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F R E S T A V A L L E Y C H R I S T I A N S C H O O L

FRESTA'S OWN FUTURE LEADER

By Troy McArtor

We are proud to announce that Fresta Valley's own Danny King has been named the 2009 *Times Democrat* Fauquier Future Leader. This accomplishment is just one of many for this high flying Senior. Danny has already acquired his hot air balloon license. He is also a member of the Air Force Reserves and will ship out July 7, to begin training at Lackland Air Force Base. The "Sky King" is always looking for adventure and loves taking on new chal-

lenges. He is also known for his excellent speeches. He won the Rotary Oratory Speech Competition this winter and has done very well in the National Forensics League. Homeschooler Levi Leppke, who has been heavily involved with Fresta, was a runner up in the competition. Both Danny and Levi have propelled the Fresta Valley Robotics team to great heights winning many awards along the way. Congratulations to Danny and Levi

on their many accomplishments.



BIBLE QUIZ TEAM CELEBRATES

By Samantha Alger

On April 23, the High School Bible Quiz team celebrated its competitive season. The team left school at lunch time to go to Cracker Barrel where they enjoyed each other's company and a meal, and received awards from Mr. and Mrs. Lines. Sarah Buckley received the Most Valuable Quizzer award because of her outstanding performance at the meets and the tourna-

ment. At one of the meets, Sarah "quizzed out," which means she answered six questions in one round. The second award, Most Improved, was given to Nathan Tolley. Nathan joined the team late in the season, yet he quickly adapted to "quizzing" on the team. He was several chapters behind on memorizing and studying, but caught up just

as fast as the rest of the team. The whole team has worked hard this year, especially those who have received these awards.



VARSIITY BASEBALL

By Daniel Thoburn and Coach Fries

The place—Winchester, VA. The question - Decisions, Decisions- they must be made quickly; do we go with Adrian Bobbitt (Regional 1st team) or do we start Jake Fries (Regional 1st team and State Player of the year). Adrian didn't have a very good outing last time he pitched against Shenandoah Valley, but Jake was still in pain from being hit on the elbow in his regional start. The choice- Bobbit. Shenandoah had not seen the real Bobbitt pitch yet. Bobbitt took to the mound with the "This is my game," attitude that every coach wants. With two outs in the top of the first, Bobbitt gave up a single to the center-fielder Tyler Braun-Dun (1st Team Regional) and a double to Casey Williams (1st Team Regional.), Braun-Dun scored. Another double by Dan Jones plated Williams for a 2-0 lead but Jones was thrown out at third as Fries fielded the ball Jones had hit into the gap in left center field and threw to

his relay shortstop, Mike Accettullo (1st Team all Regional.) Third Baseman, Zach Sweeney, applied the tag for the third out, down two. It's tough to play a team four times in one season and win all four times. Shenandoah is a tough team. Coach Wheelock gets the most from his players. They play hard for 21 outs. Shenandoah Valley didn't have to wait long, 3 walks, 2 errors and a single plated 5 runs for Fresta Valley. Fresta Valley controlled the rest of the game with power and speed. Lead off hitter Jake Fries went 3-3 plus to 2 walks. "Jake's been our spark plug all year long, he's had a GREAT YEAR with many awards this year - but state player of the year is a great honor," said Coach Fries. The thunder and lightning in the line-up, short stop Mike Accettullo went 4-4 in the championship game and also hit-for-the-cycle. "Mike is a very good player, the sky

is the limit for Mike," says Coach Fries. "Adrian Bobbitt has been the thunder behind Accettullo hitting in the 4 spot. Adrian might be the most complete player for his age that I've ever known. His abilities are end less," said Coach Fries. This has been a great year for Fresta Valley baseball. "These guys have worked very hard to achieve a state championship banner. There were some very good teams in this tournament." Along with Fries, Fresta Valley will graduate outfielders Danny King, Daniel "The Boss Manny" Thoburn, and infielders Jimbo Bowen, and Brandon Coyle. Returning players include Sam Beals, Jake Lambdin, Luke Bolil, Anthony Yung and the Accettullo brothers Brian (all-regional team) and John.

Coach Fries had a few closing remarks, "We're losing some very good players, but we still have a strong team and if they work hard over the summer we will have a shot again at this next year. I'm very proud of all of these guys for their work and dedication."

VARSIITY SOCCER

By Troy McArtor

The girls have ended a great season finishing with a record of 14-2-2. Captains Nicole Fortunato and Jaclyn Wallen led their team to a VACA Regional title by defeating Leesburg in the championship. They then followed that up by winning the VACA state championship against Faith the next weekend. After the win captain Jaclyn Wallen had a few words to say, "We're going to Disney World!" They are proud of their immediate accomplishments but are also focused and ready to defend their title next year. Great job ladies and have a great trip to Disney World.

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT – DANIEL THOBURN

By Tyler Phillips

Daniel Thoburn has been attending Fresta Valley since the sixth grade and has since become a prevalent figure in the student body. He has many friends and enjoys being a part of the Fresta family. He has enjoyed playing every sport that our school has to offer and has excelled at all of them. In his sophomore, junior and senior years, he served as

one of the varsity soccer team captains. “He is a good leader and a good co-captain,” says fellow senior and captain, James Minihan. He enjoys the thrill of competition and being a team player. Although he is not sure what he will study, Daniel plans to attend Southeastern as he seeks God’s guidance for his life.



OUTSTANDING STUDENTS

K-3

Adelia Turner, Cole Ruffo
Kaile Wine

K-4

Richie Cruger, Brandon Lehr
Sarah Leresche, Livia Miller

Anabelle Graziano
Brooke Worsham
Trinity Hunter

K-5

Theresa Stanley
Jayden Lundy

1st

Bryan Patten, Logan Pierce,
Abigail Allen, Sophia Graziano

2nd

Brooke Kovalchuk
Ty Shollenberger, Ben Sexton,
Maddie Burwitz

3rd

Jansen Beals, A.J. Herdman,
Silas Foster

4th

Luke Hailey, Stephanie Litton,
Nathan Stalker

5th

Molly Freer, Brandon Worsham

6th

Chris Robinson
Austin Freeman
Michael Stanley

SENIOR SPOTLIGHT – JACLYN WALLEN

By Katherine Fisher



Jaclyn is our last senior to be featured in the Senior Spotlight. Jaclyn has been at Fresta Valley for five years and has participated in many different activities at Fresta. She played soccer and basketball. Jaclyn has been playing soccer since she was six years old and has been playing for Fresta since the eighth

grade, but only played basketball in the tenth grade. Now she is the captain of the varsity soccer team. She also has participated in the drama club as an ensemble member in “the Sound of Music” and “the Music Man”. After graduation, Jaclyn plans to go to NOVA to get a degree in nursing.



MOTHER'S DAY AROUND THE WORLD

By Evy Papadopoulos

Mother's Day provides the opportunity to honor, appreciate, and pamper our mothers. While originally just an American holiday, it has evolved into an international celebration. Americans traditionally serve their mothers breakfast in bed and give flowers, candy, or perfume as gifts. However there are several other traditions that occur around the globe. One example of diverse Mother's Day custom takes place in Argentina, where the mothers are treated to a surprise party, in which children gather around their mothers

together and read them poetry. After the reading, a door at the end of the hall is opened to let in all the children's grandmothers, who have remained in hiding up until then. In Yugoslavia, the day before Mother's Day is referred to as Children's Day and on that the children are tied up until and not released until they promise to be good. The typical gifts exchanged include candy, sweets, clothing, shoes, coats—and promises of good behavior. The Italians celebrate *La Festa della Mamma* with a big feast

and a cake made in the shape of a heart. Sweden's Mother's Day, which takes place on the last Sunday in May, has a strong charitable focus: the Swedish Red Cross sells small plastic flowers leading up to the holiday, and the proceeds raised are given to poor mothers and their children. No matter where you are or what language you speak, celebrate this Mother's Day by appreciating and loving your mother. You can do this all year round.

SCIENCE FAIR

By Evy Papadopoulos

May 5th, 2009, marked a momentous occasion for all the members of the 7th, 8th, and 9th grades. It was a day that they had been working toward for months: the Science Fair. The projects (which displayed a wide range of topics from soil to rockets) were put on display in the foyer and judged by Mr. Beck, Mr. Cress, and Mr. Lines. Finally, once the grueling judging process was completed, nine students were elected as the winners, as either first, second, or third

place. Brooke Ellis, Brittany Worsham, and Josh Cromwell placed third, Josiah Shollenberger, Matthew Smith, and Amber Phares placed second and first place awards went to David King, Lauren Bryan, and Jake Maloney. The prizes (gift cards to Coldstone Creamery) were awarded to the winners the following Friday during chapel. Congratulations to the winners and well done to all who competed!



SUMMER CAMPS

Camp Name	Date	Cost	Age Group	Open to Home school	Open to Public	Contact Information
Beginner Orchestra	Aug. 10-14	\$85	Anyone who would like to learn	Yes	Yes	wkeller@frestavalley.org 540-364-1929 x0
Intermediate/Jr. High/Advanced Orchestra	Aug. 10 – 14	\$85	Anyone who has played for more than one year	Yes	Yes	wkeller@frestavalley.org 540-364-1929 x0
Debate/Competitive Speech	Aug. 17-20	\$20	Entering 9 th -12 th grade	Yes	No	(debate) lhailey@frestavalley.org (speech) dking@frestavalley.org
Boy's Baseball	TBD	TBD	TBD	Yes	TBD	athletics@frestavalley.org
Girl's Volleyball	July 19-23	\$330	Entering 9 th -12 th	Yes	No	athletics@frestavalley.org

Summer Day Camps

Please see the enclosed insert for detailed information about Fresta Valley's new Summer Day Camp Program. If you have any questions please contact the school office at 540-364-1929.

SENIOR JOURNEY

By Troy McArtor

On Monday, April 27th, at way too early in the morning the 2009 senior class set out on their week long journey to the Wilds. After the eleven hour bus ride they finally arrived at their destination, a Christian camp called the Wilds in Brevard, North Carolina. All week the class was encouraged by outstanding speakers. All the seniors enjoyed activities such as gazeeball, human foosball, basketball, and miniature golf. They also enjoyed the thrill of the giant swing as well as being launched into the air by the "blob." All of the Seniors enjoyed the wonderful time of fellowship and fun.



3RD QUARTER HONOR ROLL

ELEMENTARY ALL "A's"

Allen Abigail	Stirling Ellis	Alexander Phares
Natalia Barrera	Sarah Freer	Noah Phillips
Jansen Beals	Sophia Graziano	Benjamin Sexton
Adam Becker	Sophie Hailey	Hannah Sokolowski
Mallory Bryan	John Huggins	Elizabeth Thompson
Madison Burwitz	Madison Lam	Laura Thompson
Cassidy Collart	Stephanie Litton	Randy West
Colton Collart	Jonathan Miller	Dayna Woodward
	Hannah Mortvedt	Benjamin Worsham



Congratulations to all the students at Fresta Valley!! You have done a wonderful job. God is well pleased with your hard work.

ELEMENTARY ALL "A's & B's"

Joelle Beals	Abihail Lopez
Madison Clark	Amanda Maskell
Cameron Collart	Dawson McMillan
Rachel Dodson	Emma Miller
Christian Dudley	Alison Murphy
Jada Dudley	Brynn Murphy
Silas Foster	Joshua Otten
Parker Freeman	Bryan Patten
Molly Freer	Logan Pierce
Coleman Glascock	Hailey Place
Daniel Gregory	Jenna Place
Nathan Gregory	Abigail Schefer
Margaret Groux	Annabelle Schefer
Luke Hailey	Julia Sexton
Sophie Hailey	Nathan Sokolowski
Micah Houston	Nathan Stalker
Grant Keithley	Michael Stanley
Brooke Kovalchuk	Nathaniel Stanley
Haylie Kovalchuk	Brooke Tisdale
Sierra Lam	Kevin Towery
Parker Lasley	Kaitlyn Yung

HIGH SCHOOL ALL "A's"

Catherine Beck
 Lauren Bryan
 Wendy Bui
 Matthew Fusaro
 Katherine Graves
 Jayden Heck
 Régan Houston
 Jacob Maloney
 Troy McArtor
 Evy Papadopoulos
 Sarah Seligman
 Josiah Shollenberger
 Emily Tolley
 Casey Wilfong

HIGH SCHOOL ALL "A's & B's"

Sam Beals	Brandon Keithley
Christina Bolil	Daniel King
Sarah Buckley	Sarah Perez
Susanna Buckley	Amber Phares
Abigail Clark	Victoria Phares
Abigail Cress	Christian Phillips
Brooke Ellis	Victoria Shaw
Jacob Fries	Brett Sumrall
Ryan Frizzell	Shawn Sumrall
Tiffany Fusaro	Daniel Thoburn
Julia Graves	James Wallen Jr.

FRESTA VALLEY STUDENTS WIN REGIONAL AND NATIONAL CONTESTS

By Katherine Fisher

In the past month Danny King and Pierce Hanson have been recognized for their talents in speech and writing. From February through March, Danny King, a senior, competed in the Rotary's Oratory Contest. He began at the local level by competing against students from local high schools. As the first place winner, he moved onto the regional competition in Culpeper. As the winner at that level, Danny moved onto the District finals which were held on March 14, 2009, in Fredericksburg. Danny finished the competition in second place winning five hundred dollars. This prize money brought his grand total earnings to one thousand, six hundred and fifty dollars.

Pierce Hanson, a junior, has been recognized in an essay contest titled "Being An American." Pierce had the opportunity to go to Washington D.C. on March 29-31. Pierce took a tour of the White House, Supreme Court, and the National Archives. He was also able to preview an IMAX movie called *We The People*. Mrs. Hailey, Pierce, and his parents were able to go to the Capitol for lunch, and take a tour of the capitol. At the ceremony the keynote speaker was Clarence Thomas of the Supreme Court Justice and the Master Ceremonies Juan William of PBS and Fox Five news. The ceremony was held at Renaissance Hotel

which was aired on C-SPAN. At the ceremony Pierce placed first for the South Atlantic Region which held a prize of five thousand dollars cash. Mrs. Hailey also got five thousand dollars for being his teacher.

Congratulations to both Danny and Pierce. They represented Fresta Valley well.



TRACK & FIELD DAY

By Daniel Thoburn

This year's track and field day was set off by a much anticipated hot air balloon demonstration by Danny King. Danny brought and flew a hot air balloon for the elementary classes prior to the events. The activities of the day were for both fun and for the presidential fitness competition. The fun activities were the 40 and 100 yard dashes, long and broad jump, and the favorite baseball throw. The presidential fitness competition events were



the shuttle run, push-ups, pull-ups, curl-ups, sit 'n' reach, and the dreaded mile. The students performed well; many of whom received Presidential and National awards along with setting a few new school records. The day would have been a flop though if it wasn't for the help of our 30 volunteers and God giving us such great weather. Congratulations, students, on the great day and thank you volunteers.

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