HERITAGE CONQUEROR



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March 2010

OPPORTUNITIES TO VISIT HERITAGE

Families are welcome to set up tours at any time during the school year. However, we have organized several focused opportunities to learn more:

<u>Free Kindergarten Readiness Workshop:</u> <u>Tues., February 23, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.</u>

Child care will be provided. The workshop offers practical tips for preparing a child for kindergarten or deciding if a child is ready. The workshops will be taught by long-time kindergarten teachers Darla (Diehl) Richard and Ellie Burfield.

Kindergarten Open House: Thursday, March 11, 8:30 a.m. - 11 a.m.

Students and parents will see an elementary Chapel service, visit kindergarten classrooms, see the building, have a snack, and get information on enrollment and tuition.

6th-12th Grade Visitation Day: Tuesday, March 30, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Students are invited to tour the school and visit classrooms alongside a Heritage student "tour guide". Complimentary lunch included. Parents of visiting students should call the High School Office at (330) 452-0671 for information.

Our Each One...Reach One program allows current Heritage families to receive tuition or fundraising benefits for helping to recruit a new family. Ask the Main Office for an updated brochure that explains how to participate to receive credit!



CONQUERING OUR FUTURE -HERITAGE AUCTION AND DINNER

MARCH 27, 2010 MEYERS LAKE BALLROOM, 5 P.M.

Join us for a silent and live auction and delicious dinner this year at Meyers Lake Ballroom in Canton! Once again, Richard Kiko of Kiko Auctioneers will conduct the live auction. In April 2009, Heritage celebrated its 40th anniversary with a gala event at the McKinley Grand Hotel. We had more than 300 attendees and raised more than \$20,000. Without the support of our alumni, grandparents, friends of the staff, and generous business and community donations, this event would not be possible. It allowed us to provide more than 50 students with tuition assistance, and we were able to add two new practical course offerings for middle school students – Home Economics and Home Repair.

Tickets are \$29 each and the price includes a delicious buffet prepared by Mr. Mike's Catering. Donations and program advertising/event sponsorships are still being accepted. Auction items are coming in daily including a one-night stay at the Hilton Garden Inn, a one-week hot tub rental from Ohio Pools and Spas, and a one-week stay at a beautiful home in Florida's New Smyrna beach. For more details, contact Event Coordinator Kathy Martin at (330) 452-8271, or kmartin@heritagechristianschool.org or visit www.heritagechristianschool.org.

PARENT ASSOCIATION MEETING

A group of Heritage parents and staffers gathered on February 2nd to discuss potential plans for the future of Heritage, and how families can get involved. We'd like to see MANY more parents at upcoming meetings because exciting ideas are being discussed. Those include everything from the possibility of tackle football coming to Heritage beginning with a junior high team, development of our 8-acre property, and even the possibility of a new gymnasium. Plans are not finalized, and we need help and input, as the Board narrows down recommendations made by development consultant Connie Clark. Ms. Clark's recommendations are based on the input of participating parents, forum results, and her experience in development of non-profits.

FUTURE VISION INCLUDES POTENTIAL NEW GYM

One possible future vision for Heritage was unveiled at the meeting. Since early last year, several Board members, Athletic Director Marty Martin, Dan Pizor and other interested parties, have been looking at various options for a badly-needed new gymnasium at Heritage. Changes in OHSAA rules some years ago rendered our present facility unsuitable for all but middle school basketball games. John Elsey, an architect with GBC Design in Akron, has provided drawings for a potential gym addition to our current building which would seat 1,000+ people, contain new locker room facilities, and convert to make two full basketball practice courts when the bleachers are retracted. In addition, this renovation would include an elevator which would aid in accessibility to our current building. The ability to see these ideas on paper has sparked much interest and excitement in future projects. There is no doubt that a facility like this would attract students interested in a quality athletic program. Could this gymnasium be part of our future at Heritage? This and many more "visions" will be discussed at future meetings of the Association.

Mark your calendar - the next Parent Association meeting will be Tuesday, April 13th, at 7:00 PM.

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SCHOOL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

February		19, 20	Spring Play "North Woods Nonsense" 7 p.m.
19	Church Leaders Appreciation Breakfast	20	ACSI Music Festival, Grades 7-12, Medina Christian School
19	Homestyle Breakfast	22	Teacher Record/Report Day, NO SCHOOL, K-12th
19	6 th -12 th Grade Chapel: Concert of Prayer for Haiti	22	Parent/Teacher Conferences
23	Kindergarten Readiness Workshop, 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.	23	ACSI Junior High Speech Meet, Grades 7, 8
26	Progress Reports Go Home	26	Report Cards Go Home
		27	Track Begins
March		27	Heritage Auction, 5 p.m., Meyers Lake Ballroom
4	Spring Picture Day	29	Baseball and Softball Begin
4	Mom & Me Luncheon	30	6 th -12 th Grade Visitation Day, 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
5	ACSI Math Olympics, Grades 3-8		·
6	School-Wide Work Day, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.	April	
10	Spring College Fair: 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Kent State - Stark	2-9	Good Friday begins Easter Break, NO SCHOOL, Preschool – 12th
11	Kindergarten Open House, 8:30 a.m. to 11 a.m.		Grades
12	ACSI Elementary Speech Meet (Grades 1-6), Valley Christian	12	School Resumes
	Academy	12-16	Spring Achievement Tests, Kdg. – 8th Grades
15-17	OGT Testing, 10 th Grade	13	Parent Association Meeting, 7:00 p.m.
16, 17	Middle School Nine-Week Testing		-

PRESCHOOL PONDERINGS

February is "Sign Language" month. If you walk the preschool hallways, you will see the alphabet displayed in American Sign Language along the walls. Miss Shawna Anderson is teaching Signing to the children every Tuesday and Thursday.

March will be "Missions Month," promoting ministry to our community and the world. Even the youngest students at Heritage will be able to practice giving and serving others in our community and our world. It's never too soon to begin teaching children these life-changing concepts!

BOX TOPS AND LABEL COLLECTION UPDATE

In January, the Friends of Heritage (FOH) received checks from Box Tops 4 Education for \$897.20 and from Tyson for \$48. So far this quarter, Mrs. Corbit has sent in another \$741.90 worth of Box Tops, which doesn't include collections through February! Please check Giant Eagle's website for Bonus Box Tops offers each month.

The Giant Eagle Apples for Students program will continue until March 17. Everyone is doing such a great job turning in items, and the students really love those jeans passes.

Campbell's Labels for Education: FOH has deposited 6,424 points this year, for a total of 21,527 points as of 2/12/10. Points are redeemed for products for the school!

CiCi's Pizza Night Fundraiser: Thurs., March 4, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

During the evening, there will be a \$1 raffle to receive items such as an Easter lamb, basket with candy, and fresh flowers certificate. The class with the greatest percentage of class attending the evening wins a free CiCi's pizza party at Heritage.

Chick-Fil-A Night Fundraiser: Thurs., April 15, 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

This will be at the Dressler Road location (not inside the mall). FOH also will benefit from drive-thru sales if the driver mentions Heritage Christian School when ordering!

FOH Monthly Meetings: Second Thursday of the month, 6:30 p.m., DeMarco's home.

OHIO EDCHOICE APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED NOW

Students who attend or would attend a public school in their resident district that has been rated in Academic Emergency or Academic Watch for two of the past three years are eligible to apply for state-funded scholarships to attend a participating school of their choice. Heritage partipates in the Ohio EdChoice Scholarship Program. Public school students attending a school in their resident district who will be assigned to an underperforming school in the upcoming school year also are eligible to apply. Students currently attending a charter/community school whose home school is an eligible school on the list also are eligible to apply.

The Ohio EdChoice application period for the 2010-2011 school year is Feb. 1 through April 16, 2010. Students must apply and be accepted for admission at Heritage before completing the state scholarship application. **Applications to Heritage should be completed the week of April 5, 2010 in order to meet the state deadline.**

Students at the following Canton City Schools are eligible to apply:

Allen Elementary, Belden Elementary, Belle Stone Elementary, Fairmount Elementary, Hartford Middle School, Youtz Elementary.

For more information, call the Heritage Christian School Main Office at (330) 452-8271 or our High School Office at (330) 452-0671, or email to offices@heritagechristianschool.org. A Q&A and other info is available at www.heritagechristianschool.org. Complete info is available at http://EdChoice.ohio.gov or call 1-877-OHIOEDU.

Informational meetings about Ohio EdChoice and Heritage:

- Monday, February 22, 2010, Goodwill
 – Room 1440, 408
 9th St. SW, 6:30 p.m. -7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, February 25, 2010, Open House at Heritage Christian School, 2107 Sixth St. SW, 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING EXCEEDS GOAL!

Thank you for your giving spirit, Heritage!

The Senior High and Junior High Beta Clubs have been busy collecting and boxing items for the Souper Bowl of Caring. This year 1,067 non-perishable items were collected and will be distributed locally to the Total Living Center (TLC) and Turnaround Community Outreach (TCO). Again, thank you!

Mrs. Karen Croston, Beta Advisor



This is the third year that HCS Preschool through 12th grade students have participated in the Souper Bowl of Caring, a nationwide, youth-led effort to give and share during Super Bowl weekend. Each community organizer decides when and how they will collect, and then donates to the charities of their choice. Then organizers across the nation report their totals to the national web site at www. souperbowl.org.

During our first year Heritage collected 692 items. Last year we collected 1,001 items, 852 of which were donated to Turnaround Community Outreach. The remainder helped Heritage families in need. Our students are already regularly serving and volunteering time at TLC and TCO, the ministry locations who received our donations this year. Students and teachers serve them monthly during the school day as part our "Christians In Action" hands-on service effort and our Beta Club service projects. Both organizations provide wonderful, Christlike support to people in need in Canton.

Beyond the 1,067 items donated by families and the community, 12 cases of frozen food items were donated by Sysco Corporation, taking us beyond our goal of 1,200 items!

FORMER STUDENT GIVES BACK



MS/HS Principal Susan Abramson and Scott Fehlman

Many thanks to our Sysco representative Scott Fehlman, who attended HCS during his elementary and junior high school years, and now is helping support Heritage and our Canton community.

In addition to the Souper Bowl donations, Scott has arranged to have many items donated by his brokers to our school cafeteria, from the

actual school lunch trays to six cases of quartered chicken, including plenty of samples. The samples allow the lunch ladies to try out new products, and helps our food cost at the same time.

"We've been receiving products from Sysco for a couple of months now, and it has been a real pleasure working with Scott and Sysco," said Beverly Blake, Food Service Supervisor at HCS. "What a blessing this is to HCS Cafe," she said. "When we receive a sample or donation, this works its way toward helping balance the cafe' budget, and in turn helps the school's budget."

In the past, Heritage students also have benefited from regular donations from Avalon Foods who provided baskets for the auction and donations for the hike. Nickles Bakery and Smith Dairy also have supported our school.

ALUMNI NEWS

Cory Boyle,'06, is head writer for "Akron After Hours" a comedy sketch show airing on ZTV and Time Warner Cable in the Akron market. Mike Boyle,'04, is a segment producer on the show. Both are currently seniors at the University of Akron. In '08, the show won an Emmy for Best Student Production in the Lower Great Lakes Region. Check out "Akron After Hours" at Facebook.com/akronafterhours.

Cory also is doing freelance videography under the name of Boyling Point Productions.

ALUMNI RECONNECT AT HOMECOMING



Brittany Price, Reina Allbritain, Megan McAbee, Chelsey Kindy and Denise Evans, Class of 2009



Mike Mundy, Rachelle (Barton) Snow, Class of '86

Hugging, laughing, reminiscing and sharing histories summarizes the evening of January 22 as alumni and former staff gathered during Heritage Homecoming games at Malone University.

More than 25 alumni and 10 former staff gathered with a 20 or so spouses/guests and kids to leaf through old yearbooks or reminisce through our Homecoming album and see the slide show of current Heritage happenings. All were admitted free to games, and enjoyed complimentary Chick-fil-A chicken wraps, chicken salad sandwiches, fruit, brownies and sweet tea, donated by Jamie Rhoads (HCS Class of '90), Unit Marketing Director at Chick-fil-A Westfield Mall.

Several joined the newly-forming Alumni Association. Information and the opportunity to join will be mailed out to our updated list of alumni in the next few weeks. Thank you to those of you who joined already and are willing to help others reconnect!



Jamie Rhoads, Class of '90

We will publish names of charter members (anyone who joins in 2010) in upcoming newsletters! Cost is \$10 for annual membership and includes voting rights. Your \$10 will offset the cost of mailings, events, and establishment of the association as a 501(c)3. Next important event to attend: the Heritage Auction, March 27 at the Meyers Lake Ballroom. Visit www.heritagechristianschool. org for details. If you are not receiving mailings, please update your alumni information at our website. Click Alumni on the Main Menu.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH INCLUDES FOCUSED STUDY

By Dr. Chuck Wilson

In Integrated American Government we are completing a comprehensive Civil Rights unit that began two weeks ago with the Children's March project from Teaching Tolerance magazine. This project began with the juniors and seniors in the class watching the video on the Children's March on Birmingham, Alabama. After viewing the film, the students were divided into four groups, each group having a required set of questions to answer and share with the class. Part II of the project is titled, "Refuse to Stand Silently By". This activity required students to identify 10 crucial global issues and rank them in order of importance. They were then to mark each category from 0-5, with zero being the lowest and 5 being the highest number, for how much they think they know about each issue and in the last column, to mark using the same scale what they believe they are doing about each issue. The numbers were quite revealing. Part III of this project was to analyze written documents such as telegrams from various sources including former Governor George Wallace, the executive Vice President of NBC News, the mayor of Birmingham, and President John Kennedy.

The second project we are doing involves the historical court case of Brown v. the Board of Education of Topeka, Kansas. This is the court case that effectively ended segregation in the public schools. This also is a three-part project that will require reading selected articles from prominent authors and statements from selected contributors like Juan Williams from National Public Radio. Students will read and assess each article and provide what they perceive are landmarks from each reading. Included in the reading is a timeline of Civil Rights historical events and an expose on "Where Are We Now?" and "What Will We Remember?"

The third and last part of this project involves watching the movie, "Separate But Equal" starring Sidney Poitier as Thurgood Marshall (who became the first African-American on the Supreme Court and argued for Brown v. the Board of Education), Burt Lancaster as John W. Davis, the opposing counsel, and Richard Kiley as Chief Justice Earl Warren. This also involves discussion and completing a 1,000 word essay on any aspect of this project. The total time involved in this project is four weeks.

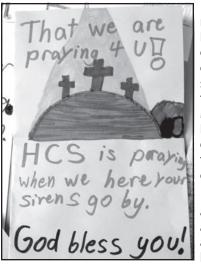
THE DRINKING GOURD

By Mrs. Lisa Norris

Each year, the third graders read the book <u>The Drinking Gourd</u>. This year, they wrote a short letter to Peg Leg Joe thanking him for bringing slaves safely by boat as they followed the North, or the "drinking gourd" stars to safety and freedom.

We tied this lesson in as we studied how to write friendly letters in English class. The students enjoyed writing to Peg Leg Joe. In the letters, we quoted Luke 10:27: "He answered: 'Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind; and, 'Love your neighbor as yourself." This verse helped all of us to remember to love our neighbor as ourselves and to treat others how we would want to be treated.

SIRENS' BLARE INSPIRES CLASSROOMS' PRAYER



One of Heritage's nearby neighbors is Aultman Hospital. The searing sound of sirens is a common occurrence during the school year. Just recently, two teachers – Mrs. Carrie McNutt and Mrs. Amber Kasler – found out that they each respond similarly when the sirens blare. They stop class work and pray.

"In our class, we have always prayed for the ambulance driver, patients, and families that may be hurting as we hear the sirens go by our classroom,"

said Fifth Grade Teacher Mrs. Kasler. "This year, especially, the students stop everything they are doing because we know we need to pray. It is something we do with our kids, too, at home. I had no idea that Carrie (McNutt) also did this."

Second Grade Teacher Mrs. McNutt came up with the idea to send letters from the students to the ambulance drivers to let them know they are being prayed for as they pass by. Cards from second and fifth graders included drawings of ambulances, crosses, and rescuers with reminders that students are praying and that God loves the workers and the hurting.

SIXTH THROUGH 12TH GRADE STUDENTS TO COMPETE AT ACSI REGIONAL SPEECH MEET

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The annual speech meet process has concluded in both the middle school

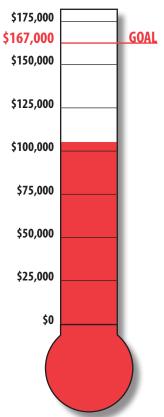
and high school with ten high school students and seven middle school students continuing to finals. The high school speech meet finals will be March 16 at Mount Vernon Nazarene University. Competing for Heritage this year will be

Jenna Fostyk, Jailynn Paige, Brad Curlutu, Olivia Weckbacher,

Nathan Schmitt, Sadie Fellows, Anthony DeMarco, Matthew Davis, Alyssa Fry and Rachel King. The following week the regional competition for middle school will be hosted by Lake Center Christian. Competing for Heritage will be Josh Bartsch, Andrew Boak, Joey Corbit, Alley Harper, Amanda Houdeschell, Krista Mattern, and Hannah Kasler. Congratulations to these students for their hard work!

Development and Jundraising

PROGRESS TOWARD FINAL GOAL: \$167,000



Heritage Christian School's annual budget is based on fundraising for nearly 10% of its operating money. This is accomplished through sales, the hike, events and donations. We ask that each family support this effort to help balance the budget and meet or exceed our goal by the end of the school year.

Get involved and help make these activities a success:

- Golf Outing Goal \$14,000 - Raised \$14,500
- Heritage Hike Goal \$25,000 - Raised \$16,000
- Jubilee Card Sale Goal \$18,000 - Raised \$12,200
- GLAD Concert Goal \$20,000 - Raised \$13,700
- Spring Auction Goal \$20,000
- Annual Fund Donations Goal \$70,000 - Raised \$51,800 Thus Far
- Total \$167,000 Thank You!

JUBILEE CARD TOP SELLERS 2009

Thank you, families, for selling Jubilee Cards to support Heritage. The sale raised \$12,200.

Congratulations to the following students who received awards:

Brandon & Bryan Brooks	4M	1st Place: Night Out at Cinemark, Taggart's	
Britney Schillinger	1M	2 nd Place: Night Out at Cinemark, Friendly's	
Natalie & Nathan Schmitt	2G, 11 th	3 rd Place: \$100	
Tevin Williams	7^{th}	4 th Place: \$75	
Alexis Price	11 th	5 th Place: \$50	
Sean Boyle	5K	6 th Place: Dunkin' Donuts gift card	
Dominic Fier	4M	7 th Place: Dunkin' Donuts gift card	
Kalene Wagner	10 th	8 th Place: Dunkin' Donuts gift card	
Sarah & Ashley Beach	2M, 11 th	9th Place: Dunkin' Donuts gift card	

Congratulations to Bryce Kindy (10th) whose name was drawn to win the Family Fun Polar Package that included a giant polar bear, two snow discs, two toboggan sleds, gloves, a Heritage fleece blanket, Heritage mugs, travel mugs and more!

VOLUNTEER NEEDS

Board members

Parents to volunteer at athletics and other events

Parent Association Leaders

High School Baseball Coach

Football Booster Committee to refurbish donated football equipment in preparation for a possible junior high team for Fall 2010.

Alumni Association members and leaders

WORK DAY MARCH 6

Heritage families, please attend the upcoming final Work Day and help prepare the building for visitors during Kindergarten Open House, 6th-12th Grade Visitation Day, and pre-auction alumni tours! Donuts and lunch provided. It's a fun day and we ask each family to volunteer at least one Work Day each school year! Thank you to the volunteers who helped decorate for Christmas on November 21.

Jim & Susan Abramson & Brennan

Dale Mattern & Krista

Diane Argueta & Victor

Mike McAfee

Walt Bartsch & Josh

Derek McNutt

Andrew Boak

Wendy Nowak

Austin Caldwell

Dan Pizor

Daniel Corbit, Joey Corbit

Howard Pizor

Karen Croston

Lauren Randolph

Abbey Earich, Anna Earich

Tippra Seese & Brianna, Joey

Vicki DeMarco & Friends of Heritage

Steve & Lila Slatzer & Sami

Mark Lipps

Cody Spitale

Marty & Kathy Martin & Kenneth

WISH LIST

Sometimes we have not, because we ask not. Please check www.heritagechristianschool.org for an updated list of many small and some large items needed by the school, and by individual teachers. Below are a few of items or needs! Thank you for your donations!

Glass display cases

Recess equipment

Folding tables

Gas arill

Snow blower

Floor-drying fan

Large sinks for Home Economics class

High School Girls Softball equipment

Used but serviceable tackle football equipment

12-passenger van to be used by school personnel for smaller transportation needs

New printer/copier for Preschool

CONSIDER SERVING ON THE HCS BOARD OF EDUCATION!

Please contact the Main Office and ask to contact a board member. New board members are needed and welcomed to help guide our school. Call (330) 452-8271 for information.

Middle School and High School News

HOMECOMING PARTY IN PARADISE

Below are excerpts from a student article that appeared in *The Third Floor*, our High School monthly newspaper. It was written by Senior Sadie Fellows, reporter and photographer for the paper.

After weeks of preparation; shopping for dresses, shoes and tuxes; and all-out primping, it was finally time for the muchanticipated Heritage 2010 Winter Homecoming. Every year, homecoming is sponsored and put together by the Student Council. This year, it was held at La Pizzaria in Canton with the theme *Seaside Paradise*. During the evening, everyone could still feel the sweet taste of victory from the Varsity Boys' triumphant 53-51 win against Mansfield St. Peter's the night prior.

Some of the partiers showed up in style via stretch limo. "It was fun! We had a good group of people," said Abby Kourkounakis... Heritage mom Nancy Suba did a fantastic job at capturing many moments by volunteering to be the photographer... "The food was really good," said freshman Austin Caldwell. "The ice cream dessert and dancing right afterwards was not a good combination though. I felt sick."

Following the dinner, the 2010 Homecoming Court was announced. Reigning with style, King Jon Skillern and Queen Tori Suba strutted their stuff. The winning ambassadors were juniors Lance Jones and Alexis Price, sophomores Shalamar Risby and Kalene Wagner, and freshmen Josh Yarber and Jenna Fostyk. Congratulations to these awesome representatives!

And, of course, the dancing commenced with everyone doing the "Hokey-Pokey" and the "Chicken Dance." Several dances in particular will definitely not be forgotten. Whether it was Josh Davidson and Ken Hill's leap-frog, or Anthony's "DeMarco", there was no shortage of entertainment...

High school English teacher and chaperone Mrs. Ashley Mortenson put it this way: "I really enjoyed myself. I always like to interact with the students outside the classroom."... The Student Council should be applauded for putting together a fantastic evening of fun. Thanks to all who contributed to the many memories.



King Jon Skillern and Queen Tori Suba

2010 HOMECOMING COURT



L-R: Jenna Fostyk, Josh Yarber, Shalamar Risby, Jon Skillern, Tori Suba, Kalene Wagner, Alexis Price, Lance Jones.



L-R: Sadie Fellows, Anthony DeMarco, Lexi Jakubiak, Samuel Bailey, Candyce Gillems, Brianna Burns.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT UPDATES FROM MRS. CLEMENS!

The ACSI Music Festival for Junior and Senior High will be held on Saturday, March 20 at Cedarville University. We have 12 students participating in the categories of vocal, clarinet, trumpet, trombone, and snare drum solos and a 7th & 8th grade vocal quartet. Next year we hope our High School Choir and Concert Band will participate in the large group categories.

The High School Choir continues their outreach to the community. We partnered with Canton Christian Home for their 3 p.m. chapel service on Sunday, Feb. 7. The residents were blessed! The evidence was in the smiles on their faces and the stories shared! It was a wonderful experience.

The choir's final outreach event for the year will be at Antioch Baptist Church on Sunday, Feb. 28 at 10:30 a.m. We will be partnering in worship with their team and singing with their youth choir that morning! Please come!

The 3rd graders are studying piano, 4th graders have begun studying recorder, 5th grade band is improving weekly, Junior High Choir has helped to lead worship for Elementary Chapel, and the Concert Band, along with all other groups, are beginning preparations for the Fine Arts Festival in May! Whew! What a wonderful way to spend my days! Thank you, parents, for your support of the arts in our school!

GUIDANCE OFFICE

By Mrs. Wade

SAT TEST DATES FOR 2010

Test Date Registration Deadline Late Registration Deadline
March 13 - SAT only* Feb. 4 Feb. 18

May 1 March 25 April 8
June 5 April 29 May 13

ACT TEST DATES FOR 2010

Test DateRegistration DeadlineLate Registration DeadlineApril 10March 5March 19

June 12 May 7 May 21

STARK COUNTY SPRING COLLEGE FAIR

Wed., March 10, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. in the University Center at the Kent State University Stark branch.

OHIO GRADUATION TESTS

Spring Administration – Monday, March 15 - Friday, March 19. Given March 15-17 at HCS.

USEFUL WEBSITES

Ohio Board of Regents - Information on colleges in Ohio as well as scholarships and financial aid: www.regents.ohio.gov/colleges_universities.php

Useful college search information, financial aid and test prep processes: www.petersons.com.

"NORTH WOODS NONSENSE" SPRING PLAY

MARCH 19 AND 20, 7 P.M., HCS AUDITORIUM TICKETS: \$5 ADULTS, \$3 FOR STUDENTS/ALUMNI

Thurston Oakley may be the worst congressman in history. He wants to flood the Grand Canyon, build a shopping mall in Yellowstone, and bulldoze the Smoky Mountains! His aides desperately try to shield him from the press, so they send him to an isolated lodge in search of Bigfoot! *North Woods Nonsense* will make you laugh - people of all ages will enjoy the ridiculous situations, comic dialogue, and zany characters. Enjoy some good, clean entertainment for the whole family. Your attendance supports our drama department! You will see some former actors returning to the stage while others are making their Heritage acting debut - middle school and high school are involved! This is a relatively new play (2007) that few people have seen yet, so don't miss it!

HELP FOR HAITI & CANTON

Students gathered for a Concert of Prayer for Haiti during 6th-12th Grade Chapel. Chapel included an opportunity to give a donation to the Red Cross for relief efforts in Haiti. In addition, Margaret Reaves, director of Turnaround Community Outreach will speak to students regarding the Souper Bowl of Caring Collection that benefited TCO.



The Bible Bowl kicked off in January as part of the Spiritual Life Committee's efforts to encourage and challenge students to learn the details of Scripture in a healthy, but competitive environment. Students in 6th – 12th grades were given a packet of information to study for six weeks. It covers books in both the Old and New Testaments: Jonah, Philemon and James. Heritage friend and supporter Mr. Gary Hurd prepared the study packets and test questions and is working to motivate students. The top winner of the Bible Bowl will receive a laptop computer! The schedule is as follows:

Feb. 25: Aptitude test for all students wishing to participate. Top 32 will advance to competition for March Madness.

March 2: Round One, which includes Scripture memory. HCS will notify churches of students' progress.

March 11: Sweet 16 Round at lunch.

April 1: Bible Bowl Finals last day before Spring Break. Winner gets a laptop.

Bible teachers are encouraging every student to participate, and we hope parents will as well! The book of Philemon is only one chapter long, the story of Jonah is familiar to many, and the book of James has only five chapters. All are packed with important spiritual truths for students!

Also, there will be an elementary Bible Bowl for 2nd-5th graders that will begin in March and will cover the book of Jonah.

^{*}All other test dates include SAT and subject tests.

FAMILIES PROMOTE EDUCATION AT HERITAGE

Thank you to radio station Joy 1520 AM and host Mr. Curtis Perry (a.k.a. CAP III) for hosting Heritage for a 30-minute roundtable discussion featuring perspectives about Heritage from students, parents and staff! The following people helped promote an education at Heritage: Shalamar Risby, Jon Skillern, Patrice Gillems

and her father Heritage Coach Lenny Gillems; JaRon Lee, J'za Skinner and their mother Connie Blanton; Howard Pizor, Kathy Martin and Marty Martin.



L-R: Jon Skillern, Shalamar Risby, JaRon Lee, Back: Curtis Perry

STUDENTS VISIT CANTON CHRISTIAN HOME AT CHRISTMASTIME

Heritage students in second and third grades visited residents of Canton Christian Home in December. Also visiting were two trained pugs who came with W.A.G.S. Canine Training University. They sang Christmas carols in the hallways and performed two songs from the school Christmas program for the people gathered in the Chapel for their weekly service. Especially moving was the song "We All Bow Down." Students gave residents handmade paper mangers holding Baby Jesus. They also had the special privilege of gathering around the bed of a former music teacher to bless her with their singing, as she sang along.

