

“Tiger Tidings”



A Special Season Is Here!

Last Wednesday we observed Ash Wednesday which marked the beginning of the Lenten Season. According to one collegiate dictionary, Lent is a season observed by Christians. It lasts forty days and is characterized by penitence and self-denial. I believe it involves much more than that and I expect many of you knowledgeable in matters of the church year would agree. We will develop our understanding of Lent over the next few weeks. An excellent way to grow in this understanding and more importantly, to worship our Lord as a family in a special way is to attend the Wednesday evening Lenten services at 7:00 pm. in our gymnasium. The theme for these services will be “Mark of the Disciples”. The first of these is this evening and they will continue through Wednesday, March 24th. You are also invited to join others in a soup supper each week beginning at 6:00 pm. You and your family can eat together and then worship together. Plan to grow this Lenten Season. God will make it happen.

J. Riedl

The preacher’s 5 year-old daughter noticed that her father always paused and bowed his head for a moment before starting his sermon. One day, she asked him why. “Well, Honey,” he began, proud that his daughter was so observant of his messages. “I’m asking the Lord to help me preach a good sermon.” “How come He doesn’t answer it?” she asked.

With Our Students

Student Greeter Schedule for March

- March 1st - 5th . . . Chloe Trosino and Quiandra Watson (fourth grade)
- March 8th - 12th . . . DaNaya Mayes-Barnes and Amanda Smith (seventh grade)
- March 15th - 19th. . Sara Hearing and Jennifer Cruz-Rodriguez (fourth grade)

Haiti Appeal Results

Mrs. White's class did a fantastic job in their Haiti Appeal. Between their Talent Show Saturday and the Coin bottle at the school entrance they generated \$838 for the Haiti survivors. Great job, kids! Thanks to Mrs. White for her support and direction.

Achievement Tests Continue

Grades 3 - 8 continue to work on the Metropolitan Achievement Tests during the morning hours this week. Most classes will complete the battery of subtests by the end of the morning Thursday. A couple of the classes will need Friday morning to finish. Any absent students will need to make up missed tests during the coming week. We hope to mail all answer documents by next Friday so that results will be available for the spring Parent/Teacher Conferences.

LADY TIGERS LOSE IN THE FIRST ROUND OF THE PLAYOFFS

Trinity lost to a hot shooting team from Oregon Episcopal School 18-36. The Tigers dug a big hole early and were down by 15 at the end of first quarter. After that the teams played pretty even for 3 quarters. Trinity played hard on defense and tried to come back for the remainder of the game. Analese had 5 steals and 4 points for the Tigers. Dae Dae had 11 rebounds and 7 points. Mariah had 3 assists. Rachel grabbed 9 rebounds and DaNaya added 4 points. LaNaya, Lizzy and Valerie played some tough defense for the Tigers. Bailey and Emma played all out to the end. The team really played hard all season long and had some fun along the way too. Great season girls! Thanks for your hard work: Rachel Gray, Azaria Coakley, DaNaya Mayes-Barnes, Tiana Steverson-Pugh, LaNaya Smith, Mariah Olson, Maria Canche-Chavez, Analese Steverson-Pugh, Valerie Wille, Lizzy Evans, Emma Weaver, Dae Dae Johnson and Bailey Whitehurst.

Kids - You gotta love 'em!

- It was the end of the day when I parked my police van in front of the station. As I gathered my equipment, my K-9 partner, Jake, was barking, and I saw a little boy staring in at me. "Is that a dog you got back there?" he asked. "It sure is," I replied puzzled. The boy looked at me and then towards the back of the van. Finally he said, "What'd he do?"

- TEACHER: Harold, what do you call a person who keeps on talking when people are no longer interested?
HAROLD: A teacher.

- TEACHER: George Washington not only chopped down his father's cherry tree, but also admitted it. Now, Louie, do you know why his father didn't punish him?
LOUIE: Because George still had the ax in his hand?

- TEACHER: John, why are you doing your multiplication tables on the floor?
JOHN: You told me to do it without using tables.

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From Our Admissions Director: Mary H. Schuldheisz

Open enrollment begins March 1! I will be following up with families who have not yet reenrolled for the 2010/2011 School year the first part of March.

Did you know that word of mouth advertising accounts for approximately 80% of the average product's sales???? If you have any friends, family members, neighbors, etc. who would benefit from being a student at Trinity Lutheran School feel free to give me their contact information. The Finder's Fee is worth one month off your tuition for the 2010/2011 School year!

Students in Grades 5-8 will be able to participate in The Battle of the Books. We will be competing against Portland Lutheran, Pilgrim Lutheran and Forest Hills Lutheran School in late May. I am still waiting to hear from two teachers from the other participating schools with their book choices so I can publish the reading list and your student can get started reading. Trinity will be hosting this year's Battle of the Books on May 27, 2010.

During the month of March I will be starting to get involved in some of the business associations that exist within a 5 mile radius of Trinity Lutheran School to strengthen our network and name recognition. Trinity Lutheran School will also be serving as one of the sponsors for Sunday Parkways on May 18, 2010. Sunday Parkways is a bicycling event that the City of Portland – Transportation Dept. has successfully developed and implemented. I will share more details of what Trinity will be doing as we get closer to the event date.

The new web site for Trinity Lutheran School should be up and running by the end of this week!

National Lutheran Schools Week - March 7th - 13th

We have some special things planned at Trinity for the annual celebration of National Lutheran Schools Week.

- It will actually begin two days prior to Sunday when our Jr. Choir will sing for Concordia University's Chapel at St. Michael's Lutheran Church Friday the 5th.
- On Sunday, March 7th the Celebration Choir will sing here at Trinity for the 11:15 a.m. service.
- During the week, our classes will be working on banners that will be displayed in the Sanctuary the following Sunday as the celebration week comes to a close.
- At morning devotions in classrooms, each class will pray for a different Lutheran school each day, thus calling upon the Lord to watch over and bless 43 specific schools in the course of National Lutheran Schools Week.
- Grandparents/Special Friends Day will be celebrated Wednesday, March 10th. Any grandparents or special friends that would like to eat a hot lunch with your special student should be sure to make reservations prior to the day. We cannot take reservations the day of the event due to our new cafeteria program. You can sign up by filling out a reservation slip, or calling the office.
- Students will enjoy a movie in the gym near the end of the week, and a special treat will be enjoyed by all.

It will be a great week as we celebrate TLS and give thanks to God for the blessings of Christian education He has given us through the years.

Age isn't always a factor in your success or failure.

Consider these famous examples:

- Actor George Burns won his first Oscar at age 80.
- Golda Meir was 71 when she became prime minister of Israel.
- At age 96, playwright George Bernard Shaw broke his leg when he fell out of a tree he was trimming in his backyard.
- Painter Grandma Moses didn't start painting until she was 80 years old. She completed more than 1,500 paintings after that; 25 percent of those were produced when she was past 100.
- Michelangelo was 71 when he painted the Sistine Chapel.
- Physician and humanitarian Albert Schweitzer was still performing operations in his African hospital at 89.
- Doc Counsilman, at 58, became the oldest person ever to swim the English Channel.
- S. I. Hayakawa retired as president of San Francisco State University at 70, and then was elected to the U.S. Senate.
- Casey Stengel didn't retire from managing the New York Mets until he was 75.
