

## **Paxtang Event Celebrates 100 Years of Education!**

HARRISBURG - Paxtang Elementary, established in 1907, is holding an Open House-style 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration from 8 a.m. to noon on Saturday, November 3, 2007 at the school at 3530 Rutherford Street. Students, alumni, parents, and interested historians from Paxtang and beyond are invited tour the school, visit with old friends and enjoy the activities and entertainment.

The morning will kick off with a Pancake Breakfast in the school cafeteria, made possible by the Paxtang Lions Club. Tickets will be available in advance and at the door.

Other highlights of the day will include strolling musicians, a barbershop quartet and actors dressed in period costumes. Members of the historical society will showcase photos and artifacts from the early years of the school. One or more antique automobiles will be on display outside the school throughout the event.

Paxtang residents and school children are invited to participate in an old-fashioned bake-off, providing cookies, cakes and pies, which will be judged in different categories by a panel of teachers. Winners in three categories will receive a blue ribbon for their culinary efforts.

Cookbooks with recipes from Paxtang students and their families will be sold at the event; with proceeds to support activities at the school.

In honor of the centennial, commemorative bricks are being sold to any individual or business who wishes to show their support of Paxtang in a meaningful and long-lasting way. Bricks will be engraved with up to three lines of text. (Example: The Ronald Smith Family, Paxtang, 2007). Cost for the engraved bricks will be \$35 with proceeds benefiting school programs.

Throughout the 2007/08 school year, Paxtang students will be learning more history as part of the curriculum; they will have the opportunity to play old-fashioned games (marbles, checkers, pit-shooting, etc.) and eat lunches that may have been served in the early 1900s.

Questions about the anniversary event can be directed to Denise Remillard, PTO committee chair, at 564-0156 or [dremillard@state.pa.us](mailto:dremillard@state.pa.us).