



The November Issue of the “Co-op Connection”

Remember, this newsletter goes out once a month, both in digital and print format. We will be keeping you up to date on all the happenings at the Co-op.

THE CO-OP CONNECTION “STUDENT SPOTLIGHT”

This month, the spotlight is aimed at the amazing athletic abilities of some of our students. See the “Student Spotlight” on p. 2 for more details!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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A Spanish Teacher With A Servant’s Heart

If you’ve met Señor Cutter, Spanish Teacher at HHE, you may know how dedicated he is to his students. What you may not know is that Smith Cutter’s dedication to serving others goes far beyond the walls of our co-op and spans many years and several countries.

At the age of 19, Smith joined the Army and bravely served our country as a door gunner of a helicopter gunship in some of the worst battles of the Vietnam War. God’s protection was on Smith as he carried a wounded soldier across a field to safety while under fire. Other heroic acts, such as giving up his seat on the helicopter to a wounded soldier while left behind in enemy territory, are evidence of his servant’s heart. Smith has been awarded numerous medals for bravery and service, including a Purple Heart. He still carries shrapnel in his body today as evidence of his sacrifice. Smith Cutter’s dedication to the Lord and serving others continued long after his military service. After obtaining his teaching degree from UTC, Smith went on

a mission trip to Lima, Peru, where he met his wife Cheryl. They were married a year later and returned to Peru as full-time missionaries. While in Peru, Smith was detained and put in prison due to a paperwork error. Within an hour of being released, terrorists blew up a portion of the jail, once again demonstrating God’s hand on his life. After 6 years in Peru, Smith became a police officer for the city of Chattanooga. Now retired, Smith can be found serving the elderly with manual labor needs or providing translation assistance to the local Hispanic community. “Smith has used his knowledge of the Spanish language to touch countless lives for Jesus. That is his heart’s desire for his students here at HHE,” says assistant and friend Becca Johnson. The Cutters plan to return to the mission field in Acapulco, Mexico by January 2013. If you are interested in learning more about their upcoming ministry, please let Smith know. You can always find him lending a hand around campus after class, not to mention spreading life and laughter with a joke or two.

Co-op Connection “Student Spotlight”

Has your student received an award or accomplished a recent goal? Do you know or have a student that we need to shine the spotlight on? Each month we will feature some of our amazing HHE students and what they are doing!

Submit photos and a brief summary to Jennie Landreth at jennieland@yahoo.com for a chance to be featured in the next Co-op Connection “Student Spotlight.”

Did You Know?

“My favorite sport is speed shopping.”

-Lisa Hale Bennett



This month, the spotlight is on the amazing athleticism of two of our students. What’s even more notable is the attitude and dedication they bring to their sport.

Second grader **Noah Ferguson** played outfield and catcher this year on the Middle Valley Generals Baseball Team. They racked up wins all season long, including several championship victories. Noah, a huge sports fan that you will always find with a ball in his hand, says he learned to give his best “no matter if you are winning or not.” Noah, a man of his word, proved just that during one of the World Series games. A fellow teammate was hit in the mouth with a ball and, consequently, had blood all over his shirt. Without hesitation, Noah gave him his own jersey to wear, finishing the game on the bench with no shirt at all. “That was better than a win,” beams Noah’s mother. Noah enjoys hunting, fishing, and playing with his little brother Gabriel.

Co-op Connection “Student Spotlight”

Noah Ferguson is a champ, both on and off the baseball field.

If you have ever thought competitive cheerleading was not a “sport,” just ask 11th grader **Chappel Headrick** about her grueling training schedule 11 months out of the year. Traveling all over the Southeast, she has competed with various injuries including a broken nose and a stress fracture in her wrist. Even with these injuries, she continued to tumble, jump, stunt, and cheer. Chappel has been cheering competitively since 6th grade. Since that time, it has been her goal to obtain a national championship ring from Cheersport, the largest cheer competition in the world.



Over the course of last season, her dream finally came true. Cheersport, held in Atlanta, saw over 900 squads from around the world. Chappel’s squad, RAH Spirit Lightning, took 1st Place in their division. Chappel is now the proud owner of a national championship ring. Something we are equally proud of Chappel for is her desire to honor Christ with her life. She was on a squad this year that was not representative of the morals and values she strives to demonstrate with her life; therefore, she made the decision to leave the squad. We are very proud of Chappel and her accomplishments and welcome her to her first year at HHE.

Chappel Headrick is now the proud owner of a championship ring from Cheersport. Congratulations Chappel!





October Service Days at MVBC

Current Happenings At HHE

The Electric Power Board's "Dr. Shock" visited HHE on Tuesday, October 4, bringing with him examples of electrical safety concepts involving smoke, sparks, and fire!

Dr. Shock presented the "Play It Safe" program highlighting the importance of safe electrical practices. Our preschoolers through High School students were fascinated with the dramatic electrical concepts presented by Dr. Shock. A few examples included what to do when you see someone who is in

contact with a downed power line, the benefits of Green Power, and an actual demonstration on how the human body conducts electricity. As always, Dr. Shock was fun and full of great safety tips and information.

It's the time of year to visit the **Autumn Acres**

Corn Maze & Pumpkin Patch and that's just what some of our HHE students did the last Thursday in September. Their adventure was jam-packed with



fall fun including the corn maze, a petting zoo, a playground, and finally a hayride to the pumpkin patch to pick their very own 4-5

lb. pumpkin! As if that wasn't enough, the students then visited the **World's Largest Tree House**, boasting over 8,000 square feet! Lisa Bennett, HHE Field Trip Coordinator, said, "Our wonderful moms and children, and the perfect weather made for such a wonderful day."

Did You Know?

"Something you may not know about me is that I am an identical twin."

-Anna Ferguson

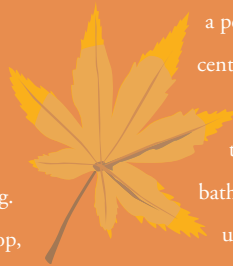


CO-OP FOOD DRIVE

The Charities Class, Middle School, and High School are all working together this month to collect food for the Moody Radio Food Drive benefiting the Chattanooga Community Kitchen. Specific needs include large cans of vegetables (the larger the better), cream soups, and large canisters of grits and oatmeal. November 15 is Co-op Collection Day. For more information, contact Caelin Beets at caelinbeets@yahoo.com or 423-842-4916.

A Time To Give Thanks!

•**October Service Days** – Thank you to all the families who came out to our October Service Days. We were able to re-set the railroad ties, cover the playground with fresh mulch, paint the picnic table and the back wall of the Sanctuary building, sand and prep the walls in the office, and clean the upstairs of the Sanctuary building. Giving back to the church is a vital part of co-op, plus we have great fun together while we are working. If you didn't make it to one of the Fall Service Days, the spring dates are March 17 and March 24.



•**New HHE Office** – We are very thankful that MVBC has been gracious enough to allow us to set up a permanent office in the church. This gives us a central location to help serve our administrative needs. Our office is located on the bottom floor of the old Sanctuary building next to the ladies bathroom. We are in need of donations to help get us up and running including office equipment, supplies, and furniture. Please contact HHE Director Jennie Landreth if you or anyone you know may have any items to donate for this purpose. Thank you MVBC!

Student Agendas

Congratulations to all of our students who have done such a great job using their new agendas this semester. We hope you've enjoyed your treat from Nana's Frozen Custard. Keep up the good work!



Upcoming Events

- Tuesday, November 15. Co-op Collection Day For Food Drive.
Remember to bring your donations to benefit the Chattanooga Community Kitchen.
- Tuesday, November 22. Thanksgiving Break.
Teachers: Light homework assignments please. Happy Thanksgiving!
- Tuesday, December 6. Last Day Of Classes.
Last day of classes for first semester.
- Friday, December 9. End Of Semester Program.
Please be sure to mark your calendars for the End Of Semester Program.
- Friday, May 4. End Of Semester Program.
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together to learn and proclaim the
wonders of God.*