



September 2008

# Brenham Christian Academy

"You are the light of the world...let your light shine before men" - Matthew 5:14,16

## From the Head of School

By the time you receive this newsletter, you will have already seen tangible evidence of the first step in the next phase of growth of the Brenham Christian Academy campus. You may or may not know that we had to convert our teacher workroom into a classroom to create room for our new 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> grade. The new portable you see on the campus will restore that workspace, provide room for an athletic office, and create much needed additional storage space. The next step in the expansion process will be rotating and repositioning the existing Administrative Office Building opposite the new portable and in line with those on the south side of the campus. We will then reconfigure the interior space to include enclosed offices for the Principal and Head of School, an enclosed conference room, other administrative office spaces, and more accommodating open areas. All of this should occur over the next month or so. Beyond that, the Board of Trustees has authorized the formation of a Building Committee to evaluate the use of our existing buildings and space and to begin exploring construction of a permanent building west of the existing complex (where the PE/football practice field is now). Such a building could house administrative offices, teacher workroom, library, classrooms, and a large space that could serve as a gym, auditorium, and lunchroom. Depending on the direction the Building Committee and Board set, we could see this building begin to take shape within the next year or two. Once this building is ready for occupancy, we would probably convert the two portables referenced above into Elementary classrooms.

The growth of our student body and growing interest in BCA is what is fueling the growth of our facilities. We opened school this year with 116 students, 37 of whom are new to BCA, and we continue to receive inquiries from families regarding enrolling their children in BCA this year. In fact, we already have families seeking to enroll their children *next* school year. What is more, we continue to serve a large geographical area. While the majority of our 82 families reside in Brenham, our families come from 10 area communities bounded by Burton, Bellville, Hempstead, and La Grange. In addition, our student body represents 21 churches in nine denominations. We are thrilled to see BCA reaching into a broader spectrum of our area and the churches that minister to it.

This is an exciting time to be a part of Brenham Christian Academy, and many more exciting days are ahead of us. Thank you for standing with us; keep sharing your BCA stories within your spheres of influence; and pray that, like Jesus, BCA may "[increase] in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and men." (Luke 2:52)

# GUARDIAN EAGLES

## DRAMA AND CHOIR REHEARSALS

### SCHEDULE OF PRACTICES ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

#### SATURDAY PRACTICES 9:00 AM TO 4:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 27  
OCTOBER 4  
OCTOBER 11  
OCTOBER 18  
NOVEMBER 1

#### SUNDAY PRACTICES 3:00 PM TO 7:00 PM

OCTOBER 26  
NOVEMBER 2

#### WEEKLY PRACTICES – 7:00 PM TO 9:00 PM

SEPTEMBER 29  
OCTOBER 13 AND 16  
OCTOBER 21, 23, AND 24  
OCTOBER 27, 28, AND 30

#### NOVEMBER PRACTICES – 6:00 PM TO 10:00 PM

NOVEMBER 3, 4, 5, AND 6

#### DRESS REHEARSAL

NOVEMBER 7 – 5:00 PM TO 10:00 PM

#### PERFORMANCES

NOVEMBER 8 – DINNER THEATER – 5:00 PM  
NOVEMBER 9 – MATINEE – 3:00 PM

*(STUDENT ARRIVAL 2 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF  
PERFORMANCE TIMES!)*

Come and join us for our first Guardian Eagles meeting of the 2008-2009 school year! It will be in the BCA lunchroom on Monday, Sept. 8 from 3:45–4:45pm. Come and meet each other and learn about Guardian Eagles and all of the volunteer opportunities. We will also spend time talking about the upcoming Fall Celebration. Come to the meeting and your name goes into a drawing that will be held at the end of the meeting. You could win a \$25.00 lunch credit voucher for the following month! Please come and be a part of all the exciting things going on at BCA!

## ATTENTION!

BCA wants to broadcast its varsity football games. In order to broadcast, we need businesses and/or supporters of BCA to sponsor ads to help with the cost. Please contact Coach Headley or Cathy Cameron if you are interested in this great opportunity for all of our supporters!

## BOX TOP TIME!

Bring your box tops to class in a clear bag with your name. Make certain your box top has a complete date area and a date that is not expired! If you have questions, please stop by the office. The class with the most wins a prize!  
**LAST DAY: October 24**

# SAT DIAG DAY!

**Sylvan Learning Center**

**WHEN: September 11, 2008**

**WHERE: Brenham Christian Academy**

**TIME: 8:00 AM to 2:00 PM**

**COST: \$10 per student  
(Lunch Break Allowed)**

College is approaching soon and we want you to be prepared! Take advantage of this opportunity. Contact Ms. Zingelmann in the BCA office for more information.

# *GALA CELEBRATION* **GALA CELEBRATION**

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!  
CHECK YOUR MAILBOXES!**

**OCTOBER 9, 2008**

**LIVE AND SILENT AUCTIONS**

**FOR MORE INFORMATION  
CONTACT GLORIA GIESENSCHLAG  
AT THE BCA OFFICE**

## **Support BCA – Join *Gideon's 300***

As you have already read, Brenham Christian Academy is growing in the depth and breadth of its reach into our communities and culture. Supporting and funding that growth takes all of us getting behind our vision and mission. There is probably no simpler way to support BCA's ongoing effort to develop leaders through Christian scholarship than by becoming part of ***Gideon's 300***. We need **300** individuals or families willing to commit **\$300** annually (\$25 per month) to sustain and build our school and its programs. To join ***Gideon's 300***, simply make your tax-deductable checks payable to *Brenham Christian Academy*, and note ***Gideon's 300*** in the memo line. You may mail or bring your gift to the BCA Office. Remember – your participation in ***Gideon's 300*** helps BCA fulfill its mission to you, your students, and to generations of BCA students to come.

# Lunch Time! September Menu



## Mondays: Must Be Heaven

- ~Ham & Cheese
- ~Turkey & Swiss
- ~Chicken Salad
- ~Pimento Cheese
- ~Tuna Salad
- ~ BBQ
- ~Cheese: American or Swiss
- ~Pastrami & Cheese
- ~Grilled Cheese
- ~BLT

## Wednesdays: Mo's BBQ

- ~ Brisket Plate w/ green beans
  - ~ BBQ Chicken w/ green beans
  - ~ Sausage w/ green beans
  - ~ Chopped Beef Sandwich
- (Brisket, Chicken, & Sausage come with bread, pickles, onions, & sauce)

## Fridays: CiCi's Pizza

- ~ Pepperoni
  - ~ Cheese
  - ~ Alfredo
  - ~ Sausage
  - ~ Hamburger
- (one selection only please)

- ❖ **Deadline to Order for October Lunches: September 15, 2008**
- ❖ **\$3.50 per meal**
- ❖ **Tuesdays & Thursdays are Lunch Box Days**

# GOOD LUCK!

Good luck to Collin and Kyle Kolkhorst at the Washington County Fair. Collin and Kyle are 7<sup>th</sup> graders and they are showing rabbits at the fair this year.

Love, Mom and Dad

*Sixth Grader Carolina King is invited to attend the Distinguished Youth of Texas for her Academic, Writing, and Drawing Achievements. She will be recognized in Austin on November 28, 2008 and will compete against other students from across Texas.*