Giving Thanks to God for Many Years of Grace

# Cougar Chronicle 

## September 19, 2012

## Upcoming Events: Our Feature Family: The Haros Isabela and Sophia

Thur Sept 20
4:00 pm Volleyball vs. MACS

Fri Sept 21
Vision/Hearing
Screenings
Sun Sept 23
8 \& 10:30 am
Worship
9:15 am Sunday School

Mon Sept 24
4:00 pm Volleyball at Redwood

Wed Sept 26
8:20 am Chapel

## Birthdays <br> this month!!

Katherine Prahl-19
Morgan Doering-20
Rebekah Swanson

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Celebrating 35 years of God's Grace<br>1978-2013

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Isabela is a 7th grader this year and Sophia is a 5th grader. This is their first year at Samuel Lutheran and the have really enjoyed it so far. They are involved in Volleyball. Isabela is also joining the Marshall Swim team and Marshall High School gymnastics. Sophia will be on the swim team. We relocated to Marshall last February from Yankton SD. Heidi is the Director of Food Services at SMSU with Aramark and Steve runs is own food business as well as works at Marshall Machine. Isabela and Sophia have two older siblings. Christian is 20 years old and lives in Brookings, SD and works at Twin City Fan. Brianna is 19 and is attending college in Charleston, South Carolina. We hope you enjoyed meeting the Haro family. Next week we will feature the Rubendall family.

Field Trip: Grades $3-5$ will be attending the University of Minnesota's Southwest Research and Outreach Center's Elementary Field Day on Thursday. We will leave at 8:30 AM and return by the end of the school day. The students will participate in the following sessions: Cool Composting, Healthy Soils, All About Corn, Electrical Safety, Farm Safety, Plant Pals, PTO Demonstration, and the Great Plains Zoo. Students do not need to bring a sack lunch since it will be provided by South Central and Redwood County Electric Cooperatives. Please dress appropriately since the students will be outside part of the day.

Vision/Hearing Screenings: Mrs. Flock will conduct vision and hearing screenings this Friday, September 21st. Please be sure your student has their glasses or contacts with them that day.

Singing Schedule: Students in grades 3-8 will sing in the 10:30 AM worship service this Sunday, September 23rd. We will meet in the basement at 10:15. Grades $\mathrm{K}-2$ will sing in the 10:30 service on Sunday, September 30. A singing schedule for the 2012-2013 school year was emailed with the Cougar Chronicle today.

Ballot Results: The polls are closed. The results have been tabulated. The winners in the Presidential Election held in the First and Second Grade room during Open House are ... Mitt Romney and Paul Ryan. A total of 68 ballots were cast. Fifty-one votes were for the Mitt Romney/Paul Ryan ticket and seventeen votes were for the Barack Obama/ Joe Biden ticket. Thank you to all that participated in our election.

Reading at Boulder Estates: On Friday, September 14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$, the first and second graders walked to Boulder Estates to read to some of their residents. Each of the students read to 1 or 2 residents for about 20 minutes and then read to another resident. The students had the opportunity to practice their reading skills, but also to get acquainted with these lovely volunteers. We thank Boulder Estates for this opportunity. This event will take place on the second Friday of each month throughout the school year.

Testing: Standardized testing will begin next week for students in grades $1-8$. Be sure your children get plenty of rest each night and eat a nutritious breakfast before coming to school.

Parade: Our school will have a float in the SMSU Homecoming parade on Saturday, October 6. If your child would like to ride on the float please fill out the permission slip that was sent home with your student today. We will line up by Independence Park between 10:30-10:45 AM. Your child will be dropped off at the Marshall Independent on the corner of 5th and Main Streets.

Parade Candy: The PTF is asking for donations of candy to be handed out at the SMSU Homecoming parade. In the past we have handed out tootsie rolls but any candy is welcome. The PTF is looking into purchasing some type of promotional item to also pass out.

Flu Shot Clinic: ACMC is working with our school to give the seasonal influenza vaccine to students in grades K-8. This vaccine will protect against all three influenza strains that are expected to circulate this year. Our clinic is scheduled for Tuesday, October 16th in the afternoon. More information and consent forms will be sent home next week.

Bushes: The bushes in front of the school building need to be trimmed. If you can help with this, please contact Mr. Festerling.

Subway/Burger King: The PTF of Samuel now has Subway and Burger King gift cards for sale. They are in denominations of $\$ 10$ or $\$ 20$. Our school receives $10 \%$ of the value of each card sold. They can be purchased from Mrs. Onken in the office. Don't forget we also have Hy-Vee and County Fair gift cards for sale.

Saving for Samuel Lutheran School: Please help your school by saving Sunny D UPC labels until October $15^{\text {th }}$. All shrink-wrapped packs and bottles 16 oz . or larger are eligible. For every 20 UPC labels, we will receive 20 free Scholastic books.
Please continue to save all eligible items such as milk caps, Box Tops, UPCs from Campbell's soup products, etc. Once again, we are saving County Fair receipts as well. Send in your recyclables for our Cartridges for Kids program. Our acceptable list of items includes scientific and graphing calculators, ink cartridges (laser and inkjet), cell phones, laptops, PDAs, iPods, digital cameras, video systems (consoles and games), DVDs, and GPS systems. If possible, please include all power cords and accessories. Thanks!

