

## Grace Home Schoolers, Inc.

GHS, Inc. was formed by Bible-believing Christians who desire to serve the Lord Jesus Christ while teaching their children at home

### April 2005

#### Reminder:

- 7<sup>th</sup> Creative Learning Days – 10:00 AM
- 8<sup>th</sup> Bio/History Fair – 7:00 PM
- 11<sup>th</sup> RSVP due for Promotion Certificates
- 14<sup>th</sup> “Midsummer Night’s Dream” – 10:30 AM
- 18<sup>th</sup> Standardized Testing begins
- 26<sup>th</sup> Book-it Pizza Party – 11:30 AM
- 28<sup>th</sup> “Hansel and Gretel” – 10:15 AM
- 29<sup>th</sup> GHS Drama Production – 7:00 PM

#### **Creative Learning Days: Thursday, April 7, 10:00 AM, FBCSS**

Another great month of classes! Don’t forget to arrive a few minutes early so we can start our classes on time. **Teachers should arrive 10-15 minuets early.** Just a reminder, we will have a picnic at Merrill Park after the classes. Even if you can only stay for a short time, we would love to have you stop by and chat.

#### **Bio./History Fair: Friday, April 8, 7:00 PM, FBCSS**

Families are encouraged to take this opportunity to expand and share their knowledge by studying either an interesting event or a person in history. Each family should consider offering a project, or craft, preparing a display board, wearing a related costume, and composing a report. The display area will be open from 6:00 PM to 6:45 PM to set up. The Fair will begin at 7:00 PM, and close with awards by 9:00 PM. For further information contact Jo Anne Groce at [Ladyjojo12x12@aol.com](mailto:Ladyjojo12x12@aol.com) or call 407-699-7948.

#### **“Midsummer Night’s Dream”: Thursday, April 14, 10:30 AM, Lake Eola**

For those who have already RSVP’d - A comedy/romance by William Shakespear at Lake Eola. For any further questions contact Susan Coulter at [Coulter6@cfl.rr.com](mailto:Coulter6@cfl.rr.com) or call 407-290-8770.

**Standardized Testing: Monday - Thursday, April 18-22, FBCSS**

Standardized testing will be for those students **already** registered. If you have any questions or need further information, please contact Anne Bower, our test administrator, at 407-886-2742 or e-mail her at [annewbower@yahoo.com](mailto:annewbower@yahoo.com).

**Book-It Pizza Party: Tuesday, April 26, 11:30 AM**

Greenwood Lakes Park, Lake Mary

Each family needs to bring a 2-liter drink and a dessert to share with everyone. Please remember that each child will get two slices of pizza for the Book-It party. If you have other children coming that are not part of the program, you will need to bring a lunch for them or you may purchase extra pizza for your family. Let Denise know so that she can include that in with the order for the party. Contact Denise Stalling at [Mikkils@aol.com](mailto:Mikkils@aol.com) or by phone at 407-322-0027.

**"Hansel and Gretel": Thursday, April 28, 10:15 AM**

Pinocchio's Marionette Theater located at 525 S. Semoran Blvd, Winter Park (1 block S. of University & 436).

See these amazing 16-stringed 2-foot puppets come alive in a captivating performance! Geared towards elementary ages, but all ages will find this show very entertaining! Please RSVP by April 21<sup>st</sup> to Janet Brandel at [Jbrandel@cfl.rr.com](mailto:Jbrandel@cfl.rr.com) or call 407-788-7477.

**GHS DRAMA PRODUCTION: Friday, April 29, 7:00 PM, FBCSS**

Our middle and high school drama classes will be presenting their end-of-the-year productions on **Friday night, April 29th, 7pm at FBCSS**. Over 30 students will be participating. These young thespians have been working very hard memorizing lines, creating costumes, learning music, and finding out what it takes to "put on a show." Please consider supporting them by attending this great night of entertainment. Admission is free.

**End of Year Evaluations:**

Cisa Simmermacher is a professional teacher and is certified with the State of Florida. She is available to evaluate your child or children by appointment only for \$15.00 each for the first two children and then \$10.00 each for the third child and up. If you are interested, please call for an appointment at 407-696-7572.

**Yearbooks:**

If you have not yet ordered your yearbook, you still have time!!! The cost is \$17. You may mail your check by April 15 to Dawn Harper, 508 N. Central Avenue, Apopka, FL 32712.

## Looking Ahead:

May 2	“School House Rock”
May 2	Start Up Meeting for 2005-2006
May 5	CLD
May 10	Friday Class Parents Meeting (mandatory for enrollment)
May 12	End of Year Pool Party / Round Table Meeting
May 13	K-8 Promotion Night
May 17	Friday Class Registration
May 20	Graduation/ 9-11 Promotion
May 24	GHS Used Book Sale
May 26-28	FPEA Convention

### **“School House Rock”:** **Monday, May 2, 9:45 AM**

Orlando Repertory Theatre, Lock Haven Park.

For those who have already RSVP'd, contact Susan Coulter at [Coulter6@cfl.rr.com](mailto:Coulter6@cfl.rr.com), or call 407-290-8770 for further questions.

### **Start Up Meeting for 2005-2006 School Year:**

**Monday, May 2, 7:00 PM, FBCSS**

After careful planning, we are excited to offer start-up even earlier this year! Please mark you calendars!!! This is the only mandatory meeting required all year. At this time, you will need to sign up for your volunteer position, receive your new notebook insert pages and sign up for upcoming/year-long activities. If you would like to chair one of the GHS events, please let a Steering Committee Member know as soon as possible.

### **Creative Learning Days:** **Thursday, May 5, 10:00 AM. FBCSS**

Another amazing year of creative, captivating classes! We all learned so much and had a wonderful time in the process. To celebrate, we will be having our annual end of the year party for the CLD kids and teachers during the break between classes. We would like to thank all the teachers who did such a great job! As usual, we will meet at Merrill Park for our picnic and play time. Come and join us!

**Friday Class Parents Meeting: Tuesday, May 10, 7:00 PM, FBCSS**

This is a mandatory meeting for all those who are interested in enrolling in the Friday Classes next year. You will be given a number on a first come basis, which determines what order you will be able to register your student(s) on Tues. the 17<sup>th</sup>. It will be an opportunity for you to meet the teachers and hear about the classes prior to registration. If you have any questions contact Judy Walker at 407-678-4857.

**End of the Year Pool Party: Thursday, May 12, 10:30 AM –12:30 PM**

Westmonte Park – Make a splash into summer at the end of the year pool/yearbook signing party! Everyone should bring: your yearbook (if you purchased one), pen, picnic lunch, towel, and swimsuit (girls of all ages need to wear a modest one-piece bathing suit). Come and join GHS for a great time of fun and fellowship! Everyone is welcome!

**Round Table Meeting: Thursday, May 12, 1:00 PM, Westmonte Park**

After the pool party and picnic, we will be having our annual Round Table Meeting. This is your chance to share with the Steering Committee any ideas and suggestions you have about the activities for this year and for the upcoming 2005-2006 school year. It is a very informative meeting, and we need your help to continue to make GHS a success. If you are not coming to the pool party, we would still love for you to come to the meeting. Supervised play will be provided during the meeting time for moms with younger children. Come prepared to share ideas for next year's activities!

**K-8 Promotion Night: Friday, May 13, 7:00 PM, FBCSS**

This is a night to celebrate all those accomplishments made during the school year! We love to honor the children for all of their hard work this year. If you were a chairman for a committee that will be presenting awards, you will need to contact Della Tindell. Families who will be attending the ceremony will be asked to bring finger foods to share at the reception following the presentations. You will need to RSVP no later than April 11 by filling out the Promotion Certificates form on the last page of this newsletter. This is needed in order for your child to receive their certificates that night.

**Friday Class Registration: Tuesday, May 17, 8:00 AM, FBCSS**

If you are interested in participating in the Friday Classes, and attended the meeting on the 10<sup>th</sup>, this is the only day available to register. Any questions, please contact Judy Walker at 407-678-4857.

**GHS Graduation and 9-11 Promotion: Friday, May 20, 7:00 PM**

**First Baptist Church of Apopka, 411 S. Highland Ave., (off Hwy 441).**

You will not want to miss one of our most exciting events! ALL families involved in the Graduation/Promotion Night will be contacted as to what you will need to bring to help with the reception. You will need to RSVP no later than April 11 by filling out the Promotion Certificates form on the last page of this newsletter. This is needed in order for your child to receive their certificates that night.

**GHS Used Book Sale: Tuesday, May 24, 10:30 AM – 12:30 PM, FBCSS**

Get your items ready to sell: book, computer games, learning tools, etc. You will be responsible for selling your own items and supplying your own table. Be sure to label your items with grade level and price. This will help the buyers. More info to come in next month's newsletter. If you have any questions you may contact Terry True.

**FPEA Convention: Thursday – Saturday, May 26-28**

**Gaylord Palms Resort**

Keynote speaker with Mark Hamby: The strong-willed Child/Parent. Learn how to discover the heart of your child. Registration deadline for members is Sunday, May 1, except for online registration (May 10). For more information you may visit online at [www.fpea.com](http://www.fpea.com), or call 1-800-ASK-FPEA. Also, check your FPEA Convention guide that you should have already received in the mail for a complete convention schedule and registration info.

**Remember:** Deadline for submission to the May newsletter is April 15. Please submit information to Katrina Bellamy at [R7KBELLAMY@aol.com](mailto:R7KBELLAMY@aol.com).

*“Train up a child in the way he should go,  
and when he is old he will not depart from it.”  
Proverbs 22:6*

*“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom,  
and the knowledge of the Holy One is understanding.”  
Proverbs 10:10*

## Promotion Certificates

If you desire a Promotion certificate for your child/ren at the Promotion ceremony, we need information from you postmarked no later than **Monday, April 11**. Please complete the form below and send to:

Cindy Beach  
1557 Crawford Dr.  
Apopka, FL 32703

If you are unable to attend the GHS Awards Promotion Night for grades K-8 (May 13) or Promotion/Graduation for grades 9-12 (May 20), but would like to have certificates, you may send a self-addressed manila envelope with postage along with the information form.

**Remember, this must be postmarked by Monday, April 11.**

Someone from the Promotion committee will call you by Monday, May 2. If you do not get a call, we did not receive your information.

Please write your child's name the way you want it to appear on the certificate.

**Please be sure to write neatly.**

Parents Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

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For additional children, please use the back of the form.

We will have \_\_\_\_ (number of people) attending the **K-8 Promotion**.

We will have \_\_\_\_ (number of people) attending the **9-12 Graduation/Promotion**.

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