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Christian Youth Theatre Comes To Legacy



By AnaBelle Elliott

Christian Youth Theatre (CYT), which is an after school theatre arts training program for students ages 5 to 18, is holding winter classes on the Legacy campus every Monday night at 4:45 pm or 6:45 pm to help students develop their singing, acting, dancing skills, and talents. Seven legacy students have chosen to participate in CYT's classes this session.

"It was a lot of fun and a brand new experience," announced Justin Centilli, an 8th grader. "CYT classes are fun!" proclaimed 6th grader, Caden Auger.

Having to sing, act, or dance in front of a group can be frightening at first, but at CYT everyone is very encouraging and everyone gets to learn and have fun together. At the end of the ten-week session, the students will have the opportunity to perform in front of their family and friends.

"The teachers, who are highly skilled, are very encouraging and I really enjoy the calm yet exciting atmosphere," 5th grader, Chambie Elliott said excitedly, "I have been doing CYT for about three years now. It is fascinating that they are having classes at Legacy because now some of my friends and colleagues get to do classes with me and demonstrate and strengthen their talents that the Lord has blessed them with."

Legacy is excited to be sharing their building with CYT and CYT is excited to be holding their winter classes at Legacy. Go support Legacy and CYT by going to the showcase on January 25 and cheering for the Legacy students who have decided to participate in a terrific program called CYT.

A Message from Mrs. May

Royalty in the House

This past October, my family celebrated as our oldest son, Travis, and his girlfriend, Amber, were elected Homecoming King and Queen by the student body here at Legacy Prep. While Travis' focus was on the upcoming district football game, Amber's preparation involved shopping for just the right gown, choosing shoes that wouldn't sink into the football field, and of course, making sure her hair and makeup were gorgeous and her nails were perfectly manicured! She was dazzling! (He was disgustingly sweaty and nasty by halftime!) After the two were crowned, one of the photographers made the comment that he needed an additional picture of the "royal couple." As I watched them pose for more pictures and bask in the glow of their happiness, a thought ran through my head. "We are all royalty."

The Bible tells us we are God's children, and that if we accept his son, Jesus, as our savior, we will spend eternity with him in paradise. Throughout scripture, we are given many names by which Jesus can be identified...King of Kings, Lord of Lords, The Prince of Peace. Romans 8 says, "The Spirit himself testifies with our spirit that we are God's children. Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ..." We are "co-heirs" with Christ! We are royalty. Sons and daughters of the Most High. If only we could remember this on the days when we
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Character Trait of the Month- November Gratitude

By Lisa Railey: Dean of Family Ministry

Character Trait of the Month: Gratitude

Gratitude: Having an attitude of thankfulness

It's November. Time for football, turkey, fall festivals, and holidays. With Christmas retailers pushing aside turkey for tinsel, Thanksgiving is a great time to declare a year of thankfulness.

Beyond the scriptural commands to be grateful, studies show an attitude of gratitude can lead to stronger relationships, better sleep, higher self-esteem, and even improved physical and psychological health.

Scripture says gratitude can bring peace (Colossians 3:15) and contentment (Philippians 4:6-8), even in the most difficult circumstances (1 Thessalonians 5:18).

Write a thank you note to your teacher. Tape a note of gratitude to your mom's bathroom mirror. Change the wallpaper on your family computer or your dad's phone to something that communicates his value and your gratitude for his presence in your life. Search Google images for 'thank you backgrounds' for tons of choices! (Follow your family's rules for using the internet.) Tangible reminders of appreciation let people know they're loved when we might be too busy or distracted to say it.

Ultimately, everything we have is a gift from the Lord, so our lives should be lived with an attitude of thanksgiving. Psalm 100:4 says we should enter His gates with thanksgiving and come into His courts with praise. How can you change the lives of those around you by showing gratitude?

Gratitude does not exist only on Thanksgiving Day. Let it find a home in your life every day.

Character Trait of the Month- December Selflessness

Character Trait of the Month: Selflessness

Every month, we focus on a Christ-like character trait. The focus is on recognizing Jesus' character and asking the Lord to make us more like Him.

Our character trait for December is selflessness – what could be more Christ-like than giving yourself to others as Christ gave himself?

The Bible tells us to “do to others as you would have them do to you” (Luke 6:31), “give and it will be given to you” (Luke 6:38), and “If one of you says to a person in need, “Go in peace; keep warm and well fed,” but does nothing about their physical needs, what good is it?” (James 2:16)

Christmas is the season of giving, but sometimes we lose sight of why we give. In the midst of busy preparations and obligations, we can reflect our Father's heart when we give to those in need and serve those who need our help. After all, he gave his most precious treasure up for us.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life.” (John 3:16)

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feel like we don't measure up. We become distracted by things that really aren't important...the clothes in the laundry room, dishes in the sink, or maybe the bills that are piling up on the counter. We lose our royal perspective, and allow ourselves to believe we are merely here on earth to survive and get by.

Again, we are reminded of our royal bloodline in the book of Colossians. Colossians 1:12-13 says, "...and giving joyful thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of his holy people in the kingdom of light. For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the KINGDOM of the Son he loves." We have been rescued and brought into God's kingdom! There is no need for us to live in darkness or allow it to overcome or consume us. Our heavenly King has lovingly ransomed us into his family and we are victorious!

As our family basked in the sweetness of the homecoming celebration, I was also reminded that we as Christians will one day have our own heavenly homecoming. And, what is waiting for us when we get to heaven? Mansions, of course! Because where else would royalty live? Jesus told his disciples, "My Father's house has many mansions; if that were not so, would I have told you that I am going there to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. John 14:2-3."

Wouldn't it be wonderful if we lived with the perspective that we are sons and daughters of the Most High God? Each morning as we looked in the mirror we would be reminded that we have a royal bloodline. Our King loved us enough to give his son, the Prince of Peace, to die in our place. Would our outlook on those distractions be different? I think so! Let's change our perspective! Let's live every day in preparation for our King's return, looking heavenward for his arrival. And when we do, the distractions of our day will dwindle away and anxieties about our shortcomings will fade. Then, we can look forward with anticipation to the day we celebrate our very own homecoming! One in which we are heaven-bound and destined to spend the rest of eternity with streets of gold, gates of pearl, and mansions of glory!



Teacher of the Month : Jennifer Bryant

Written by Emma Goodall

The Teacher of the Month for November is Jennifer Bryant. She mainly goes by Jen. She began teaching in Willis ISD in 1997 after graduating from Texas A&M with a degree in interdisciplinary studies. She decided to stay home with her children when they were young and returned to teaching in 2007 at a small private Christian School in Conroe. She moved to Legacy in 2011 because it was a much better fit for the Bryant family. She has four children that all attend Legacy and are very active. Mrs. Bryant teaches biology and marine biology.

"I love teaching at Legacy because I not only teach science, which I love, but I also get to help students see all of God's wonder wrapped in every tiny detail of life. I think of my students like my own children, and my number one goal is for them to be firm in their faith before leaving Legacy and entering the secular world. I want my students to be aware of their gifts and talents from God and how they can use them. My desire is to see my students learn that they can succeed in both small and large tasks. I want them to know the importance of keeping God is first in your life. I also want to help equip them to succeed in college both educationally and spiritually." PFT





Rebelution

Rebels for Christ



Written by Tyler Auger

Every semester, all middle school students, grades 5-8, assemble in the gym to worship together, learn more about character and grow closer to God. This event is called “Rebelution,” and the Bible verse behind it is Romans 12:2, “Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind.” Mrs. Railey noted that “the “rebel” part of Rebelution means that Christians are called to be rebels in the sense that we live counter-culturally.

Rebelution commences with engaging music videos, trivia questions, and includes student participation from Leadership classes and small group response questions.

This semester’s Rebelution was led by Mrs. Cinteilli’s 8th grade and Mrs. Railey’s 6th grade Leadership classes, and spotlighted the character trait of the month: gratitude. The students also learned about

the military care package collection which was organized by the 8th grade Leadership classes. All were invited to bring an item for the care packages as a offering at Rebelution.

Our entertaining guest speaker was Casey Cease, pastor of Christ Community Church, which gathers at Legacy every Sunday morning. According to Mrs. Railey, “Pastor Casey has more than fifteen years of experience speaking to teens around the country.” The middle schoolers were blessed by Pastor Cease. *PFT*



NHS Boasts Successful Operation Christmas Child

Written by Jamie Jones

Operation Christmas Child is a program that sends small gift boxes on a plane every Christmas to children in countries such as Brazil, Haiti, Ethiopia, Nigeria, etc. The children who receive these boxes live in poverty and often don't have parents

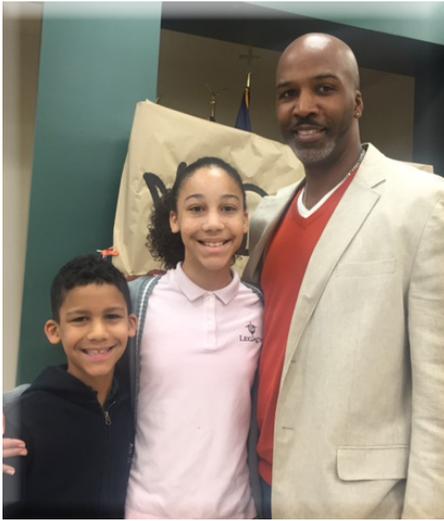
All grades participated in this program; some were even rewarded. Pre-K through 4th grade students received Bible homework passes for their donated shoeboxes, and the grade with the most shoeboxes got an ice cream party sponsored by NHS. Middle school and high school students received ten points toward a minor grade in math for their first box donated, in history for their second box, and a dress-down day for donating three shoeboxes. The first grade brought the most boxes and earned an ice cream party.

Mrs. Carrico commented, "By promoting Operation Christmas Child each year, Legacy presents our students and families with the opportunity to forever change the lives of children, and ultimately entire nations, by sewing the love and truth of Jesus Christ into a simple shoebox."

National Honor Society collected 437 shoeboxes full of clothes, toys, hygiene items, and the love and truth of Christ to children around the world. NHSers and other students prayed over the shoeboxes, packed them up, and sent them on their way to the children this week.

The NHS wants to thank all who gave, prayed, sorted, prepped, packed, and delivered. More information on Operation Christmas Child can be found on their website, www.samaritanapurse.org.





Written by Sophie Hillerman

On November 17th and 18th, Legacy held its second annual Donuts with Dad. Students and their dads gathered before school to devour those deliciously sweet treats.

An assortment of donuts were available to please every taste bud. Drinks, including lemonade, milk, and coffee from Starbucks were served. It was an enormous success!

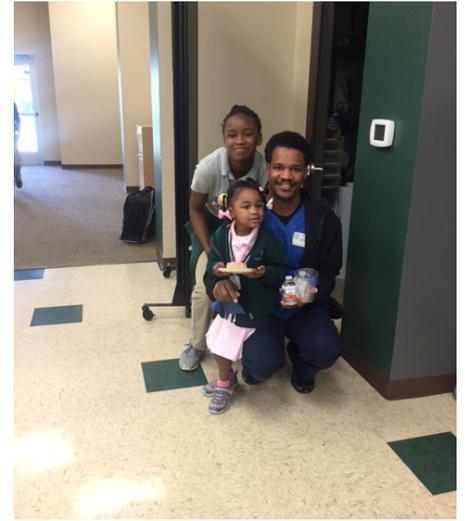
At times, the line for donuts extended out of the cafeteria all the way into the gym, and every table in the cafeteria was filled with dads and their kids. There



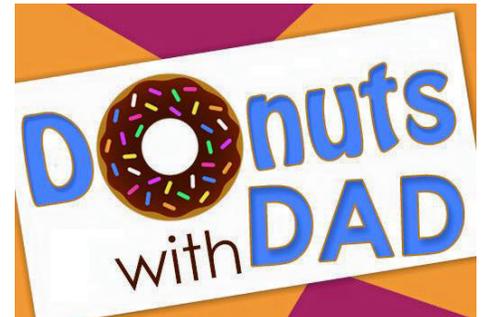
was not even one donut to spare. It was amazing to see all the busy dads who took the time to share breakfast with their children.

McKamey Gordon, who attended with her dad and sister said, "I thought it was fun to have breakfast with my dad because we are usually in a rush to get out the door and don't eat breakfast together."

One of the volunteers who helped with the Wednesday event commented, "We completely underestimated how many dads would be here this morning."



Remember to thank the volunteers at Legacy who make these special events possible. You don't have to wait until next year to share a donut with your dad. If you ask him nicely, I'm sure he will take you to Shipley's on a Saturday! PFT



Student of the Month: Jodilyn Marris

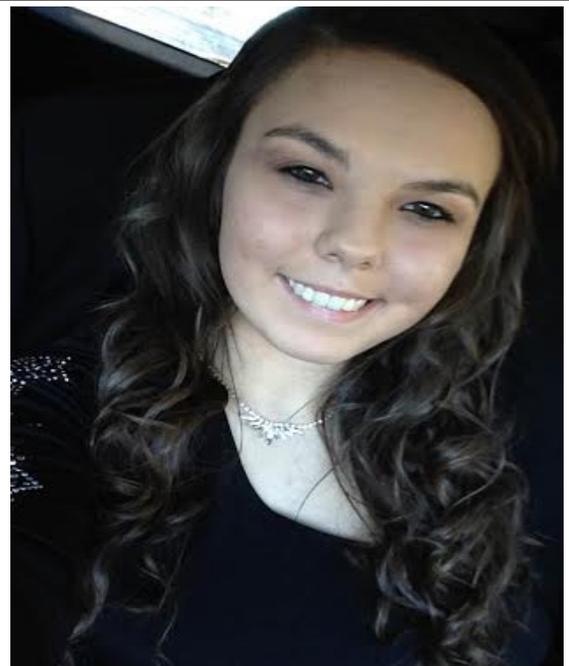
Written by Hannah Condley

Great students work hard inside and outside the classroom. They diligently turn in work on time, receive good grades, show respect, which is Legacy's character trait of the year, and set an example for Christ. November's Student of the Month is senior Jodilyn Marris.

"Receiving this title shows how much my hard work and dedication to my school work pays off. It's nice to know that teachers notice a student who works hard and is serious about their school work. I think I earned it due to how much I work each and everyday to make high A's." Jodilyn also noted that it helps that she is not afraid to ask questions. Additionally, she stays home and studies for quizzes and tests instead of spending extra time with her friends.

"I love studying and I love school. It means a lot to be chosen student of the month but I couldn't achieve it without the help of my wonderful teachers who work constantly to come up with lesson plans and techniques to help us students learn the material."

Mrs. Fredricks, a 12th grade teacher at legacy says that she nominated Jodilyn for Student of the Month because, "She is hardworking and sets an example for other students on how to study and prepare with lots fortitude and she's not easily discouraged."



JH Girls Basketball Hopes to Begin with a Bang



Written by Julia Lewis

The junior high girls basketball team is excited for this new season and what it has in store for them. The roster, which is split into “A Team” and “B Team,” includes: Reagan Mace (8th), Mia Martinez (8th), Emma Goodall (8th), Hannah Condley (7th), Avery Davis (7th), McKamey Gordon (7th), Amaya Harrell (7th), Caroline Freeman (7th), Anina Manning (7th), Sadie Micheletti (7th), Kylee Curl (6th), Tatum Loach (6th), Abby Monsanto (6th), and Madison Steed (6th).

A few of the girls were asked what they were looking forward to this upcoming season. Mia Martinez shared, “I am looking forward to getting better this season and improving my teamwork skills.” Amaya Harrell added, “I

really want to improve my offensive plays and the defensive plays.”

Mckamey Gordon commented, “I am looking forward to watching the team get better because we will be making a lot of progress this season.” Finally, Reagan Mace said, “I like how basketball is challenging. It keeps you wanting to be better and it makes you strive to do your best. The coaches are good.”

These girls work hard and persevere, striving to do their best. They give the full glory to God. The team is extremely excited to continue the year and compete in their upcoming basketball games. This basketball season is going to be an amazing experience for all of Legacy.

Junior High Boys Basketball



Written by Justin Centilli

The junior high boys basketball program began on October 26. The teams are under direction of Coach Brewton, who has been coaching at Legacy for two years. The teams (A and B) will play twenty-two games this season, which will take them throughout the months of November, December, January, and February. Most of the games will be on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, with the occasional game on Saturday. The games usually go from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. If either of the teams make it to the district tournament, then they will participate in at least three extra games in the process of trying to win district.

Sam Bargainer who is an eighth grader on the team said “I play basketball because I love to dribble and I can Glorify God through basketball.”

- Sam Barganier - A
- Jamie Jones - A
- Mason Little - A
- Sam Granack - A
- Jay Piotrowski - A
- BJ Fornero - A
- Brock Belanger - B
- Ethan Ellenberg - B
- Will Condley - B
- Gavin Gerwick - B
- Luke Henson - B
- Carson Lagunas - B
- Carson Keyes - B
- Pete Rome - B
- Carter Hutton - B



Lions Dominating On and Off Campus

Written by Anina Manning

Stadium lights shining down, a roaring crowd anticipating the next move, he shoots, he scores, and the crowd goes wild!

Stratton Butaud and Noah Seay are two seventh graders who have experienced this moment many times as soccer players. Soccer is a very aggressive sport that requires a great deal of endurance and skill.

While this is Butaud first year attending Legacy, he started playing soccer when he was four years-old. In the fifth grade, Butaud was selected into the ODP which is also known as the Olympic Development Program. There were three

state tryouts, and out of hundreds of kids the judges selected Butaud from the Houston area. He began training in January of 2014.

Butaud currently plays the forward position. He has traveled all over and out of the country to compete at tournaments against many different teams. Butaud wants to continue playing soccer and pursue a professional career playing soccer for Real Madrid. "I love to score! when I was eleven I scored thirty-six goals in eleven games," Stratton stated. Butaud currently plays for Texans Academy and is having a ball enjoying all the memories he will make with his team.

Noah Seay began attending legacy in the sixth grade. He started playing soccer when he was two years old. Seay has played for many soccer teams and clubs.

When he was eight years old, Seay started performing in competitive soccer and moving on to bigger and better soccer teams. Currently he plays the Right Back position. Seay wants to continue playing soccer and pursue a professional career in the sport. "It's fun. I like running, and the games dynamics." Seay currently plays for the top team at Rush and can't wait to get a kick out of the remainder of the season.

Literacy Night Brings Families Together

Written by Brad Hamilton

Literacy night is a great time for students, parents, and teachers alike to get together for and fun, eventful night. Stories were read and games were played. Arts and crafts were available as well.

This year's Literacy night, held November 12, took place in Legacy's gym. Many children showed up to partake in all the events that were going on. Kids and their families could read stories and spend time around the "camp fire." There was also a group story everyone could

participate in. Some of the games played included: fishing pond, crafts, and lots of prizes.

Literacy night was a great night for the whole family and we are eager to see you and your family attend next year.



Mane Event: Having Fun Raising Funds



Written by Sam Granack

Mane Event was held on October 31, 2015 in the gym. The day was filled with excitement and fun as there was a silent auction, a variety of games, and booths that advertised different companies. What really mattered, however, was the fundraising that went into the day.

During Mane Event, volunteers ran the games and gave out candy. The booths included a basketball shoot, cornhole, pumpkin races, a selfie station, face painting, a candy walk (a cake walk but with candy), and more.

The silent auction included many items including: a gift card basket, a four pack of cupcakes, twentie cupcakes, alongside many others.

In addition, the concession stand was open and selling delicious food. On the opposite side of the cafeteria, cotton candy and snow cones were sold.

Erika Alman and Allison Stephan (the Mane Event lead and MC) both deserve a huge thanks. Without their effort and dedication this would not have been possible.

Here are some quotes from the day:

7th grader Pete Rome: I like the amount of candy and fun.

5th grader Abby Peterson: The candy is awesome.

5th grader Jenna Carlson: I like the amount of candy there is.

5th grader Hayden Carson: I like the candy.

8th grader Sam Moulis: Getting to be interviewed.

8th grader Jonathan Jackson: Mane Event is awesome.

8th grader Harrison Shook: It's cool, it's got some nice food.

8th grader Reagan Mace: I like the food.

8th grader Mia Martinez: The doughnuts and cotton candy are good.

9th grader Ashleigh Miller: The food is great.

Teacher Frank Granack: I like the food and the Silent Auction.





Middle School Mania

Written by Cole Carrico

Middle School Mania, held on November 7, was a party for all of middle school at Main Event, a gaming and pizza place. Kids received pizza, cookies, \$10 worth of games, and unlimited attractions.

“It was a lot of fun,” said Harrison Shook from eighth grade. “Laser tag, bowling, and playing games with my friends was really cool!”

People were able to hang out with friends their age as well as meet students from different grades.

“I thought it was a great way to get all the middle schoolers together,” said Kaylee Hill from eighth grade. “It was great that we were able to grow our relationships with one another while having a blast.”

This event created memories that would last a soul’s whole lifetime. PFT





"It isn't how many years one spends on earth that matters, but the legacy left from your many years."





Girls On The Run

Written by Caroline Freeman

Thanks to Raine Lochte and Jeana Francis, Legacy is proud to host an activity for young girls on Mondays through Thursdays called, “Girls on the Run” (GOTR). This is an excellent program for girls in grades three to five that teaches girls to run for Jesus.

These girls run several laps in preparation for a 5k race they will compete in at the end of the year. There are two groups of girls in this program: the Monday/Wednesday group and the Tuesday/Thursday girls. Mrs. Rainey Lochte organizes the Monday/Wednesday group while Mrs. Jeana Francis runs the Tuesday/Thursday.

Fifth grader Aubrey Davis exclaimed, “Running is a lot of fun for me. That’s probably my favorite thing about Girls on the Run.”

Ginger Freeman, who is a third grader, stated, “I love to run, hang out with my

friends, and spend time with my awesome coaches.”

Mrs. Jeana Francis enthusiastically expressed, “Being a runner myself, I wanted to share my interest with the girls at Legacy. I had tried for a couple of semesters to bring GOTR to Legacy, but couldn’t get it going. Finally, in August of 2014, we offered it as an after school session and it took off. I am now coaching my third session and am so happy that we have GOTR here at Legacy. We are the only official group in The Woodlands. I can honestly say that Girls on the Run is my greatest accomplishment and gift in my entire 10 years of being at Legacy. I truly believe in this program and LOVE my girls! If I could have my way... I would want ALL girls in grade 3rd-5th to have to go through this program. I really love the vision of GOTR. Their vision is... We envision a world where every girl knows and activates her limitless potential and is

free to boldly pursue her dreams.”

Mrs. Rainey Lochte, head of the Monday/Wednesday gathering, pronounced, “I actually didn’t know much about the program when I learned a coach was needed. I really just felt a stirring inside to volunteer and I’m so glad I did. What I like about GOTR is that it gives girls a fun, safe environment to learn to identify and cope with negative influences they will face at this age and in the coming years.”

Girls on the Run has become a huge success. The young ladies enjoy running, hanging out with their amazing friends, and learning more about God. Girls who attend Girls on the Run are thankful for Mrs. Lochte and Mrs. Francis for organizing this program and for teaching young girls more about Jesus Christ. By the end of the year, the ladies will not only become strong runners, but they will also have a firm relationship with God. *PFT*



Military Care Packages

By Sarah Quinn

The eighth grade leadership class, taught by Carrie Centilli, is currently gathering care packages to transport to those who put their lives in danger for us, the military. Items being gathered include: toothbrushes, candy, packaged food, deodorant, etc.

Taylor Sartin, one of the eighth graders putting together these packages, talked about the idea of the care packages. "My eighth grade leadership teacher asked us what we could do to help the military in need. We are sending it to a company who takes items to send to the military in need. We had some other ideas for helping people in need. Later this year we are going to complete some more projects. A few ideas we had were: doing a clothing drive and a food drive."

The eighth graders would like your help in ministering to our troops overseas. The goal is to collect enough supplies to send approximately forty boxes, which would be enough boxes for an entire platoon. They are also going to include cards, letters, and prayers to the platoon to let them know they are cared for and loved.

Using an organization in Brazoria County called Military Moms and Wives of Brazoria County we will send boxes to military personnel all over the world every month. They began as a moms' support group and over the years have branched out to serving military families through boxes and other types of aid. The collection ends on December 6th.

Donations are accepted at the front office in a red box. They are also taking monetary donations to help pay for the shipping of the boxes. The eighth graders and the military will greatly appreciate your donations.

7th grade Poll by Reagan Lagunas

What is your Thanksgiving tradition?

Claire Berglund
Our tradition is to get together with family and eat a big dinner.

Sadie Micheletti
My family always goes to Virginia and we meet up with my grandma, grandpa, my uncles and aunts, and we have a feast together.

Lauren Walker
My whole family participates in a Fun Run Thanksgiving morning. We also attend church the Wednesday before.

Richard Bundy
We just have a big meal with all of our family and watch football sometimes.

Hannah Condley
We go to Oklahoma every year. I also watch the Thanksgiving Day Parade every year.

Andrew Wright
We go to our aunt's with our extended family to eat then go to our grandma's.

Allie Jeffus
My mom makes pretzel jello salad.

Laney Elguezabal
Me and my family's Thanksgiving tradition is that the day before, we celebrate at my grandpa's house. On the day of Thanksgiving, we go to my grandpa and stepgrandma's house and celebrate with them. I celebrate with my 7 grandparents, 1 great-grandparent, 5 aunts, 1 uncle, my sister (Lexi Elguezabal) and parents.

Avery Davis
My Thanksgiving tradition is when my aunt, uncle, grandparents, and cousins on my dad's side of the family come to visit us on Thanksgiving!

Brandon Fornero
Eating a ton of food!

Maddie Martin
We go to my cousin's house and we have a family dinner.

Amaya Harrell
My Thanksgiving tradition is having dinner with my family, playing outside, celebrating my cousin's birthday, and listening to my favorite music.

Logan Freevol
To eat a lot and put up a christmas tree.

Lauren Railey
My Thanksgiving tradition is to go to our Grammie's house, and have lunch with our family. We sometimes watch parades or football games on the television.

11th grade Poll by Anna Rosa Peterson

What are you most thankful for? (besides family)

Rebecca Bargainer:
Friends and the school

Genevieve Angerame:
Friends

Patrick Carlson:
Food

Bobby Cruthirds:
My backyard

Landon Davis:
Basketball

Jake Dye: Music

Meagan Fornero:
Diving

Samantha Furber:
My friends and food

Alex Gibson:
The gym and Chick-Fil-A

Jason Laycock:
Food

Joshua Micheletti:
The joy of God

Kyran Miseldine:
Freedom

Zack Patton:
My hair

Taylor Perniciaro:
Panda Express

Ryanne Sartin:
Whataburger

Ryan May:
Gains

What is your favorite Thanksgiving food?

Reagan Lagunas	mashed potatoes	D'Artagnan Elliott	chocolate pie
Megan Morrison	mashed potatoes	James Coggins	pumpkin pie
Brad Hamilton	mashed potatoes	Molly Jacobs	turkey
Kate Vicknair	stuffing	Kyra Wright	turkey
Malik Manning	ham	Jacey Neuburger	mashed potatoes
Cody Centilli	smoked turkey	Clay Burkhard	mashed potatoes
Jay Mondick	turkey	Alonso Lamuno	food is food
Jared May	turkey	Rachel Carlson	mashed potatoes
Madyson Conley	gravy	Austin Bennett	cranberry sauce
Sami Evard	anything corn	Jacob Campbell	turkey
Madison Colwell	pecan pie	Hudson Railey	ham
Elijah Easter	corn on the cob	Harris Tucker	turkey
Luckas Rumbold	potatoes	Noah Guthrie	mashed potatoes
Isaac Beeman	mashed potatoes	Spencer Berglund	sauerkraut
Casen Hutton	mashed potatoes	Logan Mace	chocolate marian pie
Ben Schardt	turkey		

Pumpkin Decorating Contest



Written by Lauren Railey

Legacy's students and families celebrated the autumn season by participating in the school's annual pumpkin decorating contest, which occurred October 28-29.

This contest was a much-anticipated opportunity for students to showcase their creativity. They were asked to put their artistic talents to work by painting or decorating a pumpkin without carving or using scary images. Numerous categories allowed students to use ingenuity to create unique

pumpkins.

Various awards include: Legacy Spirit, Funniest, Most Creative, and Overall Best. These were given to the winning entries.

Fifth grader, Georgia Freeman, received the Legacy Spirit award. She said, "I enjoy participating in the pumpkin decorating contest because it lets kids use their creativity to make something of their own design. It was really fun to win the Legacy Spirit award!"

Cindy Sommers, Family Ministry Assistant and coordinator of the con-

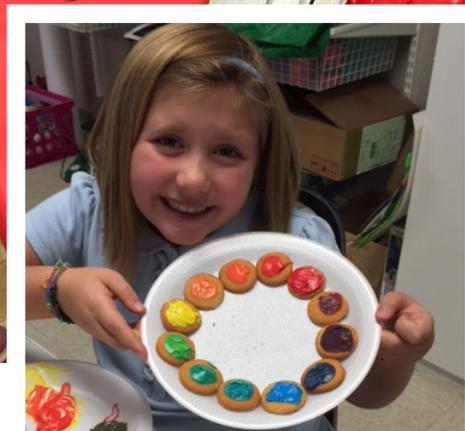
test, exclaimed, "I love being involved with the pumpkin decorating contest because of the students. When they bring in their pumpkins, they have such a look of pride for their creations on their faces, and a lot of stories of how they made them. I love seeing their faces when they get their prizes! It just makes my heart full!"

The contest was a blast this year, and everyone did a great job designing their pumpkins. All of the entries show the creativity of these gifted students. PFT



Lions Leading...





Legacy Holds Fifth Annual Golf Tournament

Written by Josh King

On Thursday, November 12, Legacy held the Fifth Annual Golf Tournament at the Woodforest Golf Club to raise money for the Junior High and High School student athletics. "We appreciate everyone that came out to support Legacy Athletics, from all of the golfers to all of the sponsors. The funds raised will go directly to the athletes at Legacy," exclaimed Leah Ford, former Legacy Athletic Director.

Mrs. Ford stated, "It was a beautiful day for a golf outing! We had thirteen foursomes and twelve sponsors. We served the players breakfast during registration and then a buffet style lunch while we presented the winners with their awards. The winners of the raffle items were: Natalie Ford won The Round Top collection gift card, Steve McCormack won the Kate Spade clutch and porcelain coffee mug, and Don Kehlenbeck won the Kendra Scott jewelry. Rodney Bryant won a collection of gift cards. Varsity Cheerleader, Allison Byrd, came to help sell raffle tickets and take pictures with the players! A great time was had by all! We look forward to next year's event and hope you'll

come join us!"

The 1st place winners of the tournament were Josh Peterson, Chris Szalay, Robert Guillen and Raul Garcia, with a score of 67. Congratulations to these men on their win!

A special thank you to our sponsors!

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Update on the Annual Fund

The focus of this year's Annual Fund was educating our families about 1) what is an annual fund, 2) why is it needed, 3) what additional improvements can be made with the proceeds from the annual fund. With the help of Grade Level Representatives, we were able to communicate a consistent message from week to week to promote friendly competition between the grade levels. Based on the percentages of new and existing families that donated or pledged to the Annual Fund, and after receiving feedback from our families, we felt this new endeavor was well received and were pleased with the results. The board has even communicated that the RFE fee will be removed for the spring semester!

We are thankful to our Annual Fund Leads, Erika Alman and Heather Carson, and to our grade level representatives, Pam White, Jennifer Schutz, Tania Harrison, Rebecca Chumbley, Judith Clark, April Raines, Apryl Rinn, Joanna Pazak, Kristen Berglund, Robyn Piotrowski, Ali Seay, and Allyson Morris. We are excited to begin work on the covered carline addition, and other educational technology upgrades. Thank you to all who participated!

Overall participation rate: 80%
 total funds raised: Approx. \$191,00

Breakdown of Funds Raised:

\$99,100 Given

\$58,185 Pledged

\$17,525 Teacher Donations (Payroll Deductions)

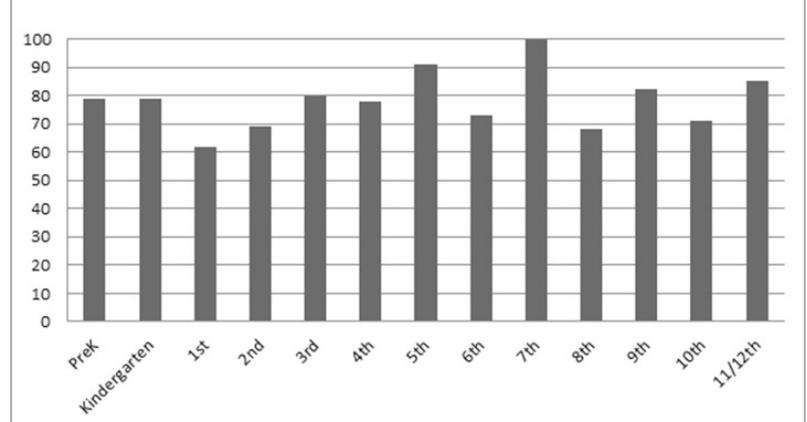
\$13,500 Company Matches (thus far)

\$2,375 Family matching for 5th and 7th grades

Things to Note:

- Total Number of Families (with Full -Time Students): 236
 - Total Families who Donated/Pledged to the Annual Fund: 183
 - Total Families who did not participate: 52
 - Average Donation: \$998.25
 - Percentage of New Families who donated/pledged: 80%
 - Percentage of Returning Families who donated/pledged: 80%
- Seventh Grade had 100% participation!

% PARTICIPATION BY GRADE



4th Grade Shares Expository Writing

Mrs. Moran: Teacher, Mom, XBOX Player

By Camille Johnson

Did you know teachers are real people? They teach, have fun, and do lots of fun activities. My teacher is so much more than just a teacher.

What does the Bible, XBOX, and green have in common? These are just a few of Mrs. Moran's favorites. On the weekends she likes doing fun things with her family like going to the movies. The X-Men movies are a few of Mrs. Moran's favorite movies. Mrs. Moran and I both love sushi and Mexican food!

Did you know Mrs. Moran can be as fun as kids can be? If she could go anywhere in the whole wide world she would go to Hawaii because she has heard so many amazing things about it. There are three people in her family plus her dog, Chocolate. She has been married for 9 years and has a son named Sam. He is in first grade at Legacy. They spend their free time together. She also has lots of hobbies. They are sewing, crafting, cooking, and the best of all is she likes finding cool things for my class!

The way I know her best is she is my teacher. This is her second year teaching at Legacy. Since she was a little she wanted to become a teacher. Her dream has come true today! She loves to see the "AHA" moment on our faces when we finally get it. When asked her gift from God she said, "He gave me a heart for children and a love of learning."

Have you ever thought of teaching when you grow up? It is true Mrs. Moran loves teaching at Legacy but she's so much more than a teacher. Normally you would think teachers don't have fun but you haven't met my teacher. She's an amazing teacher that is a mom that does some pretty fun activities. Wouldn't you like Mrs. Moran to be your teacher?

Mr. Crouch: Martial Arts

Written By: Aiden Sweet

My martial arts teacher is Mr. Crouch. My martial arts class is amazing because Mr. Crouch is a very good instructor. I'm excited to tell you about his job at Legacy, his family, and his hobbies.

Mr. Crouch owns the DoJo Experience in Magnolia, Texas. He has been doing martial arts for thirty years and currently teaches the martial arts elective on Fridays at Legacy. His program also teaches discipline, integrity, loyalty and respect.

He is passionate about making sure students understand the lessons and make progress, regardless of their skill level.

Mr. Crouch is also passionate about his family. He has three daughters. His oldest daughter is thirty and was adopted at the age of sixteen. She is now pregnant and will be having Mr. Crouch's first grandchild in February of next year. The second oldest daughter is a drum major in her highschool band. His youngest daughter is in fourth grade and loves Brazilian Jujitsu.

Mr. Crouch has many hobbies and interests besides martial arts. He loves to be outside. Some of his favorite outdoor hobbies include hunting, fishing, hiking and shooting. If he could travel anywhere he would choose Alaska because of the amazing wildlife and hiking opportunities. He also enjoys board games, video games, reading science fiction books, and cooking for his family.

Wouldn't you like a great instructor like Mr. Crouch? He is a dedicated teacher with years of experience, a loving family man and has many interesting hobbies. Without a doubt, Mr. Crouch is a great person. I feel blessed to know him. You should get to know him too.

All About Lions

By: Levi Brown

Did you know that lions can weigh up to 550 pounds? Did you ever think that lions are vulnerable in the wild? You are going to learn about the threats to lions, how we know lions, and how lions live. Here we go!

There are not many threats to lions, but there is some. The first threat to lions is other lions. Lions usually get in fights and sometimes get killed. Another threat to lions is humans. Hunting and poaching is one of the greatest threats to lions. One more threat is hyenas. Hyenas are only a threat when lion cubs are left alone. Hyenas will take advantage of this. A minor threat is giraffes. Giraffes' legs are extremely long and strong. A kick from one can give a lion a serious injury.

There are many ways we know lions, so I am only going to tell you a few. One way we know lions is as the top of the African food chain. Lions are very carnivorous. Lions have been in movies too, one of which is the Lion King. Another way we know lions is as a sign of power and strength. Last but certainly not least, if you go to Legacy you know them as a mascot!

Lion prides are very unique. Usually females do the hunting in lion prides. Lion cubs like to wrestle. There is only one male in a pride. If there are multiple males, they will either fight till one backs off or to the death. Most lions are active at night (nocturnal), but some are active at twilight (crepuscular).

Did you know that giraffes are threats to lions? Did you know that we know lions in so many ways like through movies or as a sign of power? Did you know that only females do the hunting in lion prides? Certainly, lions are one of the most interesting felines.

Mrs. Spinale: Inspiring Teacher

Written by Grace Cruthirds

I'd like to tell you about an amazing person who taught me to read, write, and spell much better than I did before. Let me tell you about this person I chose for my assignment. She had an amazing childhood that she'll remember forever, a teaching career that she loves, and always enjoys free time fun with her family. Her name is Mrs. Leanne Spinale, Language Arts and History teacher at Legacy Preparatory Christian Academy.

Mrs. Spinale grew up in Riverside, California. During her childhood Mrs. Spinale loved to ride bikes with her two best friends. She had two best friends from 6th to 12th grade. Since she lived in California, her family often went to Disneyland for special occasions. As a kid Mrs. Spinale wanted to be a physical therapist when she grew up.

Of course, we all know Mrs. Spinale became a teacher not a physical therapist. She went to college and every job she had after that, she always ended up teaching someone or a class. One day she realized God wanted her to be a teacher. Mrs. Spinale went to teaching school and taught at a public elementary school. She became a teacher and always taught Language Arts in every school. Several years ago, she enrolled her daughter Audrey in LPCA and Mrs. Spinale became a third grade teacher.

As a teacher and a mother, Mrs. Spinale always tries to carve out time for her family and friends. Of course we all know that Mrs. Spinale is a language arts teacher, and she'll never pass up an opportunity to read. Most people have a favorite type of genre to read. Mrs. Spinale's favorite type of genre is mystery fiction but she enjoys reading almost every kind of book for the most part. Sometimes Mrs. Spinale and her daughter Audrey like to have a movie marathon weekend and eat a lot of popcorn. Not surprisingly, growing up in California, Mrs. Spinale and her family love to go to Disneyland and when they're in California, they still love to go to Disneyland.

Mrs. Spinale is a great teacher and along with that an amazing person, who has helped me so much. She makes an awesome person that had a great childhood that she'll remember forever, has a teaching career that she loves, and never misses spending time with her family. That's what makes her a loving, caring, and creative human being.