



Lion's Mane News

*Lutheran School Association
Educating for Tomorrow and Eternity*

August 22, 2014



If you need to pick your child up any time before 3:30 PM dismissal, please let both their teacher and the school office know ahead of time. This is necessary so that we can make sure that your child is ready to go when you get here.

Chapel on Wed., Aug. 27th will be led by Pastor Adam Ray of St. John's. Chapel offerings for August - December will be going to the Northeast Community Fund. We are now collecting cans of soup for them as well. Students can drop cans off in their classrooms.

Please be reminded that **LSA cannot accept cash** for any type of payment. Check, credit card, or money orders are the only payments that will be accepted. We are sorry for any inconvenience.



Looking Ahead...

- **Fri., Aug. 22nd**
Fall Sports Preview
Night 6:00 PM
- **Mon., Sept. 1st**
Labor Day
No School
No ABC
- **Fri., Sept. 5th**
6th Grade Wildflower
Project Due
- **Mon., Sept. 8th**
LSA Golf Outing
- **Fri., Sept. 12th**
All-School Assembly
Raptor Resource
Project 1:00 PM
7th Grade Leaf
Project Due
- **Wed., Sept. 17th -
Fri., Sept. 19th**
6th Grade at Camp
Cilca



You're Invited

To a one day Share Your Faith Workshop!
Lutheran School Association
2001 East Mound Road
Decatur, IL 62526

SATURDAY, August 30th From 8:00 am to 3:30 pm
\$15 per person for the workshop and lunch
Questions? Call 217-233-2001
or email kkarsten@lsadecatur.net

A truly "Hands On" approach to easily share your faith. Evangelism Explosion International has developed a gospel presentation that's easy to learn and hard to forget. The five fingers of your hand become a simple memory tool you use to share a gospel presentation that has proven effective in every nation in the world. Reserve your seat now!
Call 233-2001 or email LSA's executive director Kyle Karsten at kkarsten@lsadecatur.net!

Coffee With Mr. Karsten

This past week, you could feel the excitement as students returned to new classrooms and new students ventured into the school for the first time. We welcome everyone to the beginning of the 2014-2015 school year at LSA and hope that your first week went well. This year, our school's focused vision is on the relationships and partnership between parents and the school. Before school even began, our teachers and staff got a head start on this by taking part in meetings and a Share Your Faith workshop. All of the preparation before school started is truly part of a bigger picture and our long range planning for the school. We look forward to seeing how God blesses this school year, as we focus on being members of one body to glorify Christ. -Mr. Karsten





FOR YOUR HEALTH...



SCRIP News

Welcome back to school! My goal is to keep the school environment healthy and safe so your child can concentrate on learning. I am here Monday - Friday and can be reached by calling 233-2001. Please come to me with any health related concerns you have that may affect your child while he/she is at school.

Any medication given during the school day must come with an authorization form that has been filled out by both the doctor and the parent. This includes over the counter medication. Medication is dispensed only from the office and must NOT be carried in backpacks or pockets. The only exception is a rescue inhaler (although this needs to be authorized by your child's doctor).

When keeping your child home ill, please call the school office at 233-2001 by 9:00 AM.

All physicals are due by October 15th for K, 6, and 9th graders. I will be contacting you shortly as a reminder if I have not received these yet.

In His Care,
Jeanne Karsten, RN
LSA School Nurse

Drop off by 9:00 AM

- August 25
- September 8
- September 15
- September 22
- September 29
- October 20

Pick up

- August 29
- September 12
- September 19
- September 26
- October 3
- October 24

My Scrip Wallet is now available! This is a great way to up your Scrip dollars earned. You can buy scrip on your phone while at the store or restaurant and then pay with your phone when you check out! My Scrip Wallet is for use with ScripNow only.

Dress Code Reminder -

Please check the dress code found on your school calendar/handbook for complete guidelines on our school dress code. Shoes with a back are mandated for K-5 and classes who are running in these shoes for PE or recess). Grades 6-12 may wear backless leather dressy sandals. **SHOES NOT ACCEPTABLE K-12 include:** crocs, athletic sandals, or other beach, rubber, or jelly type sandals.

Lunch Menu

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Week 1	Taco	Horse Shoe	Lasagna Roll Up	Chicken Nuggets	Grilled Cheese
Alt. - Sandwich	Veggie	Veggie	Salad	Mashed Potatoes	Soup or Chili
	Fruit	Fruit	Veggie	Fruit	Fruit
	Churro	Graham Crackers	Fruit	Biscuit	Sherbet

Lunch Balances will be sent home with students next Thursday. Please make sure that you keep your account current throughout the year.

ABC payments are made the Monday **before** you use ABC. These accounts must be kept current for your student to be able to use ABC.

Parking Lot Reminder Be courteous to each other. There is no cell phone usage in the parking lot as per Illinois law. Please make sure that you follow the posted signs and arrows so that you go with the flow of traffic. **Make sure that your students are ready to get out of the vehicle when you pull up to the drop off lane.** Students that are unprepared to get out of the vehicle hold up traffic and make others late for school. If you need a couple of extra minutes, please park in a designated parking spot until you are ready to go. **Do not pass vehicles that are dropping students off even if your children have already exited your vehicle.**



Students arriving before 8:30 AM must use the student entrance. If you wish to walk your student to class, park in the parking lot and enter through the student entrance. The circle drive is not to be used for student drop off unless the student is tardy. Help us keep our children safe!

Lions Sports News

Follow us on Twitter @LSA_Athletics!

Come out tonight, 6:00 PM -8:00 PM, to our first Friday Night Lights that will preview our Varsity Fall sports; Soccer, Volleyball, Cheerleading, and Football. We will have our concession stand open so come hungry.

CONCESSION STAND MENU:

Hot off the grill!

- Hamburgers
- Cheeseburgers
- Heinkel's Weiners and
- Jalepeno Cheddars

Also:

- Walking Tacos
- Loaded Nachos
- Pretzels
- Popcorn
- Candy
- Soda
- Cappuccino
- Gatorade



There will be an informational meeting for all girls in grades 5-8 interested in playing basketball on **Wednesday, August 27th at 5:30 PM in the cafeteria.** Please bring your sports physical (if we don't already have it on file), a check for \$50 made out to LSA for your sports participation fee, and your insurance card with you to this meeting.



Softball and baseball are off to a fast start. Check out the schedules below or on our website www.lsadecatur.net and go out and support the Lions.



THIS WEEK IN LIONS SPORTS

- Friday, August 22nd** - Jr. High Baseball @ Shelbyville at 4:30 PM
Friday Night Lights Fall Sports Preview 6:00 - 8:00 PM - **Home**
- Saturday, August 23rd** - JFL Football VS Monticello - **Home** at 3:00 PM
- Tuesday, August 26th** - Jr. High Softball VS Okaw Valley - **Home** at 4:30 PM
Jr. High Baseball @ Tri-City Buffalo at 4:30 PM
- Wednesday, August 27th** - Jr. High Baseball VS Meridian - **Home** at 4:15 PM
- Thursday, August 28th** - High School Golf - **Home** at 4:00 PM
Jr. High Baseball VS Maroa-Forsyth - **Home** at 4:30 PM
High School Volleyball VS Meridian - **Home** at 6:00 PM
- Friday, August 29th** - Jr. High Softball @ Hartsburg Emden at 4:15 PM
High School Football @ Cumberland High School at 7:00 PM



Volunteering Opportunities



LSA ReSale Shop will be having work nights every Thursday at 5:30 PM. All adults and high school students are invited! If you are looking for a way to get started with this year's service hours, call Judy at 423-0122 to volunteer.

Market Day

If you are interested in being the new Market Day coordinator, please contact the office. This involves collecting the order forms and placing the order online each month and then handing out the orders on pick-up day. Training is provided.

LERT (Lutheran Emergency Response Training) Volunteer Training Events

The registration fee is \$35 which includes your disaster response training manual, LCMS volunteer vest, other helpful materials, and lunch. Plus, you will receive your certificate of participation and volunteer certification badge from LCMS Disaster Response and the Office of National Mission.

Registration begins at 8:00 am. Sessions begin at 8:30 am and conclude at 4:30 pm.

Led by Randy Wolf, LCMS (CID) Disaster Response Coordinator and Stephen Born, LCMS (CID) Disaster Response Regional Coordinator.

Our Savior's Lutheran Church
1209 Kingsbury Road, Washington, Illinois
Saturday, August 9, 2014

<http://www.cidlcms.org/LERTWashington.9Aug14.pdf>

Lutheran Church of St. John
3340 State Street, Quincy, Illinois 62301
Saturday, August 23, 2014

<http://www.cidlcms.org/LERTQuincy.23Aug14.pdf>

Trinity Lutheran Church
2815 West 3rd Street, Coal Valley, Illinois 61240
Saturday, September 27, 2014

<http://www.cidlcms.org/LERTCoalValley.27Sep14.pdf>

St. John's Lutheran Church
509 South Mattis Street, Champaign, Illinois 61821
Saturday, October 4, 2014

<http://www.cidlcms.org/LERTChampaign4Oct14.pdf>



First PTL Meeting

All LSA parents are invited to the first Parent/Teacher League (PTL) meeting on August 29th right after drop off at 8:45 AM in the LSA Conference Room. We're excited about planning new family events and continuing with fundraisers this year. Everyone is welcome. Bring your younger kids with you. If you have any questions about joining PTL or being on our mailing list for minutes and volunteer opportunities, please contact Sherri Vandermyde at lvandermyde@comcast.net.

Scrip Volunteer Needed

We are looking for a volunteer to pick up the local Scrip cards around the Decatur area. This would take place on Wednesdays every week that we have Scrip. Call the office if you are interested.

Lunchroom Volunteers

Our wonderful cafeteria staff is always looking for extra hands to help serve lunch. This is a fun way to get your service hours in while getting to interact with the students and staff. To volunteer, go to our website www.lsadecatur.net and click the Sign-Up Genius link on the bottom, right corner of the home page.



LSA K-12 Booster Club 2014-2015

The LSA booster club is made up of parents, teachers and coaches from both elementary and high school. We are looking for additional families that want to help increase awareness of our school, our students, and our athletic programs. We have had several successful meetings over the summer and would love for you to join us. It is a fantastic way to get to know other parents, fulfill service hours and just to show your pride in the LSA. We are not just about concession stands and spirit wear anymore. (Although both are fantastic) We are looking to expand our club!!! Please contact skeane@lsadecatur.net for more information.

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." –Margaret Mead