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HAPPENINGS

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The mission of Emmaus Lutheran School is to provide a program of academic excellence which encourages and prepares the student for a full productive lifelong commitment to the Christian faith, to service, to learning and to problem solving in a changing diverse world and to make serious faith decisions in the face of its many challenges and opportunities.

December's Character Trait

Caring

He has shown kindness by giving you rain from heaven and crops in their seasons; he provides you with plenty of food and fills your hearts with joy.

Acts 14:17

**Be kind • Be compassionate and show you care • Express gratitude •
Forgive others • Help people in need**

Just say "SOCKS!"

**356 Pairs Collected, Way To Go!
We have passed our goal!!!**





Choral Service

There will be a special Choral Service at Emmaus this Sunday at 9 AM. It will feature our adult choir and the brass ensemble from Concordia Lutheran High School. All school families are invited to join us in worship of the coming King, Jesus!



Christmas Programs

Please join us on Saturday, December 17th at 4:00 p.m. for the preschool through grade 2 program and again Sunday, December 18th at 2:00 p.m. for grades 3-8 program. Students who are in costumes should report to the music room by 1:15 p.m. on Sunday and all other students should report to their classroom 15 minutes prior to the program. Please be sure your child is on time. Invite your friends and relatives to come with you to these programs by the children. We hope to see you on Saturday and Sunday.



Worth the Price of Admission!

I have had the opportunity to watch several of our Emmaus basketball games this year. We have won some and lost some. Like everyone else, I would rather win than lose. The desire and determination to win is an important aspect of athletic competition, but to me there are more important things. There is teamwork and good sportsmanship. There is learning to cherish victory and accept defeat with grace. There is the joy of playing just for the sake of playing. In these things, our players are winners each and every game. I would like to thank you for the fantastic job they do in representing our school!

Mr. Martin



It's About Family

When members of the family need help and support, you do just that, help and support. Please keep Sarah and her family in your prayers. Prayers are heard by our loving God and are powerful indeed. There are other ways that we can help as well. Meals are needed on Tuesday and Thursdays. There is a sign-up sheet in the office if you would like to provide the family with a meal. If you would like to do so but do not have the time to make and deliver a meal, one of our school moms is willing to do so for \$20 per meal. For more information, please contact Mrs. Smith or Mr. Martin.



Junior and Senior High Youth Groups

“Christmas Caroling” is on Thursday, December 22 from 11:00 AM until 1:30 PM. The youth group will carol for some members of our congregation and then be treated to lunch at Pizza Hut. Parents are needed to drive for caroling. This event is for all students from sixth to twelfth grade. If you can drive or if you need more information, please contact Miss Martin. Be sure to visit us on facebook at

<https://www.facebook.com/EmmausYouthGroup>.



Shake, Rattle & Roll Night -Tickets on Sale NOW!!

Emmaus Lutheran School is hosting a Shake, Rattle and Roll Night and Live Auction on Saturday, March 3, 2012. Tickets will cost \$75 each. All proceeds from this event allow student tuition to be kept at the lowest possible amount making our school affordable for as many children as possible. In our current economic climate the importance of this effort cannot be overestimated.

Your ticket price will include \$100 "funny money" to be used to play games provided by Little Vegas, fun and various food stations along with 2 drink tickets, Bill Werling and the Breakaway Band, Live Auction and GREAT COMPANY!!!

Wonder what happens at Shake, Rattle & Roll Night? The night is run like this, you purchase your ticket and you redeem your ticket at the door for "funny money". You then can play various games for tickets. If you need more "funny money" to continue to play games, you can do so at the donation table, where you can redeem a donation to Emmaus for more "funny money". Toward the end of the night you can redeem your tickets for a chance to win a prize. There will also be a Live Auction throughout the evening.

Donations for Shake, Rattle & Roll

This is Emmaus' major fundraising event of the year, and we count upon the wonderful generosity of the community at large, including businesses, to make it a success. You can do so much to help the students at Emmaus Lutheran by: donating items or gift certificates to be used as prizes; making a monetary donation to help cover the costs of the event; or sponsoring a food station for \$500. For every food station that you sponsor, you will get recognition on our brochure, on signs detailing the event, and a personalized sign at each sponsored food table on the night of the event. We would especially enjoy it if you were able to attend so that you could see your donation in action!

IF YOU KNOW OF ANYONE WHO MAY BE ABLE TO HELP OUR CAUSE PLEASE EMAIL Lisa Terrell @ lterrell@emmauslutheranfw.org. She will be able to get you a donation letter along with necessary tax information.

Need a Christmas Gift for that Special Someone but need something different!!

TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE FOR Shake, Rattle and Roll Night! Lisa Terrell will be selling tickets at the Scrip Table on Mon. and Wed. If you would like to purchase one on any other day, please call her at 710-1949 or email her at lterrell@emmauslutheranfw.org.



SPECIAL CHRISTMAS GIFT

Are you looking for a last minute Christmas gift?

You can't find the perfect gift for someone?

How about gifting to Emmaus Lutheran School? You could do it in honor of your children or grandchildren or anyone who is very special to you. We will send an embellishment letter to the person or persons you gift to.

Please contact Mr. Greg Rehberg at grehberg@emmauslutheranfw.org, call him at 414-4390, or stop by the school office.



Need a Car!?!

For each car sold to any Emmaus families and friends, Preferred Auto will donate \$ 150 to the school. All funds donated to Emmaus will be used by the school for classroom supplies for our teachers and our students! To qualify for this donation, mention Emmaus at the time of your purchase and ask for Rob Goodman, Managing Partner. Make sure to mention Emmaus and our school will receive \$150 per car sold. So tell your family, friends & neighbors. Help support Emmaus! This is only good at the Illinois Road Store.



Mark Your Calendars

January	9-20	Winterim
January	20	Wonders of Winterim & Hog Roast
February	27-	Lutheran Schools' Week
March	2	Scholastic Book Fair
February	29	Parents' Day
March	3	Casino Night
March	5-12	ISTEP (Grades 3-8)
March	9	Family Fun Night
March	19-23	IREAD (Grade 3)

BROWNIE & JUNIOR GIRL SCOUTS will meet Friday, December 16th in the library.



PTL CHRISTMAS STORE – will be open following the children’s programs both Saturday and Sunday afternoons. Be sure to stop in and see all the great gift ideas available. The store is located in the teacher workroom located across from the cafeteria in the east hallway.

CHRISTMAS DRESS DAY Wednesday, December 21st is supposed to be blue uniform shirt day for students in kindergarten through grade eight. However; if students would like to wear Christmas clothing instead, they may. Christmas sweatshirts, sweaters, other nice tops or Christmas colors will be allowed. Students may still wear their blue shirts and non-uniform bottoms if they do not wish to dress in Christmas clothing. They must still follow the other sections of the dress code as listed in the Parent’s Handbook.

SCRIP SCOOP The SCRIP store will be opened during Christmas break only on Sunday mornings and reopen for sales on Wednesday, January 4th from 8:00-8:30 a.m. Only on hand items will be available. The SCRIP team wishes each and every one of you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!

LOOKING FOR A DIFFERENT STOCKING STUFFER? Lego clubs will start to sell **colored smencils** (each of the 10 flavors are a different color: orange/orange, grape/purple, very berry/dark blue, watermelon/green, cotton candy/light blue, bubble gum/ pink, root beer/ brown, cinnamon/ red, tropical blast/ yellow, and black cherry/ black) for \$1 a piece. We will also (until supplies run out) sell **holiday smens and smencils**. Both holiday smens and smencils come in the same scents (Smens are \$2 for one and Smencils are \$1 for one). Those 5 scents are: Cinna-what?!, candy cane, holiday cheer, gingerbread, and sugar plum. The holiday Smens are retractable pens! I also have some original smens (\$2) and smencils (\$1) left from our spring sale (see Mrs. Durlacher for what scents are available in those). To buy: you can purchase them directly from Mrs. Durlacher before school (parents only on after school purchases please!) or by e-mailing her at: sdurlacher@emmauslutheranfw.org. Thank you for your support! Money from the sale of these wonderful writing utensils will go to help purchase upgrades for both clubs.



Concordia Seminary Families



The monetary gifts from chapel will be used to purchase Scrip gift cards for the seminary student families who are often very far from home and unable to return for the holidays. Thrivent will match what we are able to raise for these families. There is also a collection of non perishable food items, cleaning products (dish soap, Lysol wipes, laundry detergent, etc.) and other household items. These go to the seminary co-op and they distribute them to those in need.

BOX TOPS & LABELS FOR EDUCATION Collecting Box Tops and Labels for Education just got easier! If you have a Scott's/Kroger card, and register it online, Emmaus will automatically get credit for Box Top and/or Labels for Education products purchased electronically. The points will automatically get deposited into the school's account(s). You may also continue to cut out and turn in labels and Box Tops to Emmaus for additional credit. The web sites are: rewardyourschool.com (for Box Tops) and elabelsforeducation.com (for Labels for Education). Registration is fast and easy!

TYSON CHICKEN We are pleased to announce that Mrs. Rhonda Freeman has agreed to handle a fundraiser through Tyson chicken products. It works similar to the box tops & soup label program, just cut off the indicated area and send in to the school office. She will start this program after the first of the year with a class competition so start saving your Tyson labels now.

FREE "Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!" First come, first served. "Miss Dawn" Cuellar (Extended Care) has a Baldwin Encore organ for free. Please contact her at 410-5552 or see her in morning or afternoon care in the cafeteria.

BIRTHDAYS

- Mitchell Hile, grade 4 - Sunday, December 18th
- Connor Stuff, grade 3 - Sunday, December 18th
- Lekha Balakrishna, kdg - Monday, December 19th



CHEERLEADING

Thursday, December 15th - games at ESM 4:15 & 5:30 p.m.

VARSITY BOYS BASKETBALL

- Thursday, December 15th - game at ESM 5:30 p.m.
- Monday, December 19th - practice 6:30-8:00 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 21st - practice 6:30-8:00 p.m.



JV BOYS BASKETBALL

- Thursday, December 15th - practice 5:00-6:30 p.m.
- Monday, December 19th - game at ESM 5:30 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 20th - game vs LSU 5:30 p.m.

VARSITY GIRLS BASKETBALL

Thursday, December 15th - game at ESM 4:15 p.m.

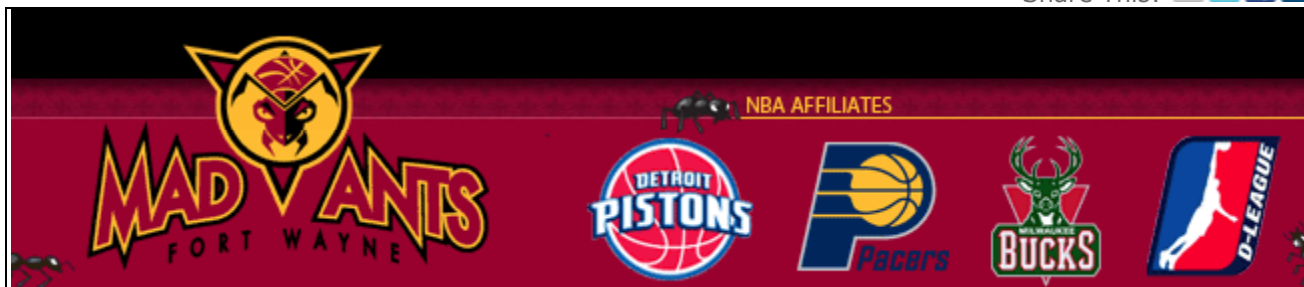
JV GIRLS BASKETBALL

- Thursday, December 15th - practice 3:30-5:00 p.m.
- Monday, December 19th - game at ESM 4:15 p.m.
- Tuesday, December 20th - game vs LSU 4:15 p.m.
- Wednesday, December 21st - practice 3:30-4:30 p.m.
- Christmas party 4:30-5:30 p.m.

LUNCH MENU

Mon, Dec. 19 th	Tues, Dec. 20 th	Wed, Dec. 21 st	Thurs, Dec. 22 nd	Fri, Dec. 23 rd
Bake Potato Bar Broccoli & Cheese Fruit Pudding	Nachos Refried Beans Vegetable Fruit	Ham Sandwich Sweet Pot Fries Vegetable Fruit	CHRISTMAS BREAK	CHRISTMAS BREAK

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Ants Army Kids Club - Join Us For A Party Next Monday!

Kids ages 12 and under are invited to join the Ants Army Kids Club to receive a FREE ticket to weekday games and half off a ticket on weekends!

To sign up for the kids club, reply to this email with your child's name and address, and you will receive your membership card shortly. You can also sign up online on our [website](#).

Thanks to Crazy Pinz, Lazer X, and State Farm, the Ants Army is back again for the fourth year, and we are excited to kick off the season with a party at Lazer X next Monday, December 19 from 6 to 8 PM. Mad Ants players will be there to challenge you to games of laser tag, air hockey, Dance Dance Revolution, and PAC-MAN!

As an added benefit, Ants Army members receive great offers from Crazy Pinz and Lazer X. Simply show your membership card to redeem your offer!

Upcoming Home Games

Friday, December 16 at 7:30 PM versus Iowa Energy

Boy Scout Night

Allen County Twirlers at Halftime

Sunday, December 18 at 6:00 PM versus Springfield Armor

100th Home Game!

Chicago Boyz Acrobatz at Halftime

McDonald's Tabathon

Starting this week, every Sunday home game will feature the Ronald McDonald House's Mad Ants Tabathon! The Mad Ants are helping the Ronald McDonald House collect pop tabs, so please bring your can tabs to the game this Sunday night to get a special treat from both the Mad Ants and McDonald's! Remember, a little ring can open a big door!

Upcoming Events

Thursday, December 15

2:45 PM The Mad Ant visits Holy Cross

Saturday, December 17

9:30-10:30 AM The Mad Ant visits Norwell

11:30 AM-12:30 PM The Mad Ant visits the Huntington YMCA

Monday, December 19

6:00 - 8:00 PM Ants Army Kids Club Party at Lazer X



Sponsor of the Month

Evans Toyota

"We believe in treating our customers like friends and family in a professional manner," states the headline of the Evans Toyota website. From new cars to used cars to rental cars to car service and car parts, Evans' commitment to excellent customer service truly comes through in every aspect of their business.

Evans Toyota, located conveniently at the corner of Lima and Coliseum near Glenbrook Square, has been a local family owned business for over 55 years. Starting on Brooklyn Avenue in 1955 as a Volkswagen dealership, Evans has evolved into a community stalwart that provides the very best in customer service. The Evans family is known for their commitment to many local organizations, schools, charities and community groups, and the Mad Ants are proud to partner with them in the 2011-12 season.

Join us in recognizing their support by stopping by Evans to check out their huge selection of new and used vehicles, or visit their website to chat live with a company representative.

Evans also features rental cars, and their weekly rates are certainly some of the best in town!

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