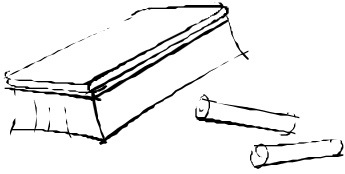


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Damascus Christian School

A WEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR
 DCS FAMILY AND FRIENDS



Fine Arts Fair



A number of years ago, Damascus Christian School made a commitment to improve and expand our fine arts department. Look at us now! Our drama department is absolutely outstanding as Mrs. Clossner continues to raise the curtain and the bar on dazzling dramatic and musical productions. Mrs. Joham extracts vocal talent from our students that none realized was there as she leads our high school ensemble *Halel*. High school art continues to amaze and astound our students and those who stop by to admire their work. How does Mrs. Schmidt do it? And what about our bands? What a pleasure to listen to the harmonious sounds emanating from their sessions! Well done, Mr. Bolton, Mr. Stafford and Mr. Callison! Who has ever heard of a quilting class? Our students have and the work they turn out is absolutely beautiful! Mrs. McEnany has done an outstanding job in helping these students cut and sew in straight lines with pleasing color combinations and designs. Wow! Woodworking projects? So intricate and well executed. Some of the offerings are what you would find in a fine quality gift shop thanks to the patient and careful instruction of Mr. Hayley. What makes music sound musical? The correct theory, of course. Mrs. Eddy has been leading this class bar-by-bar and measure-by-measure to achieve delicious sounds and delightful harmonies. Speaking of delicious, our Home Skills class continues to crank out delicacies and delectable delights sure to please any discerning palate, thanks to Mrs. McEnany. Mrs. Huggins has been quietly leading her Creative Writing class along in creating original poetry and prose. Our Theater Through the Ages class, dramatically taught by Mrs. Clossner, helps our students appreciate the legacy and power of the spoken word throughout history. All-in-all, our fine arts department has overwhelmingly excelled in their artistic endeavors. Our hats are off to each of these.

Now you have an opportunity to view and hear a sample of what has been going on through this year's **Fine Art Fair**. **Friday, April 25th, from 7-9 PM**, you will be able to sooth and satisfy your senses as you see the many artistic offerings on display and hear the vocal and instrumental presentations. We believe you will be amazed, stunned, overwhelmed, and impressed with what you see and hear. You will see our World History class display of Living Masterpieces. Mrs. Eddy's students will be performing their original compositions. Mrs. Schmidt's art students will have samplings of their efforts on display as will Mr. Hayley's woodworking class, Mrs. McEnany's quilting class presentations, Mrs. Huggin's creative writing class, and Mrs. Urbanowski's Bible class (prayer boxes like recipe boxes with prayer category sections). Advanced band will be there as will *Halel*. Home skills class will be offering tasty hors d' oeuvres for your snacking satisfaction. In addition, there will be several guest artists with a sample of their work on display. If your children are involved in any aspect of this, you of course will be at the Fine Arts Fair to cheer them on. If you have an elementary or junior high student, you will want to come to get a sneak peak at what is in store for your child as they move on to high school. The Damascus Christian School Fine Arts Fair - this Friday, from 7 - 9 PM, in the foyer, Friendship Center, and other locations near there. See you!



Cinderella Shaping Up



The stage and set is going up in the gym, the cast and crew are getting their lines and responsibilities down, the vocalists are working long and hard to refine their tunes and techniques – all in preparation for this year's spring production of *Cinderella*. With two sections of presentations – May 8th – 10th, and May 15th – 17th, and two casts, rehearsals are focused and sometimes frantic, but come opening night, all will be well.

Tickets are on sale before and after school in the foyer or can be picked up at the school office during the day. Adults are \$9 with students and senior citizens \$6. You will want to get your tickets early in order to reserve that special place where you can see and hear everything. Do not delay – the clock is ticking...

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That***

Plants Arriving May 1st Plants from the high school junior class fundraiser will be here at school Thursday, May 1st. Please pick up your orders at the designated area in the lower parking lot. Thank you for your support! If you have any questions, please call Tina Marantette at (503) 698-7720



Come Let Us Worship The Lord...

This year's Spiritual Emphasis week is April 29th through May 1st. We have special speaker Mike Higgs sharing each morning with an emphasis on utilizing different ways to worship. On the heels of our spiritual emphasis time is the 30-Hour Famine, led by Pastor Phil Rankin. Students participating in this event will miss school on Friday, May 2nd, as they will be involved in service projects in the community. Thursday, May 1st, is also the National Day of Prayer with prayer at 7 AM, followed by worship in the auditorium. A continental breakfast will be enjoyed before classes begin - \$1 for a donut and drink; 50¢ for each additional donut.

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TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK – MAY 5TH – 9TH



Aimee Update And Another Miracle!

She still continues to amaze! Aimee Blubaugh is ready to begin her transition back to school. She will begin with a class or two until her strength returns. It will be a delight and answer to the prayers of many to have Aimee back at DCS. We praise the Lord for His goodness and mercy.

Speaking of His goodness and mercy – DCS star trackster and hustling basketball ace Rebecca Holding went down in one of the final basketball games of the season with a torn ACL and damaged meniscus. Three specialists looked at the MRI's and agreed – surgery was needed. Midway through the operation, the doctor came out and told Rebecca's parents that when he got in to the damaged area, the ACL was intact and no further surgery was needed. He mentioned in his seventeen years of doing knees, he had never seen anything like it. God does answer the prayers of His people! Praise His name!



Right Exit Only

Thank you for responding to the reminder to enter the parking area at the upper drive only and exit from the lower drive on to Rust Way if you are heading east and use the other exit if you are heading west. Please do not use the drive by the gym if you are heading east; it is a right-turn only exit.

Oops!

Last week's *Chalkmarks* reported that the spring *Halel* concert was May 23rd. That date has been changed to Thursday, May 22nd, due to the Memorial Day weekend. Sorry...

