



# Tiger Talk

## It's About Them...

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**Susannah Wright, 2010 ALKEK Scholarship Winner and  
Jake Fox, 2010 Frost Merit Scholarship Winner**

St. Luke's has done it again!! We are pleased and proud to announce that Susannah and Jake have been awarded these prestigious scholarships from TMI. We would also like to congratulate Steele Sessions who was also awarded a merit scholarship. These students have worked hard to maintain excellent academic records while at the same time juggling their many extracurricular achievements. They are following in the foot steps of Annie Parker, SLES class of 2005 and Drew Fox, SLES class of 2009, who both received the Alkek Scholarship from TMI. The Alkek Scholarship is a full-tuition, four year award to TMI. The Frost Merit Scholarship is a \$10,000 scholarship awarded to a qualified rising 9th grade student. We are proud of our middle school graduates.

**Athletic News**

6th grade league - our boys beat TMI in the first round of playoffs 34-12  
6th grade girls played hard but lost to St. George 10-23

St. Luke's will be hosting the ISAL Basketball Tournaments for the A and B girls and boys teams Feb. 13, 2010. Make plans to come and support our teams!

**Tennis Team Try-outs**

Feb. 14, 2010 @ 2:00-3:30 at UIW, for questions call Coach John Newman at 210-722-3696

**Talent Show is coming**

May 24, 2010! Start practicing and making plans to be a part of the St. Luke's Tiger Show. Please contact Coach Davenport with any questions.

### **“YEE-HAW SPIRIT DAY”**

In celebration of ROUND UP, Dr. Reford has proclaimed EACH FRIDAY IN FEBRUARY AS A “YEE-HAW SPIRIT DAY”. Students may wear their ROUND UP t-shirt (or other SLES shirt) with jeans.

### **HAPPY 100th BIRTHDAY BOY SCOUTS!**

St. Luke's will celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the founding of the Boy Scouts of America on Monday, February 8, 2010. All Cub Scouts, Webelos, and Boy Scouts are asked to wear their full scout uniform on Monday. There will be a special presentation in chapel, and parents are welcome to attend. The Girl Scouts will celebrate their anniversary on Friday, March 12th.

### **St. Luke's Board of Trustees Welcomes Nominations**

St. Luke's Board of Trustees continuously welcomes nominations for future members to serve our wonderful school. The mission of the Board is to take action on behalf of the next generation of students. For a complete understanding of the job description of the board members, please go to the "Board of Trustees" section on the St. Luke's website found in the "Who We Are" section, and click on "Trustee Profile and Job Description". You may nominate yourself or someone else. If you or someone you know is qualified and willing to serve, please fill out the Prospective Trustee Information Form also found in the "Board of Trustees" section of the website and send it to [boardoftrustees@sles-sa.org](mailto:boardoftrustees@sles-sa.org) or mail it to the school to the attention of the Vice Chair, Board of Trustees.

### **First Tiger Service Club Meeting met with Enthusiasm**

Our first TSC meeting went very smoothly. A total of 28 St. Luke's middle school students attended Tuesday's meeting to decorate placemats for Meals on Wheels.

Everyone who attended worked hard and together we decorated approximately 50 placemats. In one hour the students completed almost 30 hours of community service.

### **SLES students participate in ChildSafe's 8th ANNUAL ART FROM THE HEART**

**AUCTION:** Of the 32 works selected from across San Antonio for the Children Advocacy Center auction, five pieces are by St. Luke's students: Regan Brunsvold and Hope Vinson 8th grade, Rachel Miller 6th grade, Daisy Bousquet and Shelton Northington 4th grade. For further information contact Silvia Sarinana.

### **Kinder: Let's "Get Connected"**

For any SLES kinder family to visit with each other over dinner, Saturday, March 6th @ 5:30 pm at Big'Z Burger Joint, 2303 N. Loop 1604 W., 78248. DUTCH TREAT. Please reply by Friday 3/5 to [heathermr@satx.rr.com](mailto:heathermr@satx.rr.com) if you choose to attend so a head count for the restaurant can be confirmed.

### **3rd grade Let's "Get Connected"**

For any SLES 3rd grade family to visit with each other over dinner, Saturday, March 6th @ 5:30 pm at Big'Z Burger Joint, 2303 N. Loop 1604 W., 78248. DUTCH TREAT. Please reply by Friday 3/5 to [heathermr@satx.rr.com](mailto:heathermr@satx.rr.com) if you choose to attend so a head count for the restaurant can be confirmed.

### **Factual, Fun, and Fabulous in Fourth**

Mrs. Urbanowski's fourth grade science students have been completing hands-on chemistry lessons and developing a word bank for the language of the discipline. The focus of this week's learning experience is to help students explore how the periodic table is organized along a vertical and horizontal axis.

In math class with Mrs. Urbanowski, the fourth grade students have been creating and solving problems involving fractions. Students have been working in small groups to create common denominators and order fractions. Strategies and reasons have been communicated in writing and verbally.

The fourth graders are busy learning the mechanics of grammar. We are applying the rules to our essay writing. We have written essays on unusual pets, castles in our backyard, and a genie granting us a wish.

We are also preparing for the National Mythology Exam. We wrote skits about our favorite mythology characters and acted them out for our classmates. The students have completed the third Core Knowledge book, Robin Hood.

### **Great Things Are Happening in Third**

Third graders have been on a journey into brains and what they do. Last week they were privileged to have a wonderful speaker, Dr. John Burnside. Dr. Burnside is a pediatric psychiatrist who shared an hour out of his busy schedule to teach the students about how their brain works and its vital importance to each of them. He had some very willing "guinea pigs" for experiments. He makes time for us as a preventative measure against students risking their brains on drugs. We learned the difference between "boy" and "girl" brains and "old" and "young" brains.

### **From the Library**

The Texas Bluebonnet Award reading program is a state wide reading initiative that was established in 1979 to encourage Texas children to read more, explore a variety of reading genres, develop powers of discrimination, and identify their favorite book. Last year, almost 200,000 students from around the state voted for their favorite Bluebonnet book. St. Luke's has been an active participant in the Bluebonnet program since 1986 and the program has played a big part in the 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th grade library program.

To support libraries that are promoting these books, the Bluebonnet committee has produced a video highlighting the books from the Texas Bluebonnet Award Master List.

Last year, the video was produced in San Antonio. Our librarian, Mrs. Milligan, who is a former Bluebonnet committee member, had the opportunity to work on the video which led to our students having the opportunity to audition for parts. As a result, we had two students chosen to be in last year's video: Chase Huggins, as a cast member, and Julia Collins, as an understudy and the voice of two animated characters.

This year, Mrs. Milligan, is again working on the video as this year's associate producer and St. Luke's students play a big role in this production, *The Bluebonnet Detective Agency: The Case of the Missing Medallion*. **The premiere is scheduled for April 5th, at the Alamo Draft House on 410 and Broadway.**

Principal actors: Julia Collins, Cole Patterson, Laren Spear

Extras: Daisy Bousquet, Chloe Collins, Marissa Gonzalez, Emily Rose Gottsman, Andrea Gutierrez, Nadia Hibri, Rachel Miller, Shelton Northington, Luke Patterson, Saskia Reford, Sam Roark, Bailey Spear, Avery Travis, Landon Urbanowski

### **Looking Ahead:**

Feb. 5 - T-shirt and jean day for students and faculty

Feb. 6 - Graffiti Clean up Community Service for Middle School students

Feb. 8 - 100th Anniversary of Boy Scouts of America

Feb. 12 - Free Dress Day - Please follow dress code with length of shorts, dresses, skirts. No tank or spaghetti straps

Feb. 13-14 Science Fair Junior Academy

Feb. 17 - Ash Wednesday - Dress Uniform

Feb. 19 - Re-enrollment Contracts due

Feb. 20 - Area Latin Convention

Feb. 26 - St. Luke's Round Up

Feb. 27 - ISEE Testing at SLES for current 4th graders wishing to be a SLES Middle School Merit scholar candidate

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