



CLINTON CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

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6th Annual Dinner/Auction Saturday, February 25th at Benson Center

This year's dinner will be chicken with potato salad, green beans, dinner roll, dessert and a beverage. Tickets are \$7, children 3 and under eat free. Dinner will be served from 4:30 – 6:30 p.m. Get your tickets now!

Top Ten Auction Packages

- 1) Your Dream Wedding
- 2) Private Baseball Training
- 3) Mo. Big Creek Duck Hunting
- 4) Queen for a Day
- 5) Chief's Ultimate Game Day
- 6) Hot Springs Finest Golf Vacation
- 7) Paintball Tournament
- 8) Room Makeover
- 9) Dr. Phil Tickets
- 10) Disney World Vacation

But that's not all...

There are over 500 auction items. There is something for everyone. Plan to come early to get a good seat or come by before dinner to bid on the silent auction items. The silent auction will begin at Noon on Saturday and the live auction will begin at 6:30. No ticket is needed to participate in the auctions. To see a list of auction items please go to www.clintonacademy.org.

Scripture Walk– Stones available

The Building Choice in Education Scripture Walk has stones available. Personalized scripture stones begin at \$1,200 (payable over three years) and will be used to line the front sidewalks and the walk leading to the flagpole. Any portion of a pledge paid to CCA from February 25 through March 31 will be matched. Look for information at the Dinner/Auction on how to be a part of this exciting campaign.

Raffle Tickets Still Available

Raffle tickets for a \$500 Wal-mart gift card and tickets for \$500 worth of gifts from WW Hallmark (Woo's choice) are available until the night of the auction. Ticket prices are \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. All proceeds go directly to CCA. If you haven't already purchased tickets, do so now! And remember, there is a pizza party for the class that sells the highest dollar amount of raffle tickets!

Parents to Bring Dessert

Parents, please remember that you are required to bring a *homemade* dessert to complete the Dinner/Auction menu. If you have more than one child at CCA you are only responsible for one dessert. The dessert needs to be at least two dozen cookies, one cake or two pies. No refrigerated items, please! The desserts need to be at the Benson Center on Saturday, February 25th by 3 p.m. Remember this also counts as volunteer hours.

Speaking of Volunteer Hours

Now is the time to get those volunteer hours. The Dinner/Auction generates a tremendous amount of funds that help to lower our tuition but it requires a lot of work and a lot of workers. If you do not have your hours in (and if you do) we need your help. Please contact John French or Kim Adams immediately to see how you can help. It is each family's responsibility to volunteer 20 hours for *each* child enrolled. Each family is also responsible for recording those hours and turning them into Mrs. Miracle or Sharon Tegarden.

Students to Sing at Auction

All students at CCA will be singing at the auction. The students need to be at the Benson Center by 5:45 p.m. The program will begin at approximately 6:15 p.m.

From Mrs. Crump

Spring break dates are March 22nd, 23rd, and 24th. Last year I received many requests for a Spring break from parents and staff, alike. The half-day teacher in-service days are allowable for full day count. We are not getting out later in the year due to half days.

What's Going On...

- ❖ **K-4** students have had a busy month. Along with their regular curriculum, they have had several theme projects. They started the month with Clifford the Big Red Dog activities. This was followed by Groundhog Day activities and Bear Week. The highlight of bear week was “Teddy Bear’s Pancake Party.” Having breakfast at school created lots of excitement. In honor of our veterans, we went to Warrensburg Veterans Home and presented a program of scriptures and songs. As a special treat that day, we went to a local fastfood restaurant that featured an indoor play area. The students were responsible for their money and ordering. Quite a feat for little ones.
- ❖ **K-5** spent two weeks enjoying reading versions of “The Three Little Pigs.” They also enjoyed a variety of activities including acting out the different stories, making puppets, and singing and dancing to the Three Little Pigs Blues. At the end of the unit Mrs. Watson’s class hosted Mrs. Scott’s class for a pig party where they made our own pancakes, tasted sausage, compared and contrasted three books then voted on their favorite, and sorted rhyming words onto a work wall chart.
- ❖ **Mrs. Bath’s** first graders have started to learn basic keyboarding skills. They already look quite comfortable at the computer. Students have been reading about and discussing the important jobs community helpers perform. In addition, they have been studying about George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. All students were given key words that described Abraham Lincoln, then they wrote a story about his true character, life and importance in history. First graders have been working diligently on map skills and may soon be ready to try a map adventure in the spring.
- ❖ **Mrs. Harrelson’s** first graders have been looking through sand samples and picking out very small fossils during their spare time. They will add the “little treasures” to the children’s rock and fossil collections. Before the Valentine’s party on the 14th, the students made bracelets out of letter beads and Bible beads. They really enjoyed this activity. They have recently begun to add 2-digit numbers. This makes our children feel quite “grown up” to know they have taken such a stride forward. During snack time, the children are listening to Mrs. Harrelson read *Stormy, Misty’s Foe*, by Marguerite Henry. The children are enjoying this, and learning a great deal about the state of Virginia and about raising horses.
- ❖ **Mrs. Morehead’s** second graders have been studying about the Solar System. Each student found facts and wrote a report on a planet. Next, they colored a picture of their planet and used it to simulate the approximate distance from the sun. All agree that God made a very large solar system. The class has been writing sentences about the life of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. They will display their sentences on a bulletin board in honor of President’s Day. Also in history, the class studied about symbols of freedom, the Star Spangled Banner, and the meaning of the Pledge of Allegiance. In arithmetic, students are learning Roman Numerals and multiplication facts. Thanks to all of the parents for making the classroom Valentine’s party a success.
- ❖ **Mrs. Thornton’s** third grade is studying nutrition in health class. They greatly appreciated Mrs. Lori Naber coming to speak to them about the new food pyramid. In arithmetic, the students are busy memorizing the 9’s along with studying fractions. The class enjoyed sharing songs and poems with the residents at Westwood’s ACU. They also gave the residents Valentines they had made. Their poetry efforts this month have been focused on diamantes.
- ❖ **Mrs. Dicket’s** fourth graders are immersing themselves in Missouri history and government. They are using the Missouri map to find historic places and landmarks, learning about the many famous Missourians and getting excited about their trip to Jefferson City on February 21st. In Science they are learning about marine life in the oceans of the world. If you are in the building, check out their reports on the hall wall by their door. In Bible they just tested over their memory verse, the love chapter, 1 Cor. 13. Everyone did very well. Mrs. Brown reports that every 4th grader got the highest marks again for February. Fractions are still their main focus in Arithmetic as they practice to borrow and add/subtract. They are happy to report that they made their goal of reading 100 books by the February 17th goal. Scholastic will donate 100 books to disaster victims to honor their accomplishment.
- ❖ **Mrs. Prince’s** 5th and 6th grade is getting ready to read another novel together. This one is about the revolutionary war. They usually enjoy reading and discussing the book together. They have studied the war for independence in History and are continuing with their American History unit. In March they hope to take a trip to the city to Science City to see the planetarium. They have been studying the stars and planets in Science. The students have been doing a “Moon watch” as the moon has been waning. Our flowers are blooming but they never got much in the crystal experiment – just an update from last month’s news. The students are planning and should be working toward their Science Fair experiment or display.
- ❖ **Ms. Straw’s** 7th and 8th grades continue to keep busy. They have started their science fair projects and begun to discuss the scientific method. The students will start their actual projects very shortly and begin to assemble their presentations. In math they have started Algebra and both grades are doing well. They have already progressed to solving word problems using 1 and 2 step algebraic equations. Eliminating fractions and decimals were a little more challenging, but the classes have done well as a whole! They went on a call field trip to see the movie, *The End of the Spear*. This is a movie about the missionaries to the jungles of Ecuador. The movie was very good and touched each of their hearts. They have started their research papers in English. The students will write about a famous African-American in honor of February being African-American History month.

Dates to Remember

- **FEBRUARY 25TH**
CHICKEN DINNER/AUCTION
- **MARCH 10TH**
SPIRIT DAY
- **MARCH 22, 23, 24**
SPRING BREAK
- **APRIL 14TH**
NO SCHOOL - GOOD FRIDAY
- **APRIL 17-21**
SCHOOL SCIENCE FAIR GRADES 3-8
- **APRIL 28**
MUSIC CONTEST @ HEARTLAND CHRISTIAN
SCHOOL GRADES 5-8
- **MAY 1 - 5**
IOWA BASIC SKILLS TESTING K-8
- **MAY 9**
HUDSON SPELLING BEE @ 9 A.M.
- **MAY 15TH**
ART SHOW
- **MAY 16TH**
K-4 GRADUATION
FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH @ 7P.M.
- **MAY 18TH**
MUSIC STUDENT'S RECITAL @ 6:30

Library Cards Here!

On February 8th, the students of CCA received their own school library cards. The book and student information has been entered into a computer system. Books can now be checked out with just the scan of a barcode. We also now have a title, author and subject catalog! This is a great benefit to the teachers and the students of CCA. We appreciate all those who are working silently behind the scenes to get this program up and running. We have 3300 books on the computer and there are still a few hundred left to enter! We have a wonderful library thanks to the generous donations of family and friends of CCA.

Payment #8 Now Due

Tuition payments are scheduled from July through April annually. We appreciate all those who have faithfully sent payment. You should be on payment eight. Please contact Mrs. Miracle with any question or concerns.

You've Got Mail – Or Do You?

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Did we mention...

CCA's 6th Annual Dinner & Benefit Auction Saturday, February 25th Benson Center

Silent Auction begins at Noon, Dinner is served 4:30-6:30
Oral Auction begins at 6:30