

# *The Parents Loving Children Through Autism Foundation*

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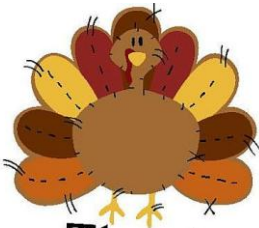
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# Happy Thanksgiving

The PLCTA Foundation is a 501c(3) tax-exempt organization.

## *A Message from the Founder and President*

Dear Families and Friends:

Thanks to all that participated in the Fall Fundraisers. These fundraising events enable our foundation to provide cost free trips for our children affected with autism. Pennies can be handed in until the Christmas parties. Thanks to Spencer, Mary, and all others who helped to make the October events such a success.

There are some important events coming up and enclosed are flyers spotlighting them. Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Talent Show will be hosted by Chloe Maloney to bring awareness to the bullying problem in schools. Mark your calendar for December 9th (see flyer). This is a very important project as 160,000 students a day miss school due to issues of bullying.

The Scranton Rotary will host their Annual Holiday Auction (see flyer). This is a wonderful night to benefit Allied Services, NHS, and PLCTA.

Many of you will remember the Christmas Tree display at Steam Town Mall. Kathleen will be creating another tree to raise awareness. The theme will be Wings to Soar. See flyer if you would like to participate. Lastly, the PLCTA Holiday Parties will be held in December. Remember to RSVP by due dates set in flyer. There will be no exceptions. The party that you will attend is based on the age of your child affected with autism. Bowling is for children only (no parents).

I would like to wish all of you a Happy Thanksgiving. You are all such a blessing in my life. I love you all.

Your Founder and President,  
*Kathleen M. Walsh*

## Recreation News

### NOTICE FOR ALL SOCIAL GROUPS

Please respect the age ranges of our social groups. We are trying to provide social opportunities for all of our children living through autism.

### YOUTH SOCIAL (12 & UNDER)

PLCTA's Youth Social will be held at Idle Hour Bowling Lanes, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 13th. **Please plan to arrive by 12:45** to get your shoes and ball.

### YOUNG TEEN SOCIAL (12-15 YEARS OLD)

Our young teens will enjoy the popular pizza social on Monday, November 14th. We'll meet at the Pizza Hut in Clarks Summit at 6:00 p.m.

### TEEN TO ADULT BOWLING SOCIAL (16 & OLDER)

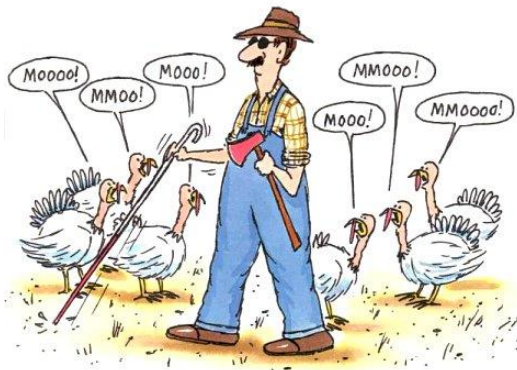
For children with autism who are 16 years old or older, PLCTA's Teen Social will be held at Idle Hour Bowling Lanes, from 1:00-3:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 5th and Sunday, November 20th. **Please plan to arrive by 12:45** to get your shoes and ball. Also note that one date has been changed to a Sunday.

### FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT

PLCTA's Headquarters at 570-341-3388 and leave a message.

## Walk Meeting

There will be no walk meeting in November.



## Dates to Remember

November 6 - TABS Benefit, Sophisticated Lady Annual Jewelry, Accessory, and Gift Sale, 1-4:00 pm, St. Mary's Center, Scranton.

November 11 – TABS Swim-Gym (ages 13 & up), Carbondale YMCA, 6:00-8:00 p.m., \$10/family, to RSVP or receive more info, call 570-267-7820.

November 15 - SibShops© - YMCA, Dunmore, 5:00 - 7:00 pm. RSVP required, contact Margie Cosgrove, 282-1732.

November 16 - SibShops© - YMCA, Carbondale, 5:00 - 7:00 pm. RSVP required, contact Margie Cosgrove, 282-1732.

**November 28** – **RSVP Deadline for PLCTA Holiday Parties**, contact Mary Ellen at 346-2955.

December 1 – Scranton Rotary Holiday Auction, 6:00 pm, Radisson, Scranton.

December 9 – Raise Your Voice Talent Show.

**December 10** – **PLCTA Holiday Party (13 years & older)**, 2-4:00 pm, Idle Hour Bowling Lanes.

**December 17** – **PLCTA Holiday Party (12 years & under)**, 2-4:00 pm, Idle Hour Bowling Lanes.

## *Sophisticated Lady Annual Jewelry, Accessory, and Gift Sale (Benefit TABS)*

Sunday, November 6, 2011

St. Mary's Center, Mifflin Avenue, Scranton

1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Featuring the largest selection of jewelry in the area. Buy 1 piece at regular price, second piece is at 1/2 price (of equal or less value). Over 500 pre-wrapped gift items, including porcelain dolls, candles, picture frames, Christmas/holiday items, and gifts perfect for teachers, relatives, and the hard to buy for person. Items available for purchase during the show...cash or check only. Bring your friends, enjoy the afternoon. There will be refreshments and door prizes.

Admission is free. Proceeds to benefit TABS (Transitioning to Adulthood and Beyond on the Spectrum).



# November 2011



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>PLEASE SEE NEWSLETTER OR WEBSITE FOR DETAILS</b>		1	2	3	4 <b>PLCTA BOARD MEETING, 7:00, HQ</b>	5 <b>TEEN TO ADULT BOWLING SOCIAL, 1:00, Idle Hour Lanes</b>
6 TABS Benefit, 1-4:00 pm, St. Mary's Center, Scranton	7	8 Election Day	9	10	11 TABS Swim-Gym, Carbondale YMCA, 6-8:00 pm, RSVP required	12
13 <b>YOUTH BOWLING SOCIAL, 1:00, Idle Hour Lanes</b>	14 <b>YOUNG TEEN SOCIAL, 6:00, Pizza Hut, Clark Summit</b>	15 SibShops® at Dunmore YMCA, 5:00-7:00 pm	16 SibShops® at Carbondale YMCA, 5:00- 7:00 pm	17	18	19
20 <b>TEEN TO ADULT BOWLING SOCIAL, 1:00, Idle Hour Lanes</b>	21	22	23	24 Thanksgiving	25	26
27	28 <b>RSVP Deadline for PLCTA Holiday Parties</b>	29	30			

To be included in PLCTA's newsletter, please submit your events by the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month prior to your event.

Download a color copy of this newsletter in PDF format after joining [www.plcta.org](http://www.plcta.org)!  
 Need help registering? Contact Mike at [webmaster@plcta.org](mailto:webmaster@plcta.org)

Calendar items in **bold** print are PLCTA Foundation sponsored events. The PLCTA Foundation provides notification of third-party events in our calendar as a courtesy and assumes no responsibility for those events.

# PLCTA's Holiday Christmas Parties



Teen Social Group & Young Teen Group

Ages 12 - Adult  
Christmas Party

is at  
Idle Hour Lanes  
on

December 10, 2011

2:00pm - 4:00pm

RSVP Due by: November 28, 2011



Youth Social Group  
Ages 11 & Under

Christmas Party  
is at

Idle Hour Lanes

December 17, 2011

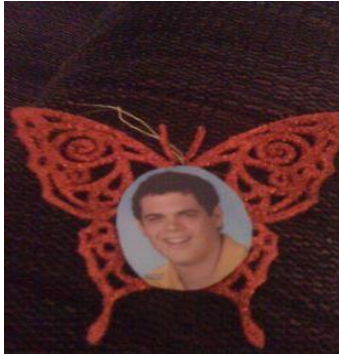
2:00 - 4:00pm

RSVP Due by: November 28, 2011



RSVP to Mary Ellen Frommert  
at 570-346-2955  
PLCTA Children & Siblings Only  
Children Must Attend their Age Group Party  
Must RSVP By Deadline  
No Exceptions





### “WINGS TO SOAR” CHRISTMAS TREE DISPLAY

If you would like your child included in our “Wing to Soar” Christmas Tree Display you will need to send me a small school photo with a donation of \$5.00 for the ornament by November 20<sup>th</sup>.

Send to: Kathleen Walsh, 404 Carnation Drive, Clarks Summit Pa 18411

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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. Our last display at Steam town Mall was a huge success!! All ornaments will be returned to you in January after tree is taken down.



## SCRANTON ROTARY HOLIDAY AUCTION

Date: December 1, 2011 6:30 pm

Tickets per person: \$45.00

Contact Patti @ 351-3764

### **Ways you can help:**

Purchase a **raffle ticket** or sell a **raffle ticket**: **\$10.00** for a chance to win a cruise or money. Tickets and money are due **11/21/11**. Call **341-3388** for your tickets.

If you are a **business that would like to place an ad in the program**, enclosed is the **Sponsor form**. These are due on **11/16/11**.

Patti is having a **Coin Drop** at **Schiff's** on **November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm**. She is asking for volunteers to fill the slots. Siblings are welcome to volunteer.

Donate a new item or **basket for the auction**.

**All proceeds benefit Allied Services, NHS sib-shops and programs, and PLCTA.**  
**Thanks to Patti and the Rotary for their continued support!!**

Say “NO” to bullying  
& “YES” to love!

**TALENT SHOW: HELD AT THE  
WAVERLY COMMUNITY HOUSE.**

**Hosts: Chloe Maloney & John Milliken.**

**WHEN: DECEMBER 9TH 2011**

**WHY: SO WE CAN CONTINUE TO FOLLOW OUR DREAMS AND PUT  
AN END TO BULLYING.**

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PERFORM IN THE SHOW PLEASE  
CALL/TEXT Chloe Maloney @ 357\*6765.**

**ADULTS- \$5.00**

**STUDENTS/CHILDREN-\$3.00**

**BUZZ oUt BULLYing**

