

BRADFORD BULLETIN

BRADFORD ACADEMY'S PARENT UPDATE

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

- **May 14th & 21st:** GARDEN CLUB!
- **May 18th** Senior Center
- **May 16th, 17th, 21st, 22nd, and 23rd** - ERB CTP4 Standardized Testing
- **May 24** Patriotic Program
- **May 28** Memorial Day
- **May 29th:** Equestrian Club End of Year Party
- **May 30th** Field Day
- **May 31st** Clean-up Day
- **June 1st** Last Day of School Picnic, DISMISS at noon.

PRAYER

- **Enrollment** - Please continue to pray for next year's enrollment!
- **New teachers** - Pray that the Lord would bring us the right candidates.



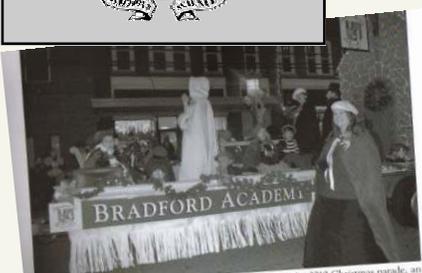
PART OF THE COMMUNITY

I was recently very pleased to hear that Bradford Academy was pictured in an excellent little book titled *Images of America: MEBANE*. It is a photo montage of our fair city from the past and present. The book series is intended to document local history. The photo, seen below, is of our Christmas Carolers Float in the 2010 Mebane City Christmas Parade. I was excited about being included in the book because we would like Bradford Academy to become an important part of this community. While we will never serve the number of families the other local schools serve, I do hope that we will be able to make a significant and lasting contribution to Mebane.

It is for this reason we have taken field trips downtown, to the Police station, fire station, and the Mayor's office. We have also tried to actively support civic initiatives sponsored by the Mebane Women's Club. This year at the Dogwood Festival, we were able to speak to several families and let them know what we are hoping to accomplish in our

city. We heard several more people saying that they had heard good things about us and fewer people saying they hadn't heard of us at all.

The reason this idea of community is so important to me is that I believe that it is a necessary part of human prosperity. By that I mean both materially and spiritually. We live at a time in history in which our blessings (eg. automobiles and air conditioning) and our municipal development have isolated us from our neighbors and their ideas. To grow as individuals we need to be able to articulate our ideas, have them challenged, and be willing to defend them or abandon them. It is not enough to take a position and circle the wagons. We must learn to be wise and tactful in both speaking the truth and having our own ideas corrected or clarified. At the same time, electronic media has connected us with more



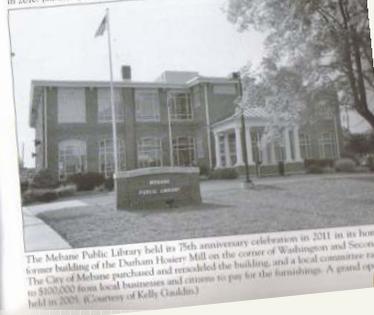
A Bradford Academy float passes down Center Street during the 2010 Christmas parade, an annual event for over 70 years. (Courtesy of the Mebane Enterprise)



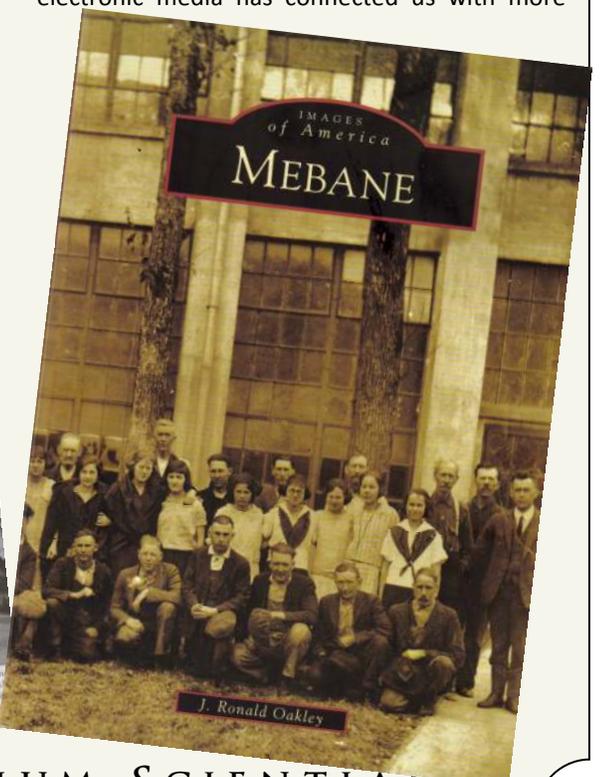
Employees of the local public library show their skills with a book cart drill team during the parade in 2010. (Courtesy of the Mebane Enterprise)



Members of a local Shriners Club perform at the Tobacco Road HillBallies, always a big crowd draw, on a road...



The Mebane Public Library held its 75th anniversary celebration in 2011 in its home building of the Durham Hosiery Mill on the corner of Washington and Second Streets. The City of Mebane purchased and renovated the building, and a local committee raised over \$100,000 from local businesses and citizens to pay for the building. A grand opening was held in 2005. (Courtesy of Kelly Quakley)



MRS. OGLE

1st grade Phonics: Reading, "Caught in Smiles", and "Father's Faith"

1st grade Math: Adding three digit numbers and money amounts, subtracting 9

1st grade Grammar: Review

2nd grade Phonics: Final stable syllables : tion, ture, sion, tious, and cious

2nd grade Math: Multiplying by 9, multiplying a multiple of 10, 100, or 1,00 by a single-digit number

2nd grade Grammar: Homonyms

2nd grade Latin: Review

Specials:

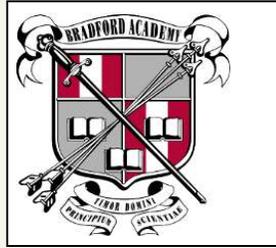
4th grade Art: Artist Gilbert Stuart and began work on Mona Lisa chalk pastel project

4th grade Music: Written test and practice

2/3rd grade Art: Began drawing of realistic eye

2/3rd Music: Written test

2nd/3rd/4th grade P. E.: Disc Golf



MRS. HICKS

Math: Number sentences, money (cash), adding three single digit numbers, time (hour and half hour).

Phonics: Reading, handwriting, digraphs (ch, sh, th, wh), review beginning and ending sounds.

Centers: Math Games, geography game, reading and coloring.

Music (K/1st): Review: Band, orchestra, opera and symphony.

Art: Seeing and composing lines: Kindergarten and 1st grade began working on a group project.

P.E. (K/1st): Review volleyball, basketball and soccer.

History: Colonial America

Verse: "For it is you who light my lamp; the LORD my God lightens my darkness." Psalm 18:28

MR. JOHNSTON

3rd Writing: Improving sentences and punctuation.

3rd Reading: We continued reading the exciting mystery, *Detectives in Togas*. We completed chapter 15 this week.

4th Reading: This week we began reading a biography of the great reformer John Calvin.

3rd Math: We reviewed long division, simplifying fractions, polygons, and PRIME NUMBERS!

4th Math: We continue dividing fractions by using the reciprocal, simplifying decimals,

3rd Latin: LfC A - Ch. 31

4th Latin: LfC B - Ch. 31

1st History: We learned about the stock market crash of 1929 and the Great Depression. We began looking WW2.

2nd/3rd Grade History: Alexander the Great Conquers Egypt

4th Grade History: John Calvin

1st Science: Bird of the Month,

2nd/3rd Science: Bird of the Month, Chemistry/Combustion



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like minded people around the world which permits us to spout ideological one liners and our friends all agree and "like" us. This is not necessarily bad, but it does limit our potential for personal growth through thoughtful interchange; AND more importantly, it limits the opportunity to persuade or correct others. Christ said his disciples must go into all the world and make disciples. They had to be witnesses of the truth of the gospel. How can we be witnesses or give testimony if we never talk

to people who might disagree with us? If we want our children to be leaders in the community, perhaps they will need to see us being part of this community, or even shaping the community. Jesus also told His people to be in the world but not of the world.

I believe we need to be active and participate as much as providence allows in order that our lives could be seen by the community. That way when we are called to speak up for righteousness or against unrighteousness, our good reputation will add weight to our words not contradict them. Because we have separated ourselves from a natural connection to the community by forming an independent school, we will have to be intentional in inserting our lives into to the civic life of Mebane. May we do this for the glory of God and for the good of our neighbor. Peace and grace.



Images of America: Mebane is published by Arcadia Publishing and is available at several stores downtown as well as from Barnes & Noble and Amazon. The author is J. Ronald Oakley

