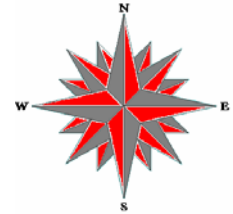


# BEVERDAM CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CARDINAL POINTS



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## **School News**

### **Beaverdam Student "Families"**

This year the staff and students at Beaverdam Christian School have grouped into "families" made up of one teacher, one or two eighth grade leaders, and students from various grades. Each school family group will do different activities throughout the school year, including monthly family devotions, tie-dying family t-shirts and sitting together during chapel services. Already this year, each individual family has decorated the school hallway ceiling with murals of their own footprints showing their faith-walk to "press on toward the goal to win the prize for which God has called us heavenward in Christ Jesus." (Phil. 3:14)

By joining the students together this way, they hope to build a community within the school between the teachers and all of the students.

Next time you visit the school, make sure you look at the ceiling, look at the footprints on the murals, and remember the faith-walk that our children and we are taking every day.

### **School Cereal Box Collection**

The students and teachers have finished their annual cereal box collection to benefit His Harvest Stand in Zeeland. From the first day of school on September 4 until September 14, all of the students and teachers were able to surpass this year's goal of 600 boxes of cereal and collected 702 boxes of cereal for local families in need. Thank you to all of the student, families, and teachers who helped touch the lives of so many families in a very real way.

### **General Fund Drive**

The annual General Fund Drive has begun, so you may be receiving a telephone call from one of the School Board members or a volunteer. If you do not receive a call from a representative of the school and are able to contribute to the General Fund Drive this year, you can send a donation to:

**Beaverdam Christian School  
5181 – 64<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Hudsonville, MI 49426**

With your donation, either designate the General Fund on your check or send your donation with the coupon on the second page of any edition of the Cardinal Points and we will be sure to send a tax receipt to you in recognition of your donation.

Also, the School Board gladly accepts pledges and donations towards the General Fund anytime during the year. The coupon on the back page of the Cardinal Points can be used at any time to properly acknowledge your gift.

Please consider your ability to support Beaverdam Christian School and the General Fund Drive in the upcoming weeks.

### **"Paper Gator" Paper Recycling Dumpster Has Arrived**

The "Paper Gator" paper recycling dumpster has been delivered to the school parking lot and is ready to take your papers. Newspapers, magazines, phone books, office paper, and similar types of paper can be placed in the dumpster, however cardboard cannot. The school will receive payment after the dumpster is emptied based on the amount of paper collected, so please take this opportunity to help the school and the environment by giving us your recyclable papers. If you would like to recycle your papers but are not able to bring them to school, please call the school office (875-8340) and we will arrange to have your papers picked up for you. If you would like more information about the "Paper Gator" recycling program, you can look it up on the internet at [www.papergatorrecycling.com](http://www.papergatorrecycling.com).

### **Scrap Metal Drive September 22 – October 1**

The School Board is sponsoring a scrap metal drive from September 22 until October 1 at the corner of 48<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Van Buren Street. The dumpsters will be available at anytime between these dates, but the dumpsters will be staffed on Saturday, September 22 and Saturday, September 29 from 8:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m. if you would like help unloading your scrap metal donation.

This year, there will be two dumpsters available – a 50 yard dumpster for any miscellaneous scrap, and a smaller 12 yard dumpster for "premium" scrap metal. The only material allowed in the smaller dumpster is steel ¼" thick or thicker, but not larger than 24" square. Beaverdam Christian School does receive a premium for this material, so if you have access to material meeting these criteria please place it in the smaller dumpster. Any other scrap can be placed in the large dumpster. Car parts, appliances, and anything else made of any metal – large or small – can be used for the scrap metal drive.

If you have items too large to be brought to the dumpsters, we will pick them up. Please call either Gord Steenwyk (875-6091) or John Boelema (875-6723) to arrange a time and place to have your scrap items picked up.

Also, we still need volunteers to staff the dumpsters on both September 22 and September 29, so if you are able to volunteer your time – especially dads or grandfathers – please call John Boelema (875-6723) or Gord Steenwyk (875-6091) for more details.

### **Annual School Auction Fundraiser October 26**

Our annual auction fundraiser will be held Friday night, October 26 in the school gymnasium. Many donated items for the auction are already being collected, so start looking for the auction lists to see what we have to offer this year. Also, look for auction information and the auction list on the school website at [www.beaverdamchristian.org](http://www.beaverdamchristian.org) and click the BCS Auction Info link.

If you have anything you would like to donate to the auction, or if you have any questions regarding the auction please call Amy Walters (875-7995), LeAnn Hassevoort (875-6152), or Eric Miedema (748-1677).

Mark October 26 on your calendar, and come out for a fun night of dinner, fellowship, and to support our auction.

## **School Circle News**

### **Hudsonville Fair Fundraiser Results**

In spite of the less-than-ideal weather conditions at the Hudsonville Fair this year, the Beaverdam School Circle was able to bring in approximately \$26,000 this year. After their expenses, the School Circle realized a profit of approximately \$15,000. Thank you again to all of the committee leaders and volunteers that make this fundraiser possible.

This year, the Beaverdam School Circle is committed to supporting the School General Fund with a donation of \$40,000. If you have any ideas to help the School Circle to realize this goal, please call Julie Boetsma (875-7582) with your suggestion.

## **Volunteer Opportunities**

### **Bleacher Repairs Needed**

We are looking for a volunteer to give of their time and talents to repair the bleachers in the school gymnasium. We would like to have at least some of the needed repairs completed by the upcoming basketball season, but all of the students gather on the bleachers every other Friday for the school chapel service.

If you are willing and able to make these repairs, please call either John Boelema (875-6723) or Gord Steenwyk (875-6091) to make arrangements.

## **Thank You!**

Thanks to the School Board and volunteers who helped clean up the school grounds before the start of the new school year. The schoolyard looked terrific for the students on their first day.

If you would like to subscribe to the Beaverdam Christian School Cardinal Points, please send your e-mail information or mailing address to [BCScardinalpoints@charter.net](mailto:BCScardinalpoints@charter.net) or look for the Cardinal Points in your church information tables or mailboxes.

I would like to financially support Beaverdam Christian School. Please use my gift as indicated below.

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- Weekly Pledge
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Please use this donation for:

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- Beaverdam Education Foundation
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Thank you for your donation; please send your donation and this coupon to:

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Hudsonville, MI 49426

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