



ZCS WEEKLY

October 27, 2017

Urgent News

Annual Fall Auction Results

Thank you to the many volunteers, donors, and bidders who participated in Zion's Fall Auction two weeks ago. The evening was a great success. Before expenses, we raised over \$140,000 for the Mountaineer Fund. Praise God from Whom all blessings flow!

Parents Guild Needs

Parents' Guild needs more volunteers to serve the buffet lunches at Stroo Funeral Home. This is an easy way for you to help Zion! It requires only 3 hours of your time, and you can always say "call me next time" if the date doesn't work for your schedule. Any adult is welcome to help: moms, dads, grandmas, grandpas, aunts, uncles, and friends of Zion. The work is light, and Stroo generously donates \$100 or more to Zion each time our volunteers serve. Call Derek Stumph at (616) 818-6502 or email volman981992@yahoo.com to add your name to the list.

Key Card Sale

The Key Card sale will end on Friday, **November 3**. Please either pay for or return all Key Cards by that date. There are still a few Key Cards available in the office if you want to purchase or sell them.

General News

Elementary Science Olympiad

Students in grades 3-5 are invited to participate in a day of fun, learning, and competition at Zion's Elementary Science Olympiad on Saturday, **November 18**, 9am-12pm. See the attached form for more information. All interested students must sign up by **November 10**.

Bus Drivers Needed

Zion is still in need of bus drivers to complete two after-school routes. One route covers NW of Grand Rapids and the other covers SE of Grand Rapids. Please contact **Todd Hoekstra** at thoekstra@zionchristian.net if you are interested. Paid training may be available!

Powder Puff Football

Join us **tonight** for the 2nd Annual Powder Puff football game! Enjoy an exciting evening as the freshman and junior girls take on the sophomore and senior girls. The game begins at **4:30pm** and admission is \$2 for students and \$3 for adults. Donuts, hot chocolate, and other treats will be available for sale. All proceeds benefit student council.

After the game, junior high and high school students are invited to a bonfire at the Baker's house next-door to school. The bonfire will end at 9:00pm.

Yearbook Ads

Parents of seniors, now is the time to think about how to congratulate your senior. This week, the yearbook staff mailed letters to you detailing how you can place an ad in the yearbook to celebrate your son's or daughter's high school graduation. Please return your order form with payment to the school office by **November 7**. If you have any questions or did not receive the mailing, please contact Miss Vander Jagt at (616) 878-9472 ext. 207 or via email at kvanderjagt@zionchristian.net.

Zion Apparel Sale

Check out Zion's new Apparel Store. Profits raised will support the Mountaineer Athletic Boosters. To view and order apparel options, visit www.asoutdoorsolutions.com/product-category/zion-christian-school.

Zion Directories

The 2017-2018 Zion directory was printed and sent home with the youngest child in each family today.

If any of the information in the Zion directory is incorrect, please send your corrections to jaukeman@zionchristian.net by Wednesday, **November 8**. We will include all corrections in the Weekly after that date.

General News Continued

Veteran's Day Assembly

Please join us for Zion's annual Veteran's Day Assembly on Friday, **November 10**, at 11:45am.

Also, Zion graduates David DeJong and Matt Friberg are currently serving with the US Marines in Afghanistan. We would love to support and encourage them by sending letters or cards from the Zion students and community. We will collect these until Veterans Day, with the hope that your words and prayers will be an encouragement to them as they enter the Thanksgiving and Christmas season so far from home and family. Please take a few minutes to support our troops and remember to pray for their safety.

Thanksgiving Baskets

The Student Council will once again put together Thanksgiving Baskets to help families that would otherwise have a difficult time purchasing the necessary goods for a Thanksgiving dinner. The letter on page 4 outlines the items that are needed from each grade. The Student Council is also requesting

a \$5-\$10 donation per family in order to buy perishable foods. Elementary students can bring donations to their classroom teachers. Junior high and high school students can place their food donations on the table set up in the commons and bring monetary donations to the office. We would like to help several families from the Zion community this year as well as bring items to the Kentwood Food Pantry. Please prayerfully consider how you can help with this project. The collection drive will run through Friday, **November 17**.

Parent Teacher Conferences

PTC's will be on Tuesday, **November 14**, from 4:00–6:00pm, and 7:00–9:00pm, and **November 16**, from 6:00-9:00pm. Elementary conferences will last for 15 minutes each; conferences for students in grades 7-12 will last for 10 minutes. **If you plan to attend conferences, you MUST call the school office by Thursday, November 9, to set up an appointment!** If you show 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 may not be present at all the conference times, but you can request a phone call from them to set up a separate meeting.

LES Parent Teacher Conferences

Don't forget that you can meet with the LES staff to discuss your child at Parent Teacher Conferences. Please call the office to schedule a meeting time.

ZCS Weekly

If you have an announcement for the ZCS Weekly, please send it to jaukeman@zionchristian.net by Wednesday at noon.

Mountaineer Sports

MHSAA Tournament

The boys and girls varsity cross country teams will compete in the MHSAA Regional at Allendale High School **tomorrow**. The girls run at 9:30am and the boys run at 10:30am. All are welcome to come out to cheer for the Mountaineer runners. Admission is \$5/person with a \$15/car maximum.

The volleyball district will be at Tri-Unity. The varsity volleyball team will compete on **October 31**, at 6:00pm.

Winter Sports

The first practice for boys junior high basketball will be from 3:30-5:30pm on Monday, **October 30**. This team is for boys in 6th–8th grade. The first practice for girls JV and varsity basketball will be on Monday, **November 6**. These teams will be for 9th–12th graders. The first official practice for boys JV and varsity basketball will be on Monday, **November 13**. The girls junior high basketball season will start after Christmas.

Sports Uniforms

When the sport season ends, all athletes must turn in their uniforms to their coach or Mr. Bont as soon as possible. Please wash all pieces of the uniform before turning it in to school.

MHSAA Physical

All athletes must have an MHSAA Medical Card on file in the athletic office before participating in a sport. See Mr. Bont for a form. Forms are also available on ParentsWeb.

October 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
22	23	24 Hearing/Vision re-screening Field Trip--1st grade	25 Picture retakes	26	27 Chapel: Rev. Mitchell Dick	28

November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Oct. 29	Oct. 30	Oct. 31	1 Field Trip-- Kindergarten	2	3 Chapel: Worship chapel	4
5 Daylight Savings Time Ends	6 Second Quarter begins	7	8 Field Trip--4th Grade	9	10 Veteran's Day Assembly 11:45	11
12	13	14 Parent-Teacher Conferences	15	16 Parent-Teacher Conferences	17 Chapel: Rev. John Currie	18 Elementary Science Olympiad
19	20	21	22 No school-- Thanksgiving break	23 No school-- Thanksgiving Day	24 No school-- Thanksgiving break	25
26	27	28	29	30	Dec. 1 Chapel: Rev. Bob Van Manen	Dec. 2

December 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4	5	6	7	8 Chapel: Rev. Tom Vanden Heuvel Christmas Band Concert 7:00	9

Dear Parents,

As we turn our calendars to another November, we once again think of the holiday that we will celebrate soon: Thanksgiving Day. We would like to aid many families during this holiday season, and we are giving you the opportunity to reach out in the name of Christ.

The annual Thanksgiving food drive will begin Monday, **October 30**, and continue through Friday, **November 17**. This year, the Student Council hopes to put together Thanksgiving baskets for some families in the Zion community as well as bring items to the Kentwood Food Pantry. In order to do this we need your help collecting food and personal care items. Also, we request that each family which is able donates \$5 to \$10 dollars for Student Council to purchase perishable goods.

Each grade has been assigned the following to bring to school by **FRIDAY, November 17**:

Kindergarten – Boxes of Jell-O or Instant Pudding

1st – Canned Gravy

2nd – Canned Green Beans and Canned Corn

3rd – Boxed Potatoes

4th – Dessert Mixes

5th – Cereal

6th – Corn Muffin Mix

7th – Cereal

8th – Hygiene Products (Soap, Dental Care, Deodorant, Shampoo/Conditioner, Lotion)

9th – Boxes of Stuffing

10th – Canned Fruit

11th – Canned Soup

12th – Hygiene Products (Soap, Dental Care, Deodorant, Shampoo, Conditioner, Lotion)

Kindergarteners through sixth graders should bring their items and money to their classrooms. Seventh through twelfth graders should put their food on the collection table in the commons and bring their money to the office in an envelope marked “Student Council Thanksgiving Baskets.” Thank you for your help.

Serving in Christ's name,

2017-2018 ZCS Student Council

