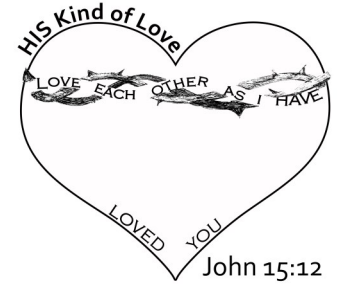




Lion's Mane News

*Lutheran School Association
Educating for Tomorrow and Eternity*

February 19, 2016



LSA Dinner Auction

This year's annual LSA Dinner Auction "His Kind of Love" will be held April 16th at the Mt. Zion Convention Center. Now is the time to bring in your donations! Check with your student's teacher to see what their classroom theme is this year. Bring a little or bring a lot, any donations are appreciated! Donation forms are available in the school office.

FACTS is accepting financial aid applications. Click on the link at the bottom of our homepage to get started. Your taxes must be completed in order to file. **The deadline is May 1st** and no applications will be accepted after that date. Financial aid is needs based and is offered on a first come, first serve basis.



**Chapel on Wednesday,
February 24th will be led by
Pastor Adam of St. John's.**

Chapel offerings for the third quarter will be going to Athletes in Action.
<http://athletesinaction.org/>



Box Tops for Education are always being collected. You can send them with your student any time. The deadline for us to submit Box Tops for this school year is March 1st, so if you have any that you've been saving, send those in. We are currently ranked number 6 in the area. That's pretty awesome!!

Please remember to bundle your students up in the cold weather. While we do not go outside in extreme cold, we do have recess and dismissal outside most of the time. Coats, gloves, scarves, and hats should be worn when going outside in the cold weather.

Coffee With Mr. Karsten

Coming up on Saturday, April 16th, 2016 at the Mt Zion Convention Center will be our annual Dinner Auction. This exciting event brings together supporters from all over the community to raise funds for the LSA! There is a dedicated group of volunteers busily making preparations, and we are looking forward to a wonderful evening.

In the coming weeks, your student's teacher will let you know how you can donate toward a classroom project to be auctioned. In addition, donations are always appreciated on an individual basis. These can be purchased or requested from area businesses. If you or someone you know owns a business, donating an auction item is also a great way to advertise and show your support. Finally, please make plans to attend and join us on this wonderful occasion. You won't want to miss it! Please feel free to contact our office with any questions.

God's Blessings on Your Day,
Mr. Karsten



Looking Ahead...

- **Thurs., Feb. 25th**
- Spring Sports Meeting 5:30 PM
- **Fri., February 26th**
- PTL Meeting 8:45 AM
- K-8 Denim Days \$2.50
- **Thurs., March 10th**
- HS Concert 7:00 PM
- **Fri., March 11th**
- End of 3rd Quarter
- NOON DISMISSAL
- **Fri., March 18th**
- PTL Meeting 8:45 AM
- K-8 Denim Days \$2.50
- **Sat., March 19th**
- Regional Science Fair
- **Sun., March 20th**
- Palm Sunday
- **Thurs., March 24th - Mon., March 28th**
- Easter Break



FOR YOUR HEALTH...



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).



Earn a free children's Six Flags ticket just by reading!

Students in grades K-6 can earn a free ticket to Six Flags St. Louis by logging 6 hours of reading on their Read to Succeed reading log sheets! The deadline to turn in the sheets is **February 26, 2016!** Reading logs were handed out to students before Christmas Break. If you need a new reading log, please see Mrs. Martinek in the library and she will get you one!

In order to continue to try to improve our communication with our LSA families, we are implementing a new procedure for "Red Card" lunch accounts. From now on, we are going to send a daily email to families with student lunch accounts between -\$0.50 and -\$15.00. These emails serve as a courtesy reminder that it's time to make a lunch account deposit. Once a student lunch account reaches -\$20.00, the lunch card will be pulled temporarily, and an alternative lunch will be served until the account is brought current. Our hope is that by using these email reminders, parents will be able to stay well informed and current on their student's lunch account.

SCRIP News

Drop off by 9:00 AM

February 22
February 29
March 7
March 14

Pick up

February 26
March 4
March 11 by NOON
March 18

NO SCRIP THE WEEKS OF MARCH 21 & 28

April 4
April 11
April 18
April 8
April 15
April 22

Please make sure you order using a current order form each time you order.

Orders, both paper and online, are due by 9:00 AM.

Spring Pictures

All students will be photographed for Spring Pictures on **Friday, March 4th.** Students may bring a prop or a change of clothes for these pictures but they must be in dress code in their classrooms. You will be able to order these pictures after the proofs come back in a few weeks.



If you have any empty ice cream buckets or something similar, Mrs. Karsten would love to have them. She uses them when sending home students that have the stomach flu. Plastic buckets with lids are preferable.

Lunch Menu

	Mon.	Tues.	Wed.	Thurs.	Fri.
Week 1	Brunch For Lunch	Taco	Chicken Nuggets	Grilled Cheese	Toasted Ravioli
Alt=Sandwich		Veggie	Mashed Potatoes	Soup	Salad
		Fruit	Fruit	Fruit	Veggie
		Churro	Biscuit	Sherbet	Fruit

Lions Sports News

THIS WEEK IN LIONS SPORTS

Friday, February 19th - 7th & 8th Volleyball VS Garfield - **Home** at 6:00 PM

High School Boys Basketball @ Porta at 6:00 PM

Saturday, February 20th - 5th & 6th Volleyball @ Warrensburg at 1:00 PM

Tuesday, February 23rd - 7th & 8th Volleyball @ Villa Grove at 6:00 PM

Wednesday, February 24th - High School Boys Basketball Regionals VS Mt. Pulaski @ LSA at 7:30 PM

Thursday, February 25th - 5th & 6th Volleyball VS Judah Christian - **Home** at 6:00 PM



Spring Sports Meeting

Thursday, February 25th there will be an informational meeting for all 4th - 12th grade students interested in playing a spring sport.

High School Spring Sports

Baseball, Girls Soccer, Softball, Track

Middle School Spring Sports

Track

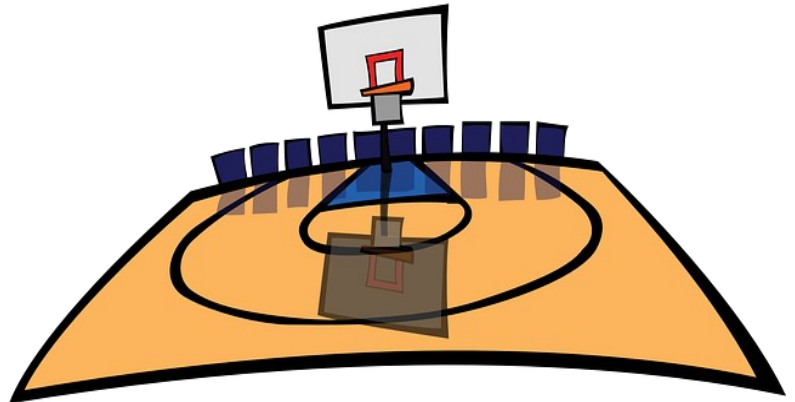


Please plan to attend this meeting and bring your athletic fee of \$75, up to date physical, and insurance card to fill out the Emergency Contact Form. Forms are available on the website.



Upcoming Tournament

Boys Class 1A Regionals are being hosted by LSA next week. Sign-Up Genius has been set up for both concession workers and hospitality room donations. Booster Club needs all of the help they can get to make this tournament a success. Let's show the IHSA Boys Class 1A well LSA puts on a tournament!



Extra Curricular eligibility will be checked on a weekly basis in accordance with IESA guidelines. Eligibility is based on the grades available at the time of the check. Eligibility will be checked every Wednesday. If a student receives a failing grade, the student and parents will be notified on Wednesday. Changes in grades from the day of the check to any day within the time limit of the ineligibility will not change the length of the suspension from practices and/or games. Academics must come first.

Volunteering Opportunities



LSA ReSale Shop will be having work nights **every Thursday at 5:30 PM**. All adults and high school students are invited! You can also volunteer during the work day if you're available. They are open from 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM daily. If you are looking for a way to get this year's service hours, call Judy at 423-0122 to volunteer.

Lunchroom Volunteers

Our 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.



Library Volunteers

The library is a really fun place to volunteer. You can make it a weekly occurrence or just come as you can. Sign-Up Genius is set up for the dates and times that Mrs. Martinek needs help.

Lenten Services

Concordia

Lenten Services – Feb. 17, Feb. 24, Mar. 2, Mar. 9 and Mar. 16 – 7:00 p.m. (Church dinner at 6:00 p.m.)
Maundy Thursday Service, March 24, 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday Service, March, March 25, 7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday Service, March 27, 9:00 a.m.

St. John's Lutheran Church

Wednesday starting February 17 through March 16
10:00 a.m. at the DMH Cancer Care Center
5:00 - 6:00 p.m. Lent Meal begins
6:30 p.m. at St. John's in the Sanctuary

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

Wednesday, February 17, 24, March 2, 9, 16
12:15 pm and 6:30 p.m.
Maundy Thursday, March 24, 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday, March 25, 1:00 pm, 7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday, March 27, 6:30 a.m., 8:00 a.m., and 10:30 a.m.

The educational impact of parents involved with their children's school cannot be understated. **We are requiring each family to serve a minimum of ten hours a year to the needs of the school.** You can record your hours of service by logging it in the Family Participation Log in the office. In the event that your hours have not been served by May 15th, a \$10 charge for each hour not served will be added to your family's account. Thank you so much for partnering with us to make your child's experience at LSA the very best it can be!

Questions? Email Katie at kbulava@lsadecatur.net

PTL Update

A huge thanks to all those parents and students who volunteered last Friday at the Nelson's chicken dinner. It proved to be our largest fundraiser this year. A special thanks to those who braved the cold in the pick up lines in 10 degree weather. Thanks also to everyone who purchased tickets and supported the PTL. We couldn't do this without you.

The next PTL meeting will be Friday, February 26 at 8:45 AM in the LSA Board Room. All are welcome from both elementary and high school. Children are also welcome to play while we meet. That day is also Denim Day for the elementary - \$2.50 per student to wear jeans to school.

Future PTL Volunteer Activities

- March or April family fun event
- April Papa Murphy's Pizza Fundraiser
- Mid-April through mid-May volunteers will prepare for the Spring Art Show
- May Teacher Appreciation Lunch

Mt. Calvary

Wednesdays - Soup supper 6:00 p.m., worship 7:00 p.m.
Sundays - Worship at 9:00 a.m.
Easter - Sunrise Worship 6:30 a.m., Breakfast 6:45 a.m. - 8:45 a.m., Worship 9:00 a.m.

Trinity

Lent services are February 24, March 2, March 9 and March 16 and all begin at 7 PM. (Dinner at 5:30 PM.)
Maundy Thursday service March 24: 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday service March, March 25: 7:00 p.m.
Easter Sunday service March 27, 9:00 a.m.