

HOPKINSVILLE

Kentucky

*Home of Ebonite
bowling balls!*

*Near Fort Campbell
military base,
home of the
101st Airborne Division
Screaming Eagles!*

March 11th-17th, 2012

BELMONT HILL COMMUNITY SERVICE TRIP

A Covenant for Success

Students are expected to abide by school rules and uphold the tenets of Belmont Hill School's Honor Code at all times.

We are privileged to serve as volunteers in this mission to help those who may need a helping hand. As volunteers, we show our care by giving freely of our time, our resources, and ourselves. We invest ourselves in this mission, and endeavor to do our best while working with those in need.

Guidelines and General Information

- *Work to acceptable standards—do the best you can, if not better!*
- *Respect the worksite homeowner's privacy as well as that of long-term volunteers and staff. Ask before taking pictures or video if a homeowner is present. Don't criticize, gossip, or start rumors. Keep people first before projects.*
- *Ask questions if you don't know how or what to do next. Remember there is no such thing as a dumb question.*
- *Don't assume you know entire building plans. Ask before you start a new project.*
- *Please wear appropriate work attire at worksites and modest clothes around the compound.*
- *Use sunscreen when outdoors.*
- *Keep workspace and living space neat and clean. Keep personal items in your assigned area.*
- *Valuables should be left at home – there are NO lockers available for securing items on site. Anything you bring of value, such as an iPod, DVD player is your responsibility.*
- *Clean up after yourself in the bathroom and shower.*
- *Wash dirty hands. Carry a small bottle of hand sanitizer with you or in your backpack and be sure to use it before eating.*
- *Take time to LISTEN to the stories of the people. The people are more important than the work.*
- *NEVER leave the group and wander away on your own.*
- *Do not make promises: if further work is needed when you leave a work site, let the appropriate people know.*
- ***MONEY:*** *For meals and snacks at the airport as well as on days of travel to and from Hopkinsville (rec. minimum of \$40). Souvenirs and extra spending are up to you.*

Bedding/Linens

We have purchased sleeping bags and they have been delivered to Hopkinsville. We are leaving them for the Hopkinsville people when we depart. Believe it or not, this is more cost-effective than shipping / bringing our own. Please bring your own air mattress. If you need to borrow an air mattress, we will try to find one for you here at Belmont Hill School. Please let the Health Clinic know by March 1st if you need to borrow an air mattress.

Clothing

Long pants are required for the work site each day; keeping legs covered will help to avoid cuts and scrapes. Layered clothing works best, as it is generally cooler in the morning and evenings, so a T-shirt at the work site is appropriate, with a light jacket. Shorts are okay at camp. Bring a pair of work gloves!! See separate "suggested packing list" as well as temperature chart.

Emergency Medical Services

There are medical facilities in the area where we are staying. Please refer to the contact sheet for this information.

Travel / Airline Information – AirTran Airways

BRING A SCHOOL PHOTO ID, A DRIVER'S LICENSE OR A PASSPORT. PLEASE PLAN (TO ARRIVE) AT TERMINAL E – AIR TRAN DEPARTURES BY 4:30 A.M. ON SUNDAY, MARCH 11th. CHAPERONES WILL BE DIRECTLY INSIDE THE DOORS TO MEET THE STUDENTS.

***DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS
TODAY!!!
GET TO THE AIRPORT ON TIME!!***

<u>flight</u>	<u>date</u>	<u>from</u>	<u>to</u>	<u>dep</u>	<u>arr</u>
FL276	11MAR	BOS	ATL	6:30A	9:17A
FL274	17MAR	ATL	BOS	2:33P	4:59P

FL=AirTran Airways
BOS=Boston, ATL=Atlanta

*** How to Contact Us (in case of emergency)**

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Donna David – Head Chaperone: 617-943-6513 (cell)

Caleb Collins: 617-256-8589 (cell)

Coast to Coast Bus Company: 843-385-2339
(Transportation to and from airport and throughout the week.)

Where we are staying: **Baptist Church – Educational Wing** 270-886-1216 OR 270-886-8957 (land lines)

First Baptist Church

1400 South Main Street

Hopkinsville, KY 42240

Anyone shipping items may use this address.

Closest Medical Facilities (1/4 mile from where we are staying)

Jennie Stuart Medical Center 270-887-0100

320 West 18th Street

Hopkinsville, KY 42240

In case you cannot reach us on our cell phones – you may call:

Wynn Radford (our contact)

270-498-1365 (cell phone)

Below are two excerpts from an article written by Wynn L. Radford III (our contact for this trip) entitled “Our Town” published by The Athenaeum Society on May 2, 1996...

First excerpt: For reference purposes, each of us has a pre-conceived vision of the daily routine, lifestyle, and work habits that we imagine exist within any community. For someone from Boston, it is apparently reasonable to assume that a town like Hopkinsville would have a local tractor club. However, as Wilder so vividly portrayed, a town is more than a set of coordinates on a map. A town is actually the culture within the community that allows its residents to become human and to fully experience life. To me, the concept of culture has best been described as “...it’s like doing the Virginia reel, its simply learning when to put one foot in and pull one foot out.” Fully appreciating a community’s culture has nothing to do with intelligence or sophistication, it is simply a process of learning what and when to perform a particular action.

Second excerpt: More important, life in Hopkinsville allows me the opportunity to associate with people whom I admire but that the rest of the world is unaware. Such people lead their life in an unassuming manner and who view each day as an opportunity to place their particular values into action. These are the many good people who make “our town” work.

Checklist ... What to Bring

- *Small pillow (OR a pillowcase you can stuff with something like a sweatshirt to make a pillow)*
- *Jacket*
- *Sneakers*
- *Jeans or work pants*
- *Socks*
- *Shirts*
- *Underwear*
- *Sleepwear*
- *Flip flops for the shower*
- *Sandals, if desired, for leisure time*
- *Personal hygiene items (soap, shampoo, toothbrush, toothpaste, razor, shaving cream, deodorant) (suggest putting them in a Ziploc bag)*
- *Sunscreen with SPF of at least 15-30*
- *Hat or bandana*
- *Hand sanitizer*
- *Towels – 1 bath towel – 1 hand towel*
- ***School photo ID, driver's license, passport***
- *Flashlight (a small one is fine)*
- *Cards or small board games*
- *Sunglasses*
- *Backpack*
- ***Work gloves***
- *Camera – optional*
- *Spare batteries*
- *Air mattress (if you do not have one or know of someone to borrow one from, borrow one from Belmont Hill by signing up in advance by March 1st).*
- ***DO NOT bring a sleeping bag!! We have ordered new ones for everyone and they have been shipped to Hopkinsville. We'll leave them with the folks there at the end of the week.***

We will provide Tylenol and Advil, as well as a first aid kit with epi-pens. If you take prescription medications, please remember to bring these with you and to notify Mrs. David so that she is aware you have them.

AirTran Airways - Baggage Policies

Below is a summary of the AirTran Airways baggage policies – please get on-line at http://www.airtran.com/policies/carry-on_checked.aspx to read their detailed guidelines.

Carry On

For carry-on baggage, all customers traveling on AirTran Airways will be restricted to one carry-on item and one personal item. The carry-on bag must be stowed under the seat in front of the passenger or in an approved overhead bin. Garment bags and small musical instruments are considered one of the allotted pieces.

Personal items include handbags, umbrellas, walking sticks, coats, cameras, reading matter, infant food, briefcases, and laptop computers.

Restricted Items

The Transportation Security Administration prohibits the transportation of printer or toner cartridges weighing 16 ounces or more on board domestic or international flights to or from the U.S. Passengers are prohibited from transporting these items in either carry-on or checked baggage.

*Knives or sharp objects will not be allowed in carry-on baggage or past the security checkpoint. Any sharp items you may need in your travels should be packed in your checked baggage. Customers dependent upon syringe-injected medications may carry on such items. The TSA has instituted specific rules for carry-on of liquids, gels and aerosols. We encourage you to **review the security rules** for these carry-on items.*

Specific items prohibited from carry-on baggage due to security restrictions include: metal scissors with pointed tips, a cutting edge longer than 4” in length, tools greater than 7” in length, knives of any length, cutting instruments including carpet knives, box cutters and folding or retractable blades regardless of blade length or composition. Straight razors are prohibited, but disposable razors, e.g., Gillette or Bic, are allowed.

Checked Baggage

For domestic flights, passengers and their baggage will not be accepted at the ticket counter less than 45 minutes prior to the scheduled departure of their domestic flight (some smaller airports may accept baggage up to 30 minutes prior to scheduled departure time).

Who's Coming...

<p>Form VI <i>John Cresap</i> <i>Gregory Ho</i></p>	<p>Form IV <i>Sharif Campbell</i> <i>Joseph LaLiberte</i> <i>Myles Spence</i></p>	<p>Form II <i>Brennan Adler</i> <i>Bhawramaett Broehm</i> <i>Aidan Crawford</i> <i>Chip Daley</i> <i>Steven DeVellis</i> <i>Charles Greenwood</i> <i>Lucas Jurgensen</i> <i>Frank McField</i> <i>Brian Melly</i> <i>Brendan Pulsifer</i> <i>Max Rudzinsky</i> <i>Gabriel Schmittlein</i></p>
<p>Form V <i>Zachary Baiany</i> <i>Edward Connolly</i> <i>Marshall Crayton</i> <i>William Cresap</i> <i>Yonas Dinkneh</i> <i>Alexander Ferrera</i> <i>Trent Jones</i> <i>Ryan Keigher</i> <i>Zachary Kelly</i> <i>Isiah Robinson</i> <i>Abdurezak Shemsu</i> <i>Graham Stack</i> <i>Austin Taylor</i> <i>Mark Thurner</i> <i>Ben Wanger</i></p>	<p>Form III <i>Mathias Asheber</i> <i>William Blank</i> <i>Quillen Bradlee</i> <i>Patrick Connolly</i> <i>Andres Cordoba</i> <i>Eric Dawson</i> <i>Sreehaas Digumarthi</i> <i>Charles Durbin</i> <i>Deven Ferguson-Perez</i> <i>Emmett Gordon</i> <i>Justin Grady</i> <i>Jonathan Innocent</i> <i>Alexander Santangelo</i> <i>Kevin Scarlett</i> <i>Colin Ward</i></p>	<p>Form I <i>Owen Greenwood</i> <i>Sebastian Themelis</i></p>
<p>Chaperones <i>Donna David</i> <i>Caleb Collins</i> <i>Jackie Ghiozzi</i> <i>Donnell Patterson</i> <i>Cynthia Richardson</i></p>		

Weather for Hopkinsville, KY: Daytime 50's-60; Nighttime 30's-40's

Where is Hopkinsville?...



Demographics

Incorporated: February 11, 1853

Land: 24.0 square miles

Population by education level:

23% = High School or less

33% = High School Graduate

8% = Less than 1 year of College

13% = 1 or more years of College

7% = Associates Degree

10% = Bachelor's Degree

5% = Master's Degrees

3% = Professional School Degree

1% = Doctorate Degree

Population by sex:

17,078 (53.2%) = Females

15,017 (46.8%) = Males

Median Resident Age: 35.1 years

Kentucky Median Age: 35.9 years

Hopkinsville median household income level: \$34,706

Kentucky median household income level: \$40,072

Average Household Size: 2.4 people

Population by race:

22 = American alone

10,714 = African American

19,004 = White

979 = Hispanic

639 = Mixed races

222 = Asian or Pacific Islander

144 = Other race alone

Most Common Industries 2005-2009:

22% = Manufacturing

11% = Construction

11% = Retail trade

10% = Public administration

6% = Health care & social assistance

5% = Administrative support & waste management services

25% = Health care and social assistance

History and Culture of the Hopkinsville, KY

Hopkinsville was settled in 1796 by Bartholomew and Martha Ann Wood, who came from Jonesborough, Tennessee. Wood claimed 1,200 acres of bounty land, based on his military service in the American Revolutionary War. He died in 1827. Wood's settlement soon attracted others, and a pioneer village emerged.

Wood donated 5 acres of land and a half interest in his spring for the new county seat. The following year a log courthouse, jail, and "stray pen" were built on the public square facing Main Street. The plat for the town, first called Christian Court House, was surveyed by John Campbell and Samuel Means in 1799. In honor of Wood's eldest daughter, the town was renamed Elizabeth that same year. However, a town in Hardin County had the same name, and when the city incorporated in 1804, the General Assembly renamed the settlement Hopkinsville, in honor of General Samuel Hopkins of Henderson County.

Hopkinsville in the Civil War

The Civil War generated a major social and economic division among the people in Hopkinsville and Christian County. Confederate support in Hopkinsville and Christian County was evident in the formation of the "Oak Grove Rangers" and the 28th Kentucky Cavalry. Union Camp Joe Anderson, located northwest of Hopkinsville, was established in 1862 after the Confederate forces had retreated to Tennessee. Men who trained there became members of the 35th Kentucky Cavalry, the 25th Kentucky Infantry, and the 35th Kentucky Infantry. Union General James S. Jackson, a Hopkinsville attorney before the war, was killed in the Battle of Perryville, Kentucky, in October 1862. Private citizens who supported the Union cause provided the army with mules, wagons, clothing, and food, just as the pro-Confederates had done for their side earlier.

Christian County was the birth site of Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States of America. Several local businessmen and plantation owners contributed money and war supplies to the "Lost Cause." Hopkinsville changed hands at least half a dozen times, being occupied in turn by Confederate and Union forces. In December 1864, Confederate troops under General Hylan B. Lyon captured the town and burned the Christian County courthouse, as it was being used by the Union army as barracks. A skirmish between Union and Confederate forces took place in the field opposite Western State Hospital near the end of the war.

The Black Patch Tobacco Wars and the Night Riders

In the early years of the twentieth century, tobacco planters formed a protectionist Dark Tobacco District Planters' Protective Association of Kentucky and Tennessee. This was in opposition to a corporate monopoly: the American Tobacco Company (ATC) trust, owned by James B. Duke.

Many farmers found that they could no longer sell their tobacco crop at a profit and that the ATC was the region's only buyer, now that the many tobacco companies had formed the trust using that agency to purchase all tobacco from any farmer at a fixed price. Upon establishing the protective association and rivaling the monopoly by practicing boycotts of tobacco sales, some farmers formed the "Silent Brigade" in an effort to apply social pressure for the purpose of its boycott of raising no tobacco or selling no tobacco.

The Silent Brigade was later to become the infamous Night Riders, assembled and regulated by suspected leader Dr. David A. Amoss. The Night Riders, as they came to be called, were regarded as heroes by farmers they helped, but they were also known for violence in their fight against the changing tobacco industry.

On December 7, 1907, 250 masked nightriders captured the police station and cut Hopkinsville off from outside contact. They pursued city officials and tobacco executives who bought tobacco from farmers who were not members of the Dark Tobacco District Planters' Protective Association. Three warehouses were burned during the night. Peace Park in Hopkinsville now stands on the site of one of the warehouses.

**Release OF ALL CLAIMS
Belmont Hill Volunteer Group 2012**

In consideration for participating in the Belmont Hill Volunteer Group 2012 trip to Hopkinsville, Kentucky, March 11-17, 2012, I/we being 21 years of age or older, do for myself/ourselves (and for and on behalf of my child-participant if said child is not 21 years of age or older) do hereby release, forever discharge and agree to forever hold harmless the City of Hopkinsville, Kentucky, its directors, the officers, employees and agents thereof – including, the Christian County/Hopkinsville Development Corporation, Community and Development Services, its directors, the officers, employees and agents thereof – from any and all liability, claims and demands for personal injury, sickness and death, as well as property damage and expenses, of any nature whatsoever which may be incurred by the undersigned and the child-participant that occur while said child is participating in the above described trip/work camp, which shall include travel from the child’s home and trip/camp destination, excursions from the trip/camp destination and time spent at the trip/camp destination.

Furthermore, I/we (and on behalf of my child-participant if under 21 years of age) hereby assume all risk of said personal injury, sickness, death, damage and expense as a result of participation as above set forth.

Further, authorization and permission are hereby given to said organization to furnish any necessary transportation, food and lodging for and to assign work projects to this participant.

The undersigned further hereby agree to hold harmless and indemnify said organization, its directors, officers, employees and agents, for any liability sustained by said organization as the result of the negligent, willful or intentional acts of said participant, including expenses incurred attendant thereto.

If the participant has not attained the age of 21 years:
I (we) am (are) the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of this participant, and hereby grant my (our) permission for him/her to participate fully in said trip, and hereby give my (our) permission to take said participant to a doctor/hospital and hereby authorize medical treatment, including but not limited to emergency surgery or medical treatment, and assume the responsibility of any and all medical bills. Further, should it be necessary for the participant to return to home for any due to disciplinary action, for medical reasons or otherwise, I (we) hereby assume all transportation costs.

Volunteer Trip 2012 Participant’s Name (Print) Volunteers signature (if 21+ years)

(Parent’s or Guardian’s Signature)

(Parent’s or Guardian’s Phone)

Date