
NEWSLETTER

A Word From the Administrator

Dear BCA Families,

As we close the chapter of another school year at BCA, I want to send a note of hope and encouragement. I am impressed by the books of Elisabeth Elliot, whose husband, Jim Elliot was killed by Auca Indians in Ecuador while they lived there as missionaries. In addition, her second husband died of cancer after four years of marriage. One day, while Elisabeth was looking through some old papers and letters, she found a poem her mother shared with her many years previous to her first marriage, entitled "Do the Next Thing." Elisabeth Elliot always took comfort in the fact that God is sovereign, and that God is in charge of all things. I believe with all my heart that that we have had a great school year over-all. Are there improvements to be made? Yes, there are always improvements to be made. But, we can rest in the assurance that Jesus has been shared in the classrooms, Jesus has been taught in the classrooms, and Jesus' love has radiated from the hearts of the staff and faculty this year. And, in between all of those above commas, our BCA students have learned much in the area of Christian scholarship and are prepared for the "next thing" (school year). May you have a wonderful summer season of fellowship, fun, and rest. I leave you with the poem, "Do the Next Thing."

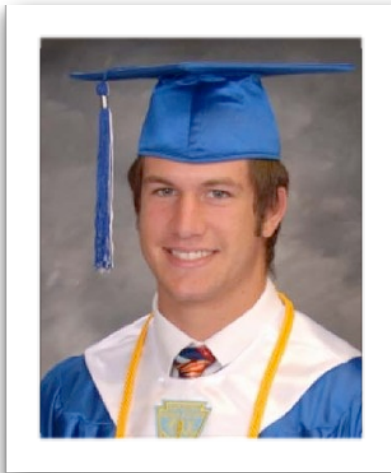
*Do the Next Thing
 Many a questioning, many a fear,
 Many a doubt, hath its quieting here.
 Moment by moment let down from Heaven,
 Time, opportunity, guidance, are given.
 Fear not tomorrows, Child of the King,
 Trust them with Jesus. DO THE NEXTTHING.*

*Do it immediately; do it with prayer;
 Do it reliantly, casting all care;
 Do it with reverence, tracing His hand
 Who placed it before thee with earnest command,
 Stayed on Omnipotence, safe 'neath His wing,
 Leave all resultings. DO THE NEXTTHING.*

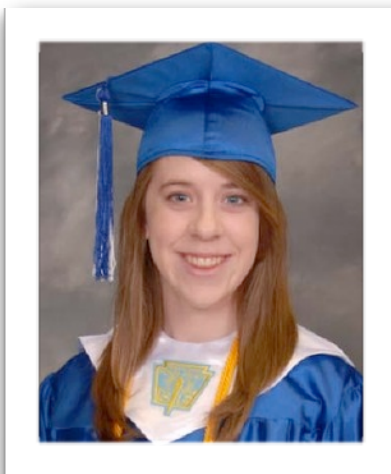
*Looking to Jesus, ever serener,
 (Working or suffering) be thy demeanor.
 In His dear presence, the rest of His calm,
 The light of His countenance be thy psalm.
 Strong in His faithfulness, praise and sing!
 Then, as He beckons thee, DO THE NEXTTHING.*

--Source Unknown

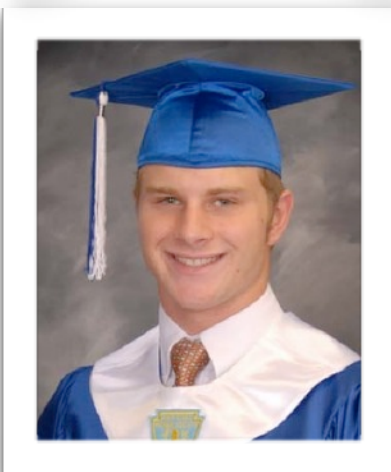
CONGRATULATIONS 2010 GRADUATES!



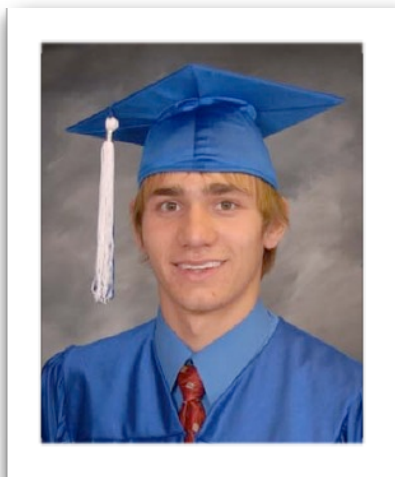
Lonnie Armstrong - Plans to attend Wentworth Military Academy in Lexington, MO after receiving a Falcon Foundation Scholarship through the Air Force Academy. Lonnie will be in the Service Academy Prep program, named the "Falcons". He will pursue a major in Mechanical Engineering and a minor in Automotive Engineering. Future Plans: After serving in the Air Force, Lonnie would like to reinvent automobiles and other products to make them more economical and practical. Major accomplishments at BCA: Going to State in football, music (solo) and art (sculpture), lead role in *The Sound of Music* and *Li'l Abner*, and "Birdie" in *Bye Bye Birdie*. Lonnie served as President of National Honor Society, sr. yr., was inducted into Mu Alpha Theta, was the drummer in the Praise Band and designed and built the Mobius coffee cup. Lonnie also served his church, First Baptist of Chappell Hill, as the AWANA game leader for the past 2 years. Lonnie has been at BCA since 5th grade and will miss his teachers and friends there very much. Lonnie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Les Armstrong.



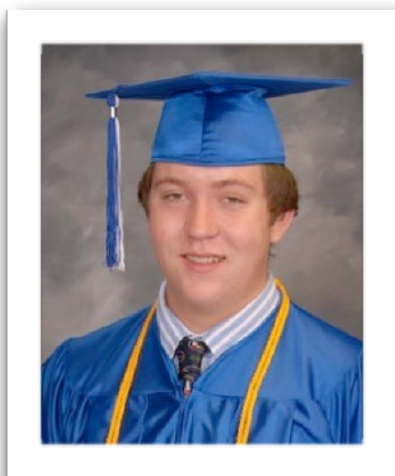
Laura Chelf (BCA Salutatorian) - Plans to attend Blinn College and transfer to Texas A&M or the University of Mary-Hardin Baylor pursuing a Major in Kinesiology and a Minor in Recreation. Future plans: To become a personal trainer, and learn how to train people to live healthy lifestyles and to stay fit. Major Accomplishments at BCA: Volleyball: Coaches Award; Best Defensive Player; 2nd Team All-District, Cheerleading: Most Improved; Best All-Around Cheerleader; Co-Captain, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Senior Class President, Bluebonnets Girls State 2009 Citizen, Student Council: Representative and Secretary, Drama (all 4 years), Presidential Award and Mark 10 Award. Scholarships: Leadership Scholarship to the University of Mary-Hardin Baylor approximately \$16,000.00; Crusader Scholarship approximately \$4576.00, State of Texas Tuition Equalization Grant approximately \$3808.00 and Blue Bell Scholarship for \$1000.00 per year for 4 years. Laura, the class salutatorian, has a 4.0508 GPA. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bruce Chelf.



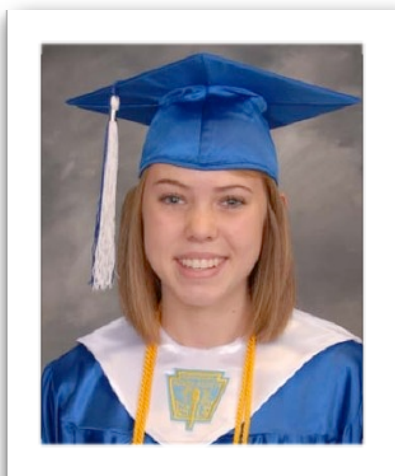
Travis Cole - Plans to attend Blinn College and transfer to Texas A&M pursuing a Major in Landscape Architecture. Future Plans: To own his own business. Major Accomplishments at BCA: Football: All-district QB and FS ('06-'09); All-State QB ('08-'09); State Game runner up; State MVP runner up; Senior All-Star game offensive MVP; TAPPS: State soloist ('08-'10); Basketball: All-District team ('07); Baseball: All-District short stop; Golf: State finalist ('09); National Honor Society; Student Council; Praise Band and Joshua Award, Scholarships: \$1,000 choir scholarship from Blinn College and Blinn Trustee Scholarship for tuition and fees. Travis is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Pat Cole.



Alex Huelsebusch - Plans to attend Blinn College to complete his basics and then transfer to A&M University pursuing a Major in Electronics Engineering Technology and Telecommunications Engineering Technology with a possible Minor in Audio Production. Future Plans: To own a corporation in a computer related field. Major Accomplishments at BCA: Brenham Chapter #144 Order of the Eastern Star Scholarship, Blinn College 10 hrs of Service Learning in the Academic Area of Natural Science, Mark 10 Award, A/B Honor Roll, Presidential Award, BCA Worship Band (2 yrs), Football Coaches Assistant (4 yrs), Coaches Award in Golf and opened "Technologic", a computer repair and networking business in Brenham. Alex is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Huelsebusch.



Seth Underwood - Plans to attend Blinn College pursuing a Major in Communications with a Minor in Foreign Languages and Business. Future Plans: To go into the field of sound engineering, and open his own recording studio. Major Accomplishments at BCA: O'Bliss Williams award, Coaches Award for most improved golfer, district winner 2008 & 2009, 4th place boys golf team state, Mu Alpha Theta, Student council 3 years, Senior Vice-President, Drama: Bye Bye Birdie and Anne Frank, and Missions trips to Ecuador and Zambia, Africa. Seth is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Underwood



Bailie Wilson (BCA Valedictorian) - Plans to attend Texas A&M with tuition exemption for her status as Valedictorian of her senior class. She will pursue a Major in English and Minor in Journalism. Future plans: To become a journalist and work as a writer for a magazine or newspaper. Major Accomplishments at BCA: Distinguished Scholar award (9th-11th), Highest GPA award (10th-11th), Leader in the drama departments all 4 years, Presidential award, Most improved golfer/state golf tournament (11th), Most spirited cheerleader (9th), National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, Varsity Cheer Captain (12th), Guitarist in the worship band and Valedictorian of the 2010 graduating class. Scholarships: DAR Good Citizen Scholarship for \$150.00 and Honor Scholarship to the University of Mary-Hardin Baylor approximately \$16,000.00. Bailie, the valedictorian, has a 4.2623 GPA. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Wilson.

FOR KIDS

& TEENS



Unity Theatre Summer Drama Camps



Let your Star shine!

Grades 2-6

This exciting and fun-filled program will introduce children to the magical world of theatre through improvisation, story-telling, movement, music and more!

Grades 7-12

This course is designed to challenge and stimulate young artists and build their self-confidence through exercises in acting and communication skills, sensory awareness and improvisation.



Entering grades 2-12



July 12 through 24

Two Fun-Filled Weeks

Showcase Performance: July 24

All classes meet

Monday through Friday

Grades 2-6: 10 am-Noon

Grades 7-8: 12:30-3 pm

Grades 9-12: 3:30-6 pm

Tuition: \$200

Registration Deadline: **June 15**



**For details, call:
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UnityBrenham.org



CHEER CAMPS

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June 1st-4th
Waxahachie, TX



JUNIOR HIGH
June 7th-10th
Brenham Christian
Academy

Summer Drama Camp!

For Children Entering Grades 2 through 12, July 12 through 24, 2010. All classes meet Monday through Friday for 2 weeks. Showcase Performance on July 24th.

Let your budding star shine in the spotlight this summer at Unity Theatre summer camp! Grades 2-6 10:00 am – noon. This exciting and fun-filled program will introduce children to the magical world of theatre through improvisation, storytelling, movement, music and more! Get your teenager off the couch this summer and bring them to us! Grades 7-8 12:30 – 3:00 pm. Grades 9-12 3:30 – 6:00 pm. This course is designed to challenge and stimulate young artists and build their self-confidence through exercises in acting and communication skills, sensory awareness and improvisation. .

Tuition: \$200, registration Deadline: June 15

For further details, contact Teresa Beckers, Executive Director:
teresa@unitybrenham.org or (979) 830-1460, ext. 12.

Dear BCA Families,

I received this wonderful devotion from a BCA parent in February and would like to share this with you in terms of the story of Gideon and his obedience to God.

Blessings,

Mrs. Marley

The Victory of Obedience

Judges 7:9-25

God providentially orchestrated each element of His plan for Israel's success. However, if Gideon had disobeyed even one divine command, his army would have suffered instant defeat. Although the Lord's ways may seem risky or illogical, we can always trust His indisputable wisdom and rely on His mighty power.

God encourages the fainthearted. When the Lord commanded Gideon to attack the enemy, He also provided a way to relieve the leader's fears. By following God's directions, Gideon was led to the exact location where he would hear an encouraging message that caused him to bow in worship and arise with great faith.

God removes the things we depend on. Gideon was marching to war with only 300 men armed with trumpets, pitchers, and torches. Their manpower seemed pitiful, and their weapons useless for battle. With traditional means of victory removed, they could rely only upon the Lord.

God works in the other camp on our behalf. Everything is perfectly timed when God is in control—even the parts we cannot see. While Gideon was obeying each divine command, the Lord was working behind the scenes in the enemy camp to ensure victory for Israel. In the confusion and fear of darkness, their panic led to self-destruction.

The key to a victorious Christian life is obedience. The Lord will faithfully supply you with instructions for each step as you follow Him. His way may not be the easiest or the most comfortable, but it is always the best. As you rely on Him, He will lead you to victory. For more biblical teaching and resources from Dr. Charles Stanley, please visit www.intouch.org.

Join Gideon's 300

God continues to broaden the scope of what BCA can and should offer to the communities it serves and to expand its reach into Brenham and the surrounding area. However, broadening our reach and building leaders through Christian scholarship requires investment, and that investment begins with each of us. Our generous gifts to BCA express our belief in our school, our programs, and our commitment to see our students make a difference wherever they are. Every gift to BCA works in a number of practical ways:

1. Improves the quality of education BCA students receive through better course offerings, improved teacher training, and more extracurricular activities
2. Expands and improves our facilities so that we can serve more students
3. Is tax deductible – your gift helps BCA, and it may reduce your tax liability at the same time
4. Helps us be good stewards of God's blessings and keeps them coming

Your voluntary financial gift helps BCA fulfill its mission to you, our students, and to generations of BCA students to come. By joining **Gideon's 300**, you become part of the 'army' God is raising to stand with BCA against the onslaught of popular culture.

At present, you may direct your gift in one of several ways:

Building & Construction Fund

The BCA Facilities Team is exploring the construction of a building that would include an area large enough to serve as a chapel, gymnasium, auditorium, and lunchroom. The building could also house other key spaces such as a library and science lab. Such a building would then allow conversion of all rooms presently used for these purposes into classrooms, further fueling BCA's growth.

Scholarships & Financial Aid

BCA helps qualified students attend school through its scholarship and tuition assistance program. The leadership of BCA believes that no deserving student should be denied access to a BCA education because of financial obstacles. An outside resource evaluates each financial need individually to ensure confidentiality and objectivity.

Unrestricted Gifts

Allows BCA to use the funds in the area of greatest need.

Print and complete the following card. Please drop by the office.

Yes! I want to join the Gideon's 300 Club

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

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Please direct my gift as follows (select one):

- Building & Construction
- Scholarships & Financial Aid
- Unrestricted

My Commitment to BCA:

- One time gift of \$_____ (enclosed)
- Monthly gift of \$_____

Level of Support (select one):

- Warrior \$25,000+
- Swordsman \$10,000-24,999
- Archer \$5,000-9,999
- Armor Bearer \$1,000-4,999
- Lamp Holder \$600-999
- Trumpeter \$300-599
- Soldier \$0-299

Thank you for your support!