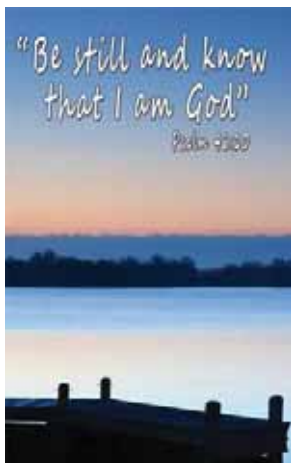


# PARENT CONNECTION



A monthly newsletter for parents of Luther High School students



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Get ready for the BIGGEST Big Knight ever! This amazing dinner/auction will take place on Friday, April 17, 2015 at The Cargill Room at The Waterfront.

If you have not attended The Big Knight in the past or if you bring someone who has not previously attended, your name will go into drawings for prizes valued over \$100!

Reservations are filling up quickly so please get yours in as soon as possible. Space is limited and reservations will be first-come, first-served. Reservation forms are available on Luther's website (www.luther.k12.wi.us), in the school office or in the ACE entry on the display table.

Thanks to MANY generous donors, we will have an amazing array of items for you to bid on that night. There are many new exciting items, be sure to check them out! The list of donations is updated regularly on Luther's website. Donations are still being accepted. If you have a new item valued at \$25 or more that you would like to donate, please drop it off in the office at Luther.

Proceeds from The 2015 Big Knight will benefit tuition assistance & \$10,000 will go towards multi-media equipment for Digital Video, Knight Light Productions (live streaming Luther events) and Promotions.

## Robotics Scrimmage

The Luther High School igKnighthood robotics Team 4021 invites you to the biggest robotics event in the area! We are proud to have this amazing opportunity to host the fourth annual Seven Rivers Robotics Coalition scrimmage. The event will take place on Sunday, February 15, and will run from 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Admission is free and concessions will be served.

This year's game, "Recycle Rush", is a recycling themed game played by two Alliances of three robots each. Robots score points by stack-

ing totes on scoring platforms, capping those stacks with recycling containers, and properly disposing of pool noodles, representing litter. This game requires knowledge of many areas of academics, including science, technology, mathematics, and engineering.

Over 20 teams have been invited to the scrimmage. The scrimmage has almost tripled in less than four years! More information about the scrimmage is available at [www.igknighthood.com](http://www.igknighthood.com). We hope to see you there!



## Chili Cook-off

Mark your calendar for Friday, February 13 from 5:00-7:00 pm when Luther will host the third annual Knight Knation Chili Cook-off. This competition will take place prior to the Boys Basketball game vs. West Salem. Five teams will be represented by each class and the faculty. Tickets can be purchased on site. Which chili will be the fan favorite? Join us to find out!

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## Yearbook Deadline

The deadline for ordering 2015 yearbooks is April 17th. Please reference the mailing you have received for information and details. If you have any questions, please call Mrs. Appold 608-783-5435 ext. 306.

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## Tuition Assistance Reminder

The tuition assistance application process has a completion date of March 1, 2015. Tuition assistance may be applied for by any WELS members. Luther uses FACTS to process applications for tuition assistance. FACTS suggests that you have all necessary information to them by February 15th in order for them to have time to review and complete the application process.

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## Private School Tax Deduction

You may have heard that the state of Wisconsin, starting this 2014 tax season, is allowing parents to deduct private school tuition. Under the \$30 million a year tuition provision, parents of the nearly 100,000 private school students in Wisconsin could receive an income tax deduction.

The tax deduction begins in the 2014 tax year. Taxpayers can deduct up to \$4,000 for tuition paid for dependent children in grades kindergarten through eighth and up to \$10,000 for high school students. The tax deduction is expected to save Wisconsin parents up to \$30 million in 2014-2015. Since the tax break is set up as a deduction, the average Wisconsin family would get a \$240 tax cut per elementary and middle school child and a \$600 tax cut for each high school student.

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## WELS Band Festival

Members from the Luther High School band will be traveling to Luther Preparatory School in Watertown, WI in March for the 55th WELS Band Festival. Band members attending will rehearse on March 13 and 14 with the concert set for 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, March 15.



"You Can't Take It With You" - Take 2! The award winning depression era spoof "You Can't Take It With You" will come to the LHS stage March 13-15, 2015. The story embraces two uniquely different families whose son and daughter have fallen in love. When the eccentric Sycamore family and the somewhat stuffy Kirby family meet on a hot summer night, sparks literally fly! This show was performed on the Luther stage in November 1970. The auspicious cast lauded the likes of Dick Bakken, Steve Berg, Doug Darelus and Paul Albrecht. This show has never lost its appeal, currently appearing on Broadway with James Earl Jones as Grandpa. Plan to attend one of the performances for an evening of hilarity and nostalgia.

### 2015 CAST

**GRANDPA**

Bobby Horstman

**PAUL SYCAMORE**

Jerry Cundiff

**PENNY SYCAMORE**

Ella Loersch

**ALICE SYCAMORE**

Rachel Grokowsky

**ED CARMICHAEL**

Erik Pyatt

**ESSIE CARMICHAEL**

Trina Adickes

**MR. KIRBY**

Eric Luehmann

**MRS. KIRBY**

Bethany Lisowski

**TONY KIRBY**

Matthew Harbach

**RHEBA**

Hannah Komay

**DONALD**

Adam Bilitz

**BORIS KOLENKHOV**

Sean Walsh

**GRAND DUCHESS**

Hayli Mathe

**MR. DEPINNA**

Griffin Finnestad

**GAY WELLINGTON**

Jena Dorn

**MR. HENDERSON**

Nathan Dretske

**FEDERAL AGENTS**

Josh Benish

Brandon Fluegge

Quinn Handy

Caleb Schilling

\*Calling all cast members from the 1970 production of "You Can't Take It With You!" Your names and contact information is wanted. Please e-mail Connie Bader at [badeconn@luther.k12.wi.us](mailto:badeconn@luther.k12.wi.us)

# Luther High School Parent/Teacher Consultations Appointment Request Form

**Step 1** \_\_\_\_\_ (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_  
Parent Name Phone #

**Step 2** \_\_\_\_\_  
Student Name(s) Grade

**Step 3** Select a meeting time block. 9-12 grade appointments will all be the same day in 10 min sessions.  
(Please be flexible. We will try to schedule within your requested time block but this is not always possible)

- Anytime between 5:30 and 8:30, Monday, February 23
- Starting \_\_\_\_\_ Ending \_\_\_\_\_, Monday, February 23

**Step 4** Select the Instructors with whom you desire an appointment.

**Office will assign the specific times!**

	Instructor	Room	Appointment Time (office use only)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Adickes	4	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Benrud	108	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Hagedorn	3	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Hanson	104	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Larson	Band Room	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lisk	50	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Loersch	7	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Lusky	16	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Mahnke	102	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Ross	41	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Rupprecht	Band Room	
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<input type="checkbox"/>	Wichmann	Principal's Office	

**Step 5** Return this sheet to the office by **noon on Wednesday, February 18.**

**Step 6** This form will be given to your student after school on Thursday, February 19 to return home to the parent(s). It will have the times listed for each appointment. Please bring this sheet along when you come to your appointments.

Any questions? Please contact Mr. James Mahnke at (608) 783-5435 x116 or mahnjame@luther.k12.wi.us

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- Approved  We have scheduled appointments as indicated above.
  - Denied  Sorry! We were unable to schedule an appointment. Please contact individual instructors for an alternate time.

The Big Knight Presents  
**A KNIGHT IN ASIA**  
The Cargill Room at The Waterfront

April 17, 2015

6-8 Silent Auction

8-9 Dinner

9-10 Live Auction

RESERVATION DEADLINE - APRIL 3, 2015 RESERVATION PRICE - \$50 through 3/19, \$60 3/20-4/3

Reservations can be mailed to Luther High School c/o The Big Knight, 1501 Wilson St. Onalaska, WI 54650 or dropped off in the school office

**PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "THE BIG KNIGHT"**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

New to The Big Knight? Y N

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Entree Choice #1 #2

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#1: PINEAPPLE CHILI CHICKEN OVER SESAME ROASTED ASIAN VEGETABLES & A STICKY RICE CAKE

#2 TERIYAKI BEEF & ASIAN VEGETABLE SKEWERS WITH COCONUT RED CURRY COUSCOUS

**BRING SOMEONE NEW & YOU COULD WIN PRIZES!!!**

ALL NEW ATTENDEES & ALL PAST ATTENDEES WHO BRING A NEW GUEST WILL GO INTO A DRAWING FOR PRIZES VALUED OVER \$100!

I am registering a total of \_\_\_\_\_ individual reservations at \$ \_\_\_\_\_ each for a total of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I would like to reserve a table for 10 (please check which one applies)



\_\_\_\_ Platinum - reserved seating, goodies, champagne & advertising in the auction catalog and throughout the silent & live auction (additional \$1,000 per table)

\_\_\_\_ Gold - reserved seating, goodies & champagne (additional \$500 per table)

\_\_\_\_ Silver - reserved seating & goodies (additional \$250 per table)

\_\_\_\_ Bronze - reserved seating (additional \$100 per table)

ADDITIONAL RESERVATIONS CAN BE ADDED ON THE BACK OF THIS FORM - PLEASE INCLUDE NAME, ADDRESS, PHONE, EMAIL & ENTREE CHOICE

Questions? Contact Mary Bilitz at 608-783-5435 x103 or bilimary@luther.k12.wi.us

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# DONATION FORM

The Big Knight 2015

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Planning Committee

Debbie Andre

Becky Schiebel

Pastor Roger Sachs

Kim Luehmann

Kris Schwartz

Lisa Kilmer

Lisa Loersch

Laura Kish

Sheila Cundiff

Steve Lochr

Mary Bilitz

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF LUTHER HIGH!**

*Please complete this form thoroughly. This form must accompany all donations.  
Please use one form per donation.*

Donor Name \_\_\_\_\_

Donor Address \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Donor Website \_\_\_\_\_

Donor Email \_\_\_\_\_

Donor Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Donation      Cash      Merchandise      Service

Description of Donation \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Value of Donation \_\_\_\_\_

Donation will be delivered to Luther on \_\_\_\_\_

Donations need to be received before Friday, March 27, 2015. If you would like your item to be picked up, please contact Mary Bilitz at bilimary@luther.k12.wi.us or 608-783-5435 x103.

Type of Tax Receipt Desired      E-receipt      Paper Receipt

If your donation is not bid on or for some reason is not able to be used for The Big Knight would you:

- 1) like it back
- 2) if applicable, like it donated to the FOL Golf Auction
- 3) like it donated to the Good Steward Store

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