



# Cougar Tracks



**Mission Statement:** St. John's Lutheran School provides quality Christ-centered education for the congregation and community to make and equip disciples of Jesus Christ.  
*Matthew 28:18-20*

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**Scripture Alone, Grace Alone, Faith Alone, Christ Alone**

March 14, 2018

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God.

**Ephesians 2:8**

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**BIRTHDAYS: Students-** 3/16- Makayla Liefer & Eve Schwartzkopf, 3/17- Kerrigan Zeiger, 3/19- Christine Liefer, 3/21- Addison Salger... **Staff Birthdays-** 3/17- Patty Brewer

**LUNCH:**

- Thur. March 15- Cheeseburger noodles, peas, fruit and tater tots and milk
  - Fri. March 16- Pizza, green beans, fruit, oreo dessert and milk
  - Mon. March 19- Grilled ham and cheese, green beans, fruit, cookie and milk
  - Tues. March 20- Sloppy joe on bun, French fries, fruit, corn and milk
  - Wed. March 21- Parmesan chicken, salad, fruit, garlic bread and milk
  - Thur. March 22- Biscuits and gravy, hash brown, yogurt/fruit, nutty bar and milk
  - Fri. March 23- Chicken soft taco, refried beans, cheese, apple crisp and milk
- \*\*USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.\*\*



**ACOLYTES:**

**Wed. March 14- 7pm-** Hannah Schoenbeck

**Sat. March-17- 5pm-** Katie Schneider

**Wed. March 21- 8:30am-** Melayna Crafton

**Wed. March 21- 7pm-** Madison Falkenhain

**Sat. March 24- 5pm-** Molly Ellner

**Sun. March 18- 8am-** Aubrey Piel

**Sun. March 18- 10:30am-** Isaac Moll

**Sun. March 25- 8am-** Abby Vallett

**Sun. March 25- 10:30am-** Michael Watters

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

- March 15- VB Regional RBL vs. St. Libory @ RBL , 5pm
- VB Regional Marissa vs. Coulterville @ RBL, 6pm
- VB Regional Championship game @ RBL, 7pm
- March 17- Dinner Auction, doors open @ 5pm...dinner @ 6pm
- March 18- Lions Club/Men's Club BBQ in school parking lot, 10:30am-?
- March 21- Early Dismissal, 1:18pm

- March 23- Class of 2019 Fish Fry, 4pm
- March 25- Road to Calvary, 7pm
- March 30- No School/Office Closed, Good Friday
- April 2- No School/Office Closed, Easter Monday
- April 6- Spring Musical/Book Fair,

**CHAPEL OFFERINGS:** Chapel offerings for the month of March will go to COSLHS. Total offerings for the week of March 7<sup>th</sup> were \$47.45.

**CELEBRATE:** Our Dinner Auction's 10th Anniversary is this weekend, March 17! You will not want to miss this celebration. Our goal is \$100,000, so please help us by attending and donating to our school's largest fundraiser. Tickets will be available up to the auction, but seating requests may not be able to be fulfilled once the seating chart is done. This is a great opportunity to meet other school families.

**\*\*Dimes for a Decade- Bring in your spare change the week of March 12-16. The class that brings the most will win a PIZZA party! Be sure to send in any type of change or even dollar bills with your children so they can help their class win! Let's help make our goal of \$100,000 for dinner auction.**

\*\* The dinner auction has helped support our school in so many ways. The building we use each and every day is in part the fruits of the labor of this committee and the people who so generously have supported the auction. We would not have the rooms we now occupy, the new gym, the extra bleachers, the music room, science lab, offices, new library and all the furnishings that are included! The dinner auction has helped support and improved the educational facility we use each and every day. Our playground that the students enjoy every day was a result of this money. Please support our PTL through this wonderful evening of fellowship as we work together for our children. God has blessed us and we pray for His continued blessings. Possible plans for the dinner auction proceeds from this year are 4 additional basketball goals in the new gym, score board for baseball and softball fields, building signs, water fountains in the gym, lighting in the old gym, ceiling repair in the old gym, continued maintenance for the playground (additional mulch) and to help reduce building/congregation debt.

**MATH A THON:** Books were sent home last week! Please return them to your teacher once complete along with your donations.

**BOOK FAIR:** If there is anyone interested in helping with spring book fair, please contact Janet Papenberg.

**RED BUD LIONS "SPRING FOR LIFE" BBQ:** The Red Bud Lions Club and Thrivent Financial is sponsoring a BBQ this Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup> from 10:30am-? in the school parking lot. All proceeds will benefit the Life Network of Southern Illinois. Pork steaks, brats, homemade potato salad, beans, slaw and desserts will be available.

**COSLHS SHAMROCK SHOOTOUT:** Christ Our Savior is having a NASP (National Archery in the Schools Program) style archery fun shoot on 3/17/18. Our archery team is hosting several other southern Illinois schools with NASP teams that day, but we are also opening it up to anyone 10 years through adults that might be interested in shooting that day. We will have many flights throughout the tournament and each flight is about an hour. All archers must use NASP equipment and we have that on hand to use. So this is a great opportunity to come and try archery without having your own equipment.

**SAVE THE DATE:** The class of 2019 will be hosting a fish fry on Friday, March 23, 2018 from 4:00-7:00pm. They will be serving fish, potato fries, baked beans, German potato salad, slaw, stewed tomatoes, applesauce dessert for \$10 a plate. Come support the Class of 2019!!

**TIME TO GET YOUR CARDINAL TICKETS!! SJL DAY AT BUSCH STADIUM IS COMING:** Our students have been asked to sing "God Bless America" at the beginning of the game. They will sing by home plate in front of the crowd. We have a limited number of tickets to sell, so hurry and get your tickets. The game will be Sunday, August 19, 2018. Cards vs Brewers at 1:15pm. Ticket prices are \$25. Each ticket includes a free hot dog and soda coupon. Game promotion includes a Dizzy Dean Watch. Send money to the school office and tickets will be delivered to you. Tickets will be on sale until they sell out or May 1<sup>st</sup>. **Sponsored by St. John's Lutheran School Class of 2020 and 2021.**

**KINDERGARTEN:** The Kindergarten classroom is in need of pill bottles, the plastic orange-colored ones, about 1 inch in diameter and around 2 inches tall. Thanks, Mrs. Schmitz

**EASTER EGG HIDING:** Wake up Easter morning to a lawn covered with Easter Eggs! Delta Theta Tau is offering their services again this year to hide Easter Eggs at your house. This is available for those with a 62278 zip code only! I have information sheets in the office if anyone is interested please let me know and I will get them sent home!!

**EMPOWER ILLINOIS:** Empower Illinois, a statewide Scholarship Granting Organization created to serve Illinois Children through the state's tax credit scholarship program. These Scholarship Granting Organizations connect Tax Credit scholarship donations to Illinois students whose education opportunities may be limited by household income.

**\*\*Applications will begin on Feb. 27 @ 7am. You must sign up to have your name on the list to be considered.**

**\*\*Families will need to submit an application to an SGO. (Proof of income and residency)(Birth certificate for Kindergarten or first grade)**

**\*\*Families are notified of their status.**

**\*\*Students begin enrollment process with the school.**

**\*\*Scholarship notifications are sent in February and will continue until funds are used.**

**\*\*Funds will be distributed to schools at the start of the 2018-2019 school year on a quarterly basis.**

**\*\*If a student decides to transfer schools mid-year, the scholarships will follow the students to a new school.**

Complete packets are available in the office.

**\*\*\*Please join Principal Matt Foster at *Christ Our Savior High School* Monday, February 26 between 3:15 p.m. and 7:00 for an open informational come and go meeting about the new Empower Illinois Scholarship; what it is and how to apply. This is a first-come, first-served scholarship that opens for applicants on Tuesday, Feb. 27. Learn how to reserve your spot in line for the scholarship as you gather your information to apply.**

Don't miss this opportunity to find out how your tuition costs could be completely covered by this new donor funded opportunity. The informational meeting is open to anyone interested in learning more about the Empower Illinois Scholarship and how it can open more doors for educational opportunities. This scholarship is open to families currently attending or interested in attending a private school

**PARENTS WHO PAY TUITION:** Any family wishing to apply for Scholarship money through the Lutheran Elementary School Association will use TADS this year. The online application process through TADS Tuition Aid & Assessment service ([mytads.com/fa/lesa](http://mytads.com/fa/lesa)) is open to our families, and April 1, 2018 is the deadline for applications that will be considered during the (initial) May awards process. Applications made after the April 1 date will be considered in the June awards process. More information is available in the office.

**UNDERAGE DRINKING:** Many Randolph County 8<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade students believe that adults in their neighborhood think it is acceptable for teens to drink alcohol. Show them their parents care about their future by supporting them in making healthy decisions. Let your teens see you take a stand against underage alcohol use. Flyers are being sent home with 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade students today.

**DONOR TILE WALL IN THE NEW GYM LOBBY:** There are 13 more spaces available in the Donor Tile Wall in the lobby of the new gym at school. Please call the school office (282-3873) if you would like to reserve a space in the next run of tiles. The cost is \$400.

**SCHOOL SECURITY:** The tragic school shooting in Florida last week reminds us of the importance of security in our own school building. The only public entrances during the school day are from the south parking lot through door #1 (school) and the west parking lot door #11 (daycare). You have to be buzzed in for access. Guests in the school must register at the receptionist's desk and receive a badge to have access to school. Thank you for abiding by these safety measures.

#### **COACHES NEEDED:**

St. John's Lutheran school is in need of coaches for next school year (2018-2019). The areas of need are softball, Cross Country, Track, and possibly Cheer leading.

-A softball coach will be needed from Aug 1 to about mid Sep. The only difficulty is that some games start at 4:15pm

-A cross country coach will be needed from Aug 1 to Mid Oct. This position also has meets that start early in the afternoon at either 3:30, 4:00, or 4:30 with some Saturday meets.

-A track coach will be needed from Mar 1 to mid May. This position has meets that occur during the day but there are only around four of them. If you are interested the current coaches are open to someone helping them this year which will help with a smooth transition.

-A cheer leading coach may be needed from Oct 1 to mid Jan. This position has games that occur at 5:30 or 6:00 pm. The cheer leading team has also cheered only at home games so the travel is not as much, but they are welcome to cheer at away games if the coach so desires.

**St. John's Lutheran 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Dinner Auction**  
Hecker Community Center, March 17, 2018

**A Celebration of Giving, Growth and Gratefulness**

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

Doors Open 5:00  
Silent Auction 5:00-8:30  
Dinner Served 6:00  
Live Auction 7:30

**Each ticket is \$35 and includes:** Dinner and dessert with unlimited refills on soft drinks, draft beer and specialty drink of the evening.

**NO TICKETS WILL BE DISTRIBUTED!** Once payment is made, your name will be placed on the attendance list.

**Please send your form and payment to:**

St. John's Lutheran School Attn: Dinner Auction  
808 South Main St  
Red Bud, IL 62278

This is our school's largest fundraiser and your support is greatly appreciated! We strongly recommend purchasing your tickets early so we can accommodate your seating requests! We want to **CELEBRATE** our 10<sup>th</sup> year by raising \$100,000!

**Purchase tickets and/or make a cash donation to help us reach our goal!**



**10 YEARS OF GIVING  
, GROWTH & GRATEFULNESS**

Return the below portion with payment.  
Each couple attending receives an auction book that must be prepared in advance.  
Please complete for all those you are purchasing tickets for.

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_

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I/WE would like to be seated with:

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Contact phone number:

\_\_\_\_\_

Number of tickets \_\_\_\_

Please accept our cash gift of \$ \_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_

If making a cash donation, please indicate if you would like a thank you via e-mail \_\_\_\_\_

All cash donors are recognized in the dinner auction program.

**All checks should be made to St. John's Lutheran PTL.**

# Celebrate

*10 years of giving,  
growth and gratefulness*

## ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN SCHOOL

2018 PTL DINNER AUCTION

### DONATION FORM

#### Contact Info

**Donor:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Contact Person (if other than above): \_\_\_\_\_  
Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Alternate Number: \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Item Description:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Offer a service or purchase a gift card or an item. Donate an experience or tickets to an event. Be creative! No donation is too small! Cash donations are always welcome also!**

Expiration Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Estimated Value: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Please Check One:

- Donation included
- I will send/deliver my donation to St. John's Lutheran School office by March 1st
- Please arrange to pick up my item
- I have enclosed a cash donation

In an effort to save on postage, please indicate below if you would like a thank you for your donation. If so, please circle if you would like it mailed or sent via e-mail.

- Yes, I would like a thank you for my donation via mail via e-mail
- No, a thank you is not necessary

#### What Size Ad? (Please Check One)

- Whole Page - \$110
- 1/4 Page - \$45
- Half Page - \$60
- Business Card Size - \$35

#### Ad Info

**Please include a business card, typeset ad, or a photo**

**Contact: Mike DeRousse (618) 282-3066**

- Return this form and your donation to
- Make checks payable to **St. John's Lutheran PTL**
- Questions? **Amber Piel (314)277-4422**
- Email: **fiveaps@gmail.com**

**St. John's Lutheran School  
Attn: Dinner Auction  
808 South Main Street  
Red Bud, IL. 62278**