

# NOTES and NEWS

First German Ev. Lutheran School [www.firstgerman.org](http://www.firstgerman.org) February 19, 2010

## CPO - PASSING THE BATON

This week will conclude our final lesson of our study. We have had some great turnouts the last few weeks, and the conversation has been wonderful. We can and do learn a lot from each other. Thank you.

### Food for February

21<sup>st</sup> - Reif / Pekarske

28<sup>th</sup> - Menk / Stecker

## WEDNESDAY NIGHTS LENTEN SERVICES

In order to avoid the traffic problems in front of the school we ask that you not stop in front of the doors when you pick up your children after school, but find a parking spot and your children can come to the car or you can come in and get them.

This is a big concern on Wednesday nights when there are a lot of people coming into the parking lot for church. When cars are stopped in front of the school it creates a bit of a traffic jam on 8<sup>th</sup> Street.

## LENTEN SUPPERS

Wednesday was the first Soup & Sandwich meal. It went extremely well. Thank you to the Schwark family for all the cooking and preparing. The food was excellent. Thank you to all who helped out with the evening to make it a success. There were about 130 people served. The next meal that CPO will host is March 10<sup>th</sup>.

## SCHOOL MUSICAL

Our school musical will be presented on Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, at 10:30 a.m. 6:30 p.m. Children in grades 1-4 will perform "Wackadoo Zoo." It is a funny story of animals with mixed up voices. All students in grades 1-4 should be bringing home a note for parents that has costume information and other details relating to the show. The younger and older students of our school will also be performing some musical numbers for you that day.

## SIX FLAGS READING PROGRAM

Final deadline to turn in your reading log to your teacher is Monday, February 23<sup>rd</sup>.

## KAREN KEHL BENEFIT

Immanuel is hosting a special Family Fun Night as a benefit for Karen Kehl, their 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and athletic director. Tonight from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in their school gym. She has been diagnosed with multiple myeloma, a cancer that affects the blood plasma. Immanuel members, First German members, members of the community and friends and family of Karen's are invited to join us at this special event. All proceeds will go to Karen to help her with her medical expenses. **What's happening at Family Fun Night?**

- \* A gym full of games for all ages and prizes galore.
- \* Hot Dog plates, Chili, Chili Dogs, Nachos, Popcorn and soft drinks for purchase.
- \* The Highlight! - A raffle with prizes ranging from infant to adult.

**The raffle drawings will begin at 7:30 p.m.**

## LEAGUE TOURNAMENT CONTINUES TONIGHT!

Thanks for the good response for volunteers for the basketball tournaments. Your help is so much appreciated. As fans you were all amazing! The children really appreciate the support. It was a great event to be apart of. Don't forget to come and cheer on our 7A Boys team this weekend.

**THE A-TEAM TOURNEY BRACKET IS ATTACHED TO THIS WEEKS NOTES AND NEWS.** Tournament games will be held at Manitowoc Lutheran High on all three days of this tournament!!!

In case of bad weather during the tournament, please tune in to WOMT (1240 AM) to find out if the games are cancelled.

## BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

East Central Tournament  
March 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> @ Two Rivers

**GO BIG RED!!!  
GO SPARTANS GO!!!**



## LAKESHORE MUSIC FESTIVAL

All students in grades 5-8 are participating in the Lakeshore Music Festival (formerly the Bethany Music Festival) on March 19<sup>th</sup>. Each student should wear his or her black pants, white shirt, and dark shoes that night. Soloists and small group performances will also be that night. Times will be announced as soon as we have them. Please make sure that evening is open for every one of the students. Thanks for your cooperation.

## DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CENTER DRIVE

Sunday School is sponsoring a church-wide special gift drive to help support those who unfortunately have to deal with domestic violence in our community. A list of items being collected on the table in the hallway outside the Pastor's offices. We will also have tables/boxes in the hallway at school and church for this collection until February 28<sup>th</sup>. Please help us collect various items during the month of February for the Domestic Violence Center.

## SPRING PIANO RECITAL

Mrs. Schwede's piano students will have their Spring Recital with Mrs. Menk's students on Friday, May 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. Let Mr. Schwede know if there are any scheduling problems.

## LUTHERAN PIONEERS

*Pioneer Meeting - Monday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> — Sunbeams & Buckaroos* will be working on their pinecars and creating greeting cards. *Girl Pioneers* will finish their pinecars and we'll have game night. ***Girls also need to bring 15-20 photographs to the meeting for a scrapbook project. Your collection of pictures should have a certain theme (sports, family, friends, birthday party, or any other special interest you may have).*** Boy Pioneers will be working on their First Aid Projects and demonstrations.

*Pioneer Sunday / Pancake Breakfast / Pinecar Derby - Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup> —* Children will attend the 8:00 a.m. service as a group. The Pancake Breakfast will be served from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. in the school gym. It will consist of *All You Can Eat Pancakes* with butter and syrup. Also serving sausages, assorted canned fruit, juice, coffee and milk. A freewill offering will be taken for the breakfast. The Pinecar Derby will begin at 1:00 p.m. with ice-cream sundaes to follow. We look forward to serving you.

## BOOKS ARE FUN

There is a new display for books in the school entry. It will be here until Wednesday, February 24<sup>th</sup>. Make plans to visit. There is a number of items that would wonderful Easter basket treasures.

## AMVETS COMPETITION

There a number of contests being sponsored by AMVETS Post 99 and Ladies Auxiliary 99 in Manitowoc. The deadline for these contests is Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Flag Drawing Contest** for children in Kindergarten and Grade 1. Draw a 50 star U.S. Flag on 9" x 12" construction paper or posterboard.

**Americanism Poster Contest** for children in grades 3 and 5. Create a poster on 9" x 12" construction paper or posterboard. The poster must address the theme "Why Do We Celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July?" Write a 50 word or less explanation of your poster on the back side.

**Americanism Essay Contest** for children in grades 6-8. Write an essay on the theme of "Why Do We Celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July?" 6<sup>th</sup> grade - 200 words or less; 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade - 300 words or less.

**Amvets Against Drug & Alcohol Abuse Contest** – Create a poster or short story or poem addressing the theme "*There is No Use for Drug Abuse*". Kindergarten through grade 5 are to make a 9" x 12" poster with a 50 word or less explanation on the back side. Grades 6-8 are to write a short story or poem (250 words or less).

Request additional information from your teacher or from Mr. Schwark in the school library on Friday mornings. First German School has had winners in the Local, State and National Contests every year for a number of years. We would like to continue doing so. Thank you for your efforts.

## MANITOWOC LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

**MLHS Sunday Showcase – March 7<sup>th</sup> – 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.** Silent and live auction items, food, musical entertainment, kids games, and much more make this a great event for all ages! Bring the family, friends and neighbors. Enjoy a great day on MLHS' campus. Proceeds from this year's event will be used to replace the gymnasium bleachers. Preview the auction items by visiting the MLHS website at [www.mlhslancers.com](http://www.mlhslancers.com). Can't wait to see you there!

**Are You An Organizer?** In preparation for our 55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, MLHS is looking for someone

to help organize our archives (yearbooks, newspaper clippings, posters, pictures, newsletters, etc.) If you would be willing to help on this project (or “might” be depending on answers to your questions) please call Scott Reinhard at 242-9204.

Visit [www.mlhslancers.com/publications](http://www.mlhslancers.com/publications) to view the entire MLHS calendar, **including all sports schedules as they change!**

#### Upcoming Events

- 2/19-2/21** -Division 2 A-Team Grade School Basketball Tourney
- Sun., 2/21** -MLHS Sunday @ Zion, Louis Corners (9:00 a.m.)
- Tue., 3/2** -MLHS Board of Control Meeting (6:30 p.m.)
- Sun., 3/7** -MLHS Sunday Showcase Auction (11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

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## CLASSROOM NEWS

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### **Sonshine Preschool Notes from Mrs. Schaller**

For the week of February 22<sup>nd</sup> - 26<sup>th</sup> the Bible Story is “Zaccheaus.” The 3’s will continue with penguins and polar bears. The 4’s will be working on the letter O.

### **Kindergarten Notes from Mrs. Fischer**

The Bible lessons for this week were two parables. In the story of *The Wicked Farmers*, Jesus warns us against turning away from God and not believing his Word. In the second parable, *The Wedding Clothes*, God wants us to know that growing in faith is important. He does not want us to fall away from him in unbelief.

I hope the children had fun bowling this week. They brought in 245 *b* words for tickets on Tuesday! On Thursday, the tickets cost 2 *r* words. I am very excited to see how many *r* words the children collected.

In the Reading Centers, the children are doing various activities to practice the shape and sound of *R*. They are cutting out uppercase *R*’s and covering them with tissue paper. The tissue paper colors are the colors of the rainbow. In the Reading Center, they are continuing the Elkonin cards. In the Writing Center, they are imaging that they have their own personal robot. They are writing about what their robot would

do. They are also creating a robot out of tin foil in their journals. They are listening to a book, *The First Snow*, which is about a rabbit. And they are working on a computer program about a Tin Man.

We had a great time celebrating number 100 last week. This week we are working with addition, addition stories, and measuring capacity of containers.

Here are some important events coming up in March:

**Wed., 3/3** - We are going to the Capitol Civic Centre to see the play *Max and Ruby*. The ticket price will be taken out of your child’s school account. The play begins at 10:00 a.m. If you would like to come, please let me know so I can reserve a seat for you. The adult tickets are \$8.00. The children will also be singing in church on this date during the 4:00 p.m. service. We will meet in the Kindergarten room at 3:45 p.m.

**Thurs., 3/11** - I am taking the children to see a play that the Leckwee girls are in. The play is *Aladin*. It is performed by a group called *Dare to Dream*. Again, if you would like to attend, please let me know as soon as possible. An adult ticket is \$10.

**Fri., 3/26** - The kindergarten class will be a part of the entertainment for *Wack-a-Doo Zoo*. There will be a morning and evening performance. As you can see, March will be a very busy month.

### **1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Notes from Mrs. Korte**

Our Teachers’ Conference was held at Riverview Lutheran Church in Appleton. Peter Wolgramm is on the staff at the church. We got to see and visit with him. They are doing well and send their greetings.

We will be busy with our parts and songs for the play. We may not have time to finish as much homework here at school, so please try to check with your child about the papers coming home in the finish folder.

We will be going to see “Max and Ruby” at the Capitol Civic Centre on Wednesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>. We will be walking over to the performance. I will be sending a note to see if any of the parents would like to chaperone on that day. We will be limited to 3 chaperones. The chaperones will need to pay \$8.00 for their ticket. Then on Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, we will be going to the Dare to Dream Theater to see “Aladdin”. This performance will be held at 10:00 a.m. and we will need 3 drivers. I will be sending a note about this event also.

#### Upcoming Events

- 2/19-2/21** -A-Team Basketball Tournament (Division 2) @ MLHS. Our 7<sup>th</sup> grade team plays at 5:50 p.m.
- Wednesdays** -The Lenten Services will be held at 4:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m. with the Soup

- & Sandwich Supper in between services. Come and enjoy!
- Wed., 3/3** -Field Trip to Capitol Civic Centre (10:00 a.m.)  
-Kindergarten - 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade sing (4:00 p.m.)
- Fri., 3/5** -Family Fun Night
- Sun., 3/7** -Sunday Showcase @ MLHS
- Thurs., 3/11** -Field Trip to see Aladdin (10:00 a.m.)
- Sun., 3/21** -First German Art Fair (have projects to school by Friday)
- Fri., 3/26** -School Musical (10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.) (all students must be there)

### **3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Grade Notes from Miss Wordell**

Your child should have given you a field trip permission slip yesterday. On the note are listed 3 different local trips we will be taking in March. Please sign and return the bottom portion of the notes by Monday. Thanks!!!

Today, your child is bringing home a note regarding the upcoming musical at the end of March. Please read over the information and start thinking about a “tourist” costume for your child.

The First German Art Fair is coming up in March. We will be making sculptures at school that will be entered in the fair. If your child would like to enter another project, they are welcome to do that. These other projects should be made at home, labeled with your child’s name and grade, and brought to school on Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>. Projects brought from home will be judged and awarded ribbons.

#### Upcoming Events

- Mon., 2/22** -Return Reading Log #20  
**Fri., 2/26** -Spelling Test #19

### **5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> Grade Notes from Mr. Siegler**

We are scheduled to sing February 24<sup>th</sup> at the 4:00 p.m. service. We will not have the 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grades to help us out. Every voice is needed. Please make plans accordingly.

Progress continues with the 6<sup>th</sup> grade Forensic team. Has your child done the presentation for you yet? I’m sure they would all be eager for the chance for extra practice at home.

This last Wednesday we held our “Don’t Call It a Valentine’s Day Party” party. During the video the boys sat on the left and the girls on the right. For the record, the pile of crumbs was bigger on the girls’ side.

#### Tests and quizzes for 2 - 22 to 2 - 26

- Mon.** Reading test  
Spelling test

- Tue.** Social studies test chpt 15  
**Wed.** English test Unit 6  
**Thur.** Social studies test Unit 7  
**Fri.** Spelling pretest  
Catechism quiz Q. 108 - 109

### **7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Notes from Mr. Menk**

The MLHS Art Fair is just around the corner. **Has your child started his or her Art Fair project?** Projects must be at our school by **Tuesday, March 16<sup>th</sup>**. The best projects of grades 7 & 8 will be taken to the high school’s competition. After the competition, all student work will be displayed and judged at our own Art Fair the following week. If you have questions, let me know right away so your student(s) can do their best work possible.

#### Upcoming Events

- Sun., 2/21** -Grades 7 & 8 sing (8:00 a.m.)  
**Mon., 2/22** -Multi-cultural book report due  
**Fri., 2/26** -Literature project due  
**Sun., 2/28** -Grades 7 & 8 sing (10:30 a.m.)  
**Tues., 3/16** -Art Fair project due  
**Wed., 3/17** -5-8 sings with Martin Luther Preparatory School choir  
**Fri., 3/19** -Music Festival (at MLHS not Bethany) times not yet announced  
**Sat., 3/20** -Academic Day @ MLHS (spelling, forensics, math, academic bowl)

### **7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Notes from Mr. Leckwee**

Mr. Menk isn’t feeling well, so the kids are getting a double dose of ME. HA HA. This week was a wrap up week in Science and History. We will be having tests on Monday in both classes. Make sure they study this weekend.

We are putting together our Math Bowl Teams. We can’t have more than three 8<sup>th</sup> graders on a team. So far we have two teams, and they should have fun. I will post the teams in next weeks Notes and News, sometimes that information doesn’t make it home. For the most part this years team is voluntary. So if you don’t see your child’s name, realize that they probably requested not to be on a team. If you would like them to be on a team let me know and we may be able to put together another team.

I will also include the names of our finalists in the Academic Bowl next week also. The class had a lot of very high scores in our test.

#### Upcoming Tests

- Mon., 2/22** -Science  
-History  
**WED., 2/24** -Math