



Bear Facts

The Weekly Newsletter of
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FROM THE PRINCIPAL



One of our Expected Schoolwide Learning Results (ESLRs) is “Bethany students will perceive education as a lifelong endeavor with a commitment to excellence.” This same value is found in our Bethany Teacher’s Code of Ethics: “Bethany educators see themselves as life-long learners, not finished products, both professionally and spiritually.” It’s great when we can see evidence of those values, so I’m pleased to share that two of our teachers, Mrs. Leigh Sandlin and Mrs. Diana Orr, have successfully completed their colloquy programs!

“What’s a colloquy?” you ask? The colloquy process provides teachers with training in the doctrinal teachings of the Lutheran Church. Over the past year, Mrs. Sandlin and Mrs. Orr completed eight intense online theology courses and a final interview before three university professors. We’re very proud of them for “doing their homework,” successfully completing the program and setting an example of life-long learning!

*Serving Him with You,
Mrs. Fink*

Mark your calendars:

The Book Fair is coming:
May 11-15
Great for summer reading!

Fun Day is on the Way!

Fun Day brings us all together for a day of fun, laughter, and fellowship. So if you haven’t marked your calendar yet...Ohana Fun Day is May 16th! Please join us!



Lemons, Lemons, Lemons!!!

Have an overloaded lemon tree? Student Council needs your lemons for their Fun Day food booth (we’re serving *fresh-squeezed* lemonade...be sure to get some!) You can bring your lemons to the school office anytime before next Friday, May 8.



This year our monthly awards has the book of Proverbs as a focus. For this month, we chose Proverbs 13:20:

“He who is kind to the poor lends to the Lord, and he will reward him for what he has done.”

Congratulations to the following students, chosen by their teachers for exemplifying this proverb:

**Raiden Vander Horck,
Leslie Haan, Rilei Johnson, Cole Jackson, Iyad Hosn, Dillon O’Donnell, Ellis Armendariz, Troy Johnson, Adrienne Young, Andrew Rodriguez, Emily Nicholls, Annaliese Slaven, Jennifer Reilly and Bryttani Ford.**

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- ☺Apr. 30-8th Grade Graduation Meeting
- ☺May 3-8 DC Trip
- ☺May 11-Meet the Masters-Mondrian
- ☺May 12-Disney meeting for Trinity/Troubadour-6:30
- ☺May 14-5th Grade State Dinner
- ☺May 15-Professional Minimum Day
- ☺May 16-Fun Day!



The last day to turn in your mall receipts is May 14. Please check your drawers, purses, etc. to see if you have any extra receipts lying around (did you turn in your Christmas receipts, for example?) We’d love to win first place!

Choir Snack Sales!

It’s that time of year again: time for our Trinity and Troubadour Choirs to raise money for their Disneyland trips!

Snack sales will be on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays after school in Freedom Square. Come and support our choirs!





The FISHin' Hole
Opportunities to Serve

Fun Day is coming and we'll need lots of help, a great way to take care of your FISH hours. There's also a Fun Day note attached to today's Bear Facts that talks about how to earn a FISH by donating toward Fun Day.

Jr. High Dance-

Due to a schedule conflict with the gym, the last dance has been rescheduled to Saturday, May 30 from 7-10. Sixth graders are invited to this dance, too, so put it on your calendar!

Thanks to your generous donations to the Pennies for Patients drive, we were able to send \$226.61 to the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society! (That's a LOT of pennies!)

You Are Invited

National Day of Prayer
Bethany Lutheran
May 6
7:00 PM
Gym

- *NavyJROTC Color Guard
- *Girl Scouts leading pledges
- *Prayers for those currently serving in the Armed Forces
- *Message by former Bethany pastor and Navy chaplain, Nathan Loesch



Congratulations to the following students on the Honor Roll (GPA=3.3-3.6) and Principal's List (GPA=3.7-4.0):

Honor Roll: Ellis Armendariz, Megan Hasty, Matthew Hoeksema, Sean Isma, Kyle Jackson, Michael Martinez, David Shane, Connor Veliz, Erica Bott, Ian Book, Clayton Kritzer, Mary Delgado, Imani Stanberry, Ashley Foster, Isaiah Tesfay, Jake Geiger, Stephanie Walsh, Franki Gianformaggio, Bethany Graham, Adam Lopez, Kimberly Orpin, Andrew Rodriguez, Austin Romanos, Austin Fett, Marti Boots, Melody Klaffke, Trudy McIntire, Michelle McDonald, Austin Sheridan, Anneliese Slaven, Katelyn True, Alyson Utke, Nia Hendrix, Rylee Anderson, Bryttani Ford, Sarah Black, Basha Wills, Brianna Foster, and Mia Vanelli.

Principal's List: Caitlin Crahan, Nick Robledo, Jared Jetter, Jacob Rodgers, Elizabeth Kriebel, Kaitlyn Tolmosoff, Tanya Joumblat, Caroline Veliz, Bryce Murray, Jackie Lucier, Kailee Castlen-Sharp, Alexys Quiroz, Jonathan Coleman, Benjamin Ung, Sarah Fett, Adrienne Young, D.J. Hamilton, Meagan Yuhashi, Alyssa Migliaro, Moriah Ivins, Brittany Bonilla, Danielle Childress, Cecilia Descargar, Kayla Price, Jacob Fink, Cody Graham, Lindsay Cerulle, Julia Hansen, Miel Dabalus, Nick Henderson, Erin Kiser, Troya Joseph, Emily Nicholls, Alvin Padolina, Jarvis Perkins, Ryan Thompson, Cory Kaaukai, Erin Copplin, Erin Loehnert, Paul Delgado, Alyson Young, Briana Betz, Amber Goebel, Kelly Bumgardner, Brian Kung, Kristin Lee, Kylee Nieto, Marielle Leviste, Kelsi Robinson, Anthony McDonald, Brett Rogers, Alexandra Pollard, Madeline Wall, Janelle Porter, Jennifer Reilly, and Steve White.

The following students had 4.0 GPAs: Moriah Ivins, Brittany Bonilla, Danielle Childress, Kayla Price, Cory Kaaukai, Erin Loehnert, Erin Copplin, Alyson Young and Paul Delgado. WOW!

We also want to congratulate the whole 8th grade class: all of them had at least a B average for the third quarter! Thanks for setting the bar high for the rest of us.



Please help us provide the funding for more improvements to our school! Every time you buy SCRIP, you get a tuition rebate AND we earn more money for school maintenance and other important projects. The upstairs restroom re-model is being paid for by SCRIP and in order to have the money for other big projects we need everyone to purchase SCRIP. Even small purchases add up to a lot of money when it's all put together.

Right now we are all preparing for Fun Day. One highly-anticipated aspect of Fun Day is the Classroom Basket auction. Please use SCRIP to purchase the items for your classroom basket, and by all means, if there are gift cards in the basket be sure to buy them from Bethany SCRIP. This is just one easy way we can help provide funds for Bethany.

Macy's has provided us with coupons for an extra 25% off regular, sale and clearance prices. If you have any plans to shop at Macy's (Mother's Day is just around the corner!), buy some Macy's gift cards and we will give you a discount coupon. The coupons can be used more than once and can also be used for online purchases.

8th Graders:

Graduation Meeting
Thursday, Apr. 30
7:00 in the church