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OAKWOOD SENIOR CLASS STATISTICS

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2010 our seniors scored higher on the SAT than local public schools & other area independent schools

2010 SAT Scores Average	The Oakwood School	Rocky Mount Academy	J.H. Rose High	Parrott Academy	NC	USA
Reading	599	*	522	611	498	501
Math	647	*	536	593	511	516
Writing	588	578	500	602	474	492
TOTAL	1834	1749	1558	1806	1483	1509

* RMA reports a combined reading & math score of 1171

DID YOU KNOW?

88% of our '09, '10 & '11 graduates were accepted at their first pick college & enrolled at their school of choice.

2009 -2011 Senior Class College Acceptances

* denotes colleges attended

- Appalachian State University
- Barton College*
- Butler University
- Campbell University*
- Case Western Reserve*
- Catawba College
- Clemson University (Engineering School)
- College of Charleston
- Denison University
- Drexel University
- ECU & ECU Honors College*
- Eckerd College
- Elon University*
- Furman University
- Gettysburg College
- Guilford College*
- Hampden-Sydney
- High Point University*
- Johns Hopkins University (Peabody Institute)
- Lynchburg College
- Methodist University
- North Carolina State University
- Oberlin College*
- Randolph Macon College
- Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
- Rhodes College
- Ringling College of Art & Design
- Rollins College*
- Salem College
- Savannah College of Art & Design*
- St. Mary's College

- SUNY at Buffalo
- Syracuse University
- Tulane University (Honors College)
- UNC- Asheville
- UNC- Chapel Hill*
- UNC- Greensboro
- UNC- Wilmington*
- University of Mary Washington
- University of Richmond
- University of South Carolina*
- Virginia Polytechnic Institute
- Warren Wilson College
- Washington & Lee University
- Western Carolina University
- Wingate University
- Wofford College
- Worcester Polytechnic Institute

Total Merit Scholarship Awards Offered in 2009-2011 = \$2,364,396

That is an average of \$94,576 per student over our three graduating classes.

DID YOU KNOW?

Oakwood has a full time college counselor who works one-on-one with US students *beginning in 8th grade* to prepare them for the college application & admissions process.

Contact Michelle Graziosi, College Counselor at mgraziosi@theoakwoodschool.org

<http://www.theoakwoodschool.org/upper/guidance.shtml>

2010 - 2011 ACADEMIC AWARDS

NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

National Merit Scholarship Program is an academic competition for recognition and scholarships that began in 1955 for high school students who take the PSAT/NMSQT test (roughly 1.5 million entrants initially.) Of these entrants, 50,000 qualify for Program Recognition. Within this group, 34,000 receive Letters of Commendation and within this group, 16,000 are selected as Semifinalists. In February of their Senior year, some 15,000 students out of this Semifinalist group will be selected as Finalists. Winners of scholarships are evaluated from the Finalists group based on academic record, school curricula, test scores, School Official written recommendation, student activities and leadership and the student's own essay. Thus far, **Brian Schroeder and Jon Schwartz** have been selected as Semifinalists! Congratulations!

OAKWOOD AWARDS

Awards Night at The Oakwood School on June 2, 2011 was an opportunity to recognize & honor students in grades 6 – 12 for outstanding achievements in the classroom & for contributions they have made making our community a better place. The Oakwood School fosters cooperation, collaboration, & community, & in keeping with this philosophy & in this spirit, these award recipients should be considered role models rather than

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as winners of a competition. All of the honors bestowed are presented with Oakwood’s mission statement in mind: *The Oakwood School seeks to instill in its students the strength of character, the creativity, & the wisdom to make a difference in the world.*

OAKWOOD MERIT SCHOLARS

Now in its fourth year, the Oakwood Merit Scholars competition is designed to further the mission of The Oakwood School by encouraging & rewarding excellence in academic achievement, character, & service. These merit-based scholarships are judged on a student interview, teacher recommendations, test scores & grades, a writing sample, & extracurricular activities. Students receiving the Oakwood Merit Scholar recognition are rewarded with a four-year financial scholarship to Oakwood. This year six Oakwood 8th graders received the award: **Jessica Bolin, Benjamin Lang, Hannah Martin, Elizabeth Needham, Biagio Covert-Rinaldi, and Ravi Tewari.**

GEOGRAPHY BEE

- **David Mehlhop** (4th grade) was the 2011 Oakwood School/National Geographic Society Geography Bee champion!!
- **Alex Adler** placed in the top three for the second year in a row—last year he placed second as well.
- **Charlie Price** was our third place winner.
- These students made it to the final round: **Andrew Conway, Arth Sharma, Brandon Brilliant**

Please congratulate all of our contestants for taking on the challenge:

4th Grade: **Ehab Alhosaini, Wesley Bolin, Brandon Brilliant, Brian Lin, David Mehlhop, Davis Noe, Charlie Price, Ira Sharma, 5th Grade: Alex Adler, Rahul Daggubati, Lachlan James, Joseph Schupp, Alex Teodorescu**

6th Grade: **Lowie Price Arth Sharma Erica Rascoe**

7th Grade: **Andrew Conway Caroline Howell**

SHAKESPEARE COMPETITION:

1st round Shakespeare school competition:

- **Eric Mossman** won the school Shakespeare
- Runner up was **Sue Ann Forrest**
- 3rd place went to **Nick Reed.**
- **Ellen Clark and Louis Bailey** received Honorable Mentions

Congratulations to **Eric Mossman** for being runner-up in the Shakespeare Regional Competition

TAR HEEL GIRLS STATE RECOGNITION

Tar Heel Girls State is a weeklong workshop on the legislative process sponsored by the North Carolina American Legion Auxiliary. 300 of North Carolina’s most promising rising high school senior girls come from every part of the state to learn about various parts of government. This year, **Caroline Collier** was Oakwood’s participant in the Tar Heel Girls State program.

DID YOU KNOW?

100% of our faculty have Bachelor’s Degrees, 55% have earned advanced degrees, and they have an average of 16 years teaching experience with 6.6 average years of tenure at Oakwood.

MIDDLE SCHOOL MATH OLYMPIAD

Middle School Math Olympiad 5 month long Competition awards. Twenty-eight students in grades 4-7 participated in this year’s contest. Each year, the Math Olympiad serves over 100,000 students on nearly 5,000 teams nationally and about 50,000 students on 2,000 teams in more than 30 other countries. The trophy for highest individual score on the team was awarded to **Brian Lin**, with a total score of 20 out of 25 points. The silver pin was awarded to those in the top 10% of all Math Olympiad participants worldwide. At Oakwood, **Brian Lin** (20 out of 25) and **Nathan Davis** (18 out of 25) were in this extraordinary group. The embroidered felt patch was awarded to those in the top 50% of all Math Olympiad participants worldwide. At Oakwood, 12 students achieved this distinction, including: **Brian Lin (20 points); Nathan Davis (18 points); Matt Cahill and Trevor Fu (16 points); Michael Skahill (14 points); Hayley Allen (13 points); David Mehlhop (12 points); Alex Adler (11 points); and Rahul Daggubati, Jackson Hunt, Alison Reeg, and Jeevan Tewari (10 points).**

MATH COMPETITIONS AWARDS

AMC

For over 50 years, The American Mathematics Competitions (AMC) has been rewarding excellence in mathematics through a series of national contests called the AMC 8, AMC 10, & AMC 12. Top scoring students in the nation are invited to compete in the prestigious United States American Mathematical Olympiad. Top scoring students in each school are recognized with certificates, pins, or medals.

AMC 8 category

Arick Grootveld

AMC 10 category

Michael Schroeder

AMC 12 category

Brian Schroeder

DID YOU KNOW?

The Oakwood School is the only independent school in Eastern NC to be dually accredited with the Southern Association of Independent Schools (SAIS) & Southern Association of Colleges & Schools (SACS). Oakwood will be going through the year-long re-accreditation process this school year ‘11-’12.

Oakwood also is an approved member of SEVP (Student and Exchange Visitor Program) by the US. Dept. of State.

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ECU MATH COMPETITION

This year, 16 students competed in the 33rd ECU Math Contest. Oakwood placed 2nd among all schools in the Algebra II division.

Algebra I - **Ravi Tewari, Arick Grootveld, Devon Shusterman**
Geometry - **Louis Bailey, Daniel Barondes, Kyndall Oakley, Colin Keiper**

Algebra II - **Michael Schroeder, Victor Garrido, Rebecca Rodriguez, Lauren Moore**

Comprehensive - **Brian Schroeder, Jon Schwartz, Jason Howell, Nick Reed, Logan Yarnell**

Individual Awards to **Michael Schroeder** who placed 2nd and then went on to the Algebra II Eastern Regional State Finals Mathematics Contest where he placed 3rd.

MATH COUNTS COMPETITION

Oakwood Students competed for the first time at the Math Counts competition. The top ten students who qualified to compete at the regional level were: **Aaron Barker 1st place, Devon Shusterman, Bethany Garrison 2nd place, Matt Cahill, Haley Reeg, Courtney Jones 3rd place, along with Ravi Tewari, Aurelia Monk, Arick Grootveld, and we needed a tie-breaker for our 10th student between Jackson Sears, William Martin, Alexis Hawk, Hannah Martin, David Deena, and Elizabeth Needham**

Arick Grootveld placed 5th in the Eastern Regionals.

SCIENCE OLYMPIAD

Thirty-one Upper and Middle School Oakwood students participated in the North Carolina Science Olympiad for the second time in 2011. The tournaments are rigorous academic competitions that consist of a series of hands-on & inquiry-based events in biology, earth science, environmental science, chemistry, physics, engineering, & technology. Congratulations to our Science Olympiad winners:

Middle school:

2nd place in Bottle Rocket-**Jack Heins and Elliott Triebenbacher**
2nd place in Junkyard Challenge-**Christopher Lindbeck and Evan Oakley**
2nd place in Solar System-**Matt Lopez and Andrew Conway**
3rd place in Fossils-**Aaron Lijoi and Matt Cahill**
3rd place in Meterology-**Mason Sayers and Jack Heins**
3rd place in Shock Value-**Christopher Lindbeck and Evan Oakley**

Upper School

2nd place in Towers-**Dwight Rish**

DID YOU KNOW?

Oakwood offers Spanish starting in Pre-K through 12th grade & Latin starting in the 6th grade.

ENVIROTHON

The Envirothon provides an opportunity for students to compete on a regional and state level. The competition is a fun, hands-on, natural science academic event that challenges and engages students to think critically about the natural world and their role in it. The Envirothon combines an in-class curriculum with outdoor training to help students learn and to experience more about **Aquatic Ecology, Forestry, Soils & Land Use, Wildlife and Current Environmental Issues**. For the past three years an outstanding group of students have represented The Oakwood School in this incredible academic competition. They put their hearts into studying and into working as a team. Because of this, they have earned a high ranking each year at regional competitions, and in turn competing at state level! The Oakwood School’s 2011 State Envirothon team:

Biagio Covert-Rinaldi
Casey Graziosi
Aurelia Monk
Haley Reeg
Courtney Jones
Baird Whichard
Elizabeth Needham
Jessica Bolin
Julia Bauer
Alexis Hawk
Olivia Nieto-Rickenbach
Casey Sokolovic
MacKenzie Urquhart

DID YOU KNOW?

There are over 20 clubs and programs in the Upper School and 7 clubs in the middle schools for students to be involved with outside of athletics?

The Oakwood Oracle, student newspaper, published 3 times in the spring of 2011.

DUKE TIP STATE RECOGNITION

The Duke University Talent Identification Program’s 7th Grade Talent Search identifies academically gifted 7th graders based on their outstanding performance on standardized tests. These candidates are invited to complete either the SAT or the ACT, providing them an opportunity to take an advanced level test & learn more about their academic strengths. Students who qualify for Duke TIP’s State Recognition scored at or above the national average on at least one part of a college entrance examination. In 2010-2011, **thirteen** students qualified to take the SAT or Act test. Two Oakwood Students qualified for the Duke TIP state recognition: **Katie Mullett and Devon Shusterman**.

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DID YOU KNOW?

Oakwood’s Student to Instructional Faculty Ratio is 8: 1. Our children receive the best individualized attention!

Our ERB scores outpace the national average!

VISUAL ARTS AWARDS

6th Grade Art Award

Cassie Ueland

7th Grade Art Award

Thomas Duncan

8th Grade Art Award

Olivia Nieto Rickenbach

Upper School Art Awards

Terry Johnson

Lauren Moore – Ceramics

Luke Warren - Ceramics

MUSIC AWARD

Jackie Hammond – Choral Scholar

DID YOU KNOW?

Since Oakwood’s inception 15 years ago on leased land with a tiny faculty serving 43 K-5th grade students in trailers, we have grown to occupy 4 buildings on 41 acres of land. In the 2010-2011 school year Oakwood’s faculty of 47 served a student body that has increased over 330% & includes students in grades PreK – 12 ending the year with the school’s highest enrollment of 349 students.

THE EAGLE AWARDS

Recipients of The Eagle Award exemplify the mission of The Oakwood School. They are chosen based on their strength of character, their creativity, & their contributions that make a difference at school & in the community.

6th Grade Eagle Award

Emily Gordon, Jessica Pabst, Kelly Oglesby

7th Grade Eagle Award

Caroline Corey, Katie Mullett, Ethan Rish

8th Grade Eagle Award

Aurelia Monk, Elizabeth Needham, Jackson Sears

9th Grade Eagle Award

Jennifer Pabst, Dwight Rish, Michael Schroeder

10th Grade Eagle Award

Miranda Daniels, Logan Garrison, Rebecca Rodriguez

11th Grade Eagle Award

Caroline Collier, Eric Mossman, Brian Schroeder

12th Grade Eagle Award

Sue Ann Forrest, Wes Hoag, Nick Reed

DID YOU KNOW?

Oakwood offers hands-on science labs starting in the 4th grade, along with intensive laptop computer training & Internet safety courses.

OAKWOOD SCHOLARS AWARD

The Oakwood Scholar Award is presented at each grade level to a student, or students, who have earned an outstanding grade point average in all of his/her courses. An Oakwood Scholar is knowledgeable as well as resourceful & motivated.

6th Grade Scholar Award: **Evan Oakley**

7th Grade Scholar Award: **Devon Shusterman**

8th Grade Scholar Award: **Bethany Garrison**

9th Grade Scholar Award: **Louis Bailey**

10th Grade Scholar Award: **Lauren Moore**

11th Grade Scholar Award: **Jon Schwartz**

12th Grade Scholar Award: **Ellen Clark**

THE VALEDICTORY AWARD

The valedictory award is presented to the graduating senior with the highest cumulative grade point average from grade nine through grade twelve. This year’s winner is a lifer at The Oakwood School, having started her education in Oakwood’s Kindergarten class, & throughout her journey at Oakwood she has excelled in the classroom. Congratulations to **Ellen Clark**, the 2011 Valedictorian.

DID YOU KNOW?

At a time when other schools are eliminating arts programs, Oakwood continues to support arts education with a variety of studio art courses, Suzuki-method violin instruction across all divisions, & two levels of chorus, band, jazz, & string ensembles. Growth continues with the introduction of drama and the Fine Arts Support Team (F.A.S.T) In the 2011-2012, dance is being offered. Additionally, our first Upper School play was held as well as smaller productions in Middle School and Lower School.

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THE FOUNDERS AWARD

The Founders' Award is The Oakwood School's preeminent honor. The award is named in honor of the original founding families of The Oakwood School who dared to envision an outstanding independent school in Eastern North Carolina & who worked tirelessly to make their dream a reality. The award is bestowed each year to a senior based on his or her outstanding contributions in areas including academics, leadership, or athletics. This student has made the Oakwood School a better place. This year the recipient of the Founders' Award is **Sue Ann Forrest**, who so richly deserves this award for all of her positive contributions throughout her four years at the Oakwood Upper School.

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2011, 26 upper school students completed a total of 43 advanced placement examinations & 61% achieved scores of 3 or above.

AP STATS

This year Oakwood has three AP Scholars, granted to students who received scores of 3 or higher on three or more AP exams: Caroline Collier, Eric Mossman, Logan Yarnell

Two AP Scholars with Honor, granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.25 on all AP exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on 4 or more exams: Alex Arsenault, Wes Hoag.

Two AP Scholars of Distinction, granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP exams taken and scores of 3 or higher on five or more exams: Brian Schroeder and Jon Schwartz.

2010-2011 ATHLETIC AWARDS

The Oakwood School is committed to providing competitive opportunities through interscholastic, recreational, & intramural sports programs. Through these opportunities students are encouraged to consider athletic participation at all levels as a vital part of their personal growth & their educational experience at The Oakwood School. On May 19, 2011 the Oakwood Athletic Awards Banquet was held at the Rock Springs Center to honor our athletes & coaches.

DID YOU KNOW?

In 2010 – 2011, 85% of our 7th through 12th graders participated in at least one sport and over 60 students in grades 1-9 received the Presidential Fitness Award.

2011 OAKWOOD ATHLETIC AWARDS

Female Oakwood Scholar Athlete of the Year Ellen Clark

Male Oakwood Scholar Athlete of the Year Nick Reed

Female CPIC Sportsmanship Award Hannah Clark

Male CPIC Sportsmanship Award Tre Hill

Oakwood Female Athlete of the Year Sue Ann Forrest

Oakwood Male Athlete of the Year Eric Mossman

MS Volleyball

MVP Brooke Smith

Coaches Haley Reeg

Most Improved Emily Allen

JV Volleyball - CPIC Champions; CPIC Tournament Champions

Cameron Leonhardt All Tournament

Jennifer Pabst All Tournament

Julia Bauer All Tournament

MVP Cameron Leonhardt

Coaches Award Jennifer Pabst

Most Improved Caroline Corey and Kendall Oakley

V Volleyball - #5 in State; CPIC Champions; CPIC Tournament Champions

Amy Gardner CPIC Coach of the Year

Caroline Collier All Conference/All Tournament/ Tournament MVP/All State

Ellen Clark All Conference/All Tournament

Sue Ann Forrest All Conference/All Tournament

Lauren Moore All Conference/All Tournament

Hannah Martin All Conference Honorable Mention

MVP Caroline Collier

Coaches Award Sue Ann Forrest/Ellen Clark

Most Improved Lauren Moore

V Cross Country

MVP Logan Yarnell

Coaches Award Arick Grootveld

Most Improved Colin Keiper

JV Boys Soccer

MVP Dwight Rish/ Jackson Sears

Coaches Award Aaron Barker

Most Improved Alex Norris

V Boys Soccer

Steven Mori Chavez All Conference Honorable Mention

Conner Sokolovic All Conference Honorable Mention

MVP Eric Mossman

Coaches Award Steven Mori Chavez/ Albert Tucci

Most Improved Michael Schroder

V Girls Tennis

MVP Erin Tucci

Coaches Award Sage Monroe

Most Improved Carla Mori Chavez

MS Boys Basketball

MVP Gray MacKenzie

MVP Defense Will Martin

Coaches Award Will Cooke

JV Girls Basketball

CPIC 2nd Place

MVP Erin Tucci

Coaches Award Hannah Martin/ Jennifer Pabst

Most Improved Kierston Sutherland

JV Boys Basketball

MVP Arick Grootveld

Coaches Award Dwight Rish

Most Improved Tre Burney

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V Boys Basketball

Jay Demery All Conference
Jerome Simmons All Conference
MVP Jay Demery
Coaches Award Eric Mossman
Most Improved Jerome Simmons

V Girls Basketball - CPIC Champions; CPIC Tournament Champions;

NCISSA State Runner-up
Shawn Moore CPIC Coach of the Year
Harmony Simpkins All Conference/Player of the Year/All
Tournament/Tournament MVP/All State
TeAmber Burke All conference/All Tournament
Lauren Moore All Conference/All Tournament
Ashanti Hardee All Conference
Sue Ann Forrest All Conference Honorable Mention
MVP Lauren Moore
Coaches Award Harmony Simpkins/TeAmber Burke
Team Before Self Caitlin Kram

V Cheerleading

MVP Sue Ann Forrest
Coaches Award Caroline Howell
Most Improved Auerila Monk

V Swimming - #2 in CPIC

Philip Perdue All Conference/Swimmer of the Year
Jon Schwartz All Conference
Conner Sokolovic All conference
MVP Philip Perdue
Coaches Award Casey Sokolovic
Most Improved Grace Borrelli

V Girls Soccer

Ellen Clark All Conference
Kierston Sutherland All Conference Honorable Mention
Carla Mori Chavez All Conference Honorable Mention
MVP Ellen Clark
Coaches Award Sage Monroe/Carla Mori Chavez
Most Improved Vicky Garrido

V Golf

Nic Engles All Conference
MVP Nic Engles

JV Boys Tennis

MVP Michael Schroder
Coaches Award Ben Lang
Most Improved Murnal Shah

V Boys Tennis - CPIC Champions; CPIC Tournament Runnerup;

NCISAA #4 in state tournament
Elliot Wickham Coach of the Year
Ravi Tewari All Conference
Luke Johnson All Conference/Flight 5 Runnerup in NCISAA
Will Martin All Conference
Jason Howell All Conference Honorable Mention
MVP Jason Howell
Coaches Award Ravi Tewari

Most Improved Jackson Sears

JV Baseball

Coaches Award David Deena/John Ferebee
Most Improved Patrick James

V Baseball

Eric Mossman All Conference
MVP Eric Mossman
Coaches Award Tre Hill
Most Improved Dwight Rish

V Softball - CPIC Champions/#4 in State

Lauren Moore All Conference/CPIC Player of the Year/All State
Emily Allen All Conference
Erin Tucci All Conference
MacKenzie Urquhart All Conference
Caroline Corey All Conference
MVP Lauren Moore
Coach Award Caroline Corey
Most Improved Hannah Martin

DID YOU KNOW?

The Oakwood School Summer camps had 18 camps over 8 weeks of the summer with a total number of 126 campers from Oakwood and beyond! This included 13 different instructors with activities from acting, to bugs, to college essays to sports camps!

DID YOU KNOW?

The Administration budgets for Professional Growth Opportunities and Faculty and Staff are encouraged to attend learning forums. There is a faculty committee that researches, reviews and recommends PGO to the Faculty and Staff. Mrs. Jones, Mr. Austin, Ms. Mayo, the Kindergarten teachers, and the Division Coordinators are just a few examples of those who participated in PGO in '10-'11.

FACULTY / STAFF HAPPENINGS

- Catherine Allen, 7th grade Humanities teacher was awarded a National Endowment for the Humanities stipend to study Dante's *Divine Comedy* in Siena, Italy for six weeks this past summer.
- Keyla Thompson, Upper School teacher, for being awarded a trip to Japan through the American Youth Leadership Program. This experience is supported by a grant from the U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs. She is one of 3 nationally chosen adults to take a group of students to Japan this summer.
- Art teacher Cindy Reed received a \$600 grant from the PSA to acquire materials for Upper School framing supplies.
- Art Teacher Nancy Winn received a \$1900 grant from the PSA new graphic software.

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- Second Grade teacher Mrs. Brown received a PSA grant for a \$1900 magnetic white board.
- LS Spanish Teacher Sra. Halligan received a \$500 PSA grant for a world languages expo.
- US teacher Ms. Thompson received a \$2000 PSA grant for Chemistry lab equipment.

DEVELOPMENT & “FRIEND” RAISING

As at many independent schools, The Oakwood School’s tuition & fees cover only a portion of the total cost of educating a student for one year. We rely on donations & gifts from parents, grandparents, relatives, & community benefactors to make up the difference in our operating budget. The (unaudited) 2010-2011 fundraising results are as follows:

Annual Giving Campaign	\$162,386
Restricted Gifts	\$43,132
Gift in Kind	42 Families
PSA Eagle Golf & Tennis Classic	\$21,094
PSA Auction	\$59,189
PSA combined other including Box Tops, Fall Festival, School Store, Retail Programs, Membership, etc.	\$19,998
Eagle Club Athletic Booster	\$23,337

DID YOU KNOW?

At the bi-annual PSA Auction, “Back to the 80s,” over \$59,000 was raised in a night of fun and fellowship. *THANK YOU to the volunteers & donors that helped to make this possible!*

PARENT LEADERSHIP, FUNDRAISING, & COMMUNITY VOLUNTEERISM

Our parents & supporters have numerous opportunities to donate their time, talents, & financial resources to support the mission of Oakwood. Thank you to the volunteers who made these service projects & fund & “friend” raising events possible!

Parent Service Association (PSA): The PSA exists to further the school’s vision, through volunteer work within the school, fundraising, education, & special events. Volunteer & fundraising opportunities include:

- Bake Sales
- Book Fair
- Box Tops for Education
- Class Parent or Room Parent
- Eagle Golf & Tennis Classic
- Back to the 80’s Auction
- Faculty/Staff Appreciation Events
- Grandparents Day
- PSA Membership
- Read-a-Thon
- Sally Foster
- Fall Festival

- School Store
- Welcome Reception
- New Family Orientation
- Back to School Volunteer Fair
- Big Step Breakfast
- Peanut Sales
- Retail programs with Target, Harris Teeter, Food Lion

Eagle Club Athletic Boosters: The purpose of the Club is to promote athletics at Oakwood in an atmosphere that is consistent with the educational philosophy of the school community. The Eagle Club (1) promotes school spirit & sportsmanship & encourages attendance at Oakwood athletic events, (2) encourages & supports the academic endeavors of Oakwood student athletes, (3) aids staff in organizing & staging special events & projects, & (4) supports staff in sports promotion, publicity, & program development. The Eagle Club also raises funds through concessions sales, special events, & admissions to be used to enhance the quality of our athletic program.

The most visible items provided by the Eagle Club in 2010-2011 were the Conference banners hanging in Monk gymnasium, two truckloads of sand for the baseball and softball fields and two GPS units for the buses. The Eagle Club also organizes the Athletic Banquet each Spring, funds the athletes’ trophies, and helps to defray the cost of the banquet admission price for athletes. We are in the process of getting poles and netting put up behind the soccer goals and shade huts for home and visitor soccer benches. This Fall we are also funding t-shirts for the “Monk Maniacs”, volleyball tournament fees, tennis facility charges, water coolers for basketball, new weights and equipment while working towards putting up dugout and foul fencing for the softball and baseball fields. A new soccer intramural program will start for 2nd – 5th graders in the fall.

Volunteer & fundraising opportunities include:

- Memberships – 111 - largest to date!
- Coach – Team & Intramural
- Spike It For Life Volleyball Cancer Benefit
- Fall Chicken Dinner Fundraiser
- Admissions/Concession Sales
- Athletic Awards Banquet

Board of Trustees Committees: The Board makes major policy decisions, but it accomplishes its work through committees & task forces:

- Admissions/Marketing
- Advisory Council
- Athletics (ad hoc)
- Committee on Trustees
- Development
- Executive
- Facilities
- Finance/Audit
- Policies & Procedures (ad hoc)
- Strategic Planning
- Technology (ad hoc)

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Other: Other volunteer opportunities include:

- Annual Giving Campaign
- Clerical Support
- Community Outreach / Service
- Educational Support
- Field Day
- Graduation
- Family Science Night
- Special Projects
- Upper School Development
- Photography
- Student Art Show at GMA
- Hosting Chinese Exchange Students

- Read & Recycle Week
- Jeans for Teens
- Urban Redevelopment Commission of the City of Greenville
- Environmental Council
- Hoops For Hearts

AND IF THAT IS NOT ENOUGH.....

SPEAKER SERIES

The Oakwood School Board of Trustees sponsored Peter Cobb who spoke to faculty on the Paradigm Shift of Education and to Parents on “Five Strategies for Parenting in the Digital Age.”

Culpepper Investments sponsored Finance Guru Manisha Thakor to speak to Oakwood and the greater community on personal finances.

SURVEYS

Surveys are conducted annually to the Parent Body, as well as internal survey assessments are completed by the faculty, the Board of Trustees and Head of School.

EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

There are so much other things continually happening at Oakwood aside from the items previously mentioned. Following is a small sampling of them:

Barnes and Noble Book Fair with continual events by all divisions throughout the day

Bowling Night

Sleepovers

Harry Potter Science Night

Relay for Life

3rd Grade Moving Up Ceremony

Singing Valentines

Blood Drive

New Family Picnic for Lower School

Admissions Open Houses

Parent to Parent Info Gatherings

Academic Open Houses

Transition Division Info Sessions

Curriculum info sessions for rising grades in LS and MS

Awards Banquet

Field Day

Graduation

All school assemblies

ANNUAL FUND

The 2010-2011 Annual Fund was a tremendous success!

Goal - \$145,000

Pledged - \$162,386 or 112% of goal

Total Parent Participation - 60%

Alum participation:

Class of 2009 - 33%

Class of 2010 - 16%

Grandparents: 132% of goal and what is even more fantastic is that an anonymous grandparent challenged other current grandparents to donate by matching first time givers dollar for dollar!

By division:

Lower School - 64%

Middle School - 58%

Upper School - 64%

THANK YOU to the volunteers and donors that helped to make this possible!

ANOTHER YEAR OF COMMUNITY SERVICE

Our Oakwood community continues to “make a difference in the world” through community service endeavors. Organizations we helped include:

- National Honor Society Toys for Tots
- Red Cross Tsunami Relief for Japan
- Campaign to collect gently used and new books for the A.P. Lutali Primary School on the island of Aunu'u in American Samoa
- Volleyball Cancer Fundraiser
- Breast Cancer Awareness
- Pennies for Pasta for Leukemia
- Ronald McDonald House
- Golden Living Center
- Eastern Wildlife Rehabilitation Center
- Cypress Glen
- Sea Turtle Hospital
- Coats for Kids
- Middle School Food Drive

DID YOU KNOW?

Beginning in 4th grade, classes take age and topic appropriate overnight trips culminating with the Off Campus Education Week in Upper School where students do either independent studies or participate in educational and community service trips to places such as China and Belize.

We have made every effort to include and recognize all graduates, students, athletes, faculty and staff, community service projects, parent volunteer efforts, booster club activities, and fund and friend raising development efforts. We do apologize in advance for any errors or omissions.

The Oakwood School seeks to instill in its students the strength of character, the creativity, and the wisdom to make a difference in the world.

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