

The Flame

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***Please remember, articles must be submitted by Wednesday at noon in order to be published in Friday's edition of the Flame. Articles submitted after the deadline will be published in the following edition of the Flame.



Please remember....

**No School on Monday, January 21st in observance of
Martin Lutheran King Day**

**No School on Tuesday, January 22nd
In Service Day**



**Pancake Breakfast packets were sent home
today with your youngest child. Please read the
information printed on the envelope. All packets
should be returned to the "Fundraising" box
outside of the
office by Friday, February 1.**

End of Quarter Info

**The end of the 2nd quarter is January 18th.
Please make note of the following two end-of-quarter procedures:**

- 1. Anything left in the lost and found will be taken to Goodwill. Please take some time to go through the lost and found in the next week and reclaim what is yours.
The lost and found is located in the front entryway;**
- 2. Please make sure that all fines and dues are paid – library fines, extended care bills, etc. Policy dictates that we will hold your child’s report card if these items are not up to date.**

Report cards will be sent home on Wednesday, January 23rd.

2008 – 2009 Registration

Believe it or not, it’s time to start thinking about the 2008 – 2009 school year.
Registration for returning students will start the 30th of January.

Date	Group	Location/Time
January 30 th - February 8 th	Children or siblings of children currently enrolled in Bethel Lutheran School	Grade School Commons January 30 th from 7:00am-5:00pm. <u>School Office</u> January 31 st - February 9 th from 8:00am-4:00pm
February 11 th -February 20 th	Children whose families are members of Bethel Lutheran Church	<u>School Office</u> February 11 th -20 th from 8:00am-4:00pm
February 21 st	Open Enrollment Begin	Grade School Commons February 21 st from 7:00am-5:00pm. <u>School Office</u> February 22 nd from 8:00am-4:00pm

Please do not delay your enrollment, as class sizes are limited. The above dates are the only dates that the groups mentioned have priority.

Students are enrolled on a first come first serve basis according to when registration materials and fees are received at the school. Registration forms will be logged with the date and time they are received.



Digital Pictures Needed for Yearbook

Digital Pictures are needed for our yearbook of any candid shots of sporting events, field trips or other activities throughout the school year. Please email your photos to bethel1@mtco.com. If you have any questions regarding how to email your photos, please contact Mrs. Thomas and she will be happy to assist you.

Stamp Class on Jan. 24

Ladies and young adults are invited to come make cards on Thursday, Jan. 24, starting at 6:30 p.m. at Bethel Lutheran Church. Cost is \$5 to make three hand-stamped cards; all materials, instructions and tools will be provided; beginners are welcome. To reserve your spot or for more details, call Kim Jacob at 387-6155 or April Gould at 698-0571.



Art News

Parents...Please help! The art department is in need of paper towel or toilet paper tubes for art projects that will be done next week. The Kindergarten through Third grade classes will be working with paper mache to create snowmen in art class. Please drop any donations in the box located in the entryway of the school

**Thank you!
Mrs. Krueger
Art Teacher**



Soon the **Bethel Lutheran School Pancake and Sausage Fest** will be here again and we are busy getting ready for another successful fund raiser for our school! The purpose of the fest is two-fold: to raise community awareness about our beloved school while encouraging new students to enroll, and to raise money for outside needs for our current students....

We'd like to invite you to consider being a part of our fun-filled day by volunteering 2 hours of your time helping out in the kitchen or the eating area of the fest which will be held **Sunday February 10th**. Please see the form below to check off a time slot that you and older members (Grade 5 and above) of your family may be available to help and enjoy serving for our school....

Please fill out the form and return it to the box outside the school office marked Fundraising or fax to the office at 266-8510

If you have questions, please call Maryann Redhead at 453-8510

Thank you in advance!

Choose top 2 shifts agreeable to you:

_____ 7-9am	_____ 11-1
_____ 9-11 am	_____ 1:00- clean up

Name: _____

Phone numbers _____

Other family member's names _____

PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM TO THE OFFICE OR CALL MARYANN REDHEAD @ 453-8510 BY **FRIDAY, JAN 25, 2008**

Thank You!!!



Bring Your Coats to Westside Barber Shop. Southside Mission is collecting coats, scarves, hats and gloves at Bethel member Jim Fortman's barber shop on Detroit Ave. in Morton. Stop by and donate to a worthy cause.

Bethel's All-Church Study Begins This Weekend. Bethel's all-church study, based on the book *The Best is Yet to Come*, begins with this weekend's sermon and adult bible studies. You can pick up the book and sign up for a small group at the church. This is a great way to get connected with the Christian family at Bethel Lutheran Church.

Parents Helping Parents. This support group for parents of teenagers meets at Bethel Lutheran Church in the evenings of the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays of the month. Call Scott at the church office for more details.

Parent Transformation Workshop. This workshop for parents will take place at Bethel Lutheran Church on Saturday, February 9 from 9-4. These workshops have been very well received in the community. They are a great opportunity for parents to have questions answered, learn new techniques, and to receive encouragement. They are led by local family counselor, Walt Nunnally. Call Scott at the church office for more information.

What is Faith Steppingstones? *Faith Steppingstones* is a yearly cycle of classes designed to bring parents and children together at key times in family faith life: baptism, Sunday school, first bible, beginning adolescence, confirmation, and high school graduation. Relationships are strengthened, parenting skills are honed, and the promises made at baptism are remembered as we travel along the faith steppingstones together. The next set of classes, *Stepping Into Adolescence*, are for 5th graders and their parents and will take place at Bethel Lutheran Church during the Sunday morning education hour on March 2, 9 & 16. Please call Scott Brown at the church office for more details.



Financial Peace University is Here Again!

Our 1st class was so well received and such a great success, we are offering FPU again. During our first 13 week class, members who participated paid off and incredible \$6000 average and save and unbelievable \$3,103 average using the principles taught by Dave Ramsey in his video series.

Come to a free preview February 10, 2008 at 6:00pm or February 12,2008 at 7:00pm. The Sunday class will be led by Tim and Sherry Cooper and the Tuesday classes will be led by John and Malena Rogers.

Here is a quote from a member of our first class:

“ We have learned that we can manage money and not be managed by it. This class was very emotional, effective and educational.”



BETHEL SCRIP PROGRAM

We are very excited to report the numbers for the first half of our school year. The report period is for 5/01/2007 to 12/31/2007.

- We currently have 140 families actively using the Scrip Program. This includes people from the preschool, school and church. *Are you one of them???* If not, it's easy to get started—stop by the commons weekday mornings or at church between services to find out how it works.

- We sold over **\$190,000.** in Scrip Products! Now that you're buying mostly food & gas, and not so many gifts, remember to continue to use the scrip program—it adds up to a great fundraiser for Bethel.

- **Total Profit = \$9300.47 to be divided:**

* School Tuition Reimbursement	= \$3,482.37
* Church Donation	= \$ 303.54
* Profit to the General School Account	= \$5,514.56

We had a great first half of the school year!

All people that applied their **Scrip Credits toward tuition** will be receiving a letter by next week stating how much they can subtract from their Bethel Tuition.

SCRIP GIFT CERTIFICATES The Scrip Program has issued \$960.00 worth of gift certificates that need to be redeemed. *There is no expiration date on these certificates, but we would like to encourage people to redeem the certificates before they are lost or misplaced.* The gift certificates may be redeemed for Scrip that we keep in inventory or we may special order any other cards that we do not keep in stock.

Don't Forget

If you used your JC Penny's or Kohl's store credit card you can use scrip gift cards to pay your monthly bill. Just purchase the needed scrip and take it to the service desk or any of the store registers to pay your bill.

Shopping at Kroger???

If you shop at Kroger, stop by and pick up a \$10 reloadable Kroger card. The great thing about this card is that it is reloadable at the Kroger Service Desk for the amount that you want to add when you need it. You can use cash, check or charge to reload your card and the card is updated and ready to shop in five minutes after reloading. It is usable at all Kroger locations.

During the months of November and December Kroger generated \$650.00 and \$756.00 in scrip profit. Kroger is by far our biggest money maker in the scrip program. Use your card every time you shop there or pick one up today for future use. What a great way to provide for the ministry here at Bethel.

Walmart/Sam's Club is available in \$25/\$100 at a 2% rebate and is almost always available in stock.

Keep Shopping -- Keep Buying Scrip —It is a great way to support Bethel!

BETHEL/BLESSED SACRAMENT BASEBALL '08



Although baseball season seems a long way off, the preseason preparations are beginning. We have begun scheduling games for the 2008 Bethel/Blessed Sacrament Baseball Season already and are discussing the Coop with Blessed Sacrament School. In order to gauge interest among those students who will be in the 7th or 8th grade next year and determine team make-up it is necessary to know which students are interested in participating. Please detach and complete the form below and return it to the athletic box outside the school office by no later than January 25, 2008. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Jason Marks, Athletic Director, 231-5797.

I am interested in playing baseball during the 2008 BLS/BSS Baseball Season

NAME: _____

GRADE '08-'09 School Year: _____

BETHEL/BLESSED SACRAMENT SOFTBALL '08

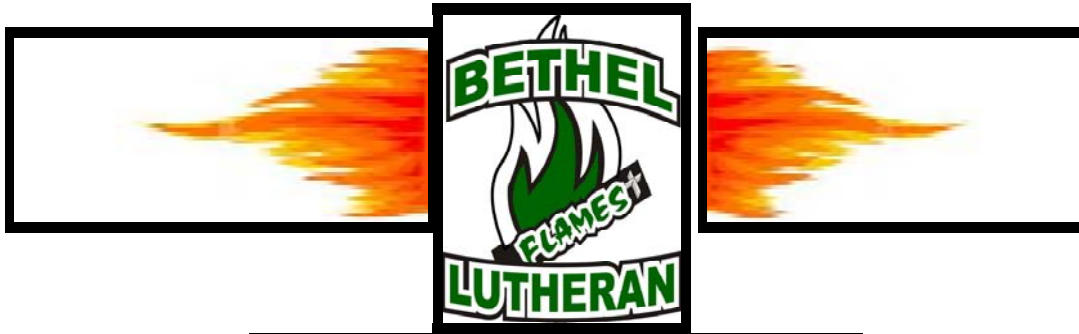


Blessed Sacrament School has extended an offer to our girls to participate on a Coop softball team similar to what we have done in the past with baseball. In order to gauge interest and determine team make-up it is necessary to know which students who will be in 7th or 8th grade next year are interested in participating. Please detach and complete the form below and return it to the athletic box outside the school office by no later than January 25, 2008. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Jason Marks, Athletic Director, 231-5797.

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Game Schedule

Fri thru Sun-January 18th, 19th and 20th, 2008

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Time</u>
Cedar Rapids Midwinter Classic	Away	Varsity Girls Varsity Boys	TBA

Tuesday, January 22nd, 2008

<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Time</u>
Peoria Christian	Away	5th Grade Boys	5:30 pm
Peoria Christian	Away	6th Grade Boys	6:30 pm
Peoria Christian	Away	6th Grade Girls	7:30 pm

Coches Comments...

Good Luck Cheerleaders!!!

Let's Go for a 3 Post in Iowa!!!

No Dance or Cheer Practice on Monday or Tuesday

January 21st and 22nd!

Coch Marks and Coch Thomas



January 2008

Hot Lunch Menu

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri
7 <i>Chicken Nuggets w/ bread</i>	8 <i>Sausage Biscuit Cooked Car-</i>	9 <i>Corn Dog Corn Pears</i>	10 <i>Chicken BBQ on Bun Mixed Vege-</i>	11 <i>Cheese Pizza Green Beans Apple</i>
14 <i>Ravioli w/ PB&J sandwich</i>	15 <i>Soft Shell Taco Cooked Car-</i>	16 <i>Hot Dog Green Beans Peaches</i>	17 <i>Macaroni and Cheese Mixed Vege-</i>	18 EARLY DISMISSAL NO HOT LUNCH
21 NO SCHOOL	22 NO SCHOOL	23 <i>Chili w/ PB sandwich Corn</i>	24 <i>Waffle & Eggs Carrot &</i>	28 <i>Cheese Pizza Peas Pineapple</i>
28 <i>Chicken Nuggets Green Beans</i>	29 <i>Hamburger Corn Pineapple</i>	30 <i>Chicken Fajita Peas</i>	31 <i>Nachos Grande Seasoned</i>	
			Menu is subject to change	