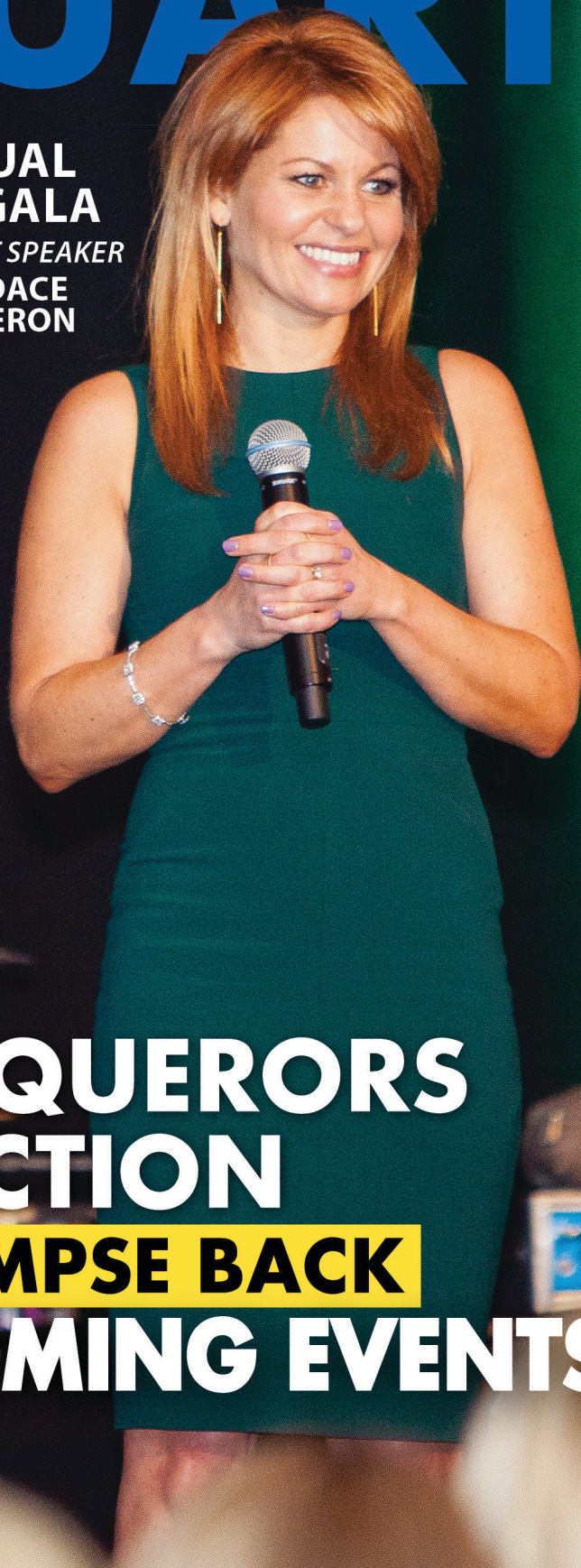


DESERT CHRISTIAN ACADEMY **QUARTERLY**

SPRING 2016

**26TH ANNUAL
AUCTION GALA**

GUEST SPEAKER
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**CONQUERORS
IN ACTION**
A GLIMPSE BACK
UPCOMING EVENTS



ACADEMIC ADVENTURES



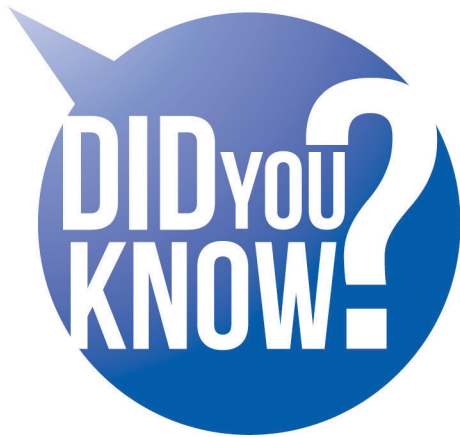
PRESCHOOL CHAPEL



CONQUEROR SPORTS



SPRING FORWARD! | THIRD QUARTER



THE PRESCHOOL HELD A BOYS VS. GIRLS DONATION COMPETITION

The preschool students took part in a Chapel Offering Competition. The boys won the competition which concluded on March 24th with a total of \$620.54 raised by our preschool students! The offering collected over the last two months supported Projecto Construir Christian School in Rio De Janeiro. Preschool Director, Mrs. Tolman celebrated the boys' victory by fulfilling her promise to dress like a chicken!



CONQUEROR Parents

Spirit Store

Be sure to check out the Spirit Store and the awesome Conqueror spirit items!

Moms in Prayer

Meetings are held every Monday from 8:15-9:15am in the library. Join the other Conqueror Moms as we lift up our cares and concerns for our children and school. Contact Julie Gordon or Lora Poe at dcamomsinprayer@gmail.com with any questions.

Uniform Exchange

If you need larger uniforms or have some that no longer fit consider utilizing the Uniform Exchange - a no cost way to exchange gently worn uniforms! The Uniform Exchange will be set up during the next HeBrews on Friday, April 8th. Contact Jill Williams at uniformexchange@desertchristianacademy.org for more information.

Conqueror Parents Meeting

The next Conqueror Parents meeting is on Friday, April 8th at 8:30am in the gymnasium.

Contact

For Conqueror Parents questions, comments, or concerns please contact Caroline Keck at conquerorparents@desertchristianacademy.org.

CONQUERORS IN ACTION



Interested in becoming a Booster Club member? Email Booster Club President, Jennifer Smith at boosters@desertchristianacademy.org for more information. Brochures are available in the front office.

ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

SEAN MILLER
CLASS OF 2014

Tell us about what you are doing now and how it came to be.
I've had a desire to serve in the military since I was a young child. I was enrolled in the Civil Air Patrol in High School but when I injured my ankle during the High School retreat my senior year I figured my military dreams were over. However, after moving to Arizona to further my college education, my uncle (who's retired Navy) encouraged me to pursue the military. So I applied and passed. I'm currently a Seaman Apprentice (E2) in the Navy and serve as a Religious Program Specialist and the right hand man to the Chaplain.

What experiences from your time at DCA prepared you for your future? Did being on a team like football prepare you to work as a team in your Navy training?

There are many things/people from DCA that helped prepare me for my future. There really are too many to list but two names that come to my mind first are Mr. Tom Fulton and Mr. Kirk Scott. I was always challenged to do my best, take responsibility for my actions, and seek after God. All these things are needed no matter what we choose in life. Football also helped prepare me for the Navy because so many

aspects of the game emulate what it's like to be here. I had great coaches that not only taught us about football but that Christ needs to be glorified in all that we do.

Favorite Bible Verse
Romans 3:23. This verse reminds me that I'm not perfect - I sin, I make mistakes, I fall short... I'm not going to live up to anybody's standards but as it says in Ephesians 2:8-9 I'm saved by grace, it is a gift of God, not as a result of works.

If you are an alumni, or know of an alumni that is up to something great, please email us at alumni@desertchristianacademy.org. We would love to get alumni updates on: marriages, new babies, college graduations, and careers and callings! We want to celebrate our alumni and share their success stories!



CLASSROOM SPOTLIGHT

MRS. LEUVANO'S CLASS
KHAN ACADEMY WINNERS



Seventh Grade:
Cristen Haddad



Sixth Grade:
Alexia Siani-Rader, Tatum Trippel, Christian Carpenter, and Elyona Brown (not pictured)



Eighth Grade:
Judah Brown and Ian Castro (not pictured)

A GLIMPSE AT

MIDDLE SCHOOL CLASS TRIPS



COLLEGIATE CORNER

DCA DOES NOT ENDORSE OR SUPPORT ANY OF THE ORGANIZATIONS LISTED BELOW, BUT PROVIDES THEM AS OPPORTUNITIES FOR OUR SENIORS TO APPLY FOR COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS.

• To be eligible for DCA scholarships, Student Profiles and the Desert Christian Academy Scholarship applications are due to Mrs. Loewen on Friday, April 29th. If you did not receive an application, please contact Mrs. Loewen in the Guidance Counseling office.

AP Testing is scheduled for May 4th - May 11th. All AP exam fees must be paid in full no later than Friday, April 29th or your student will not be eligible to take the AP exam. AP testing will be held off campus at The Garden Fellowship Church. **Please take note of the following AP exam dates:**
Wednesday, May 4 - English Literature and Composition • Thursday, May 5 - Calculus AB
Friday, May 6 - US History • Monday, May 9 - Biology • Tuesday, May 10 - US Government
Wednesday, May 11 - English Language and Composition

For more information on scholarships, please visit www.desertchristianacademy.org/scholarships for up-to-date information or contact Mrs. Renee Loewen, Director of Curriculum and Instruction, at rloewen@desertchristianacademy.org.

MEET THE SWIM TEAM

EAVAN GILHULY & CONOR MURRAY



Eavan Gilhuly
9th Grade

How long have you been swimming competitively?
I have been swimming competitively since I was nine and realized early on that I had found my sport!

What is your favorite swimming event?
My favorite swimming event is the 100 breaststroke because I move through the water the fastest in that race.

What is your swimming goal this year?
My goals for this season are to learn a lot, improve my times, prove that I can do this and most importantly swim for God's glory and put DCA's name out there in the swimming world.

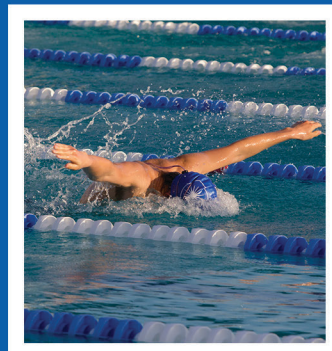
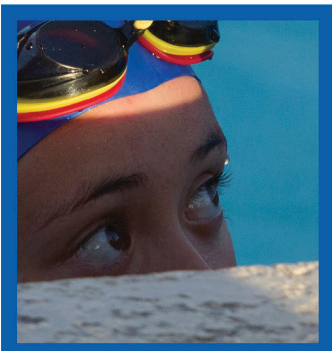


Conor Murray
11th Grade

How long have you been swimming competitively?
Since 7th grade with the Palm Desert Swim Club.

What is your favorite swimming event?
My favorite swimming event is a split between the 50 freestyle and the 100 fly. I get the best times in those races.

What is your swimming goal this year?
My goal this year is to see how far I can get through practice and dedication. I'm also excited to represent DCA and see where it goes for the school.



Meet the 2016 Missions Team

Fred Jordan Mission Los Angeles, CA • June 13th - 18th



Elijah Brown
10th Grade



Gracie Hertel
11th Grade



Meraiah Martinez
12th Grade



Kirsten Ranswill
11th Grade



Nikolas Summers
11th Grade



Abby Wagner
11th Grade



Brandon Bolton
11th Grade



Carlin Keck
10th Grade



Ben Roethler
11th Grade



Micah Myers
10th Grade



Eavan Gilhuly
9th Grade



Evan Howard
9th Grade



Aidan Murphy
9th Grade



Timmy Nixon
9th Grade



Katie Schmidt
9th Grade



Seth Talley
9th Grade



Noah McCoy
10th Grade



Mr. Scott
Chaplain



CONQUEROR
Parents

His Living Water

~ Ladies' Tea & Silent Auction ~

Message by Lindsay Tolman, Music by Daniel Harrison

~ Thursday, April 14th at 11:00am ~

The Classic Club, 75200 Classic Club Blvd

Palm Desert, California

Buffet Lunch Includes: Salad, Assorted Gourmet Sandwiches, Dessert, Coffee and Teas

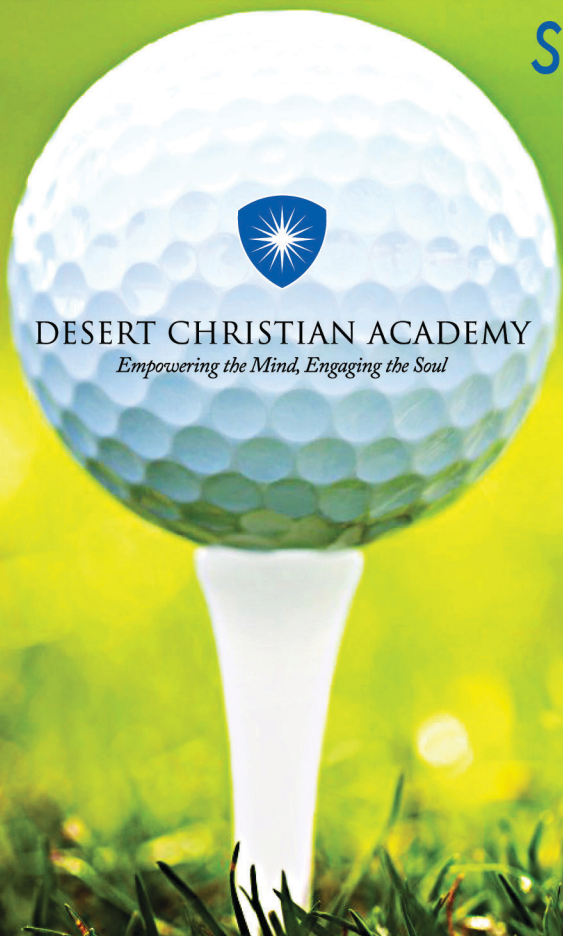
Individual Tickets: \$35.00 • Hats are encouraged!

Kindly RSVP with payment to the office by April 8th.

Contact Caroline Keck with questions at conquerorparents@desertchristianacademy.org

ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

SUPPORT CONQUEROR ATHLETICS!



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Empowering the Mind, Engaging the Soul

FRIDAY APRIL 29TH, 2016
MOUNTAIN VIEW COUNTRY CLUB

\$150 PER PLAYER
SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES AVAILABLE

CALL OR STOP BY THE SCHOOL OFFICE TO
RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!

26TH ANNUAL AUCTION GALA

Special thanks to all of our donors, attendees, and supporters of this year's 26th Annual Auction Gala! We were able to raise nearly \$200,000 for our Tuition Assistance Program and school programs! We are so grateful for the support of our school community.



Save the dates!

April 8th
Middle School
Talent Show

April 14th
Spring Tea

April 11th-15th
Terra Nova
Testing

April 29th
Golf
Tournament

May 7th
Watch Dog
Pancake
Breakfast

May 2nd-6th
Teacher & Staff
Appreciation
Week

May 7th
Senior Class
Car Wash

May 30th
Memorial Day
NO SCHOOL

May 21st
Jr/Sr
Prom

June 1st
8th Grade
Promotion

June 2nd
Water Day
Last Day
of School
High School
Graduation



6TH-12TH HONOR ROLL & PRINCIPAL'S LIST

THIRD QUARTER

9th Grade

Angelina Archuleta
 Eavan Gilhuly
 Rebekah Gordon
 Emily Grana
 Jayla Grubbe - All A's
 Emilee Hertel
 Olivia Johnson - All A's
 Ashley Klopfenstein - All A's
 Aidan Murphy
 Timothy Nixon
 Daniel Ruppel
 Katie Schmidt
 Kaden Suderman

10th Grade

Valaree Alvarez
 Jacob Bazua
 Elijah Brown - All A's
 Matthew Brown
 Josue Castenada
 Zachary Devane
 Kaylee Espinoza - All A's
 Kaitlyn Gregory - All A's
 Maycee Jones
 Jake Jung - All A's
 Carlin Keck - All A's
 Joshua Lee
 Jacob Messersmith - All A's
 Micah Myers
 Kaila Pena
 Ryan Percy
 Wyatt Snellenberger
 Luke Spates
 Tommy Wolfe
 Angelina Wowk Sandoval - All A's
 Maia Wu

11th Grade

Joe Bertolini - All A's
 Brandon Bolton - All A's
 Cade Burt
 Trent Butzlaff
 Cameron Frahmman
 Kenzi Gilbert
 Elizabeth Gordon
 Casey Harrell
 Gracie Hertel-All A's
 Brandon Janelle
 Nash Johnson
 Simon Kim
 J.G. Lee
 Conor Murray
 Kirsten Ranswill
 Derick Rodriguez
 Cooper Smith
 Isabella Smith
 Victor Su
 Justus Suderman - All A's
 Nikolas Summers - All A's
 Rachel Todd
 Abigail Wagner - All A's
 Eva Wang
 William Whitaker - All A's
 Kelvin Wong - All A's
 Zack Zeng - All A's

12th Grade

Jewel Castro
 Kenny Gagnon
 Tina Hendricks - All A's
 Olivia Hoddick
 Jane Hu
 Alynn Jones
 Markie Leon
 William Liu
 Meraiah Martinez
 Joshua Miller
 Lynn Pho
 Alice Wang - All A's

THIRD QUARTER

6th Grade

Elyona Brown
 Logan Harris
 Brooke Hesser
 Aaron Klopfenstein - All A's
 Leah LeBrun - All A's
 Lauren Luevano - All A's
 Annika Maze
 Pierre Mousa
 Jessica Nelson - All A's
 Kami Nixon
 Julia Poe - All A's
 Brogan Scott
 Natasha Shaghoian
 Alexia Siani-Rader
 Tessa Smith - All A's
 Tatum Trippel - All A's
 Aiden Valencia - All A's
 Diego Valencia

7th Grade

Liam Cousins
 Jesse Gadd - All A's
 Zachary Garcia - All A's
 Cristen Haddad
 Allison Johnson - All A's
 Emily Lange
 Henry Lopez III
 Malia Reid
 Elijah Silva
 Walker Smith - All A's
 Jake Williams

8th Grade

Rebecca Abraham - All A's
 Kathleen Bennett
 Olivia Borchert
 Judah Brown
 Ian Castro
 Kelly Chuchian-Kloss
 Samuel Devane - All A's
 Molly Glabb
 Mackenzi Harrell
 Gloria Juarez
 Austin Klopfenstein
 Harmony Kocis
 Valerie Kothe
 Hannah LeBrun
 Kameron Riso
 Grace Whitaker - All A's

* = ALL A'S

CONGRATULATIONS

The Honor Roll is a distinction granted at the end of each quarter.

Students who have achieved an un-weighted 3.3 GPA and have fulfilled the following requirements will be placed on the Honor Roll:

1. Have no grades lower than a C- in any class
2. Have demonstrated good citizenship with no citizenship marks below an S.
3. Have no suspensions and no more than 5 detentions (in a quarter).