

ALUMNI VIP NEWSLETTER

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Dear VIP:

We are toward the end of basketball season with two weeks left and two regular season games next week. On Thursday thru Saturday, February 27 – March 1, we are hosting the MACS State Basketball Tourney and are working on planning for that event. We will have twelve boys and twelve girls' teams competing for the championship. If you are in town, please come and check out a few games. Game schedules and times will be posted on the MACS website on the week of the 24th at: www.mnchristianschools.org. We will also be live streaming many of the games played here at Fourth Baptist (A link will access you to the streaming on the MACS website). We do use Woodcrest Baptist Academy's gym as well for the lower tier games. Seedings will come out the week of the 25th, so you will be able to see how Fourth's teams have finished their seasons and where they are placed.

At the end of January, seven schools took part in the Student Leadership Conference also held here at Fourth. In the last week of January, varsity basketball teams competed at the Faith Baptist Bible College Invitational Tourney in Ankeny, Iowa. The girls' team came alive winning three of four games and taking home 3rd place. The boys cruised to a fairly easy championship round and won the tourney against a strong Pathway Christian School out of Kalona, Iowa. Several of our students did very well in the MACS Speech and Bible Festival held at Woodcrest in early February (look for results in our next newsletter). Spanish 1 and 2 classes (required for graduation) participated in the MN Zoo Spanish Day this week on Wednesday.

This is an extremely busy time of year, but I am happy to report that our students are doing very well. I am grateful to God for our quality staff and am very pleased as I am finishing up observations of teachers and taking note of how well instruction is going. Praise the Lord!

Your Alumni Committee is busy soliciting donations for our summer event and silent auction. We are finalizing details and should be able to report who our speaker is in the next VIP. I hope you are planning to come and get reacquainted with former classmates. Our event will be held in conjunction with our church's Freedom Celebration Sunday and picnic. You won't want to miss this weekend. It is going to be great.

We are grateful for your prayers. Below are a few praises and requests:

Praises:

1. The school's financial picture is currently looking good. We continue to praise the Lord for tuition

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payments being on time and ask the Lord to continue to provide for our needs.

2. A continued great spirit in our school. So grateful to the Lord for our staff.
3. Thankful for the ministry we have to so many who come in for our school events and our wonderful facility to host so many events.

Prayer:

1. Miss Mary Wickham's mom had a fall and needed surgery yesterday. Pray for healing there as Miss Mary cares for her.
2. Continued impact of a positive testimony as we host many hundreds of people who come through our doors for the MACS State Basketball Tourney.
3. Continued prayer of safety and protection for our families and our school in travel and competition.

We praise the Lord for our alumni. Thanks for taking ownership of the Karen Burns Scholarship Fund. We continue to see donations come in monthly. Know that you can always give toward this fund and all donations are tax deductible.

I hope February warms up.

In Christ,



Mr. Alan J. Hodak, Administrator