



ZCS WEEKLY

November 3, 2017

Urgent News

RenWeb Grade Viewing

The 1st Quarter ends **today**. Starting today, parents will not be able to view grades in RenWeb until all report cards are issued next week.

MHSAA Cross Country State Final

Congratulations to Zion sophomore Maria Wierenga for qualifying for the MHSAA Cross Country State Finals last week. She will compete in the State Finals **tomorrow** at the Michigan International Speedway.

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.

General News

Veteran's Day Assembly

Zion Christian School welcomes all military veterans and the Zion community to attend its annual Veteran's Day Assembly on Friday, **November 10**, starting at 11:45am. This 30-minute, student-led assembly will include a presentation by a guest speaker, as well as a performance by Zion's band students. Elementary students are encouraged to wear red, white, and blue on Veteran's Day.

Zion Alumni in the Military

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.

Zion Ski Club

Bittersweet Ski Area is offering a Ski/Snowboard Club Card for \$16.00. This card allows students and adults to ski or snowboard for a great, reduced price. Even if you use the card just once, you would

save enough money on your lift ticket and rentals to make up the cost of the card. With this card, lift tickets and rentals are \$16 each for students and \$20 each for adults. Also, two free lessons are included in the cost of your club card. The card is valid all winter, from 10:00am to 10:00pm on weekdays, and from 3:00pm to close on weekends and holidays. If there is enough interest, we'd like to schedule a few school outings to Bittersweet Ski Area this winter, with chaperones attending. There are order forms available in the office. To purchase a card, fill out the form and attach your payment. Orders are due on Friday, **December 1**. Contact Kim Kleyn with questions.

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**.

Support Zion by Shopping Online

Did you know that you can support Zion' Parents Guild when you shop online at Amazon.com?

AmazonSmile will donate 0.5% of the purchase price from your

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eligible AmazonSmile purchases. Log in to Amazon using this address in your browser: www.smile.amazon.com. Follow the directions to find Zion Christian School on the list.

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 **T o d d H o e k s t r a** at thoekstra@zionchristian.net if you are interested. Paid training may be available!

Yearbook Ads

Parents of seniors, now is the time to think about how to congratulate your senior. Last 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.

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.

ZCS Weekly

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

Mountaineer Sports

Season Pass T-Shirts

Season pass t-shirts are now available to order for students. Any student wearing the season pass t-shirt will be welcomed in to any Zion home basketball game for free. Order yours today! The order form is attached to the Weekly.

Winter Sports

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.

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.

This Week in Zion Sports

Support the Mountaineers! In the coming week, Zion's soccer, volleyball, and cross country teams will compete on the following days:

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7:

5:30—JH BB "B" vs. CCF

6:30—JH BB "A" vs. CCF

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10:

5:30—JH BB "B" @ HBR

6:30—JH BB "A" @ HBR

November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Oct. 29	Oct. 30	Oct. 31	1	2	3 Chapel: Worship chapel Field Trip— Kindergarten	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

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3	4	5	6	7	8 Chapel: Rev. Tom Vanden Heuvel Christmas Band Concert 7:00	9
10	11	12	13	14	15 Chapel: Worship chapel Christmas Choir Concert 7:00	16

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

