



ZCS WEEKLY

March 29, 2018

Urgent News

Office Hours

The school office will be closed during spring break and reopen on Monday, **April 9**. If you need to access the school or contact someone in the office during spring break, send an email to jaukeman@zionchristian.net

Pi Run Volunteers Needed

The 6th Annual Mountaineer Pi Run is less than a month away and the planning committee needs volunteers to help us serve pie, direct runners, and make the race even better than last year. The race will be held on **April 14**. If you are not running in it, please consider volunteering for this fun opportunity to support Zion Christian School. Contact Kim R o b e r t s a t andrew.kim.roberts@gmail.com if you can help in any way.

Report Cards

3rd quarter report cards are now available. Paper copies were distributed to elementary students today. 3rd quarter grades for JH and HS students are available on ParentsWeb.

General News

Kuyper College Business Competition

Earlier this week, Zion 11th grade student Kenzi Hesselink competed in the Kuyper College Triple Bottom Line Business Idea Contest. Students had to submit business ideas that were environmentally friendly, profitable, and investing in people. Kenzi submitted a proposal for a gym for battered women who could learn self defense and work out without judgement. Her five-minute presentation was selected over 12 other student teams. Kenzi won a total of \$3000, including a \$1000 cash prize, a \$1000 scholarship, and \$1000 for Zion. Well done, Kenzi!

Zion Choir Performance

On Saturday, **April 14**, Zion's high school choir will sing at the PCRT conference at First CRC of Byron Center. The concert will begin at 6:30pm, with the conference starting at 7:00pm. All are welcome to enjoy the concert and may remain for the evening conference or discreetly leave after the concert is finished. The choir students will need to be at the church by 4:30pm to rehearse with The Westminster Brass and do a sound check.

Mileage Club Final Tally

In total, the elementary students raised \$4849.75 from Mileage Club pledges. These funds will be used for PE equipment. 4th grade

student Mya Dykstra raised the most funds. As a reward, Mya and a friend get to go out for lunch with Mr. Hoekstra.

Reading Month

The elementary students have done an amazing job reading for gold medals all month long. Altogether, they have read over 188,000 minutes. Thank you, parents, for your support and encouragement at home. Congratulation to Readalot Island (Mrs. Groenhof's 2nd grade class) and McCroria (Mrs. McCrory's 5th grade class) for winning the most gold medals in K-2nd grade and 3rd-6th grade, respectively.

After spring break, students who met their personal goals will receive a voucher for a Whitecaps game this spring. Congratulations to all the successful elementary readers!

Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences

Elementary Parent Teacher Conferences are scheduled for Thursday, **April 12**, from 4:00–6:00pm and 7:00–9:00pm. **These conferences are for parents of elementary school students only.** The JH and HS conferences were held in February.

Conferences will last for 15 minutes. If you plan to attend conferences, you **MUST** call the school office by Monday, **April 9**, to set up an appointment. If you show

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up for conferences without an appointment, you may not be able to see the teachers that you would like to see. Some of the part-time teachers will not be present at all the conference times, but you can request a phone call from them to set up a separate meeting.

Katie De Jong Garage Sale

This winter, you have the opportunity to donate to a spring garage sale to benefit the ministry work Zion alumna Katie DeJong is doing in Guinea, West Africa. As you start your clean-up projects, please consider donating to this sale. The Garage Sale will be held **April 19-21**. They will accept donations until **April 14**. For details, please call Beth De Jong at (616) 644-2438.

Scholastic Book Fair

The Scholastic Book Fair is scheduled for **April 9-13**. The Book Fair will also be open during Elementary Parent-Teacher

Conferences on **April 12**. The Book Fair will be open for students on Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday. One way that families can bless their children's teachers is by purchasing items from their wish lists for their classrooms. All Book Fair sales benefit our school library! **See the flier on page 3 of the Weekly for more information.**

Parents Guild Meat Sale

Mark your calendar and start clearing room in your freezer. The Parents Guild will sponsor a Meat Sale on **May 3**. Look for more information about this sale in the coming weeks.

Spring Dinner

Zion is excited to welcome The Baker Bros. as the featured performers at the Spring Dinner this year. The Baker Bros. is an up-and-coming vocal group consisting of Zion alumni Jordan (2012) and Seth (2015) Baker. This duo will

perform a combination of their own music and covers of familiar songs.

Additionally, Zion Bible teacher Rev. Greg Lubbers will provide a testimony and offer his perspective on the role of Christian schools in our community and churches.

This is sure to be a wonderful night celebrating God's faithfulness to Zion Christian School. Opportunity will also be given this night for attendees to make a contribution to further the work being done at Zion Christian School. The Dinner will be at 6:00pm on Tuesday, **April 24**, at the Postma Center at Pine Rest. Contact the office by Friday, **April 13**, to reserve a seat at this exciting event.

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There will be no ZCS Weekly next week, due to spring break. Have a safe and relaxing break!

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Easter Sunday	2 Spring Break—No School	3 Spring Break—No School	4 Spring Break—No School	5 Spring Break—No School	6 Spring Break—No School	7
8	9 School resumes Scholastic Book Fair	10 Scholastic Book Fair Field trip—3rd grade Field trip—6th grade	11 Scholastic Book Fair	12 Scholastic Book Fair Elementary Parent/ Teacher Conferences	13 Scholastic Book Fair Chapel: Rev. Dale VanDyke	14 Mountaineer Pi Run
15	16	17 Field trip—5th grade	18	19	20 Chapel: Rev. Tom VandenHeuvel Sports Banquet	21
22	23	24 Spring Dinner 6:00	25 Field trip—Pre-K	26	27 Chapel: Singing Field trip—4th grade	28

Come to the Book Fair!



We are pleased to once again have the Scholastic Book Fair at Zion on **April 9-13**. Come explore our large selection of books and great reads for every person in your family. We are passionate about reading and hope our students develop a love of reading, too!

Although we've done an initial screening at school, we ask that you as parents use your own judgment in purchasing reading material for your children. Look over the booklist that was sent home with your child. You can make your selection in person or you may send money and instructions with your child to school.

The students will have an opportunity to preview the Book Fair and make their wish lists on Monday, **April 9**, and Tuesday, **April 10**. Students can shop on Wednesday and Thursday, **April 11 & 12**, before school, during recess, during lunch, and after school. Friday, **April 13**, we'll be open before school and during recess. Parents are invited to shop and peruse the books at school on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons, as well as Thursday evening during Parent-Teacher Conferences.

You can also shop online! From **April 4-21**, you can shop the Book Fair online, by visiting www.bookfairs.scholastic.com/homepage/zionchristianschool. There is something for everyone. All books purchased will be shipped for free to Zion and we will distribute them to your child.

This is a wonderful opportunity to get your child excited about reading and will also be a great benefit to our school, as a portion of all sales will go toward purchasing books for our own school library. We hope to see you at the Book Fair!

