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# Legacy LIFE

## A LETTER FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Hello from Legacy Christian Academy! LCA has had a great year so far, in-part thanks to our generous donors, the dedicated staff, parents and most importantly because of our students who embrace our mission of sharing the gospel of Jesus. I want to thank you personally for your generosity and dedication this school year. We certainly couldn't have done it without your support.

Our sophomore class has teamed up to create this newsletter to show just how blessed our small school is and what great things we have already accomplished and still have yet to do. I'm so proud of what they have produced. They are a talented bunch!

We are heading into our enrollment season for the 2016-2017 school year. We encourage anyone who is interested in providing their children a biblically based, well-rounded, quality education in a loving environment to consider Legacy Christian Academy. Please feel free to call our office at any time with questions or to schedule a tour. We'd love to have you!

Thank you!

Mrs. Gajewski,  
Principal, LCA

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## COOKIN' UP SUCCESS

To kick-off the start of the school year, ninth and tenth grade students hosted a fish-fry in conjunction with a bake sale, ran by seventh and eighth grades. For under \$10 students sold combo plates of fish, Cole-slaw and French fries. The goodies from the bake sale varied from banana bread to cookies and cake. Everything was delicious and sold out quickly.

This fundraising event not only prepared the students with life-skills but helped fund the seventh and eighth grade field-trips. There was a great turn-out and the students were able to collect three-hundred dollars! Thank you to everyone who donated their time and baked goods to make the event such a success.

*“Train up a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it.” -Proverbs 22:6 ESV*

## SIUE SCIENCE FAIR

On April 2, 2016 the nominees of LCA will go to Southern Illinois University—Edwardsville to compete in the regional. Wish them good luck!

## FANTASTIC FALL FESTIVAL

In October, Legacy Christian Academy held an annual event that lasted from 4-5 p.m. at the school. Fall Fest is an event in which families can gather to have a great time and have fellowship with one another. With many activities, games, and delicious food, Fall Fest is something all people can enjoy. Games included ring toss, beanbag toss, basketball, and more! Face painting and hayrides were also available. The inflatables were a sensation, as many children enjoyed the time of their lives on the big slide and bounce house. It was a fun and exciting night for everyone.

We could not have done it without you. Legacy Christian Academy would like to thank those who have donated or contributed to the necessities for the event. Also, thank you for your prayers. We hope that those who were not able to make it to the festival for any reason would have the opportunity to join us in our next year's Fall Festival. May God shower many blessing on you and your family.



*Learning Through Serving 2015*

## LEARNING THROUGH SERVING

To help our students learn the value of serving others, Legacy students and staff will spend 6 hours on April 8, 2016 serving the city of Caseyville and surrounding communities. Students will provide free labor to ministries and others that help elderly and less fortunate in these areas.

As part of this day of “Learning thru Serving,” the students will raise pledges for the hours they are working. The money raised will be used for scholarships, helping less fortunate families that desire a Christian education for their children but cannot afford it. Each student’s pledge goal is \$150. Besides receiving the blessing that comes from serving others, students have the chance to earn many individual, classroom and school-wide prizes!

We are asking that you please pray that this day will be a blessing to both those being served and those who serve. Also, please feel free to join us on April 8 to help LCA serve others; lunch will be provided. We look forward to seeing you then!

## A BENCH FOR CAPS

Students have been collecting plastic lids to be molded into new park benches for the school grounds.

The company, Green Tree Plastics, has created “A Bench for Caps” program to demonstrate to children how much of an impact they can make on the world around them with something so small as a bottle cap.

Caps can be used from: medicine bottles, milk jugs, laundry detergent, hair spray, toothpaste tubes, deodorant, drink bottles, flip-top (ketchup, etc.), spout caps (mustard), spray paint, ointment tubes and caps with recycle numbers 2, 4 or 5.

Lids from cottage cheese, mayonnaise, yogurt, peanut butter, ice cream buckets, cool whip, coffee cans, cream cheese and tub butter are also acceptable.

To order a 6 foot bench, students need to collect 400 lbs. of acceptable plastic caps and lids.

Please help us reach our goal—turn in your plastic caps and lids today!

More information about Green Tree Plastics can be found on their website at: [www.greentreeplastics.com](http://www.greentreeplastics.com)

## SAVE THE DATE

### MARCH

- Easter Program—3/18
- Easter Break—3/21-3/25
- School Resumes—3/28

### APRIL

- Early Dismissal, 2PM—4/1
- SIUE Science Fair— 4/2
- Learning thru Serving— 4/8
- Report Cards Go Home—4/4
- Science Fair Due—4/18
- Open House—4/19
- Terra Nova Testing— 4/25-4/29

### MAY

- Teacher Appreciation Week— 5/2-5/6
- Muffins with Mom— 5/4
- National Day of Prayer— 5/5
- Midterms Home—5/6
- Donuts with Dad— 5/11
- Kindergarten Celebration & 8th Grade Graduation— 5/23
- 7/8th Grade Class Trip —5/24
- Last Day of School— 5/27

## LCA STUDENTS GIVE THANKS

Every year, Legacy Christian Academy presents a Thanksgiving Program by the students to the parents, grandparents, and the community of the students. This year's production was separated between two nights. The first night, Friday, November 6, included Pre-school through 2nd grade and the second night, Tuesday, November 10, included 3rd grade through 10th grade.

All of these programs were wonderfully written and acted out by Legacy's very own students. They represented how God works in many ways and in many people.



*1st and 2nd Grade students as Pilgrims*

## SINGING STUDENTS ON THE MOVE

Residents of Grand Manor Senior Independent Living facility in Fairview Heights get a special treat from the students at LCA. Each season the students take a field trip to the home to preform their special programs. This year the students presented their Thanksgiving play, the story of Jesus in their Christmas story and sang grandparent themed songs to celebrate grandparent's day. The staff and residents enjoy having the kids visit almost as much as the kids enjoy preforming.

## CANDY CANE CABIN HUGE SUCCESS

Each year in December LCA creates a shopping boutique, called Candy Cane Cabin. Each year items are donated and organized so students can give gifts to their family members for Christmas. Students are able to pick out what they wanted to give to each family member.

This year Candy Cane Cabin was a great success. LCA was able to use the funds to help with the building maintenance fund. This allows for un-budgeted expenses to be taken care of such as plumbing and the recent necessary purchase of a new water heater.

Without the donors and volunteer support the Candy Cane Cabin workshop would not have happened. We thank you for your dedication and donation to our school.

## LCA STUDENT RECOGNIZED

The Illinois Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) recently invited fifth and sixth grade students to participate in the annual Environmental Pathways statewide poster and poetry/prose exhibit. Their focus for the 2016 poster contest was “W.A.T.E.R—What a True Environmental Resource.”

The top four students at each school competed at the statewide exhibit. Finalists chosen were invited to the awards reception in Springfield and twelve students in each category were given special recognition, including an environmental reference book for the school’s library.

Legacy was proud to have Caleb C. represent our school by receiving the Special Recognition Award in the poetry/prose category. Way to go Caleb!

More information on the contest can be found at: [www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/education/contest](http://www.epa.illinois.gov/topics/education/contest).



*“My Papa has been a Preacher for a long time and I wanted to be a Preacher when I grow up and love everyone and I love Jesus the most and God.” —Joshua J., 3rd Grade.*

## LCA FAMILIES GIVE BACK

Each year at Christmastime, the whole student body gathers to perform the Christmas program for family and friends.

The students demonstrated what Jesus means to them. They told the story of Jesus’ birth and impact on their lives through the eyes of angels.

Our high schoolers played the angels, and each class played themselves in a reality-themed skit.

The students worked really hard on memorizing our parts and our songs. The hard work paid off and the performance at Grand Manor was perfect and very well received by the staff and residents.

The program for LCA family and friends was also flawless and everyone seemed to enjoy the performance.

Our Christmas program is a special event that not only speaks to the hearts of those in attendance, but gives the opportunity for the facility and staff to receive their Christmas bonus. A special offering is taken each year and the money is given to our educators who work tirelessly to ensure students are on the right path not only in their education but their relationship with Jesus. This year the staff was very appreciative to receive such a generous blessing. Thank you again to all the donors and parents for your support throughout the year.



## LEGACY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

Legacy Christian Academy exists to provide a Biblically based, well-rounded, quality education in a loving environment. According to Matthew 28:18-20, Jesus is the ultimate authority. We are here to make disciples of all nations, through the teaching of our students and the partnership with the home.

Our mission is to reach out to children and their families and offer them the love of Christ. We desire every child in our program to come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ and to accept Him as their personal Lord and Savior.

## OPEN HOUSE

Enrollment has begun for the 2016-2017 school year and our open house event is a perfect time to see how Legacy can change the lives of you and your children.

Please join us on Tuesday, April 19, 2016. We will have staff available from 4-7:30 PM to give tours, answer questions and show everything LCA has to offer.

During the open house, the science fair projects will be on display for everyone to see how hard our students have been working. Students will have the opportunity to shop the book fair and play in the bounce house! We will also have our annual fish-fry fundraiser and bake sale that evening so bring the whole family out for a good time!

For more information on our open house, please contact the office at (618) 345-9571.

We look forward to seeing you there!

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