



WORDS OF HOPE

February 16, 2010

L.E.S.T. News!

Another L.E.S.T. has been completed, and many great memories were created for over sixty 5th through 8th graders from Hope Lutheran School. Although not every competitor or team from Hope brought home a medal or trophy, all represented Hope well in the many different competitions in which they participated. A few highlights included 8th grader Kayla S. winning a Champion of Character award, Hope's Cheerleaders earning second place in the cheerleading competition, Faith P. winning the third place medal in 6th grade math, and the following musicians earning blue ribbons for their performances: Carina A., Garth B., Grant D., Devon F., Aaron A., Cooper H., Kassandra K., Samantha H., Kelly W., and Taylor K.


Congratulations to all of the Hope Lutheran Eagles who competed at L.E.S.T. in swimming, music, math, drama, knowledge bowl, science, spelling, art, chess, dance/drill, basketball, cheerleading, and writing. We are proud of you!

The best part of L.E.S.T. is witnessing the growing confidence of students. For many students this is the first time they have participated on a team, competed in a tournament, and performed before a large audience. Eyes are wide as they look into the stands and notice about 1,000 people watching. They smile, cheer, and

clap. The performers smile, cry, and form bonds. Parents sit in awe as their shy child waves, performs, and dances.

Thank you to all the parents, coaches, teachers, and students. Your dedication and time with our students is valuable and treasured.

Mark Your Calendars!

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- ☞ **Fri. 2/26** - Free Dress Day
 - ☞ **Mon. 3/1** - 12:00 - 7:30 PM PS-3 Parent Teacher Conferences
 - ☞ **Tues. 3/2** - PS-3 No School - 7:30 AM - 1:30 PM Parent Teacher Conf. / Mid-Term 3rd Quarter Reports Sent Home / 1:30 & 7:00 PM Talent Show
 - ☞ **Thurs. 3/4** - **12:00 PM Dismissal / NO Preschool 4** / 2:00 - 8:00 PM Parent Teacher conferences (Optional for grades K - 8, Required for Preschool 4) / ESC "XTRA" Open 12:00 - 3:00 PM
 - ☞ **Fri. 3/5** - **NO School** / 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM Parent Teacher conferences (Optional for grades K - 8, Required for Preschool 4) / ESC "XTRA" Open 8:00 AM - 3:00 PM

Hope Lutheran School's Mission Statement

Hope Lutheran School is committed to providing quality academic instruction; equipping students for lifelong learning; recognizing each child's unique abilities; and nurturing each child in body, mind and spirit in a community that shares and lives the Christian faith.

Notes And News / Prayer Group / Chapel

Hope School Talent Show

Our annual talent show is coming in March! Students in grades K - 8 can participate in Hope School's talent show, hosted at Hope School on Tuesday, March 2nd. Show times will be 1:30 and 7:00 PM in the church sanctuary. Sign up forms are coming home today and are due back by this Friday, February 19th!

Hope T-Shirt Fridays!

Starting with the 3rd Quarter through the end of the school year, students may wear Hope T-Shirts on any Friday (not just Free Dress Days). So get out those LEST and Lutheran School Week T-Shirts and show your school spirit every Friday! In order to participate, the T-Shirts must be Hope Lutheran School T-Shirts. The rest of the school uniform policy applies (pants/shorts/skirts must be regular school uniforms). If you have any questions, please ask at the school office.

The NED Show is Coming, Monday, March 1st!

Never Give Up - Encourage Others - Do Your Best

We are happy to announce that Hope Lutheran School will be hosting The NED Show. This assembly is designed to encourage our students to become Champions for Christ by developing godly character and academic excellence. The assembly will combine yo-yos and audience participation with solid biblical instruction to teach students how to develop three valuable characteristics involved in becoming champions at school and in life.

Parents Prayer Group

Please join us as we come together as parents to pray for all who learn and work at Hope School. This is an opportunity for us to pray together for our children's education, their relationships, as well as bless the staff by lifting them up in prayer. Throughout the school year, we will meet for monthly prayer gatherings held in the Commons area in Hope Lutheran Church. Childcare will be provided.

Our next gathering will be on Friday, February 26, at 8:45 AM.

Please contact Tonia Davidson at 206-568-7184 (toniadavidson@hotmail.com) or Ruth Rogers Lewis at 206-938-9646 if you have any questions.



Chapel Services

Wednesday Morning Chapel

8:40 AM for K - 5 grades

Feb. 17: Pastor Eilers, Ash Wednesday

Feb. 24: Mr. Kranich / Chapel Band, Prayer - Matthew 6:5-15

11:40 AM for 6 - 8 grades and SLHS

Chapel Offerings for third quarter of 2010 will be given to Family Promise. This is a ministry for homeless families with children supported by several churches in the greater West Seattle area.

School Activities / After School Clubs / Athletic Events

School Activities

Student Council Meetings: Feb. 26 at 3:00 PM. Please meet in the 3rd grade classroom.

After School Clubs / 3rd Quarter

Lego Club: 3rd Quarter will be offered to students in K - 3rd grades.

Meeting on Mondays in the Kindergarten from 3:15 to 4:15 PM.

Math Club: Math Club continues to meet the 1st & 2nd Wednesday of the month from 3:05 PM to 3:45 PM. Meet in the 2nd grade classroom on the 1st floor. (If there is no school, there is no math club.) Math Club is open to students in grades 1 - 4. Bring a non-messy snack if desired.

Math And Origami Club: Students in grades 5 - 8 can meet with teacher Ms. de Luna on Mondays at Seattle Lutheran High School Room 22 from 3:15 to 4:00 PM. She will use origami to reinforce geometric concepts, learn the basic folds to transform a square sheet of paper into a variety of objects/shapes, come join us!

Art Club: Offered to students in grades 5 - 8. They will meet the 1st & 2nd Wednesday of the month from 3:15 PM to 4:15 PM meeting in the computer lab. This club provides additional art opportunities through project and community enrichment.

Chess Club: No longer meeting after school or during lunch time.

Parents, please note that pre-registration is not required for the above clubs, however you need to call the school office to let us know if your child will be attending.

After School Classes

Mandarin Class For K - 8 graders meeting on Tuesdays from 3:05 to 4:05 PM started January 12th! Enrollment is closed. Call the school office with any questions at 206-935-8500.

5th & 6th Grade Basketball Information

5th and 6th Grade basketball season starts today, February 16th. Practices will be held at Hillcrest Presbyterian Church, located at 10404 34th Avenue SW, Seattle WA 98146. Practice times are as follows:

Date	3:45-5:15	5:15-6:45
2/16	Boys	Girls
2/17	Girls	Boys
2/18	Girls	Boys
2/22	Boys	Girls
2/23	Girls	Boys
2/24	Girls	Boys
2/25	Girls	Boys

The remainder of the schedule will be handed out once the game schedule is completed by the League.

Hope Church Activities / Hope Youth Ministry

Lenten Mid-Week Worship and Soup Suppers

Begins on Ash Wednesday, February 17th and continues through March 24th

Soup Supper at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall
Worship at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Preceding each service the congregation is invited to the Fellowship Hall to partake in a simple soup and bread supper hosted by various ministry groups.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, February 21 at 1:30 p.m. in the Church Commons.

Celebrated West Seattle author, Lyanda Lynn Haupt, will discuss her newest book, "*Crow Planet: Essential Wisdom from the Urban Wilderness*," published by Little, Brown & Co. "With her sensitivity, careful eye and gift for language, Haupt tells her tale beautifully, using crow study to get at a range of ever-deepening concerns about nature and our place within it, immersing us in a heady hybrid of science, history, how-to and memoir." - Erika Schickel, *Los Angeles Times*, 7/26/09. "In a lyrical narrative that blends science and conscience, Haupt mourns the encroachments of urbanization, but cherishes the wildness that survives." - Liesl Schillinger, *New York Times Sunday Book Review*, 8/30/09. "If you picture Henry David Thoreau as a young mother and scientist in suburban Seattle, you can begin to imagine the literate elegance of *Crow Planet*." - Paul Hawkin, author of *Blessed Unrest*. Lyanda is a noted speaker, who will speak to the Washington Audubon Society in March. Come meet Lyanda Lynn Haupt at Hope to learn all about crows, answer your questions, and hear her read excerpts from this, her newest book. Lyanda will have books available for purchase, and signing.

HUMAN CARE PROJECTS

VALENTINE AGAPE FEAST - This is a "potluck dinner you do not attend." Instead, bring the non-perishable foods you use for your potluck dishes to the dinner table in the church commons through Feb.28. Then the food and love will be passed on to those in need at our two local food banks and Hope Food Closet. Based on your last name initial, please bring: A-E: salads, F-M: entrees, N-U: desserts, V-Z: beverages. Children may like to bring baby food or pet food. (There is more information and food ideas by the big red heart.)

LOVE FOR HAITI can be shown in a tangible way during the coming weeks. We are collecting things to ship through Lutheran World Relief, which has an aid agency there. We routinely collect "kits," etc. for LWR; but, in response to the Haitian disaster, we hope to greatly increase the amount we ship. (LWR has more requests for disaster supplies than they have available for Haiti--or other disaster areas of the world.) Items needed: blankets (good used OK), baby clothes, blankets, soap, hand towels (good used OK), washcloths, toothbrushes, Band-Aids, combs, nail clippers w/ file - or your help with this project. Check thrift shops or dollar stores for good buys.

GOD LOVES YOU - and wants to help you if you are struggling with financial burdens. He can use His church at Hope to help pay necessary expenses. Just talk to Pastor or Mary Anne deVry at 206-937-9330 for confidential help.

Hope Youth Activities!

CHILDREN & YOUTH CLASSES

Sunday School ~ 3 yrs - 5th grade
Multipurpose Room

3RD - 5TH GRADE EVENT

Health Kits for Haiti - Meet at Hope on Sunday, February 21, 12:15 p.m. Share a simple lunch and then help assemble Health Kits to send to rescue relief crews. Parents are welcome to help! See the list of items that are needed for the kits in the **Love for Haiti** paragraph above.

Middle School Merge

Sunday Morning Merge! We're right in the heart of a new study called "Ten Tough Things!" Come and be challenged to live more like Jesus every **Sunday, 9:15-10:15am** in the Youth Room! Donuts and juice!!

MIDDLE SCHOOL EVENT

Sky-High Sports Event on Tuesday, February 23, from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 for an hour on their wall to wall trampolines (for 25 or more). Bring a new or used blanket to donate to Haiti relief.

PSYB Middle School Gathering at Camp Arnold on March 6-7.