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Home of the Cougars

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2009-10 Theme

Spiritual Fitness

Hymn of the Year

"Let Us Ever Walk with Jesus"

CLS Mission Statement

Central Lutheran assists our congregations and parents by preparing children to be disciples for this life and the life to come.

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ROLL 'EM UP!*

Many of the CLS faculty and staff bit the bullet and were vaccinated against the seasonal flu this week. A Benton County public health nurse came to the school yesterday and injected 17 staffers. We are proud to report that no one cried...at least not much.

Mrs. Woltemath sings her praises for her flu shot.

Miss Becky sucks it up and screws on a smile for the camera.

Mrs. D shows off her "guns" before taking one for the team.

Roll up or shut up. I chose the former.

The CLS hazing for new teachers… Way to go Ms. Hillman!

According to the nurses with Virginia Gay Home Health Association, the state received 16,000 doses of H1N1 vaccine. Benton County just got 200+ doses of the H1N1 nasal mist. It is unknown at this time how much more is on the way and whether it will be enough to vaccinate all the kids in all the schools in Benton County. Stay tuned. The situation changes daily.

Trivia Question: In which Vacation movie did Chevy Chase utter the words, "Roll 'em up!"

SCHOOL PICTURE RETAKE DAY: TUESDAY, OCTOBER 27!

CHRISTMAS CONCERT DATE CHANGED TO MONDAY, DECEMBER 21 @ 6:30 PM!

TIME FOR CHANGE

In two weeks, the CLS staff will attend the Ia. District East/West Lutheran Teachers' Conference in Des Moines, where teachers from 21 Lutheran schools across the state gather to gain new ideas to share in their classrooms. We also pick a mission project for the students and staff to support. This year, money gathered at the conference will be used to provide tuition for children in China to attend a Lutheran school. These kids have never heard of Jesus and the hope He gives. Each Lutheran school in Iowa is having their students participate in a "Change Drive." We are gathering spare change to help "change" the life of a young child in China. The next two Fridays (10/9 and 10/16) have been designated as "Change Drive Day." Please help your child to bring in change on those days so we can help change the life of a child by allowing him to learn of Jesus. We humbly thank you for your help in this project. — Mrs. Rempfer

Sign up now for Parent/Teacher Conferences

Parents/Guardians: Parent-Teacher conferences for grades K-8 are scheduled for Thursday, Oct. 29 and Friday, Oct. 30. On Thursday, conferences will begin at 2:00 pm and will run until 8:00 p. m. (break from 5:30-6:00 for supper). On Friday, conference times will be available from 8:00 to noon. Preschool parents, your conference times on Thursday will begin at 9:00 a.m. and will run until 8:00 pm (last time slot begins at 7:45 pm). If you can't make it during any of the available time slots, please talk with your child's teacher about alternate scheduling.

Check writing reminder

When you write a check to CLS for tuition and lunch, please write separate checks because the money goes into two separate accounts. You may make the check to "CLS" for either account, just make sure to put "lunch" or "tuition" in the memo line. Thanks.

Chapel Information

1st Quarter Offerings:

Camp Okoboji

October 7 Offering:

$54.07

Total to date (1st q):

$626.26

October 14 Leader:

Third Grade

Singing:

Third Grade

Bleacher Butt got you down?

Are you tired of spending long hours on your rear-end straddling a bleacher the size of a matchbook? Well, despair no more. The CLS Athletic Department can save your can with a CLS Cougar Stadium chair that attaches right to the bleacher. I know! Genius, right? When you set up your stadium seat on that 2x4 of a bleacher, you will be the envy of the crowd. While the rest of the parents and grandparents are shifting from cheek to cheek, you will be riding high on your very own custom stadium seat. What would you expect to pay for this glorious gluteal gadget? $39! That's right, $39 and you're sitting pretty in the lap of luxury. We must have a minimum of 36 orders before we can place our order. So if you're *sitting on the fence* as to whether or not this will be the year that you'll lose that Bleacher Butt, I urge you to contact Amy Eggert or Kristin Meyer. The CLS orders only total 14 or so, but some Benton parents also wish to place an order. Together, if we all put our cheeks and checks together, we can win this battle and save the world from unsightly bleacher bum.

Detassling anyone?

Lori Lang would like to know if anyone would be interested in working on a detassling crew next summer to raise money for CLS. This is a novel approach to fundraising. If enough people are interested, maybe we could form a couple crews and trade off days? Call Lori Lang or the office to let us know if there's enough interest to pursue this further. Ten people working 4-5 days can raise $5,000!

Thrivent GivingPlus Program ending in December 2009

Thrivent has announced that its GivingPlus program will end in a few months and will be replaced by another program called Thrivent Choice. The new program is expected to launch sometime in April 2010. So what does that mean for you and CLS? With the GivingPlus program, when a Thrivent member dontated $50 or more to CLS, whether through a memorial, SPICE or just a general monetary donation, the office sent the donor a one-page form to complete and send back to Thrivent. After verifying membership, Thrivent would then send CLS a 50% match of the donation. For example, if Bill Gates donated $500 to our computer lab to purchase some Microsoft software, and if he was a Thrivent member, I'd send Bill a Thrivent form, highlight the portions to fill out and then provide him with an addressed, stamped envelope to send the form to Thrivent. (Granted, Bill could probably afford his own stamp, as well as a donation of more than $500). Then when Thrivent received Bill's form and verified that he was, indeed, a member, Thrivent would cut CLS a check for $250. *Under the new program*, the 50% match is gone, gone, gone like freight train, gone like yesterday, gone like a soldier in the Civil War BANG BANG! gone like a 69 Cadillac, like all the good things that ain't ever comin' back. But I digress….*Under the new plan*, you will no longer have to make a donation first to the nonprofit before the Thrivent donation is available. Instead, Thrivent will use a formula of some type and base it on the number of products/policies that you have with them to determine how many Choice Dollars your membership yielded. The company will contact you with the amount and ask you which Lutheran nonprofit you would like the money directed to. So when Thrivent contacts you to find out where you want the Choice Dollars to go, make sure you designate one or more Lutheran nonprofits, such as CLS or your church congregation. If you don't, the money does not get distributed.

In the meantime, there is still some money left in the GivingPlus pot through the end of the year, but it will likely be depleted before then. If you'd like to make a donation to CLS and you're a Thrivent member, please do so sooner rather than later if you want to take advantage of the 50% match.

Jubilation Choir (Grades 5-8)

The Jubilation Choir is singing at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Atkins this Sunday. Service begins at 9:00 so please have your student in the church basement at 8:45 to warm up and walk in together. Please make every effort to attend. Any questions, please call Becky Thompson.

Let's Do Brunch!

The 4th grade parents will be meeting Wednesday, October 14, at 6:30 at Central to discuss the PTL Brunch (Nov. 1). Co-chair Darci Janss needs 2-3 turkey fryers and 1 cooler for the event. Can you help? Please contact either Darci or Rhonda Hollister.

All parents, please remember to sign up to help the morning of the brunch. We need all kinds of help (please see attachment). Although the 4th grade parents head up this fundraiser, all parents are expected to sign up for a shift. Seventh and eighth graders can also help out by carrying trays, babysitting, etc. Please remind them to sign up.

Coe College Playground of Science October 22

All students are invited to attend Coe College's Playground of Science event Thursday, Oct. 22, from 6:00-9:00 pm at Peterson Hall (1220 1st Ave NE) on the Coe campus. This event is run by several departments, including physics, chemistry, biology and math, so you can count on blowin' up something. Students will take part in interactive demonstrations of pumpkin launching, making dragon's breath flames, making snow, mixing Pepsi and Mentos and making things levitate. Door prizes on arrival. **RSVP** to Professor Steve Feller, Physics Dept., sfeller@coe.edu, or call him at 399-8633. This event is FREE!!! (See attachment)

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IDE Volleyball T-Shirts

If your daughter wants to order the IDE Tournament Volleyball T-shirt, you must have your check and order form in by tomorrow (**Friday, October 9**). They will not be selling these T-shirts at the tournament, so it's pre-order or no order. Make checks payable to *Trinity Athletics Ministry*.

Cross Country Results

It was cold and rainy and just a tad disorganized, but the CLS cross country kids did quite well at the Manchester meet this week. Kristin K ran 2 miles in 13:24 and Trevor H ran 2 miles in 12:24. No word on how they placed overall.

PRIDE APPAREL ORDERS

The Pride Apparel order forms are finally here (see attached). Because we received them late and because there are so many days that we don't have class this month, the order due date is:
Wednesday, November 4.

September School Days Stomp

The top walkers in each class beginning with the Kindergarten are: Megan K (13.25 miles), Sierra B (11 miles); Macy S (13.5 miles), Kylie L (7.5 miles); Bethie W (8.25 miles), Taylor K (6.5 miles); Alyssa K (10.75 miles), Zach B (8.75 miles); Nick T (15.25 miles), Blaine V (14.5 miles); Luke P (2.75 miles), Carl G, Faith P and Michelle B (1.75 miles each); Ben R (1.5 miles), Evan M (1.25 miles); Maggie W, Morgan E and Kaitlyn P all tied at .25 miles. (No walkers in 6th grade...must have an outbreak of BLS, Broken Leg Syndrome.)

ATHLETIC'S THURSDAY NOTE #8 – OCTOBER 8

ATHLETIC APPAREL samples will be on display in the main entrance for the next week. Orders are due by October 16th so they can be back in time for Christmas. Be sure to check it out! Checks should be made out to "*CLS Athletics*".

Looking ahead to the basketball season ------ it appears that 4th grade ***girls*** will have the opportunity to participate on the JV team this year due to the small number of 5th and 6th grade girls. Practices will begin the week of November 2nd.

RESULTS from the last week –

Volleyball vs. LIS -	JV won , 28-26, lost 20-25, won 26-24	Varsity lost
Volleyball vs. Readlyn -	JV lost	Varsity won
Volleyball vs. Waterloo -	JV lost	Varsity won
Volleyball vs. INCA -	JV won	Varsity lost
Soccer vs. LIS -	JV won , 1-0	Varsity won, 2-1

SCHEDULE FOR OCTOBER 8TH – OCTOBER 24th

Thursday, October 8th -	Volleyball AT Readlyn	JV @ 5:00	Varsity @ 6:00
Friday, October 9th	Soccer practice		
Saturday, October 10th	Soccer vs. Davenport at Newhall	JV @ 10:00	Varsity @ 11:00
Monday, October 12th	Volleyball AT Waterloo	JV @ 5:00	Varsity @ 6:00
Tuesday, October 13th	Soccer vs. INCA at Tuma Field #23	Varsity only @ 4:30	
Thursday, October 15th	Volleyball vs. Cedar Valley at Newhall	JV @ 4:30	Varsity @ 5:30
Friday, October 16th	Soccer practice		
Saturday, October 17th	IDE Soccer tournament in Cedar Rapids		
Saturday, October 24th	IDE Volleyball tournament in Cedar Rapids*****		

****<u>**ATTENTION VOLLEYBALL PLAYERS**</u> – if you want to buy a t-shirt for the district tournament, you MUST pre-order and pay by FRIDAY, OCTOBER 9th!!! There will NOT be t-shirts available to buy at the tournament.

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