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The Purple Note

March 12, 2021

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UPCOMING EVENTS

15th Professional Development NO SCHOOL

18th Luther Academy of Music (LAM) Recital Shepherd of the Valley Lutheran Church 6:30

19th End of the 3rd quarter.**1:00** early dismissal. NO AFTER SCHOOL ABC CARE

APRIL 17th MAYFEST (See information below)



THIS WEEK'S PRAYER FAMILIES

This week we remember the families of Chanda Stelter, Oliver B., Anja B. and Alyssa P. If you know of a family you would like us to include in our prayers, please let the office know.

Chapel will be led by Pastor Tom Marcis Wednesday, March 17th at 8:30 am. Chapel services will be live-streamed on the Martin Luther Facebook page . (Please note it is NOT the Martin Luther 2020-2021 group)

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Recital Time!

Luther Academy of music students have been practicing and are eager to perform for an audience once again! We have set **Thursday**, **March 18th at 6:30** for our first recital of 2021!

This is for those taking piano, instrumental and/ or Suzuki strings lessons

This will take place at Shepherd of the Valley



Lutheran Church 801 East Denver Avenue.

There will be adequate room for families to social distance. We will also be sensitive to any concerns that may arise with COVID in the next few weeks and take any necessary measures needed into consideration.

Quarter Wars!

It was a "negative" year this time around! The quarters must have been plentiful!

And here are the results:

BOYS GIRLS

PreK-1st Grade

-6302 <u>-4443</u>

2nd-5th grade <u>-6432</u> -9710

HOWEVER..Since the points were relatively close year, and the support was AMAZING, we are planning to treat ALL the classes to a pizza party, but we'll have a little something for the winning classes.

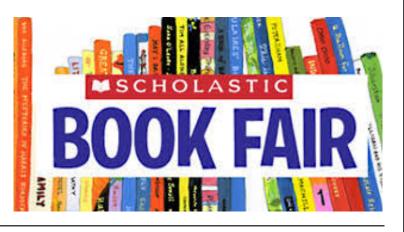
We will announce the dollar totals next week. What great way to support Lutheran missionaries in Thailand and also help with Adopt-a-Block here in Bismarck!

The winning teams will be entitled to a delicious pizza lunch!

Thank you!

Many thanks to all who attended our bookfair and open house!

Thank you, advanced math class and Mrs. Nistler for helping to man this event!



Our chapel offerings and Hat Day dollars collected during the 3rd quarter will assist Adopt-a-Block!

"And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.' " Matthew 25:40





Adopt-a-Block Food Distribution

As part of The Banquet's affiliation with the Dream Center Network we introduced the Adopt-a-Block program. The Dream Center Adopt-a-Block Food Distribution Truck visits 6 locations each week distributing grocery product to those in need. You will be asked to fill out a short intake form at the Adopt-a-Block truck location-it's easy!

Money Saved On Groceries

Means More For Life's Other Necessities.

Help for Today & Hope for Tomorrow



Monday 4:30-6pm

South Central High School

East Parking Lot

406 S. Anderson St. Bismarck

Wednesday 4:30-6pm

Jeannette Myhre School

East Parking Lot

919 S. 12th St. Bismarck

Friday 4:30-6pm

Tatley Place (Just South of Tatley Meadows)

Corner of West London Ave. & Manchester Street Bismarck

A Community Meal

Tuesday 4:30-6pm

Lewis & Clark School

South Side of School

600 14th St. NW Mandan

Thursday 4:30-6pm

New Song Church

Parking Lot

3200 N. 11th St. (Behind Menards)

Saturday 3-5pm

River of Hope Church

Parking Lot

1996 43rd Ave. NE Bismarck

For information contact Jim Barnhardt at 701-955-2150 or e-mail jimbarnhardt@msn.com

Thank You to Our Partners:

Bismarck Emergency Food Pantry River of Hope Church Jack's Food Pantry Martin Luther School's Martin Luther School's Spring Fundraising Event Spring Fundraising Event Tickets \$40 per person

4-8pm

Join Usfor 🐧

Burleigh County 4-H Building 3715 E Bismarck Expressway Social Hour 4-5 pm Check out the Photo Booth & Luther Lion Gear Welcome & Dinner 5-6:30 Live Auction 6:30-7:30 Backwards Bidding 7:30-7:45 Paddle Game 7:45-8 Closing Prayer 8 pm

Online Silent Auction/Live Auction Preview April 10-16

https://www.charityauctionstoday. com/auctions/Mayfest-21980

> Successful bidders will pick up items at 4H Building after 8pm April 17

Mayfest '21"

Mayfest is Martin Luther School's annual spring fundraising event. We raise money to help keep tuition at a reasonable rate, update computer labs, and enhance the classrooms for students and teachers.

The items we use for the Silent and Live Auction are donated by businesses in the community, benefactors, and parents.

We ask you to supply at least one item per family which can be used on either auction. Silent auction items have a value of \$25-\$200. Live auction items are valued at over \$200. From past experience clothing, full size quilts and jewelry don't sell.

This fun filled evening is for adults and students who are in fifth grade or older.

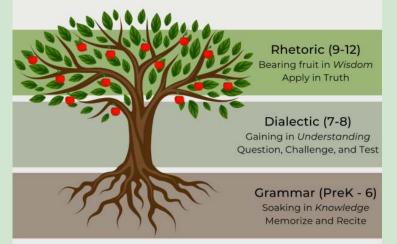
Enclosed in this packet is the Donation Sheet for both silent and live auction items. Check the school website for the list of businesses who have been contacted.

Each classroom will prepare a special Classroom Basket of the Live Auction. Students are asked to bring \$5 to be used toward their classroom creation.



On the Classical Education Front

Classical education is having a rebirth



across our nation and even within our state. Our teachers have the opportunity to observe a school in Minot that is in its fourth year of implementing the

classical model.

We **were thrilled** to have this opportunity to observe a classical school to help us be the very best we can be as we continue in the transition to classical education.

Those of our staff who attended could see the effectiveness of this method of eduation. We are planning to update our **science** curriculum, but were persuaded to change over to the **reading methods** typically used in the classical method as well.

We will spend some time during our professional development day this Monday to examine how we can move forward with this transition for the upcoming school year.

For more information on classical education, take a look at the updated information on our website under "About Us."

www.lutherschools.org

Musical? Did you say musical?

Grades 3-5 are making plans for "Encore 2" a collaboration of favorites from some of the musicals that we ENCORE!

have done over our 26 years! This was in the works for last year, but COVID put a stop to that.

The date is set for APRIL 8th and possibly the addition

of the 9th. The plan is to have an actual audience for this event, and we'll have to see how seating capacity might be impacted at that date.

Grades K-2 are also planning a musical. The date for this is April 15th. Get ready for the a stirring rendition of "Stone Soup" to come your way!

We can't tell you how excited we are to be on stage once again and to have you in our audience!

Chapel Services



The Martin Luther Chapel services will be live streamed on the **Martin Luther Facebook Page.** This is a change from the Martin Luther School 2020-2021 group. This will allow more people the opportunity to worship with us. We know that there are

grandparents, family members, and other MLS supporters who appreciate seeing the services and hearing any special music that the students provide.

Watch for chapel every Wednesday at 8:30 AM!



Lunches are still at NO COST TO OUR STUDENTS!!

We are LOVING the good eats that our cook, Miss Beverly, has created for us! From the office and kitchen staff, we apologize for any menu changes that have taken place as we have gotten started. We will try to announce those changes earlier to allow you time to make any arrangements as you see fit. We sometimes need to make substitutions as we navigate through this new program with the "Summer Lunch Program" which allows us to provide these meal at no cost to you.

RECENT CDC QUARANTINE CHANGES

Public health experts locally and at the national level are always analyzing data and making changes as new information becomes available. As a result, the CDC issued new guidance reducing the number of days close contacts will need to quarantine following an exposure to a COVID-positive individual.

- The new guidelines allow close contacts of those infected to reduce their quarantine period from 14 days to 10 days.
- If the close contact receives a negative result from a COVID test, they can reduce their quarantine to seven days.
- Residents at long-term care facilities and other congregate living settings are exempt from the new guidance and should continue to quarantine for the full 14 days.
- "Individuals will be able to end their quarantine after seven days if they receive a negative COVID-19 diagnostic test, are symptom free and wear a face covering or after 10 days without being tested," explained Howell.
- To test out of quarantine, a person can either do a PCR test or a rapid antigen test. The earliest a test should be done is 48 hours before being released from quarantine. Individuals must continue to quarantine while awaiting test results.
- Individuals should continue to monitor their symptoms and wear a face covering for the full 14 days.
- The NDDoH will be working to update the website and factsheets with the new information. For more information on COVID-19, visit <u>health.nd.gov/coronavirus.</u>
- <u>Click here for a printable version on the new guidelines</u>

Pick Up During the School Day and Office Access

One of the hardest adjustments for us to make at MLS **AND** the hardest restriction to have to enforce is to limit parent access to the building. We've always appreciated the opportunity to visit with our parents and grandparents at drop off and pick up time. We appreciate your understanding when we work to reinforce new procedures to help keep all of us healthy and in school.

Just as a reminder for our K-6 grade guardians/parents.

- Parents are to drop off their student at the south door and not enter the building.
- If you need to contact Julie or Mrs. Wolfgram in the office, call the office (224-9070) and we will arrange to let you in and meet with you.
- In the case that you are in the building, we ask that you wear a

- mask.
- If you need to pick up your child early or for an appointment during the school day, contact the school when you have arrived, and we will escort your child to the front door to meet you.
- Please note that the NORTH door is for Zion Lutheran Church activity only. Martin Luther families are to use the SOUTH and WEST doors only, NOT THE NORTH DOOR.

If you need to visit in person with Julie, our office manager, call her at 224-9070, and she will arrange a time for you to meet with her.

IMPORTANT INFO----SNOW DAYS!?!?!

We've already had our first bit of cool weather, and soon we'll be seeing snow in the forecast. To be informed about any cancellations due to weather, we will be using the "Remind" program and will contact parents via text.

To be included in the system, enter this number: (Like the phone number to whom you are texting) **81010** Text the message: @mrsdwolfg

If you do not text, simply send an email to the following address:

mrsdwolfg@mail.remind.com.

Thank you for participating We don't want to leave anyone out in the cold! (No pun intended. It just happened.)