



THE LION'S ROAR

Parent Involvement Team - Celebrating Our Students

"To know Christ and to make Him known through Christian education."

Third Quarter 2007-2008

Kingdom Education is What's Happening at HBBCS

All men and boys are invited to attend Men at the Altar Prayer meeting Thursday, May1, in the worship center 6:30-7:00 am

By: Henry Ward

Your school is committed to teaching the Christ centered view of what your child learns each day. We want all students to understand there is absolute truth in life. Our society teaches that truth is relevant and we are to be tolerant with the new age approach to life - it's all about me. It's not all about me, it's all about Jesus Christ and His Word! To get a better understanding of Kingdom Education please buy the book listed as

stated. This book can be purchased for \$10.00 in our church bookstore. It is great reading and it is our foundation. Kingdom Education is not replacing Christian education but enhancing it. Let me hear from you after you have read it. With all of us working together with the guidance of the Holy Spirit this current generation of youth will have hope!!! Hang in there the best is yet to come!!! By the way - in Jesus - I love you!

Teacher Highlight

Mrs. Linnane teaches 7th grade English. She used her lesson on persuasive writing to teach the students that God calls us to share the gospel with others. While we are merely planting seeds and it is Christ who saves, it is our responsibility to share the Gospel with others according to the Great Commission Matthew 28:19-20. Students learned through the writing steps used in persuasive writing that God wants us to use those skills to fulfill the Great Commission.

Spelling and Geography Bees

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Friday, Feb. 15, HGBCS hosted the ACSI Spelling Bee for grades 5-8. There were a total of six other Christian schools participating. The Bee begins with each grade holding a grade level Spelling Bee. The results of the grade level bee were:

Fifth grade- Anna Guerico, 1st ;Seth Fisher, 4th

Sixth grade- Jonathan Koo, 1st

Seventh grade- McKenzie Walsh, 2nd

Eighth grade Justin Pack, 1st; Lonnie Bryant, 2nd

The top two spellers in each

grade advanced to the Final Spell Off to name an ACSI Spelling Bee Champion. I am pleased to say that 3 of the 4 district winners were students from HGBCS!

Third place was Jonathan Koo, Second Place was McKenzie Walsh, and first place went to Lonnie Bryant. These HGBCS students now have the opportunity to travel to Atlanta, GA in March to represent our school in the ASCI Regional Spelling Bee.

Our 1-4 grade students participated in the ASCI Spelling Bee

in Hendersonville on February 21st. Our students did a fantastic job. Here are the results.

First grade- Cameron Rusch 4th

Second grade- Ryan Chaffin 4th

Third grade- Zachary Cooler 2nd

Fourth grade- Kate Jones 2nd, Corey Sutton 3rd, and Alex Sciolino 4th

Justin Pack placed in the Geography Bee at the National Beta Club Convention that was held in Greensboro, NC .

Mission Opportunity

All three schools are collecting new shoes and socks for a mission trip to the country of Ecuador in late June. We are trying to collect 1,500 pair of new shoes and socks. Email Mr. Hamilton for more information. adamh@hgbc.org

South Central All District Band for 2008

MS: Zach Warren on flute, HS: Jennifer Kline on flute, Rebekah Parker on clarinet



Speaking Out about Multiple Sclerosis

5th Grader, Cassie Carson won 1st runner-up in the Spokes model event at the National American Miss national pageant in Anaheim, California over the week of Thanksgiving, 2007 for presenting a speech titled, "Multiple Sclerosis Awareness & Support" - Cassie presented her speech to a national audience of

hundreds to bring awareness to the symptoms and effects of daily living with Multiple Sclerosis and how this affects everyone in her family. Cassie's Grandmom has lived with Multiple Sclerosis for over 16 years and Cassie also spoke of her volunteer and community service work with the Mid Atlantic

Chapter of the National MS Society in Charlotte through the MS Walk, Bike-A-Thon and Lemonade Stands. She challenged all of the pageant participants at nationals to log onto www.nationalmssociety.org to become a volunteer with their local chapter.

National High School Poetry Contest

Congratulations to Hannah Foust, an HGBCS Junior, for having her poem entitled, Little Girl Inside Me, selected by the Live Poets Society of New Jersey. It was selected as a topical winner in the 10th Annual National High School Poetry Contest for the 2007-2008 school year. Hannah's poem will be published in the Society's edition entitled, 'Of Faith and Inspiration.' For your enjoyment, here is Hannah's winning poem:

'There's a little girl inside me,
She's been knocking on my memory,
And when I tell her go away,
It seems as if she'll always stay.

There's a little girl inside of me.
Who's breaking down the walls, you see?
And when I tell her leave them up,
She always tells me it's not enough.

There's a little girl inside of me,
She wants the memory to let me be.
And when I tell her I can't let it go,
She always tells me that's not so.

There's a little girl inside of me,
She's knocked down those memories,
And when they try to come back up,
She tells me that she won't give up.

There's a little girl inside of me,
She's shown me how to love, you see?
Cuz when the past had knocked me down,
I once was lost, but now am found.

Athletics

Hickory Grove launched a new Athletic Program on Monday, January 21, 2008. It's called Bigger Faster Stronger. The athletic department of HG Christian School along with staff

of Bigger Faster Stronger conducted a weight training clinic on work out habits, proper lifting techniques, footwork ply metrics, and nutrition in the newly constructed field

house. Sixty Seven HG athletes participated and five of our coaches were certified by this program.

Elementary Update

The Elementary School is experiencing exciting days. We have participated in spelling bees, dental hygiene classes, field trips to Raleigh and Junior Achievement classes. We celebrated our grandparents on Friday, February 29th during our annual Grandparent's

Chapel. We will celebrate the opening of our new elementary computer lab on Tuesday, March 25th. It will be located on the 3rd floor of Education Building 3 beside the elementary office. We will be able to offer Accelerated Reader next school year. This lab is a result of

much prayer and your monthly activity fees at work. Thank each of you for your continual prayers and support. Look forward to seeing you at Chick-Fil-A on Monday, March 31st. Hold strong to Ephesians 3:14-21.

Locks of Love

K5 : Kaleigh Graham
4th: Sarah Kate Brown and Nikki Gillenwater



From the Guidance Office

The annual National College Fair is coming to the Charlotte Merchandise Mart on Sunday, March 30, from 12 noon to 4 p.m. All area schools, both public and private, are cordially invited to attend. You will have the opportunity to meet with college representatives from our region and across the

United States. There will also be informational sessions regarding such topics as "Admission Into Selective Colleges and Universities," "Financing College," "SAT/ACT - How Can I Maximize My Score," "The Prospective College Athlete," "Scholarship Search," "Distinctions of His-

torically Black Colleges and Universities," "Middle School Students - Planning for College" to mention a few. The Fair is a great opportunity to meet face-to-face with representatives and to learn about their college-specific programs and majors. LET'S HAVE A BIG HGBCS TURNOUT!

Scholarship Updates

College merit based scholarships for their outstanding high school records:
Caitlin Goforth - Mercer University and Wingate University
Sarah Massey - Wingate Uni-

versity
Amber O'Daniel - Queens University of Charlotte
Cole Smith - The United States Air Force Academy (received an appointment)
Carrie Leigh Sutton - Au-

burn University and UNC at Charlotte
Caroline Fowler - Campbell University
Joel Vandevrede - Clemson University

Senior Ensemble

Sang at the Bobcats Arena for a Checkers Game on Feb. 9, 2008

Seniors representing us there were Katie Carl, Brandy Hall, Amber Lassiter, Christopher Nowlan, and Caleb Partee

Alumni Corner

We had our first ever Alumni Banquet January 25, 2008, and it was a great success-- with 60 in attendance showing up for food, drinks, and many memories being shared. The alumni

left with gifts and a season pass to the remainder of the 2008 athletic season. This year we will see the fruit of HGBCS, as the 2004 class gets ready to graduate from their respective

colleges and universities.

We also look forward to next year's Alumni event which will be September 19, 2008, as we will watch the HGBCS Varsity Football team compete.