



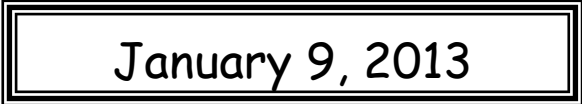
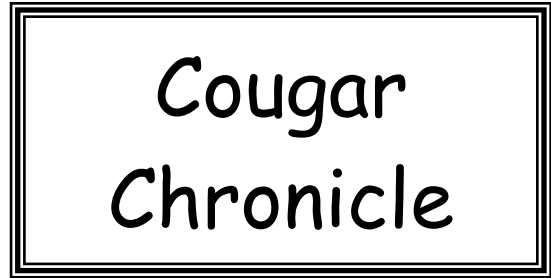
Celebrating
125 years of
God's Grace
1888-2013

Giving Thanks to God for Many Years of Grace

Samuel
Lutheran
School



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35 years of
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1978-2013



Upcoming Events:

Thur Jan 10
4:15 pm Basketball
vs. Redwood

Sat Jan 12
10:00 am
Basketball vs. St.
James

Sun Jan 13
8 & 10:30 am
Worship
9:15 am Sunday
School
11:30 am Zander
benefit
2:00 pm Pioneers

Mon Jan 14
4:00 pm Basketball
vs. Coyotes

Wed Jan 16
8:20 am Chapel
Basketball/
Cheerleader
pictures

Birthdays this month!!

Anna Rubendall-4
Austin Rubendall-4
Julia Prah-18
Ethan Boeck-29

Welcome New Students: We are happy to welcome four new students to Samuel after the Christmas break. Joining Mrs. Ellingson's classroom are second graders Morgan Blum and Peyton Hoflock and first grader Nora Baldry. Joining Mrs. MacArthur's classroom is Isaac Baldry in third grade. Morgan is the daughter of Randi Blum and the granddaughter of Mike and Louise Blum. Peyton is the son of Charlie and Heather Hoflock. Isaac and Nora are the children of Brandt and Emily Baldry.



Our Feature Family: *The Neyens Shelby*

Shelby is in the 1st grade and has attended Samuel since Preschool. She just loves reading books, which means we spend a lot of quality time at the library. Her other love is to be outside and everything to do with it. She enjoys swimming, going to any park, hiking, singing, playing with her dog Sammi, her kittens, bottle calves and taking care of her little flock of laying hens. She is so excited to be a cheerleader at SLS and also swimming lessons this winter at the YMCA. Shelby has a younger brother Landon who is 2 ½. He loves anything to do with tractors and farming and of course he loves to be outside too and enjoys making us all laugh as he is quite comical. His love of tractors and farming doesn't fall far from the tree as their father Tim is a farmer. Tim and his dad (their Grandpa) farm corn, soybeans and alfalfa. For the other 8 months out of the year, Tim loves to work on and restore old tractors and keeps busy with around 30 stock cows. Their mother Jennifer loves spending time with her family, scrapbooking, gardening, canning, and camping (and of course animals and farming©). She also works at ADM in the purchasing department as a buyer, and just completed her 26th year. Both Tim and Jennifer enjoy 4 wheeling and have taken several ATV vacations. We hope you enjoyed meeting the Neyens family. Next week we will feature the Lonny Schultz family.

Singing on Sunday: Students in grades 3-8 will sing in the early service this Sunday, January 13th. We will meet in the church basement at 7:45 AM.

Benefit: Just a reminder that the benefit meal for Pastor Zander will be held Sunday at Samuel. The meal will be served from 11:30 – 2 PM. The meal will consist of a pulled pork sandwich, baked beans, chips, coleslaw and dessert. Please remember this is a benefit with a suggested meal donation of \$8.00. Donations for the meal and for the family should be made out to Christ Lutheran Church.

Help: The Zander benefit committee is looking for help with serving and cleaning up the day of the benefit. If you are able to help, it would be appreciated.

Pioneers: We will meet for the first time in 2013 this Sunday, January 13th from 2-4 PM. We will be painting and sanding our pine cars in preparation for the Pine Car Derby.



Parent Sign Up: Every basketball/cheerleader family needs to work three times for home basketball games which needs to include at least one shift in the concession stand. A sign up sheet will be emailed with the Cougar Chronicle today. Open time slots are highlighted in yellow. ***If you have not signed up please email Mrs. Onken or call the office.***

Basketball: The Cougars host Redwood on Thursday. The B-team plays at 4:15 and the A-team at 5:15. Parents signed up to work that day are:

Concessions (B game) - Jennifer Neyens and Mrs. MacArthur

Concessions (A game) - Lori Biastock and Lori Schultz

Scorebook (B game) - Donna Wendorff Scorebook (A game) - Craig Heil

Clock (B game) - Pastor VanKampen Clock (A game) - **No one**

Cleanup - **No one**

On Saturday we have a home game with St. James. The B-team plays at 10:00 and the A-team at 11:00.

Parents signed up to work that day are:

Concessions (B game) - Pastor and Mrs. VanKampen

Concessions (A game) - Lori Biastock and Julie Lyons

Scorebook (B game) - Melanie Werner Scorebook (A game) - **No one**

Clock (B game) - **No one** Clock (A game) - Gary Loeck

Cleanup - Lynn and Patty Schaffran

We have a home game on Monday vs. the Coyotes (home school team). The B-team plays at 4:00 and the A-team at 5.

Parents signed up to work that day are:

Concessions (B game) - Jennifer Neyens and **still need one**

Concessions (A game) - Lori Schultz and **still need one**

Scorebook (B game) - Becky Swanson Scorebook (A game) - **No one**

Clock (B game) - Craig Heil Clock (A game) - Gary Loeck

Cleanup - Lonny Schultz



Basketball Pictures: Basketball and cheerleader pictures will be taken next Wednesday. We will take A-team pictures before school is dismissed and then cheerleader and B-team pictures after school. Picture forms were sent home with the students today. Extra forms are available in the office.

Chapel: Each year we pick two or three mission areas of our Synod that the children can support through their Wednesday Chapel offerings. This year we chose the DAYLIGHT program at MLC and our own 125th Church Anniversary as our two missions. Starting this week, our offerings will now go toward our Christ Lutheran's 125th anniversary celebration. We have a number of projects that need funding. Included in those projects is new carpeting for the church and updating the pew cushions/seats. We consider this a Home Mission project where we can enhance our house of worship in thanks to God for 125 years of His Grace.

Parent Transport Day: Monday, January 21st is a Parent Transport Day. There will be no bus service to or from school that day.

Cougar Sweatshirt: We have one extra sweatshirt for sale from our recent Cougar wear order. It is an adult large hooded sweatshirt with the cougar screen print on the front. The cost is \$25.00. If you are interested please let the office know.

Tables: There are still a few brown tables available to purchase for \$20 each. Please let us know as soon as possible if you would like one.

Spelling Bee: Are you practicing your spelling words? The spelling bee is only a few weeks away. The official spelling bee is only open to grades 5-8, but we will also have a spelling bee for grades 1-4. The grades 5-8 bee will be held on Monday, January 21, and the bee for grades 1-4 will be on Tuesday, January 22. Let's see who will be the next Samuel Lutheran School Spelling Bee Champion!

