

September 2010



TCA SPOTLIGHT

Quotable Quote:

Some seek knowledge for
The sake of knowledge:
That is curiosity;
Others seek knowledge so that
They themselves may be known:
That is vanity;
But there are still others
Who seek knowledge in
Order to serve and edify others:
And that is charity.

Bernard of Clairveaux



HOME AND SCHOOL PICNIC

Good Time, Good Food, Good Company



Pictured Above: Abby Andrews paints Katelyn Webster face.
Pictured Top Right: David Holt prepares to hit a home run.
Pictured bottom Right: Dunebari Gininwa enjoys flying high

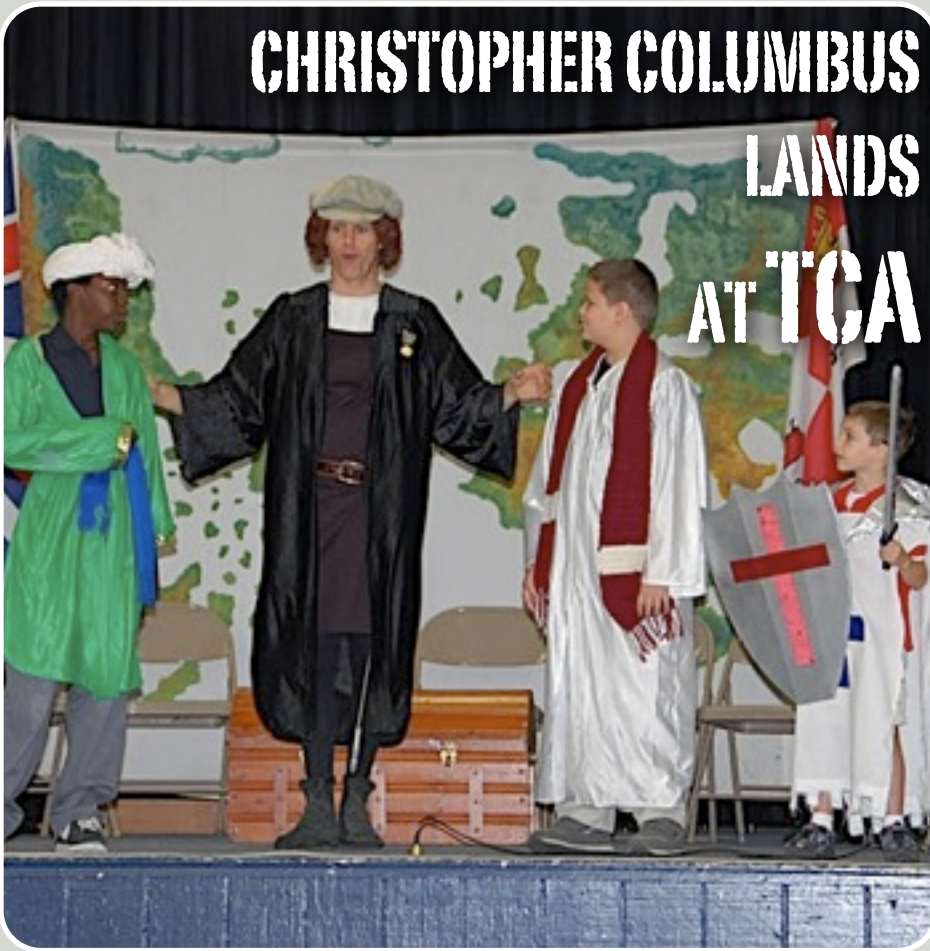
On August 29, 2010, the Home and School sponsored our annual school picnic. Many activities were available for students and parents to participate and spend some time getting to know each other. Among the activities were basketball, softball, face painting, inflatable slides, and lots of good conversation.

Ty McRary said "The food was amazing and I loved playing basketball with the old guys" Joey Freeman added, "The picnic was friendly, thought provoking and inviting."

Thank you Home and School for all you are doing to make TCA a GREAT school.



CHRISTOPHER COLUMBUS LANDS AT TCA



Home and School:

Volunteers are needed at TCA to help with tutoring, supervision, and various other projects. If you would like to help in this ministry please contact Regina Lee at <reginablocker@hotmail.com>



Admiral Christbearer

It wasn't 1492, but on September 10, 2010 Christopher Columbus (William Roy) brought his creative Christian perspective of the life of Christopher Columbus. His interactive presentation was based on the actual writings found in Christopher Columbus' personal log.

As we journeyed through the life of Christopher Columbus with Roy students were called up to play the role of the people who influenced the decisions that Columbus made in deciding to sail west.

Roy showed that through it all Columbus was jealous for the glory and honor of God. He quoted from Columbus,

"No one should come to these good regions who is not a Christian"

"Since it was the beginning and the end of this enterprise that it should be for the increase and the glory of the Christian Religion".

While Columbus desires for God were shaded by the cultural and religious concepts of the day, nevertheless we are all thankful that he had the courage and perseverance to discover this new island we call home.

After the presentation, which lasted about an hour, Mr. Roy took some time to visit the upper graders in their classrooms to answer questions and help them

see Columbus from a different perspective then they had in previous years.

Online Calendar	SEPTEMBER	OCTOBER	NOVEMBER
Check it out by selecting the calendar link at http://www.tricityschool.com/index.php	23-25th Pathfinder Camporee 24th Chapel (Pastor Garver) 28th ITBS testing begins	7th ITBS Testing ends 12th Quarter Ends 11th No School 14th Picture Retakes 16th Winston- Salem 22nd Community Service 25th Parent-Teacher	1-5 Week of Prayer 13th Pine Car Derby 19th Puppet Chapel 23rd Noon Dismissal 24-26th Thanksgiving break

Randy Fishell Visits TCA

Randy Fishell, editor of Guide Magazine, visited students in grades 3-10 on Friday, August 27, 2010. Fishell, an artist and writer from the Review and Herald Publishing Association in Hagerstown, Maryland, connected with students through drawing a caricature based on a shape drawn by a student. He learned their names, autographed past issues of Guide Magazine and played the Factory trivia game with the 5/6, 7/8, and 9/10 classes.

Using an electronic buzzer gadget to determine who answered first, Fishell excited teams with interesting bits of knowledge. He left a book for the classroom, Guide's Greatest Mission Stories, and a copy of the Bible version of the Factory game to use on a computer. Mrs. Simonds wants one of those buzzer gizmos! The marker board in the 5/6 classroom still bears his artwork!

Through his own testimony Fishell made the point that God wants to be involved in your life and that He will, as much as you'll let him. Your talents and interests can intersect with God's purpose, and in that target area you'll

find happiness. Fishell naturally communicates acceptance to students since he's always been different – definitely a humorous, out-of-the-box kind of guy who has a pastor's heart for kids.

He mentioned TCA on his blog and included a few pictures. He mentioned being impressed with the way students treated one another, specifically their kindness and older treated the younger ones with care. Check out his blog and the pictures at guidemagazine.org.



6th Grade Hummingbird

For the last 3 weeks two hummingbirds have visited the nectar feeder outside the 5/6 classroom window on a daily basis. (The students affectionately refer to them as Chip and Chipette!) Students care for cleaning the feeder, making nectar and refilling it twice each week. 4 pairs of small binoculars have been donated so far. Thank you Mr. Bailey Winstead and Mrs. Pat Warnock!

SPIRITUAL LEADERSHIP



Student's Lead the Way

This year for our upper graders are leading the way for spiritual growth on our campus. Each student leader is given 7-8 students from the lower grades and time is set aside for instruction, prayer, and discipleship. We praise God for the way our students are taking ownership of the Spiritual climate on campus.





Adventist Education

A JOURNEY TO EXCELLENCE

Play Ground on the Way

On September 15, in accordance with the school board wishes, I signed the paperwork to order the new playground equipment. This project should begin installation within the next four weeks. Praise God for the way that he has blessed our progress. While we still need close to \$15,000, the money continues to come in. If you would like to donate to this project, please contact Peter Cousins at 336-665-9822.

From the Principal's Desk

This year we are planning to continue our corporate effort to make TCA a GREAT school of excellence. We are entering the application process to become a designated School of Excellence, as defined by the Southern Union at <http://www.adventistedge.org/index.php>

The Adventist Edge acronym GREAT describes our approach at this endeavor. The G stands for "God Centered", and at TCA we must continue placing an emphasis on the spiritual education of our children. This joint effort between the home, the church and TCA can be observed in the interactions of our young people.

While they are at school, we have worship time every morning, weeks of prayer, and a Biblically focused curriculum presented by Christian teachers. At church students receive solid biblical instruction from pastors, Sabbath school teachers and participate in christian fellowship with other believers. But all of this is, frankly, not enough. We need our parents to continue their commitment to mold our young people into the image of Christ by intentionally planning for their spiritual growth in the home.



Take time to pray with and for your children, make Sabbath fun, and carve out time to have daily worships with your children at home. I believe that this will lay a solid foundation for our children to grow as they experience Christian education both at TCA and at your local church.

The time my family has spent in family worship often becomes more than simply Bible reading and prayer time. It becomes a special time when anyone in our family can share how their day went and what might be on their mind. What an incredible opportunity to get inside the mind of your children and understand where they are coming from. Bind those little hearts to you while they are young, let them know that you are interested in what concerns them, you will never regret it! Let's make our

school, our church, and our homes God Centered and see how God will bless our community of believers this year.

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Coming in 4
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