



Berks Christian School



THE LION'S ROAR

Proudly celebrating 31 years of God's blessings!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

- February 16 – 9AM SCRIP Orders due
9:30 AM-12:30 PM – Pre-School Open House
- February 19 – No School – President's Day
- February 21 – 9:00 AM -1:30 PM - Open House
- February 21 – 10:56 AM - Dedication of Spanish Team
- February 23 – Mid-Quarter Reports
- February 26 - March 6 – Missions Trip to Spain
- March 2 – 9AM SCRIP Orders due
- March 3 – 6:30 PM Alumni Dinner
- March 12 – 6:00 - 8:00 PM - Open House
- March 15 – Early Re-enrollment deadline
- March 16 – 9AM SCRIP Orders due
- March 22-24 – BCS Drama "Into the Woods" (for details see article on page 4)
- March 27 – End of 3rd Quarter
- March 30 – 9AM SCRIP Orders due
- April 2 – Report Cards
- April 4 – Half Day of School (Dismissal at 11:30 AM)
- April 5, 6, & 9 – No School – Easter Vacation
- April 10 – School Reopens (8:00 AM)

Re-enrollment for 2007-2008

You will find attached to this newsletter the prices for the upcoming school year. The discount for the second and subsequent child is less than previous years. If applying for f **early re-enrollment fee is \$50 per child up**

until March 15 after which it goes to \$75 per child until April 15. After that the re-enrollment fee is \$150 per child. If applying for financial aid, call the office and ask for a FACTS Grant and Assessment Application.

Spain Missions Trip

Preparation

The BCS Spain Missions Trip team will be leaving for Madrid, flying out of Philadelphia on the evening of February 26. The group will be working along side John Schlegel, the Spanish field director for Send International. John is a missionary that Exeter Bible Church supports and a Berks County native. He and his wife Glenna were at BCS in January for the team's orientation meeting, introducing us to their work in Spain. The team hosted a Spanish Paella supper on January 20. The team, along with the Schlegels, laid out to the public, the plan for purpose of the trip. They did the same for a BCS secondary chapel where the students were challenged to be a part of the trip by praying daily for the team. So the Schlegels have been very busy in helping us with the trip both here at BCS and from Spain through email. When we meet them again at the end of this month on their mission field our students will have the advantage of working

Ways to Get Involved

On February 21 (the Wednesday before leaving) the team will be presenting a "dress rehearsal" of our presentation as it will be to the Spaniards in an "all school" chapel starting at 10:45. The public is invited. There will be opportunity to donate toward the trip at the chapel.

In addition, a lunch fundraiser, with a Spanish theme, will be provided for BCS students the next day, Thursday, February 22.

with familiar faces. They in turn will be introducing us to other missionaries that we will be working with as we go about our task which is to present a program of cultural exchange, discussing unique aspects of southeast Pennsylvania with Spanish youth at their schools. Our BCS students will give a PowerPoint presentation on various aspects of Philadelphia, Reading, Berks County, and Lancaster County through an interpreter. We will conclude with a short drama that turns our attention to the Amish. Dollie Fowler, the owner of the Freedom Chapel Dinner Theater, has written a short version of her "Amish Vows in Paradise" for us to use in Spain. The play portrays life for a typical Lancaster County Amish family. We will conclude with a mention of the Amish schoolhouse shooting, and then center our attention on the character of "forgiveness" that the Amish community displayed in response to the tragedy. These inroads that the BCS team makes into the Spanish public school system will provide contacts that the local missionaries will continue to use to build personal relationships to present the Gospel. In addition the team will be ministering in a small evangelistic outreach church and youth group to encourage the believers there.

There are bowls that can still be acquired with a donation. They will be on display on the chapel day, February 21. Any bowls left over will be donated to the Opportunity House in Reading for their annual auction fundraiser to feed the poor.

Keep us in prayer while we are away for safety, good health, and our ability to minister.

Special Thanks

Along with the Schlegels, we wish to thank the following:

Vallerie Frey for directing the students in the play.

Dollie Fowler and Lionel Caldwell of the Freedom Chapel Dinner Theater, Lancaster County for writing the play and providing costumes.

Carla Becker for organizing the bowl fundraiser project and to all the students and staff that made bowls.

Bob Becker, Dave Klase, Jill Kantner, and Bonnie Walls for program planning.

Mary Klase for organizing and serving fundraiser lunches.

Parents of student team members for their support, encouragement, and service to the cause.

Student team members for their dedication and planning for the trip.

Prayer warriors and financial contributors.

CONESTOGANS AND HANDBELLS

of

Lancaster Bible College & Graduate School

Sharing in song and testimony

at

Exeter Bible Church

on

Sunday, February 25 at 6 PM

STUDENT TEACHER at BCS

Miss Melanie Boehm is student teaching in Mrs. Joy Long's fourth grade classroom for seven weeks. Miss Boehm is an elementary education major at Lancaster Bible College. She will graduate the middle of May.

BCS is her student teaching assignment in a private school. She will also be having a seven week experience in a public school.

Besides her teaching duties, Miss Boehm is currently learning about house renovations first hand. She, her fiancé, and his father are in the process of renovating a house where she and her husband will live after their June 30th wedding.

“INTO THE WOODS”

The King’s Player’s will be presenting their 2007 production “*Into the Woods*” from March 22- 24. If you need information on ordering tickets, contact Meg Clark at 610-796-1011.

Performance Times:

7:00 PM— Thursday, March 22

7:00 PM— Friday, March 23

3:00 PM— Saturday, March 24

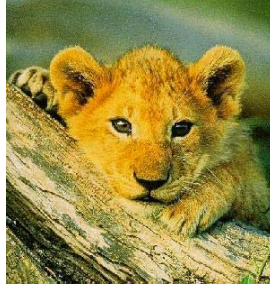
Doors will open 45 minutes prior to curtain time.

Open House: Help wanted!

As you are aware we have open houses coming up here in the next couple of weeks. Pre-school open house is scheduled for Friday, February 16th from 9:30am-12:30pm, and PreK-12th grade open houses are scheduled for Wednesday, Feb 21st from 9:00am-1:30pm and Monday, March 12th from 6:00-8:00pm.

It is vital to our school to attract new families to BCS, and we need your help! We need every family at BCS to think of a couple families that may consider Christian education and invite them to one of the open houses! We also need several volunteers to work during our upcoming open houses. We need someone to arrange for and provide light refreshments during each of the open houses (we would be glad to have people donate cookies, muffins etc.!), we need several people or couples to serve as tour guides, and we need a couple people to work at the registration table. If you are willing and able to help please send a note to Mr. Love ASAP! Thanks in advance!

**BERKS CHRISTIAN SCHOOL IS PROUD TO
ANNOUNCE ...**



The Lion Cubs Preschool Open House!

We are looking forward to partnering with your family in the formation of a strong, Christ-centered education for your child!

We offer a creative and fun learning environment for your child, in which they will develop the readiness skills necessary for a successful kindergarten year!

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR OPEN HOUSE,
FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16TH**



9:30AM-12:30PM!

Berks Christian School
926 Philadelphia Ave.
Birdsboro, PA 19508
610-582-1000

Or visit us on the web!
www.berkschristian.org



Open House

If you are interested in laying a strong Biblical Christian foundation for your child, we would like to invite you to join us at Berks Christian School for one of our two open houses. B.C.S. has a thirty-year history of partnering with Christian families and local churches to impact the lives of children with the Word of God. We currently offer classes from Preschool to 12th grade.



During the school day is a great time to visit, as you will have the opportunity to see the children and teachers in the classroom. You will also sense the loving atmosphere that is created by teachers who enjoy their students and have a heart for God! Please join us

Wednesday, February 21st from 9:00am-1:30pm

On Monday evening, March 12th from 6:00pm-8:00pm we will have another opportunity for you to see what we have to offer. This evening open house provides you with a greater opportunity to interact with the teachers and preview our curriculum!

We would love to have you for either open house. If you are not available for either of these dates, or if you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us to arrange a tour at 610-582-1000 or visit us on the web at www.berkschristian.org

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Lion's Sports Page

Middle School Boys Basketball-

The middle school boys finished the year with a record of 2 wins and 13 losses under 1st year coach Roger Hinsey. The boys have been led by eight graders **Joshua Beal, Tyler Clark, Darren Good, Daniel Klase, Ian Schmidt, and Kevin Yeagle**. We look forward to their contributions on the varsity squad next season!

Middle School Girls Basketball-

First year coach Tracey Heliger has done an outstanding job working with this year's middle school team. The girls finished their season with a record of five wins and twelve losses. **Coach Heliger will miss the leadership of the eighth grade class including, Liana Blankenbiller, Christine Bowden, and Emily Timberlake.**

Varsity Girls Basketball-

Coach Troy Wible has led his girls to the post-season qualifying for both the CCAC and PIAA District playoffs!. The girls have a current record of 13 wins and 7 losses. The girls will finish their regular season at Hershey Christian school Friday night, February 9th.

Varsity Boys Basketball-

Coach Greg Moll has led the boys back to the CCAC playoffs as the #3 seed from east division and will travel to their opening round game on Tuesday, February 13th at either Mount Calvary or Living Word.

Playoff Information

Varsity Girls-

- *For the 1st time in school history, the girls will host a home playoff game!* The Lions will face either Bible Baptist or Christian School of York on Monday night, February 12th at 6:45pm, here at BCS!
- Because this is a league playoff game please note that season passes cannot be honored for admission. The league has set the admission price at Adults- \$4.00 and Students \$2.00. We would love to have a loud and supportive crowd!
- With a victory the girls would play Thursday, Feb. 14th at 6:30pm at Mount Calvary against Lancaster Christian as the 3rd game of a quadruple header.
- With a victory there they play in a championship game at Lancaster Bible College at 1:00pm on Saturday, Feb. 17th.
- The girls will also be playing in districts on Wed. February 21st with the site, time and opponent still to be determined.

Varsity Boys-

- The boys will likely be playing at Mount Calvary on Tuesday, Feb. 13th, game time is to be determined. There is a possibility they could play at Living Word instead but we will not know for sure until Friday night's games have been played. If the boys were to pull the upset on Tuesday night, they would face Dayspring at 5:00pm at Mount Calvary. The winner would advance to the championship game Saturday at 3:00pm at Lancaster Bible College. Admission to all playoff games is \$4 for adults and \$2 for students.

