



THE HEADLINER

Heritage Christian High School
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Clothing Sale: One Week Left to Order

Students, parents, and supporters of HCHS, order your HCHS clothing now. The **ABSOLUTE** deadline for ordering is **September 30**. Order forms were distributed with the last Headliner. Additional order forms are available in the office. Jan Huisenga is available for questions Tuesday and Thursday mornings in the office. This sale does not happen every year. Again, you only have **one week** to order—the orders are due next week **FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30**.

Class Rings

Requests for repairs/resizing take about 3 weeks. Those rings will arrive at your homes.

For those students who ordered rings, please look for future announcements regarding when Mr. Cranley from Jostens will return to school with ordered rings, probably late October.

2004-2005 Yearbooks Distribution and Sale

Yearbooks are being distributed to all patrons and advertisers. If you were a patron or advertiser, and you do not receive your book soon, or if you would like to purchase a book, please contact Mrs. Valerie DeKok or one of the secretaries at school. We have a limited number of books available for sale for \$25 each.

PSAT/NMSQT

Juniors planning to go to college are encouraged to take the PSAT on Saturday, October 15 at school. Interested students should sign up with Mr. Vermeer with \$12 for the cost of the test. Anyone with questions about the test should also talk to Mr. Vermeer.

Jewish Customs

By Maggie Lanting

For the past week and a half, the juniors and seniors have been examining Judaism in Mr. Medema's Cults class. The class found this religion to be fascinating.

The followers of Judaism have some interesting celebrations and special occasions. For example, Passover is celebrated with a feast made up of a lamb bone, a cup of salt water, bitter herbs, and unleavened bread, which signify the Israelites' tears and hasty journey from Egypt, and a hard-boiled egg and some parsley, which signify new life. During another holiday, Yom Kipper, the Jews are forbidden to wear anything made of leather and are also forbidden to bathe, put on any makeup, perfume, oils, or lotions.

Another special occasion that we found interesting was the Bar Mitzvah. On a boy's 13th birthday he is considered an adult for religious purposes. To celebrate this the boy goes to the synagogue where he participates in the worship service with the help of a rabbi. The Bar Mitzvah compares, yet contrasts, with the Protestant confession of faith. They are both coming of age observances, but the Bar Mitzvah is given at a certain age while the confession of faith is done at a level of spiritual maturity.

The Jewish faith is one of many of the false religions that this class will study this year. Not only will we analyze the cultural facts of each religion, but we also study how to defend the faith against other faiths' false teachings. As it is our calling to go out into the world, we must be prepared for what we will face.

Hot Lunch Schedule

Sept. 28	Hot Dogs	1.25
	Chips	.50
	Pop.	.75
Oct. 5	Ham & Cheese	1.25
	Chips	.50
	Pop	.75
Oct. 12	BBQ	1.25
	Chips	.50
	Pop.	.75
Oct. 26	Tacos	1.25
	Pop	.75
Nov. 2	Spaghetti	2.25
	w/ bread	
	Pop	.75

A complete hot lunch schedule was mailed this summer in the information packet from the administrator to the students.

Congratulations Brandon!

Brandon Huisenga was among the 16,000 high school students named as National Merit Scholarship Semi-Finalists this September.

The first step in receiving this award was taking the Preliminary SAT / National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT) along with 1.3 million other juniors in the United States. The Semi-Finalists were the highest scoring entrants in each state, less than 1 percent of all high school seniors.

To become a Finalist, a student must show an outstanding academic record, be recommended by their principal, and earn SAT scores that confirm the student's performance in the PSAT. Many scholarship awards are available to students who advance to the Finalist level.

Volleyball Schedule

Sept. 23, 24	Calumet Baptist Varsity Tournament
Sept. 29	Luther East
Sept. 30	Calumet Baptist
Oct. 7	Covenant DeMotte
Oct. 12	Illinois Lutheran
Oct. 14	Ridgewood Baptist

The Evolution of Journalism at HCHS

By Lori Vermeer

The last Journalism class offered at Heritage was two years ago, was taught by Mr. Van Uffelen, and focused on *The Headliner*. Students wrote a couple of articles for it every month, and were responsible for editing each other's papers and revising their own before it was printed. Journalism was generally considered a club, not a course, although the participants received one credit for both semesters and did receive grades.

This year, the Journalism class designs and produces the school's yearbook, the *Sword and Shield*. Although this is the primary focus, we also write articles for *The Headliner* every two weeks. Anyone is able to enroll in the class, from freshmen to seniors. Class members receive 1 credit for both semesters, for though we work hard, we do get some study hall time.

The class in and of itself is not structured as other classes are. Many times we have to brainstorm for the yearbook. Recently we have been doing this to come up with ideas for the layout, fonts, and theme of the yearbook for this coming year. As we work, glorifying God must always be on the forefront of our minds so that our yearbook conveys the proper Christian perspective.

As we brainstorm, one idea leads to another, and all of them will come together to form our yearbook. Someone might suggest a layout, and others will bring their ideas in, making suggestions to improve it or to modify it for certain pages. Making the yearbook is a lot of work, most of the time fun, and sometimes frustrating, but always worth it in the end.

