



# Dayspring Newsletter

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Dear DCA Family,

We would like to encourage all families to attend the "Power Serve" kick-off dinner Thursday, September 18 at 6:00 pm at the main campus. In the spirit of service, dinner will be cooked and served by the administrator and the board members! It will be a time of food, fellowship, information and worship.

We on the board are very excited about the Power Serve. It is an opportunity for us to share Christ's love with the community through our service (Serve-a-Thon), build relationships with those outside the school, and share news of the work God is doing through the ministry of Dayspring Christian Academy; all while raising the resources needed to expand and improve this ministry.

The Power Serve is not intended to replace our current fundraising activities such as Kroger Cards, VT Concessions, magazine renewals, direct appeals to families and friends, etc. which are used to meet yearly operation expenses and fund our financial assistance program. The Power Serve will focus on expanding the donor base beyond current families and the money raised will be designated toward long-term improvements to the school.

I want to thank board member Cheryl McCarthy and her team for their hard work and commitment in leading and organizing The Power Serve event. You are truly a blessing to our school!

Please pray that this event will be a blessing to the community, the school, the sponsors, and all those involved with it, and that it will bring Glory to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Yours in Christ,  
John Albano  
DCA Board President

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### **"POWER SERVE" Student Serve-a-Thon --- Campaign Kickoff!**

Thursday, September 18, 2008 from 6-8pm at the main campus.

**The BOARD will be serving DINNER for the whole family!**

Coach is working on his grilling skills, so make sure you give him some encouragement flippin' those burgers! BYOBlanket or chair. Everything else will be provided for dinner. **Worship will begin at 6:45** in the gym with the *Church of the Holy Spirit - The River Praise Band*, led by one of our own DCA Dads!

**Child Care** will be provided in the main building for small children. **Students and parents will be briefed** on the details of our **"POWER SERVE"** by Coach, our Event Director-Cheryl McCarthy, and Cornerstone Fundraising Solutions' President, Herb Rawling, to get us ready to move out on Friday, September 19 as a DCA Family! Our **"POWER SERVE"** date is November 7, 2008!

**PLEASE contact Ann, in the office, to RSVP, by Wednesday, September 17, family members attending and how many little ones will need child care! We're excited about all the**

**Lord wants to do through this Event! COME** ready for **FUN, EXCITEMENT**, and to **GEAR UP** for our kids to **SERVE** the **New River Valley!!!**

**Contact:** Cheryl McCarthy, 382-3975 with any questions.

## **SPECIAL REMINDERS**

**DCA Spirit Week!** September 15 – 19 for both campuses

Monday – Crazy Hair and/or Hat Day

Tuesday – School Spirit Day; Elementary Field Day in afternoon

Wednesday – Favorite Color Day

Thursday – Favorite Sports Team Day; Pep Rally for all at 2 pm in the gym. Recognize fall athletes

Friday – Pirate Day

### **Prayer Group Update:**

Last week's "Lettuce Pray Together" time went very well. We lifted the children, teachers and staff at Dayspring up before His throne of grace. Please join us this Wednesday at 12:00 at the Blacksburg Public Library to pray for your own children as well as Dayspring. You, your family and your school will be blessed. Don't miss it! Contact Mary McDonald 382-7080 for more info.

### **School Pictures for the DCA Yearbook:**

Second Campus (10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> grades, teachers & staff) – School pictures will be taken at the Second Campus on Tuesday, September 23 at 2 pm. A parent volunteer is needed to assist the photographer.

Main Campus (K-9<sup>th</sup> grade, teachers, & staff) – School pictures will be taken on Thursday, September 25 in the morning, starting at 8:30 with kindergarten and working up grade by grade. Parent volunteers are needed to assist the photographer with organizing the students and keeping things flowing. Please contact the office if you can help for an hour or two.

Students are encouraged to wear a shirt or top that is plain or has only a small print. The photographer suggests that they avoid wearing all white. Picture proofs will be available for order with a percentage being given back by the photographer to DCA. You are under no obligation to purchase pictures, but everyone will need to return the proofs. Class pictures will be taken as well.

### **Senior Pictures –**

Picture Dates are Wednesday, September 17 and Wednesday, September 24. Students have already signed up for an appointment time. See Mrs. Dugan with any changes.

### **Parent/Guardian Highlights**

Help keep Dayspring Safe and Secure – All parents, grandparents, youth pastors, friends—any visitors to campus, must sign-in/out in the office (except for regular drop off and pick-up times). The office is located on the lower level of the main building. This will help us know who is on campus and their purpose there.

**The Second Campus (Dwelling Place) phone number is 577-9926.**

Please remember to turn in any forms that were requested for your child's file and pay any book or sports fees. High School Driver Forms, Medical Release, Parent Info, Student Info, etc.

Catch the Weekly Calendar – Each Friday we sent out a weekly calendar for the week ahead. Please check it out each week as updates/changes occur frequently. It's the most up-to-date version of calendars and schedules.

## **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

If you haven't already done so, please fill out the Parent Volunteer Opportunity Sheet and Take the 18+ Challenge. This will help us know where you would like to plug in.

Our greatest volunteer needs include:

- **Wanted: Substitute Teachers.** We need to build up our listing of people willing to substitute. Substitutes are paid for ½ or full day. Please call the office if you are interested in substituting this year. No need to reply if we already have your name on the list. It is our goal to not overburden our current substitutes.
- **Lunch Parents especially for 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grades.** No need to have a child in either of those grades to lend a hand. Teachers really need your support in this!
- **Substitute Teachers** – ongoing need; ½ or full day; choose grade level; pick up an application in the office.
- **Cleaning** (Classrooms and common areas (preferably on a regular basis; Adopt-a-Spot or room and make Dayspring shine!
- **Office Helpers** (to cover the front desk during lunch time, once per week)
- **Secondary Field Trip Helpers/Coordinators** – Parents are needed to help make hotel, travel, & tour arrangements. There are 5 different trips that need to be coordinated (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>). Contact Joanna Crum (552-7777) ASAP. Parental help is needed to make these trips happen. They are a highlight of the year for the students.
- **Hot Lunch Volunteers** – for main campus Wed. or Thurs., contact Kathy Pfohl or Kathy Ribbens

**After Care Program** – If you are interested in signing your child up for After Care, please contact the office and complete the proper form at Orientation. Charlotte Hoyt will again be caring for the children after school.

## **FUNDRAISING**

**ANNUAL DCA MAGAZINE DRIVE** – People have been asking and the answer is "yes". Students will have the opportunity to sell magazines again this year for those who want to renew subscriptions to build on past efforts or even place new orders. DCA receives \$.40 of every dollar sold! More information will be out soon.

## **KROGER CARES PROGRAM**

If you haven't picked up your Kroger gift card yet, they are available for purchase in the DCA office for \$5.00. (Cards are already loaded with a \$5.00 amount on them—please make checks payable to DCA). Remember, DCA receives 5% of the amount you re-load onto your card. Invite friends and family to participate and continue to watch the dividends grow! If you have any questions regarding the Kroger Cares Program, please contact Sherri Bailey at 382-9684 or by e-mail at: [sherribailey@msn.com](mailto:sherribailey@msn.com).

## **BOX TOPS FOR EDUCATION AND CAMPBELL'S LABEL SYMBOLS**

While you are preparing for tasty cook-outs and picnics remember to keep your eyes peeled on your trash. Be on the look out for Tyson A+, Box Tops for Education squares and Campbell's labels symbols. They are showing up on more and more products (food products, paper products, and even Huggies diapers). Our school will earn supplies and money from the "trash" on these products.

## CLASSROOM NEEDS

There is still time to help teachers with their Classroom Needs. We'd like to continue with the opportunity to bless our teachers. I have requested lists of "classroom needs" from the teachers and staff and I have them available for specific teachers or general needs that can be used in the office and other areas. There is also a need for PE supplies which benefit all students. This is a great opportunity to get involved. If you desire to bless the teachers this way, please contact me, Kimberly Bulls, at [kbulls@i-plus.net](mailto:kbulls@i-plus.net).

## DCA STUDENT LIFE

### Student Officer Election Results –

Congratulations to EVERYONE who ran for a class office position! Based on the number of students running for office among the middle school grades there is a great deal of leadership potential at Dayspring! We look forward to a great year of growth and service to one another out of our love for Christ and His kingdom!

### Dayspring Student Officers 2008-2009

Newly Elected Class Officers:

10th Grade -	Pres. Dori Mock	Vice Pres. Sara Winter
9th Grade -	Pres. Michael Ribbens	Vice Pres. David Henderson
8th Grade -	Pres. Nick Shabanowitz	Vice Pres. Will Abel
7th Grade -	Pres. Sara Albano	Vice Pres. Tyler Amerine
6th Grade -	Pres. Christina Ribbens	Vice Pres. Patrick Ragsdale

Officer Positions filled earlier in the year:

SCA President	Heidi Mock
SCA Vice President	Logan Reynolds
SCA Secretary/Treasurer	Dori Mock
SCA Chaplain	Stephen Copeland
Senior President	Russell Kroeger
Senior Vice President	Hannah Anderson
Senior Secretary/Treasurer	Daniel Henderson
Junior President	Brianna Kirker
Junior Vice President	Lauren Leslie
Junior Secretary/Treasurer	Chris Reighard
Service Club President	Hannah Anderson
Hi-Y President	Daniel Henderson

### **Service Club On the Move and Accepting New Members!**

The Dayspring Service Club is a club devoted to serving our school, our community, and our world. Our desire is to serve others with a Christ-like attitude, mind, and heart.

This club is open to all 8th-12th graders and we are always excited to have new members! We meet the first Wednesday of every month, and our first official meeting will be on October 1 at 3:30 in Room 104 on the main campus. Also, we will do approximately 1-2 projects a month, typically on weekends or after school. Volunteers are encouraged to keep a log of volunteer hours throughout the year. Logs can be found on the school website: [www.dayspringchristianacademy.org](http://www.dayspringchristianacademy.org). Anyone can use these logs—no

need to be a member of the Service Club, but hey, why not?

Our next project is Saturday, September 20, 2008 from 11-3 and we will be doing some painting at DCA.  
Be sure to wear your old clothes and we will look forward to seeing you there!

Thanks!

Your Service Club President,  
Hannah Anderson

For more information contact sponsor Karen Mabes at 552-6213 or email her at [toolmom41@aol.com](mailto:toolmom41@aol.com).

### **Service Club Recap**

On the August 23rd, the DCA Service Club had its first club project at the Kroger on University City Boulevard. We were there from 1-4 collecting food for the Inter-Faith Food Pantry of Blacksburg. We were extremely blessed by all the people coming in and out of Kroger, and stuffed Mrs. Mabes' (our club coordinator) car with tubs of food, which was great because the Food Pantry was virtually empty. We had 3 helpers outside Mrs. Mabes and myself there to hand out fliers and collect donations. It was a great day for all of us who participated and was a huge help to the Food Pantry!

Service Club President,  
Hannah Anderson

### **Wednesday Club/Student Officer Meeting Schedule for the Semester:**

1st Wednesdays - Service Club

2nd Wednesdays – Student Officers

3rd Wednesdays – Hi-Y

4th & 5th will vary as announced

**Yearbook** – Please submit DCA-related pictures taken throughout the year to the yearbook staff at [dayspring.office@verizon.net](mailto:dayspring.office@verizon.net). Pictures on CD or JPEG format are preferable. They will be looking for pictures of field trips, field day, classroom projects, chapel, lunchtime, retreats, art projects, student organization events, etc. Pictures will be used for DCA yearbook and DCA Development purposes with permission.

**Are you in need of a student calculator? If so, please contact the office.**

**Lost and Found on the Main Campus** – In general, lost and found clothing items are kept in Mr. Anderson's office in the gym. Items found in either of the gym bathrooms are placed in a white hamper. Overflow and unclaimed items are given away. Other items such as books, lunch boxes and smaller things like jewelry are placed in the main office. Reminder to label clothing items, esp. jackets, sweatshirts, PE t-shirts and shorts. THANK YOU!

### **ATHLETICS AT DAYSPRING**

Athletic Schedules are posted in the weekly calendar and on the school website. Please note that they are subject to change.

**Girls Volleyball Teams** - DCA girls' volleyball won two matches against Faith Christian Academy on Friday Sept. 12. Hooray! The squad is bigger than ever—21 girls—so we have added several matches to our schedule so that all get some game time. The coaches are pleased to see the girls acting like the body of Christ, each member respecting and encouraging the other members.

**Cross Country Team** - There are 14 students running Cross Country this fall. 6 are high school students, the rest are middle school students. A highlight from last week's meet at the Knights' Crossing Invitational was Drew Dellinger's 11<sup>th</sup> place finish out of a couple hundred runners in the middle school division. The meet was held at Green Hill Park in Salem with races held for middle school (co-ed); high school girls, high school boys, adults and elementary. Participants included some of the top runners

from Tennessee and Virginia. Congratulations Drew! As one Dayspring fan who attended said, "Everyone did great! Dayspring made quite a respectable showing for such a small team - we were very impressive against such bigger & stronger schools! Uniforms should be in this week. A special thank you to assistant Coach Carole Dellinger for her great support of the runners and Coach Slocum!

**Boys Varsity Soccer** - After a disappointing loss in a hard-fought season opener on September 4th at New Covenant in Lynchburg 2-0, the boy's soccer team traveled to the Blue Ridge Classic Soccer Tournament at Providence Christian Academy in Johnson City, TN. At the Blue Ridge Classic, the team met tough opponents, but learned more about the game. Dayspring lost the first two matches on Friday 4-0 and 3-2 against Wilmington, NC Christian School and Western Carolina, then won against a Mitchell County, NC team on Saturday 2-0. David Cousins was named to the All-Tournament team, with solid midfield play, including scoring all of the team's goals in the tournament. Dayspring's defense was anchored by senior Russell Kroeger and junior Chris Reighard. Numerous offensive attacks were led by seniors Stephen Copeland and Adam Koelling, including several good opportunities that were cut off by scrappy defensive play. Other important contributors in these games were juniors Caleb Bryant and Dillon Mayhew and seniors Daniel Henderson and McKeever Henley. Freshman Spencer Miller played a majority of the tournament as goalkeeper, where he turned in a gusty performance in the face of constant scoring pressure.

Dayspring returned to its conference schedule during the week of September 8th with two solid wins. Led by an experienced starting squad, they easily won 3-0 against Timberlake in Forest on September 9th, then capped off a winning week with an 8-0 win against Faith Christian-Roanoke at home on September 12th. Both games gave opportunity for younger players to gain some game experience after the starting team put these games out of reach for their opponents.

Come out and watch the Dayspring boy's team in their upcoming Friday home games at Blacksburg Middle School at 5PM September 19th and 26th and October 3rd.

**The Golf Team** will play 2 more golf matches this fall as part of their development season. The regular golf season will now be held in the spring. The VACA State Tournament will be held on Monday, May 4. Thanks to Joe Woodward for coaching the team! Thanks Coach Woodward and parents!

### **HOT LUNCH PROGRAM AT DCA**

Hot Lunch order forms are available in the respective offices. Forms need to be turned in to the office by noon the day before a given hot lunch day. You have the option of ordering week-by-week or for longer periods of time.

The Hot Lunch programs for each campus (Main and Second) will be run separately due to different class schedules, so look closely as details are announced. Details are still being finalized for the Wendy's hot lunch day at the main campus. It will be either Wednesday or Thursday depending on volunteer helpers.

**Main Campus Hot Lunch Pizza is on TUESDAYS.**

**Second Campus Hot Lunch –**

Mondays – Pizza (forms due noon on Friday)

Wednesdays – Subway (forms due Tuesday by noon)

Fridays – Chinese (forms due Thursday by noon)

Hot Lunch Forms are available in the September 15-20 edition of the This Week at Dayspring Calendar. They will soon be posted on the school website.



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