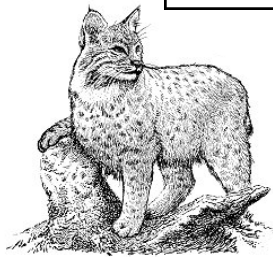
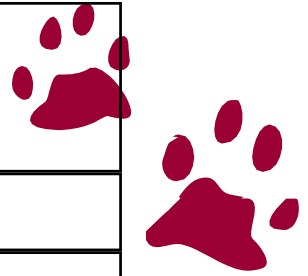


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A Note From Mrs. Anna

Fabulous, Frantic February is here! Spring semester is off to a great start with new excitement as well as some new faces. We welcome Mr. Merrill Roger Bazen as the Assistant Head of School and Athletic Director, Mr. Wade Jordan as Head Baseball coach, and Mr. Travis Cox as Head Golf coach. I am proud to welcome them and share the expertise and enthusiasm of my faculty and staff with newcomers to TCA. Mr. Bazen joins us as a result of Mr. Jerry Fennell's departure. Mr. Bazen recently retired from Johnsonville High School with 28 years of teaching and coaching experience. Wade Jordan, a 2001 graduate of TCA, is returning to his alma Mata as our varsity baseball coach. Wade is also a former baseball player at USC. He is married to Mary Kathryn Blackmon Jordan, a 2001 graduate of TCA. Mr. Cox is a local businessman and dedicated golfer with four grandchildren at TCA. He will be leading the 12 Bobcat golfers this year.

Excitement radiates around the new buzz word: Academic Challenge Teams. We are currently organizing academic challenge teams at TCA in grades 5-12. The Challenge is on! Classes are challenging each other in these beginning matches. Bill Bridgeman will be the challenge team coach. He is currently compiling quiz questions for practice and for matches. Each team will consist of four competitors. If you would like to assist with any practices, please contact Mr. Bridgeman.

Happy Valentines Day! There will never be a shortage of love!

Love is the reason for teaching.

It cost nothing, yet it is the most precious thing one can posses.

"No matter how much love we give to others, more rushes in to take its place."

It heals and protects, Soothes and strengthens.

Love has other names, such as:

Forgiveness...

Tolerance...

Mercy...

Encouragement...

Aid...

Sympathy...

Affection...

Friendliness...

And cheer...

No matter how much love we give to others, more rushes in to take its place.

It is, really, "the gift that keeps on giving." (Wong, 2007, p. 74)

The time for reenrollment is fast approaching. Look for contract information in the mail within a few weeks.

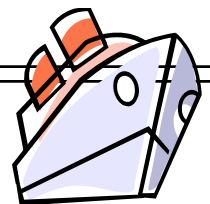
Dates are as follows:

Enrollment for current students and siblings: 12:00 noon March 16, 2009

Open Enrollment begins: 12:00 noon March 19, 2009

Boat Show

TCA PTO set up a booth at the Marshall's Marine Boat Show this year. The school would like to thank everyone who made this event possible and volunteered their time for the school. It was a huge success.



Literary Meet



The Literary Meet was on February 4 at Holly Hill Academy. All 42 SCISA schools participated this year. We had a total of 3 students place in the top four for their divisions. These students were:

Georgeanna Kelley, 3rd place for 4th grade poetry recitation

Ken Parker, 2nd place, for Middle School Extemporaneous Speaking

Rebecca Kelley, 2nd place, for Middle School Oral Interpretation

Students who competed were:

2nd Grade: **Wilson Long, Cassidy McKnight**

3rd Grade: **Braydon Smith, Margaret Matthews**

4th Grade: **Georgeanna Kelley, Alex Feagin**

5th Grade: **Luke Fennell, Gracen Parker**

Middle School: **Savannah Green, Kasey Ethridge, Brandon Cusaak, Garrett Weaver, Rebecca Kelley, Ken Parker**

High School: **J.J. Fennell, Alexis Kelley, Trey Parker, Cody Truluck, Amanda Myers, and Caroline Weaver**



Library News

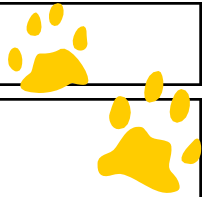


AR term 3 ended on February 6th. The AR party will be at KFA on Wednesday, February 18th. Seventy-six students reached their AR goals this term. AR term 4 will end on April 9th. Begin reading now to earn those points. I am proud to announce that we already have 5 students in the 100

point club, 11 students in the 50 point club, and 16 students in the 25 point club.

Library sweetheart will run through Thursday February 12th. Be sure to support the library by sponsoring a book, movie, or set of AR tests with a \$25 donation. All book and movie donations will be acknowledged with a bookplate inside the cover, and a display of their names in the window. All library sweethearts will also be entered into a drawing for a 'Lil Kinz. Discus has been updating their databases recently; there are many sources of information conveniently located in one place. As always, login information is available in the library.

\$100



Children have such an unobstructed view of life and human values. First grade students were recently asked by their teacher to write down what they would do with \$100. The responses were of course adorable and it is so true that "Kids Say the Darndest Things." The following unedited statements are just a taste of the children's many colorful responses.



"If I had \$100 I would buy a car."

- **Blaine McFadden**



"If I had \$100 dollars I would get mor, \$100 dollars and be rich."- **Nick Matthews**



"If I had \$100 I would be a moubstar."

- **Anna Gaskins**

High School Math Meet

The High School Math Meet was on **January 21st** at The First Baptist Family Life Center in Orangeburg, SC. The High School Math Meets were established in 1986. The purpose of the Math Meets is to offer and stimulate interest in the vital discipline of mathematics. **Logan**



Sawyer had the highest

score from Team 1 and **Scarlett Boyd** had the highest score from Team 2. Congratulations students!

Student in the Spotlight

Georgeanna Kelley, a 4th grader at the Carolina Academy, was recently featured in a commercial for the grocery store chain Harris Teeter. The commercial is for "Together in Education Sing My Jingle Contest." This contest gives \$10,000 to the school of the student who sends in the best rendition of the Harris Teeter jingle. If you would like to see **Georgeanna** in action you can go to harristeeter.com and view the commercials. She is in the commercial titled "2009 Together in Education Sing My Jingle Contest." Congratulations **Georgeanna** and keep up the good work!





Bobcat Basketball



REGION TOURNAMENT FEBRUARY 9-16, 2009

Varsity Boys

The Bobcats are poised for another post season run with coach **Jimmy Hannah** after another strong regular season. They finished second in their region and have secured a birth in the state playoffs. The boys are 16-5. The team has four seniors: **Aubrey McFaddin, Drew Phillips, Jake Hannah,** and **Jordy Rhodes** who the team will count on to exhibit leadership in the playoffs. The region tournament starts for the Bobcats on Friday, February 13 at 6:30. The game will be played at Dillon Christian Academy.

Varsity Girls

The Varsity girls have had a really productive season under head coach **Kim Phillips**. The girls have improved greatly since the onset of the season and are really working well together as a team. The Lady Bobcats have a winning record of 13-8. They have placed third in conference play and secured a state playoff bid. Their region tournament first round game will be played on Thursday, February 12 at Trinity Collegiate. Good luck girls and keep up the hard work!

Junior Varsity Boys

The J.V. Boys have had a difficult season under head coach **Dan Heath**. They are 4-15 with two wins against Clarendon Hall, one win at Pee Dee, and a win at Trinity to end their regular season. They are a young team who shows promise for TCA basketball for years to come. Going into the region tournament the team is looking to hopefully rally together a few wins and end their 2008-2009 campaign on a high note. They will begin their region tournament on Tuesday, February 10, at Marlboro Academy.

Junior Varsity Girls

The J.V. girls have been playing hard for coach **Edgar Baker**. It has been a learning year for the girls and they have improved greatly. Starter **Emily McElveen** returned briefly to the team against Dillon Christian from a knee injury that has side-lined her for the majority of the season. **McElveen** hit a buzzer beating shot at the end of that game to give the girls their fourth win of the year. Their season ended on February 9 with a loss in the region tournament against Marlboro Academy.

B-Team Boys

Former Graduate and player Wade Jordan is the new Head Coach of the Carolina Academy B-Team. He brings fundamentals and experience to this team. The 5 returning players and 5 new players make the outcome of this season very promising because of their talent and experience. Three 8th graders, **Carter Joye, Dylan Moore,** and **Brett Floyd** will move to Junior Varsity next year. The team's record is now 7-1. The team is playing well together with all players contributing. Please come support our B-Team on February 11! This years players are **Carter Joye, Dylan Moore, Brett Floyd, Colby McFadden, Garrett Weaver, Hunter Belue, Rich Byrd, Hunter Woodbury, Grayson Boyington** and **Luke Fennell**. Continue your efforts boys with your remaining 5 games!
-Article submitted by Mrs. Kaye Moore

B-Team Girls

The B-Team girls have played great for coach **Larry Poston**. Their record is 2-1 with two wins over Williamsburg and one overtime loss to Kings. team is made up of fifth through seventh graders who also play for the J.V. Girls. They have had a great season and hope to continue their stellar play next season. This is our first year of having a B-Team girls' team and we hope the tradition continues for many years to come.



Jody McAllister and Katherine Heath showing their Bobcat pride!

Circus

The elementary school took a field trip to the Ringling Brothers Circus. It was held at the Florence Civic Center on Friday, February 6th. They had a great time!



March of Dimes

The March of Dimes is a non-profit organization that helps raise money for babies. They provide funds so that one day every mother will give birth to a strong, healthy baby. The Carolina Academy faculty and staff have been participating in the March of Dimes for many years. This year's chairperson for Carolina Academy is **Katherine Heath**.

If you would like to make a donation please contact the office and

they will put you in touch with **Katherine Heath** or anyone else that is a part of the March of Dimes Team. Join us in the March for Babies!



A New Face at T.C.A.

As I'm sure you all know, **Mr. Jerry Fennell** our Athletic Director, Assistant Principal, and Counselor recently moved on to follow another calling. He is going to be a Chaplain in the U.S. Military. Although we are going to miss him greatly, we know that his commitment to his faith is a greater calling. We also know that our loss will be a blessing to many others.

To fill this empty slot **Mr. Roger Bazen** has stepped up to the challenge. The shoes he has to fill are big, but we know that he is fully capable. Mr. Roger has spent 28 years teaching and coaching. He has taught social studies and coached football, basketball, and baseball. He worked with Coach Mickey at Pamplico and Conway High Schools for over 30 years and the two were good friends as well as co-workers. Mr. Roger's philosophies are of course his own, but they are similar to the beliefs we knew and loved about Coach Mickey. He moved from Pamplico and currently lives in Coward. Let's all welcome Mr. Roger as he begins his new role as Athletic Director and Assistant Head of School!

School Auction



The eleventh Annual Carolina Academy Auction will be held on Friday, March 6, at the Lake City First Baptist Church. This is a major fund-raiser, the proceeds of which go towards educational improvements. A meal will be served from 6:00-7:30PM. A silent auction will be held from

7:00-8:00PM with a live auction to follow at 8:15PM. Admission is \$5.00 per person, which includes the meal. If you would like to donate an item or items to the auction, please contact the school office. The auction is a project of the economics class.

Academic Challenge

TCA will be holding an Academic Challenge this year. The event will be open to anyone to participate. There will be two divisions: one for grades 5th - 8th, and one for grades 9th - 12th. There will be a double-elimination tournament bracket drawn up at random. The finals will be played in the gym and in front of the student body. The winners will receive a mystery prize. There will be four people to a team and as many teams that one grade can make up. The competition will be moderated by Mr. Bill Bridgeman and anyone interested should contact him. Hopefully this event will generate enough school interest to form one middle school team and one high school team that will travel around the area and compete against other schools.

