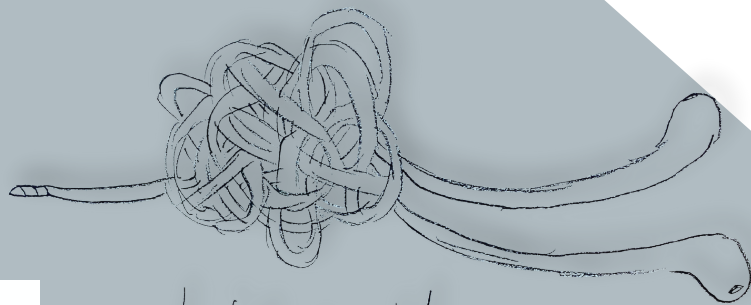
**Help Brandywine Cadet Squadron,
DE-004 honor local heroes!**

Sponsor a wreath today to be placed on a
veteran's grave this December at Delaware
Veterans Memorial Cemetery-Bear.

Scan the QR code to make a donation online or
visit www.wreathscrossamerica.org/PA0216P



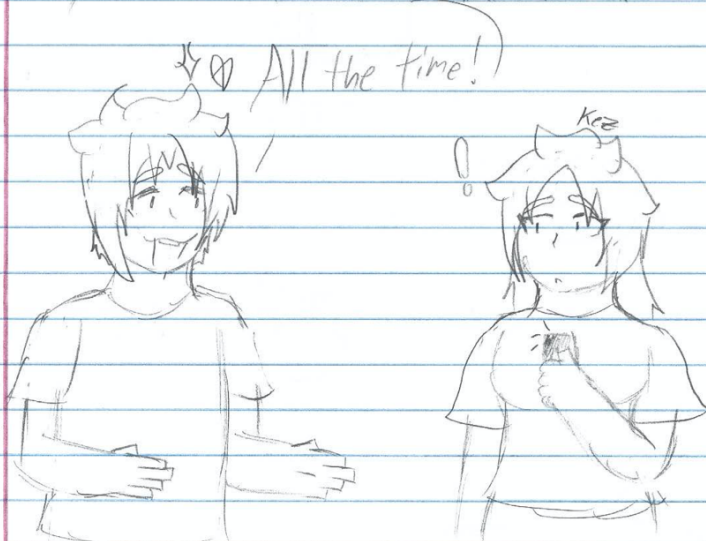
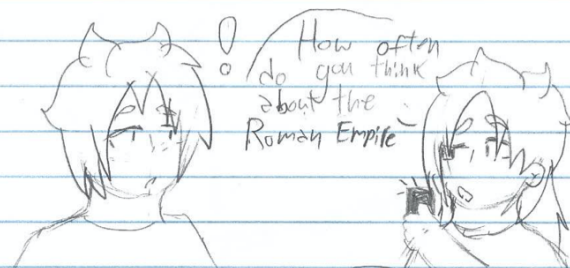
Budding Artists...



Life ☹️
it's fixable!
most days.



KELSEY DAVIS



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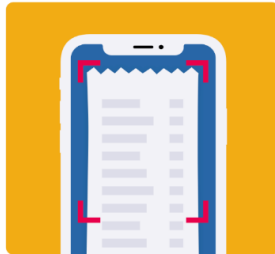
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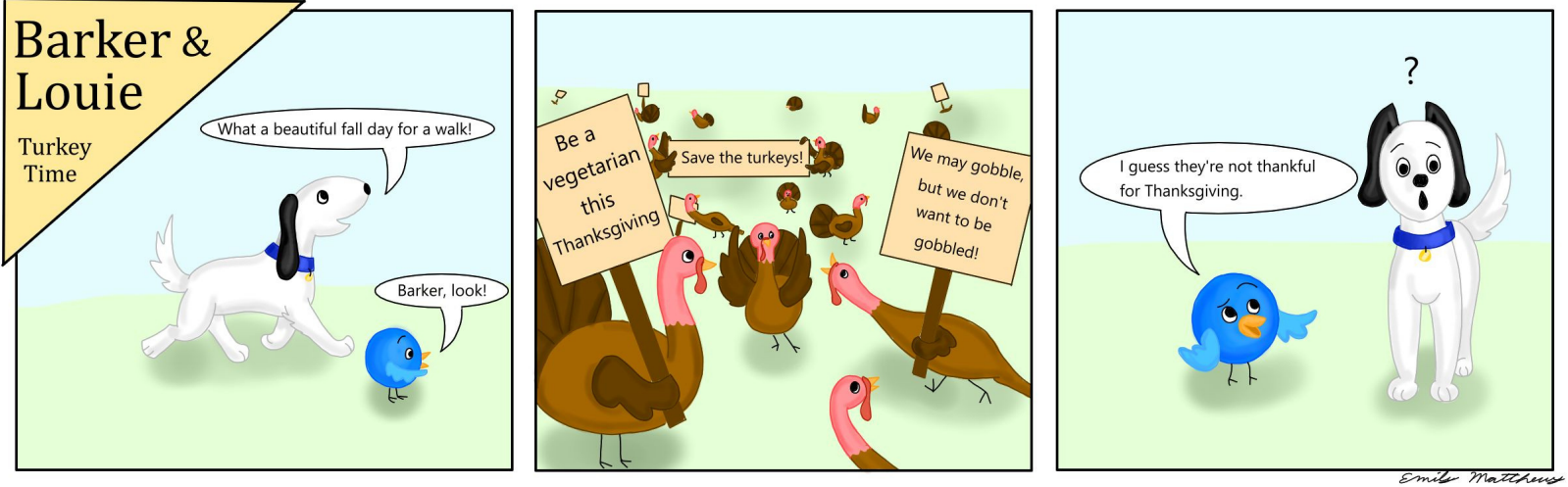


ONLINE

Whether you've ordered groceries for delivery or pickup, shopped through your store's app, or requested an email receipt at checkout, you can earn Box Tops with digital receipts too.



◀ Oct	November 2023						Dec ▶
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
			1	2 Week 9 Drama	3	4	
5 Daylight Saving Time Ends	6 Week 10 4/5 Intro to Animals	7 Election Day	8 Labs	9 Week 10 Drama	10	11 Veterans Day	
12	13 Week 11 Report Cards Issued	14	15	16 Week 11 Drama	17	18	
19	20	21	22	23 Thanksgiving Day	24	25	
Thanksgiving Holiday							
26	27 Week 12 Twin Day	28	29	30 Week 12 Drama	Notes:		



Emile Matthews

Thanksgiving Thinkers Answers : c) Oysters and venison; d) Stewed; a) elephants; d) Jingle Bells; b) Pardon a turkey from being eaten.

2023-24 Lab Schedule

(Wednesdays-WCEC)

First semester

November 8th

Time Slot	Course	Course
8:30 - 10:30 am	Health	Anat. & Physiology
10:30 am - 12:30 pm	Chemistry	Biology

December 13 -- Follow Lab schedule above

December 13 -- Science Fair

Merry Christmas!