

The Eagle's Cry

January 7, 2016

Nurturing students spiritually, emotionally, and academically.

HOT LUNCH

Thursday– Ham & Cheese Sandwich, Chips, Dessert

Friday– Pepperoni Pizza, Veggie Sticks, Dessert

Monday– Sloppy Joe, Tater Tots, Fruit

Tuesday– Tacos, Chips with Cheese Sauce, Fruit

Wednesday– Pasta, Corn, Dessert



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Principal's Pennings by Mrs. Arndt

My mother's birthday would have been this week. She will be celebrating in heaven, and has been for many years, as she would have been 105 this week. Mother was probably the most significant Christian in my younger life. She was a school teacher, too, although her "teacher training" consisted of only six weeks of training in high school, and her teacher career lasted only two years. After that, she spent her life as a Christian wife, mother, and grandmother. Mother taught us by words, of course, but I think mostly she taught us by example.

I don't recall her ever missing a chance to worship on Sunday mornings. What did we learn from that? Worship is important! We go to church on Sunday morning. It's not something we decide every Sunday morning – we just knew if it was Sunday, we worship.

Mother sent birthday cards to everyone she knew, it seemed. Her theory was to let people know you are thinking of them and care enough to take a little time to help make their day special. I doubt they were Hallmark

cards, but I'm sure they made everyone smile.

Mother would have made a great "volunteer of the year" candidate. She cleaned church, baked for funeral dinners, served for the needy, played piano for Sunday School, taught Sunday School, gave devotions for shut-ins, transcribed Sunday School lessons in Braille, by hand, for the blind. She continued her loving services until her health failed.

Mother's greatest gift to her children was her witness to her Christian faith. With tears, I remember her on her death bed. She asked that I gather everyone she loved, which I did. (That also included her pastor!) We all gathered around her bed and held hands as SHE led us, in as strong a voice as she could muster, in the Apostles' Creed and the Lord's Prayer. Then she said to us, "You can go now." Those were the last words she spoke before she joined her dear Lord and Savior a couple days later. Mother was only human, but she taught us the lessons of faith, love, and care – much



more than book learning!

As parents, we all have the same opportunities to be unwavering Christian witnesses to our children. Don't despair when children test us with independence that we aren't quite ready for. They will always remember the Christian witness you give them by word and example. Our children watch us and learn. "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it!" Proverbs 22:6. What a responsibility we have, but also what comfort we have in these words. God's blessings to you as you set examples for your children! By the way, if you still have a mother, give her a hug or a phone call!

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WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, January 8 – BB at Hope, girls 6:00 pm, boys 7:00 pm

Saturday, January 9 – BB at Calvary, girls 10:00 am, boys 11:00 am

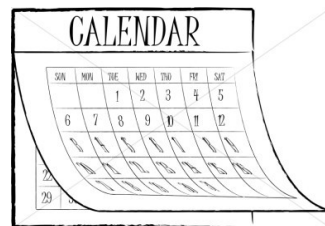
Saturday, January 9 – Lutheran High testing. 8:30 am – 12:00.

Saturday, January 9 – Grades 6 -8 junior high dance sponsored by Lutheran High. 6-9 pm.

Sunday, January 10 – OPEN HOUSE, EXTRAVAGANZA 2:00 – 4:00 PM

Wednesday, January 13 – Chapel, 8:30 am. Pastor Froiland

TEAM CORNER



TEAM Parent Education Night
January 26, 2016
6:30pm

The internet can be a scary place for parents to allow kids to venture onto. However, it's so hard to not let them on it for school projects, and fun.

How do you know your kids are safe? Can you do anything to help keep them safe?

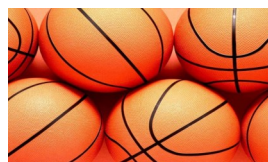
How many more questions do you have?

Come talk to a Kansas City, MOP Police Department, Network Specialist. Hear what he has to say and ask some more questions if you have them!



Wow! Our lost and found area is overflowing with both orphaned and dress code friendly clothes that have been donated. Please take a moment to look over the items located there to see if you find an old favorite or a new wardrobe addition. Any clothes left after October 16 will be donated to the Park Hill Clothing Closet which provides clothing to needy families in our immediate area.

Athletics



Both boys and girls basketball teams played great games against Bethany before the Christmas holiday. We had a great eagle turn out for the games. Thank you to those who came out and supported the teams.

Both boys and girls will

play both Friday and Saturday this weekend.

The times and places are listed below. Our Fabulous Eagle cheerleaders will be there to cheer on our teams. Join us as we support our athletes.

Jan. 8, Friday at Hope Lutheran School, 6308 Quivira Rd, Shawnee, KS 66216. Girls 6pm, Boys 7pm

Jan. 9, Saturday at Calvary Lutheran School, 12411 Wornall Road, Kansas City, MO 64145. Girls 10am, Boys 11am

Our boys' team will be having a special home game with Mt. Olive on Thursday, Jan. 28th at 5:30pm here in our gym. The concession stand will be open so come out and make it a fun family night. Mark the date on your calendar. Join us for the fun and cheer on our JV boys as they compete.

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Special Invitation to all pre-schoolers through 2nd graders!

Pop over to Martin Luther Academy for the Extravaganza Fun Day on January 10 from 2-4pm. We'll have: a bounce house, face painting, Character visits (Elsa, Anna, Batman, Sleeping Beauty, Mickey, And Minnie), games, and more!



Calling all 3rd - 8th Graders and parents. We would like to invite you to be part of this fun day by hosting a game of your choice with your family, for the younger kids to play at the Extravaganza (i.e. ring toss, penny toss, bowling, etc.). If you need help planning one, Lisa Martens can assist you. If you'd rather volunteer to help with various jobs that day, please contact Lisa Martens. [\(816-734-1060\)](tel:816-734-1060) A signup genius will be emailed this week.

Other News

Spelling Bee Results



Congratulations to our spellers for their fine efforts at our MLA School Spelling Bee on December 18. All participants did a great job. Special congratulations go to our champions: Alex Kroenke (1st Place), Austin Kenyon (2nd Place), and Alexis Chancellor (3rd Place). I was very impressed with the attitude and sportsmanship of our spellers as they congratulated and consoled one another.—Mrs. Blouch



You will soon be given a door code that will work for before or after school care, from 7:00 am—7:45 am, and from 3:15 pm—5:30 pm. More information will follow after final details have been worked out.

Report cards were sent home this week. If you have questions concerning your child's progress, please contact his/her teacher.

Auction News

Michelle Meiers was the lucky winner of our auction donation contest last month! She got to choose a \$25 scrip card from the school office. We are offering an opportunity to win a \$50 scrip card for donations brought in during the month of January—which card would you choose if you win?

In other news, there is now an event page for the auction featured on the MLA facebook page. It includes information about the auction as well as a link to the eventbrite site to buy tickets. We will be posting updates from now until the auction, so please like the event and share it with your friends that you think might be interested.

We will have our January meeting at 6:30 pm in the school lobby on Thursday, January 14. We'll be assembling the invitations and need your help to make the job go quickly. As a reminder, all children with parents in attendance will receive a sweet treat at school the next day. You may also bring your children to the meeting if you need to- there will be snacks and drinks provided.