



NOVEMBER 6, 2012

Upcoming Events:

- **Food Drive Ends**
Wednesday, November 7
- **GBC Staff Calendar Planning 1/2 day schedule**
Friday, November 9
- **Veteran's Day No School**
Monday, November 12
- **Thanksgiving Holiday/ End 5 Week (1/2 day Wednesday no school Thursday-Friday)**
Wednesday-Friday, November 21-23
- **5 Week Progress Reports**
Tuesday, November 27
- **GBCS Christmas Program**
Wednesday, December 5
- **1st Semester Exams**
Wednesday-Thursday, December 12-13

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Staff Spotlight: Miss Martinez

On March 6, 1983, Zaigra Martinez was born into the world. No one, but the Lord, knew what interesting future this little girl would have. As little Zaigra grew up, she was a joy to her parents, Jose and Maria. She has three siblings—Jose, Kristian, and Sammy.

Miss Martinez was blessed to be brought up in a Christian home. Her family attended Montecito Baptist Church. At an early age she heard the gospel at church and was convicted by the Lord. Her father opened up the Bible and showed her how to get to heaven in her bedroom. That day both father and daughter rejoiced at the greatest decision a person can make—the decision

to accept Jesus Christ as your personal Savior.

When Miss Martinez got older, she attended Golden State Baptist College (GSBC). She studied at GSBC for four years earning a degree in Elementary Education. Actually, she was only planning to attend for one year, but she liked it so much that she decided to go for another year. While attending her second year she heard a preacher say, "You are half way there; why not just finish?" After much consideration, she decided to stay for the full four years. That decision greatly influenced her future.



After completing Bible College, Miss Martinez did not know what to do. She was planning on returning home and trying to find work. Then a miracle happened. Pastor David Smith called and told her that

there was a job opening at Gethsemane Baptist Christian School (GBCS). Miss Martinez was so surprised because she did not tell pastor about her need of a job. He just "coincidentally" called her phone and told her of a job opening. In the August of 2007, she came to GBCS as the new Kindergarten teacher. None of this would have happened if she had not decided to finish Bible College.

Miss Martinez has tremendously enjoyed working at GBCS. She has met many people and made many friends. She is the girls' volleyball coach and still wants a volleyball championship. Only the good Lord knows if she will ever achieve that goal. Miss Martinez is greatly loved by her students. She has been a faithful teacher for the past five years. Her advice to us is "Stick to the Bible and be faithful to the church." Listen to me, "This is GOOD advice!" Take heed and be wise.

— Jason Jones

The Riddler

Riddle me this:
I am a box that holds keys without locks,
yet they can unlock your soul.
What am I?

Riddle me this:
Two in a corner,
1 in a room,
0 in a house,
but 1 in a shelter.
What am I?

Riddle me this:
My life can be measured in hours.
I serve by being devoured.
Thin, I am quick. Fat, I am slow.
Wind is my foe.
What am I?

Riddle me this:
You saw me where I never was and where
I could not be. And yet within that very
place, my face you often see.
What am I?



Riddle me this:
It's red, blue, purple and green.
No one can reach it, not even the queen.
What is it?

Riddle me this:
I drift forever with the current down
these long canals they've made.
Tame, yet wild, I run elusive, multitasking
to your aid.
Before I came, the world was darker.
Colder, sometimes rougher, true.
But though I might make living easy, I'm
good at killing people too.
What am I?

Riddle me this:
Three lives have I.
Gentle enough to soothe the skin,
Light enough to caress the sky,
Hard enough to crack rocks.
What am I?



Random Facts:

- An eagle can kill a young deer and fly away with it.
- The hummingbird is the only bird that can fly backwards.
- Fleas can jump 130 times higher than their own height. In human terms this is equal to a 6 foot person jumping 780 feet into the air.
- There are more cars in Southern California than there are cows in India.
- The average woman uses her height in lipstick every 5 years.
- A flock of crows is known as a murder.



Story Time with Josh: *Debby's Death*

Several years had passed on Farmer Brown's farm, and everything was going great. Brown had enough money to pay off Dan, the man who owned the slaughterhouse, and keep his farm in tiptop shape. Farmer Brown missed Jenn the old cow, but he had something that would always remind him of her -- Jeff the bull. Jeff the bull was a young rambunctious bull who was known for his pranks around the farm, but most importantly, he was Jenn's son, so farmer Brown favored him. Jeff's father suddenly disappeared the day of his birth so Jenn raised him by herself for about three months until she was slaughtered. These ironic circumstances led Christopher Chicken to adopt the young bull.

Christopher Chicken did not only adopt Jeff, he also adopted Cubby Jr. Cubby Jr. is the son of Cubby the cow, a rebellious cow that farmer Brown had slaughtered. Cubby was Jenn's cousin. This means that Cubby Jr. and Jeff are related. Cubby Jr. was not liked as much as Jeff was because Farmer Brown hated Cubby's mother with a passion. Whenever Cubby Jr. acted up or would miss a meal Farmer Brown would beat him.

It was a normal day, so the two bulls thought, but they did not know what a dark day they would have. Cubby Jr. was, again up to no good, terrorizing the barn. This time he had stolen the chickens' eggs and the chickens were furious.

Debby the chicken scolded him saying, "You foolish bull! If you continue this foolishness you'll be killed the same way your mother was."

Jeff was trotting by as Debby spoke. When he heard this, he was so angry he immediately charged at Debby. Without thinking of the consequences, he shoved his horns into her wings as she yelled, "Stop your killing me!"

But that was his intent -- to kill her. He finally let her go and they rushed her to the animal hospital. At about 10:45 PM they pronounced her dead. Jeff, needing a way to cover his tracks, threatened the other three chickens in the barn.

Now Dopey Dog, the barn's detective, is on the case to find Debby's killer.

— Joshua Okeke

Inspiring People: *Raoul Wallenberg*

Raoul Wallenberg was born on August 4, 1912, into one of the most renowned banking families in Sweden. It was the family's desire for Raoul to continue their trade, but he openly expressed his interest in architecture and trade, a study in which he later graduated with honors from the University of Michigan. Since Sweden did not offer many opportunities for architects, Wallenberg moved to Cape Town, South Africa, to practice his trade. He was later sent to Palestine to work in a bank office. Palestine was where he first heard of Hitler's oppression. Having distant Jewish blood, the news

wounded him severely. In 1939, Wallenberg began to work with Koloman Lauer, owner of the Central European Trading Company. This job allowed him to travel to several countries, including Hungary, where he got a close look at the Jewish community of about 700,000 Jews. In the United States, President Roosevelt established the War Refugee Board, an organization whose intent was to free Jews from Nazi affliction. This board made its way to Sweden and stated that it needed a representative in Hungary to issue as many passports as possible to Jews. Raoul Wallenberg was selected for the job. His first

job was to redesign the Swedish passport, a rather ugly document, into an imposing, brightly-colored document, something that the poorly educated Nazis would find official looking and impressive. These passports saved nearly 100,000 Jews. On January 17, 1945, Wallenberg left Hungary for a meeting with a Russian commander. Along the way, he was put into protective custody by the secret Soviet police. This was the last time he was seen as a free man, and to this day his death remains uncertain.

—Grace Campbell

Man, I wish Grace still had a slow computer. Class is boring now..

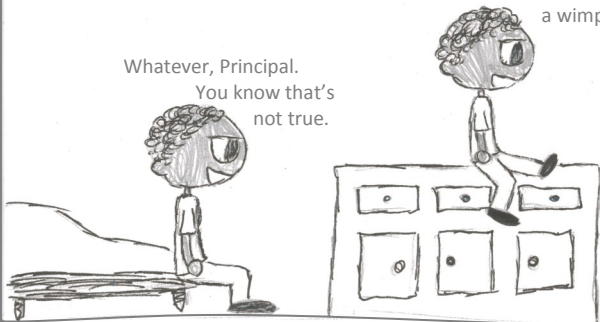


Are you serious? Principal Weldon and I were so scared last time!



Nothing scares me.

Whatever, Principal. You know that's not true.



Yeah, you're a wimp.



Nope.

C'mon, Spiders scare you.

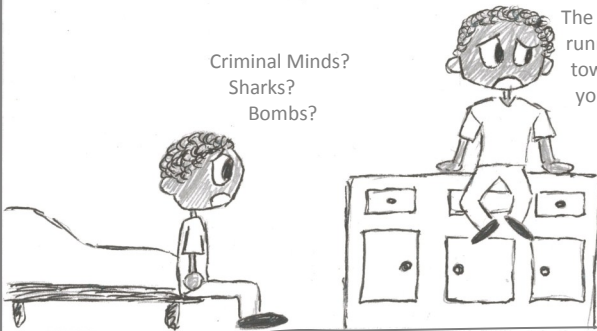


Scary movies, scary pranks, ugly people?

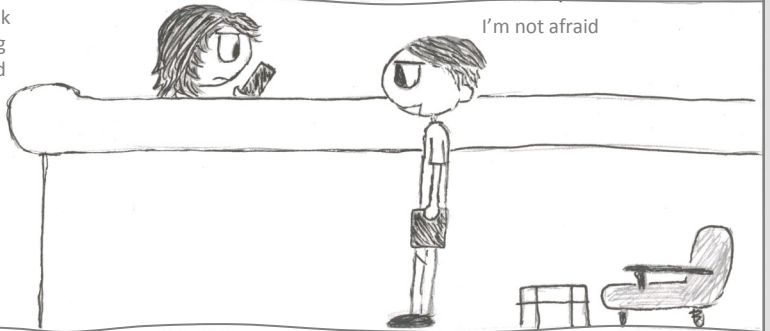


Nope.

Criminal Minds? Sharks? Bombs?



The Hulk running toward you?

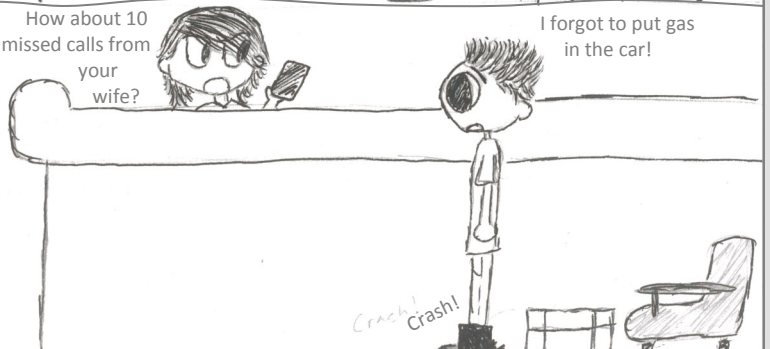


I'm not afraid

Whatever



How about 10 missed calls from your wife?



I forgot to put gas in the car!

Survey Says: *Election Edition*

(Junior High and High School Students voted)

Proposition #	Yes	No
30 (Temporary Taxes)	12%	88%
31 (State Budget)	4%	96%
32 (Political Contributions)	83%	17%
33 (Auto Ins. Companies)	33%	67%
34 (Death Penalty)	12%	88%
35 (Human Trafficking)	67%	33%
36 (3-Strikes Law)	21%	79%
37 (Genetically Engineered Foods)	54%	46%
38 (Tax to Fund Education Programs)	29%	71%
39 (Tax Treatment for Multistate Businesses)	21%	79%
40 (Redistricting)	88%	12%
	Obama	Romney
	13%	87%

Josh's Jokes

- What do you call someone who doesn't pass gas in public?... A private tutor!!
- When my kids become wild and unruly, I use a nice safe playpen. When they're finished, I climb out.
- A bicycle can't stand on its own because it is two-tired.
- What do you call 4 Hispanics in quick sand...? Cuatro sinko
- What's a cow with no legs?... ground beef
- A policeman stops a lady and asks for her license. He says "Lady, it says here that you should be wearing glasses."
The woman answered "Well, I have contacts."
The policeman replied "I don't care who you know! You're getting a ticket!"
- The Energizer bunny was arrested and charged with battery.
- You can always pick your nose but you can never choose your face.

Spelling Bee Champions

First and Second Grade

- 1st Place— Faith Gayou
- 2nd Place— Dillon Gresham
- 3rd Place— Jacob Kubicek

Third and Fourth Grade

- 1st Place— Nora Maualaivao
- 2nd Place— A'ron Washington

Fifth and Sixth Grade

- 1st Place— Moriah Gettler
- 2nd Place— Thayadene Tep
- 3rd Place— Hannah Artiga

Seventh through Ninth Grade

- 1st Place— Nahum Flores
- 2nd Place— Jarah Jones

Tenth through Twelfth Grade

- 1st Place— Shiyloh Gettler
- 2nd Place— Jason Jones
- 3rd Place— Joshua Tecson

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