**Kettle Lake Elementary, 8451 Garbow Drive, Alto, MI 49302**
**Phone 616.868.6113 FAX 616.868.0021**
*"A Community of Learner's…Where Learning is for Everyone"*
**September 17, 2014** www.calschools.org
School Starts @ 8:43 am, Dismisses @ 3:35 pm

Wednesday Word

# Mom's & Mister Event this Friday, Sept. 19th

**LET'S MAKE A DATE!**

**September 25th**
Picture Day

**September 26th**
Walk-A-Thon for Funds

**October 2nd**
Cougar Kids Care Club Mtg. (Library) 3:35-4:30 pm

**October 3rd**
School Spirit Day
CHS Homecoming

**October 6th**
PTO Meeting
7:00 pm Library

**October 10th**
"Enjoy the City" Coupon Book Kickoff

**October 22nd**
Picture Retakes

**October 31st**
Halloween Parties & Great Pumpkin Contest 2:15 pm

**Backdoor School Phone Number 891-6200**

**REMINDER:**
Articles for Wed. Word, Deadline Mon. @ noon

INFO from our Administration Office:

Michigan Monitoring for Cases of Enterovirus

LANSING, Mich. – The Michigan Department of Community Health (MDCH) is receiving reports indicating an increase in severe respiratory illness in children ages 5-17 across the state. MDCH is working with local health departments and hospitals to investigate these cases. At this time, Michigan has no confirmed cases of Enterovirus D68 (EV-D68) associated with the national outbreak, but MDCH is forwarding samples to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for testing.

Nationally, clusters of EV-D68 infections have recently impacted the pediatric population in multiple states. Original reports described clusters of illness in Missouri and most recently Illinois. The majority of those cases had a previous medical history of asthma or prior wheezing. Currently, suspected cases are also being investigated in Alabama, Colorado, Georgia, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Ohio, Oklahoma and Utah.

Enteroviruses are very common viruses; there are more than 100 types. It is estimated that 10 to 15 million enterovirus infections occur in the United States each year. Symptoms of EV-D68 infection can include wheezing, difficulty breathing, fever and racing heart rate. Most people infected with enteroviruses have no symptoms or only mild symptoms, but some infections can be serious requiring hospitalization. Enteroviruses are transmitted through close contact with an infected person, or by touching objects or surfaces that are contaminated with the virus and then touching the mouth, nose, or eyes. There is no specific treatment for EV-D68 infections but supportive care can be provided.

Young residents with asthma are encouraged to be vigilant in taking their asthma controlling medications. Further, Michiganders can protect themselves from enterovirus by taking general hygiene precautions:

Wash hands often with soap and water for 20 seconds, especially after changing diapers.
Avoid touching eyes, nose and mouth with unwashed hands.
Avoid kissing, hugging, and sharing cups or eating utensils with people who are sick.
Disinfect frequently touched surfaces, such as doorknobs, especially if someone is sick.

Additional information about human EV-D68 can be found in today's CDC Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report: http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/mm6038a1.htm.

## ANNUAL EDUCATION REPORT & SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT REPORT

FYI: Our Annual Education Report and School Improvement Report are on our website and are also available in the school office.
Go to www.calschools.org, click on Kettle Lake Elementary, click on yellow & purple AER square.

## SMILE! PICTURE DAYS ARE COMING

On Thursday, September 25th all students will have their picture taken and have an opportunity to purchase a picture packet from InterState Studios. Packet information is going home next week. Information packets will give you several options for payments if you want to. We are not doing Spring Portraits, so this will be your only picture opportunity for this school year.
Questions? Email Inter-State at www.order.inter-state.com or call 868-6113.
Note: Picture retakes will be Wednesday, October 22nd, for anyone who is absent September 25th.

## EMERGENCY INFORMATION CENSUS VERIFICATION FORMS

Family Emergency Information Sheets (Census Verification Forms) will be going home with students soon. Once you receive it, please make any changes and return it to your classroom teacher as soon as possible. Thank you!

## ODYSSEY OF THE MIND

Odyssey of the MIND! If you are interested in this creative, engineering, out of the box thinking program for your child, please come to our parent information night Sept. 30, 2014 at Kettle Lake in the Media Center 6:30 pm.

We will answer more questions and put together teams for Kettle Lake.

This program is for 1st-5th graders with a regional competition in March. The scheduling for team meetings are flexible based on the needs of the team.
Come on September 30th for more information.

You can also check odysseyofthemind.com or email Mrs. Witvoet at witvoetl@calschools.org for more information or questions.

## LUNCHTIME RECESS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FROM 12-1 PM

We are in need of one or two parent helpers daily to help supervise the playground during the lunch times. If you could help from 12-1 pm, please call the office @ 868-6113 or email Crystal @ bell-graphc@calschools.org

## LUNCHTIME VOLUNTEERS NEEDED IN CAFETERIA:

We are in need of parent volunteers to help out in the cafeteria Monday through Friday from 11:15—12:45 pm.

Volunteers are needed to help students use the microwaves, open some of their lunch items, maintain the salad bar and be table washers. Even if you could volunteer for one day a week, that would be great. If this is something you could help with, please give the school office a call at 868-6113 and ask for Mrs. Rider.

**NOTE: Please do NOT send food items that need to be prepared (i.e.: Mac 'n' Cheese) or canned goods (i.e.: soups, ravioli, etc.). Unfortunately, we DO NOT have the personnel to help the students, plus it ties up the microwave for 3-5 minutes. Thank you.**

## ATTENTION KINDERGARTEN PARENTS

If you have not sent us your child's health records, birth certificate, immunizations, etc. to school, please do so right away! Very soon we will be audited by the Kent County Health Department and if your child's health records and birth certificate are not on file, he/she will not be able to attend until we receive them. To avoid this "harsh sentence", please make sure that these forms are on file in our office. Thank you.

## AFTER SCHOOL BIBLE CLUB RETURNS TO KETTLE LAKE:

The "After School Bible Club: will **meet every TUESDAY starting Tuesday, September 23rd from 3:35—4:30 pm in the Sensory Room**. It will run from September 23rd until December 9th, and then pick up again after our Christmas vacation. It's a FREE Bible Club after school sponsored by Kids Life Bible Clubs. If you're interested, "sign-up" brochures are available in the lobby by the office. Students should bring the "filled out" brochure with them to the 1st meeting.

*Reminder: Make sure you send a note to the teacher each week if your student is staying after school.*

# Cougar Kids Care Club NEWS:

Welcome back Kettle Lakers!!! School is now officially in full swing. This also means that Cougar Kids Care Club is going to be starting up again soon. Please be sure to mark your calendars for the **CKCC Kickoff Meeting on Thursday, October 2nd: 3:40-4:30**. We will be discussing our charities for the year at this meeting, so if you have any great ideas, please make sure you come and share them.

If you're new, and you don't know what Cougar Kids Care Club is, this is Kettle Lake's student counsel club for kids in Kindergarten through 5th grade. It's an open club for kids to attend once a month. At CKCC your kids learn to think outside their own little world, and have fun doing it! We choose 3 charities each year (focusing on our school, the local area, and globally). The CKCC kids host their own bake sales (and other fund raisers) to raise money for these charities. It is a great way for our kids to think of others and learn to give of their time and energy to others.

If your child is interested in coming to the CKCC meetings please be sure to write a note to their teacher that they will be attending. CKCC meets in the library, so you can pick up your child at 4:30 from there.

# WATCH D.O.G.S. PROGRAM BACK AGAIN!!!

(Dads of Great Students)
Our WATCH D.O.G. program is kicking off Monday, September 22nd. You can call the office 868-6113 anytime or stop by and sign up for a day.

For those of you who are new dads, the Watch D.O.G.S. Program allows you to help out in your child's classroom, on the playground, in the lunchroom, gym, art class, etc. for the day. Many of our dads choose a date on or near their child's birthday, or you may choose any day that works with your schedule.

**Just a Reminder of the Rules:**

---**NOTE CHANGE THIS YEAR: One Watch Dog PER FAMILY.**

We appreciate all the Watch Dogs that we've had in the past but in order to have enough space for every family to have a date, we are limiting it to one Watch DOG dad per family.

---Only one (1) Watchdog per day.
---Best days to sign up: Mon, Wed, or Thurs. due to our Specials Schedule (Art, Music, PE, and Spanish)
---Please follow the schedule you are given.
---When signing up, we need to know at least 2 days in advance to be a Watch D.O.G.

---Sign up calendar will be kept in the office. You may call to sign up @ 868-6113 or email (Crystal) bellgraphc@calschools.org or (Karen) bradleyk@calschools.org Thank you!

# Cub Scout News

Go to Pack3201.trooptrack.com to sign up for Cub Scouts
Brochure on the next page.

**All new returning scouts are invited to attend our:**
**1st Pack Meeting of the Year**
**New/returning Scout registration and Popcorn Kickoff!**
**Wed. Sept. 24th**
**6:30 pm, Kettle Lake Cafeteria**

## CUB SCOUT PACK 3201

Kettle Lake has a recycling bin (Paper Gator) located in the parking lot. This bin is sponsored by the Cub Scouts of Pack 3201. Ask your family, friends and neighbors to feed our PaperGator with recyclable paper to help keep our earth green!

**What can go in the PaperGator?** Newsprint, Catalogs & Magazines, Junk Mail, Phone Books, Office/School paper.
**What can NOT go in the PaperGator?** Plastic, Metal, Trash, Glass, Cardboard
Help us by dropping off your recyclable papers in the PaperGator today and every day!

**PACK 3201 CUB SCOUTS - KETTLE LAKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL**

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA®

Do Your Best!

# Come Join Pack 3201 Cub Scouts. Grades 1st-5th

THE FIRST STEP TOWARDS EAGLE SCOUT STARTS NOW! JOIN THE FUN AND ADVENTURE WHILE STRENGTHING YOUR CHILD'S CHARACTER THROUGH SCOUTING! SINCE ITS ORIGIN, THE SCOUTING PROGRAM HAS BEEN AN EDUCATIONAL EXPERIENCE FOCUSED ON CORE VALUES. FOR GENERATIONS, ACTIVITES FOR SCOUTS HAVE BEEN DESIGNED TO DEVELOP CHARCTER, FITNESS, PRACTICAL SKILLS, AND A SPIRIT FOR COMMUNITY SERVICE.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTING IN JOIN OUR PACK OR HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT SCOUTING PLEASE GO TO OUR WEBSITE: http://Pack3201.trooptrack.com

STRONG VALUES STRONG LEADERS CHARACTER COUNTS

# PTO CORNER

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our PTO is trying something new this year! Instead of blue volunteer sheets being sent home, we're asking that you please complete the form online through our new PTO webpage.

Please take a few moments to complete the form, we have many different volunteer opportunities that need to be filled. Any and all help is GREATLY appreciated! (Click below and you will be directed to the Volunteer page on our site.) http://kettlelakepto.weebly.com/volunteer.html

Check out the new Kettle Lake PTO Website at http://kettlelakepto.weebly.com/.

**Electronic Student Directory** - The PTO will be publishing a 2014/2015 Student Directory. This directory is completely optional. If you would like your student(s) information included in the directory, you will need to submit a form. Submissions are due no later than Friday, October 3 to be included in the directory. Directories will be distributed via email to those participating by Wednesday, October 15. You can fill out the form at http://kettlelakepto.weebly.com/pto-student-directory.html

## ROOM PARENTS NEEDED:

Please fill out the room parent volunteer form that came home Friday and return it by this Friday. Please consider being a room parent or teaming with other parents to plan your child's holiday parties. The kids really appreciate your efforts! If you have any questions please email me at toniverburg@yahoo.com. Thanks! ~Toni Verburg

## BOXTOP & LABELS FOR EDUCATION CONTEST STARTS SOON:

Boxtop and Labels for Education **Contest begins Sept 29th and will end on Oct 28th**. Please bring in all those you have been collecting over the summer ! Remember that when you clip the Labels for Education, we need both the Labels for Education wording AND the UPC code ! You can find Labels for Education on many products ! Including the individual packs of goldfish crackers. Please find a complete list of products here : http://www.labelsforeducation.com/Earn-Points/Participating-products. Box Tops can also be found on many products, including office supplies and Hanes underwear ! A complete list of participating products can be found here : http://www.boxtops4education.com/products/participating-products. If you could check the expiration dates on them, that would be great !

Also, if you "like" either of the sites on Facebook for Labels for Education and Box Tops, you can get updates when they run certain bonus specials or contests to help your school win!

I will need parents to help clip and count them so if you can help, please email me at kvaness@charter.net

Thank you!

## Mom's & Misters Evening Out At Camp Manitou-Lin this Friday Sept. 19th

At this point, Tickets need to be purchased at the door for each person who is attending. $15.00 each.

For those who purchased advanced tickets, they will sent home

Example: So one mom and two boys attending need three tickets.

(See next two pages of Wednesday Word)

Questions??? Contact Maria Phillips at: mariablantonphillips@gmail.com

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5-9 PM

# MOM'S & MISTERS EVENING OUT AT CAMP MANITOU-LIN

First 500 registered Misters receive FREE T-shirt for Tie Dye

Join us in *celebrating* our boys with a night all about them! Try rock climbing, archery or the high ropes course! Go on a scavenger hunt, play octo-ball & tie dye a shirt. Roast s'mores & hotdogs while sitting around a campfire plus so much more!

RAIN OR SHINE ALL EVENTS INCLUDED!!

## Friday, September 19 5-9pm

**ALL 5 of the Caledonia Elementary Schools are participating! Donations & Volunteers are needed!**
**Please check out the Volunteer Spot website to see how you can help! http://vols.pt/VyA6aq**

Please fill out & return to school by Friday, September 12th. No pre sale tickets sold after this date

**Pre-sale Tickets Only $10 each or $15 at the door!**

******No sign ups accepted without release form attached!******

Student Name(s):_____

Teacher(s):_____

_____Tickets x $10 each = $_____

Release Form Signed by Parent? _____

**Cash & checks accepted. Make checks payable to Kettle Lake PTO.**

# YMCA CAMP MANITOU-LIN

## GENERAL LIABILITY RELEASE

**GENERAL LIABILITY:**
I understand that the YMCA of Greater Grand Rapids assumes no responsibility for injuries, which I or my child may sustain as a result of my or my child's physical condition or resulting from my or my child's participation in any activities, programs, exercise, or the use of any facility, equipment, or other activities organized or sponsored by the YMCA of Greater Grand Rapids & Affiliates. I expressly acknowledge that I assume risk for any and all injuries and illnesses that may result. In consideration of the privilege of joining, or using the YMCA, I hereby voluntarily release and discharge the YMCA of Greater Grand Rapids, its agents, servants, and employees from any and all claims for injury, death, loss or damage that I or my child may suffer. I understand the YMCA of Greater Grand Rapids is NOT responsible for personal property lost or stolen while members and/or program participants are using YMCA facilities or on YMCA premises.

**PHOTO RELEASE:**
We love taking pictures of our guest enjoying their time at Camp Manitou-Lin. We often use these photos in our marketing and promotional efforts. By signing this waiver, you agree to give the YMCA of Greater Grand Rapids permission to use any media of me or my child at camp for purposes of promoting or interpreting YMCA Programs. If you'd prefer your photo not be used, please let us know in writing prior to your camp experience.

**Name of Participant** _____ **Date of Birth**_____

**Signature** _____ **Date** _____
Self/Parent/Guardian (circle appropriate title)

**Address**_____**City**_____**State**_____**Zip Code**_____

**Email Address**_____

## EMERGENCY AUTHORIZATION

I hereby give permission to the medical personnel selected by the camp director to provide routine health care; to administer medications; to order X-rays, routine tests, treatment; to release any records necessary for insurance purposes; and to provide or arrange necessary related transportation for myself or my child. In the event that I cannot be reached in an emergency, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the camp director to secure and administer treatment, including hospitalization, for the named person above.

**Signature** _____ **Date** _____
Self/Parent/Guardian (circle appropriate title)

# COMMUNITY NEWS

**Caledonia Education Foundation**
**FOUNDATION FEST TALIGATE PARTY**
**featuring Katie Kowalczyk-Fulmer,**
**Class of 1988 & 2014 Honored Alumnus**

**October 3, 2014**
**Stadium Parking Lot**
**4:00 pm to 6:45 pm**

**www.caledoniacef.org**

**Join us for the homecoming parade and a delicious tailgate buffet featuring pulled pork sandwiches, chili, hotdogs, salads, caramel apples, nachos, dessert and beverages.**

**Come support the future of Caledonia education programs while cheering on the Fighting Scots!**

**Tickets available at all Caledonia schools, D & W, and Fifth Third Bank in Caledonia**

Prices in advance: Adults $8, Children 12 and under $5, or $25 for a family of 6
At the event: $12 for an adult, $8 for a student, and $35 for a family of 6 (4 and under are free)

**Sponsor a table** for only $300.00 for your family or business and receive 8 Foundation Fest tickets with reserved seating and 8 tickets to the football game. Please inquire if interested.

**Title Sponsors:**

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Caledonia Education Foundation
**(616)891-0732**
**www.caledoniacef.org**

FOUNDATION FEST OCTOBER 3RD

The Caledonia Education Foundation (CEF) will hold its 9th annual Foundation Fest Tailgate Party before the homecoming football game vs. Jenison in the high school stadium parking lot (corner of Johnson and School streets) from 4:00-6:45 p.m. on Friday, October 3, 2014. Our 2014 Honored Alumnus, **Katie Kowalczyk-Fulmer,** Class of 1988 will be recognized in a ceremony at 6:00p.m.

Tickets to this community tailgater are now available at all Caledonia schools, D&W, and Fifth Third Bank in Caledonia. The menu features pulled pork sandwiches, homemade chili, salads, veggies, hotdogs, cookies, caramel apples, chips and cheese, and beverages including apple cider. Invite your friends to enjoy the Caledonia Pipes and Drums perform and watch the homecoming parade.

**BUY AHEAD AND SAVE!!** Before October 2nd, ticket prices are: adults $8, students $5, or $25 for a family of 6. At the event, prices increase to $12 for an adult, $7 for students, and $35 for a family of 6. Children 4 and under are free. **Pre-buy your tickets and be entered into a drawing to win great prizes from local merchants!**

For more convenient ticket purchasing, you can send in your ticket order and money with your child. Simply fill out the order form below. Then enclose it along with the appropriate amount of money in an envelope marked "Foundation Fest Tickets". Send it to school with your child, and your tickets (wristbands) will be returned to your child within a few days.

We need more sponsors! For $300.00, you can become a tailgate sponsor! That sponsorship would include a reserved table for 8 in the shade, your meals, and 8 tickets to the Homecoming game. You can e-mail the foundation at info@caledoniacef.org by September 26th if you are interested in becoming a table sponsor.

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FOUNDATION FEST TICKETS (Please send in payment by Sept 30th)

CHILD'S NAME_____PARENT NAME_____
SCHOOL_____
PARENT E-MAIL ADDRESS _____
TEACHER_____

Tickets requested:
Adults_____ @$8.00 = _____
Student_____ @$5.00 = _____

Family of 6_____@ $25.00=_____
Total enclosed =_____

Make checks payable to Caledonia Education Foundation. Questions?
Call Denise Blunk at 891-0732 or e-mail: info@caledoniacef.org.

Like us on Facebook

www.caledoniacef.org

# Caledonia Harvest Festival

## Win a Gift Certificate to Celebration Cinema!

Color this sheet and bring to the Caledonia Area Chamber of Commerce Booth.

Saturday September 27, 10am - 2pm

In front of the Caledonia Library on 92nd St

Winner to be drawn at random from all entries!

Name_____Phone Number_____

# Arts & Crafts Show

**Duncan Lake M.S.**
**November 1, 2014**
**10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**

**FREE Admission**
**FREE parking**
**Concessions Available**

**For more information call 891-8117**
**www.caledoniaresourcecenter.org**

# Caledonia Community Players PRESENT

## October 25 @ 7pm

**Performance at the Duncan Lake Performing Arts Center.**

**All tickets $5.**

Order tickets online at CaledoniaPlayers.org

**Call 891-8117 for tickets or more information.**

# COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Fall 2014

## Classes with kick!

Enrichment Classes For Everyone!

## Register Now & Get Our Early Bird Discount!

## New

Community Weight Loss Challenge pg. 10.

Go A.W.O.L.
Biking, Golfing, Hiking and much more!! pgs. 19 - 20

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# Caledonia Resource Center

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