

MVCS SMOKE SIGNAL - ALUMNI EDITION

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Quarterly Newsletter
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SCHOOL NEWS -

Due to new laws that will pass in Illinois, we were forced to sell our new van that we had worked hard for and purchased in December, 2008. It was decided to sell our old bus as well. We have been able to purchase a 1996 52-passanger bus but are still in need of a smaller bus for transporting children to and from sporting events, field trips and fine arts competitions.

Early Registration Week is March 8-15. There will be an Open House on Wednesday, March 10 from 8:30 – 11 AM. Any child registering during this week will receive a \$50 discount.

WARRIOR'S UPDATE -

Sports for the 2009-10 school year is now over.

The JV boys' basketball team finished the year with a 7 and 5 record. They were able to participate in a JV tournament in November and placed .

The girls' basketball team finished the year with a 9 and 4 record. They received a bye for the regional tournament and went to State on Feb. 26. They placed 3rd and Kaitlyn Allen (daughter of **Shawn Allen '83**) was named to the All-Tournament Team.

The boys' varsity basketball team finished the year with a 19 and 13 record. They beat Pana in the regional finals and advanced to State on Feb. 26. They placed 4th and Marcus Bernhard was named to the All-Tournament Team.

Both the girls' team and boys' teams were awarded the Sportsmanship Trophy during the State Championship.

The MVIT was held on Feb. 4-6. Praise the Lord the heavy snow that was predicted didn't arrive. The Warriors came in first place after a nail-bitter, winning in double overtime. The Warriors who were selected to the All-Tournament Teams were: Seth Roberts, Will Pagan, and Marcus Bernhard.

FUNDRAISING OPPORTUNITIES -

There are currently no fundraisers in progress.

The Mother's Club will not be sponsoring the annual magazine sale this fall. Participation and orders have been dwindling. We will be focusing more effort on the annual Christmas Store.

The Booster Club's Pecan Sale was a big success. When it's time to start holiday baking next fall, check with your favorite athlete as they may be selling pecans again!

UPCOMING EVENTS - PLEASE JOIN US!

March 8-12 – Early Registration Week

April 30 – Spring Program

May 14 – Kindergarten Graduation

May 21 – Senior Graduation

WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU -

We've had a few updates since the last newsletter in November.

Sarah (Woolsey) Fisher, '99, and her husband Matthew welcomed their second daughter, Jeanne Lillian, 8lbs 6oz, 20 $\frac{3}{4}$ inches, into the world on October 20th.

Angela (Thompson) Walters, '98, and her husband Joshua welcomed their second son, Max Christopher, 7lbs 1oz, 21 inches, on November 24th. He joins big brother Jonathan, 3 years.

Daniel Shell, '07, graduated from Ranken Technical College on December 18, with a degree in Information Technology. He has accepted a position at Scott Air Force Base as a Database Administrator (Analyst 1), starting this past week.

We enjoyed seeing **Jeff Smith, '92**, at the MVIT this year. He is the coach of the basketball team at Trinity Christian School in Oxford, Alabama. As the Youth Pastor, Jeff has many duties at the church and school.

On a sad note – On December 6th, we lost a member of the Alumni Association. **Bradley Werts, '05**, died as a result of a car accident. Please continue to pray for his family - Roger, Bev and Dan - as they continue on without Brad. He will be missed.