# **PAWS FOR THOUGHT**

The Student News of The Legacy Preparatory Christian Academy









# **GROWING OUR LEGACY**





# GROWING LEGACY

An interview with Mrs. May

By Keira Schroeder, LPCA staff writer Interview by Sarah Synek

# What Does Mrs. May Say?

According to Mrs. May,
"The biggest setback was
COVID. We were supposed to
start building in 2019, COVID
hit and now the biggest delays
are just supply chain issues."
Although COVID set the
building process back, we are
now on track to finish the new
building by December 22,
2022.

One detail of the new building includes a sky bridge. Mrs. May also says, "There are 20 new classrooms in the building along with several office spaces, conference rooms, workrooms, break rooms, and areas for the students."

### **Donors**

As plans for Legacy grow, donors are needed to finance these big steps. Legacy alone is unable to fund these expenses. If you have any interests in donating, you can donate via Praxi, the Legacy website or through mail.

# The Next Step

After the completion of the new building, Legacy has new goals to reach. The plan is to eventually get rid of the portables to make space for the next project. However, this will not be done immediately because of the growing number of students.

Looking to the future, Mrs. May comments, "We do have some interest in building a performing arts center that would house an auditorium and a gym in the same facility. So there are some ongoing discussions about that. This would be from outside donors."

# CLASS OF 2023



# **HOMECOMING**







# PEP Rally

By Tess Herridge, LPCA staff writer

During the homecoming pep rally on September 7th, students gathered at the football field to exchange mums and garters. The homecoming court came out onto the field and the winners were announced; Savanna Voiles and Luke Smith for 9th, Josh Hulbert and Julian Carr for 10th, and Nolen Raines and Kayley Gubb for 11th. The cheerleaders and the emeralds did an amazing performance on the field. Everyone gathered around the bonfire and joined in the fun.





# DANCING IN THE RAIN

Homecoming King, Kevin Corley, and Queen, Georgia Freeman.

# HOMECOMING

By Natalia Rivera, LPCA staff writer

2022 Homecoming Dance was held on September 10th from 7 to 11 PM at the Legacy gymnasium. The homecoming theme chosen for this year was "Dancing in the rain". Shout out to the Student Council for decorating the dance hall. The homecoming dance was well attended and fun for all students and guests.















# HS INVESTMENT TEAMS



# WHARTON GLOBAL HIGH SCHOOL INVESTMENT COMPETITION





Team **Blue Lagoon**"For Ocean"

Keira Schroeder
Autumn Elkins
Natalia Rivera
Audrey Dotter







Team **Legacy Builders** "Buy Low Sell High" Noah Gomez, Joseph Beverly, Kade Smith, Haylie Carr, Tess Herridge

Team **Mighty Lions**"We like Money"
Janey Leiker,
Dominick Notargiacomo,
Ryder Blake,
Cash McDonald

Meetings are on Mondays 12:30 PM at Room 2A. You can join one of the Legacy teams until October 30th. Join the Google Classroom "24uqdnv" for additional information or stop by with your lunch on Mondays.

Legacy high school students are participating in the Wharton Global High School Investment Competition from September to December. Three teams of four up to seven team members are learning about teamwork, communication, risk, diversification, company and industry analysis, and many other important aspects of investing.







# HS INVESTMENT TEAMS





"For which of you, desiring to build a tower, does not first sit down and count the cost, whether he has enough to complete it? Otherwise, when he has laid a foundation and is not able to finish, all who see it begin to mock him, saying, 'This man began to build and was not able to finish.'" Luke 14: 28-30

"The heart of man plans his way, but the LORD establishes his steps" <u>Proverbs 16:9</u>

"No one can serve two masters, for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and money"

Matthew 6:24

Mr. Luke Brown has graciously made time for our investment competition students on Monday Oct. 24. He has imparted valuable Biblical lessons on investment planning, researching, and conducting proper due diligence to meet client's financial goals as Jesus' followers (Luke 14:28-30, Matthew 6:24). Students have learned ways to thoughtfully plan and prepare yet trust God for its outcome (Proverbs 16:9). They have gained insights on diversification across stocks by market capitalization (small, mid, and large caps), sectors, and geography.

Team Name	Orders	Trades	Portfolio Value	Buying Power	Cash Balance	Rank
Legacybuilders	13	11	\$104,346.09	\$4.53	\$4.53	61
Blue Lagoon	4	4	\$101,644.18	\$74,795.07	\$74,795.07	287
Mighty Lions	15	11	\$99,810.89	\$96,631.28	\$96,631.28	2037

\*Team portfolio summary as of October 21, 2022. Each team has been given \$100,000 to invest for their client Peter. Each team is working on the mid-term report this week which is due October 31.

Mr. Luke Brown is an Investment Advisor who has been in the finance industry for over 20 years.



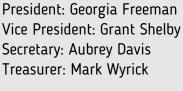
# **ACADEMICS AT A GLANCE**



# STUDENT COUNCIL

By Autumn Elkins, LPCA staff writer









Freshmen Reps: Savanna Voiles, Luke Smith Sophomore Reps: Brooklyn Gilliam, Parker Wilson Junior Reps: Hannah Landgraf, Wesley Kuyendall

Student council is a group of high school students who work together for God's greater good. Student council will help decorate for student events, help organize school festivities, and work to make the school a better place. Recently, the student council members helped to decorate the gym for the homecoming dance and did a great job following the theme: Dancing in the Rain.

Members: Alexis Eversull, Amelia Voiles, Annie White, Ansley Kuykendall, Asher Abrahams, Aubrey Davis, Audrey Sipko, Autumn Elkins, Ava Frank, Bailey Horton, Brooklyn Clark, Brooklyn Gilliam, Cadence Moorman, Charlie Kerr, Charlotte Freeman, Christian Fletcher, Christian Yearwood, Clara Lawrence, Colin Riggs, Colton Blackmon, Daniel Brown, Elizabeth Haglin, Grace Whitten, Grant Shelby, Hannah Dvorak, Hannah Landgraf, Hannah Grace Bryant, Isabella Keyes, Ivanna Vargas, Jackson Bryant, Jaedyn How, Jake McLemore, Janey Leiker, Jordyn Conley, Joselyn Jones, Julia Voiles, Kade Smith, Kali Barnett, Kate LeBlanc, Kayley Gubb, Kendal Lochte, Kendall Holland, Kevin Corley, Kindle Brown, Lacey Voiles, Lainey Voiles, Levi Brown, Levi Ryza, Luke Smith, Malcolm Kerr, Mark Wyrick, Marlow Grace Leahy, Molly Steed, Nolan Raines, Olivia Jackson, Parker Wilson, Rebekah Froelich, Robbie Corley, Sarah McLemore, Sarah Synek, Savanna Voiles, Sierra Brumbaugh, Sutton Moyer, Sydney Crane, Sydney McNeil, Virginia Freeman, and Wesley Kuykendall.



## **ANYTHING BUT A BACKPACK DAY**

By Kade Smith, LPCA staff writer

One of the dress up days this year for homecoming was "Anything but a Backpack Day." On this day, students were allowed to bring random objects in place of their backpacks. Students got to use their creativity this year and many brought funny items to school. One student even went so far as to bring a trashcan to school to lug their books around.



See You at the Pole was September 28 and 29. This global movement of prayer revolves around students praying together at a campus flag pole on the fourth Wednesday in September.

#### Heavenly Father,

Enlighten our minds with truth, inflame our hearts with love, inspire our souls with courage, and enrich our lives with service to you and those around us.







Pray without ceasing

Thessalonians 5:17

## **MIDDLE SCHOOL**

By Haylie Carr, LPCA staff writer

Our middle school is growing and expanding. This year we had a total of 48 new students coming into 6th, 7th, and 8th grade. As the classrooms starting to get full, our Legacy families are thankful for the new building. Many new middle school students have joined the fall sports such as cross country, volleyball, and cheer. This year some of the teachers have added some extra curricular activities such as the art club and robotics.













# **LOWER SCHOOL**

By Audrey Dotter, LPCA staff writer

The Legacy elementary students have been having so much fun during their first semester of school. The Kindergarten students have been learning all about colors. Quinlee Davis, 2nd grade student, says she's had so much fun writing. Mrs. Moran, 2nd grade teacher, said that her students just finished writing personal stories!



# PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN





The Legacy football team is 4-5 thus far in the season. Legacy had beaten the Frassati Falcons (39-6) for their homecoming game, and the Rosehill Eagles (21-14) for their first win of the season. They had recent winning games against Brazos Christan (28 - 21) and Halletsville Sacred Heart (41 - 38). Legacy had unfortunate losses against Northland Christian (20 - 42), Shiner Catholic in Shiner TX (6 - 49), Temple Central Texas Christian (14 - 21), Cypress Christian (14 - 63), and Bay Area Christian (13-21).

A few of the team's top players include David May (Sr.), Wyatt Francis (Jr.) Tanner Herridge (Jr.), Ian McrCraray (Sr.), and Chase Carrico (Jr.). These players have made a lot of contributions to lead to some of the victories we have had. The game against Brazos Christian, two players really stood out, David May, and Wyatt Francis. Both of these players had an outstanding game with highlight after highlight on the field. The game against Brazos was a competitive and exciting game with touchdown after touchdown leading the Legacy Lions to a 28-21 victory for their third win of the season.

# FOOTBALL ROSTER





By Noah Gomez, LPCA staff writer

One of the most significant parts of Homecoming is the Homecoming football game. The homecoming game on September 9 was the best game the Lions have had this season. The final score of the night was Legacy Lions 39 and Frassati Falcons 6. It was an awesome win for the Lions.



**VARSITY CHEER** 









# **CROSS COUNTRY**

Dominick Notargiacomo, LPCA staff writer





The Legacy Lions Cross Country team is having a great season this year! The Lady Lions XC team won the TAPPS 4A District 4 Championship and the Varsity Boys team took 2nd place on Saturday October 22.

The season began with the Woodlands Christian Invitational. The Middle School Girls team took 1st place, the Varsity Girls took 3rd place, the Middle School Boys Division 1 team took 3rd place, the Middle School Boys Division 2 team took 4th place, and the Varsity Boys team took 6th place.

At the Cooper Dragons Invitational, the Varsity Girls took 1st place, the JV Girls took 3rd place, the Middle School Girls took 4th place. The Middle School Boys Division 2 team took 3rd place, the High School Boys took 6th, and the JV Boys took 7th place.

At the Conroe Covenant Cross Country Invitational, the Varsity Boys took 1st place, and the Varsity Girls took 2nd. For Middle School, the Middle School Girls took 1st place, and the Middle School Boys took 2nd place.

It has been a fantastic XC season. The Varsity Girls placed 3rd out of 21 teams and the Varsity Boys finished 8th out of 27 teams in class 4A at the TAPPS State XC Championship in Waco on Monday October 31 at Cottonwood Creek Golf Course. Charlotte Freeman, an All-State individual runner, placed 5th. Aubrey Davis placed 11th and earned Academic All-State for the second year in a row. Aidan Rivers earned an All-State top 10 finish for the second year in a row.

# **CROSS COUNTRY**







## **VARSITY VOLLEYBALL**

By Keira Schroeder, LPCA staff writer



Legacy's high school has a JV and a Varsity volleyball team. The girls are coached by Laura Cantu and Mollie Williamson. The Varsity team has placed third in the gold bracket at the Covenant Invitational Tournament. The Lady Lions Volleyball team lost a hard fought 5 set match against Cypress Christian. The game was a tie-breaker to secure 2nd place in district. With a 3rd place finish in district, they ended the season in the Area Playoffs against Schertz John Paul II on Nov. 1.

#### Varsity Team:

Georgia Freeman, #7 Setter
Sydney McNeil, #10 Setter
Ginger Freeman, #3 Middle Blocker
Kayley Gubb, #8 Middle Blocker
Natalie Simpson, #11 Outside Hitter
Taylor Alirid, #6 Outside Hitter
Sarah Cassidy, #9 Right Side Hitter
Emmerson Lilja, #4 Right Side / All Around
Keira Schroeder, #5 DS
Baleigh Brown, #1 DS
Alexis Eversull, #13 Libero

#### Junior Varsity Team:

Bree BonAnno, #2 Setter
Savanna Voiles, #25 Setter
Ava Frank, #2 Middle Blocker
Julia Voiles, #22 Middle Blocker
Haylie Carr, #3 Outside Hitter
Jenna Hulbert, #14 Right Side Hitter
Cora Smith, #11 All Around
Ava Breiger, #4 DS
Amelia Voiles, #33 DS
Tess Herridge, #1 DS





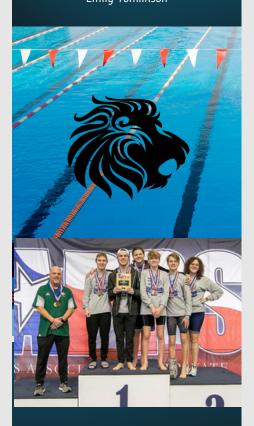




## **SWIMMING**

#### Women's Team:

Kindle Brown
Hannah Grace Bryant
Reena Crane
Sydney Crane
Hannah Derksen
Autumn Elkins
Maria Garcia
Lynsie Jones
Charlie Kerr
Janey Leiker
Gabrielle Payne
Serenity Stepanik
Emily Tomlinson



#### Men'sTeam:

Joseph Beverly Gage Gerwick Malcolm Kerr Rowan Stepanik Kade Smith Graham Shedden By Janey Leiker, LPCA senior writer

The Legacy Lions Swim Team hit the pool bright and early on October 24 for their first practice of the season. Our goal this year is to repeat as State Champions for the women and, for the men, to earn their first State Championship title. On November 4, the Lions will showcase their abilities at the first meet of the season. Good luck, Lions!







## TMEA REGION ORCHESTRA



Congratulations to the Legacy Orchestra members for successfully completing the TMEA JH & HS Region Orchestra auditions on Saturday October 1 at the Klein Oak High School.

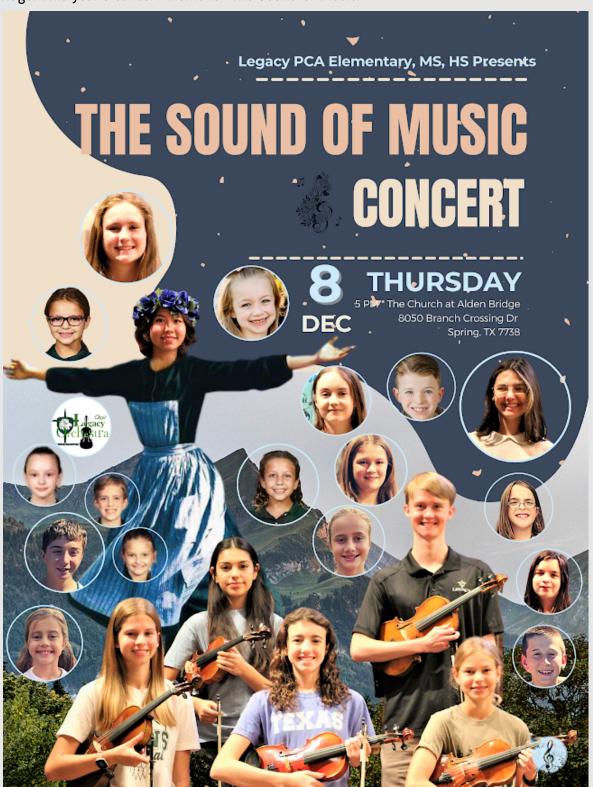
Our Legacy orchestra students Ivanna Vargas, Libby Haglin, Sarah Haglin, and Levi Brown worked hard for the highly competitive region auditions for the public and private school students in the region.

We are pleased to recognize Ivanna Vargas who earned a seat on the TMEA High School All Region Orchestra. Ivanna Vargas was ranked 26th out of hundreds of entries and accepted into the 2022-2023 TMEA HS Philharmonic Orchestra first violin section.



## **CHOIR & ORCHESTRA**

The Legacy Elementary, Middle, and High School Performing Arts students (private lesson, choir, orchestra) have been preparing for a concert on Thursday December 8 at 5 PM at The Church at Alden Bridge. This year's concert theme is "The Sound of Music."



# TARA, SHAPED BY THE FIGURES



Legacy High School Theatre students have been working hard for their performance in the TAPPS district One Act Play Competition, "Tara, Shaped by the Figures", in Huntsville on October 26 and 27, 2022.

While the Legacy teams will not be moving on to state, four of our students have received district awards:

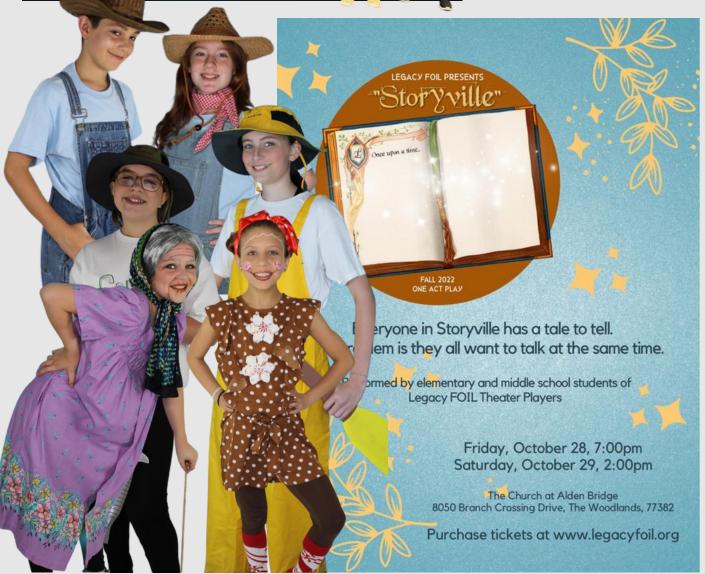
- · Analese Arthur, All Star Cast
- · Isabella Keyes, Honorable Mention Cast
- · Emerson Welch, Honorable Mention Cast
- · Kendall Holland, All Star Crew



## **STORYVILLE**



The Legacy Elementary and Middle School Theater students have been working hard for their fun production of "Storyville" on Friday and Saturday, October 28-29, 2022.





# **SPOTLIGHT**





#### Everybody Loves Mrs. Karen Beeman

Number of Years at Legacy Prep: 10

Roles at Legacy Prep: Front Desk Administrative Assistant. Teacher
Aide, Substitute Teacher

Mrs. Karen Beeman is a familiar face at Legacy Prep. She arrives at school before anyone and takes good care of everyone including the visitors. It seems though she has been at Legacy Prep forever. She is a role model to all students, always courteous, thoughtful, and helpful. Everyone loves Mrs. Beeman!

When asked about her timeline of Legacy Prep, Mrs. Beeman answered:

"Our second daughter, Katherine, helped us find Legacy after having a challenging time in public school. We heard about it through some friends (Freeman and Murray families) and decided to try it out. So, in 2011, Katherine enrolled as a 10th grader, and I was employed as a substitute teacher. The following year, we enrolled our son, Isaac, as a 7th grader. I worked as an aide and front desk helper.



Katherine graduated from Legacy Prep in 2014 with a total of five graduates that first year. This was also the first year of our new building and I had the awesome privilege of working in the front lobby. Isaac graduated in 2018 with 32 graduates, and I am still as excited to be a part of Legacy Prep as ever.

I've found that our school themes are always fitting for the year! This year we are putting on the Armor of God (one of my favorites!), "Finally, be strong in the Lord and his mighty power. Put on the full armor of God, so that you can take your stand against the devil's schemes." As a Christian, as an American, as a Texan, and as a mother & wife, I have found this especially fitting for this 2022-23 school year. Our Lord knows everything, and He has great plans for us! I am so excited to be a part of His great plan for Legacy Prep!"

This is what Mrs. Jeana Brinkman Francis said about Mrs. Beeman for Administrative Professional Day: "Mrs. Beeman is the BEST Administrative Assistant EVER! She does so much for the staff and families at Legacy Prep and we want to bless her and show her how much she means to all of us!"



# **SPOTLIGHT**



By Ryder Blake, LPCA staff writer



#### Luke Blackburn

Number of Years at Legacy Prep: 2

Favorite Subject: History

Interests: Football, Aviation, Formula 1 Racing, Robotics, 20th century American History, and Growing relationship with God.

Role Model: My PopPop. He has the kindness and cheerfulness of a grandparent and I appreciate the fatherly parenting he gives.



Luke Blackburn is an enthusiastic 9th grader who is passionate about football and building a strong team through football.

Legacy needs everything that they can get on the football team. Luke is helping this by trying to recruit freshmen to the football team. His goal is to encourage others to join so that he can witness their potentials grow. Luke is determined to do what he can because he cares about football and people.

He encourages others to see their potentials. Not only Luke himself plays football, he puts much effort into recruiting his peers to join in the game. This passion makes him a respectable student. He loves football and he wants others to experience the joy from working together as a team.

He encourages anyone who is interested or considering joining the football team. He urges, "don't wait, your potential is unimaginable if you work toward your goals."

# **MEET THE NEWS STAFF**























