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# THE KINGSMAN

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## TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH, SCHOOL & ECC

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2009-2010 Theme: **“Christ is our Cornerstone” Ephesians 2:20, 21**

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December 18, 2009

### PARTNERS IN PARENTING

From Julian Petzold, Principal

*The Partners in Parenting article returns in January, 2010.*

Merry Christmas Everyone! On behalf of the entire faculty and staff of Trinity Lutheran Church, School, and Early Childhood Center, I want to wish you a very Merry Christmas and a wonderful New Year! Everyone here at Trinity values you as part of our family, and we feel blessed to be able to have you here. Although school will be out for a few weeks, please feel free to call me (cell # 248-931-5394) with any needs or special circumstances that arise over the break. Thanks!

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### TRINITY SPIRIT

*Opportunities to show your Kingsman Spirit by supporting our students*

#### Trinity's 2010 Geographic Bee results

Matthew Corbin took first place honors, winning the school's 2010 National Geographic Bee on Friday, December 11. Matthew is a sixth grader at Trinity. Emma Schaffer, a fifth grader, was the first runner-up, and Christopher Wyse, fourth grade, was the second runner-up. Chandler Graham, Ben Jakubs, Jacob Turner, Noah McGuigan, Isabella Wah, Jacob Roth, and Deja Alston also competed.



Matthew will take a one-hour written examination before January 31, to determine eligibility for the state competition. All school winners are eligible to win the national championship and its first prize, a \$25,000 college scholarship, at the national competition May 25 and 26, 2010, in Washington, D.C.

*Above, l-r: Christopher Wyse, Matthew Corbin, Emma Schaffer*

### SCHOOL NEWS

*School information to help you stay up-to-date*

#### Letter from Mr. Petzold regarding year-end gifts

You should have recently received a letter from Mr. Petzold about blessing Trinity Lutheran Church, School, and ECC with a special financial gift at the end of the year. If you have any questions, please feel free to call Mr. Petzold. Thank you!

#### Having your child(ren) baptized at Trinity

We have had many students come to the waters of Holy Baptism during the past year. A few more families have expressed interest, so if you are interested, please contact Julian Petzold, Principal (269-983-3056), or Pastor Roth, Senior Pastor (269-983-5000) right away.

#### Remember to check hot lunch account balances

Thank you to everyone who does a great job of keeping your hot lunch balances in the positive! At times, some parents do not realize that the account has fallen into the negative. Please keep an eye on your hot lunch account to keep it current. We will continue to send notices of negative balances on a regular basis, and you can check the balance any time through Fast Direct (accessible through the school's Web site at [www.DiscoverTrinity.org/school.htm](http://www.DiscoverTrinity.org/school.htm)).

However, if your hot lunch account reaches a negative balance of \$-75, your child(ren) will no longer be able to eat hot lunch until the balance is paid in full. Thanks for your understanding with this new procedure.

#### Tuition payments

Please remember that all tuition and fees are due by the 10<sup>th</sup> of the month (December 10 for current tuition). On the 21<sup>st</sup> of the month, a late fee of \$20 is applied to your account. If there is a balance remaining on the last day of the month, our procedure is to have that be the last day of attendance until the balance is paid in full. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Petzold at the school office (269-983-3056 x101).

#### H1N1 vaccinations available to the public

Visit [www.bchdmi.org](http://www.bchdmi.org) to find the current locations to receive a H1N1 vaccination if you are interested. Vaccinations are available to the general public at this time.

**Please save your Roger's receipts**

Roger's Foodland has started a program called *Apples for the Students*. Parents, families and friends can collect their Roger's register receipts dated **September 1, 2009, through March 30, 2010**. The receipts may be dropped in the drop box by the Church Fellowship Hall or brought to the school office by March 30, 2010. For every collected receipt, Trinity earns points toward items for our school and Early Childhood Center. If you would be interested in helping with this program, please see Mrs. Maynard in the school office.

**Scrip order process reminder**

Please be certain to return your Scrip back-order envelopes to the school in your child's back pack – the teacher will get the envelopes back to the office. Whenever you drop off an order, it is important that we have an envelope available to send your orders home with your children. This will assist with keeping our inventory accurate and organized. If you have any questions, please call the school office or Candy Briney (269-208-7091). Thank you all and have a Merry Christmas!

**Winter volleyball club for boys and girls**

Southwest Michigan Volleyball Club offers volleyball development programs for boys and girls K-4th grades and Winter Club Volleyball for girls in grades 5-8. If you are interested in signing up your child up for SW Volleyball Club's programs, please contact Candy Briney at 269-208-7091.

**Calendar:**

- Dec. 18 Christmas vacation begins at the end of a full day of school
- Dec. 25 Merry Christmas!
- Jan. 4 Classes resume after Christmas vacation

**Lunch Menu for the week of January 4:**

- Mon: Bow tie pasta, meat sauce, green beans, pineapple, breadstick, milk
- Tues: Chicken tenders, fries, peas, pears, milk
- Wed: Cheeseburger, chips, baby carrots, grapes, cookie, milk
- Thurs: Nachos, corn, pineapple, ice cream, milk
- Fri: Cheese omelets, sausage links, hash brown, mandarin oranges, biscuit, milk

*Check the lunch menu any time at the school's Web site:  
[www.DiscoverTrinity.org/school.html](http://www.DiscoverTrinity.org/school.html)*

**SPORTS CORNER**

**Boys' basketball scores:**

- 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup>: Dec. 14 vs. Grace – Great job, Kingsmen!
- 7<sup>th</sup>/8<sup>th</sup>: Dec. 14 vs. Upton – Loss (36-23)  
Dec. 15 vs. Trinity Paw Paw – Loss (65-24)

**Upcoming games:**

Boys' basketball season has concluded; watch for a recap in an upcoming Kingsman. Great season, boys!

Girls' basketball begins soon – we'll have more information in January!

**CHURCH NEWS**

*Worship information and upcoming church activities*

**Please join us for Worship**

- Sundays 8:00 a.m. Service  
9:15 a.m. Bible Study  
10:30 a.m. Service
- Mondays 6:30 p.m. Contemporary Service

**Christmas services**

- Thursday, December 24 4 p.m. family worship  
6:30 p.m. candlelight with communion  
11:00 p.m. candlelight with communion
- Friday, December 25 10 a.m.  
with communion
- Thursday, December 31 6:30 p.m.  
with communion