## God's Word is our Great Heritage



## Cougar Chronicle

## September 21, 2011

## Upcoming Events:

Sat Sept 24 11:00 am SMSU parade

Sun Sept 25 8 & 10:30 am Worship 9:15 am Sunday School

Mon Sept 26 4:15 pm Volleyball at Redwood

Wed Sept 28 8:20 am Chapel

Thur Sept 29 4:00 pm Volleyball at Lynd

Birthdays this month!!

Tiyana Schultz-5 Katherine Prahl-19 Rebekah Swanson - 24 **Parade:** Our school will have a float in the SMSU Homecoming parade on Saturday, September 24. If your child would like to ride on the float please fill out the permission slip that was sent home last week. We will line up by Independence Park around 10:45 AM. Your child will be dropped off at the Marshall Independent on the corner of 5th and Main Streets. Please be sure you dress for the weather (blankets for riding on the float, warm jackets, etc. if it is cold).

**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.

**Singing in Wood Lake:** Students in grades K-2 will sing at St. John's Lutheran Church in Wood Lake on October 2nd. The service begins at 10:15 AM. Please have your student at the church no later than 10:00 AM. We will meet in the church basement. St. John's has invited our families to stay after the service for a Whopper Feed held at the Wood Lake Community Center, benefitting their preschool program. The cost of a full meal is \$6 and a single burger is \$3.

**Flu Shot Clinic:** ACMC nursing staff will be at our school on Friday, November 4th to provide 2011-2012 Seasonal Flu vaccinations. The vaccinations will be free for students if you return the *Can my child get free or low cost shots?* form that was sent home today. Every student should be able to check one of the boxes(1-6) which would qualify them for a free vaccine. A letter, consent form, and insurance form were also sent home today. If you would like your student to receive the vaccine please return **all three** forms by October 21st. Any questions please contact the office.

**Hy-Vee/County Fair Gift Cards:** Do you currently use the Hy-Vee and County fair gift cards? If not would you consider doing so? Our school gets 5% on every dollar sold. The cards are easy to use. Just buy one in the denomination you wish - \$25, \$50, or \$100 or \$200. When you make your purchase just swipe your card like a credit or debit card and you will be given a receipt with the amount left on the card. You get the full value of the card but our school gets 5%. For example, for every \$100 card we sell, our school receives \$5. Cards can be purchased in the school office. If you would prefer, you can send a check with your student indicating the store and dollar amount you would like and the card(s) will be sent home with them. Since the beginning of the school year our school has made close to \$200 from the sale of these cards.

**Can You Help?** We are still a ways away from raising enough money to pay for our new church and school sign. Once we raise enough money to pay for the sign we can think about updating the landscaping around it. If you have not yet had opportunity to contribute, you can do so by putting a donation in an envelope marked sign and dropping it off at the office or by picking up an envelope on the easel at church or just putting an envelope in the plate marked sign.

**Harvest Festival Donations:** Any one that has small pumpkins, gourds, grocery size paper bags, baby food jars and empty Kleenex boxes that they wish to donate for the Harvest festival would be greatly appreciated. Please drop off at school outside the secretaries office by or before Monday October 24<sup>th</sup>. We are also looking for any one that is willing to donate cakes, pies or cupcakes in a **disposable container** that will be used for one of the games at the Harvest Festival. Baked items cannot contain any peanuts or peanut products in them as one of our students has a peanut allergy and we don't want to have any problems. They may be brought to school the day of Harvest Festival, Friday October 28<sup>th</sup>.

**Saving for Samuel Lutheran School:** Please help your school by saving **Sunny D UPC labels** until October 15<sup>th</sup>. 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!