



Lion's Mane News

*Lutheran School Association
Educating for Tomorrow and Eternity*

November 30, 2012



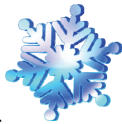
All School Chapel on Wed., Dec. 5th at 8:40 AM will be led by Pastor Bruer of Concordia on the grey court. The theme is "God Among Us" based on Isaiah 7:13-14.

LSA School Closings

In the event of circumstances that cause us to cancel school at LSA, please view or listen in to one of the Medias (radio or tv). LSA makes its own decision whether to close school or not. It does not follow one school district or another. We will make every effort to make any decision to cancel school as early as possible on a given morning or the night before (if we can). Certainly parents need to always be safe as they drive if weather is questionable and school is not officially cancelled.

Text service available:

Parents can register at www.WSOYAM.com
To register, click on Voice 24/7 link and click on "click here for breaking news/weather and school closing"...sign up under our school name! You will receive a text immediately when LSA makes the decision to cancel. Check the school website for a complete list of media outlets that cover school closings.



¹³ Then Isaiah said, "Hear now, you house of David! Is it not enough to try the patience of humans? Will you try the patience of my God also? ¹⁴ Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and will call him Immanuel."

JEANS DAYS FOR SHARE THE GIFT

*Friday, November 30th and
Friday, December 7th*

Any student donating at least \$3 per day to Share the Gift on either or both of these days will be allowed to wear jeans to school. LSA is buying Christmas presents for 19 Lutheran Child and Family Services foster children this year and all donations are appreciated.

Zumbathon@!

On Saturday, December 8th, United Way will be hosting a Zumbathon® in the LSA Gymnasium. Registration will be from 1:00-1:45 PM, with Zumba occurring from 2:00-4:30 PM. Tickets may be purchased for \$10.00 ahead of time from Zumba Instructors at the YMCA, DAC, DISC, Dance Centre, Christie's Martial Arts or by calling 217-451-9101. Tickets may also be purchased at the door for \$15.00. There will be a Warm Up with special guests, raffles, and door prizes. All proceeds will benefit the United Way. Hope to see you there!

Looking Ahead...

- **Dec. 9th**
K-4 Choir Concert
3:00 PM
- **Dec. 12th**
Market Day Pick-Up
3:00—5:30 PM
- **Dec. 13th**
Kids of the Kingdom
- **Dec. 14th**
High School Band
And Choir Concert
7:00 PM
- **Dec. 16th**
5th—8th Grade Band
And Choir Concert
5:00 PM
- **Dec. 21st**
End of 2nd Quarter
NOON DISMISSAL
- **Dec. 24th—Jan. 4th**
Christmas Vacation
LSA OFFICES
CLOSED
- **Jan. 7th**
Classes Resume



From the Director

My prayer is that your family is pleased with the education your family receives at LSA. We want only the best for you. I hope parents have seen the "Monthly Ask" flyer that comes home each month. I would ask each family to consider a small donation each month. Some schools put this fund raising as mandatory items to sell...others put it on tuition - neither of these are tax deductible. Regardless, other income to run the school effectively is needed each year. The cost to educate a student at LSA is around \$6,000. Your tuition and church support does not cover it. Please help by responding to the "Monthly Ask". There are additional forms in the office. Your responses will help now and help us evaluate decisions in our planning for school years to follow. Thank you. Mr. Karsten



FOR YOUR HEALTH...



A reminder of basic ways to teach your children to avoid getting sick.....tell them NOT to share chapstick, water bottles, or other personal items. I am seeing this happen in different settings throughout the school. With an increase in colds/flu, it is a good idea to have these discussions with your children. Keep a sick child home 24 hours after a fever or flu symptoms.

ONLY 3 SCRIP SHOPPING WEEKS UNTIL CHRISTMAS!

<u>Drop off</u>	<u>Pick-up</u>
December 3	December 7
December 10	December 14
December 17	December 21
NO SCRIP THE WEEKS OF DECEMBER 24 & 31	
January 7	January 11
January 14	January 18



You are cordially invited to be our guest during
OPEN HOUSE WEEKEND
at St. Paul's Lutheran Church.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1ST AT 6:00PM
 FOLLOWED BY LIGHT REFRESHMENTS

OR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2ND AT 8:00AM OR 10:30AM
 JOIN US FOR BRUNCH AT 9:20AM IN THE GREAT ROOM

 **ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH**
 1 BACHRACH COURT | DECATUR, IL 62526
 217.423.6955

In Stock: Arby's, Buffalo Wild Wings, Cheddar's, Circle K, Culver's, iTunes, Kohl's, Krekel's, LaFondita, Lowe's, Marathon, Menards, Monical's, Paco's, Panera, Papa Murphy's, Pastabilities, Starbucks, Steak N' Shake, Subway, Target, Texas Roadhouse, Walgreens, and Walmart **while supplies last!**



ABC NEWS

--ABC CHRISTMAS BREAK CARE: ABC will provide care on **Wednesday, January 2, 2013, Thursday, January 3, 2013, and Friday, January 4, 2013.** The fee for attending would be **\$30/day per student.** Morning and afternoon snacks would be provided, as well as games, activities and a field trip on each day of care. Students will be asked to provide their own lunch. Because we will be taking field trips, you must sign up for the days you would use care.

--There will be half day care on Friday, December 21. We will have a Christmas party with milk and cookies, Christmas movies and crafts. Please remember to bring your own lunch, and sign up in the multi-purpose room!!

--No care during Christmas Break: There will NOT be ABC care the following days of Christmas break: Monday, December 24 - Tuesday, January 1.

Monday 12-3	Tuesday 12-4	Wednesday 12-5	Thursday 12-6	Friday 12-7
<u>Crafty Monday</u> Snack: Pudding Craft: Make Your Own Creation	<u>Game Day</u> Snack: Chex Mix Craft: Curly Beard Santa Game: Jump the River	<u>Wii Wednesday</u> Snack: Cheese-its Craft: Construction Paper Wreaths Wii Game: Super Mario	<u>BINGO Thursday</u> Snack: Granola Bars Craft: Paper Angels	<u>Movie Friday</u> Snack: Popcorn Craft: Snowflake Ornaments Movie: Santa Paws 2

Lions Sports News

Saturday, December 1st—High School Girls Basketball @ St. Teresa at 4:30 PM
 6th Grade Girls Basketball @ St. Patrick's Tournament
 5th—8th Grade Boys Basketball vs. Holy Family - **Home** at 9:00

Sunday, December 2nd—6th Grade Girls Basketball @ St. Patrick's Tournament

Monday, December 3rd—High School Girls Basketball vs. Auburn - **Home** at 6:15 PM
 7th & 8th Grade Boys Basketball @ Trinity Bloomington at 6:00 PM

Thursday, December 6th—7th & 8th Grade Boys Basketball vs. Maroa-Forsyth - **Home** at 6:15 PM

Friday, December 7th—High School Girls Basketball @ Uni High at 6:00 PM
 High School Boys Basketball vs. Arthur - **Home** at 6:15 PM

Next week's volunteers are:

5th - 8th Grade Boys Basketball

12/1—9:00 AM 5th Grade Concessions: Jeanne Karsten
 Kimberly Faulk-Havener

Gate: Bill Aubert

10:00 PM 6th Grade Concessions: Beth Moran
 Pete Bayles

Gate: Chandra Quehl

11:00 PM 7th Grade Concessions: Kim Ekiss
 Les Ekiss

Gate: Ed Culp

12:00 PM 8th Grade Concession: John Stork
 Melissa Stanley

Gate: Rob Pate

12/6—6:15 PM 7th Grade Concessions: Kelsey Fields
 Susan Griffin

Gate: Mary Chance

7:00 PM 8th Grade Concessions: Wendy Gregory
 Stacey Mooney

Gate: Janet Cunningham

High School Girls Basketball

12/3—6:15 PM JV Game Concessions: **HELP**
HELP

Gate: Amy Still

7:30 PM Varsity Game Concessions: Lori Yates
HELP

Gate: Amy Still

12/10—6:15 PM JV Game Concessions: **HELP**
HELP

Gate: Lori Yates

7:30 PM Varsity Game Concessions: Ed Keane
 Susan Keane

Gate: Amy Stock

High School Boys Basketball

12/7—6:15 PM JV Game Concessions: Cindy York
 Amy Nichols

Gate: Sonya Taylor

7:00 PM Varsity Game Concessions: Julia Austin
 Jamie Stanzione

Gate: Sonya Taylor

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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. 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. **Academics must come first.**

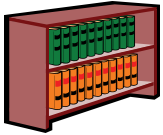


Congratulations to our 8th Grade Girls Basketball team for reaching the Regional Championship game! They play for the championship Tonight at 6:00 PM in Assumption. If the Lions win, they advance to Sectionals on Wednesday, December 5th.

Good luck Lady Lions!



Volunteering Opportunities



Library Volunteers for the Week of Dec. 3rd

	Tues. 12/4	Wed. 12/5	Thurs. 12/6
AM		Michelle Pschigoda	
PM	Michelle Pschigoda	Michelle Pschigoda	

Menu for the Week of December 3—L



Lunch Volunteers For the Week of Dec. 1

Monday	HELP!
Tuesday	Rod Lindley
Wednesday	HELP!
Thursday	Gary Ventress
Friday	HELP!

Art Corner

What is currently happening in the art room?

Log into artsonia.com to see your son or daughter's art lessons and his/her masterpieces. You can also become an artsonia fanclub member to receive an email whenever a new artwork from your child is published online.

When will my child bring home his/her artwork?

All students are building an artist's portfolio to store their completed pieces. Students will bring home their art portfolios at the end of the school year.

How can I support the art department?

Mr. Fote is looking for iPhone savvy volunteers to come in M, T, Th, F mornings from 8:30-9:00 AM to help photograph student artwork for artsonia. He is also looking for volunteers to help plan and organize a K-12 LSA art show. Interested, email tfote@lsadecatur.net.



LIBRARY NEWS—

CONGRATULATIONS to the following classes for returning all of their library books: 1A (Mrs. Stubblefield), 1B (Mrs. Tomkinson), 2B (Mrs. Bishop), 3B (Mrs. Miller), and 4B (Mrs. Saurmann). Please remind your child to keep the library books in a safe place and that he/she cannot check out unless all books are returned. Did you know—that by reading just 20 minutes each day for an entire year to your child, he will have heard at least 1,460,000 words?

Please plan to attend Advent Services this Christmas season. The times for each association church are listed below.

St. Paul's Lutheran: Dinner 6:00 PM
Service 7:00 PM

St. John's Lutheran: 12:00 PM
Dinner 5:00
Service 6:30

Trinity Lutheran: Dinner 5:30 PM
Service 7:00 PM

Concordia Lutheran: Dinner 6:00 PM
Service 7:00 PM

Mt. Calvary Lutheran: Dinner 6:00 PM
Service 7:00 PM



Betty Crocker is sponsoring "The Sweetest SCHOOL in America" Box Top contest. An award will be given to the school that shows the most improvement in (clipped) Box Tops collected and postmarked by March 1, 2013.

The winning school will receive 250,000 Bonus Box Tops!!



Miss Runnells will be available for math help on Tuesday, December 4th until 4:00 PM.

