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<p>URGENT NEED FOR CARPOOLING!</p> <p>If you live anywhere near the following two areas and can assist parents in getting their children to school, please call 713-472-7228 and let us know. Help is needed as soon as possible.</p> <p>800 block of Forest Bay Ct. in Houston, 77062</p> <p>2300 block of Bending Springs, Pearland, 77584 (Shadow Creek Subdivision)</p>	<p>LOOKING AHEAD...</p> <p>SEPTEMBER SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 6:1-18 SEPTEMBER CHARACTER TRAIT: Attention</p> <p>September 16: 4:30 p.m. Jr. High Volleyball vs. Bay Area at home 7-11 p.m. Open Gym Night, Grades 7-12 only, \$3 per person</p> <p>September 17: 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Christian College Fair at Houston's Second Baptist Church</p> <p>September 19: 4 / 5:15 p.m. Jr. High / Varsity Soccer at Living Stones 5 JV Volleyball at Pope John XXIII</p> <p>September 20: 4:30 p.m. Jr. High Soccer vs. First Baptist at home 5 / 6 p.m. Jr. High / Varsity Volleyball at Brazosport</p> <p>September 21: 7:15 a.m. "See You at the Pole" student-led prayer meeting in the courtyard [Dates are being rescheduled for family portraits. More information forthcoming.]</p> <p>September 22: 4 / 5 p.m. Jr. High / Varsity Volleyball at Chinquapin</p> <p>September 23: 4 / 5:15 p.m. Jr. High / Varsity Soccer vs. Briarwood at home</p> <p>Sept. 23-24: Jr. High Tournament at Family Christian. Times to be announced. Varsity Tournament at Living Stones</p> <p>September 30: 7-11 p.m. Open Gym Night, Grades 7-12 only, \$3 per person</p> <p>October 7: End of 1st Quarter. Early Dismissal. No lunches served. No extended care at South Main campus. Please call the childcare department at 713-943-7993 for after-school arrangements on the Fairmont campus, if desired.</p> <p>October 29: 10 a.m. Harvest Golf Tournament at River Terrace Golf Club</p> <p>Nov. 18: Grandparent's Day celebration (it is not an early dismissal day, however)</p> <p>Nov. 21-25: Thanksgiving Holiday / student and faculty holiday. Childcare closed Thursday and Friday only.</p> <p>NOTE: Please call the school office at 713-472-7228 to confirm game time and location on the day of the event. Home soccer games are played at Acres de Amor Church at 721 Fairmont</p>
<p>OPEN GYM</p> <p>Friday, September 16, 2005</p> <p>7-11 p.m., Grades 7-12, \$3 each</p> <p>See attached flyer for all the details</p>	<p> <i>Faithfully attend the church of your choice.</i> <i>World Harvest Outreach meets in the chapel at 6 p.m. on Saturday evenings.</i></p>

6TH Grade Wins Top Prize

Congratulations to Ms. Lee Myers' 6th Grade class for finishing 1st Place in the recent Parent-Teacher Fellowship Basket auction. The sports basket, prepared by Ms. Myers' class, was a big hit as evidenced by the \$300 winning bid. The 6th Graders enjoyed a dress down day today for their efforts, and they will be treated to an off-campus lunch next week.

Please see other auction news on Page 2.

BE A BLESSING TO A SOLDIER

- What if your son or grandson was in the military in Iraq? Would you want him to be covered in prayer by a grateful nation each day?
- What if your daughter or granddaughter was serving in Afghanistan and very homesick? Would you want someone to send her a card to cheer her up—even a stranger from Harvest?
- What if your brother or nephew had been gone for several months serving in the war on terror? Would you be glad to know that a Christian school cared enough to put together a "goodie box" for him?

Each of us has an opportunity to participate in a big blessing. We are preparing "goodie boxes" for two of our servicemen.

Miranda Rivera, a 5th Grader at Harvest, has a brother, Chuck, who is currently serving in Iraq. We have already received some items in the office for Chuck's box, but we want a lot more things. We were going to send another box to Cpl. K. L. Thorson, but we just got word that Kenny, brother of **Courtney Story**, 7th Grade, is home from the war. Praise the Lord! He arrived in North Carolina this week from Iraq. We know that Courtney is looking forward to their reunion. Kenny is a former Harvest elementary student! Since Kenny is home, we are going to prepare a package to Harvest graduate, Gilbert Alba who is who is in the U.S. Army in Iraq on his second tour of duty. Gilbert rode into Baghdad in the first tank brigade at the beginning of the war. He wrote us recently that he is thinking about going to work for a contractor in Iraq for a year after his military term ends next April. After that, he plans to go to college. Regarding his current conditions, he said that it's pretty calm there now, but "there's always danger each time you roll out the gate. Sometimes inside the gate also." Today the Jr. High Boys' Bible class wrote Gilbert letters of encouragement.

Please pick up something this weekend for the "military packages." Donations for postage would also be appreciated. Each box costs about \$20 to \$25 to mail. Write a note or card and share from your heart. Let's all pray for Chuck, Gilbert, and the many, many others who are faithfully serving.

JR. HIGH GIRLS VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Harvest hosted a Jr. High Girls volleyball tournament, and the Lady Saints won first place in the tournament by defeating First Baptist Christian Academy in two of three games for the championship. **Samantha De La Rosa** was named Most Valuable Player, and the following Lady Saints made the All-Tournament team: **Alicia Aguilo, Danielle Dudley, Madison Vanderdoes**. Our girls went undefeated in the tournament and Coach James Holley, a.k.a. "Grandpa," did a wonderful job coaching our girls to victory.

NEEDED: Parents who have a CDL (Commercial Drivers License) or who will test for one are needed to drive our bus to athletic events and field trips. Please see Coach De La Rosa for more information.

PARENT TEACHER FELLOWSHIP DINNER & FALL SEMESTER OPEN HOUSE

Our hats are off to Mrs. Lorrie Freeman, our new PTF Director. She did a beautiful job managing the PTF dinner on September 12. Mrs. Carolyn Ritthaler and four-year-old Megan Ritthaler helped in many ways. We are also very grateful for the parents who helped by serving and cleaning up. It was a fun evening, and we look forward to the next parent-teacher fellowship.

Following is a report of the winning bids:

Kindergarten: Kitchen Basket - \$70
1st Grade: "Picture This" - \$70
2nd Grade: Christmas - \$75
3rd Grade: "Pamper Me" - \$46
4th Grade: Bath & Body Works - \$210
5th Grade: Safari - \$250
6th Grade: Sports - \$300
7th & 8th Girls: Candles - \$80
7th & 8th Boys: Movies - \$90
Freshmen: Starbucks & Chocolate - \$160
Sophomores: "The Coffee Shop" - \$60
Juniors: "Celebrating Togetherness" - \$87
Seniors: BBQ - \$105

MANY THANKS

- We appreciate the packets of school supplies that were provided for every Harvest student by New Hope Community Church. What a blessing!
- Thanks to those who have given for scholarship assistance.
- Thanks to the parents who helped with the PTF dinner and basket auction.
- Coach De La Rosa expressed thanks for the parents who helped with the recent Jr. High volleyball tournament.

HURRICANE KATRINA RELIEF

The Salvation Army requested the following items:

bottled water, juice, canned sodas
sandwich fixin's, food for meals
bathroom tissue
towels, blankets, pillows
bedding, air mattresses, sheets
styrofoam cups, plates and plastic utensils
diapers, formula, baby food

or checks payable to "Salvation Army" and marked "Hurricane Katrina Relief"

Parent volunteer, Mrs. Carla Craig, will work with our National Honor Society in transporting items to the Salvation Army a couple of times each week while the need exists.

Our 2nd Grade teacher, Mrs. Janis Hughes, is housing 10 extended family members, from age 1 to 85, as a result of Hurricane Katrina. Let's pray that all victims will become victors!

WELCOME NEW STUDENT

Please join us in welcoming Austin Ahn, our newest student, who traveled all the way from South Korea to be with us this school year. Austin is a sophomore.

"CHRISTIAN COLLECTION"

The "Christian Collection" fundraiser will be closed out Monday, September 19. Please turn in all final orders by Monday. The deadline for grand prizes (cash) is over, but we will accept late orders through Monday that will permit students to qualify for remaining prizes. Winners will be announced in chapel next Wednesday, and we will publish a list of winners next week. Thank you for supporting your school!

CARPOOLS NEEDED

With the price of gasoline skyrocketing, we want to offer our families a notice board for opportunities to carpool. If you are interested in being involved with a carpool, please notify the school office at 713-472-7228, and your information will be posted by the office window. Please note the specific pleas for carpools noted on the top left corner of Page 1 of this newsletter.

COMING SOON

Athletic Booster Club T-shirts are coming! Students will be permitted to wear them the last Friday of each month with jeans. The cost for the shirts will be \$10 each, and proceeds benefit the athletic department. Newly elected student council members are eligible to purchase a shirt and wear it with jeans prior to the first official dress down day.

5TH GRADE NEWS

Fifth graders are writing commercials and will be videotaping them September 22 and 23. Please let Mrs. Johnson know if you want a copy of the video.

Mammal projects are due September 30. Stop by the 5th Grade classroom and see the wonderful creativity the students used to make models of mammals.

Look for more 5th Grade news next week!

CLASS RINGS

Several students ordered class rings during the PTF/Open House meeting on September 12. They will be delivered before Christmas. Other sophomores, juniors, and senior who want to order a class ring from Jostens may do so online at www.jostens.com.

“FUN FRIDAY”

Everyone is invited to participate in “Fun Friday.” Each Friday at dismissal time, snack items are sold: sno-cones, candy, sodas, chips, etc. Proceeds are used to purchase end-of-the-year awards by the Parent-Teacher Fellowship and Athletic Booster Club. PTF Director Lorrie Freeman is seeking parent/grandparent volunteers who can help with this project. Call the office if you can help!

SEE YOU AT THE POLE

Come to the flagpole in the courtyard area on Wednesday, September 21, 2005, at 7:15 a.m. for a gathering of students who want to pray for our nation. Everyone is invited! The Harvest Student Council is leading this event.

GOLF INVITATIONAL 2005

Sign up now for the Athletic Booster Club’s fundraising tournament. It will take place on **Saturday, October 29** at the River Terrace Golf Club on Wallisville Road in Houston. The entry fee is \$75 per person and is due by Friday, October 21. The entry fee covers green fees, range balls, carts, awards, and a meal. You may enter as a team or you can be paired into a team. In an effort to keep teams equal, we will need an average score when you register. A shotgun start will take place at 10 a.m., and best ball will be played. Mulligans will be sold at a cost of \$5 each, and no more than 2 per player. Also, we are asking if the team would use at least two drives from every player on the team. There will be awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place teams, longest drive, and closest to the pin. Hole sponsors are being sought for the cost of \$100 per hole. Please call Agustin Trujillo, Jr. at 281-476-4316 or the Athletic Booster Club at 713-472-7228 to register.

Let us place your church announcement here:

NEW HOPE COMMUNITY CHURCH

1117 South Main, Pasadena

Pastors Jim and Lynnette Palmer invite you and your family:

Sundays: 9:30 – 10:15 a.m. Donuts, coffee, and juice in the Harvest cafeteria

10:45 a.m. Praise and worship

Wednesdays: 7:00 p.m. Bible study

Activities for children, teens, and adults.

WORLD HARVEST OUTREACH

World Harvest Outreach Church meets at 1117 South Main, in the school’s chapel each Saturday evening at 6 p.m. If you do not have a church home, or if you have a church that meets on Sunday, come and fellowship with Harvest friends on Saturday evening. The church offers a refuge for alumni who miss the familiarity of school chapel services. It is a warm, loving environment where everyone is welcome. Praise and worship is led by Ron and Becky Dansby.



“Hear, ye children, the instruction of a father,
and attend to know understanding.

For I give you good doctrine,
forsake ye not my law.”

Proverbs 4:1-2