



Principal's E-News

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Aurora Christian Preschool and Elementary School



Marketing Manager
Randall Rosen

Meet Randall Rosen

Randall Rosen is the Marketing Manager for Aurora Christian School. Mr. Rosen is not new to the Aurora Christian community. He was the original Aurora K-Life ministry director and has been a part of Aurora Christian's football coaching staff for two years. This new position is a great fit for Aurora Christian and Randall Rosen.

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Mr. Rosen's passion is to share Christ with others. As I've been able to rub elbows with him for the past few years, I've seen a man who is passionate about sharing the message of salvation with others. His passion continues to grow, especially in his new position as Marketing Manager. He has the privilege of meeting families, communicating the vision and mission of Aurora Christian, and wants to know the pulse of our school personally.

Because of who he is, I'd like you to get to know him as well. His passion and love for Aurora Christian is great, and the best way he can understand the Preschool and Elementary families is to see you, to talk to you, and to have time of interacting together with you. I've asked him to be at our school, starting September 1st, in the gym and/or Big Playroom for the rest of this week from 3:10-3:40. More time will be added as his schedule allows.

What are Mr. Rosen's responsibilities as Marketing Manger? He is working toward increasing enrollment, telling others of what ACS is all about, and telling them about the impact we are making in the community. He is also faithfully expressing the needs of the school and working toward fulfilling those needs and helping to move us forward in excellence.

"It is my goal to meet anyone and everyone that has a connection with Aurora Christian Schools." So, as you can see, he desires to see us as a school reach our potential, be godly stewards, and be faithful in every aspect of partnering in the education of your children.

Please take a moment and, as he says, "find his ugly mug," shake his hand, and talk about Aurora Christian School! You'll enjoy meeting him and getting to know him.

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Fabulous and Easy Way to Help ACS

Aurora Christian School can earn cash every time you search the internet!!! We also could earn a percentage of every purchase you make online!!!

GoodSearch.com is a new Yahoo-powered search engine that donates half its advertising revenue, about a penny per search, to the charities its users designate. Use it just as you would any search engine, get quality search results from Yahoo, and watch the donations add up!

GoodShop.com is a new online shopping mall which donates up to 37% of each purchase to your favorite cause. Hundreds of great stores including Amazon, Target, Gap, Best Buy, ebay, Macy's and Barnes & Noble have teamed up with GoodShop and every time you place an order, you'll be supporting ACS!

Just go to www.goodsearch.com! Enter Aurora Christian School in the "WHO DO YOU GOODSEARCH FOR?" text box. Then click on "Get the GoodSearch toolbar or add us to your search box" and choose "RUN." After that, every time you open your internet browser, the GoodSearch toolbar will appear near the top left of your screen and you can help ACS just by surfing the web!

Please join us at GoodSearch and spread the word!! Your family and friends can easily join the effort!!

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Parenting Vision and Strategy Conference

Wheaton Bible Church is hosting a Parenting Vision and Strategy Conference on November 13-14. The cost is \$40 per couple/\$25 per individual. To learn more or to register, you can go to www.biblicalparenting.org. This 2-day conference is for parents of children 2 to 18.

Junior Achievement

During this past summer, I was in communication with Michael McPherrin from Junior Achievement. I think the program offered through Junior Achievement will make an excellent addition to our instructional program. The instruction will be for kindergarten through 5th grade. Parent volunteers will be needed for the instruction of the program. If you are interested in volunteering be an instructor in your child's class, it is a 5-week long curriculum, roughly an hour of instruction each week (less for younger grades K-2). Training will be provided by Junior Achievement, and all materials are included. If you'd like to help in this new endeavor, email me that you are interested. I'll add you to the list!



Volunteers Needed

Brett Seward Hits the Links...

Brett is a 5th grader at ACS, and had the opportunity this summer to play golf with PGA tour professional Kevin Strelman. If you want to talk golf, you can stop Brett in the hallway and he can tell you about his game and the many courses and tournaments that filled his summer. Congrats on playing with a Pro!!!



Brett Seward &
PGA Tour Pro Kevin Strelman

The Secrets of Jonathan Sperry

Christian movie goers have enjoyed movies with a message like *Facing The Giants* and *Fireproof!* Another movie with a great Christian message is *The Secrets of Jonathan Sperry*. It is about a 75 year old Jonathan Sperry, played by Gavin MacLeod (remember Captain Stubing from the Love Boat?), and how he mentors three 12 year old boys and teaches them about faith and forgiveness.

River Valley Community Church will be sponsoring this movie in its showing at the Randall Road Theatre in Geneva, coming October 9. Fifteen percent of the proceeds of this movie will be given back to River Valley, and they have decided to put money received into a scholarship fund for Aurora Christian School!

Plan a family outing to see *The Secrets of Jonathan Sperry!*

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Teacher Appreciation

Teacher Appreciation is a HUGE deal here at ACS! This year, we are just at the beginning of the school year, but annually there is a crew of volunteers that make Teacher Appreciation Week a very special time for our teachers and staff. Last year, I didn't pass along the following from Mrs. Stevens...

Now that Teacher Appreciation has come and gone, I wanted to take the time to once again, formally thank each and every one of you for all of your generous donations and for all you did to support National Teacher Appreciation Week at ACS. All of the events throughout the week were extremely successful and we could not have accomplished any of it without your ongoing support and assistance. Thank you so much for the various contributions, including monetary donations, the various items for the breakfast and luncheon, the popcorn and candy for the movie treat packs, volunteering to decorate a door or two, assisting with child care, set-up and clean-up, flowers, cards, cameras, etc. WOW! We asked and you all came through with flying colors.

Our honored stars, the teachers and staff had a wonderful, fun week and their fans, the preschool and elementary children also had a blast. You may recall that our theme was ACS Goes Hollywood, giving our teachers and staff the STAR treatment. Take a look at the slide show put together by Todd Pierson and you'll see that we did in fact "roll out the red carpet" as our STARS arrived on the scene with a whole lot of "Glitz and Glamour." Visit <http://piersonkids.com/shows/ACS/>

We are truly blessed to have such wonderful and amazing teachers at ACS and equally blessed to have great parents and grandparents like each of you. Thanks again and I appreciate all of your generosity. God Bless, Jacquelyn Lee-Stevens.

Thanks to Mrs. Stevens, and many other volunteers, everyone had a great experience at Teacher Appreciation.

September 11, Patriot Day

I'm not one to forward emails. But, I recently received an email about September 11th, and what we can do as a country and as citizens to pay homage to those who lost their lives September 11, 2001. Here's what it said...

On Friday, September 11, 2009, an American flag should be displayed outside every home, apartment, office, and store in the United States. Every individual should make it their duty to display an American flag on this 8th anniversary of one of our country's worst tragedies. We do this to honor those who lost their lives on 9/11, their families, friends, and loved ones who continue to endure the pain, and those who today are fighting at home and abroad to preserve our cherished freedoms.

In the days, weeks, and months following 9/11, our country was bathed in American flags as citizens mourned the incredible losses and stood shoulder-to-shoulder against terrorism. Here's what we can do...

1. Think back to how you felt on 9/11.
2. Fly an American flag of any size on 9/11.

Calendar Dates to Remember...

Sept 7 - No School - Labor Day

Sept 11 - Patriot Day - Wear Red, White, and Blue

Sept 11 - Market Day Order Due

Sept 15 - Market Day Delivery

Sept 16 - Preschool & Elementary Picture Day

Sept 17 - Illinois Campus Movie Night

Sept 22 - Happy Birthday Mr. House!!!
Founder's Day

Sept 22 - 7:00 pm Kindergarten Curriculum Night

Oct 6 - Parent Seminar, "God, Help Me Parent!"
Information will be coming home about this.

Oct 9 - Market Day Order Due

Oct 12 - No School - Columbus Day (Preschool through 2nd Grade Child Care Available)

Oct 13 - Parent Seminar, "God, Help Me Parent!" Session 2

Oct 14 - Preschool Vision & Hearing Screening

Oct 15 - Elementary Vision & Hearing Screening

Oct 16 - Pizzapalooza Day

Oct 16 - End of 1st Quarter

Oct 20 - Parent Seminar, "God, Help Me Parent!" Session 3

Oct 22 - Parent Teacher Conferences, 3:30-8:00 pm

Oct 23 - No School - Parent Teacher Conferences, 8:00-3:30 (Preschool through 2nd Grade Child Care Available)

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