



Heritage Academy
Building America's Heroes

Laveen Weekly News
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Important Dates to Remember

- Feb. 14, 7 PM**—PTO Meeting
- Feb. 16**—Laveen BBQ
- Feb. 18**—President's Day, No School
- Feb. 21, 7 PM**—Open House for Prospective scholars
- Feb. 28**—Dollars for Duds
- Mar. 1-2**—Murder Mystery Dinner
- Mar. 11-14**--Spring Break
- Mar. 28**—Dollars for Duds
- Mar. 29-30**—JH Play: Zorrito
- Apr. 1-4**—AZ Merit and AIMS for Junior High
- Apr. 2**—Pre-ACT/ACT for High School
- Apr. 4**—Open House for prospective scholars.
- Apr. 11, 7 PM**—PTO Meeting
- Apr. 12-13**—Musical: West Side Story
- Apr. 25-27**--Arts Department Disney Trip
- May 2**—Instrumental and Choir Concerts
- May 3**—Dance Concert
- May 4**—Prom
- May 9, 7 PM**—PTO Meeting
- May 10**—Drama Interactive Night
- May 13-15**—Finals Week
- May 15**—Graduation
- May 16**—Awards Ceremonies



No School
Monday, Feb. 16

Dear Heritage Families,

In February Americans have traditionally celebrated the birthdays of President George Washington and Abraham Lincoln. A number of years ago, the birthday celebrations were combined into President's Day. With that change, many of the valuable ideals and philosophies of these great men were forgotten.

At Heritage, our mission is to instill in the minds and hearts of our young people the ideals and values of the great men and women of the Founding generation. Next week is President's Day. It's a wonderful time to reflect on a few of the teachings of these great Americans.

President Washington was born 22 February 1732 in Virginia. He wrote and said many inspiring words. Here are a few of my favorite quotes.

- "My first wish is to see this plague of mankind, war, banished from the earth."
- "Knowledge is in every country the surest basis of public happiness."
- "Happiness and moral duty are inseparably connected."
- "The Constitution is the guide which I never will abandon."

Long before the Constitutional Convention and Washington's presidency, Thomas Jefferson wrote in 1782, "[Washington's] memory will be adored while liberty shall have votaries, whose name shall triumph over time, and will in future ages assume it's just station among the most celebrated worthies of the world." Indeed, Washington is first in the hearts of his countrymen.

President Abraham Lincoln was born on 12 February 1809 in the backwoods of Kentucky. At Gettysburg he reminded us "that this nation, under God, shall have a new birth of freedom -- and that government of the people, by the people, for the people, shall not perish from the earth."

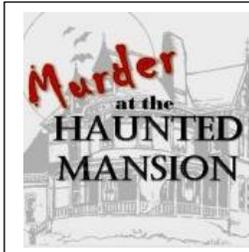
In what many consider the greatest American political speech--Lincoln's Second Inaugural Address--he said, "With malice toward none, with charity for all, with firmness in the right as God gives us to see the right, let us strive on to finish the work we are in, to bind up the nation's wounds, to care for him who shall have borne the battle and for his widow and his orphan, to do all which may achieve and cherish a just and lasting peace among ourselves and with all nations."

While our culture has many fairy tale heroes in movies and comics, Americans are lucky to have real heroes like Washington and Lincoln. Heritage teachers take seriously their duty to teach the ideals and values of these true heroes. During this month, may we reflect on the indispensable American Heritage we have been given and decide to live true to these glorious standards.

Respectfully,
Jared Taylor
Chairman

[Learn more about why we celebrate President's Day](#)





Fri., Mar. 1—7PM
Sat. Mar. 2
12 PM, 5 PM, 7:30 PM

Three course dinner included.
[Tickets at purplepass.com](http://purplepass.com)

Spring Testing 2019
April 1-4--Junior High AZ Merit/AIMS Testing
April 2--High School Pre-ACT/ACT Testing

Come see us at the Laveen BBQ this weekend!

[Purchase tickets online here.](#)

ONLY \$35!!
Final Price!
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Buy your YEARBOOK!!!

Yearbooks **MUST** be pre-ordered. No extra yearbooks will be available to buy when they are delivered.

Last day to buy: April 1, 2019

TALENT SHOW

February 22, 7 PM

Check Grades Here

NAU- Monday, February 25
Would you like to learn more about Northern Arizona University (NAU)? The representative from NAU will be on campus to discuss admissions, programs, and scholarships. Stop by and visit with the representative during lunch.

You're Invited
HERITAGE ACADEMY Hero Night
Thursday, Feb. 21 @ 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.
Benedictine University Mesa
225 E Main Street, Mesa, AZ 85201
RSVP AT HAMESA.COM

LEARN ABOUT THE AMAZING PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN BENU MESA AND HERITAGE ACADEMY

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS
6:00 p.m. Meet & Greet
6:30 p.m. Intro to Benu Mesa
7:00 p.m. Fast Track to Bachelor's Overview
7:30 p.m. Q&A
7:45 p.m. Campus Tour

Join us for a special informational session at Benedictine University (at their Mesa campus) on February 21, from 6-8 pm. Learn about the FastTrack to Bachelor's program for our Heritage scholars, take a campus tour, and explore their degree programs! All grade levels welcome. Click on these links below for more information about some programs at Benedictine University.

[Criminal Justice page 1](#)
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BYU IDAHO Join us Feb. 19 at the Heritage Academy Gateway campus from 3:30-5:00 pm. Meet with the representative from from BYU-I. Learn about admissions and programs. If you have already been accepted to BYU-I, then bring your questions and learn about the next step. Don't miss it! Open to all of our Heritage families and scholars!

If you have friends or families interested in learning what a Heritage Academy education can provide, let them know about our upcoming open house dates:

February 21, 7 PM
April 4. 7 PM



Sports News

For up-to-date sports schedules please visit <http://halaveen.com/calendar/>.



Plan Ahead

Parents and scholars, do you have questions regarding College planning? Below is a list of topics that you may want to consider. Schedule your appointment now with our Director of College Relations [by going here](#).

- High school course selection
- Early College Program - Dual enrollment, AP & CLEP
- Earning an Associates Degree at Heritage Academy
- ACT/SAT/PSAT (Which test and when?)
- Financial Aid (Scholarships, Grants, Loans & FAFSA)



Teacher and Staff Birthdays

Feb. 1--Mr. Smith
Feb. 11--Mr. Arnold



Upcoming field trips:

- 7th-8th grade history tour through Northern Arizona, Spring 2019
- Arts Department Disneyland Trip, April 25-27
- High School Language Department to Spain and France, Spring 2019
- 9th-10th grade science tour through Northern California, October 2019
- 11th-12th grade tour to New York and Boston, October 2019
- Performing Arts Retreat, January 2020

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