# The Defender Report

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### **Employee Spotlight: Dawn Fountain**

--By Treasure Janes, Freshman

Dawn Fountain is the administrator of NCHS. She teaches geography, math, and cooking class. She was born September 24 in St. Charles, Missouri. She and her husband Stephen have been married since 1993. She is a marvelous mother of three daughters, she has two sons-in-law, and is now a proud grandma of one grandson, Jaxton.

She went to high school at South Callaway High School, and attended college at William Woods University for her undergrad and masters degree in education and administration. She has fifteen years

of Christian education experience at Northland Christian school in Kansas City, Missouri.

Her biggest biblical inspiration is Jesus. "...Every morning I take a breath and pretend I am breathing in His air. Feeling His breath just empowers me, and really makes me feel like I can accomplish what God has planned for the day." She says that Christ is the reason NCHS exists, and that everything is in His hands.

Dawn states that NCHS as a whole is doing amazing, and that it is not just her project, but God's. "He is in the details. He knows what each student needs, and He is making it better every day," Dawn stated.

Dawn has a special relationship with all her students, and has a calling to educate her students in the love of Christ. She makes learning enjoyable, and makes NCHS a safe environment for students and staff alike.

NCHS is so blessed to have such an energetic and fearless person like Dawn Fountain as our founder, administrator, and friend.

## NCHS Service Day

--By Ellie Reinsch, Junior

On Friday October 29, NCHS students and teachers were scheduled for a service project at Tiny House Ministries in Shelbyville, Missouri. Due to bad weather, we were unable to go help Tiny House Ministries and instead elected to stay back at the school and bless our host church, Cornerstone Church with some cleaning. We cleaned out ceiling light fixtures in the church that hadn't been



touched in awhile, then wrote encouraging letters to a local serviceman and some of his friends stationed in Okinawa. These letters will be sent to the base to brighten the holidays for those who are serving our country and unable to be with loved ones.



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#### Thursday, November 4 Chapel Speaker, Lt. Brian Hoscheit

--By Sarah Darling, Junior



On Thursday morning, we opened our chapel service with two worship songs: Death was Arrested, and Sovereign Over Us. Then, we had the privilege to listen to our guest chapel speaker, Pastor Lieutenant Brian Hoscheit from the Salvation Army.

He opened with a very compelling passage, Philippians 2: 1-4, "Therefore if you have any encouragement from being united with Christ, if any comfort from his love, if any common sharing in the spirit, if any tenderness and compassion, then make my joy complete by being like-minded, having the same love, being one in spirit and of one mind. Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility, value others above yourselves, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of others."

He reminded and revealed to us that there is so much darkness in this world, but if we keep our eyes on God, then he will show us the right path. We need to be aware of how God is shaping us, and to be aware of our desires. Also that we are looking to the desires he gave us and not the desires of the flesh. Whenever we are lacking confidence we don't need to be afraid, because with God's guidance, we can still be bold and fearless.



--By Elaine Larson, Sophomore

November 5	No Class
November 11 (AM)	Thursday Service Day, Veterans' Day
November 11 (PM)	Blessing of the Hunt - Cornerstone Church event Families can donate baked goods, wrapped individually, to sell at the event at NCHS table
November 24-26	Thanksgiving Break, no school

#### November 11 Service Day:

--By Cayden Davis, Freshman



**Task:** To honor the veterans attending a ceremony at the Kirksville Armory. We will hold flags outside the armory while the veterans walk in, then we will attend the ceremony.

**What to wear:** Dress warmly. Wear your NCHS gear and blue jeans.

**Notes:** We will meet at NCHS, then travel to the armory. After the ceremony, we will be returning to NCHS to write letters of gratitude to local veterans.

What to bring: Lunch (we will eat at NCHS)