

# What's UP! at Calvary



March 3, 2003

Welcome to a new informational email newsletter from Calvary Episcopal School! Each week you will receive an email from the school detailing information about the school: events, student achievements and program information. We hope this will help you to keep abreast of school news and current events. This special newsletter is for our families with email. So, if you know someone who would like to be receiving email services, please have them email [msmith@ces-richmond.org](mailto:msmith@ces-richmond.org). For the latest school calendar and update on school happenings, visit the CES website at [www.ces-richmond.org](http://www.ces-richmond.org).

## Eighth Grade Auction Fund Raiser

The service auction for the eighth graders was established to help defray the costs of the year-end trip to Washington, D.C. This five-day, four-night educational journey costs about \$1,400.00 per student.



Over the next few weeks, the eighth graders will begin promoting the auction. There will be skits in chapel as well as resumes presented by the individual eighth graders. The resumes the students have written are based on what they feel are their personal strengths and/or talents that they have to offer to fulfill their day of service.

All **classes** from Kinder to 7th grade will have an opportunity to bid on the individual students. **Individual** bidders will not be allowed. The bidding pools will be made up by classes, with the entire class bidding as a unit. Their money will be collected over the next few weeks and tallied on the day of the auction. A parent representative from each class will help organize the class bid and ensure no bid will be made by the class without sufficient funds. In past auctions, eighth grade services have brought anywhere from \$50 to \$500. The students in the winning class that have contributed the most to the bidding pool will receive additional benefits. The highest contributor will have lunch provided by the eighth grader. The second and third highest contributors will determine the out class the eighth grader will attend. There is no limit as to how many eighth graders may be bought by a single classroom. The more money a class has collected, the higher they may bid and the more student services they have a possibility of purchasing. It should be noted there are no guarantees that every class will win a bid. All money must be paid in full on the day of the auction.

This unique fundraiser creates a lot of excitement. All parents are invited to attend. Thanks for your enthusiastic support. We will keep you posted as further details develop.

Auction Date: April 4th, 2pm      Day of Obligation by 8<sup>th</sup> Grad Student: April 7th

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### **Achievement Testing**

Students in grades one through eight will be busy taking Stanford Achievement Tests this week. Students in grades one, three, five and seven will also take the Otis-Lennon Aptitude Tests. Both of these tests are important in making curriculum decisions, and in measuring student successes and will be shared with parents in the month of May.

### **Open Registration**

Open registration for the 2003-2004 school year begins this week. Parents of current students received their registration contracts on February 18 and are urged to guarantee their child's place at CES next year by returning them this week.



### **Ash Wednesday Special Chapel**

Students, teachers, parents and friends are invited to a special Ash Wednesday Chapel Service on March 5. Father Frankie will be speaking about the significance of dispensing of the ashes and the Lenten season. Anyone is welcome to participate.



### **Student Illnesses**

We have experienced a variety of illnesses during the past few weeks. Please make sure your child is completely well before sending him or her back to school. The rule is to be free of fever for at least 24 hours (p.12 in the handbook). Hopefully this will keep our teachers and students as healthy as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation. Vicki Ward, RN

### **Jeffery Dean Returns to CES**

Calvary Episcopal School is proud to have Jeffrey Dean coming to speak with the middle school students again this year on Friday March 7, 2003 at 1:30. Fort Bend ALERT sponsors this popular program. Parents of middle schoolers must return the signed permission slip that was sent home last week by March 4 if you would like for your child to attend.

Jeffrey Dean is a national youth communicator, counselor, and author from Nashville, Tennessee. Jeffrey graduated from Nashville's Belmont University with a BBA in 1991, where he studied both business and music. Two years later, he formed The Jeffrey Dean Company, a Nashville based organization, which supports Jeffrey's outreach to inspire students to pursue their goals and dreams

and motivates them to make wiser choices, including abstaining from premarital sex and avoiding peer pressure, which will benefit them for a lifetime.

Jeffrey speaks boldly to this generation about issues relevant to them. He has spoken to more than a million teenagers throughout our nation's, public and private schools, conferences, detention centers, music festivals, and at inner-city rally events. Jeffrey gives teenagers straightforward and clear information while also speaking truthfully about wrong choices and the severe consequences that can follow these choices.

Jeffrey Dean spoke last year at CES and teachers and students were very impressed.

**You can visit Jeffrey's new webpage to read his latest newsletter to teens.**  
[www.jeffreydean.org](http://www.jeffreydean.org)

### **Yard Signs from Marketing and Advertising Committee**

Thanks to the generous support of the CPTO, the Marketing and Advertising Committee has several projects in the works with the intention of reaching more potential students. One of the efforts is to provide each student with a yard sign. Your child will bring his/her sign home on Tuesday. The sign will be printed with the Calvary shield and your child's first name. We hope you will enjoy displaying your Calvary with pride in your front yard!

### **Prayers for Our Military Personnel**

The Presidential Prayer Team (PPT), at the request of USA President George W. Bush to pray for our troops, invites Americans to register their military friends and loved ones online, giving 1.4 million team members the opportunity to "adopt" a military person and pray for that person each day. No cost is involved--any person who registers to pray can download printable certificate of reminder and receive a free decal indicating prayer support for our military. Visit the PPT Web site below to join thousands already signed up--select "adopt" or "register." No confidential information is taken. The Presidential Prayer Team requests our prayer support for our military and for President Bush during crisis times.



Adopt Our Troops Campaign:

<http://www.presidentialprayerteam.org/troopsadopt.htm>

### **Lost and Found**

With the cooler weather, jackets and sweaters are lost and often picked up by students who think they are their garments. Parents are asked to please put names inside labels, and check labels to be sure the jacket/sweater you have is yours.

### **Basketball Tournament**

Our annual Calvary Crusader Girls and Boys Basketball tournament will be held this week, March 6, 7, and 8. The tournament will be held at Calvary this year, and parents are being asked to work the concession stand during the three-day tournament. Any parents and/or teachers who are interested in working during this time (even



if you don't have a child in basketball), please call Debbie Lewis (281-437-4377) or email her (debster437@houston.rr.com). The times will begin on Thursday at 4:00 p.m. and go until about 8:30 p.m. These same times will apply on Friday. Tournament times will begin around 9:00 a.m. on Saturday morning through about 1:30 p.m. Times will be assigned as Ms. Lewis is contacted, so contact her now for your spot! Your help is appreciated during this fun time for our players. Even if you cannot work during the tournament, please try to come out and cheer our boys and girls to victory!

**Free Dress on Friday**

By decree from last Friday's "Director of the Day," Austin Lewis, this coming Friday, March 7, is "Free Dress Day."

**Report Cards and Honor Roll Chapel**

Report Cards for the third quarter will be send home on Tuesday, March 11. The third quarter Honor Roll Chapel will be held on Friday, March 14. Students will be recognized for earning All A's, or All A's and B's.

**Grandparents and Other Special People**

Grandparents and other people who are special to our Calvary students are invited to an afternoon of fun and exciting events on Friday, March 14. The festivities will begin in the gym at 1:15. Please mark your calendar and plan on joining us!