



August 31, 2007

What's Up at Calvary?

Welcome Back!

The Calvary faculty and staff would like to welcome everyone back to the 2007-2008 school year. We have had an exciting, yet productive first few days. Although our winged friends, the bats, who took residence in the middle school area displaced our students for the first couple of days of school, our faculty and staff pulled together for our best opening ever.



With the largest enrollment at Calvary ever (currently 328), the change in numbers is most evident in chapel and lunchroom. But, we have made some changes in scheduling and programming, and everyone is learning to make adjustments. Although several of our grade levels are full, most still have space. Anyone who has friends who may be interested in Calvary is encouraged to refer them to the school office for a tour.

Director's Dinners Scheduled

All friends of Calvary are invited to the Annual Director's Dinners. Last year we celebrated 50 years, retelling the school's history. This year's theme is focused on looking forward: "Firing Up the Future!" The dinners are scheduled for



Thursday, Sep. 13 and Friday, Sep. 14 at 6pm. Parents will receive invitations in the mail to join us one of these two evenings. Babysitting and pizza for children will be available.

Grandparents' and Other Special Friends' Day

For the first time ever, our Grandparents' and Other Special Friends' Day will coincide with the real Grandparents' Day weekend. Our



Grandparents' Day will be held on Friday, September 7. Grandparents and special friends of our students are invited to lunch and then

stay for a special chapel at 1:30pm (there will be no morning chapel on Sept. 7). The chapel service will be followed by a program that salutes our guests. These events will take place in the gym. A form was emailed and sent home for any guests who would be eating lunch. Please submit your lunch reservation by submitting the form that was emailed to you, or by going to the school website and clicking on the Grandparents Day button, or by returning the form that was sent home. We look forward to seeing the special guests of our students.

Matriculation Chapel

More new students than ever before will be recognized and officially entered into the Matriculation Book at a special chapel on Tuesday, Sep. 18 at 8am.

Parents of all students new to the school are invited to join us at this chapel. This is a **dress uniform** day.

New Parent Coffee Rescheduled

The New Parent Coffee has been rescheduled for Friday, Sept. 7 at 8am in the Parish Hall. All parents who are new to our school are invited to the coffee to meet our CPTO officers, other new parents and our staff.



Auction Chair Wanted

The CPTO is looking for a chair for the annual auction which will be held on Friday, Feb. 1. This is a fun job, a great way to become involved in school activities and meet great people. And the good news is, all of the committee chairs have already been named! The CPTO just needs someone to lead the parade! If you are interested, please call Kelly Burke at 832-438-0118.

Used Uniform Sale Huge Success!

Thanks to **Claire Chipman**, our super Used Uniform volunteer, the summer used uniform sale was a tremendous success, bringing in over \$2,870 for our school. Thanks to all who donated, those who shopped and **Ms. Chipman**, who dedicated her time and energy for this project!

Cash for Trash

Do you know there is an easy way to make a contribution to Calvary without writing a single check to the school. You can recycle newspapers and printer ink cartridges, clip coupons and save box tops (we made \$803.47 from Box Tops alone from Jan-May) or shop for back to school and office items at Office Depot (School ID#70100395). Visit our Cash for Trash section of our website and learn more about Upromise, the Box Tops Market Place and many more companies and services that offer bonuses to Calvary. Additional "Cash for Trash" info

will come home in the first few weeks of school.

Room Parents! Library Volunteers! Office Volunteers! Any Volunteers!

Don't forget to come to one of the **Calvary VOLUNTEER TRAINING** sessions next week! Attendance at one session is required for ALL Calvary volunteers. We will be meeting on **Wednesday, September 5th at 8:30 am** and **Thursday, September 6th at 6:30 pm.** We are so blessed to have the opportunity to unite in prayer and focus our energies as we begin another wonderful school year together. Father Frankie and Mr. Smith will both be speaking. The Volunteer Training session should last about an hour. The Room Parent Meeting will be held at both times immediately following the Volunteer Training. A special Room Parent and Volunteer Chapel will be held on Wednesday, Sep. 12 at 8am.

Calling All Golfers...

Come join us for the 2nd Annual Calvary Episcopal School & College Preparatory golf tournament, where all proceeds will



benefit Calvary Episcopal School. We will return to Pecan Grove Country Club, located at Plantation

Drive and FM 359 in Richmond, featuring twenty seven holes of championship golf.

Join other Calvary school parents, Calvary church members and local community leaders for a great day of golf and fellowship. This year's tournament will feature a four-man scramble format, and you may register as an individual or a foursome. Winners of this year's tournament will receive a memorable trophy. Last year's tournament was a huge success, and we would like to continue to carry that success into future tournaments.

Your entry fee of \$100 per player, or \$400 per four-man team, includes: greens fees, carts, driving range, breakfast pastries; beverages on course and beverage stations set up on the patio, hole contests, such as a closest to the pin and longest drive, fajita lunch buffet, reception/awards ceremony. For registration and sponsorship opportunities you will find all of the forms on our website under "Golf Tournament."

Working for Washington and Pizza

Students have been anxiously awaiting the first Pizza Day, which is Wed., Sept. 12. Pizza forms and money are due Sept. 7. All of the forms are posted on our web site.

6th 7th Grade Retreats

Each year 6th grade students attend a three day retreat at Camp Allen, an Episcopal Retreat Center and 7th graders venture to Marble Falls to The Outdoor School. This year the 6th grade trip will be Sept. 19-21. The 7th grade trip will be later in the fall, Nov. 5-7. More information will be coming home.

Singing with Power

Eric Bruner with "Singing with Power" will be coming to Calvary to do a vocal seminar and workshop, Sunday, September 16th, from 2pm-5:30pm. The seminar is \$25 for non-Calvary Church members. He will also offer private one-on-one instruction after the main seminar for \$25. If you are interested in attending the seminar and or having a private lesson, please contact Barry Neptune at brneptune@yahoo.com. This dynamic and fun seminar is open to all ages and would benefit all who sing in a church choir, praise & worship band, youth band, school choir or any other musical venue. For more information on Eric and His Singing with Power seminars go to: <http://www.singwithpower.com/>.

Did You Know...

...that a number of our 2006-2007 Crusaders, who just went on to high school left our middle school with up to four high school credits. These students are already more than half way through their freshman year without stepping foot into a high school classroom! (At least one former student went to summer school and is now one credit shy of being a sophomore.)



COMING UP AT CALVARY

(Our Official School Calendar can be found on our website at www.ces-richmond.org)

Monday, Sep. 3-Labor Day Holiday

Tuesday, Sep. 4-4:30 Volleyball vs CRBS at Home

Wednesday, Sep. 5-8:30am, Room Parent and Volunteer Parent Meeting; 4:30pm, first LOGOS of the year

Thursday, Sep. 6-4:00pm, Football, vs CRBS; 4:30, VB Imani at CES; 6:30pm, Parent and Volunteer Parent Meeting

Friday, Sep. 7-8am, New Parent Coffee; Grandparents and Special Friends Day

Monday, Sep. 10- 4:00, Volleyball, CES at SWCA

Tuesday, Sep. 11- 4:30, Volleyball, CES at Logos

Wednesday, Sep. 12, 8am, Special Chapel for Volunteers and Room Parents; 4:30pm, LOGOS

Thursday, Sep. 13-4:00pm, Football vs Imani; 4:30, Volleyball, CES at Briarwood; 6:30pm-Director's Dinner

Friday, Sep. 14-6:30pm-Director's Dinner