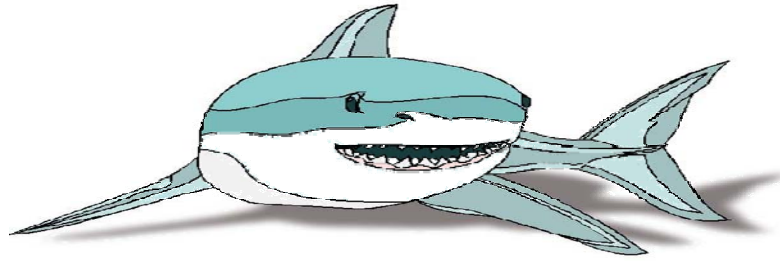


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London's Saatchi Gallery Invites Scenic Land Students to Display Art!

The Saatchi Gallery in London offers Scenic Land School students the opportunity to display their artwork in their virtual gallery and to participate in their annual art competitions. Ms. Castronova thinks that is an excellent opportunity to show the world some of our students' outstanding work.

No Student Left Indoors

Lewis Finch explained that *No Student Left Indoors* means that "Mrs. Card makes all students go outside everyday even if it's zero degrees and everything is covered with ice." Although Lewis is correct in his assumption, *No Student Left Indoors* is the name of the new course being developed by Mr. Michael Roddy. Every afternoon, Mr. Roddy and a few students make their way into the woods to quietly observe. Their purpose is to develop a Field Guide to the 5 acres of city-owned property bordered by Four Squares parking lot and the Mountain Creek. The students are identifying and documenting all living elements of the environments including plants and wildlife. When the Field Guide is complete and published, other teachers and residents of the area will be able to use the document to learn what exists in their own backyard!

Two Scenic Land Students Chosen As AEC Young Southern Writers

The poetry of Amber Pierce and prose of Lewis Finch were selected from 3568 entries as winners in the 2008 Young Southern Student Writers competition. The annual event was created in 1999 to nurture and recognize writing skills and reinforce the importance of the language arts. Students in grades K-12 submitted original work to be evaluated by the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga. The winning entries were made into a book, which along with a medal, was presented to the winners during an awards ceremony at Memorial Auditorium on Thursday, March 27. An additional copy of the book was given to Mrs. Gray who assisted the Lewis and Amber with their entries.



Amber Pierce and Lewis Finch show the medals they received during the Young Southern Student Awards ceremony recently held at Memorial Auditorium.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- 04/22 PSA on Main Street
- 04/28 CLOSED for Teacher In-service
- 04/30 ENVIRONMENTAL DAY @ Hiwassee
- 04/30 Book Report
- 05/06 Math GATEWAY
- 05/06 Iron Chef Cook-off
- 05/12 End-of-Course English 9
- 05/23 Annual Spring Festival
- 05/26 CLOSED, Records Day
- 05/27 End of Year Field Experience
- 05/28 Last day for ESP
- 05/29 Awards Day

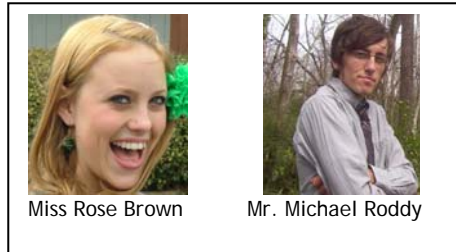
Welcome New Faculty



Miss Tiffany Tanner, teacher's aide, resigned from the Scenic Land Staff in December, in order to complete coursework toward a degree in Special Education from UTC. She said she would love to return to Scenic Land as a teacher upon graduation in December.



Miss Meredith White has joined the faculty on a limited basis. Miss White is a Special Education major and a long distance runner for UTC. As a student athlete, Miss White does not have much free-time, but she chooses to dedicate at least one hour per day to the children. She added that it is worth the effort to drive the 5 miles from UTC to Scenic Land for the opportunity to work with our students. Miss White is currently helping with activity period, followed by some 1-on-1 remediation instruction following



Miss Rose Brown

Mr. Michael Roddy

Miss Rose Brown's hours have changed. Her new duties include responsibilities in the computer lab during the morning hours. Miss Brown will be assisting students in the lab with computerized reading practice. Miss Brown also helps with lunch, Iron Chef and special events. And if you have been in the kitchen lately, she is the person responsible for the wonderful transformation from chaos to organization.

Mr. Michael Roddy joined the faculty in January as a part-time, certified Social Studies teacher. Mr. Roddy is also Wednesday's Think Tank instructor, and developer of a new course, *No Child Left Indoors!*

NEW/RETURNING STUDENT

Carter Houston joined Mrs. Voyles room in January. Carter is the son of Mrs. Tiffany Daniel and Mr. Mike Houston. Carter, a Georgia resident, says that Scenic Land is the greatest school ever!

Christopher Pool returned to Scenic Land in December, after a two year term in the public schools. "I'm so glad to be back," says Chris. "It just wasn't working at the other schools." The faculty and staff agree that it's great to have Christopher and his family back on campus.



Carter Houston

Christopher Pool

Alumni News

CHRIS BREWER stopped by the school to let everyone know that student life at Hickory Valley Christian School is GREAT! Chris also shared that he has been accepted by McCallie will be attending there next year.

GRACIE CARTER said everything is really cool at CSAS, where she is taking Honors Chemistry. Gracie entered CSAS as a freshman. With 3 high school courses completed at Scenic Land School, she was able to enter as a freshman with an edge over her peers.

DAVID FIHN returned for the annual talent show. David and friend played a duet on the Bass and violin. David will graduate from UMemphis in May. He plans on continuing his studies in Japan, working toward an MBA in International Business.

CHASE GRIFFIN AND JOSH MUSIKAR came to watch the talent show in their ROTC uniforms. Chase is in the gifted program at Red Bank High School and Josh is at Soddy Daisy.

GABRIELLE MOREHOUSE and KATELAND MILLWOOD stopped by the Talent Show to cheer the upcoming talent along. Kateland is studying diesel mechanics at Sequoia Vocational High School and Gabrielle is a senior at East Ridge High school.

ROSE BROWN, who is currently working on campus, is a home-schooled high school senior, preparing to graduate in May.

NEWS FLASH!



Math genius Daniel Lindsay passed *Math Facts in a Flash* for the 3rd time! Not only is Daniel the youngest student to pass Math Facts, he also holds the record for passing it the greatest number of times. A special plaque is being made to honor the students who are able to conquer the timed math facts. Math Facts require a student to correctly complete 40 math facts in 2 minutes. Facts span the scope of adding & subtracting to fractions and decimals. It is not an easy task to complete the program.



Chase Griffin



The Study of Racial & Religious Discrimination

Students in all grade levels are engaged in a study of racial & religious discrimination through literature. The assigned literature reading is listed below.

Homeroom	Title	Author
Voyles' Homeroom	<i>Cats of Krasinki Square</i>	Hesse
Baer's Homeroom	<i>Twenty and Ten</i>	Bishop
Gray's Homeroom	<i>Number the Stars</i>	Lowry
Scott's Homeroom	These students are preparing a documentary on how to write a historical fiction book	

The school's two new VIBE players and the audio CD of the above books are available for student use after school. Literature books are not read during class time. The reading is assigned for homework. Class time is used to discuss literary concepts found in the books such as plot development and major themes, and to consider the social issues presented.

T9 Students Preparing Documentary

T9 students in Mrs. Pierce's English class are engaged in a unique literature project. They are (a) taking part in a documentary filmed as they (b) are creating an historical fiction picture book for elementary readers. Since the fall E4TN course for T9 students included the classic *Night* by Elie Wiesel, the development of a children's book based on a non-threatening aspect of the holocaust seemed like a good alternative. The students plan to present the book and the documentary to the Scenic Land community during the Exit Presentation Day events on May 16th.

Student Newspaper Ready to Print

Students in media are preparing an April edition of "The Hammer". Newspaper staff include: Editor Luke Holmes, Math/Science Reporter James Treppard, Language Arts Reporter, Christian Gann, Social Studies Reporter Ryan Sarrell, Press Photographer Alex Augenstein. They share coverage of school events.

Students Recycling Program Continues

The recycling program began in October, with student wanting to recycle the daily newspapers that are donated to the school by Hale Realty. But as the daily newspapers piled up in the corner of the Shark Café and over the months spread to the next corner, it became evident that the paper recycle program was not working. Despite several trips to their community recycle center by faculty and staff, the accumulating papers continued to be a problem. The City would not provide curbside recycle because Four Squares is a business. After many calls, Mrs. Brown was able to locate a recycling company that would come to the Business Center once a week; however, they charge \$5 per week. The students are trying to find ways to fund the cost.

Photos from the *No Student Left Indoors* Course



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Comedy by Burke



Camera by Meredith



Zach, Ben and Nick

Week Beginning	Student Leader	Life Skill	Character Trait	Song of the Week
04.14.08	Mrs. Voyles	Nicholas Feingold	Announcing Self, Introducing Others	Patience (review) <i>Battle Hymn of the Republic</i>
04.21.08	Mrs. Scott	Aston DeBaillon	Interrupting	Generosity <i>Havah Nagilah</i>
04.28.08	Mr. Baer	Daniel Lindsay	Showing Appreciation	Generosity Review <i>The Sidewalks of New York (Chorus)</i>
05.05.08	Ms. Castronova	Benjamin Feingold	Responding to Teasing	Wisdom <i>The Yellow Rose of Texas</i>
05.12.08	Mrs. Voyles	Cole Pray	Internet Safety and Courtesy	Wisdom Review <i>Take Me Out to the Ballgame</i>
05.19.08	Mrs. Scott	Olivia Hamrick	Doorway Etiquette	Compassion <i>It's a Wonderful World</i>
05.26.08	Mr. Baer	Peter Bizzell	Maintaining Friendships	Compassion Review <i>June is Bustin' Out All Over</i>

Box Tops, Campbell Soup & Tyson Labels Homeroom Competition

The annual homeroom competition to see which homeroom collects the most *BoxTops for Education*, Campbell Soup and Tyson product labels will close on April 30, with the winning homeroom begin announced on May 2. Students should continue to give their labels to their homeroom teacher for counting. A wall graph is posted in the Great Room to chart each room's progress. Flyers were sent home in a recent Friday Folder listing the products that have the appropriate labels. (Important: some of the products require the UPC bar code as well. You can find that information in small print by the logo on the products.) Winners of the annual competition will enjoy an afternoon at the TN Bouldering Gym in St. Elmo. Two weeks to go!