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THIRTY-SEVENTH ISSUE FOR '15-'16

New Items:

Yearbooks Are In!

Yearbooks are in! Homeroom teachers will be passing out yearbooks to students on Friday. Extra copies will be available for sale at the Upper Campus Friday afternoon (6.3) from 4-4:45 AND Monday morning (6.6) from 9:15-9:45. Until we run out, of course. Contact csmitkowski@yahoo.com with questions or to request one.

GOTR Dates for Fall

Girls on the Run Fall Dates! August 1: Online registration opens at GOTRTwinCities.org September 6: Practice begins! October 27, 28, 29: Practice 5ks November 12: Girls on the Run 5k November 14/15: Final Practice Lower Campus, Upper Campus, and Middle Schools Heart and Sole programs will all meet T and Th after school. Questions: LynnMarieWilbur@gmail.com or 612-670-4172

Student Ambassadors

On Friday May 20th 9 students, 3 parents, and 2 LH staff provided a hot breakfast for homeless adults at the Simpson House. The students are 9 of our Upper Student Ambassadors who spent the year supporting our LH community in many different ways from giving school tours, to welcoming new students, to engaging with students at Lower Campus. Wanting to assist those in need in our community beyond our school walls, the group shopped and cooked a meal for adults in need. It was a great experience of working together, supporting others, meeting other Minneapolis residents, and learning about other lifestyles. Thanks to the students, parents and staff who made this happen.

Citizens and Heroes

Congratulations to our May Citizens and HEROes! We recognized these students as positive contributors to our school community.

Kindergarten: Eisa H, Jonas H, Max D, Deven G, Annika K, Daniel P, Nathan I, Sophia D

First: Sullivan H, Gianna P, Jordyn M, Finn K, Soren Z, Eva E, Lincoln R, Olive W, Sully M, Riley C Second: Marin K, Gillian M, Dayne

L, Lily J, Ona M, Mirabelle H, Harrison T, Julia R, Isaac, S, Livia F, Ruby J

Third: Sammy A, Matthew W, Vivian Jo, Tahlea L, Aspen F, Sylvia D, Jack S, Kenyon L, Eleanor B, James B, Eleni D, Sydney G, Mia W

Grade 4: Jordyn S, Eleanor S, Ada T, Lillian B

Grade 5: Evan O, Elsa F, Eliza W

Grade 6: Hayden S, Isabel W, Abdirahman Y, Ella C, Sophie M, Bryn G, Daniel H

Grade 7: Greg C, Julia S, Iris P, Olivia S, Liam R Grade 8: Mitra K, Ali R, Mark D, Alana M, Isabelle L, Ryan A.

LAKE HARRIET SUMMER 6!

The magic number is 6! Your UC students have learned that simply reading 6 books over the summer may help offset the dreaded "summer slide." Ask your student what this means. Please look for a worksheet coming home and support your student in trying to reach this goal of reading 6 books over the summer. Also, remember, public libraries and local bookstores are great, air-conditioned places to visit during break! Contact UC Library with questions (612-668-3325).

RETURN UC LIBRARY BOOKS!

It's not too late! Please return all library books or contact gretchen.lieving@mpls.k12.mn.us if you have ANY questions or need to pay a fine. Ask your student if he/ she has overdue or lost books. 8th Graders, especially, should try to take care of this now so the books don't carry over to their high school records. Thanks for your help!

Previously Run Articles:

Check the Lost & Found

Last chance to get items back! Items will be donated to charity on June 7th!

Middle Grades Fall Sports Registration

Middle grades registration for fall sports is August 2, 2016 at Southwest High School. Visit the high school web page to check out fall sports offerings.

<http://southwest.mpls.k12.mn.us/athletics>.

ALL students who want to participate in middle school sports need to complete and turn in the physical exam form and the athletic packet with their registration. This includes students who participated in sports last year. All forms and information about sports at Southwest High School can be found here

http://southwest.mpls.k12.mn.us/forms_and_fees.

If you have any questions, please contact the SW High School Athletic Department at 612.668.3035.

Summer Art Camps & Fall After School Program

We still have some openings in our very popular, fun, and creative Summer Camps! Camps include Mosaics, How to Draw Comics, American Girl, Batik & Tie Dye,

Felting, Fairyland Furniture, Japanese Art & Kendama, and much more! Our summer camp season begins June 8 and runs through the week of August 22.

NEW! Registration is now open for our 2016-17 After School Program. Students will have supervised play time, snack time, and a guided art activity as well access to free range arts and crafts activities each day.

Visit our website for details about both programs: www.simplyjanestudio.com.

STRUT: Guitar Festival Results!

Congratulations to all of the students that participated in the first annual STRUT: Guitar Festival Saturday, May 14 at Southwest High School!

The festival was a huge success. Students participated in a full day of workshops, Battle of the Bands and evening concert which featured a 100+ guitar orchestra, Battle of the Bands winners, and more. Mark your calendars for next year's festival which will take place all day on Saturday, May 6, 2017.

Special recognition goes to the following category winners from LHUC who won their category in the Battle of the Bands competition and performed in the evening concert. These students will have a recording session on 88.5 KBEM radio along with the other category winners:

7th/8th Grade Solo: Kyra C.W. - Panic! At the Disco

5th-6th Grade Small Group: Sophia S., Sofie U.C., Allison H. - Jailhouse Rock by Elvis Presley

7th-8th Grade Small Group: Cole P., Misha, Anja - Something's Got A Hold On Me by Etta James

5th-6th Grade Large Group: Gunnar S., Ben B., Hank G., Cody K. - Stressed Out by Twenty-One Pilots

Best in Show: Cole P., Misha, Anja for their performance of Something's Got A Hold On Me by Etta James

For more information and to stay connected, check out our website at www.STRUTfest.com.

Little Kids Rock!

Little Kids Rock would like to thank LHCS teachers and families for all of the tremendous effort you and your students put into this year's Songwriting Exhibition 2016 Honoring Les Paul. We were blown away with just how much rockin' is happening in classrooms from coast to coast- this year Little Kids Rock! had the highest program participation rate in the Exhibition's history!

Congratulations to the following competition winners from LHCS:

Bennet E., 3rd grader, winner of the Les is More Solo Guitar category

Walt Z., 5th grader, winner of the Electronic category

For information about Little Kids Rock! and music at LHCS Upper, visit http://lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us/jen_cuff_uc.

Middle School Specialist Sign Up is Live

It's time to sign-up for middle school specialists!

Click here http://lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us/specialist_sign_up_-_2016_2017.html to read more about the options and to find the Google Form link used to submit preferences. There are some accommodations this year for the incoming 7th grade "bubble" class and this is explained on the middle school web page (link above). Don't panic! You're not late, this is not a race, it doesn't matter if you submit the form today or tomorrow, it will not impact the student's chances of getting into a specific specialist.

We work hard to help families find the schedule that works best for their student whenever possible. If you have any questions, please contact the office at 612-668-3310.

Please submit Box Tops for Education!

Don't want to hang onto your box tops over the summer? Please submit them to either campus by Tuesday, June 7th.

Cross-Country Runners Wanted!

Summer is almost here, but it isn't too early to think about Fall and Cross Country Running! If you will be a seventh or eighth grader next year, the Southwest Lakers Cross Country Team wants you!

The season officially starts August 15th, but there is practice all summer for those that are motivated! Join friends, meet new folks, and get ready for the Fall Season! Optional, 2-a-day practices start soon after school is out! Athletic forms are available on the Southwest Athletics webpage.

Contact lucy.archie1@gmail.com with any questions. Happy Running!

ALPhA Calendars

Being that the end of the school year is so close to the end of May this year, will you have your child bring in his/her May ALPhA calendar before the end of the month if possible? Anytime during the last half of the month is great unless you want to record a few more minutes to reach a goal. Thank you!

Big Changes to Innisbrook

Dear parents,

Thank you to every parent that donated their time, energy and dollars to our school this year. You may recall we asked for feedback on your experience with Innisbrook after the sale had concluded. We heard that some parents really love having the ability to buy goods that provide a profit to our school, but we also heard that changes need to be made to make this more fun for all.

Expect big changes to come next fall. We have selected a new vendor called Clubs Choice; this will provide us with:

1. a better assortment of our top items plus sells flower bulbs,
2. A better price for goods sold which means more profits for us,
3. Much better online ordering process, 4) better delivery process,
4. Less cheap prizes will be distributed,
5. Less pressure to participate, and
6. It supports a local, midwest company.

We took your feedback seriously and we hope you enjoy the changes we will be making next year. We're excited for them and excited that we have a new vendor to offer which will hopefully make for a better experience for all. Have a wonderful summer and we'll connect again right before the school year begins.

Your Clubs Choice Fundraiser Chairs:
Sarah Knudsen at sarahkknudsen@me.com
Nikki Niermann at nniermann@gmail.com.

Spring Concert DVD's Available (Requested until the end of the year)

Parent and Videographer, Gregg Townsend, records each performance and makes the recordings available in DVD format by the end of the year. This year's performances have been recorded in HD. They will also contain the performances in each category that occurred earlier in the year. They are great keepsakes for your family...

The four DVDs produced this year are:
4th & 5th Grade Band, Orchestra & Music Performances
Middle School Band, Orchestra & Choir Performances
Chorale Ensembles, Rock Band and Jazz Performances
8th Grade Dance Bash / Dance Competition

You may order one or all of the DVDs listed. Order forms are available at each performance this spring. You may also obtain an order through the performance teachers, Ms. Cuff, Mr. Needleman or Mr. DePerry. And you may order directly through Gregg Townsend by email at sdpartysounds@yahoo.com.

Community News:

SUPPORT A POSITIVE SCHOOL CLIMATE

Students, families, staff and community members are invited to attend one of three community meetings. We are using your feedback to support a positive school climate. Together, we can ensure students are secure, supported and successful.

Upcoming community meetings:
Wednesday, June 8, 5–8 p.m. at Anne Sullivan, 3100 28th St. SE
Thursday, June 9, 5–8 p.m. at Washburn High School, 201 W. 49th St.
Child care, translation services and dinner will be available at the meetings.
<http://emss.mpls.k12.mn.us/positiveschoolclimate>.

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Submissions: email to Mark Fullerton: marksatva@gmail.com or use the online submission form at:

<http://lakeharriet.mpls.k12.mn.us/connection1.html>.

Please try to limit each submission to approximately 150 words in length.