

*...But speaking the truth in love, we are to grow up in all aspects into Him, who is the head, even Christ, from whom the whole body, being fitted and held together by that which every joint supplies, according to the proper working of each individual part, causes the growth of the body for the building up of itself in love.
-- Ephesians 4:15-16*

Many of Our Brenham Christian Academy Parents are **extraordinary** for their love, energy, commitment, creativity, and often sacrificial giving to our mission in American Christian Education! Our parents take seriously the responsibility of nurturing their children and participate in the process by active involvement and support. In the history of our school, dedicated parents have always been there undergirding our mission, encouraging our administrators, helping with homework, appreciating our teachers, assisting in our classrooms, driving for field trips, serving as homeroom moms and making costumes!

The home is God's first ordained institution of government. We view the parent as being responsible for the education of his child by principle of property and stewardship. Neither school nor teacher will intrude on parents' responsibility but will work for the parent serving a professional tutorial need. We will never attempt to pit the school against the home. We work FOR the parent WITH the child. We are responsible first to the parent, secondarily to the child.

This is why Brenham Christian Academy continually emphasizes good parent-school communication. There must be unity of purpose and method, support from all sides for the welfare of each child, for we cannot succeed in educating the child without regular, faithful communication with parents. We strive to achieve REAL communication by listening, being alert and attentive to what our parents share with us. We do our best to make individual contact with parents as needed. Our desire is to keep you INFORMED. Therefore, we highly encourage each parent to read your Brenham Christian Academy Family Manual, notices sent home from school, mailings, website & RenWeb information, attend Guardian Eagles meetings (brown bag lunches), ask questions, visit the classrooms—stay in touch! When a child knows that his parents and school are united for his well-being, he is secure and able to grow toward his God-given potential.

Brenham Christian Academy has a structure for getting involved in the life of our school through the Guardian Eagles parent organization. Please take time to read this chapter and plan to attend their meetings once a month. We encourage our parents to pray about their commitment, to meet other Brenham Christian Academy parents, and to take advantage of the privileges private education affords for the involvement in their child's school world.

BREHAM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY BOARD OF DIRECTORS**2007-2008 SCHOOL BOARD**

Jason King, President	Danny Dahlquist, Trustee
David Sowers, Vice President	Bill Rigsby, Trustee
Lee Gaskamp, Treasurer	Andy Taylor, Trustee
Judi Cole, Secretary	

The Brenham Christian Academy School Board is the governing board of directors who serve as the spiritual leaders of our school. The school board is concerned with policy making, the financial management of the school's annual budget, and provides the overall direction of the school.

Comprised of Christian men and women, active leaders in their own professions, businesses, and churches each exemplifies the Biblical model of leader/servant by giving many hours each month to serve as a board member of Brenham Christian Academy. Each takes seriously the role of godly parenting and nurturing their children in the admonition of the Lord, and each is committed to excellence in Christian education. Their outstanding leadership has placed the school in the favorable budgeting position to embark on a capital campaign for building a permanent campus for Brenham Christian Academy.

The functions of the Board of Directors are to:

- A. PLAN through stewarding the vision and development of the master plan;
- B. MANAGE the formation of all governing policy;
- C. DIRECT the financial budget and fundraising activities;
- D. SERVE school functions through full participation.
- E. OTHER general duties include
 - 1. Development
 - 2. Public Relations
 - 3. Finance
 - 4. Nominating
 - 5. Property
 - 6. Building

The Board of Directors' meetings are held monthly. In addition to the voting members of the board, the schools' administrators and development directors attend board meeting, retreats, and activities. All serve as leaders in the school and are available and eager to listen and talk to parents regarding matters of policy and governance. For anything that concerns children, parents should always begin with the classroom teacher. As a school family, there are well-established lines of communication and a governing structure to serve the various dynamic needs and energies of our growing enrollment. Please see our flow chart in the Appendix for our established lines of communication and authority.

BREHAM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY ADMINISTRATORS

*For even the Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve,
and to give His life a ransom for many.*

Mark 10:42-45

BREHAM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY ADMINISTRATORS are leaders among their Christian colleagues, as they daily “re-present” the vision and work of Brenham Christian Academy in its full mission and with integrity. As servants of Christ they have the high call of God to serve parents, teachers, and children through American Christian Education, the philosophy and method that require commitment to the Principle Approach in spirit and form. These administrators take seriously the sacred trust of parents to cultivate and nurture pliable hearts and minds for Christian leadership and life.

Each administrator has served Brenham Christian Academy as a classroom teacher in the school and continues to research and develop curriculum and teach both children and adults. Each is involved in Brenham Christian Academy’s in-service training for teachers and participates in state, regional and national conferences and seminars.

The model of administration within Brenham Christian Academy is interdependent in spirit regarding the implementation of school policies and procedures. The Principal sits as an ex-officio board member at monthly meetings for the purpose of providing information about daily school life and vision for future planning. The Assistant Administrator teaches half the day and serves in administration the other half of the day. Please read their biographical sketches on the following page.

Our Brenham Christian Academy administrators are models of Christian character and scholarship as they serve daily as loving leaders and learners. Committed to serving each family in its individual educational needs and upholding each teacher in the work, they are always ready to listen and discuss concerns. Generous with their time, patience, resources, and giftings, they labor long hours in their dedication to uphold Christ and excellence through education.

ADMINISTRATION BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES

DAN HEADLEY: *Position:* Assistant Principal/Athletic Director, Bible and Computer teacher; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy,* 3 years with 4 years previously, moved to Iowa and is back again; *Education,* MA in Physical Education with emphasis in teaching and coaching – University of Northern Iowa, BS in Biblical Studies – Emmaus Bible College; *Spouse:* Paula, Homemaker; *Children:* Lydia, Micah, and Noah; *Church in Attendance:* First Baptist Church, Chappell Hill

DIANN MARLEY: *Position:* Principal/Interim Superintendent; *Education:* Currently pursuing doctoral studies in Educational Leadership at Columbia International University, M.S. Degree in Education, Major: Curriculum & Instruction with specialization in K-12 Reading from the University of Wyoming; B.A from the University of Tennessee, Knoxville with Teaching Certification in Reading K-12, Remedial Reading K-12, English, World History, Sociology, and Psychology. *Years at Brenham Christian Academy:* 7 years; *Spouse:* Dr. Neil Marley, deceased; *Children:* Shannon, junior at Baylor University and BCA graduate, class of 2005, Erin, Freshman at Baylor University and BCA graduate, class of 2007; Jack, fifth grade at Brenham Christian Academy; *Church Membership:* First Baptist Church, Brenham; *Professional Associations:* Associations of Christian School Administrators, Foundation for American Christian Education, Center for the American Idea, and Phi Delta Kappa Professional Educational Fraternity (Honorary), National Institute of Learning Disabilities (NILD)

FACULTY BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES**2007 – 2008**

JANA AHLERS: *Position:* Spanish Teacher; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy:* 1st year; *Education:* BA in French, minor in Spanish – Texas Tech University; *Spouse:* Richard; *Children:* Maria, 17; *Church in Attendance:* Immanuel Lutheran Church, Weideville

ALISON BRUNNER: *Position:* Science/Math 4th-6th; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy,* 3rd year; *Education:* BS in Interdisciplinary Studies/ Early Childhood Education – University of Texas, Arlington; *Single;* *Church Attendance:* St. Mary's Catholic Church, Brenham

BILLIE ANNE CONNOR: *Position:* 4th – 6th Language Arts and History *Years at Brenham Christian Academy,* 1st year (29 years in Education); *Education:* BA in English, Minor in History; *Spouse:* David *Children:* Two grown children; *Church Attendance:* First Baptist Church Brenham

PATTY DALRYMPLE: *Position:* Math, Calculus, and Bible Teacher; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy,* 6; *Education:* BS in Research Psychology, Certified in Secondary Math Education – University of Texas, Tyler and completing Masters Degree in Christian Education from Columbia International University; *Spouse:* Alan, Research Scientist; *Children:* LeAnna, lives and works in New York City, Sarah, works in Austin, Arlin, sophomore at Texas State and BCA graduate 2006, Emily and husband, Chris, live and work in Lindale, Texas; they have two daughters ; *Church Attendance:* House of Worship Church

JESSICA KAPCHINSKI: *Position:* Varsity Volleyball Coach; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy:* 1st year; *Education:* BS in Agricultural Development and Leadership Studies – Texas A&M University; *Spouse:* Kristopher; *Children:* one daughter; *Church in attendance:* First Baptist Brenham

LINDA KIMPSTEAD: *Position:* High School English and Drama; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy,* 1 year (29 years in education); *Education:* BA in English & History – Texas A & M University, Master of Arts in English & History, certified in Theater Arts; *Spouse:* David; *Children:* Three grown children; *Church Attendance:* Brenham Bible Church

KENNY MORGAN: *Position:* Junior High & High School Science; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy,* 1 year (31 years total in education); *Education:* BS in Biology, Minor in Education/Chemistry – Louisiana State University; *Spouse:* Sally; *Children:* Kenneth, 5th grade, Amelia, 3rd grade; *Church Attendance:* St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, College Station

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PETER MORISSETTE: *Position:* History teacher and coach; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy,* 2 years, *Education:* BA in History/Social Science with Secondary Teaching Certification – Wheaton College; *Single;* *Church in Attendance:* Brenham Bible Church.

JUSTIN ROBERTS: *Position:* Junior high English & Reading; Journalism; Chapel Coordinator; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy,* 1 year; *Education:* BA in General Studies; *Spouse:* Jada; *Children:* Jewel; *Church Attendance:* Independence Baptist Church

JULIE STEEN: *Position:* Fine Arts Teacher (Part Time); *Years at Brenham Christian Academy,* 1 year with 2 previous years in 1994-1996 at BCA (17 years total in education); *Education:* BA in Art and Physical Education, Minor in Psychology – Houston Baptist University; *Spouse:* Nathan; *Children:* Kimberley, 7th grade at BCA; Ryan, 5th grade, First Baptist, Jillian, 2nd grade, First Baptist; *Church Attendance:* Greenvine Baptist Church

REX THREATT: *Position:* College guidance, Portfolio, Bible and coach; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy,* 1 year, *Education:* BS in Physical Education/Health with a minor in History – Wayland Baptist; MS in Sports and Exercise Science – West Texas A&M University; *Single;* *Church in Attendance:* First Baptist Church, Brenham.

OUR BREHAM CHRISTIAN ACADEMY STAFF members are committed individuals who serve the school through many support systems. Please read their biographical sketches for additional information about each member.

SECRETARIAL, OFFICE/CLASSROOM AIDE SUPPORT:

Our secretary and office/classroom aides are the first smiles you meet inside the door, the ones who keep us all “glued together” each day. Their duties are diverse and range from greeting our family, touring guests, typing, answering the telephone, and duplicating material to accurately communicating messages, watching for the safety of each student, serving lunch and being the school nurse. They labor endlessly, patiently, and unselfishly and always with cheer and loving attention. We are blessed abundantly by the Lord, who in His abiding love and mercy, cares for us so tenderly!

STAFF BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES**2007-2008**

SHANNON ARMSTRONG: *Position:* Parent/Teacher Liaison and Volunteer Coordinator; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy:* 2 Years; *Spouse:* Gregory; *Children:* Gregory, Junior at BCA; Kyle, 8th grade at BCA and Bryce, 6th grade at BCA. *Church in Attendance:* Cornerstone Christian Center

MARYANN CHELF: *Position:* Teacher’s Aide; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy:* 5 Years; *Spouse:* Bruce; *Children:* Kimberly, Elementary Teacher and BCA alumni, class of 1996, Sheri, Graduate of Sam Houston State University, Sarah, freshman at Blinn Community College and graduate of BCA, class of 2007, Lara, Sophomore at BCA, *Church in Attendance:* Brenham Bible Church.

DEBBIE COX: *Position:* Varsity Cheerleading Coach; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy:* 2 years; *Spouse:* Rod; *Children:* Lauren, sophomore at Blinn Community College and graduate of BCA, class of 2006, Tyler and Kyle, juniors at BCA; *Church in Attendance:* First Baptist, Chappell Hill.

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DOROTHY GARCIA: *Position:* Front Desk/Public Relations; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy:* 1st year; *Spouse:* Paul; *Children:* one daughter and a son; *Church in Attendance:* St Mary's Catholic Church, Brenham

MARIE LOEWE: *Position:* Administrative Secretary; *Years at Brenham Christian Academy* – 2 years; *Work Experience:* 24 years in Administrative Offices in public schools; *Spouse:* Jimmy; *Children:* Jamie Odom graduate of Texas A&M, Joanie Wright, graduate of Sam Houston, May 2004; *Church in Attendance:* Martin Luther Lutheran Church, Carmine, TX.

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THE FOUNDATION FOR AMERICAN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (F.A.C.E.) has, for over ten years, had its development and administrative offices in Chesapeake, Virginia. The Foundation's historic Headquarters in San Francisco, California continue to house its research library, production center, and was the home of Miss Rosalie Slater, deceased, was co-founder of F.A.C.E.

Miss Slater was a charter member of StoneBridge Primary School Board in Chesapeake, Virginia and has served the school in many generous ways throughout its history, particularly in guiding the development and writing of curriculum. In the history of F.A.C.E. Miss Slater, who was an educator, began to research the foundation of our original colonial education through America's Christian history. She discovered that the principles that govern the individual's relationship to the Lord are the same that originally governed our nation. This became an educational program now known as *The Principle Approach*. Since that time, Miss Slater has authored many books and written the American Christian History Literature Program, in use by thousands of Christian educators around the world.

The mission of F.A.C.E. is: "The research, documentation, and publication of America's Christian History and Government and the restoration of American Christian Education by *The Principle Approach*, to call Americans back to that personal character which only faith in Jesus Christ is competent to create." The Foundation, built on the research and writings of co-founder, Verna M. Hall, is a non-profit organization which continues its mission through contributions and memberships. F.A.C.E. publishes the *American Christian Prompter*, *Principly Speaking*, and *The Journal*, as well as many volumes pertinent to the America's Christian History and Government.

This year F.A.C.E. established the Educational Projects Division which includes several projects initiated at StoneBridge:

- **THE APPRENTICESHIP**, a three-week program that develops and trains local, national, and international educators for leadership in the Principle Approach in conjunction with StoneBridge Academy, F.A.C.E. demonstration school;

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- **THE WRITING AND PUBLICATION** of Principle Approach educational materials, curriculum guides, and high school courses of studies through the professional leadership of Principle Approach master teachers and the building of the Curriculum Resource Center.
- **CONSULTING** with other schools nationally and internationally and **LECTURING** at national and regional conferences;
- **F.A.C.E. CONFERENCES** and the continuing oversight of StoneBridge as a F.A.C.E. national demonstration school.

The Foundation enhances the quality of Brenham Christian Academy inservice program which governs the ongoing training of new teacher, as well as the continuing curriculum development. It hosts visiting educators and guests who visit StoneBridge Academy as a Principle Approach demonstration school (StoneBridge Academy is the location where Brenham Christian Academy began its training in the Principle Approach).

Consultation services send consultants to assist the fledgling schools in Principle Approach education through week long seminars and on-going assistance by sharing StoneBridge curriculum, training manual, and valuable resources. Consultants serve many foundations, institutes, Principle Approach school and homeschooling groups all over the nation and the world and hosts and sends master teachers and consultants to many regional and national conferences and seminars.

The Curriculum Resource Center Foundation publishes the valuable “handwritten textbooks” prepared over seventeen years of Foundation’s first publication, the *Literature Guide*, the *Reading Guide*, and the *English Grammar and Composition Guide*, the *History and Geography Guide*, and the *Courtship of Miles Standish Literature Guide*, are marketed nationwide. The Foundation will continue to publish additional curriculum guides with accompanying grade-level curricula. This will enable classroom and home educators to establish their own Biblical scholarship in subjects.
