

PARENT CONNECTION



A monthly newsletter for parents of Luther High School students



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Heidelberg 2013

Luther High School Music Department has scheduled Heidelberg 2013 for Sunday, October 20. This celebration of our German heritage will run from 11:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Heidelberg is a family event that features food, music performances, entertainment and games for the children. Food includes the traditional German meal of red cabbage, sauerbraten & noodles as well as brats and potato salad. There will also be pizza, walking tacos, pretzels and many desserts. The Big E will have 2 inflatable fun shows

for all to enjoy. Door prizes given away all day. Music performances include the Luther High Band and Choirs, Lancer Band, grade school choirs from St. Paul's Bangor, First Lutheran and St. Paul's Onalaska. Also performing will be the Jesus Cares group, Silver Strings and the WELS Seminary Choir. Please reserve this date to attend. If you are willing and able to help with this event, please contact Mr. Jim Rupprecht at 608-5435 x443.

Insurance Change

As the Board of Control reviewed Luther High School's insurance policy it was deemed advisable to adjust our coverage. Luther High School will no longer be providing supplemental medical insurance for injuries related to athletics or for accident and injury sustained during classes. Parents, you may wish to review your current family insurance and/or consult with an insurance representative regarding your own supplemental medical insurance for your student(s) involved with co-curricular athletics.

Skyward

Parents, are you taking advantage of Skyward? This program is a great way to track how your student is doing in school. You can check their grades, access the school directory, see their class schedule and even set up an email notification when your student falls below a certain grade point. Skyward allows you to stay up to date on your student's school life and also gives you the opportunity to open communication with your student about their performance at school. You can access Skyward from the home page of our website: www.luther.k12.wi.us.

Veteran's Day Service

Luther High School would like to recognize the men and women who have served our country in the Armed Forces at a special Veteran's Day chapel service and patriotic program. We invite veterans of our Armed Forces to be our honored guests on Monday, November 11 at this special worship and observance. The program will begin at 9:45 a.m. and will conclude at 11:15 a.m. Everyone is invited to join us as we give thanks to God and express gratitude to those who have served our nation in the Armed Forces. We

will also be collecting information regarding Luther High alumni who have served or are currently serving our nation in the Armed Forces. If you or a relative is a veteran or is currently serving in the military please forward name, service, rank, area serving and a picture to the Luther High office to office@luther.k12.wi.us. Our goal is to honor all Luther High alumni that have served and are serving.

Burrachos Fundraiser

The Onalaska Education Foundation is sponsoring a fundraiser at Burrachos in Onalaska on Thursday, October 17 from 4:00 – 9:00 p.m. A percentage of the food sales will go toward support of the Foundation. The Onalaska Education Foundation was established in 1998 to strengthen community participation in Onalaska's public and private schools. Luther High School has been the recipient of more than \$10,000 in grants over the past 14 years. Projects at Luther funded by the Foundation include the climbing wall and the start-up materials for the Robotics Class. Mark your calendars for supper at Burrachos in support of the Onalaska Education Foundation!

Luther Apparel Available

The new line of Luther apparel is here! Choose from short sleeve (black or white) cotton t-shirts, dri-fit t-shirts, long sleeve t-shirts, hooded sweatshirts, polos, 1/4 zip fleece or full zip fleece, baseball caps and knit beanies. New designs for a new school year! Order forms are available on the Luther athletic web page or you can contact the athletic office at 608-783-5435 x361. Orders should be submitted with payment to the athletic office by October 18. Please make checks payable to Luther High School. Do your Christmas shopping early!

Fruit For Sale!

The Luther High School Music Department will conduct its annual fruit sale from Heidelberg through November 25. **Fruit will be delivered near December 6, just in time for Christmas gift giving.** This year's sale features apples and pears, along with oranges, clementines and grapefruit. Customers can get their fruit in 40 lb boxes, half boxes and one-third boxes. This year we will also have a meat and cheese box with a variety of cheese blocks, summer sausage & cheese curds. Contact members of the Luther High band and choirs for information and order forms, or call Luther (608) 783-5435 x443 to place an order. The Luther High Music Department thanks you for your support.

Winter Sports Physical

If your Freshman or Junior student is planning to participate in a winter sport, they need to have completed a physical for the current school year. Fall sport participants have already completed this process. If your child did not participate in a fall sport and is planning on participating in a winter sport please make your appointment now. The first date of practice for all winter sport teams is Monday, November 11. **No physical = No practice so please plan ahead!**

Senator Ron Johnson Visit

Wisconsin's US Senator Ron Johnson will be visiting Luther High School on Friday, November 8. You are invited to hear his presentation on the "Dangers of Bankruptcy to America". The program begins at 1:54 and will conclude at 2:50.

Good Steward Grants

Good Steward has been offering grants for students at Luther since 2003. Grants were awarded to 155 students for a total of \$101,570 for the 2013-2014 school year. Now is the time to register for a grant for the 2014-2015 school year. To satisfy some legal requirements, we have made some slight changes in the grant program, especially in the wording of the guidelines. Volunteers may now work to qualify for the privilege of nominating a student for a grant. For further information or to obtain a registration form, please stop in at Good Steward or call and ask for Darlene or Janet at 608-779-9763.



The Big Knight is an annual dinner/auction fundraiser that benefits tuition assistance at Luther High School. The event is a great opportunity to meet new people, have a fun night out and support the students of Luther High!

Thanks to all of our generous supporters, The Big Knight has been able to give \$40,000, \$50,000, \$53,000, \$55,000 & \$64,000 to the tuition assistance fund at Luther High. This fund benefits all students that are awarded tuition assistance through the FACTS program.

This year, in addition to tuition assistance, we will be supporting a special project at LHS. Stay tuned for more information on that!

The success of this event is dependent on all of the selfless volunteers, the amazing donations and the wonderful guests that attend the event! If you would like to help with this year's event, donate something to the event or attend the event please contact Mary Bilitz at 608-783-5435 x103 or bilimary@luther.k12.wi.us.

As you can see, we have a new location for The Big Knight this year. We are very excited to be moving to The Cargill Room at The Waterfront in downtown La Crosse. Many thanks to the owners of The Waterfront, Don & Roxanne Weber & family for so generously donating this location!!!