



Cougar Commentary

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Psalm 65:3-4

Trinity Theatre Spectacular!

The drama department is looking forward to another year of producing theatre at Trinity! This year, however, they are doing things a little differently. On November 12th and 13th, Trinity will be producing a night of theatre in two parts: a one act play followed by a Broadway revue.

The evening will start with *The Seuss Odyssey* by Don Zolidis. This is a hilarious retelling of *The Odyssey* using Seussian language, props, and costumes.

The Broadway revue is a compilation of songs from many Broadway musicals. Trinity is producing a specific revue, *All Together Now!*, as created by Musical Theatre International. This revue was created to celebrate theatre and there will be potentially thousands of other schools and theatre companies performing this revue the same weekend. Trinity gets to be a part of a nationwide celebration of theatre! Songs from favorites such as *High School Musical*, *Beauty and the Beast*, *Newsies*, and *Fiddler on the Roof* will be featured. Performances will range from solos to large group numbers, so again, there will be many opportunities for our students to demonstrate their considerable talent!

Miss Lowe and Mrs. Schneider are excited to continue to give our students a variety of ways to stretch their theatrical skills and talents. Through this year's production, Trinity will get to try something new but something that will surely be a success!

Distinguished Young Women

Congratulations to Trinity seniors Sarah Lemming and Addison Bumbleburg! They recently participated in the 2022 Jackson County Distinguished Young Women (DYW) program where Sarah won overall Distinguished Young Woman of Jackson County 2022, and Addison was 1st runner up. 13 young ladies from Jackson County were evaluated by a panel of judges in the categories of scholastics, interview, talent, fitness, and self-expression.

Lemming is the second DYW to come from TLHS. In 2012, current teacher and former student Sarah (Onken) Akey earned the title.



Trinity seniors Addison Bumbleburg (left) and Sarah Lemming (right).

2021-2022 Enrollment Snapshot

- 146 students
- 51 new students
- 39 Freshmen
- 35 Sophomores
- 27 Juniors
- 45 Seniors

Did you Know?

- There are eight new full and part-time teachers and staff members this year. Brief biographies of each will be shared in future newsletters.

Go, Fight, Win!

- Trinity students are participating in cross country, soccer, men's tennis, and volleyball this fall. Check out our website for the fall 2021 schedules.

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Cougar's Den

A special thank you to the Cougar's Den resale shop for their ongoing support of our ministry at Trinity. We were blessed to receive a check for \$98,000 for the past fiscal year.

Dear Friends of Trinity Lutheran High School,

How was your summer? I hope that fairs, golf, vacation, water, motorsports, barbeques, or other fun marked the season. At school, summer was an opportunity to reflect on the accomplishments of the previous year and get ready for the excitement of a new one! We continue to equip young people for service as Christian disciples, and we celebrated as TLHS has now graduated 502 students overall. Our graduating class of 2021 was an accomplished class with many gifts, talents, and personalities. As all 33 graduates move on to their next chapter in life, they enter it on solid ground, a foundation of faith strengthened through Christian education and one that positions them well to serve and lead in their new communities and with their new peers.

The purpose and mission of Trinity remains the same – to educate, develop, and prepare Christian servants and leaders. God continues to be faithful in providing an excellent staff for making that mission possible and this year, we welcome many new additions to our team. Coach Brad Dickey joins us as our Student Media Teacher, Athletic Director, and Men's Varsity Basketball Coach, Mrs. Erin Brooks joined the TLHS team in January as our Auction Coordinator and Admissions Director, Mr. Patrick Downey joins us as School Counselor and Test Coordinator, Mrs. Sarah Akey and Mrs. Jaime Brown join us as Science and Chemistry teachers, Mrs. Faith Wilder-Newland joins us as English teacher, Mrs. Danielle Storm begins her first full year as the Weights, Conditioning, and PE teacher, and finally, Mrs. Brittany Darlage joins us as our Health Sciences teacher.

Mrs. Erin Brooks led a wonderful charge in the Admissions office over the last seven months and she was able to enroll 51 new students made up of 39 freshmen and 12 upperclassmen transfers. This is super exciting!

Trinity's 2021-2022 school year theme is "Faith Over Fear." It comes from Psalm 56:3-4, "When I am afraid, I put my trust in you. In God, whose word I praise, in God I trust; I shall not be afraid. What can flesh do to me?" In our fallen world, it's easy to succumb to fear and other negative emotions. However, at Trinity, we rejoice knowing that Jesus Christ our Savior is gracious and merciful. He is the Almighty One, he is trustworthy, he is for us and more powerful than anything that we fear.

Please come visit and see all the ways Trinity students are using their many gifts and talents or ask about our involvement in the community or our continued outreach to international students. In addition to offering a four-star education, Trinity provides plenty of opportunities for students to get involved in sports and clubs, and other student groups. We are looking forward to a great year sharing the Gospel and celebrating God's love for us.

As always, many thanks for your prayers and support of the students of Trinity. We relish the call to serve and lead these youth, and we are excited for another year of preparing them to do the same!

In Christ,

Mr. Clayton Darlage

Principal

Thank you

As we have been adjusting to the changes in the newsletter, publishing a list of memorials was missed. Thank you to all have given memorials to Trinity in the last several months. We will resume printing this list and attaching it to the Cougar Commentary quarterly.

Financial Summary

July 31, 2021

Total debts	\$733,465
Giving needs for 2021-2022 through development	\$744,500
Giving Received through development YTD	\$760,384
Giving Excess through development YTD	\$(15,884)
YTD income as of 7/31/21	\$2,001,418
YTD Expenses as of 7/31/21	\$2,072,405
Net Income (Loss) as of 7/31/21	\$(70987)

The Cougar Commentary will be our new monthly publication. In it, we will share celebrations, information and thank yous. It will be produced in digital format and shared on our website and social media. If you would like to receive a physical copy, please contact Erin Brooks at 812-524-8547 to be placed on the mailing list.