



Lion's Mane News

*Lutheran School Association
Educating for Tomorrow and Eternity*

February 20, 2015



LSA Dinner Auction

This year's annual LSA Dinner Auction will be held April 18th 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.

Chapel on Wednesday, February 25th will be led by Mrs. Dippel. Chapel offerings for the month of February go to the New Life Pregnancy Centers. Keep sending in change for your student's classroom baby bottle!

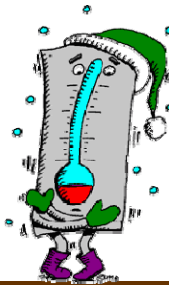
NO SCHOOL FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 27TH

In order to allow our teachers to focus on how we serve the LSA, we are having special teacher in-service sessions. Faculty will be working on curriculum and alignment on this day. ABC will be available if we have enough students signed up. Email Mrs. Martinek **TODAY** at amartinek@lsadecatur.net if you are interested in all day ABC care on that Friday. **If we do not have enough students signed up, we will not have ABC care.**

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.



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 winter weather.



- Looking Ahead...**
- **February 20th**
PTL Meeting 8:45 AM
PTL Denim Day
Yearbook Orders Due
 - **February 26th**
Nelson's Chicken Dinner
 - **February 27th**
NO SCHOOL
TEACHER INSERVICE
ABC AVAILABLE
 - **March 6th**
Spring Pictures
 - **March 13th**
End of 3rd Quarter
Noon Dismissal
 - **March 23rd - 27th**
Achievement Tests
 - **March 27th**
PTL Denim Days
 - **April 2nd - 6th**
Easter Break
NO SCHOOL
NO ABC
 - **April 7th**
K-5 Book Fair

Coffee With Mr. Karsten

Please remember to complete your re-enrollment form for the upcoming year. If you are a member of an LSA association congregation, your pastor's signature is required on the form. There is only one week left of the \$50 early enrollment fee. The fee goes up to \$100 in March, and continues to go up by \$50 increments each month until August. Don't forget to schedule a tour with Susan Keane if you have incoming kindergarten and/or high school students so that you can be entered into the tuition free drawing. If you have an incoming high school student, ask about the Excellent Student Scholarships that LSA is offering this year. If you refer a new family to the LSA, and they enroll and complete the school year, you will receive \$100 off of your tuition at the end of the year. We look forward to the opportunity to support you in the Christian education of your child.





FOR YOUR HEALTH...



New immunization requirement for the 2015-2016 school year:

Applies to students entering 6th or 12th grade:

6th graders require proof of 1 dose of MCV4 (meningitis) at school entry.

12th graders require proof of 2 doses of MCV4 (meningitis) at school entry; 2nd dose must be administered on or after the 16th birthday.

Reminder:

6th grade also requires proof of:

Tdap booster
Varicella booster

Kindergarten requires proof of:

MMR series
DTaP series
Polio series

SCRIP News

Drop off by 9:00 AM

February 23

March 2

March 9

March 16

March 23

NO SCRIP THE WEEK OF APRIL 6

April 13

April 20

April 27

Pick up

February 27

March 6

March 13

March 20

March 27

April 17

April 24

May 1

Please remember that Scrip orders must be turned in no later than 9:00 AM on order day. This includes both online and paper orders.

The Symphony Orchestra Guild of Decatur will hold its annual music scholarship auditions on Friday, March 20th and Saturday, March 21st at Millikin University School of Music, Faculty Lounge. Instrumental students from area Macon County Schools, and members of the Decatur Youth Symphony are eligible to audition.

Students in grades 5-11 in the Fall of 2015 may apply for the private lesson scholarships and students in grades 6-12 in the Fall of 2015 are eligible for the summer camp scholarships. Students may win both types of scholarships. Auditions require that a student play a solo of no more than ten minutes in length.

More information and application forms are available on the Symphony Guild's website www.DecaturOrchestra.com or by contacting Dee Keller at 619-4975 or 15SymphonyGuild@gmail.com. Applications are due March 5.



LEGO MANIACS—



Mrs. Bayles is planning to start up a Lego club in March for interested students in grades 4-8. If you have any Legos that you would like to donate to the club, please contact her at jbayles@lsadecatur.net. Look for more details about the starting date in next week's newsletter.

Lunch Menu

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Week 1	Taco	Grilled Cheese	Toasted Ravioli	Chicken Nuggets	NO
Alt - Sandwich	Veggie	Soup	Salad	Mashed Potatoes	SCHOOL
	Fruit	Fruit	Veggie	Fruit	
	Churro	Sherbet	Fruit	Biscuit	

Jump Rope for Heart/Hoops for Heart 2015

We will be raising funds the whole month of February. They are due Friday, February 27th. Every student who raises \$5 gets the first duck prize! All students who raise \$50 get a free ticket to Knights Action Park! Next week is our last week to raise money, so keep asking friends and family to donate! Mrs. Saurmann has lots of ducks to give away still!

We will have a big school event in May again this year. Volunteers are always welcomed for that - sign up with Mrs. Saurmann if you would like to help out!



Lions Sports News

THIS WEEK IN LIONS SPORTS

Friday, February 20th - High School Boys Basketball VS Porta - **Home** at 6:00 PM - **Senior Night**

Saturday, February 21st - High School Scholastic Bowl @ Masonic Sectional
8th Grade Volleyball @ Holy Family Invite

Monday, February 23rd - 7th - 8th Grade Volleyball @ Garfield at 6:00 PM

Wednesday, February 25th - High School Boys Basketball Regionals @ Central A&M at 6:00 PM

Thursday, February 26th - 7th & 8th Grade Volleyball @ Holy Family at 6:00 PM
5th & 6th Grade Volleyball @ Judah Christian at 6:00 PM

Friday, February 27th - High School Boys Basketball Regionals @ Central A&M at 7:00 PM

Spring Sports Meeting

Next Thursday, February 26th, at 5:30 PM, we will have our spring sports meeting. It was scheduled for the gym but we have volleyball practice at this time. We will start in the cafeteria and then break out to 4 different groups.

- Track 5-12 will be stay in large cafeteria
- Soccer will be in small cafeteria
- Softball will go into atrium
- Baseball will go to Theater

High School Spring Sports (\$75 athletic fee)

Baseball, Girls Soccer, Softball, Track

Middle School Spring Sports (\$50 athletic fee)

Track

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



LSA has scheduled sports physicals on **Tuesday, May 19th, 2015 from 3:00 – 5:00 PM**. They will be held in the gym hallway and locker rooms. Please put this day on your calendar. Any student wishing to play a sport, no matter what age or grade they are in, will be required to have a sports physical before they are allowed to participate. The cost is \$25 and the check can be made out to DMH Medical Group. Physicals are good for 13 months.

The scheduled times will be:

- High School**
3:00 – 3:45 PM
- 6th-8th grades**
3:45 – 4:30 PM
- K-5th grades**
4:30 - 5:00 PM



Stay updated with all sports by following us on Twitter @LSA_Athletics!

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. If a student brings home an ineligibility slip on Friday, they are ineligible from Monday through the next Sunday. 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 games.

Notices must be signed and returned to the school office. Academics must come first.

Volunteering Opportunities

Save the Date -

LSA Roller Skating Party

PTL has reserved George's Skateland from 5:00 - 7:00 PM on March 15th for a spring family event. All teachers, parents, siblings and students are welcome to come out and skate together. More information coming soon!



Nelson's Chicken Dinner Fundraiser Update



The LSA PTL says a huge, "THANK YOU" to each of you that have helped sell or purchase tickets for our Nelson's chicken dinner fundraiser. Money raised from this fundraiser is going to our teacher grant requests.

So far, we have helped teachers purchase books, a microscope, a Lego Robotics kit, and a white board...just to name a few! This is our first time attempting this fundraiser, so we set a goal of 200 tickets. We surpassed our goal...thanks to all of you! As of yesterday, our total was 535 tickets sold! We look forward to serving the Nelson's chicken dinners to you on Thursday, February 26th.

Due to a change in the order and delivery process and lack of participation, LSA will no longer be participating in Market Day. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

Feed My Starving Children Decatur MobilePack

St. Paul's Lutheran Church will once again partner with ADM & Tabernacle Baptist Church in leading the charge to host an FMSC Decatur MobilePack Event on March 13th and 14th at St. Paul's. We are challenging the community to raise the \$44,000 needed to pack the same level of meals that we did in 2013 (200,000+ meals). Once Manna Pack meal costs 22 cents. Start today - Form a fundraising team and donate now at

<http://www.fundraising.fmsc.org/Decatur>.

You can also sign up to volunteer and pack meals at the event. Packing slots are 2 hours each and there are plenty to choose from!



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 Rachel - rbishop@lsadecatur.net.

Lunchroom Volunteers

Our wonderful cafeteria staff is always looking for extra hands to help serve lunch. This is a good way to get your service hours in while getting to interact with the students and staff. You can come and serve lunch on a regular lunch day, or volunteer on a special day such as Try-day Friday. 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 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.

Be An Art Volunteer!

If you enjoy fostering student's creativity or want to work behind the scenes, you may consider volunteering in the Art Room at the end of the day. Volunteers may help in the classroom, prepare work or help with getting our students' artwork on Artsonia. If you have any of these extra items around the house, the PTL encourages you to consider donating them to the art classroom: paper plates, gift wrap tubes, small to medium dish soap bottles, pump spray hairspray bottles, Gerber plastic rectangular containers with lids, newspaper (not the sale ads), or old towels.