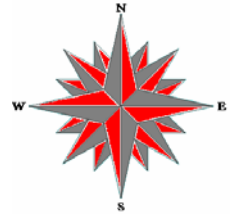


BEAVERDAM CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CARDINAL POINTS



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School News

Teacher's Convention in South Bend

This year's Christian Educators Association Convention, or the Teacher's Convention, was held this past October 18 & 19 in South Bend, Indiana. Teachers and administrators from Michigan, Indiana, Illinois & Wisconsin come together every year to participate in seminars and workshops. Some of the content covered this year was enhancing Bible lessons and devotions and building community within the school, as well as topics relating to art, science, math, and writing.

The convention is also a good opportunity for the teachers to meet and get to know some of the teachers from all the different areas represented at the convention, to create and compare new ideas with those other teachers, and to see and hear about the work that God is doing in our Christian schools in our part of the country.

General Fund Drive

Thank you to everyone that contributed to this year's General Fund Drive. So far, more than \$10,000 dollars has been raised for the school general fund, and contributions are still coming in. If you would still like to support Beaverdam Christian School by contributing to the general fund, you can send a donation to:

Beaverdam Christian School
5181 – 64th 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.

“Paper Gator” Dumpster Update

The “Paper Gator” recycling dumpster has been an overwhelming success since the dumpster was first delivered to school last September. You may have noticed this when you brought your papers, only to discover there was almost no room left for your papers. Hopefully this inconvenience has been addressed.

The “Paper Gator” will now be emptied every week, on each Thursday. This should ensure that there will always be enough room for any papers brought to school. Since there should be plenty of

room for all of your papers, please encourage your friends and family to both support Beaverdam Christian School and encourage our recycling effort.

Remember, newspapers, phone books, magazines, catalogs, and office papers can all be placed in the “Paper Gator”.

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.

You can find more information about the “Paper Gator” recycling program on the internet at www.papergatorrecycling.com.

Annual School Auction Fundraiser October 26

Our annual auction fundraiser will be held Friday night, October 26 in the school auditorium. We have all sorts of donations, ranging from baked goods and crafts to power tools and vacations. Dinner and deserts will be served beginning at 5:30 in the school gymnasium, with the silent auction beginning at 6:00 and the live auction at 7:30.

More details, including a list of items up for auction can be found on the school website at www.beaverdamchristian.org and click on the BCS Auction Info link

Bring your friends and family, and enjoy a fun night of dinner, fellowship and to support Beaverdam Christian School.

Names & Faces

In this month's Cardinal Points, we will start to get to know some of the staff at Beaverdam Christian School.

Our first staff member to be in the spotlight is Mrs. Lois Essenburg. Lois has been with Beaverdam Christian School for 19 years as our Teacher Aide. Before joining the staff at Beaverdam, Lois was a second grade teacher at Moline Christian School and raised her three children – Carolyn, Calvin, and Curt – with her husband, Don.

Lois and Don were raised in Noordeloos and Borculo, respectively. Lois attended Holland Christian High School and continued her education at Calvin College.

Lois enjoys spending time with their three grand-daughters. She also enjoys reading, count-stitching, and musical concerts.

About Beaverdam Christian School, Lois writes "Beaverdam Christian School has a wonderful staff, completely devoted to promoting the God-created uniqueness of each child and looking always at what is best for each child."

Thank You!

Over the past month, there have been several noticeable changes at Beaverdam Christian School, thanks primarily to some dedicated supporters and volunteers. While these volunteers will remain anonymous, their hard work and donation of their time and efforts certainly are worthy of thanks.

In our gymnasium, a new basketball hoop has been donated and installed on the north gymnasium wall to replace the broken adjustable

height hoop. Thank you for this gift that will allow the younger students the opportunity to enjoy playing basketball.

The bleachers in the gymnasium have been repaired. The broken boards and missing and broken hardware have been repaired and replaced, allowing both our fans to safely cheer on our basketball team and our students to safely gather for the chapel services. Thank you to our anonymous volunteer for these much-needed repairs.

Finally, the school flagpole has been repaired and repainted. An anonymous volunteer repaired the flagpole, while the eighth grade repainted it. Thank you for your efforts to allow Beaverdam Christian School proudly display the American flag.



This picture shows our students and the results of the cereal drive held in September of this year. This year the Beaverdam students and staff collected 702 boxes of breakfast cereal which we donated to His Harvest Stand.

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