



# Bronson Jr/Sr High School

Building Report, January 10, 2011



## Students:

- ✓ **December Students of the Month:**  
Alivia Stanton, 7<sup>th</sup> grade  
Maryselva Albarran, 8<sup>th</sup> grade  
Courtney Souva, 9<sup>th</sup> grade  
Mason Friedel, 10<sup>th</sup> grade  
Meghan Nelson, 11<sup>th</sup> grade  
Kassandra Weinberg, 12<sup>th</sup> grade
- ✓ **Winter Concert:** The Winter Music Concert was very nice. Choir and band students performed a number of festive arrangements, led by Ms. Hoisington.
- ✓ **Student Council:** The Student Council conducted another successful canned food drive. Student and staff donations stocked the shelves of the Bronson Food Pantry with hundreds of cans of food. The SC Homecoming Penny Drive resulted in a \$1000 donation to the Food Pantry. Advisors are Marie Bielawski and Tammy Hard.
- ✓ **Parenting Fair:** The Kiwanis Parenting Fair is Feb. 5 from 8:30-3:00PM at Sturgis Middle School. There is no charge for attending. Keynote speaker is Dr. Mike Thomson, parenting expert, author and Character Counts advocate. There are 20 mini-session topics parents can choose to attend, and 60 exhibits to browse through. Parents can register online at [www.sturgisps.org](http://www.sturgisps.org). Click on the Parenting Fair shortcut link at the bottom of the page. Online registration begins Jan. 10, 2011.


## Quotables:

*"I believe that unarmed truth and unconditional love will have the final word in reality. That is why right, temporarily defeated, is stronger than evil triumphant."*  
Martin Luther King, Jr.

*"Injustice anywhere is a threat to justice everywhere."*  
Martin Luther King, Jr.

*"The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy."*  
Martin Luther King, Jr.

## Upcoming Events:

- January 10** Staff Meeting, 3:05 PM in BHS Library
- January 17** Martin Luther King, Jr. Day  
Regular School Day – NO BACC CLASSES TODAY
- January 24** Staff Meeting 3:05 – BHS Library
- January 25** JH 2<sup>nd</sup> Midterm grades due 7:55 AM sharp!
- January 28** No School for Students (Teacher PD Day)
- February 1** National Freedom Day 
- February 4** 8<sup>th</sup> Grade BACC orientation  
(BACC counselors at BHS)
- February 5** The Kiwanis Parenting Fair, Sturgis Middle School 8:30-3:00PM,
- February 9** **Winter "Perfect Count Day"**
- February 11** Fazoli Spaghetti Dinner 4-7 PM - sponsored by Class of 2011



- February 24** PTCs: 5:30-7:30 PM
- February 25** PTCs: 12:30-3:30 Student Dismissal@11:30 AM

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## Staff & Curriculum:

- ✓ *Sarah Medema wrote and was awarded a grant from DonorsChoose.org, an online charity connecting donors to classrooms in need. The grant theme was “Exploring the Hero’s Journey through Film and Literature”. Sarah wrote a project essay, selected the materials she needed, and submitted her grant request. Sarah’s grant covers 30 copies of The Lightning Thief, Percy Jackson and the Olympians. Sarah will be sending thank you cards to her donors.*
- ✓ *Jean LaClair was honored as the “2010 Enquirer All-Area Volleyball Coach of the Year”. This is in addition to being honored last fall as the Michigan High School Coaches Association Volleyball Coach of the Year.*
- ✓ *Becky Cranson and Heather Skidmore attended an ELA Core Standards workshop at KRESA on Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>. Teachers are beginning to look at how to transition to the Core Standards in curriculum and instruction.*
- ✓ *BJSH Staff is starting a Wellness Program as of this month. January is National Soup month, and staff members were treated to soup on Friday, Jan. 7<sup>th</sup>. Each interested department will take turns making healthy soups to share with each other for Friday lunches. Interested teams are competing for a “healthier you” throughout the next few months. Mrs. Deb Severson is organizing the soup lunches.*
- ✓ *The JSH Extended Day Program is showing increased achievement for those participating regularly. Myra Belote and Paulette Farrell facilitate and tutor students who need or want homework assistance and those who need English Language support. Currently, more than twenty students attend each night with progressively more students attending. The program runs each week from Monday – Thursday from 3-5 PM.*
- ✓ *Laura Baker, Jeremy Battaglia, Jeff Gallup, Carol Konkel, Wes McCrea, and Nisha Ritchie attended a Continuous School Improvement Workshop at CACC. The group received updated information on state mandates, and work was done on the BJHS AdvancED report, School Process Rubrics, School Profile and Performance Indicators, and SIP.*