LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
SCHOOL NEWSLETTER
April 27, 2009

From the Heart of the Head of School

So many of my experiences are fresh and new this year as the months unfolds at Lighthouse Christian Academy. I have to say that the carnival held on campus last Friday was such a blessing. The many parents who volunteered to staff the event, some running the games, some selling concessions, some redeeming tickets for well earned prizes and some who cleaned up the facility after all was finished, conducted the evening's activities with grace and energy! It was a blast! The kids that attended were excited to see each other, to eat and to participate in the activities in a safe, caring and warm environment.

Thank you to the parents who made this event possible! This is another simple, yet critical example of the partnership expressed in our Mission Statement. Our blessings are rich because of you.

Our seniors concluded their trip retuning home on Saturday after travelling to Arkansas, Missouri and back. From all that has been reported by the sponsors and the students, the Lord blessed our prayers. There were several occasions along the way when a stranger offered unsolicited positive comments about the Christian testimony of the whole group. When given the choice to leave the camp in Arkansas for the more relaxing time in Missouri, the seniors asked if all of the work was completed. They did not want to leave until it was done.

One of our prayers was that this group of individuals would experience a pouring out of love in service. The task at hand on the campus of Psalm Camp for our seniors was to repair and prepare a 375 yard prayer trail for the visiting campers this summer. Our seniors were able to see that their work and attention would set a stage for that person who would experience God in the coming months on that trail because it was clean and attended to. Our seniors understood that their efforts have an eternal impact in the hearts and lives of people they most likely will never meet this side of heaven. This is a powerful testimony of the hearts of those six seniors. Their parents can be proud of the young men and women these students have become. They are a Godly testimony to their families, to their churches and to this school.

In His work together,

Mr. Baldomero
Head of School

SCHOOL SPRING PICTURES: Spring pictures taken by Lifetouch School Portraits were sent home today. Please note the following:

- **If you want to purchase pictures,** complete the order form; make check payable to **Lifetouch**, and return order form, check, and any pictures not being purchased to the office by **Friday, May 8th.**
- **If you do not want to purchase any pictures,** return all pictures to the office by **Friday, May 8th.**
- **Be sure to return any pictures not being purchased to avoid being billed for them.**

TEACHER/STAFF APPRECIATION WEEK: We will be celebrating "Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week" at Lighthouse during the week of May 4 – 8.

LCA CARNIVAL: Thank you so much to Mrs. Allison Rink, Mrs. Janelle EuDaly, and their committee for all their hard work on the LCA Spring Carnival. It was a well-attended evening of food, fun, and fellowship.

LCA ART SHOW: LCA will have an art show here in the building at the end of May. **Volunteer help** is needed; much of the work can be done at home. Volunteer forms are available in the office.

LCA Chess Team Places Top 10 In State Finals! Our Third Grade and Under placed 10th in the state finals last weekend. The participating team members were Max M, Will C, Max L, Esther W, Brian B, and Parker D. Great job to the entire team! This is the highest team performance in LCA history.

ELEMENTARY NEWS

MID-QUARTER PROGRESS REPORTS: 4th quarter progress reports were sent home last Friday. Please sign and return within 3 days.

ISTEP+: Our third through sixth grades are taking the second (and final) round of ISTEP+ this week. Please help us by making sure your student arrives on time to class each morning, is well-rested, and has eaten a good breakfast. Thanks so much!

TRACK MEETS: Our Jr. High/Elementary track team will be competing today against Jackson Creek at Bloomington South. Go Lions!!

ELEMENTARY CALENDAR NOTES

- April 27: *Vacation Stations* orders due
- May 8: Spring pictures should be paid for or returned.
- May 4-8: Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week
- May 8: Staff development; half day with 12:00 noon dismissal
- May 8: Golf Outing at The Eagle Pointe Golf Course
- May 14: Sports physicals at LCA
- May 21: Kindergarten Graduation; 7:00 p.m. in the Lion's Den
- May 28: Last Day of School; half day with 12:00 noon dismissal

Mrs. Heidi Carlson, Assistant Principal

Serving with Jesus' Hands & Feet 2008-09
LCA's Jr./Sr. High News

Track and Field: Jr. High students compete April 27th at Bloomington South against Jackson Creek @ 5:00 p.m. The Owen Valley meet has been cancelled. Next Monday, May 4th the Jr. High will run at Bloomington North against Tri North and wrap up their season at Bloomington South for the City Meet May 7th.

Sr. High students will have their final meet on Saturday, May 9th at Heritage Christian.

The Advanced Band did a superb job at the **ISSMA State Band Contest**. They received 1 gold and 2 silver ratings, silver over-all. It was the finest performance the band has given. Mr. Means would like to thank all the parents that took time out of their Saturday to drive kids there. This is a huge step forward for the band program at LCA, and great exposure. Once again, thank you for supporting these students' gift of music.

Upcoming Dates:

April 27-May1		ISTEP testing 7th & 8th grades
April 30	Thursday	Student Council Elections
May 4 - 8		International Science Fair
May 5	Tuesday	Fine Arts Spring Concert @ 7:00 p.m.
May 8th	Friday	1/2 Day - Golf Outing
May 9th	Saturday	Senior High Formal
May 12th	Tuesday	JR./SR High Awards @ 7:00 p.m.
May 19th - 22nd		Seniors ONLY Final Exams
May 23	Saturday	Graduation - 2:00 p.m.
May 26, 27 & 28th		Final Exams 7- 11th grades
June 8	Monday	4th Quarter Grade Cards available

Mrs. Rayna Amerine, Jr. /Sr. High Principal