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◆ **Crusader Comments from the Principal**

On Feb. 13 all of the Lutheran North and Lutheran South girls' and boys' basketball teams came together for a day of healthy competition at the annual "Sem" games at Maryville University. It was an exciting day with all of the games going down to the wire to determine the winner. Cheerleaders, dance team, bands and choirs participated and, most importantly, were able to gather as friends and alumni.

I have had the pleasure of being part of this tradition for over 18 years and each year, no matter what the record of each team or the level of talent, it is always an exciting and close set of games. What is even more delightful is to see so many of our alumni return for an afternoon of fellowship.

This is also the time of the year when we return to the season of Lent. Lent is a season of repentance, of turning around and coming back to God. During Lent we have a chance to walk with Jesus to the cross. His suffering and death for us, and His resurrection, guarantee our own resurrection and life eternal with Him in heaven.

Now is it ironic that our annual "Sem" games seem to fall very closely to the beginning of Lent each year? Probably not, but it does remind us that because we have Lutheran North and Lutheran South our students have the opportunity to grow in their faith walk each and every day. Because of the support and care of our parents and our alumni we have the opportunity to hear God's Word on a daily basis. I am so thankful for these opportunities and for the support of all of our students, parents, and alumni.

It is my prayer as we now enter the Lenten season that we all examine ourselves and revisit that journey that our Lord and Savior made to the cross for the sins of the world. What a hope and what an opportunity we all have as Christians!

**Crusader Band in Concert and on Tour** – LHN soloists and ensembles will present a Chamber Music Concert on Sunday, Feb. 28 at 2:00. Then, following a four-day tour to the Chicago area, the Crusader Band will give their Tour Concert at Lutheran North at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, Mar. 23. The public is invited to both of these concerts. No admission is charged.

**Lutheran North/South Day at Busch Stadium** – Thursday, Apr. 15 is the date. The Cardinals play the Astros at 12:40 p.m. Following, the LHN Crusaders will play the Lutheran South Lancers in a complete, league game. Lutheran North will have an early dismissal on that day and students and families are encouraged to purchase tickets and attend the game. Tickets will be available soon in the LHN office. Watch for further information!

## ◆ Crusader Music Awards

Crusaders performed very well at the ABC League Festival. Soloists receiving Honor I ratings were **Hailey Shoemaker** (violin), **Meagan Schmidt** (violin), **Nathan Wesche** (bass clarinet), **Hannah Pauluhn** (baritone sax), **Casey Schroeder** (vocal), **Jamie Holman** (vocal), and **Chanae Parker** (vocal). **Nathan Wesche** also received a plaque for “Outstanding Soloist.” The following students received an Honor I rating on their ensemble: **Hannah Snyder, Morgan Meyer, Duane Johnson,** and **Robert Odneal** (clarinet quartet), and **Nathan Wesche, Alex Langella, Nick Holmes,** and **Hannah Pauluhn** (sax quartet).

The following soloists received an Honor II rating: **Tonisha Robinson** (alto sax), **Janae Hayes** (clarinet), and **Robert Odneal** (clarinet). Ensembles receiving an Honor II rating were **Sharie Moen, Lizzie Hanson,** and **Katie Hussey** (flute), **Brendan Mark, Louis Cross,** and **Andrew Scherer** (brass), **Tyron Allen, Chris Solomon,** and **Terrance Mabry** (sax), **Travis Kersten, Adam Prahlow,** and **Sam Gahr** (trumpet), **Annie Truetken, David Hamberg, Natalie Kost,** and **Nick Lentes** (clarinet), **Alison Krause, Megan Jenkins, Jelissa Gibbs,** and **Jenae Hayes** (clarinet), and **Devon Haynes, Gabby Herod, Joi Robinson, Robert Lewis,** and **Jalisa Mitchell** (percussion).

## ◆ Athletic Accolades

**Skippy Keefer Award** – Lutheran North is fortunate to have 2 excellent candidates for the Skippy Keefer Award. This award recognizes high school senior women who have participated in at least 2 sports all 4 years of high school and exemplify the sportsmanship motto set out by Skippy. The young ladies who qualified for this award this year are **Jaymi Davis** and **Krista Wilson**. Both have met the playing requirement and have continually displayed good sportsmanship, not only to their teammates but also to members of opposing teams. These fine young athletes were recognized at a banquet on Feb. 10 at Forest Hills Country Club. Combined, the girls have played volleyball, basketball, track, soccer, softball, and cheerleading. Congratulations to them and to their parents.

**Football Signee** – Lutheran North football and track standout **Martin Hill** has signed a National Letter of Intent to play football and run track at Northwest Missouri State University. As a member of the Crusader football team, Martin carried the ball 154 times for 1,022 yards rushing and 13 touchdowns. On defense, the senior defensive back accumulated a total of 30 tackles. In track, he took seventh in the Missouri Class 3 110 meter hurdles with a time of 15.11.

Martin is headed to Northwest Missouri State University, which won the NCAA-II National Football Championship with a 30-23 win over Grand Valley State on Dec. 12.

Pictured with Martin are his parents, Marilyn and Michael, Mr. Russell (AD), Mrs. Bureson (Dir. of Guidance), and Coach Fehrs.



## ◆ Crusaders will take the Plunge!

Student Council recently sponsored a contest to support Missouri Special Olympics and send representatives to the Polar Bear Plunge at Creve Coeur Lake. Plunging into the cold water will begin at 2:00 on Feb. 27. After 3 weeks of fundraising, Crusaders donated over \$220, beating last year's mark, and StuCo will round out the donation to \$350. Since the senior class contributed the most (\$126), the following volunteers from the senior class, along with Mr. Lorenz, will participate in the Plunge: **Sharie Moen, Michelle Johnson, Troya Valdespino, Mariah Evans, Nathan Wesche,** and **Anthony Noble**. Spectators lending warm encouragement are welcome!

## ◆ Faith in Action

It's that time again – for the ever so famous and always fun – Faith in Action Day. Lutheran North will take a break from academic studies on Mar. 8 and turn its focus on serving the greater community. This is a required day of school that all students and teachers will participate in. A permission form was sent home with students Feb. 24 and needs to be returned by Mar. 5.

Students will be transported to various sites throughout the area. They will be doing everything from painting houses for the mentally ill to making Leprechaun traps with students at the YMCA Head Start program. With a message based on serving fresh on their minds, small groups will depart school at 8:30 and return around 12:30. They will be served lunch at a cost of \$3. Students will then attend a closing worship service and be dismissed at 1:30 p.m. We ask that you make arrangements for your son or daughter to be picked up at that time.

## ◆ Fiddler on the Roof

Lutheran North will present “Fiddler on the Roof” April 22, 23, and 24 at 7:00 p.m. in the gymnasium. In the little village of Anatevka, Tevye (Nathan Wesche), a poor dairyman, tries to instill in his five daughters the traditions of his tight-knit, Jewish community in the face of changing social mores and the growing anti-Semitism of Czarist Russia.

A cast of 27 will present this story rich in historical and ethnic detail. “Fiddler on the Roof” has touched audiences around the world with its humor, warmth and honesty. Its universal theme of tradition cuts across barriers of race, class, nationality and religion, leaving audiences crying tears of laughter, joy and sadness. Come and enjoy!

## ◆ Registration / Financial Aid

Registration for the 2010-2011 school year is now underway. Each class has had the opportunity to turn in registration materials for next year at one of the registration nights. **If you have not registered, please do so as soon as possible. Registration may be completed online** by going to [www.lhsn.org](http://www.lhsn.org) and clicking on the link at the bottom right corner of the page. Please notify Mr. Brackman if you have questions or if you do not plan to return to LHN next year.

Registering for next school year requires returning four items: your updated contact/demographic sheet, the course selection form (issued to student), tuition payment preference sheet, and the registration fee of \$250 (payable to “Lutheran North”). Registrations for returning students will incur a **late fee of \$25 if submitted after Apr. 15**. Incoming freshmen pay a \$100 application fee and a \$150 registration fee upon acceptance.

Financial aid applications (FACTS) must be resubmitted each year. Applying online is the fastest and preferred method. The procedure is as follows: 1) parents submit a FACTS Grant & Aid Application either online ([www.factstuitionaid.com](http://www.factstuitionaid.com)) or in paper form; 2) parents submit copies of IRS tax and W2 forms and **\$25** application fee; 3) the information is assessed and an eligible amount of assistance is recommended to the Lutheran High School Association; and 4) LHSN notifies applicant of amount awarded. FACTS Grant and Aid forms should be submitted as soon as possible.

## ◆ Crusaders in Europe 2010

Attention all LHSN 2010 European Tripsters! We are meeting Mar. 29 at 6:30 p.m. in room 208 to cover more money security issues and concerns. We will also collect copies of birth certificates, passports, and charge cards and tips that have not been submitted. If you have any questions about the trip, please see Mrs. Thomas or Mrs. Tiefenbrueck.

## ◆ Crusader Tours

Lutheran North invites everyone to see us at work! Current parents, alumni, prospective families, grandparents, friends, etc. are encouraged to attend a Crusader Tour. Each tour begins at 8:15 a.m. and ends promptly at 9:15. Tours are given the first and third Thursdays of the month: Mar. 4 (none on Mar. 18 due to Spring Break), Apr. 1 and 15, May 6 and 20. Please come and see Lutheran North in action!

## ◆ Project Graduation '10

- The next meeting will be Thursday, Mar. 25, at 7:00 p.m. in the Counseling Center. Senior parents are urged to attend! Graduation is approaching fast!
- Senior parents should submit their messages/pictures for the Souvenir Memory Book that will be a part of the Project Graduation Party gift bags given to all seniors. Pages can be emailed to [tturner@materiallogic.com](mailto:tturner@materiallogic.com) and cc: [kkersten@lhsn.org](mailto:kkersten@lhsn.org), OR send hard copy and payment to LHSN with your child or in the mail. **The deadline for these is March 15.**
- Everyone is encouraged to support Project Graduation by attending "Restaurant Nights." Please see list below. Flyers are available in the office.
- Anyone can support Project Graduation with a donation of gifts for attendance prizes, food, or financial contributions. All donations are tax exempt and will be greatly appreciated! For further information please contact Mrs. Rhonda Cross, 838-5256. Thank you!

## ◆ Crusader Support

**Restaurant Nights support Project Graduation** – The following businesses have generously agreed to donate a percentage of profits to LHSN's Project Graduation on the following days:

**McDonald's** on West Florissant (close to Ferguson Ave. & Emerson Electric) – **Tuesday, Mar. 2**, 4:00-8:00 p.m. McTeachers' Night – no flyer needed. ANYONE who visits this particular location and makes a purchase will benefit LHSN.

**Fortel's Pizza** in Surrey Plaza 2 (2782 N. Hwy 67) – **Saturdays, Feb. 27, Mar. 13, Mar. 27, Apr. 10, Apr. 24.** Any food purchase during the day/night applies. Carry out, dine in, or delivery. Please bring flyer.

**Chili's** at 13901 New Halls Ferry Rd. – **Week of Saturday, Mar. 27 – Saturday, Apr. 3.** Please bring flyer.

Thank you for patronizing these LHSN supporters! Don't forget to take a flyer and mention Lutheran High School North to receive credit for Project Graduation. Flyers were distributed to students and are available in the main office. Tell your family, friends and co-workers.

**Golf Scramble** – The Lutheran High School Assoc. will hold its annual Golf Scramble fundraiser on Monday, Apr. 26 at Tapawingo National Golf Club. For information and registration, call Mike Meyer, 314-448-6225.

## ◆ Booster Concessions

Thanks to all the parents who supported booster fundraising efforts by working the basketball concessions! Spring concessions will begin in April. All parents, and especially senior parents, please check your calendar for these dates and commit to volunteering for a 3-hour shift: Apr. 17, Apr. 24, Apr. 29, May 1, May 11, May 15. Call or email Sue Scherer or Bonnie LaVo at [kwscherer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:kwscherer@sbcglobal.net), 355-2716, [bjlavo53@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bjlavo53@sbcglobal.net), 724-9180, to schedule your time slot.

Proceeds from booster concessions not only benefit Project Graduation; they are also used to fund other student activities. All of our students benefit from the proceeds of this major fundraising effort. Please consider donating your time to this cause. Many hands make light work! Working concessions is a great opportunity to meet other LHN parents and students!

## ◆ Notice:

Please be aware that the "National Society of High School Scholars" is sending congratulatory cards to some students. This is a for-profit organization that requires the student to pay a \$60 membership fee, which allows the student's name to be printed on a document only and has little collegiate/future value. This organization is not to be confused with the National Honor Society (NHS). Membership in NHS is prestigious and benefits the students who have been carefully selected by their schools. Lutheran North students who are selected for NHS will be notified in March by receiving letters on LHSN letterhead with Mrs. Thomas' signature.

## ◆ Crusader Counseling

**ACT Dates** – Two opportunities remain to take the ACT this year: **Apr. 10** (register by Mar. 5) and **June 12** (register by May 7). Registration packets are available in the Counseling Center or register online at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org).

**Seniors** – FAFSA's should be complete! See the senior newsletter for information about making final college choices. Don't forget the scholarship notebooks in the Counseling Center and the listing on *Naviance*.

**Summer Programs** – The Counseling Center has an entire folder for summer programs. Programs such as the UMSL Bridge Program, summer programs at universities, and a variety of other pre-college opportunities are included. Be sure to visit *Naviance*, too. All summer/academic enrichment programs are updated there as well. You will find the programs on Family Connection in the "About College" section; click on "Enrichment Programs." There you will find information about the programs we are aware of along with additional programs that *Naviance* has added.

**College Bus Tour Completed** – Forty juniors (19 from LHN, 15 from Lutheran St. Charles, and 6 from LHS) and 5 counselors (including Mrs. Burreson and Mr. Snyder) just returned from a 4-day/3-night college bus tour. The trip was coordinated by LHN and included 7 colleges: Missouri University of Science & Technology, Missouri State University, Drury University, University of Tulsa, University of Kansas, Baker University, and Rockhurst University. The students were hosted overnight by college students and had the opportunity to experience college life firsthand at 3 of the colleges and to have visits, meals, and tours at the other 4. Sophomore families will receive a mailing this spring about next year's trip.

**Local College Visits for Juniors** – All members of the junior class are given the opportunity to visit one of four St. Louis area universities. Students research the schools on the *Naviance* program and can choose to visit University of Missouri-St. Louis, Lindenwood University, Webster University, or St. Louis University. Students receive a briefing by Admissions Office personnel and then participate in a walking tour at each campus. The campus visits are a part of the College Curriculum for juniors as facilitated by the counselors, Mrs. Cindy Burreson and Mr. Mark Snyder.

## ◆ Straight "A" Tickets

The St. Louis Cardinals and Newspapers in Education will award two Cardinal tickets to students who attained a GPA of at least 3.5 for the first semester. All winners will appear in a special section of the Post Dispatch on Thursday, Apr. 1, 2010. "A" students can redeem their vouchers online or at the Cardinal box office after Mar. 26. Congratulations to the following:

Eric Anderson, Joseph Bachmann, Alliyah Beeks, Chelsea Bell, Joshua Blight, Jacob Brackman, Joshua Brackman, Tyler Brannoky, Allyson Brantley, Breyan Brown, Brian Brown, Niclas Buechel, Mackenzie Burnett, Zachary Burnett, Maggie Burreson, Christina Burton, Jeremy Busby, Jalessa Cain, Ashlyn Calhoun, Taylor Christian, Kayla Cole, Zachary Cole, Tyler Collins, David Cross, Evan Dalton, Jaymi Davis, Michele Draper, Amelia Eaton, Kathryn Fink, Christopher Floyd, Nicholas Gaeke, Samuel Gahr, Trudi Gatteys, Daniel Gierse, Deanne Green, Daniel Gregory, Katharine Gregory, Kayla Grimmett, Gregory Hardnett II, Nicholas Heisse, Alexis Henderson, Charmaura Henderson, Geralynn Hinton, Lydia Hohenstein, Kimberly Howard, Kathryn Hussey, Jonathan Irving, Duane Johnson Jr., Chelsea Johnson, Steven Johnson, Sara Jolly, Kamilah Jones, Margaret Jones, Michael Keppel, Benjamin Knutson, Natalie Kost, Emily Laffold, Briya Lampkin, Alexander Langella, Tyler LaVo, Deanne Leatherberry, Tae Lee, Nicholas Lentjes-Gilson, Kristi Luther, Terrance Mabry, Rebecca Maneikis, Christopher Mansfield, Kelsey Mansfield, Brendan Mark, Lawrence Massenberg III, Julissa Massenberg, Hannah McFarland, Jacob Meyer, Morgan Meyer, Sharie Moen, Hannah Moravec, Sarah Moreland, Alexis Morris, Andrew Mueller, Nhi Nguyen, Shelby Nifong, Ryan O'Hare, Robert Odneal, Chanae Parker, Precious Parker, Hannah Pauluhn, Adam Prahlow, Anna Rathje, Jordan Reidy, Casey Remspecher, Chelsey Roberts, Alexandria Rushing, Joseph Ryals, Megan Schmidt, Alexander Schutte, Keiandra Scott, Jessica Scruggs, Lauren Seiler, Rachel Seiler, Hailey Shoemaker, Hannah Snyder, Christopher Stepherson, Jasmine Stewart, Amber Stout, Lydia Strini, Adam Tanney, Madeline Thompson, Tiffanie Toles, Alexander Tomazi, Anna Truetken, Rachel Tucker, Troya Valdespino, Vitalia Vargo, Caitlin Vasser, Evan Wallace, Jordyn Wartts, Nathan Wesche, Ariel Williams, Zakiya Williams, David Withers, Matthew Wright, Daniel Zimmermann.

## ◆ Crusader Summer Academy

This summer LHN will again offer a variety of fun and educational summer camps. Beginning in June, students entering grades 4-9, can sign up for a plethora of sports camps, math, art, CPR & AED, and Techno camps. Each week students can choose from several options in the morning and afternoon. Some camps have a limited number of enrollment slots. Mark your calendars and sign up today! Check out [lhsn.org](http://lhsn.org) for online information and registration forms. Contact Paul Endorf at 389-3100 or [pendorf@lhsn.org](mailto:pendorf@lhsn.org) with questions or for additional information.

## ◆ Academic Fair

Lutheran North will kick off National Lutheran Schools Week by hosting its annual Northside Elementary School Academic Fair on Friday and Saturday, Mar. 5-6. Several hundred students in grades 1-8 from the Lutheran elementary schools will gather at LHN to participate in competitions. A Math Contest, Bible Facts Contest, Music Festival, Spelling Bees, and Science Fair are organized and run by teachers at LHN with assistance from elementary school teachers and LHN students.

Parents of elementary students are invited to a Principal's Reception from 9-10 a.m. Saturday. Complimentary coffee and donuts will be served.

The public is welcome to come to the Academic Fair. The Music Festival will take place on Friday from 4:00 until about 8:00 and continue on Saturday from 9:00-1:00. The Bible Facts Contest begins at 7:45 Saturday morning in the gym and Spelling Bees are held from 11:00 until 1:45 in various classrooms. Science projects may be viewed in the gym from 9:00 until 1:00. Refreshments and lunch will be sold in the cafeteria. The Academic Fair concludes with an Awards Ceremony at 2:15.

## ◆ Crusader Sports

**Boys Varsity Basketball** – The Crusaders finished in second place in the ABC conference after winning their last three games. North, Burroughs, and Principia all tied with records of 5-5; MICDS got first with a 10-0 record. Pulling off this leap in the standings were: **Shane Belfield, Steven Musselwhite, DeTravis Ross, Alex Doss, Anthony Virdure, Brandon Ross, Carson Antoine, James Mitchell, Colbren Thompson, Glenn Bradford, Travis Hamilton, Dale McClin,** and **Ricky Walsh.**

The week of March 1-5 the team competes in the District playoff at Whitfield. The first game is Tuesday, Mar. 2 at 5:00 p.m. against Trinity. If North continues to win we play on Thursday at 5:30 and then on Friday at 7:00.

The players appreciate your support during the regular season and thank you in advance for the support the North community will give during the playoffs!

**Girls Varsity Basketball** – The Lady Crusaders have completed their regular season in fine fashion. They captured a Conference Title with a record of 17-8 and a #1 seed in the upcoming District Tournament. Coach Virdure congratulates all the seniors on the team for their successful efforts: **Jordyn Wartts, Candyce Davis, Cassondra Davis, Jaymi Davis,** and **Alfreda Brown.** Their first District game is scheduled for Monday, Mar. 1, 3:30 at Whitfield. Successive games would be on Wednesday, Mar. 3 at 5:30 and Friday, Mar. 5 at 5:30. The team is very excited about playoffs and encourages everyone to come and support them.

**Boys B Basketball** – This year's Junior Varsity basketball team has a lot to be thankful for. First of all, the success they have had has been unmatched. The team finished the season with the best record the school has had in the last 30 years. They compiled a record of 14 wins against just 2 losses, and one of the losses was against Chaminade High School by 1 point. The team started to jell right after Christmas break. Although 2 players that are now starters on the varsity team were an integral part of the team then, **Colbren Thompson** and **Dale Mclin,** the team continued to have winning ways after those players moved up. The team consists of point guards **Tre Johnson** and newcomer **Tyler Price,** a great shooting guard **Jesse Spruill,** and power forwards **Carson Antoine** with another newcomer **Josh Blight.** We also had a

great outside shooting forward, **Troy Guffey**. Finally, we had a 6'3" center, **Devonte Harrell**. With such a great mixture of talent, the team played fearlessly throughout the entire season. The record they compiled was a testament to their hard work and perseverance.

What was exciting about coaching this year's team was that team members enjoyed playing together. A Junior Varsity team helps the varsity team get ready for ensuing teams. This year the Junior Varsity tried their best to help the varsity team improve and as the season progressed, there was vast improvement on both levels. The future bodes well for the boys' basketball team here at Lutheran High School North. The blessings continued to be imparted upon our players as all of them plan to return to compete against each other next season for starting positions on the Varsity. The biggest blessing for me has been the opportunity I've had to be their coach.

**Girls Junior Varsity Basketball** – The JV Lady Crusaders have progressed by leaps and bounds since our first game in December. LHSN finished the season with 3 consecutive wins to achieve an 8-8 record. They enjoyed big wins over John Burroughs, Whitfield, Principia, and Lutheran South during the Sem Games, which served as revenge from a tough loss previously in the season. Players **Deja Williams-Radford**, **Rachel Welch**, **Gabby Herod**, and **Hannah Snyder** made great strides this year and will be expected to carry on their improvement over the summer and to fight for a varsity roster spot next year.

**Boys C Basketball** – This year's freshman basketball team struggled throughout the season, but truly brought fun into the game. They came together as a team and supported each other through the many ups and downs we had this season. With wins coming against Clayton, Principia, and John Burroughs, and many close losses, the freshman team finished with a record of 3-15. Contributions in the games were made by each member of this team, and many are looking forward to moving up next year.

**Baseball** – Even though the basketball season has not yet officially ended, Crusader baseball is gearing up. Varsity begins play Mar. 22 at 4:15 at Trinity. The JV opens the season at home against Trinity on Mar. 24 at 4:15. Check out the LHSN website for a complete schedule and come enjoy a game!

### **"A Night for Kids"**

The 7<sup>th</sup> annual Lutheran Elementary School Association (LESA)/Building Blocks Scholarship Fund **Dinner – Auction** will be held **Friday, April 16**, from 5-10 p.m. at The Royale Orleans Banquet Center, 2801 Telegraph Rd. The evening's special events include the BBSF Glass Sale, an old fashioned Lollipop Pull, a "Wine and Dine," and an opportunity to help us "Light Up the Night."

Tickets are \$50 each, with tables of 8 available. To make a donation to the auction, purchase tickets, or to volunteer, call Melissa Maxfield at 314-268-1525 or visit us at [www.lesastl.org](http://www.lesastl.org). Proceeds from the auction will be used to provide need-based tuition assistance scholarships to children attending LESA member elementary schools.