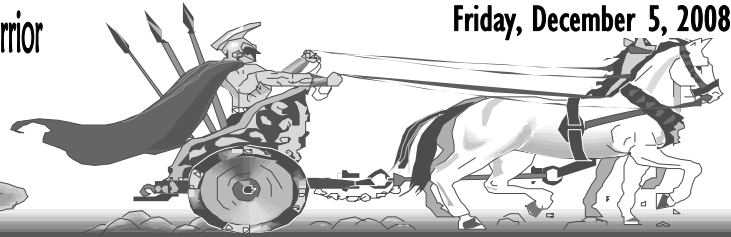


*"Make trumpets
...and use them for
calling the
community
together."
Numbers 10:2*

Bowling Green Christian Academy's Warrior Trumpet

Friday, December 5, 2008



Dear Families,

The Thanksgiving season was one of reflection and giving thanks for all of our blessings. I am still in that mode as I want to thank you for your prayers, cards, notes, flowers, and kind gestures during the illness and death of my mother last week. This event was rather unexpected. One of our doctors said it best, "Your mother has just had too many birthdays!" Mom was ninety-two years old and is now enjoying her heavenly home. We were blessed to have had her with us for a lifetime of love, care, good advice, and an unshakable Christian influence.

I was reading recently about how the storms of life teach us such attributes as perseverance, faith, hope, wisdom, and understanding. Jesus taught some of the best lessons from a storm story. He had taught all day at the seashore, and he asked his disciples to take him to the other side. They did just that as they loaded into small boats and he rested from his day of hard work. When the storm worsened, the men woke Jesus and asked for help. He did help them by calming the storm, but what stands out in my mind the most is that Jesus had good shipmates. He can do everything—can and will stop the storm, but he expects us to help each other and surround ourselves with good "shipmates". I have done just that! God has led me through, but my Bowling Green Christian Academy "shipmates" have been my support in this terribly big storm. Thank you for everything.

Trust in the Lord with all thy heart, lean not upon thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge Him, and he shall direct thy path (Proverbs 3:5-6).

Serving Him with you,
Mattie Jane Cobb

TOP 5 THINGS TO KNOW:

- (1) Christmas shopping** is coming early for BGCA students!! The PTP Christmas Shoppe will be Monday (8:00-3:00) and Tuesday (8:00-1:00), Dec 8 and 9. The children really enjoy Christmas shopping for their family during this time. A flyer listing some of the items available for purchase are in backpacks today. PTP still needs volunteers to assist children in buying gifts and wrapping presents. Please call Nan Higgs, 799-5000, if you wish to help.
- (2) A Chess Club Meeting** for interested parents and students (4th gr and older) is scheduled for **Wednesday, Dec 10**. The meeting will be immediately after school and should be brief. The club will begin meeting after Christmas break.
- (3) Please be on time.** When all students arrive at school on time and stay for their entire day, teachers do not need to repeat themselves or spend extra time away from lessons for the class. Thank you for respecting our students' and teachers' day by planning ahead and arriving with plenty of time for your student to gather their belongings and be in their seats to begin the day. All late arrivers must be signed in at the office.
- (4)** In the event of inclement weather **We Make Our Own Announcements** regarding any delays or closings. Watch or listen to local TV and radio - particularly WBKO TV-13 and WCVK, 90.7fm. We do not follow local schools' delay or closing schedule.
- (5)** The All-School **Christmas Chapel** will take place at Living Hope Baptist Church, 11:30am, on Wednesday, Dec 17. Mark your calendar and arrange to attend this beautiful program. Plan on about an hour which is a perfect lunch break!

SPIRITUAL LIFE

We welcome visitors to share and worship with us any time! The **High Five** schedule for Wednesday, Dec 10:

8:15am K4 through 2nd grades
8:45am 3rd through 8th grades

>Leeza Glisson, Cross-land Comm. Church

Pray scripturally for our students.....Each week we include a short prayer based on scripture. The current focus is "A Servant's Heart." Insert a student name and pray for them each day during the week:

Let ____ not love with mere words,
but let him/her love others with actions
and in truth (1 John 3:17-18).

ACADEMIC LIFE

Mrs. Coats' K4 students are learning about the birth of Jesus and the different symbols of Christmas. They began with the nativity, Christmas star, and different decorations. They are each sharing a special Christmas ornament or decoration during show and tell.

Mrs. Wilkerson's 1st gr students are working on words with different spellings of long o and i as well as words with igh in phonics. In math students are counting quarters, dozen, and half dozen. They are also measuring with centimeters and finding half of a number.

Mrs. Johnson's 6th grade math students have been studying pyramids and prisms. They are counting the faces, vertices, and edges of various 3-D shapes.

IN BACKPACKS

(Watch deadlines!)

Look for these items in backpacks today unless otherwise noted:

- ✓ **Christmas Shoppe** order form - due Monday, Dec 8
- ✓ **Christmas Chapel & Rehearsal Perm. Slip** (*5th-9th gr*) - due Wed, Dec 10
- ✓ **Heartbeat Retreat** (*bright pink*) *parent info sheet sent home Wednesday, Dec 3*

FUNDRAISING & HELPING

What a wonderful response! **The Book Fair Numbers** are in and it was a great success! Sales were just over \$4500 which is an increase of 16.3% over last year. Our profit for this fundraiser is over \$1300 plus over \$600 in free books. We've added a number of great family-donated and free books to our library and classrooms.

Colder Weather is Here! Remember there are some gently used long-sleeved chapel shirts for sale, \$7.00/each. Proceeds benefit the 8th grade mission trip to Jamaica.

Did you know we are planning for additional **Picateers Photos** sometime after Christmas Break? We will keep you updated. You may still order photos on-line from the fall pictures.

SCHOOL NEWS & NEEDS

Do you have an article for the *Trumpet*? Please be sure to turn it in to the office by Wednesday morning. The *Trumpet* needs to be prepared for Thursday afternoon printing. Thanks!

Keep Us In The Loop. Have you changed any contact numbers (cell, home, work), e-mail addresses, or home address? Leave the office a note about this change so that we have it. Thanks!

Is your **Family Photo** missing from our pictorial directory? We don't mind publishing addendum pages if we receive a number of missing pictures within the next several weeks. Be sure to label your photo with everyone's name pictured and turn it in to the office. All photos will be returned.

ADMISSIONS CORNER **\$500 For You!**

Try "The Winning Solution" by talking to prospective families about BGCA. Give us their names, addresses and phone numbers (on the goldenrod form available from Admissions). If the families enroll at least one full-time student, you receive a **\$500 tuition credit!** (\$250 for 1/2-day students) Specific details are outlined in the brochure.

Christi Bilbrey
Admissions Director
782-9552, Ext. 13



Best Advertising = Word-of-Mouth!

Parents like to hear first-hand about school options and opportunities. Share your BGCA Christian education experiences! Spread the word about BGCA, hand out a brochure, then turn in a Winning Solution brochure with that family's information. When they enroll and attend, **you receive tuition credit!**

EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

The next scheduled **Basketball Games** are:

Tuesday, Dec 9, *Away* at United Christian Acad.
5:00pm 6th-8th grades (only)

Thursday, Dec 18, *Away* at Heritage C.A.
5:00pm 4th-6th grades
6:00pm 6th-8th grades

**Go
Warriors!**

Chess Club Informational Meeting for parents and students: Wednesday, Dec 10, 3:15pm.

There are **Several Students Competing** in the Junior Division of the Kentucky High School Speech League (KHSSL) this Saturday, Dec 6. The tournament is hosted by WKU and Mrs. Linda Webb is our coach.

THANK YOU/CONGRATULATIONS

Manna Mart Thanks...to all who shared! Mr. Terry Shoemaker, from H.O.T.E.L. Inc/Manna Mart, was very grateful to receive our many canned donations to share with others.

BOARD NEWS

The **Next Board Meeting** has been changed to Monday, Dec 8, 4:30pm. Board meetings are open, and printed agendas for the next meeting are available in the school office. Please note that the Board will move to a Closed Session for confidential matters such as employment issues.

OPPORTUNITIES

Information is available in the office for:

- **Lincoln: A Man For All Times**, children's musical, Mon, Feb 9, with BG Chamber Orchestra, at Living Hope B. C.; **Taylor Boswell** and **Mr. Motter** are each participating

Bowling Green Chamber Orchestra presents:
A Larnelle Harris Christmas on Mon, Dec 8, LHBC; tickets available at www.bgco.com or 270-846-2426
More info on bulletin board

A Christmas Celebration with David Ask and Friends
to benefit the Nashville Rescue Mission
Sunday, Dec 21, 6:19pm; West End Community Church,
235 White Bridge Road, Nashville, TN
More info on bulletin board

Shows, music, news, and more! Check out the **Bulletin Board** display case in the front hallway. It has lots of interesting information!

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