

# THE LION'S ROAR

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## Immanuel Lutheran School

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### What's Going On?

- Flag Football                      Every Monday 3pm
- Dress picture re-takes  
   Monday, Nov. 9 9am-10am
- Scholastic Book Fair  
   Week of Nov. 9
- Parent/teacher conferences  
   Nov. 10, 12, 13
- Early dismissal-no clubs  
   Nov. 10, 12, 13 1pm
- No School-Veterans Day  
   Wednesday, Nov. 11
- PTL Christmas Dinner ticket deadline  
   Friday, Nov. 13
- Operation Christmas Child Box deadline  
   Saturday, Nov. 14
- OLSATS-grades 4 and 7  
   Nov. 16-17
- Girl Scouts                          Tuesday, Nov. 17 3pm
- Faculty Meeting  
   Tuesday, Nov. 17 3:15pm
- Chess Club                          Every Wednesday 3pm
- Scrapbooking Club                Wednesday, Nov. 18 3pm
- Newspaper Club                    Thursday, Nov. 19 3pm
- Cross stitching Club                Thursday, Nov. 19 3pm
- PTL Christmas Dinner and Auction  
   Friday, Nov. 20 6:30-10:00pm

## Veterans Day Celebration



The ILS PTL would like to congratulate the children on a job well done at the Veterans Day Celebration! You all did a wonderful job! We would also like to thank the many parent volunteers who brought in food and drinks for the celebration. We would like to give a special thanks to Diane & Joel Wardenburg for all their hard work in coordinating the acts and emceeing the event (I hear Andrea Stock did a wonderful job of emceeing as well!). Also, Kirk Rundhaug for baking all of those quiches for the veterans (they were delicious!) and Tim Nobes for putting up all of the decorations and name banners in the church and downstairs in the lunchroom. Thanks also to all of the parent volunteers who came in early to set up and stayed after to clean up. We couldn't have done it without you!

*-submitted by Bonnie Dice*



## Flag Football Standings

| TEAM NAME        | W | L | T | SCORES FROM 10/26   |
|------------------|---|---|---|---|
| CECK             | 2 | 1 | 1 | CECK VS TELETUBBIES<br>35-56<br>M.C. VS SPARTANS<br>42-42 |
| MORTINATING COWS | 1 | 1 | 2 |   |
| TELETUBBIES      | 2 | 2 | 0 | SCORES FROM 11/2<br>SPARTANS VS. TELETUBBIES<br>49-35     |
| SPARTANS         | 1 | 2 | 1 | M.C. VS. CECK 7-7   |



## Chapel Offerings

Thank you for your generosity! Because of your offerings throughout October, \$311 was donated to the National Brain Tumor Society. On Sunday, November 1, 2009, over 6000 people gathered in front of the Philadelphia Art Museum to participate in the Race for Hope 5K walk/run. Among them were the more than 125 family and friends of Marty Mazanec, my cousin, who died at the age of 19 from a brain tumor. Marty was a gifted violinist who always had a smile on his face and a joke on his lips. He was also very involved with the teen group at his church. While home for treatment he was a witness to their confirmation retreat. During their prayer time Marty wrote this prayer to help him...it has since helped all of us. And with his mother's permission, I now share it with you and hope that it does the same...

### Marty's Prayer

Father, please give me the strength of spirit to face all the challenges that lay ahead of me.

Please guide me and carry me when I can't walk on my own.

I know that your will, and not necessarily mine, must be done, and I pray that some day I come to an understanding of what that is.

*-submitted by Ms. Murphy*



Our November chapel offering goes to support Samaritan's Purse. Along with donating Christmas boxes, we will also support the cause financially to help send these boxes overseas. For more information or for an empty shoebox, see the display in the lobby.

## Volunteer Hours Log

A new system to record volunteer hours will start next week in order to simplify the accounting process.

The green volunteer log binder will be divided alphabetically by student last name and there will now be a log sheet for each family to record their hours for the enrolled child(ren).

Also, at the back of the green binder there will be blank log sheets that you can use if you cannot find your child's name or when your sheet is full.

Please contact the school office or Caroline Calabrese at carcal-gav@aol.com for any further information.

## Immaculate HS Concert

**You are cordially invited to:**

**A Patriotic Celebration**

**Monday, November 9**

**7:00pm**

**JHS Gymnasium**

## What's New In the Music Room?

The music room has been buzzing this Fall with many activities.

The 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade Choir has been working on some music reading skills including rhythm, dynamics and note reading. Improving singing by learning some new vocal skills and warm-ups has been at the top of our list! We have been singing two and three part music and getting ready for the Advent/Christmas season. One of our songs, African Noel, will incorporate drums and other rhythm instruments. The Choir led some of the singing during a recent Chapel service and also sang for the Veteran's service this past Wednesday.

Lower School students have been learning basic music notation, playing rhythms on handchimes and other instruments and dancing up a storm with our movement to music CD's! Each week we practice the songs that will be sung at Chapel. I believe this has helped the sound of our musical offerings at Chapel. THIRD AND FOURTH GRADERS will begin learning how to play the recorder after Christmas. I will be sending home a notice regarding the purchase of a recorder and book. Approximate cost will be between \$5-\$10 per student. I am checking catalogues for the best deal at this time. (This might make a nice Christmas gift – recorder/book package).

Middle School students have finished the first unit of Alfred's Basic Music Theory Course(written work as well as ear training and music concepts) and are now beginning a unit on music history. Handchimes and drums have been enjoyed by all. Parents should remind Middle School students that returning music homework on time is important! All Middle School students should have a music folder. This helps with organizational skills and proves handy when studying for tests and quizzes.

The entire school is now working on music for our Advent Program in December. We will be presenting the musical play "Three Wee Kings" on Wednesday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. Parental help with costumes, make-up, etc would be very helpful!

*-submitted by Ms. Archibald*

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## Fall Fun in Fourth Grade

As the days have grown shorter, and the air is much cooler, the fourth grade has been very busy learning all about Connecticut. This year at ILS, the fourth grade has changed its Social Studies curriculum. We are no longer learning about the United States as a whole and the four regions of the U.S., but are now studying all about our home state, Connecticut, for the length of the school year.

The fourth grade has just started using a new textbook entitled, The Connecticut Adventure. We are excited about this new opportunity to study in depth our great state. The text begins with the theory of an Ice Age and the glaciers that covered our state, up to modern day. Along with studying the history of Connecticut, we will be studying the geography, people, and communities in Connecticut. In addition, the fourth graders are excited for the upcoming field trips this year including the State Capital Building, the Mark Twain House, and the new Connecticut Science Center, which will further their understanding through hands-on activities and visitations.

This is what some of the fourth graders are saying about our new Social Studies program:

"I love learning about my home, Connecticut!" - Frank Calabrese-Gavay

"I can't wait to learn all about Connecticut's rivers!" - Christopher Torres

"It is exciting to learn about a state you live in." - Rachel Prince

"I like learning about Connecticut's geography." - Natalia Piwko

"Even though I don't live in Connecticut, I want to learn about Connecticut's history." - Christine Foran

"I love to learn about Connecticut!" - Lauren Ritacco

*-submitted by Mrs. Napp*

## Book Fair

Where in the world is the ILS Book Fair? Destination: Adventure Unknown. The book fair is next week! Every book is an adventure waiting to happen; a trip waiting to be taken; a story waiting to be told...**book** a new adventure next week! Students will 'shop' for books on Monday; then come back to purchase their finds later in the week. To make the book fair successful for everyone, we need your help. Volunteers are needed to help the students with their shopping and purchasing; to be in the fair space at all times; to help with the extended Thursday hours, and with clean up. A book fair sign-up is located in the lobby--please see if you can volunteer for a time slot. Book fair volunteer hours count towards the tuition credit.

### Book Fair Hours:

**Monday** 8:30-4:00

**Tuesday** 8:30-4:00

**Thursday** 8:30-4:00, 5:00-8:00pm

**Friday** 8:30-1:30

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## Students of the Week

As God has created us all in his image, ILS would like to take time to recognize some of his special creations, the students of Immanuel. The following children have been honored as Students of the Week:

### WEEK OF OCTOBER 26

**K-Mathew Mathew**

**1-Jolene Baker**

**2-Emily Perna**

**3-Joshua Banh**

### WEEK OF NOVEMBER 2

**K-Lily Kovacs**

**1-Evan Wei**

**2-Clarissa Lugo-Commans**

**3-Erin-Marie Smith**

Congratulations to you all!

**4-Frank Gavay**

**5-Sarah Keller**

**MS-Dimitris Smith**

**4-Phoebe Chu**

**5-Timothy Smith**

**MS-Nicholas Leo**

## PTL Christmas Dinner and Auction

**FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2009**

**6:30PM – 10:00PM**

This year, we will be holding the PTL annual auction at Sciortino's Restaurant in Brewster. This will be a buffet dinner with cash bar. Cost is \$25 per adult and \$10 for children 10 years old and under. Tickets must be purchased in advance by November 13, 2009.

The silent auction will switch to a live auction at this event with all bids final. This is a great way to start the holidays and meet parents from your children's classes. Information will be sent home shortly for purchasing tickets. Payment can be turned into school office marked "Christmas Dinner". Checks should be made payable to "ILS PTL".

We need donations for the PTL Silent Auction. Donations can be goods or services. In the past we have had theme baskets, hot air balloon rides, gym memberships, hand made jewelry, baked goods, babysitting services, etc. Got some extra tickets to an event? Feel free to donate them.. All donations are welcome. Donations are tax deductible. We would like all donations by October 30, 2009 so they can be photographed and posted to the web site ([www.ilsptl.com](http://www.ilsptl.com)) The auction will run as a silent auction in November and then final live bidding will happen at the Christmas Dinner on November 20, 2009 at Sciortino's in Brewster, NY. We will be receiving matching funds for this event from Thrivent (a Lutheran Financial Services agency). Donations can be brought to the school or you can contact Marianne Gannon 203.778.3311 [ilsptl@aol.com](mailto:ilsptl@aol.com) or Sandy Peterson 203.770.8847 or [sandykpeterson@yahoo.com](mailto:sandykpeterson@yahoo.com).

