

SMOKE SIGNALS



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"Be joyful always; pray continually; give thanks in all circumstances." 1 Thess 5:16-18a

UPCOMING DATES

Mar 3-5.....Girls Basketball Tournament in Lodi
Good Luck Lady Braves!!

Mar 5-11.....Lutheran Schools Week
See separate insert for additional information and special dress days

Mar 10-12... Roundball Tournament
Go Braves!!

Mar 11.....Cheerleader Competition 7pm

Mar 13.....NO SCHOOL -- Teacher In-Service Day

Mar 31.....End of 3rd Quarter -- Noon Dismissal
Grandparent Day

Apr 3.....NO SCHOOL -- Teacher In-Service Day

Apr 8.....PSC Auction

Apr 14.....Good Friday -- Noon Dismissal
No afternoon Kidz Klub

Apr 17-21....NO SCHOOL -- Easter Holiday

Apr 17-22... 7th/8th graders to Washington DC

Apr 26-.....IOWA Testing grades 1-8
May 4

PRINCIPAL'S CORNER

Mr. Mike Mancini

Just a Quick Note!

Since we sent out a newsletter earlier this month I thought I would just give you a couple of updates on construction, enrollment, and happenings at RLS. All the sidewalks have been poured and the Baptist Church side of the campus can once again use Hudson as their walking route. We also have the entrance and exit driveways open again. Since everything is running smoothly we will continue to observe our pick-up and drop-off zones. The second floor of the new facility should be completed in the next few weeks and then the interior work will begin.

Enrollment continues to grow and we have already received 14 registrations for Kindergarten with six openings left. I also have many meetings set up with prospective families for the upcoming year. Please make sure to re-enroll as soon as possible so can save your seat in the NEW BUILDING!

March is a very exciting time at RLS. We begin the week with our girls' basketball team traveling to Lodi for their annual tournament that first weekend. Then we, as a school, celebrate Lutheran Schools Week. That weekend is our annual Roundball Basketball Tournament. Volunteers are needed for many areas.

Thank you for making Redeemer such a special place. I thank our great God each day for allowing me to serve Him and all of you in such a loving community! **PRAISE GOD!**

YEARBOOK PICTURES

If you have pictures of RLS activities -- sports, field trips, classroom activities, etc. -- please consider sharing them! I need pictures to use in the yearbook. The last day I can accept pictures for use is Friday, March 3. After that, I will have begun the process of putting the book together. 35mm or digital photos may be used. Please put digital photos on a CD or flash drive. Thanks for your assistance!! ~Mrs. Olsen



REDEEMER LUTHERAN CHURCH

"The mission of Redeemer Ministries is to lead people into a growing relationship with Jesus and the community of faith, offering them hope, help and healing in His name."

REDEEMER SUNDAY WORSHIP

Band-Led Worship - 8:30 a.m.
Organ-Led Worship - 10:00 a.m.

High School Youth Group

Sundays @ 5:30 p.m.



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REGISTRATION FOR 06-07

\$300/each for returning students until March 1

\$350/each for all students after March 1

Registration fees increase beginning March 1! Turn in your application and registration fee ASAP! Help us to plan for next year by turning in your enrollment information on time.

We still have openings in our kindergarten class. Spread the word! You could earn a \$400 tuition credit if a new family references your name on their application. Please call the office for details or if you have any questions.

SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

RLEAF - Redeemer Lutheran Education Assistance Fund. Aid is based on income. This program is funded by your generous donations and donations by members of Redeemer Church. To apply, pick up your application in the school office. Applications are due back May 1. If you have received RLEAF in the past, you must reapply every year.

BASIC FUND - offers scholarships to students entering K through 8th grades. Grant amounts are based on household size and income and are awarded on a lottery system. Maximum scholarship is \$1500/child annually. Applications are available in the school office and must be postmarked by April 14, 2006. For more information, go to www.basicfund.org.

IOWA TESTING

Redeemer will be administering our standardized tests to all students in grades 1-8 beginning April 26 through May 4, 2006. Please avoid scheduling any appointments during the morning hours on these days. Please do not plan any family trips during these two weeks as it is very difficult for students to make up missed tests. Thank you for your cooperation.

LENTEN WORSHIP AT REDEEMER

The Lenten season begins on Ash Wednesday, March 1, 2006. Redeemer Church will have special worship services each Wednesday evening at 7:00 p.m. throughout the season. Each worship service is preceded by a soup supper in Fellowship Hall beginning at 6:00 p.m.

Ash Wednesday, March 1
7:00 a.m. & 7:00 p.m. Worship
6:00 p.m. Soup Supper

Wednesdays, March 8, 15, 22, 29, April 5
6:00 p.m. Soup Supper
7:00 p.m. Worship

ROUNDBALL TOURNAMENT HELP NEEDED!

Redeemer's annual Roundball Tournament will begin on Friday, March 10 at the Redwood City Rec Center and continue on Saturday and Sunday, March 11-12 at Woodside High School.

*We need MANY volunteers
to make this a successful event!*

The PSC sponsors a concession stand at Woodside High School on Saturday and Sunday. We also need to provide door monitors at the Woodside gyms all day Saturday and Sunday. This is a very fun way to earn weekend mandatory hours. The perfect opportunity for parents who work full-time during the week.

Please call Susie Madsen to volunteer at 679-9336 or e-mail her at srmadsen@stanford.edu.



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LUTHERAN SCHOOLS WEEK

March 5-11, 2006

Each year we celebrate LSW the first full week in March. The theme again this year is "*Lutheran Schools - A Great Place to Grow.*" We have an exciting week of special activities planned.

MONDAY, MARCH 6 - OPENING DAY FLAG CEREMONY. We'll have an all-school flag ceremony and singing at 9:00 a.m.

MONDAY, MARCH 6 - CRAZY HAT/CRAZY HAIR DAY: Students may wear their hair styled in a crazy fashion and/or wear a wacky or fun hat. *Students must wear their school uniform.*

TUESDAY, MARCH 7 – SPORTS DAY: Students may dress up in their favorite sports uniform or as their favorite sports star. We look forward to seeing a campus full of baseball players, soccer stars, cheerleaders, ballerinas and more! Please do not bring any sports equipment, spikes, etc.! If wearing just a team jersey or t uniform bottoms must be worn. *Students not wishing to dress in sports apparel must wear their school uniform.*

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8 - RED & WHITE DAY / PEP RALLY: Let's show our school spirit by dressing in our school colors - Red & White! NO HAIR PAINT OR FACE PAINT IS ALLOWED. *Students not wishing to dress in red & white must wear their school uniform.* We'll also enjoy a pep rally led by our cheerleaders in the afternoon as we wish our boys varsity basketball team good luck.

THURSDAY, MARCH 9 - 50's DAY: Students may dress in attire from the 1950's to remember the founding of RLS in 1957. *Students not wishing to dress in 50's attire must wear their school uniform.*

FRIDAY, MARCH 10 - PAJAMA DAY: Students may wear pajamas to school. Please note, this is NOT "*what I wear to bed day!*" Students may not wear sweats, t-shirts, etc. Only real pajamas or nightgowns (appropriate for public wear) are allowed. *Students not wishing to dress in jammies must wear their school uniform.*

FRIDAY, MARCH 10 - REDEEMER ROUND BALL FESTIVAL begins at the Red Morton Rec Center. The time of our first game will be posted on Mrs. Olsen's window and also sent out in the RLSNEWS e-mail once it is scheduled. Come and cheer on our Braves!

Regretfully, there is no Roundball Dance this year.

SATURDAY & SUNDAY, MARCH 11 & 12 - ROUND BALL TOURNAMENT continues at Woodside High School. *GO BRAVES! (We need many helping hands at our concession stand... Please call Susie Madsen at 679-9336 to volunteer! Thank you)*

SATURDAY, MARCH 11 - CHEERLEADER COMPETITION will take place at Woodside High School at approximately 7:00 p.m. Be sure to come on down and cheer on our girls. Come early to get a good seat and wear your Redeemer Red!

SUNDAY, MARCH 12 - Prepare yourself for a packed house at RLC's worship services as we welcome families from all of our participating schools.

MONDAY, MARCH 13 - NO SCHOOL - Teacher In-service Day

*****Please note the following dress code requirements for special dress days:** no short shorts, no baggy, saggy or ripped pants, no halter tops, no spaghetti strap tops, no midriffs, no sandals or flip flops, no makeup or nail polish. All tops must be long enough to cover tummies. **Students dressed inappropriately will call home for a change of clothing.** Please use good judgment and keep attire modest and tasteful. Thank you for your support.

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**SPECIAL ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR FRIDAY, MARCH 10:**

1. No school for all 8th graders
2. No school for all varsity basketball players
3. Regular school day for all other students

Depending on the timing of our 1st game, the 6th & 7th graders may walk to Rec Center to watch our game.

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