



The Pit Stop



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...be thoroughly equipped for every good work. 2 Timothy 3:16-17

Ascension Day- One week from today we will commemorate Ascension Day – the day Jesus ascended into heaven! We will celebrate with joy and hope God’s promise that we will be with Him for eternity in heaven and that He has prepared a place for us. Our Savior Lutheran Church will have a special Ascension church service on Thursday, May 21st at 7:00pm. All are most welcome to attend.

OSLS Field Day is coming- May 29th is the day for our own annual OSLS Field Day! On this day all of our students – kindergarten through 8th grade participate in a day full of fun and challenging events. We need more volunteers to hold this event so sign up now to help. The rain date for this event is Friday, June 5th.

Field Day Permission Slip/ June Hot Lunch- Please note the attached permission slip for your child to walk to Alcova Park with his or her class on Field Day. This along with the sign up for lunch needs to be returned to us right away. Please also note the attached form includes the hot lunch choice for our one Friday in June.

ANNOUNCING!

Yearbook Orders- Don’t miss out on placing an order for your 2008-2009 OSLS yearbook. Our yearbook will be in stunning color this year! An order form is attached to this newsletter. Please return this form in with a check for \$12.00 made out to the school to reserve your yearbook. (Books will be passed out the last week of school) The yearbook is a great way to preserve your precious memories of the school year!

Chapel Offerings- Our chapel offerings for the remainder of the school year will go to Cole’s Closet. Cole’s Closet was created in 2002 by Ellen and Steve Tomczyk after they lost their six month old son to an undiagnosed disease. The time they spent in the hospital and with other families inspired them to create Cole’s Closet – a mission dedicated to reaching out to hospitalized children and their families. Through their Toy Program, Family Outreach, and Mighty Kids Comfort Program, Cole’s Closet is able to support families and relieve some of the stress involved with lengthy hospital stays. Please keep the efforts of Cole’s Closet in your prayers. For more information go to www.colescloset.org.

Middle School Midterm- Midterm reports were sent home yesterday, May 13th with middle schoolers. Parents please review these reports with your child and then have your child return a signed copy to school. Please join with us in encouraging all of our students to focus and finish strong!

Boxtops for Education- Fill in your Boxtop collection sheet and you will have contributed \$1.00 to the school. This may not sound like much but put all those dollars together and they really add up. Over \$1,000 has been raised this year just from those little Boxtops – thanks for your collecting. The turn in date for this collection sheet is **Friday, June 5th**.

PTL Meeting- Please mark on your calendar – this coming **Tuesday, May 19th** for the last PTL meeting of the school year. Plans for spending money raised will be finalized, review of this year’s activities will take place, forming a slate of officers for next year and looking ahead to next school year are all items on the agenda. We value you input and hope you can join us at 7:00pm in Fellowship Hall.

PTL Officers- Last call for volunteers- if you or someone you know would be interested in serving as a PTL officer for next year please make yourself known. A volunteer form can be found online or call the office and let us know before the meeting next Tuesday. Please feel free to contact any of the current officers if you have any questions about serving -President- Jason Sutton, Vice president – Kathie Clark, Secretary- Nancy Greenwood and Treasurer – Kelli Cortis.

Dinner Out Night- Plan now to go to *Johnny Rockets* in Shirlington on Thursday, May 28th for an evening of dining out with other OSLS families. Watch for flyers to come home closer to that date so that you can help bring a profit to the school just by enjoying dinner out!

Market Day- You will have just one more opportunity to order from Market Day this school year. The June order forms are attached with a deadline to return by Friday, May 29th or place an order online at www.marketday.com by Wednesday, June 3rd. The pick up date for this order is Tuesday, June 9th. Check out all the great grilling choices and with a \$35 purchase you will receive a free bottle of grilling sauce from Market Day!

Picturing America- Our downstairs art talk focused on Edward Hopper's *House by the Railroad*. The picture, an oil painting, gives us a sense of loneliness. The railroad track appears too close to the house and seems to replace a stream that others may have painted in a rural landscape. The noise and the speed commonly associated with the railroad are strangely lacking. The scene appears still and silent.

Upstairs students observed a photograph of *Mission Nuestra Senora de la Concepcion* which was built in 1755 as a Catholic mission in San Antonio, Texas. Not only did it serve to spread Christianity to the American Indians, but it was also one of six Spanish missions that provided a barrier against French expansion from the East in what is today the United States. The church was designed in the ornate 17th century Spanish Baroque style, but today the white plaster with colorfully painted designs has been weathered to bare stone.

Arlington County Fair- It's not too early to think about the Arlington County Fair coming up August 20-23. Once again this summer Our Savior Lutheran Church and School will have a booth at the Fair. This is a fantastic and fun outreach event that takes many hands to organize, staff and contribute to. If you are interested in being a part of this outreach opportunity, in whatever way your time and talents allow, please send your name, number and email address to Katie Voldal at kvoldal@yahoo.com before the end of the school year.

Arlington County Youth Track and Field Meet- On May 20th from 6:30-8:30pm at Greenbriar Track (Yorktown High School) the annual Hershey's Track and Field Meet sponsored by Arlington County Sports and Recreation Division will take place. This meet is open and free to all boys and girls ages 9-14 who are residents of Arlington County. You must register by May 14th. To register or get more information go to www.arlingtonva.us/departments/ParksRecreation/news/ParksRecreationNewsTrackMeet.aspx or call Jennifer Groner at 703-228-1809.

Timely Tuition- For all families paying tuition on a **10-month plan**, May's payment is your final tuition payment for this school year! If you are on the **12-month plan** for payments you have 3 payments remaining – one due on May 1, one on June 1 and the last one on July 1. On time payments are not only appreciated they are necessary for us to meet our responsibilities.

Enrollment Time- We are seeking to enroll more students for the 2009-2010 school year. There are openings in all of our classes at this time. Do let your friends and neighbors know about OSLS and urge them to give us a call or drop by for a tour. Please continue to keep our enrollment time in your prayers.

Tuition Assistance- Tuition assistance applications for the 2009-2010 school year will be mailed to all families that requested them by indicating so on the enrollment or reenrollment forms for next year. If you did not make a request but would like to receive an application please contact the school office. The deadline for applying is May 22nd. All information remains confidential. Completed forms should be returned to the school office in an envelope marked Tuition Assistance Committee.

Kauzlarich Endowment Scholarship- The youth of the parish are encouraged to take advantage of the Richard Kauzlarich, Jr., Special Talents Fund Scholarship to further their growth in Christ in the area of the fine arts (art, music, writing, etc.). This financial gift is given annually in memory of Rick Kauzlarich, who was a very artistically talented member of Our Savior Lutheran Church. It can be applied toward private lessons, study camps or educational assistance related to the fine arts. To be eligible for the gift, recipients must be under 22 years of age and involved in church or school activities. Application forms are available in the office, church narthex or online at www.osva.org. Completed applications should be returned to the office by May 24, 2009 if you have any questions contact Elizabeth Reed for more information.

Vacation Bible School Is Right Around The Corner! June 23-26 Classes for children ages 3 through completed 5th grade are being offered. Invite your friends and neighbors. Registration forms for the children are available on-line at www.osva.org. Just send them in to the office.

Benefit Wine Tasting from 6:30pm to 9pm this Saturday, May 16th. Join us for an evening of wine, cheese, appetizers, and desserts. Ticket prices are: \$35 per person for a tasting ticket or \$25 per person for a designated driver ticket, (ticket order form is available on the web site www.osva.org or just call the office 703-892-4846. Funds raised will go to Arlington Food Assistance Center (AFAC) and LWML Missions and Projects.

Mark Your Calendars-

May 19- PTL Meeting at 7:00pm

May 20- Grades 1,2,3 walk to the park

May 23-25- Memorial Day Weekend – no school Monday

May 28- Dinner Out Night at Johnny Rockets

May 29- OSLS Field Day (rain date June 5)

June 3- Early Release 2:00pm, Market Day orders due

June 3- Music Concert

Hot Lunch Helpers - Tomorrow (5/15) Andrew & Kebra Krol

Next Week (5/22) Val Payne/Jacky Hingleton

His mercies never
come to an end;



they are new
every morning

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