

Eagle's View

The newsletter of HPBA

Pre-holiday
2009



Holiday happenings

Our school **Christmas program** will be held Friday, *Dec. 11* at 7 pm in the main auditorium. Elementary children are asked to wear Christmas colors. Boys must wear collared shirts. Girls may not wear spaghetti straps. Please do not dress your children too warmly for on stage.

Elementary students should be in their rooms by **6:30**. Mrs. Hibshman will instruct the secondary students where and when they will meet. Students attending but not participating are reminded to dress in school attire.

An offering will be taken during the program - all funds collected will go to support the music department.

We encourage you to come, bring friends and family, and enjoy an evening of music and praise this Christmas season. During the intermission, you are invited to stop by the Fellowship Hall for refreshments. The senior class will be selling desserts and beverages.

The **Christmas shop** will be open *Dec. 7-10*. Elementary students may come to shop for their immediate family members. Siblings should be sure they do not purchase the same items for the same family members. Adults will be present to help the children, but the gifts are chosen solely by the children. Please help the moms running the shop by sending payment in cash, if possible. Thank you for your help. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Kate Charles.

It's (almost) Christmas!

An **all-school chapel** is scheduled for *Dec. 16* at 1:30 pm. Families are cordially invited to attend.

Kick off your family Christmas celebration with a night at the Berkshire Mall. Join the Academy choirs and handbells for **Music at the Mall**, Friday, *Dec. 18*, beginning at 4 pm. Enjoy the music, then have fun shopping!

Christmas vacation - December 21 through January 1. School resumes Jan. 4.

Robin Hood and his band of merry...folk... wish to **express their thanks** to all who supported them in their quest to banish the evil Prince John (boo hiss!) and his nasty sidekick, the Shermif.

Thanks also to the many, many students and parents who helped bring Robin's story to life. We are so grateful for each of you!

Huzzah, huzzah!!!



2009 yearbooks are still available - get your copy today!!

KCEA info

Each year High Point Baptist Academy participates in the *KCEA Fine Arts competitions/festivals*. For those of you who are not familiar with these events, they are broad based competitions including everything from academic testing in various subjects to baking, photography, and music. Students from 4th grade through 12th grade may participate. The festivals are designed to allow students from Christian schools across Pennsylvania to assemble together and test themselves against a panel of judges. We believe it is good for our students to participate as it sets goals for them to reach and strives to give constructive feedback from which our students can improve their skills. Our teachers will be involved in selecting students that may excel in certain areas; however the events are open to all who believe they can compete on a state level. Please be looking for registration forms to be sent home soon after Thanksgiving for the first part of the competitions, including creative writing and academic testing.

FYI

- Basketball players must have their *sports physicals* by **Nov. 23** in order to practice.
- ACT/PLAN testing for *sophomores* is scheduled for **Dec. 1st**. Cost for the test is \$10.
- *Eagle Mania* orders are due by **Dec. 1st**. Shirts will be in by Christmas break.
- So parents are aware, the administration is asking that students leave *trading cards* at home. We are concerned about the potential value of collector cards like baseball, football, Webkins, and others, and we want to avoid a possible loss or theft of these items. Thank you for your support with this issue.



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