

# NOTES and NEWS

First German Ev. Lutheran School [www.firstgerman.org](http://www.firstgerman.org) March 5, 2010

## CPO - PASSING THE BATON

We are going to be meeting again this week. We are going to be starting a new study. This week's topic is "Esteemed in Christ". Should be a great opportunity to share in the Love of Jesus and grow in His grace.

### FOOD IN MARCH

March 7<sup>th</sup> – Strzyzewski / Fischer

March 14<sup>th</sup> – Korte

March 21<sup>st</sup> – Steckmesser / Haupt

March 28<sup>th</sup> – Knutson

## CANDY SALE

We have sent home today information for our annual Easter Candy Sale. The incentive for the students will be SCRIP certificates to various local restaurants and stores. This way the children may purchase exactly what they want for their prize. We will have samples of all of the items available at CPO for the next few Sundays.

This sale provides that service to our members and benefits our school as well. This money raised in this sale will go towards our "EXTREME PRESCHOOL MAKEOVER". We are moving the preschool room to Mr. Menks room, and he and Mr. Leckwee will be sharing a classroom. Any money left will be put towards tuition assistance. The fact that the students are helping to raise the money for a project that will directly benefit them is a good thing. In the opinion of the school board, this teaches the students better stewardship than simply making the improvements without having done anything to help pay for it.

## PICTURE DAY

We are having a Spring Picture Day this year. The forms are being sent home today. They will be taken on the 16<sup>th</sup> of March. They are a different style of picture than the Fall pictures. No money is needed at the time of the pictures. You will pay once the pictures come in, and then only if you want one. Again, if you don't like the picture or aren't interested, you aren't obligated to purchase it.

## ATTENTION: PARENTS WITH 8<sup>th</sup> GRADERS

Next Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, after the 4:00 p.m. Lenten Service, we will have a meeting for the parents of our 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. Please meet in Mr. Leckwee's room to discuss Confirmation, which will be Sunday, May 9<sup>th</sup>.

## LENTEN SUPPERS

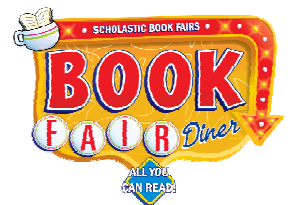
CPO will be hosting Soup & Sandwich next week Wednesday, March 10<sup>th</sup>. Anyone who can help with preparation of the food and set-up should come to the kitchen when available after 1:30 p.m. Serving begins at 5:00 p.m., so plan on arriving to help by 4:45 p.m. Clean-up is performed throughout the evening and is usually finished by 7:00 p.m. Your leader should be contacting you to let you know what your work obligations will be for Wednesday. The following families are on deck for the evening. *All families need to bring a dessert.*

*Strzyzewski - Chairperson*; Burton; Her; Kolar; Mason / Drumm; Haupt, Greg; Lee, Nau; Leckwee; Oswald; Pekarske; Kelm; Schmidt; Spangenberg; Maducas; Owen; Loiselle, Scott

## BOOK FAIR

**COMING SOON!!!!**

The Scholastic Book Fair will be visiting our school on Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>.



Today the *Reading Awareness Contest Entries* have been given to the students. For one hour of reading, each student has the opportunity to enter the drawing six times. Students are to place their entry slips in the container in their classroom. The drawing will take place Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be one winner from each grade. More contests to come.

## PIANO RECITAL CORRECTION

Mrs. Schwede's piano recital will be held on Wednesday, May 5<sup>th</sup> not the 7<sup>th</sup>.

## ACADEMIC FAIR - MARCH 20<sup>th</sup>

Team 1	Team 2
Adam Schwede	Tyler Blattler
Jacob Ungemach	Kevin Lee
Jacob Pekarske	Jacob Lindemann
Alex Strzyzewski	Joshua Steckmesser
Sam Oswald	Elizabeth Bellin

## FORENSICS COMPETITION

### 6<sup>th</sup> Grade

*Elizabeth Bellin Kaylene Hernandez*  
*Jacob Lindemann Paige Pekarske*  
*Kera Strzyzewski*

### 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

*Jordan Blattler Tyler Blattler*  
*Lani Braasch Austin Haupt*  
*Kong Lee Earl Oswald*  
*Cheyenne Schroeder Gina Strzyzewski*  
*Jacob Ungemach*

### 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

*Jacob Pekarske Kevin Lee*  
*Megan Lindemann Sam Oswald*  
*Sam Knutson Megan Reinhard*  
*Adam Schwede Alex Strzyzewski*  
*Brenden Zivko*

## MATH BOWL

### TEAM 1

*Adam Schwede Megan Reinhard*  
*Jacob Pekarske Sam Oswald*  
*Kevin Lee*

### TEAM 2

*Sam Knutson Jacob Ungemach*  
*Earl Oswald Gina Strzyzewski*  
*Lani Braasch*

## ANNUAL CHURCH CLEANING

Our annual church cleaning will be held on Tuesday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> beginning at 4:00 p.m. Please bring a bucket and some rags. Cleaning supplies will be provided. It is a great opportunity for children who are in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and up to do a service for their church. As a thank you, the Evening Circle will treat all helpers to a pizza party when we are done.

## COTTON FABRIC NEEDED

This year, during the Art Fair, the students of our school will be working on a banner for church. Students will be cutting out small crosses which will be sewn into one large cross on the banner. Please consider donating your scraps of cotton fabrics for this project. We are looking for any cotton scraps 5" x 6" or larger. There is a donation box in the library.

Parents, please visit the Art Fair on Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup>, and cut out a cross to help the students with this project. Thank you for your help with this project.

## FG OPEN HOUSE

March 17<sup>th</sup> - 19<sup>th</sup> is going to be our annual school open house. Parents, Grandparents, and any other visitors are welcome to join us at any time during those three days. Please feel free to wander the building and sit in on any classes that you choose. You are also invited to stay for lunch "on the house" during any of those days. We also encourage our school families to invite other visitors or interested parents to come along as well. We hope to see you down at school on any of those days.

## OLYMPIC DAY – SCHEDULE CHANGE

Due to a scheduling conflict with the field, our Olympic Day is changed from Tuesday, May 25<sup>th</sup> to Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup>. Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup> is our rain date. We have always had a lot of support and help for that day, and we wanted to make sure you had enough time to make schedule changes if you needed.

## LUTHERAN PIONEERS

***Monday, March 15<sup>th</sup> – Pioneer Meeting from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.*** Sunbeams and Buckaroos will be working on a Praying Hand project. The Girl Pioneers will be working on Lunch bag Scrapbooks. The Boy Pioneers will be working on Solar Energy and Electronic projects.

***Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup> – District Pinewood Derby @ Calvary in Sheboygan.***

## 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 Monday, March 15<sup>th</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 poster board.

***Americanism Poster Contest*** for children in grades 3 and 5. Create a poster on 9" x 12" construction paper or poster board. 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*”. Kindergartens 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!

**MLHS Sunday Showcase For Kids** – As part of the entertainment during MLHS’ Sunday Showcase auction event on March 7<sup>th</sup>, Camp Phillip will once again be hosting the children’s sing-a-long. Practice for this event will take place during the live auction portion of the day (1:30-3:00 p.m.). The sing-a-long will take place immediately following the live auction from 3:00-3:20 p.m. on the gym stage. We hope to see everyone there this Sunday. It’s going to be a wonderful day!

**MLHS Blood Drive – March 10<sup>th</sup> – 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.** MLHS National Honor Society students are holding a blood drive in the MLHS gym during these times. Anyone interested in giving blood may call the school office at 682-0215 or email [jnass@mlhslancers.com](mailto:jnass@mlhslancers.com) to schedule a time slot. Please consider donating blood – One Person Giving Blood Saves Three Lives!

**Lancer Singers at Culvers Fundraiser – March 16<sup>th</sup> – 5:00 - 8:00 p.m.** 10% of ALL sales in these three hours will be donated to the MLHS Lancer Singers to help with their April 2010 trip to the National WELS Choral Festival in Arizona. Take that special someone out for dinner!

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**

Sat 3/6 -WSMA at Valders High School  
Sun., 3/7 -MLHS Sunday Showcase Auction  
(11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.)

Wed., 3/10 -MLHS National Honor Society Blood Drive (8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.)  
Fri., 3/12 -Friends of the Lancer Fish Fry @ American Legion (811 Jay St., Mtwc) (4:30 – 9:00 p.m.)  
Sat., 3/13 -MLHS Youth Wrestling Invite  
Tue., 3/16 -Lancer Singers @ Culvers Fundraiser (5:00 - 8:00 p.m.)  
Fri., 3/19 -Lakeshore Lutheran Music Festival @ MLHS (4:00 - 8:00 p.m.)  
Sat., 3/20 -MLHS Grade School Academic Fair  
Sun., 3/21 -MLHS Sunday @ Immanuel Kewaunee (9:00 a.m.)  
Sat., 3/27 -Trinity Tiger Wrestling Invite @ MLHS  
Sun., 3/28 -MLHS Sunday @ Rockwood (9:00 a.m.)  
Wed., 3/31 -MLHS Easter Concert (7:00 p.m.)

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## CLASSROOM NEWS

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**Sonshine Preschool Notes from Mrs. Schaller**

The Bible story for March 8<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> is “Jesus in Gethsemane.” The 3’s will have one day of “In Like a Lion” and one day of “Things in the Air.” The 4’s may actually get to the letter P this week, and hopefully start the letter Q. Both groups will be practicing our song that we’ll do before “Wack-a-doo Zoo.” Listen for them singing about different animals.

**Kindergarten Notes from Mrs. Fischer**

The Bible lessons for this week were *Peter Sins* and *Jesus Before Pilate*. We know as Peter did that we cannot take away our own sins. Jesus wants us to ask and to trust him to forgive us for our sins. This Lenten season reminds us that there is nothing more precious than the salvation Jesus earned for us through his innocent sufferings and death on the cross.

The children thoroughly enjoyed the presentation of *Max and Ruby* at the Capitol Civic Centre. We are looking forward to seeing Patty in *Aladdin* on March 11<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to Mrs. Kiss for offering to help transport the children to the play.

Just a reminder that the Art Fair is March 21<sup>st</sup>. I have a good group of artists so I hope everyone will enter a project for a ribbon.

The next letter we will study is *M* so for fun, I am going to have the children put on their own magic show. I will send a trick suggestion home with each child on Friday, but if you have a better one, please use it. If you know a magic trick, you could perform it for the class. Our magic show will be on March 12<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 p.m. Please come to watch. Invite anyone you want to.

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

A note was sent home this past week about the clothing that the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> grade students need to have for the play. The dark pants, socks, and shirts need to be at school by Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. Please have your child's clothing labeled with their name and sent to school in a bag.

On Thursday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, we will go to see "Aladdin". We will leave school at 9:30 a.m. and should return about 11:15 a.m. There are a few of our First German students who are in the play. It will be great to see them perform.

We will have our "Open House" on March 17<sup>th</sup> through March 19<sup>th</sup>. Please come and visit the classroom.

The Olympic Day dates have been changed because of a scheduling conflict with the facility. The dates will be Friday, May 21<sup>st</sup> and the rain date will be Monday, May 24<sup>th</sup>.

The February reading logs for "Four Seasons" are due by Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Please make sure that they are handed in by then.

#### Upcoming Events

- Wed., 3/11 -"Aladdin" performance @ 10:00 a.m.  
we leave at 9:30 a.m.
- 3/17 – 3/19 -Open House @ First German  
-Scholastic Book Fair
- Sun., 3/21 -Art Fair  
-Scholastic Book Fair
- Fri., 3/26 -"Wackadoo Zoo" performances@  
10:30 a.m. and 6:30 p.m.  
(All school children involved!)
- Wednesdays -The Lenten Services will be held at  
4:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. with the  
Soup & Sandwich in between the  
services....come and enjoy!

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

Our first U.S. State Capitals quiz will be coming on Monday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Students should know the 11 Northeast Region capital cities and states. There is a study sheet listing the U.S. capital cities and states in the Home Study Folder.

The First German Art Fair is coming up in a couple of weeks. 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. Projects brought from home will be judged and awarded ribbons.

#### Upcoming Events

- Mon., 3/8 -**State Capitals Test #1-11**  
-Return Reading Log #22
- Thur., 3/11 -Aladdin Show K-4
- Fri., 3/12 -CCC Show Gr. 3-8  
-Spelling Test #21
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- Fri., 3/19 -Art Fair deadline
- Fri., 3/26 -Wackadoo Zoo (10:30 a.m. & 6:30 p.m.)

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

The Art Fair is coming up really, really soon. Be about finishing your project.

6<sup>th</sup> grade, keep forensicsing.

On Friday morning we will be joining a few other classrooms to see a show at the Capitol Civic Center. The show relates to our music program.

These last few science lessons we've started looking at mass, volume, and what's the matter? A few of us are having "issues" with density, but we'll get it eventually.

#### Tests and quizzes for 3 - 1 to 3 - 5

- Mon. Reading quiz  
Spelling test
- Tue. Catechism test Comm 8
- Wed. Math test
- Thur. Spelling pretest  
Science test chpt 14
- Fri. No tests

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

This week's **Christlight lesson** is on abortion. A great resource for you to talk about abortion with your child(ren), no matter what the age, is Christian Life Resources. Their website is christianliferesources.com. Search the heading 'life and family education' for family devotion ideas or discussion questions. Information on last week's Christlight topic, homosexuality, can also be found on this website.

Several students have already completed their **March book report**. Students, keep reading and preparing the summary card for your own presentation. The earlier you finish your book, the earlier you can make your presentation.

**Art Fair projects** are due at school on March 16<sup>th</sup>. Students will complete a project name, grade, and category slip at school. The best projects will be taken to MLHS for their Art Fair judging and viewing by everyone on Academic Fair Day - March 20<sup>th</sup>. All projects will be displayed at our own Art Fair on March 21<sup>st</sup>.

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

#### Upcoming Tests

- Monday, 3/8 -Science
- Monday, 3/8 -History Quiz
- Tues., 3/9 -History Quiz
- Wed., 3/10 -History Quiz
- Thurs., 3/11 -History Quiz
- Fri., 3/12 -History Quiz