

# *Cougar Connection*

December 2013 – January 2014

*High Point Christian Academy is committed to Christ-centered, quality education and academic excellence in partnership with family and church within a loving, caring atmosphere.*



## *Academy.. Academics.. Arts.. Athletics.. Alumni*

### **WELCOME TO "WALK-IN WEDNESDAY"**

"Walk-In Wednesday" is every Wednesday 8:30-11:30 am. Encourage friends and families with prospective students to drop by any Wednesday morning to tour the facility, ask questions about HPCA, or simply pick up an information packet to take home. They can "walk in" to the K-8 building lobby or the high school lobby and see the receptionist. Thank you for sharing this with your friends and associates. We will be expecting them!

[Link to a school map for the Lobby locations.](#)



### **862 WAYS TO SHARE GOD'S LOVE ... OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

HPCA and The Sonshine Fellowship at Green Street Baptist Church collected 862 shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. The 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Class traveled to Charlotte, one of 13 OCC Distribution centers, to help load the boxes. [Pictures.](#)



### **OUT-OF-THE-BOX WAS OUT-OF-THIS-WORLD!**

The Elementary Christmas Program, "Out-of-the-Box Christmas," was an outstanding success, with almost 250 children on stage, including the Preschool's 4-year olds, and a sanctuary full of parents and families. This presentation is always a highlight of our first semester and prepares our hearts for the Christmas season. [View pictures of the program.](#)



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[THE HOLY LAND, UPCLOSE AND PERSONAL](#) – By Pat Wheeler, K-8 Resource Teacher

[KINDERGARTENERS MAKING A DIFFERENCE](#) – Mission Project for Kindergarten classes

[PRESCHOOLERS BUY PIGS AND CHICKENS FOR IMPOVERISHED COMMUNITIES IN SOUTH ASIA](#)

### **SCORING BIG WITH SENIOR'S SERVICE PROJECT**

Senior SeoYoung Hwang, who scored a perfect 800 on her Math and Writing SAT, is from Seoul, Korea, and enrolled in HPCA as an 8<sup>th</sup> grader. She formed this year's 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Math Club as her Senior Service Project. [Read more about this outstanding HPCA senior.](#)



### **6TH GRADE SCIENCE MATTERS!**

The 6<sup>th</sup> grade science class is studying the States of Matter. The students did a series of experiments using dry ice, which sublimates from a solid to a gas without passing through the liquid state. [Picture gallery.](#)

### **HPCA ROBOTICS STUDENTS TEAM UP FOR DISASTER RECOVERY WITH GREEN STREET BAPTIST CHURCH**

The 2013 HPCA Robotics Team participated in the FLL Challenge, "Nature's Fury" in November. The team developed an innovative solution to help meet the needs of communities recovering from natural disasters. The team plans to implement the solution right here at Green Street Baptist Church to help the Disaster Recovery team stay organized! [Read more about the competition and the team.](#)



[more Academic links..](#)

[With the Motto, "Let us Lead by Serving Others," the JUNIOR BETA CLUB Now Totals 45 Members - Read More](#)

### **BAND AND CHORAL CHRISTMAS CONCERTS – MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL**

HPCA High School band and choir performed their annual Christmas concert on December 2<sup>nd</sup>, and the Middle School band and choir performed on December 9<sup>th</sup>. [Picture Gallery](#)



### **BAND AND CHOIR MEMBERS TRAVEL AND PERFORM**

The High School Choir and Women's Ensemble sang at the Piedmont Christian Home in their courtyard. HPCA was the first group to be able to come and perform and were able to do so in a way that we could share our music without entering the building and exposing the students to any sickness. Many of the residents expressed their thanks from the windows for our being able to come and sing. The Middle School Chorus was unable to perform there due to sickness at the Home.

The Middle School Band also performed for the Piedmont Christian Home. The Jazz Band played a great concert at River Landing in the evening, and also performed at the Piedmont Christian Home.



[more Arts links..](#)

[BEL CANTO STUDENTS \(4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Graders\) GIVE PERFORMANCE AT RIVER LANDING – link to souvenir photo](#)

### DINNER AND A GAME

The Booster Club hosted Dinner and a Game, featuring Coach Brandon Clifford's homemade Brunswick Stew. The evening included dinner, Kettlecorn, and inflatable fun for children. All proceeds go to the Booster Club, which fund Arts and Athletics at HPCA. [Learn about and Join the Booster Club today.](#)



### JEFF MURROW MEMORIAL ATHLETIC COMPLEX (JMMAC)

Jeff Murrow, a former parent and basketball coach, envisioned a new gym and athletic complex for the HPCA Cougars. His family has created the JMMAC fund to begin raising money to build his dream. [Give online now.](#)

### More Athletics links..

[100 COUGAR WINS!](#) – Coach Brandon Clifford got his 100<sup>th</sup> win as HPCA Boys Basketball Coach! Link to see the latest Athletic News on current and former players.

[MIND-BENDING TRICK SHOTS](#) – see HPCA Senior Zach Hamilton's famous shots with a soccer ball and a basketball goal, courtesy of Vine video!

[127 CHRISTMAS TREES LATER](#) – The Varsity Softball team says "Thank You." They raised money for their team and field maintenance.



### WINTER SPORTS [link to Winter webpage for rosters and schedules \(choose sport on left menu\)](#)

**MIDDLE SCHOOL:** Girls and Boys Basketball, Cheerleading

**JR. VARSITY:** Boys Basketball

**VARSITY:** Girls and Boys Swimming (grades 7-12), Girls and Boys Basketball, Cheerleading



### 12 SPORTS AND 33 COUGAR TEAMS

To see the list of teams and the conference opponents, [link here to the Athletics page.](#)

### 6 STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS!

Baseball, Softball, Boys Swimming (2x), Girls Swimming, Volleyball

### 44 ALUMNI IN COLLEGE ATHLETICS

Baseball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Football, Golf, Soccer, Softball, Swimming, Track, Volleyball

A 2014 Graduate will add Tennis to the list.

Link to see a [list of alumni athletes](#) representing HPCA in college.

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## SHOUT OUT TO ALUMNI

We are in search of alumni HPCA Senior Class Student Government Officers and Representatives. Please send us an email at [advancement@hpcacougars.org](mailto:advancement@hpcacougars.org). We would like all alumni to complete the [online info form](#).

## ALUMNI CONNECTIONS



## [LINK TO READ ABOUT THESE ALUMNI](#)

**Kolton White** (2012) – Kolton received his pilot’s license and enrolled in Air Force ROTC at Liberty University.

**Victoria Barnett** (2010) – HPCA internship for Spring 2014

Varsity Boys Basketball has four alumni as Assistant Coaches:

**Tyler Hester** (2008), **Carson Cashwell** (2008), **Peyton Merriam** (2007), **Andrew Steele** (2007)

**Sydney Curry, Alexa Keaney, Lauren Brommer** (2013) - Stopping by at Thanksgiving Break



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