



Lion's Mane News

*Lutheran School Association
Educating for Tomorrow and Eternity*

March 7, 2014



Building for a Brighter Tomorrow

The LSA Dinner Auction will be held April 5th at the Mt. Zion Convention Center. Now is the time to

bring in your donations! Bring a little or bring a lot, all donations are appreciated! Tickets are \$50 each and available in the office.

Classroom Themes are:

- K - Cupcake Basket
- 1 - Bookshelf with books
- 2A - Parent's Date Night
- 2B - Mother's Day Basket
- 3 - Tail Gating
- 4 - Backyard BBQ
- 5 - Pottery Garden
- 6 - Family Fun Basket
- 7 - Downtown Decatur
- 8 - Car Lover's Basket

FREE DRESS CODE passes will be given to any student that brings in a donation for their classroom auction project. These passes will be good for free dress code on Friday, April 4th.



Chapel on Wednesday, March 12th will be led by Mr. Salefski



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.

Jr. High Spring Dance
Friday, March 14th from 7:00 - 9:30 PM in the LSA gym on the grey court. Admission is \$5 and proceeds benefit the 2014 Washington D.C. Trip.

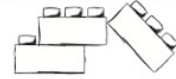


Lenten Service Schedule
Join us for Lenten services on Wednesday evenings.

St. John's and St. Paul's - 6:30 PM

Concordia, Mt. Calvary, and Trinity - 7:00 PM

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- **March 9th**
Daylight Savings Time Begins
- **March 14th**
End of 3rd Quarter
Noon Dismissal
Market-Day Orders Due
Jr. High Dance
7:00 - 9:30 PM
- **March 19th**
Market-Day Pick-Up
- **March 21st**
Spring Picture Day
- **March 22nd**
Regional Science Fair
- **March 24th**
Achievement Testing Begins
- **April 4th**
Track Pictures
- **April 6th - 10th**
Jr. High D.C. Trip
- **April 8th-9th**
K-4 Book Fair
- **April 16th - 21st**
Easter Break

Coffee Talk

We continue to encourage you to re-enroll for the 2014-15 school year and to refer a friend! We are looking at the numbers and parent surveys to help determine plans for next year, and we can't wait to have you be a part of it. I also want to share that I had the opportunity recently to walk among students, teachers, and parents to ask them "Why are you here at LSA?" for one of our Coffee with Mr. Karsten videos. I really enjoyed hearing all of the responses. Make sure to check out that video on our YouTube page. This week at Coffee with Mr. Karsten, we talked about the "Six Board Ends", the six core objectives put in place by our School Board that determine how we are measured. If you missed the meeting, watch for a corresponding YouTube video coming soon. Please join us at one of the next meetings, held in the Board Room at 7:45 am. **The final dates are: March 21, April 4, April 25, May 9, and May 23.**





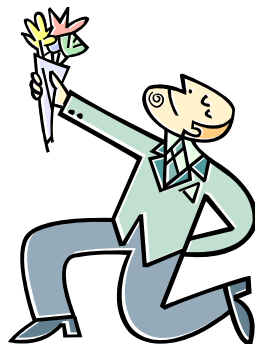
FOR YOUR HEALTH...



Our annual Vision and Hearing screening has been done this past week. We follow the Illinois guidelines on the required grade specific screening levels. All K-3rd graders are screened for their hearing. All K, 2nd and 8th graders are screened for their vision. We also will screen all students with IEP's and if recommended by the teacher and/or parent. If your student has failed this week, they will be tested a second time. This will take place in a few weeks. If they fail this time as well, you will get a notice and referral to have them seen by an eye or ear doctor. This is an excellent way to catch vision/hearing issues early, hopefully before it becomes a problem with learning.



The LSA Parent Teacher League is hosting its first ever Date Night at the LSA on **Sunday, April 13th from 5:00-8:00 pm.** Drop off will be in the LSA gym and pick-up in the multipurpose room. Children ages 4 through 12 can join us for a fun evening of games and snacks, and Parents can go out and have a good time! *Please feed your children dinner before you drop them off to play.* LSA high school students will be providing all the fun and adult chaperones will be there to help. The cost per child is \$10.00 and the proceeds will go to complete the mulch project. Hope to see you there! For more information contact Sonya Jensen at sonya@spldecatour.org.



Need to wash your car?

Use [Rainstorm Express Car Wash](#) next to Thornton's on MLK Drive or next to Wal-Mart East on Maryland St. **Scan this barcode** or enter **"2013"** when you buy a wash, and Rainstorm will donate **\$1.25** to the LSA junior high class trip to Washington D.C. Cards are reusable with no expiration. Don't have a card yet? Pick one up in the office!

We received \$102.50 in profits for September - December. THANK YOU!

Drop off
 March 10
 March 17
 March 24
 March 31
 April 7

Pick-up
 March 14
 March 21
 March 28
 April 4
 April 11

NO SCRIP THE WEEK OF APRIL 14th
NO SCRIP THE WEEK OF APRIL 21st

April 28 May 2
 May 5 May 9
 May 12 May 16
 May 19 May 23
 May 26 May 30

New to SCRIP - D4 Construction with Jason DeLong. Available in \$50 and \$100 increments. DeLong Bed & Biscuit in \$25 and \$50 increments.

Community Pancake Breakfast

Sponsored by St. Paul's Men's Ministry
 Saturday, March 15th
 8:00 - 11:00 AM
 St. Paul's Lutheran Church
on the corner of W. Mound and Taylor Ave.

Tickets are on sale now!

Ticket Pricing

Ages 13 & up: \$5.00
 Ages 4 - 12: \$2.00
 Ages 3 & Under: No charge

Call 217-423-6955 for more information

Kids Rock!

Saturday, March 8th
 9:30 AM - 12:30 PM
 Macon Resources - 2121 Hubbard Ave
 Admission: \$5 per person in advance
 \$6 per person at the door
 \$20 for a group of 5 in advance
 3 and under - FREE



Lions Sports News

THIS WEEK IN LIONS SPORTS

Saturday, March 8th - 8th Grade Volleyball @ Regionals - Cerro Gordo at 10:00 AM

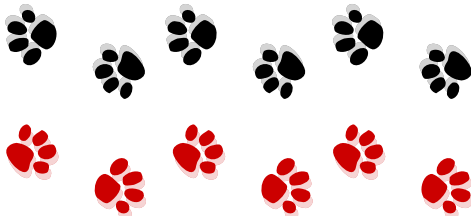
Tuesday, March 11th - 8th Grade Volleyball @ Regionals - Cerro Gordo at 7:00 PM

Thursday, March 13th - 8th Grade Volleyball @ Regionals - Cerro Gordo at 6:00 PM



Skywalker International Complex in Decatur will be sponsoring an AAU program in Decatur. If you are passionate about basketball and would

like to take your game to the next level try out. Girls tryouts will be Saturday, March 15th, Grades 4-8 from 5:00 -7:00 pm. HS Girls 7:00 - 9:00 pm. Boys tryouts are Saturday, March 22nd, grades 4-5 from 5:00 - 7:00 pm, grades 6-8 will try out 7:00 - 9:00 pm, and HS will try out Sunday, March 23rd, 3:00 - 6:00 pm. The cost to try out is \$15. For more information go to skyiceelite.com.



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.



Mark your calendars!

Cheerleading tryouts are open to girls currently in grades 4th through 11th that are already enrolled at LSA or are enrolled on or before Friday April 11th. All material will be covered

in the clinics. Tumbling is not required, but it is scored as extra credit. An information meeting will be held prior to the clinics so watch for more details.

Cheerleading tryouts for next year will be held on the following dates in the LSA gym:

5:30-7:30pm on April 7th CLINIC

5:30-7:30pm on April 8th CLINIC

5:30-7:30pm on April 10th CLINIC

5:30-6:30pm on April 11th REVIEW CLINIC

9am-noon on April 12th TRYOUTS with the HS first and JFL immediately following

*****The new squads will be posted later that afternoon*****

For additional information, please contact Coach Stacey Jones at off2shop@comcast.net.

Elementary Soccer

LSA students can sign up at the YMCA for Spring Soccer. Write that you are an LSA family on the form and they will try to keep the LSA students on the same teams.



ALL-STAR BASKETBALL

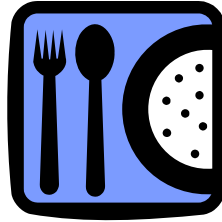
Come out and watch Beau Boehm, Grant Karsten, Howie Mooney, and Foster Schroat as they represent the LSA Lions in the All-Star Basketball games. Games are this Saturday at Skywalker International Gym.

Lunch Menu for the Week of March 10th - Week O



Did you know that you can pay your lunch money online? Go to the website www.lsadecatur.net and click the “*Make a Payment*” button at the bottom of the page.

The lunchroom is looking for volunteers. You can sign up online by clicking the Sign-Up Genius link on the LSA homepage. These will count towards your family volunteer hours.



LIBRARY NEWS— (March 4,5,6)

The 4th–8th Book Fair was a success! Although the fair is over, you can still order online at: <http://bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/lutheranschoolassociationmi>
Select “Shop Online”. All online orders will ship to LSA for free and be sent home with your child. The Online Book Fair is available now until March 11th!

Library Volunteers			
March 4,5,6	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
AM	Vanessa Nash	Michelle Pschigoda	
PM			Beth Tatum

ABC News:

--Friday March 14 is an early dismissal day! ABC will be in session from 12:00pm-6:00pm. We have crafts, games, movies and plenty of outside activities planned (weather permitting, of course)! If you plan on attending, please sign up in the Multi-Purpose room, and

BE SURE TO BRING A SACK LUNCH!

If a child does not bring a lunch, they may call a parent to bring one.

--Summer will be here before you know it! If you would use Summer Care this year, please let the ABC office know by March 21, 2014. We need to know if we will have enough interest to offer the program this year. The LSA Summer Care Program is a full time day camp offered to LSA students who are going into grades K-6 in the fall of 2014. If you are interested in knowing more about the Summer Care Program, you can contact Angie Martinek at angela.martinek@gmail.com or call 217-233-2001.

--When bringing items from home... Please remember that ABC cannot be responsible for lost or broken items. We encourage you to leave toys at home, especially ones that have lots of pieces, are very important to you, and may be easily lost or broken. If an item is lost at ABC, we will make every effort to recover it. Be sure to label anything you bring from home, as this will help us get any lost items back to their rightful owners.

Mon. 3-10	Tues. 3-11	Wed. 3-12	Thurs. 3-13	Fri. 3-14
CRAFTY MONDAY Snack: Animal Crackers Craft: Paper and Stickers	COLORING PAGE DAY Snack: Nachos Craft: Shamrock Link Necklace	Wii WEDNESDAY Snack: Applesauce	BINGO THURSDAY Snack: Cookies and Milk	MOVIE FRIDAY Snack: Popcorn Movie: Lego Star Wars