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Our mission is to educate students who will serve God and impact the world through Biblical thought and action.

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May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in Him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.
Romans 15:13

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Delaware County Christian School (DC) Keynoter is published tri-annually to communicate our school vision and news to alumni, friends, family, and prayer partners of the school. Delaware County Christian School was established in 1950. Today, the school serves 740 Pre-K through Grade 12 students at two campuses in Newtown Square and Devon, PA.

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From the Head of School



Dear Friends,

As a new school year is upon us, we are already deeply engaged as a community of learners committed to advancing knowledge, growing in wisdom, and knowing God more deeply through all that we study and through each activity we pursue. Our faculty, staff, and administration have been engaged in rich discussions about what it means to be a Christian school rooted in the liberal arts - which for us include the arts, Biblical studies, the humanities, mathematics, and the sciences. Likewise, we also see our co-curricular programs as an enhancement of the liberal arts, facilitating within our students a better grasp and knowledge of the Holy through an engagement of the mind and body outside the classroom.

Considering what it means to be a liberal arts institution, to me, means bearing in mind what it means to truly teach Christianly and to bring every thought captive under the authority of Christ. As such, we, as a faculty, will continually talk about what teaching and learning from a historically Christian and biblical worldview means for each area of our curriculum, in each classroom, on the athletic field, on stage, and as we walk together as a community of believers. I am committed to perpetuating what our founders and subsequent leaders have established, never shying away from the Gospel, but proclaiming it through high standards for teachers, for our students, and for each member of the community.

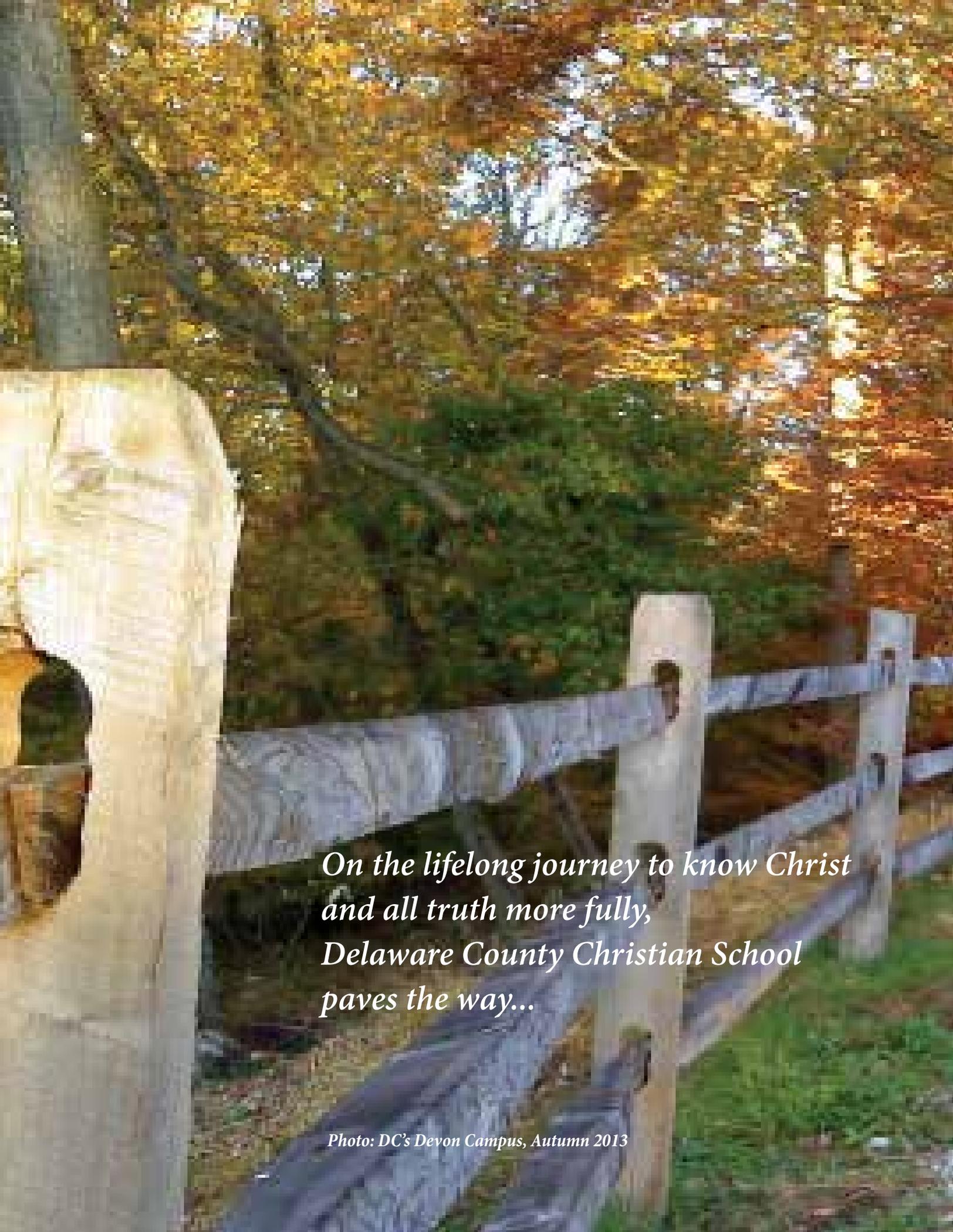
Established as an academic institution, DC was born to educate generations of Christian men and women who would graduate and leave our hallways and classrooms prepared to advance Christ's kingdom here on earth and for eternity. This means in every sphere of life - from politics, to the courtroom, to the hospital, into the classroom, from the pulpit, on Wall Street, to the ends of the earth, and into any field our students are called. We should pave the way as an institution and prepare our students to provide leadership that is so desperately needed in the world in which we live and engage, for we understand that to whom much is given, much is expected.

It is my desire that we remain confident in our great mission to educate students who will serve God and impact the world through biblical thought and action; that we never shy away from this mission and that we proclaim Christ in all we do, so the world around us, as Matthew has said, will see our good works and glorify our Father who is in Heaven.

Our calling is great. Our mission is bold. Yet, we have been equipped for such a time as this. We must therefore go forth with an unwavering spirit, making a difference, and building upon the solid foundation on which we have been built.

Soli Deo Gloria,
Timothy P. Wiens
Head of School





*On the lifelong journey to know Christ
and all truth more fully,
Delaware County Christian School
paves the way...*

Photo: DC's Devon Campus, Autumn 2013



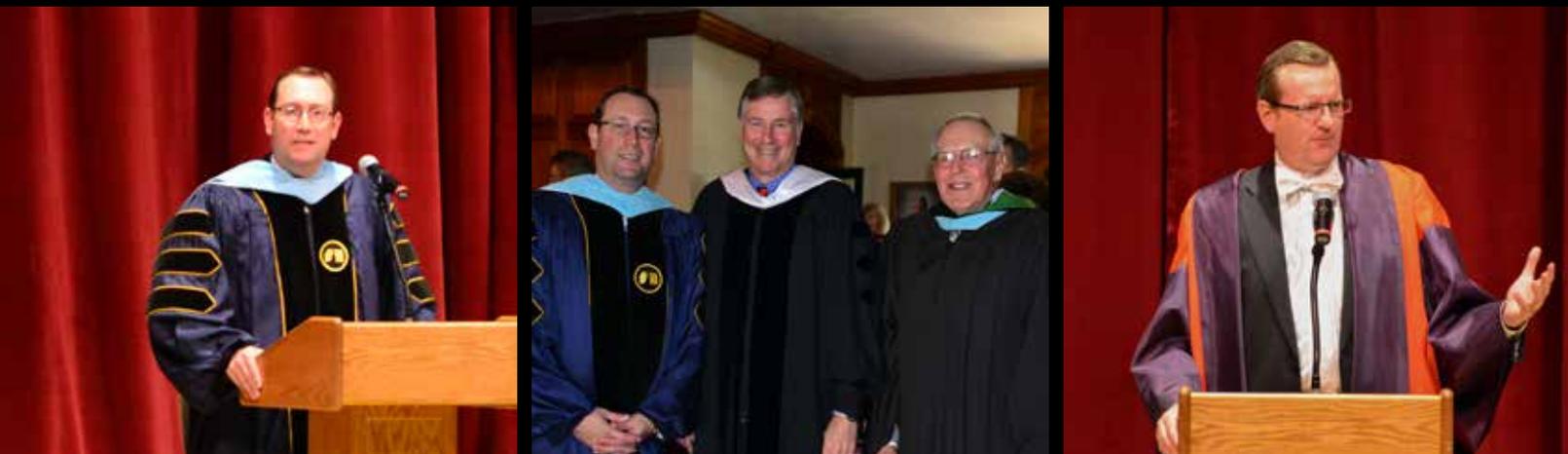
Discover the place where students thrive;
where heart and head knowledge go hand-in-hand.

Discover a passionate faculty; compelled to impart a love
of learning and of our Creator.

Discover the difference when students learn to reason critically and
act biblically; setting them on a course to serve God
and impact the world through biblical thought and action.

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Dr. Timothy P. Wiens Installed as Fourth Head of School

Against the backdrop of a beautiful autumn afternoon, members of the DC community gathered on October 20th to officially install Dr. Timothy P. Wiens as the fourth Head of School in our institution's sixty-four year history.

Hosted and organized by the Board of Trustees, key speakers included former head, Dr. Steve Dill; Board of Trustees President, Mr. David Nichols; Mrs. Patricia Wiens, mother of Dr. Wiens; and alumni parent Dr. Phil Ryken, President of Wheaton College. All of the participants attested to God's faithfulness and leading in the history of our school, throughout the leadership transition process and in the calling and preparation in Dr. Wiens' life to serve the Lord in Christian education and specifically at Delaware County Christian School. Following acknowledgements to the service participants and to his wife, Katie, Dr. Wiens shared the following thoughts on his vision for Delaware County Christian School.

First, I am at DC because I am committed to Christ's call on my life to support Christian education and to better enable our students and families to do as the Westminster Shorter Catechism suggests – to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever. What could be better than knowing God so fully that we delight in all of life and learning, knowing, as St. Augustine has said, where truth is found it is our Lord's.

Second, in part, I came to DC because of your reputation within the Christian school world and the good work that has been done over the past sixty-four years. DC is a school that holds a national reputation as one of the finest Christian schools in the U.S. However, I want you to know that I do not want us to rest there. We must seek to be a leader in schooling, not just within Christian schooling. For those of you who have listened to me in the past, you know that my belief is that if we are to do everything as if unto Christ, then we must always strive to be the best – not for personal glory, but for the glory of God alone. This will be a statement I make frequently as we seek to build upon the strong foundations that are already in place and as we seek to make a difference as we engage and impact the world.



Pictured above, from L to R: Dr. Timothy P. Wiens; Dr. Wiens with former Heads of School, Dr. Steve Dill and Mr. Ken Tanis; Eighth grade students, Katie and Caroline Castell; Mrs. Patricia Wiens, mother of Dr. Wiens. Below: Tim and Katie Wiens with son, Eliot.

Third, I am committed to the Christian liberal arts tradition and what it can do to impact minds, hearts, and lives. I will seek to build upon our liberal arts foundations and strengthen all programs through a greater understanding of the liberal arts and how they can help us better understand our own humanity – sharing common grace and being made in Imago Dei - in the image of God; how the liberal arts can help us better understand the good and the beautiful through the study of the humanities, the sciences, mathematics, and through the arts; and most importantly, how the liberal arts can draw us to a better understanding of the Holy.

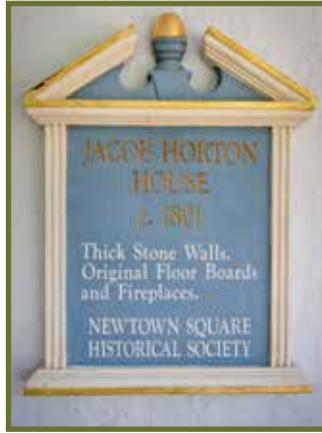
Finally, I am committed to the work of parents, knowing that we come alongside of you, your children's first teachers. We do not replace you, we bolster and augment you. We do not supersede you, we supplement and enhance your work as parents. We build on the foundations you have and will continue to build. However, know that we may challenge you. We may ask you to consider new ideas and perspectives, knowing many varying cultures and communities are represented within this one family we call DC. And we will definitely push you and your children to think deeply, to seek fully, and to commit to an ethos of a community committed to excellence. Only through community rooted in family will we understand and succeed at meeting our mission to educate students who will serve God and impact the world through biblical thought and action.

Again, thank you all for being here today and for sharing in this special celebration as we dedicate the coming years to scholarship, to leadership, and to service that enables all within our community to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever.





*Renovations
Breathe New
Life Into DC's
Farmhouse*



Maintaining the house's historical character, the renovations have breathed new life into the house listed on the Newtown Township historical register as "The Jacob Horton House".

In 1964, the Delaware County Christian School Society purchased a five acre parcel flanked by Goshen and Malin Roads. This acreage was situated on gently sloping land, anchored by a farmhouse and barn on the edge of the property's Goshen Road boundary. A springhouse and pond defined the view from the rear of the farmhouse. Many DC "lifers" from the mid 1960's through the early 1980's recall kindergarten in the barn, recess on the jungle gym in the former barnyard and the long walk up the hill past the carriage house to where "the big kids" were.

Over the years, bulldozers and backhoes leveled and re-graded the sloping landscape, filling in the pond and razing the springhouse to make way for much needed athletic fields. Kindergarten moved from the barn in 1983 when grades K-5 were relocated to the former Alice Grim School on West Chester Pike in the heart of Newtown Square. From 1964 through the 1970's the

farmhouse provided rental income to the school. It was then occupied by Ken Tanis (DC's second Headmaster) and his family from 1980-2001. Since that time, the property has been used for faculty housing.

When Dr. Tim Wiens accepted the call to become DC's fourth Head of School, it meant a move for his family from the Chicago area. The idea of living on campus was particularly appealing to Tim and his wife, Katie, for multiple reasons. Beyond the basic provision of a "dream commute" for Tim, both saw that with some much needed TLC, the farmhouse could become both a wonderful home for their family, and a place where members of the DC community could gather for fellowship. With that vision in mind, renovation plans for the farmhouse were set in motion last spring. With Director of Facilities, Scott Ryle '81 at the helm, the galley kitchen and dining room were combined to create a common

kitchen and dining space. In addition, the former library entryway was redesigned to house a first floor laundry room and half-bath; thus creating a more defined entry hall.

Now that the Wiens have occupied the house for almost six months, their vision for the 1801 historic farmhouse has become reality. Since August, they have hosted a day long senior leadership retreat, a reception for new school parents, two alumni gatherings and "First Fridays", where members of the senior class are invited to a monthly breakfast. While maintaining much of the house's historical character, the renovations have breathed new life into the house listed on the Newtown Township historical register as "The Jacob Horton House". It is the Wiens' prayer and desire that the Horton House will become a central backdrop to the amazing fellowship that exists within the Delaware County Christian School community – a true distinctive of our school.

Focus on Academics

Initiatives for the 2013-14

Academic Year

Under the direction of Mrs. Robin Bronkema, Dean of Academics, DC is embarking on three significant academic initiatives for the current school year.



Jeff Wisnewski, History Teacher

1:1 Initiative

At the upper campus, the 1:1 initiative has launched a student pilot in AP Statistics and in the senior Bible class, Apologetics and Christian Thought. Specifically, the pilot is exploring the use of Chromebooks as a tool to enhance learning, deepen critical thinking, and facilitate collaboration and community. On a recent in-service day, teachers visited other schools with 1:1 initiatives. They observed in classrooms, spoke with teachers and administrators, and asked questions of students to learn about the process, highlights and challenges other schools have encountered in implementing a 1:1 initiative. Professional development is ongoing, with Moodle Mondays and Tech Tuesdays, online tutorials, and discussion within department teams. Additional training through in-house Educational Technology Coaches (ETCs) demonstrating “mock classes” is in the planning stages.

Differentiated Instruction

The elementary campus is in its second year of professional development in the area differentiated instruction. Teachers are building on their learning of last year by exploring ways their teams can develop instructional strategies to deepen learning based on student readiness, student learning profile, and student interest.



Social Studies/History Curriculum Review

A team of PK-12 history and social studies teachers is conducting a review of our history/social studies curriculum. The team is considering curricula that would increase our emphasis on world history and global studies in the elementary and middle school grades. Through analyzing our own curriculum maps, contacting other schools to inquire about their curricula, and investigating various texts and other resources, the team is well positioned to ensure a rigorous, comprehensive, and relevant curriculum for students PK-12.

National Merit Semifinalist Scholars

Congratulations to seniors

AARON ELCOCK and VICTORIA KRAVETS

who were recently named as Semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship Program. Aaron and Victoria are among 16,000 Semifinalists from a nationwide pool of students competing for National Merit Scholarships. Students earning National Merit Semifinalist recognition represent less than one percent of U.S. high school seniors. This elite group will now move on to the next step of becoming National Merit Finalists. Next spring, all Finalists will compete for 8,000 National Merit Scholarships which are awarded from a pool of approximately \$35 million.

Congratulations to senior DREW DARBY

who was recognized as a National Merit Commended Student by the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Announcing our 2013-2014 Templeton & Witherspoon Scholars

DC provides several scholarships for students entering grades 9-12 to encourage academically talented students.

Drs. John and Pina Templeton provide funding each year for the Templeton Scholars. Sixteen recipients are selected annually for this distinction and each receive a scholarship in the amount of \$1,500. The Templetons see this gift as a way to encourage capable young Christian men and women to consider service to the Lord through medical and scientific careers.

Provided by an anonymous donor, The Witherspoon Scholarships are awarded to students who embody Christian scholarship, leadership and service to Jesus Christ. Sixteen recipients are awarded \$1,500 to \$2,500 on a year-to-year basis.

Congratulations to this year's Templeton Scholars:

Class of 2014 - Tori Eppright, Stephanie Meell, Alex Payne

Class of 2015 - Fiona Eichinger, Jamie Madison, Gia Park, Sophie Worthington-Kirsh

Class of 2016 - Olivia Han, Rachel Meell, Madison Rhine

Class of 2017 - Jamie Fitzgerald, Jedaiah Ngalande, Nathan Reese, Christian Yanes

Congratulations to this year's Witherspoon Scholars:

Class of 2014 - Victoria Kravets, Mia Jasinski, Natalie Storti, Daniel Yeung

Class of 2015 - Katherine Nichols, John Reese, Hannah Schaafsma, Ellie Schmucker

Class of 2016 - Elizabeth Yeung, Abby McManus

Class of 2017 - Ava Berzinsky, Ronnie Marie Falasco, Jonny Hughes, Kaley Matthews

A Strong Foundation is Elementary

Christian education in the early, foundational years of a student's life is a valuable investment that parents will not regret. At the elementary level we strive to provide solid academics and strong biblical teaching in order to lay the building blocks upon which all future learning can take place. Young children and school age children are naturally curious about their world, about people, about the way things work and how things work together. One step into a kindergarten class will reveal students asking questions about why the sun is so hot, why we cannot see the wind, and why they have to eat their healthy food before their treats.



Pictured above and right: Joy Ludwig and Pre-K Students "hunt" for signs of Fall.

"even at the earliest ages

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This curiosity continues in the older grades when students ask how God can be on both sides of the world at the same time, how do we know the earth has three layers, and why do we need time zones. The answers to these and other essential content is taught through the lens of Scripture, so that even at the earliest ages we are laying the foundation for the development of a Christian worldview that will serve students well as they grow and makes sense of their world. It is our desire that with this foundation, students will learn about God's love for them in a personal way and begin to think critically and reason biblically as they anchor future learning on the foundation laid in their elementary years.

DC5K

The School's the Winner

DC's second annual 5K and one mile fun run and walk took place on Saturday, November 9th. This event is rapidly gaining momentum as a mainstay activity for all ages in the DC community. With over 250 registrants and a great group of corporate sponsors supporting the event, the race raised a total of \$7,500 for The Annual Fund for DC.

The overall winner of the race was Mark Falcone, who finished the course in 18 minutes 41 seconds. Close on his heels was DC junior and cross-country team member, Colin Campbell with a time of 18 minutes 44 seconds. The top female runner was DC seventh grader, Bethany Hutzel, who ran the course in 22 minutes and 36 seconds.

Other category winners included eighth graders Caroline Castelli and Charlie Schaefer, sophomore Beth Yeung, DC teachers Margaret Robbins, Ross Gunderson and Vera Cobourn and DC parents Heather Dill, Elizabeth Stahl and Craig Tanis.



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THE FRESHMAN
Launch



“ROUGHING IT”

Yields a Smooth Start to the School Year

THE FRESHMAN LAUNCH is quickly becoming a much anticipated event. This mandatory trip for all ninth graders is designed to move students out of their comfort zones with the express purpose of building class unity, honing teamwork skills and strengthening relationships with the Lord and friends - old and new.

This year’s freshman class spent four days and three nights in late August camping together in beautiful Caledonia State Park. Located in Fayetteville, PA, halfway between Chambersburg and Gettysburg, Caledonia’s geographic location and natural resources provided the perfect setting in which to execute the trip objectives. Students enjoyed canoeing, rock climbing and hiking on the Appalachian Trail. Evening activities included a time of worship and bible study around the campfire. Of course, eating a few s’mores was the perfect way to end the students’ busy days.

Ron Hoch, DC’s Director of Student Life, was instrumental in planning this year’s Freshman Launch. His reflections on the trip concluded that “fun was had by all and I firmly believe that the trip brought the class closer together and served as a great start to their time in high school at DC.”

Through both challenging and “just plain fun” experiences, this group of students came together, strengthened their relationships with the Lord and one another and paved the way for a successful launch into their high school careers.



Around Campus...





Powder Puff

It was an intense competition for the DC juniors (pink) and seniors (black) at the Powder Puff game on the Friday evening preceding Fall Sports Day.



Chrome Books *Are Here!*

All seniors received a Chrome Book in early October as part of DC's 1:1 initiative. The initiative will expand in January, 2014 when Chrome Books will be issued to all underclassmen.



Around Campus...

On The Watch

Sixth graders tracking the annual hawk migration through Southeastern PA were on the watch at nearby Rose Tree Park in Media in October.



Grandparents Head Back to School

Middle school students welcomed grandparents into their classrooms on October 4th. This special day afforded grandparents the opportunity to tour campus, enjoy a special program, and share a lunch period with their grandchildren.



Jack and The Giant Beanstalk

Over thirty students under the direction of Maria Mahalik delighted audiences on November 1st and 2nd with three productions of an adaptation of the well-beloved childhood tale featuring a boy, some beans, and a giant who bellows “Fee-Fi-Fo-Fum”.





MIDDLE SCHOOL

Around Campus

Fly, Fly, Away

Third graders studying Monarch butterflies marveled at God's creation and gained a deeper understanding of 2 Cor. 5:17 -

"Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: the old has gone, the new is here!"





FALL Fest

Painted pumpkins, scratchy hay, dollar dogs and plenty of sunshine – all the right ingredients for a perfect Fall Fest Saturday! Mr. B and his popular “Hopper Toss” game was a hit with all.



Ropes Course

Fifth graders took to DC's Ropes Course on the Devon Campus in September. Working through the various components of the course takes great teamwork and builds class unity.



Focus on the Arts



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DELAWARE COUNTY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL



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Friends of the Arts supports students and faculty in all areas of the arts through volunteering, fundraising, advocacy and prayer.

Visit www.dccs.org/fota to learn how you can support the arts at DC.



Alumnus Spotlight

Martha Mingle '08 is currently working towards a Masters in Music-Collaborative Piano at Juilliard, NYC. Recently she sat down and reflected on her involvement with DC's fine arts.

"I became involved with music at DC at an early age. I participated in choir with Mrs. Bussey, where I sang in the large chorus, worked in a smaller ensemble, and accompanied on the piano. However, I also chose to try my hand in visual arts with Mrs. Unger, and theater with Mr. Smalley. While I would not necessarily say that I excelled and shone in either of these settings, I do know that I grew as an artist, which inevitably and positively impacted my work at the piano. I believe that, no matter the medium, all artists share at their core a desire and ability to create, and as a result it is greatly enlightening, motivational, enriching, inspiring, and rewarding to explore all art fields, not merely one's particular area of expertise. Through participation in the arts, we can experience a richer and fuller life and fulfill an emotional and spiritual need - the need for a lens of beauty, creativity, inspiration, and imagination through which to view and understand life. At DC, I had the opportunity to explore creativity in a safe and supportive environment. I am thankful for my time at DC, for the teachers who patiently worked with me, and for the growth there that contributed to the artist and the person that I am today.



Delaware County Youth Orchestra

Three DC students were recently selected to participate in the Delaware County Youth Orchestra: Rachel Wilkinson (Class of 2014), french horn; Natalie Kim (Class of 2018), violin; and Michael Alford (Class of 2017), french horn. Chosen by audition, the orchestra rehearses weekly to prepare a concert of high quality orchestral literature during each session. The orchestra's next performance will take place at 3:00p.m. at Neumann University in Aston, PA on February 23, 2014.

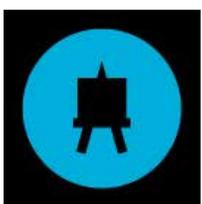


DC Players Take to the Stage with *Tartuffe* and *The God Committee*

DC Players continued their annual tradition of presenting two student directed one act shows on November 15th and 16th.

The troupe's production of *Tartuffe*, an adaptation of Moliere's original 1664 script, was a favorite with the cast and audience alike. On the more serious side, *The God Committee* provided a glimpse into the complication of determining heart transplant recipients.

Congratulations to the Directors, Cast & Crew for presenting these two quality shows. Directors: Tasha Berol and Robert DiBartolomeo Actors: Abby Scott, Charles Cobourn, Emily Quillen, Jonathan Hughes, Monica Powell, Colin Smith, Theresa Hughes, Josh VanMeerbeke, Rachel Anstatt, Stephen Hansen, Elena Rapp, Kayla Cole, Abigail Weaver, Alex Payne, Graham Smalls, DeVicka Cheston, Lily Farinas, Micah Skinner, Davis O'Leary
Stage Managers: Kayla Cole and Sunny Shin



Photography

The high school art department is pleased to announce the appointment of Mr. Chris Leaman as a part-time photography instructor. Chris, a professional photographer and former school parent, is teaching a digital photography elective as well as electives in introductory and advanced black and white photography.

Focus on the Faculty

Remembering Lucy Johnston Staley

Lucille Johnston Staley died on Saturday, July 13 at the age of 95. She was predeceased by her husband, Harold Staley, whom she married following her retirement from DC in 1983. Lucy's ministry at DC as a classroom teacher and elementary principal spanned a 28 year period that began in 1955. Upon her retirement, DC faculty member and alumnus, Dave McDonald '72 reflected on Lucy's legacy. He wrote "When Miss Johnston began her career at DC, it was just a small school meeting in the rooms of a country mansion. There were inconveniences and there were 'growing pains' as the school expanded. Miss Johnston made many sacrifices in order to come to DC and during her years at the school she would continue to make sacrifices for the good of the school. She made them gladly. She taught us as students to make sacrifices and to make them gladly. There were many things we would have liked but we did without. We learned to do without with joy". In preparation for DC's fortieth anniversary celebration in 1990, Lucy was asked to share her recollections of the time she spent at our school. Towards the end of her handwritten four page notes she stated "My prayer for DC has never changed. Since 1955, when I became a part of the faculty, I have continuously asked God to make and keep the school a dynamic power house radiating the glory and faithfulness of God through the students, parents and faculty." Amen and amen. Lucy's deep love for her Savior and unwavering commitment to Christian education left a lasting impression on our school and in the hearts of all those who knew her.

Familiar Faces – New Roles for the 2013-14 School Year

Robin Bronkema was recently named as DC's Dean of Academics. Appointed in 2010, Robin most recently served as Director of Curriculum and Instruction. She is a graduate of Swarthmore College, and earned an Ed.M. from Harvard University Graduate School of Education. She is currently working on her Ph.D. in education at Eastern University. Robin and her husband David are the parents of three DC students.



Andrew Smalley came to DC in 2001 and has worked tirelessly to raise the caliber of DC's drama department. In addition to his classroom and production responsibilities, Andrew also served for several years as Dean of Students. This past fall, he assumed the role of Director of the Arts. In this newly created position, Andrew is overseeing all of DC's fine art programs and initiatives including the reorganization and launching of a volunteer base of parents, alumni parents and other friends of DC through the Friends of the Arts organization.

DC Welcomes an Amazing New Group of Faculty & Staff



Front: David Bird, Heather Miller (Pre-K Teacher Aide), Deborah Thomas (Discovery Center), Dayna Torrieri (MS/HS Science and MS Mathematics), Jubilee Hsieh (MS Mathematics and Science), Brook Pauley (HS Guidance), Katie Kling (MS/HS History) *Back:* Ross Gunderson (HS Physics), Justine Bellandi (Elementary Enrichment), Mike Burd (COO), Mike Militello (HS Mathematics), Christi Rhine (MS Reading), Samantha Bowman (Facilities Administrative Assistant)

Alumni News & Notes

LOOK WHO'S HERE!

DC Alumni Join Ranks of the Faculty & Staff



*Alex Szucs
Retires After
Nearly Six
Decades*

Alex Szucs began his career in teaching at DC back in 1955. Beyond the classroom, Alex served DC tirelessly in many capacities. However, his interest and abilities in photography sparked many a student to view and capture the world through the camera lens. After retiring from full time teaching in, Alex continued to teach photography on a part-time basis through the end of the 2013 school year. Thank you, Mr. Szucs for your many years of service to the ministry of DC!



*Introducing
Michael Burd*

Mike joined DC as Chief Operating Officer in August 2013, having moved to the area from Wheaton IL. He most recently served as managing director and chief financial officer of Wrightwood Capital LLC, a provider of institutional capital to the US commercial real estate sector. This followed a 30 year career as an investment banker, concluding as head of A.G. Edwards & Sons' financial services and real estate practice. He received an MBA from Harvard Business School and a BA in history from Stanford University. Michael's prior ministry service includes positions on the boards of Project MedSend, Boston Trinity Academy and Grace Chapel (Lexington MA), as well as service on Young Life area committees and church boards.



Michael Militello '04

High School Mathematics

Mike, a graduate of West Chester University, returned to DC this fall as a high school mathematics teacher. He and his wife, Nicole, celebrated their first year of marriage this past June. Mike is excited to be a part of the DC faculty and to co-labor with his aunt and middle school teacher, Gina Critchlow. Being back on campus has brought back many fond memories of his student days and he is quickly connecting with his students.

Dayna Torrieri '07 -

Middle School Science & Mathematics

Dayna graduated from DC in 2007 and earned her BA in middle level mathematics and science education from the University of Kentucky. She enjoys hiking, woodworking, and ballroom dancing and spending time with friends and family. "Miss T", as she is affectionately called by her students, is a welcome addition to the middle school team.



David Bird '10

Technology Support for 1 to 1 Initiative

After studying two years at Cairn University, David switched gears to pursue a career in computers. He studied independently to become a CompTIA A+ certified technician. David has worked during the past four summers alongside DC network administrator, Ric Elliott, and is now assisting him with the school's growing IT needs.



Douglas Pittman '06

4th Grade

Doug, a DC student from first through twelfth grade, earned a B.A. in elementary education from Calvin College in Grand Rapids, MI. While at Calvin, Doug met his future wife Joanna, whom he married the summer after his graduation. On his decision to teach at DC, Doug states "It was because of the teacher's care and desire to build strong relationships with students that I decided to pursue a job here at DC. I wanted to be a similar light in my students' lives as my teachers were for me." Teaching at DC is a great fit for Doug as he is quickly becoming a well-loved teacher at the elementary school.



Alumni News & Notes

Cliff Henry '78 recently launched a start-up company that develops and markets solar power systems to businesses that are endeavoring to utilize green energy. Cliff completed nine projects in the first nine months of his new venture and has a specific interest in helping schools, churches and other non-profits implement solar energy systems through a specific concept he has developed called "Community Solar".

Jenny Berg Chandler '88 mentions her time at DC in her recently released memoir, *Jew in the Pew*. In this book, Jenny recounts a year in her life as a Jew in church, trying to raise her kids with some sort of Jewish identity, while wrestling with her past life experiences and future goals. Jenny is married to Tim Chandler '88.

Dan McCullough '88 USAF Lieutenant Colonel Dan McCullough and his wife Ingrid, welcomed a son, Liam James, on July 11, 2013. Three weeks later, Dan and his family returned to the States from Stuttgart, Germany where he is now an academic instructor at the National Defense University in Washington, D.C. Dan writes, "We look forward to reconnecting with family and friends and welcome any visitors to the DC Metro area."

Matthew Pieters '94 and his family moved to Valparaiso, IN this past August where Matt is serving as the Lead Pastor at Bridgepoint Church.

Leigh Jamgochian '90 recently accepted a position with Liquid Interactive in Breinigsville, PA as a Web Developer.

Liz Derby Agabegi '94 and husband Steve announce the birth of Katherine Renee born on Aug. 1st. Katherine joins older siblings Daniel (age 2) and Lauren (age 7). Both Liz and Steve are medical doctors in the Cincinnati area.

Carolyn Correia Martin '95 and husband Michael announce the birth of their first son, Andrew Henry Martin, born on August 25, 2013.

Victoria Marple Cobb '96 and husband Matt announce the birth of Daniel Christopher born on July 19, 2013. Daniel joins siblings Elizabeth (age 7), Timothy (age 5) and Emma Grace (age 2).

Chris Tabakin '98 received the Emerging Leader of the Year Award at a recent event hosted by the Main Line Chamber of Commerce. This event saluted area business leaders recognizing their achieved results in leading their businesses and communities. Chris is currently employed by Melmark in Berwyn, PA and was recently promoted to the role of Governmental Relations, Public Policy and Advocacy Consultant.

Lindsey Smyth '99 and Isaiah McAleese were married on July 6, 2013 at Blue Route Vineyard Church, Media, PA. DC alumni who participated in the wedding included: Laura Smyth Gavaghan '01, Jeffrey Smyth '05, and Jenna Smyth '12. The couple work with GoCorps where they serve as mobilizers on college campuses recruiting and matching students for midterm mission opportunities. They currently reside in Media.

Krista Barbor '99 recently began working at Penn Christian Academy in East Norriton, PA as Director of Admissions.

Justin King '99 and his wife Catherine are pleased to announce the birth of their daughter, Norah London on June 14, 2013. Norah joins big brother James (age 3). After teaching Music at Simon Gratz Mastery Charter in Philadelphia for the past two years, Justin is now the Program Manager for Art, Music and Athletics at Mastery Charter Schools. In this role, he works with the Athletic Directors and Music/Art programs at each of the school's 15 campuses located throughout Philadelphia. Justin reports "We are already off to an amazing start and looking to provide the highest quality experience inside and out of the classroom for all of our students."

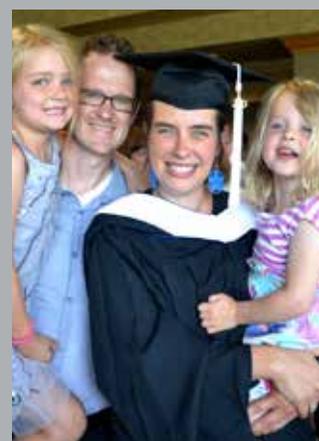
Heather (Holmes) Drew '00 graduated with a Masters in Professional Counseling from Biblical Seminary in Hatfield, PA. Heather is currently employed on a part-time basis as a Psychotherapist at The Place of Refuge in North Philadelphia where she serves a wide variety of people with varying degrees of mental illness and facilitates relational and/or spiritual support for those individuals as well. The Place of Refuge is the only community mental health center serving the North Philadelphia area that is faith-oriented and focuses on trauma recovery. Heather and husband Allen teamed to launch a church plant in 2009 – Mt. Airy Community Church. Heather, Allen and their daughters Avy (age 6) and Violet (age 4) reside in West Mount Airy as well.



The Liz (Derby) Agabegi Family



Chris Tabakin '98



Heather (Holmes) Drew Family



The new addition to the Victoria (Marple) Cobb family

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Andrew Wasuwongse '02 is a Project Manager for World Vision International in Washington, DC. In his role, Andrew oversees World Vision's three-year education programming transition process for 47 national offices in Africa, Asia, Latin America, the Caribbean, and Eastern Europe. In May 2013, he graduated from The Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies (SAIS) in Washington, DC, with an M.A. in International Relations and International Economics and a concentration in Southeast Asia Studies.



McFarland Wedding

Dora McFarland '03 and Mat Phan were married on August 24, 2013 at Tenth Presbyterian Church in Philadelphia. Emily Withers '03 served as a bridesmaid. DC alum attending the wedding included David McDonald '03, Tom Palmer '03, Becky Pubusky Palmer '03, Dan McGowen '03, Adam Bemiller '03, Rachel Rowan Johnson '05, and Jeremy Johnson '03. Dora currently serves as the Director of Youth at Tenth Presbyterian Church.

Kate Terjanian '06 married David Richard on September 22, 2013. Kate and David met 8 years ago at James Madison University in Virginia. They enjoyed a honeymoon in Spain.

Lauren Carver '07 is employed at Presbyterian Hospital in Philadelphia as a Registered Dietitian.

Gabi DiCesare Spivey '08 and husband Grey announce the birth of Jackson Spivey born on September 7, 2013. He is the grandson of Ric and Jennifer Elliott.

Westen O'Brien '09 and Annie Shults were married on July 27th, 2013. Wes writes, "I had a few friends who were runners for Wheaton, so I spent some time around their teams. It didn't take me long to notice the most athletic and most beautiful girl on the team – Annie Shults. Coach Tyler (my wrestling coach from DC) always said I was up for a challenge, so I decided to go for Annie....It turned out to be a fantastic decision." Wes and Annie graduated from Wheaton College in May 2013. DC Alum celebrating the O'Briens marriage include Rob Currie '09, Matt Hummel '09, Mario



The O'Brien brothers

Mascioli '09, Sean Ellsworth '09, Jimmy Peterkin '09, Nicki Mascioli '10, PJ Crisanti '09, and Mike Schmid '09. Wes' brothers Tim '04 and Luke '06 were groomsmen. Wes is currently in Ft. Benning, GA as an Infantry Officer for the U.S. Army.

Ben Pruette '09 graduated from Liberty University and obtained his Airframe and Powerplant certificate. He worked for one year with Dynamic Aviation in Harrisonburg, VA and recently returned to the Philadelphia area to work with US Airways. Ben reports "It's been great to be back and connect with my fellow DC alumni."

Cassie Larson '09 graduated from Gordon College in May, 2013 and is currently teaching English at the Landmark School in Beverly, MA. Cassie writes "I am very excited that I will be teaching my first year out of college at such a great job!"

Bethany Dahlstrom '09 recently earned her BA in English literature from Eastern University. Bethany will attend Lancaster University, ranked in the top 1% of universities globally, to earn her MA in English Literary Studies, with a concentration in Romantic and Victorian Literature. Bethany also had a paper published in

an online journal called *The Victorian*. Her paper was well received and she has been asked to write a book review for the next edition of the journal.



Leah LaPalombara

Leah LaPalombara '09 began working in Admissions at Gordon College her freshman year of college as an overnight host. In her sophomore year, she interned for Gordon's Individual Visit Coordinator. In that role, she planned the daily visits for perspective students and families, as well as group and presidential visits. By her senior year, she was working closely with the events coordinator, assisting with all the open houses throughout the school year. God opened up a door when the Individual Visit Coordinator position opened up during her senior year. She was offered the position and started working three weeks after graduation. She has now been promoted as the Events Coordinator for Admissions. In this role she plans all open houses, supervises 60 interns, and daily promotes interest and knowledge of the college to perspective students and families.

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John Linton '09 and Chelsea Teclaw were married on August 17, 2013. Chelsea and John met through the Navigators, a Christian fellowship group, at Penn State during their freshman year. John's brother Alex (Class of 2015), served as best man. Sean Ellsworth '09 was a groomsman.

Ethan Mitchell '11 was cast as Monsieur Thernardier in Grove City College's fall production of Les Miserables.

Alex Morra '12 is currently in her sophomore year at Gordon College and is a vocalist for the college's Catacombs Worship Team. This group leads students in a weekly Sunday evening worship services throughout the academic year.

Sam MacArthur '12 ran The Philadelphia Marathon on November 17th. She is currently a nursing major at West Chester University.

Michaela Ferris '13 is in her first year at Cedarville University where is focusing on early elementary education. In addition, she is a part of a female vocal ensemble.

Sydney Gougeon '13 is taking a gap year before starting college. During this time, she is spending six months in Australia with Youth With A Mission (YWAM), a discipleship training program.



Linton Wedding

REUNIONS

THE CLASS OF 1988 held their 25th reunion at Bahama Breeze in King of Prussia on Saturday, November 30, 2013. Look for pictures of this event in the Winter 2014 Keynoter.

THE CLASSES OF 1963 AND 1964

Will celebrate a combined **50th Reunion** on May 2-4, 2014, at the Doubletree in Valley Forge. Contact Donna Younglove at donnajeane1@gmail.com or Joe Alessi at joe@alessiagency.org for more information.

THE CLASS OF 1989 is planning their 25th Reunion. More info to follow.

SUMMER ALL - CLASS REUNION

Save the date for Flag Day, June 2014!

Steve Brutsche '75 is planning an all-class reunion day on Saturday, June 14, 2014 on the beach in Ocean City, New Jersey. The plan is for a casual, come as you are, DC alumni gathering behind the Port-O-Call Hotel, 1510 Boardwalk, (15th Street Beach-<http://www.portocallhotel.com/>) Bring the kids, spouse, GF, BF, grandkids, or leave them at home. We'll spend some time on the sand, in the sun, catching up. Daily Beach tags cost \$5. For those interested, we'll do a pay-as-you-go group dinner. For questions contact Steve Brutsche at steven.brutsche@gmail.com.

Several years ago Tom '75 and Marge MacCart '80 Wilcox hosted a multi-year event with great success. The plan this year is to expand the class years and offer a gathering for all alumni.

THE CLASS OF 2003 is currently planning their 10th reunion. Contact Becky Palmer at beckypalmer@gmail.com for more information.



Pictured above: DC grads and their spouses who are current school parents. This group was invited by Tim and Katie Wiens for a time of fellowship in the newly renovated farmhouse. L-R: Jack and Nancy Nelson, John and Kristen Levis, Joel and Sara Witmer, Dean and Tamara Heacock, Scott and Lisa Campbell, Kim O'Bryan, Jeremy and Grace Myers, Rich and Kim Carroll, Kristen Wisnewski, Andrew and Melanie Cook, Tim and Katie Wiens

Margaret and Stephen Dill *Psalm 78 Alumni Scholarship*

*“We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord . . .
He commanded our forefathers to teach their children,
so the next generation would know them, even the children yet to be born,
and they in turn would tell their children. Then they would put their trust in God . . .
Psalm 78: 4-7*

Introducing the Inaugural Recipients of the Dill Alumni Scholarship

**Mikayla, Kathryn and
Emma Schuster
Daughters of Joel '96 and
Sara Witmer Schuster '96**



WHY A DC EDUCATION MATTERS

When Sara and I look back on what has formed our thinking, molded our souls, and prepared us for the things we are doing today, we see that DC played a major part in shaping who we have become. We have been greatly impacted through the investment that was made from Kindergarten through 12th grade by teachers that did not just care about the test, but cared who we were becoming as people, as followers of Jesus. The personal investment of time, the spiritual heritage and legacy that was passed on to us by those who were followers of Jesus themselves, daily impacts our lives today. It was because this gift was given to us that we wanted the same for our girls. We see DC as an important part of our girls' journey toward becoming critically equipped thinkers that are well educated; but more importantly fully developed followers of Christ that are prepared to engage a broader world for His glory.

These are foundational years and we really believe DC participates alongside us to provide a strong foundation for our kids' future. Since we have enrolled the girls at DC, we have been amazed by the community and level of education the school provides. These factors, along with the remarkable commitment on the part of the faculty and staff, place DC, in our minds, a cut above other schools in the area. Experiencing DC now as parents, we see that the school has retained all that we appreciated so much. It is a special gift to see our kids really enjoy the same experience we had with a new generation of teachers that pour their lives into all these bright young minds. We are extremely grateful to DC and the Dill Scholarship for giving us the opportunity to make a DC education affordable for our family. It is a blessing from God and an answer to prayer.

~ Joel Schuster *Pastor, Marsh Creek Church, Exton*

The Margaret and Stephen Dill Psalm 78 Alumni Scholarship was established to honor the Dills' 40 years of dedicated service to Delaware County Christian School. Steve and Marge committed their lives to telling the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord. Passing the baton of faith defined their mission as Christian educators. Keeping such a mission in view, this scholarship will honor their legacy by awarding funds to the children of DC alumni.

2nd & 3rd Generation FAST FACTS

Number of alumni who currently have students enrolled in DC – **51**

Total number of 2nd & 3rd generation students enrolled for the 2013-14 school year – **82**

11% of our current student body is comprised of 2nd & 3rd generation students

Alumni with students enrolled:

Brian '94 and Karen Brandt Anderson '94
Steve Butler '95
Scott ex'80 and Lisa Stephey Campbell '82
Rich Carroll '90
Andrew Cook '89
William '84 and Heidi Faries Deger '87
Jeff '94 and Heather Templeton Dill '94
Betty Price Ellsworth '83
Elrena Carlson Evans '96
John '88 and Sara Derby Grieb '90
Tamara Pruette Heacock '87
Cliff '78 and Cathy Tasker Henry ex'77
Lynne Alexander Hutzel '84
Jenny Landman Iott '91
Eric '93 and Lisa Carlson Johnson '94
Kristen Dill Levis '92
Steve '87 and Jennifer Johnson Moorhatch '88
Jeff Myers '88,
Jeremy Myers '93
Bill Neef '75
Nancy Schaefer Nelson '79
Kim Tanis O'Bryan '89
Andrew Paulson '87
Kim Poulterer Rowe '86
Adam Sacks '89
Kimberly Pettit Schumaker '88
Joel '96 and Sara Witmer Schuster '96
Robin Pennington Smalley '99
Heather Tasker Smith '87
Holly Noldy Spitale '93
Craig Tanis '87
Gail Myers Thompson '84
Gregg Todd '90
Scott Tutton '85
Steve '86 and Linda Moran Tyson '86
Sheryl Weaver-White '88
John Winters '87
Jeff '95 and Kristen Proto Wisnewski '95
Rebecca Witmer '99



ALUMNI STUDENTS: Grades 3-5

Front Row: Stephanie Moorhatch, Brody Tucker, Wyatt Cook, Jake Johnson, Blake Tanis, Kathryn Schuster *Middle Row:* Cole Levis, Corin Sacks, Micah Dill, Emily Smith, Annika Evans, Rachel Grieb *Back Row:* Aaron Schumaker, Jeremy Campbell, Stephen Wisnewski, Benjamin Myers, Mikayla Schuster, Abigail Heacock, Jack Dill, Owen Cook



ALUMNI STUDENTS: Grades Pre-K - 2

Front Row: Julia Todd, Emma Schuster, Gianna Wisnewski, Caleb Spitale, Mathew Levis, Carter Dill, Zachary Evans, Hazel Paulson *Middle Row:* Josh Evans, Maggie Iott, Levi White, Annabelle Sacks, Nellie Paulson, Ava Schumaker, Jude Sacks, Luke Anderson *Back Row:* Jaida Todd, Cody Dill, Ryan Carroll, Kate Myers *Missing:* Evelyn Smalley, Ben Witmer

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ALUMNI STUDENTS: Middle School

Front Row: Brett Tanis, Bethany Henry, Alexa O'Bryan, Laura Myers, Bethany Hutzel, Emily Carroll, Amanda Heacock, Merritt Campbell

Middle Row: Tyler Smith, Will Campbell, Nathan Tutton, Andrew Winters, Daniel Dager, Alison Levis, Bekah Myers

Back Row: Linus Cook, Lily Tucker, Ginny Johnson, Peter Grieb, Luke Rowe, Ben Lott, Katy Tanis, Coletta Cook

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ALUMNI STUDENTS: High School

Front Row: Josh Grieb, Colin Campbell, Kyle Winters, Aaron Heacock, Nathan Carroll, Benjamin Tyson, Samantha Butler, Sarah Nelson, Paige Thompson *Middle Row:* Ian Myers, Alivia Thompson, Emma Ellsworth, Alex Thompson, Cody Moorhatch *Back Row:* Luke Butler, Ben Rowe, Ryan Hutzel



WHEATON COLLEGE: L-R: Carissa Bernard '12, Peter Terjanian '12, Anna Chovanes '12, Joshua Ryken '11, Josiah Cohen '12, Hannah Ellsworth '11, Abby Butler '13, Emma Schaafsma '13.



EASTERN UNIVERSITY:
Front row L-R: Jordan Chavous '11, Sydney Van Rhee '13 *Back row L-R:* Brandon Smith '13, Katherine Vance '13, Matt Cocco '10, Hope Doxtader '10, Grace Schaefer '12, Serena Chiang '13, Eric Lukens '10, Alex Hochstuhl '10



GORDON COLLEGE:
L-R:

- Brian Cartularo '12,
- Brent Larson '12,
- Zac Ellis '13,
- Ryan Porter '13,
- Lydia Ellsworth '12,
- Michael Egan '12,
- Aaron Terjanian '13,
- Alexandra Morra '12,
- Eric Driscoll '13,
- Addison Conway '13,
- Alexandra Cobourn '12,
- Erin Gibson '13



GROVE CITY COLLEGE:

On wall L to R: Jordan Wallin '10, Ethan Mitchell '11, Seth Mueller '10, Matt Andraka '12 Standing against wall
L to R: Matt Logie '10, Brad Warmhold '13 Sitting L to R: Brittany See '12, Sarah Logie '12, Victoria Morra '10

In the world beyond DC it's always nice to see a familiar face...

Recent alumni connected on their college campuses to send us some back to school photos



PENN STATE: *Front row L-R: Erik Schlenker '10, Jae Wook Lee '13, Will Lee '11* Back row L-R: Tim Yeung '10, Rob Currie '09, Emily Westerberg '13, Monica Olshefsky '13, Jack Curry '13, Max Dubyk '13, Kim Strohmeier '13, Neily Thompson '13



MESSIAH COLLEGE: *L-R: Jim Mearns '13, Rachel Wynne '13, Ellie Ingram '13, Jocelyn Chavous '13*



FALL Sports

Congratulations to Athletes Receiving BAL and District Honors

First Team BAL

Jamié Barr - Girls Soccer
Cassidy Foxhoven-Gamble - Cross Country
Andrew Garrett - Cross Country
Julia Kyne - Girls Soccer
Kailey Neef - Girls Soccer
Rachael Pope - Field Hockey

Second Team BAL

Jessica Freeman - Girls Soccer
Claudia Norton - Girls Soccer
PJ Schaefer - Golf
Alex Thompson - Girls Soccer
Paige Thompson - Girls Soccer

Honorable Mention BAL

Mike Boucher - Golf



All District Honors

Annette Kempf – Cross Country

Cassidy Foxhoven-Gamble – Cross Country

Ed. Note: Football BAL Awards not yet determined at press deadline.

Excellence

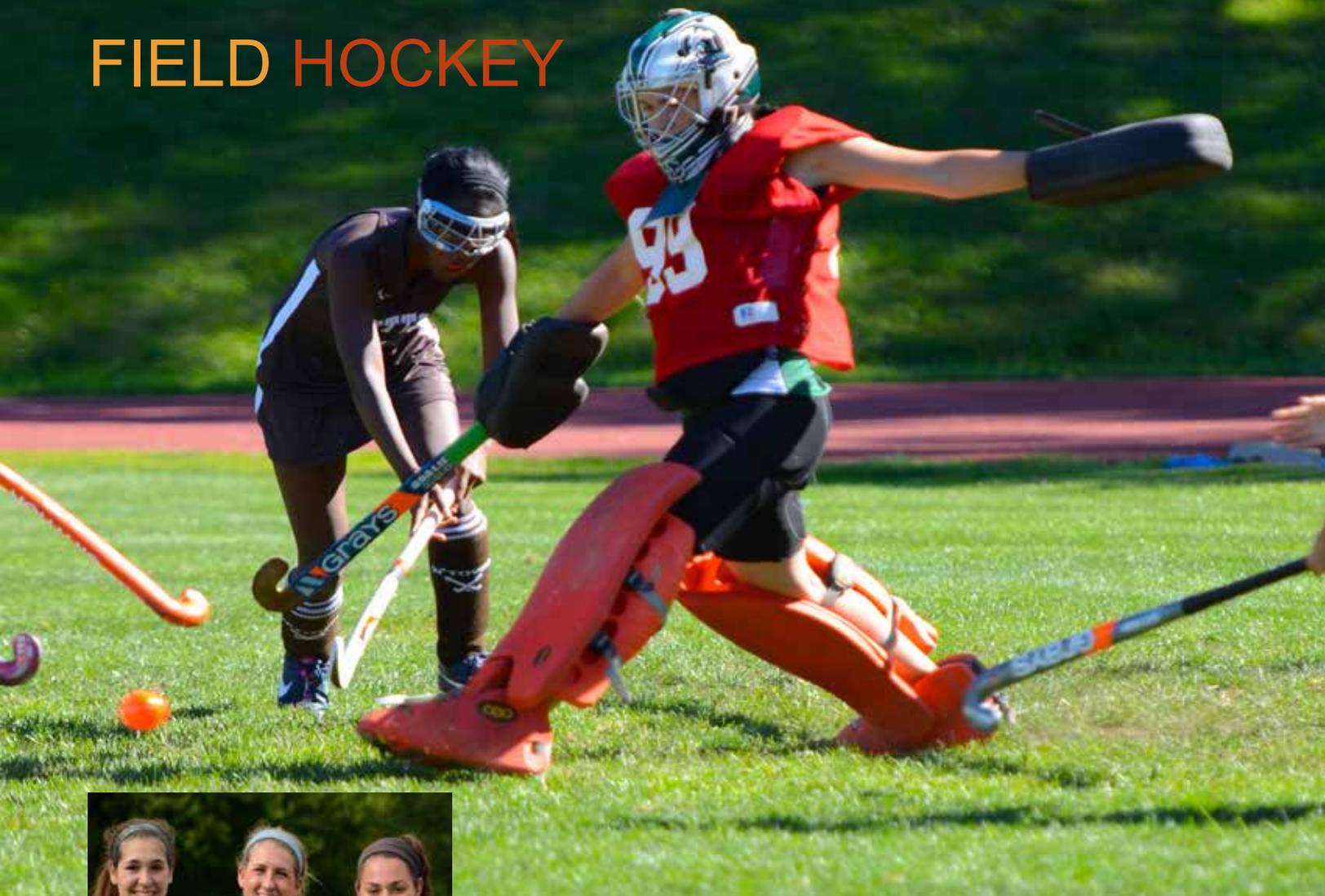


GIRLS SOCCER

With a season marked by increasing momentum, the girls' soccer team marched through the end of their schedule straight to the District 1 Class A championship where they encountered a heartbreaking 3-2 loss to rival Christopher Dock in overtime. This team was comprised of an amazing group of girls and will be a force to be reckoned with next year.



FIELD HOCKEY



Under the leadership of first year coach Katie Levis, the varsity field hockey team progressed through a tough regular season with great success and much tenacity. The team improved significantly and advanced to the first round of district play where they lost to local powerhouse team, Merion Mercy Academy. Although this season initially was viewed as a rebuilding year, the team ended with an impressive season.

GIRLS TENNIS

DC girls' tennis finished 4th at the BAL Singles Tournament despite graduating eight players from last year's team. Junior Ellie Schmucker placed 3rd at the BAL Singles Tournament and partnered with junior Kelli Barlow to take 3rd in Doubles Tournament which advanced both to district play. The team's theme this year was "Integrity and Intensity". The girls did a great job of honoring the Lord with their play and making it a fun season overall.

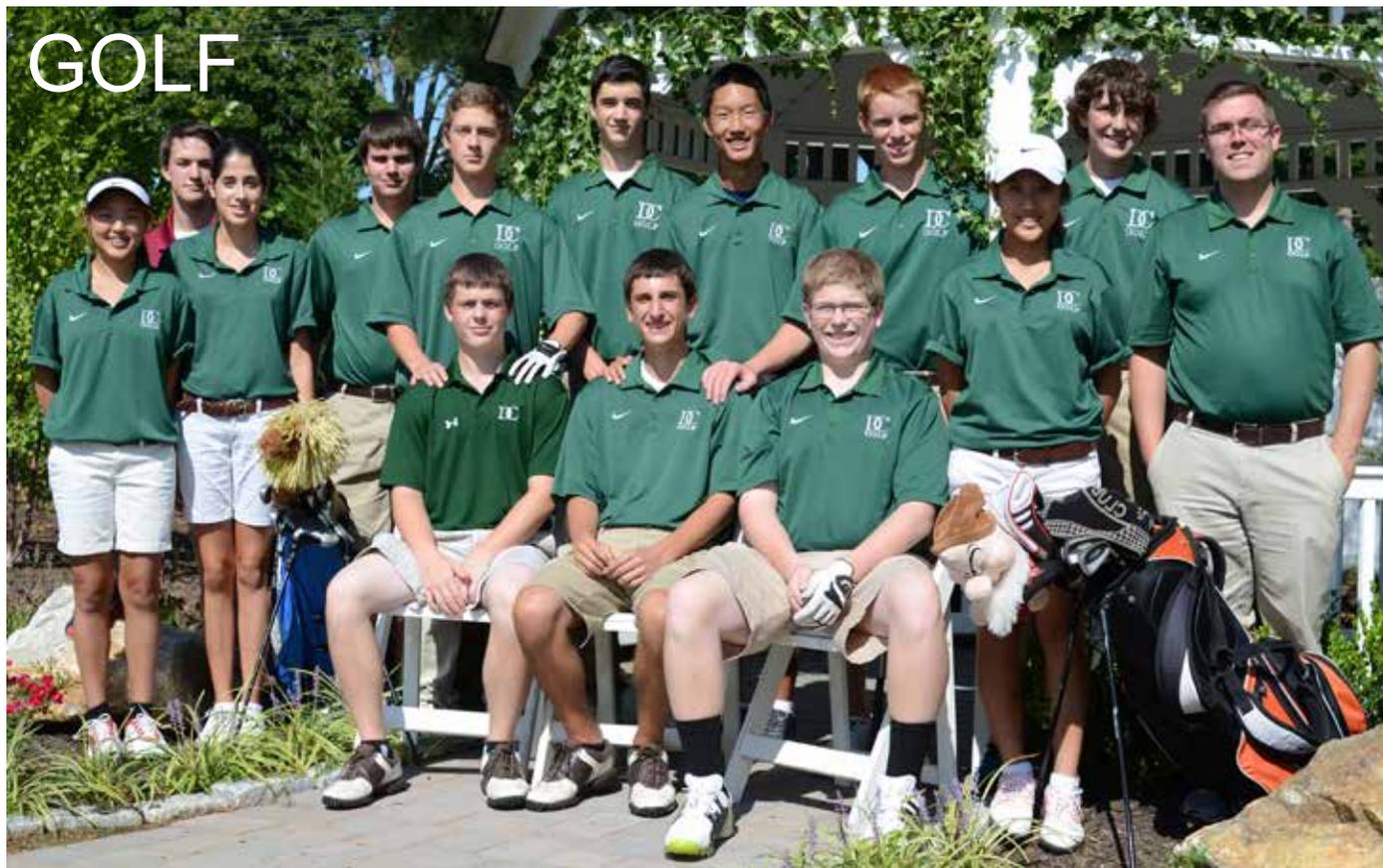


BOYS SOCCER



This was a challenging yet rewarding year for the Boys Soccer team due to several unforeseen roster changes. Since the majority of the players were underclassmen, the decision was made to play a JV schedule. This turned out to be an excellent choice providing opportunity for developing and growing younger players. The season ended at 11-2-2. The outlook for next year is promising with the continued improvement of returning players and a large incoming freshman class expected.

GOLF



It was a tough year for the guys and girls on the Knight's golf team, a fact clearly revealed in the team's season record. To their credit, the team never gave up and continued to work hard despite some difficult losses. All that hard work and grit paid off. The team scored 222 in the last match of the season, which is the best team score since the 2010 season.

CROSS COUNTRY



With a total of seven runners, this year's girls' team was one of the largest in DC history. Captain Cassidy Foxhoven-Gamble and Annette Kempf (juniors) led the girls throughout the season to a 10-3 dual meet record, a 4th place finish in the BAL and a 3rd place finish in Districts. For the second year in a row, Annette Kempf qualified for the state meet in Hershey. The boys' cross country team, led by senior captain Andrew Garrett, finished 4th in the Constitutional Division and 8th in Districts. Andrew Garrett was consistently DC's first man followed by junior Colin Campbell.



CHEERLEADING

The DC cheer squad worked hard this season to learn new cheers, master difficult stunts and perform an excellent dance routine. They also had great attitudes in assisting with the Junior Cheer Clinic and volunteering at Care to Learn Daycare in Philadelphia. The girls have grown in character and ability since the beginning of the season, much to the delight of first year coach Jana Deters.



FOOTBALL

The Football Team ended their regular season at 7-2 and earned a bid to district playoffs. With one more victory, they will break the school record for the most wins in a season. Throughout the past several months, the team has responded well to adversity while playing with great effort and energy. Their selfless commitment to each other and the program has continued to build a strong foundation for football's future at DC.





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From the Head of School,
Timothy P. Wiens

Thank you so much for your generosity and faithfulness to the mission of Delaware County Christian School. Your support enables us to provide students from across the greater Philadelphia area with sound academic foundations within a Christian framework. I am eager to continue our partnership and look forward to seeing the continual impact of your ongoing generosity.

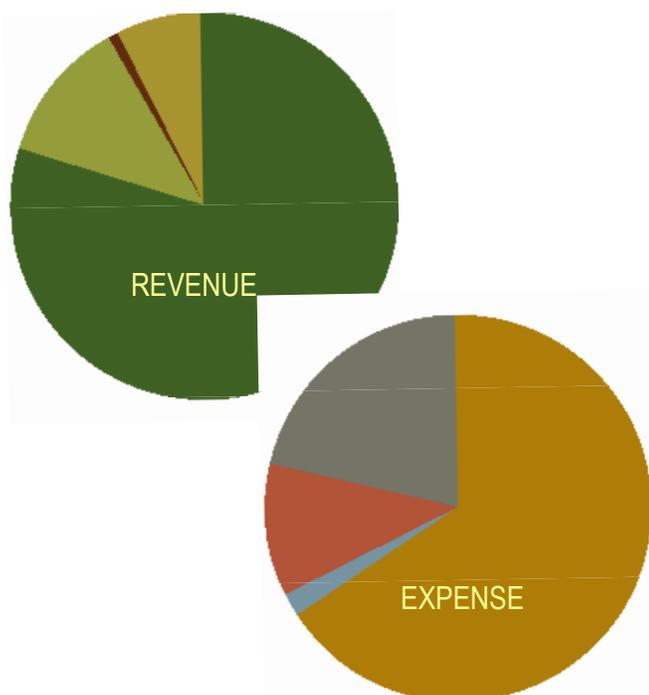


From the Chief Operating Officer,
Michael S. Burd

As DC concluded the 2012-2013 school year, we were blessed to end in a strong financial position, with healthy cash balances and break-even operating results for the year, even after reflecting extra costs associated with the Head of School search and transition. As a result of this healthy position, we have been able to hold tuition increases to their lowest level in many years, while funding academic, athletic and arts programs at modestly improved levels. Since year end, we completed a beautiful renovation of the farmhouse to serve as the home of the Head of School, brought on board over 20 new faculty and staff members, and attended to a number of important capital needs in our physical plant.

2013 OPERATING INCOME AND EXPENSE

REVENUE	2013		2012
Tuition and Fees	\$9,530,964	(80%)	\$9,193,089
Contributions	\$1,404,114	(12%)	\$2,177,105
Investment Income	\$199,962	(1%)	\$194,383
Other Income	\$809,733	(7%)	\$753,993
Total Operating Income	\$11,944,773	(100%)	\$12,318,569
Gain (Loss) on Endowment	\$332,853		-\$171,782
Total Revenue	\$12,277,626		\$12,146,787
EXPENSE			
Instructional Program	\$7,951,986	(66%)	\$8,074,207
Student Activities	\$163,623	(1%)	\$138,730
Financial Aid	\$1,423,130	(12%)	\$1,369,879
Support Services	\$2,551,314	(21%)	\$2,211,241
Total Operating Expense	\$12,090,053	(100%)	\$11,794,057
Net Surplus	\$187,573		\$352,730





“What a privilege it is to be able to serve in the kingdom of God! The Creator, who ‘hangs the earth on nothing’ uses our talents, time and resources to carry out His work on earth.

Of all the great causes to support in the world, I cannot think of a better use of my financial gifts than to support the mission to educate students who will serve God and impact the world through Biblical thought and action. After tithing to my local church, my family finds joy in giving to support The Annual Fund for DC.”

– David Nichols
President, Board of Trustees

Last year, 99 % of the Board of Trustees gave to The Annual Fund for DC while 52 % of our faculty and staff participated with a gift and 23 % of our current parents contributed.

During the course of the fiscal year, there were four fundraising events that added to The Annual Fund total:

The DC 5K, the DC Auction, David Kim & Friends Concert and the Golf Tournament.

These events in conjunction with the generosity of our donors raised \$1,048,533 for the Annual Fund.

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[EITC]

The Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC) and the Opportunity Scholarship Tax Credit (OSTC) programs **allow businesses to receive a tax credit for up to 90% of their Pennsylvania State tax bill** for a contribution to an approved independent school.

Last fiscal year we received \$130,584 in contributions from EITC and OSTC.

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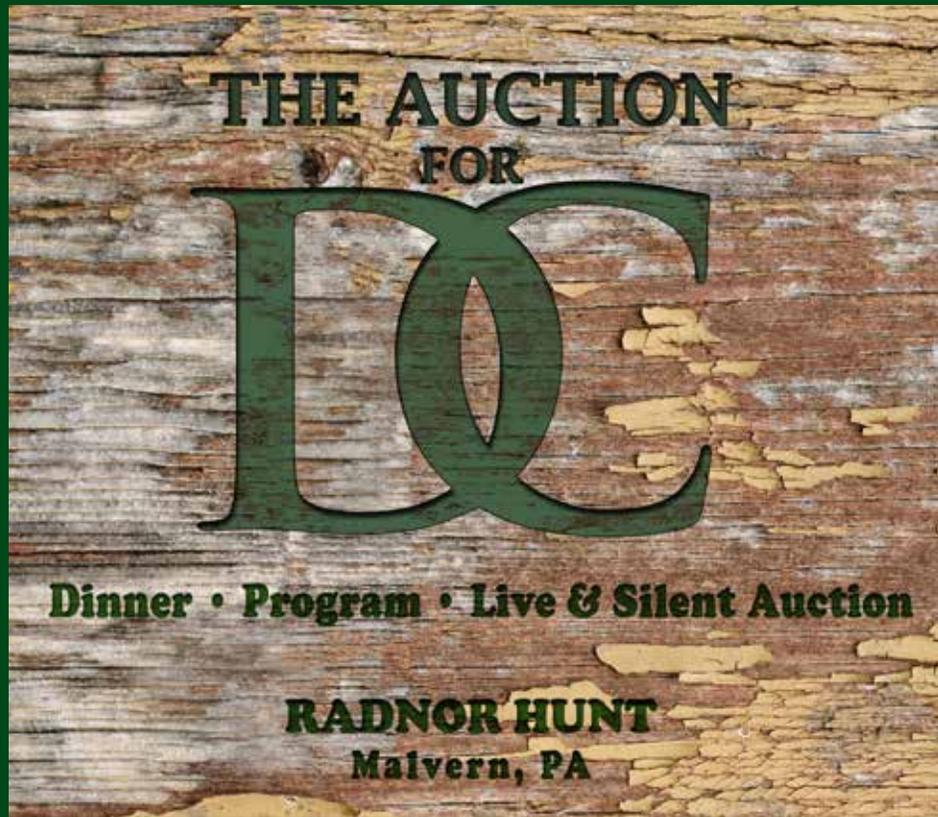
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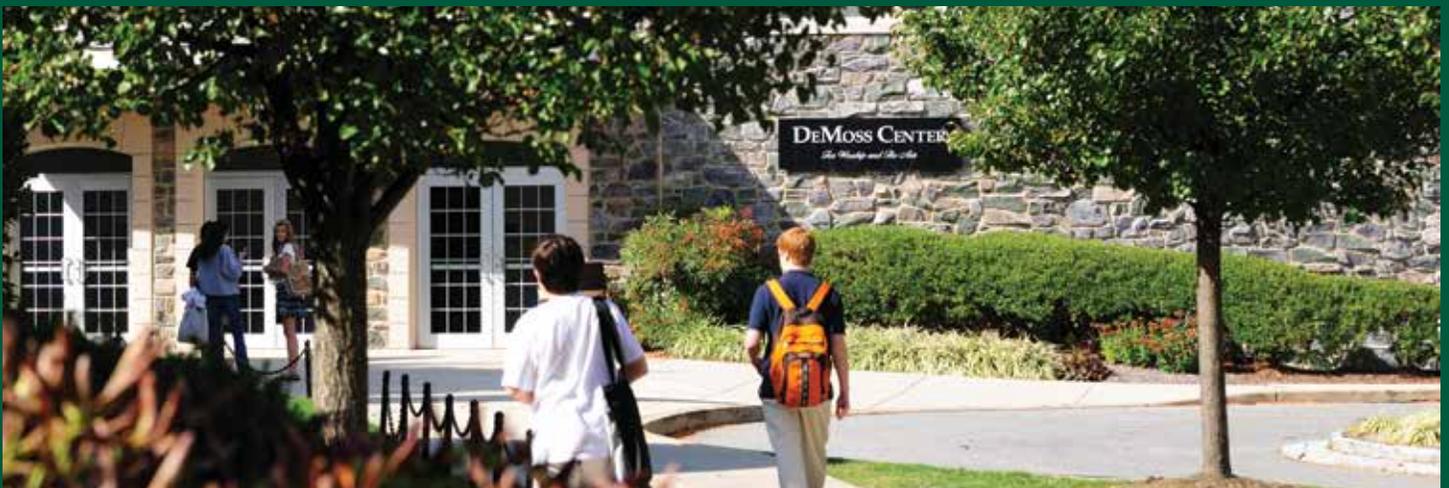
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2:00 - 4:00 pm

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12%

12% funds student financial aid:

Making a remarkable impact on over 20% of our families, helping them provide a Christian education for their children that might not otherwise be possible.

9%

9% helps maintain our two campuses:

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8%

8% funds educational program expenses:

including curriculum, athletics, co-curricular activities, the Arts at DC, and technology.

8%

8% covers all other costs of keeping DC running:

including administrative office expenses, admissions, alumni & development, interest expense, insurance and risk management.

One of the most inspiring aspects of Delaware County Christian School is the collective actions of our community that have established, built and grown our school. Your annual support is critical to our efforts. The generosity of parents, alumni and friends sustains our distinctive education. As we strive to be a community of giving, one that finds joy in contributing, we hope you will join in the effort and consider a gift to **The Annual Fund for DC**.

TOGETHER WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.

Thank you for considering what you can do. Enclosed is an envelope for giving or you can make a gift online at dccc.org/give



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