## The HAAppenings

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#### Bible Camp 2019

SHINE THROUGH ME

Hinsdale Adventist Academy high school students loaded the buses and headed to Camp Timber Ridge in Indiana in January for our annual Bible Camp experience. Despite bus trouble on the way there, the students were blessed throughout the weekend. Thanks to Indiana Academy acting as good samaritans, the speaker Daniel Pano sharing from God's word, and time spent in nature at the beautiful camp students were able to reconnect with God. One student said that he was inspired by the speaker's life story because of all the challenges Mr. Pano had faced. According to Lydia (11th grade) her biggest takeaway from the weekend was "God can use anybody to touch someone else's life," another Junior, AJ, said the weekend remided him to "stay positive in all situations." Highlights of the weekend included the prayer walk and nature walks even with the unexpected snowfall, but perhaps the biggest highlight was that a young person committed to be baptized after her experience at Bible Camp.



#### SCRIPPS Spelling Bee

January 24 was the annual school spelling bee. Students from grades 1-8 competed to see who is the best speller at HAA. It was an intense event with well over one hundred words spelled. Each student demonstrated strong Christian character and as well as their academic ability through every round. Ultimately, Emilio Villeda (grade 4) won the event. He will be moving on to the DuPage County Private and Parochial Spelling Bee on February 7. Congratulations Emilio, we're very proud of you!



#### Newmeyer Classic

Hinsdale Adventist Academy sent both a boys & girls team to the annual basketball tournament at Andrews University in January.



We're so proud of the Christian sportsmanship our students demonstrated and thankful they made the trip safe & sound!



#### Spaghetti Dinner

The 8th grade class hosted "A Night Afloat in Venice" spaghetti dinner as a fundraiser for their annual class trip to Washington D.C. According to class Co-President Zac Parker, one of the evening highlights was seeing "that all the people came out to support us." Attendees appreciated the musical entertainment throughout the evening and the delicious meal. The Class of 2023 did an excellent job of serving their guests and hosting the night.



#### David Alan O'Brien

REMEMBRANCE

On Wednesday, January 23, Mr. Dave O'Brien passed away unexpectedly. Mr. O'Brien was the facilities manager for HAA and a huge part of our school family.

Long before Mr. O'Brien became a staff member at the school, he was an engaged parent and active volunteer here. He participated in the Home & School Association, helped with the fruit program, built booths for Fall Fest, flipped pancakes at the pancake breakfast, coached soccer and basketball teams, and was an enthusiastic cheerleader for the Hurricanes.

As the facilities manager, Mr. O'Brien chose to work in the early mornings before school started and his priority was always improving the school for our students here. He loved young people and relished opportunities to share his knowledge and skills with them. He participated in several school mission trips where he acted as both chaperone and instructor, teaching students how to do work on each trip. Mr. O'Brien hoped to someday create a space at HAA where he could teach construction and maintenance skills to students.

Mr. O'Brien was a committed Christian who followed Christ's example daily and shared God's love with everyone he came in contact with. He is immensely missed by our school family and will be remembered for all of the hard work he did to further HAA's mission.



"And God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying. There shall be no more pain, for the former things have passed away."

-Revelation 21:4 NKJV



2019 TALENT SHOW

A NIGHT AT THE ACADEMY Awards

SCHOOL GYMNASIUM PREMIUM SEATING - \$15 FLOOR SEATING - \$10 BALCONY SEATING - \$5





See a senior to order a gift set for your loved ones (Anonymous Available)

Love you lots Package \$5 - Crush Soda, Candy, Love Note, Kissing Stamp

> Love you Package \$2 - Candy, Love Note



May 1st —7PM May 4th—8PM May 5th—3PM

General admission seating \$10

### Wall O' Money

#### DONATIONS ARE TAX-DEDUCTIBLE.

An exciting new activity is coming to HAA! Starting February 11, you will notice the Wall O' Money in the front lobby. Students have decorated envelopes numbered \$1-\$200 which are posted on the wall. The idea is that individuals choose an envelope, fill it with the amount of money on the front of the envelope, and return it to school. If each envelope is filled we will raise over \$20,000 for the HAA Annual Fund!

The HAA Annual Fund bridges the gap between tuition income and the true cost of operating our school. We believe that changing the world for Christ starts with nurturing one student at a time.



The Annual Fund supplies the financial resources to provide students with a Christ-centered, academically excellent education which focuses on developing God-given gifts and abilities so students can impact the world and build God's kingdom.

By giving to the Annual Fund, you will make an impact on every aspect of school life - academics, spiritual development, athletics, fine arts, and technology. Our Annual Fund is essential each year because it supports the entire school from pre-K through grade 12.

Your gift is a commitment to support the cause of Christian schooling in the greater Chicagoland area. Every gift is appreciated - no gift is too small. When you give to Hinsdale Adventist Academy, you are not just giving to educate a student, you are investing in a life that will impact our world for the glory of God.

# February 2019

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3	4	5	6 Talent Show Audi- tions Preschool Field Trip	7 Talent Show Audi- tions	8	9
10 ACT Testing	11	12	13 Talent Show Call Backs	14 Valentine's Day	15	16
17	18 NO SCHOOL- PRESIDENT'S DAY	19	20	21	22	23 HAA's Got Talent
24	25	26	27 Andrews Univer- sity Music Fest	28 Andrews Univer- sity Music Fest		