

Greetings from Minnehaha Academy!

Today as I sat in the Upper School assembly, I was struck again at what an extraordinary school Minnehaha is and how well rounded our student body is. There was much to be celebrated and much to be proud of and give God thanks for in assembly today! Our Girls Basketball has made it to the State Tournament! They will be playing tomorrow evening (Wednesday, March 12<sup>th</sup>) at 8pm at the Target Center. They have had an incredible season and have worked hard to make it to the tournament. The Fine Arts department also recognized many students today who have received honors from conference, state and national competitions in band, orchestra and choir. All seven of Minnehaha's fine arts groups received high honors at recent competitions! The band and orchestra just returned from a week long tour to Costa Rica where they were able to perform for schools and community groups. At one school, our students donated instruments so that the school could begin its own music program. I hope that you are as encouraged as I am that our students today are truly demonstrating God's love and using the talents that he has blessed them with in all aspects of their lives.

**Distinguished Alumni Service Award-** Do you have a classmate or friend who has made a difference in their community? Show them that their work has not gone unnoticed and nominate them for the Minnehaha Alumni Service Award. This award is given to a Minnehaha Alumnus who has exhibited exemplary service to Christ and the community at large and has been involved with the Academy at a variety of levels. Please email your nominations to: Douglass-Heidi@MinnehahaAcademy.net

**7<sup>th</sup> Annual Alumni Basketball Tournament!** Be apart of the action at the Annual Alumni Basketball Tournament on Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>! Sign-up (as a team or an individual) by contacting the Alumni Office at (612) 728-7723 or [Douglass-Heidi@MinnehahaAcademy.net](mailto:Douglass-Heidi@MinnehahaAcademy.net) Registration and warm-up begin at 10:00 am, games begin at 10:30am. Cost is \$5 and includes a t-shirt and refreshments.

**Minnehaha's Annual Auction, *Fabulous Fifties*** is coming up on Saturday, April 12<sup>th</sup> at the Nicollet Island Pavilion. Come rock around the clock and bid on items such as Nintendo Wii, Packers at Lambeau Field Tickets, Indy 500 Tickets, Wintergreen Dogsled Lodge Vacation for 2 (Three Nights), Custom Chocolate Dipped Fortune Cookies, gift certificates to many local shops and restaurants! If you would like to donate an item some ideas of popular items include: gas cards, movie gift certificates, a weekend at a cabin, tickets to a concert or theater performance, electric tools, etc. The auction will be hosted by **Karen (Anderson) Sorbo '78** and live music will be provided by **Dan Cummings '83** and friends. For more details and to reserve your tickets online, please visit: <http://minnehahaacademy.net/development/events/auction.php>

The **Minnehaha Academy Golf Classic** will be held at the Crystal Lake Golf Club on Saturday, May 17<sup>th</sup>. Try for a hole-in-one and win a pair of round trip tickets to anywhere in the continental US! Plus many other prizes! The tournament is open to all golfers of any age and ability. There is also a special discount for young alumni (1990-2007). Register online at: <http://minnehahaacademy.net/development/events/golf.php>

Show your appreciation for the education you received and the friendships that started at Minnehaha by making a gift to this year's Annual Fund, *Zap the Gap!* Online donations can be made at: <http://minnehahaacademy.net/development/>

Sincerely,

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