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## STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

### January 2008 Newsletter

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#### New SGA Website

Want to know more about what's going on with the SGA? Then check out the new SGA website! Designed for students, the website is constantly updated with news on SGA projects.  
[www.BlakeSGA.org](http://www.BlakeSGA.org)

#### Student Leadership Class

Looking for a fun second semester elective and a way to get involved with your SGA? Look no further than Student Leadership class! In this course, students turn SGA projects into realities, and influence many SGA plans. Sign up today!

#### Comments or Suggestions?

Blake's SGA can always use input from it's most important constituents: students! If you have any comments or suggestions for projects or things you would like to see in our school, contact a member of the Officer Team.

### SANDWICH MAKING FOR HOMELESS

*Easy way to make a difference, earn SSL hours*

Helping the homeless is one campaign that the SGA is proud to be sponsoring for the first time this year. Thursday, January 17, after seventh period exams, students will meet in the cafeteria from 9:30am to 12:10pm to make several hundred sandwiches that will be donated to homeless shelters in the area. This provides a simple way for you to earn some of those 60 or 75 SSL hours. The activity bus leaves at 12:10. All are welcome to come and join the fun!

### No Final For AP Students

Students who are in AP classes and take the AP exam will be exempt from the MCPS second semester final exam in that subject. Instead, they will complete a culminating project which will count for 25 percent of the semester grade. The new policy, announced December 21 by MCPS Superintendent Jerry Weast, is effective this school year. Congratulations AP students!

Start saving your pennies, the annual "High School Challenge" drive (formerly called Pennies for Patients) to raise money for the Leukemia and Lym-

**"High School  
Challenge"  
Cancer Research  
Fundraiser  
Approaching**

phoma Society is coming up soon. Last year, Blake came in second place in Montgomery County—this year, let's work together to be in first place for this good cause!

#### Eubie's Birthday

February 7 is James Hubert Blake's 121st birthday. Naturally, this gives us as Blake students a reason to celebrate. Look on the announcements or the Blake website for upcoming information on the SGA's birthday celebration for this great man.

#### Clean Up Your Mess

This past year has seen a decline in standards as far as lunchtime cleanliness goes. Unified lunch is a privilege, not a right. We can all better represent our school and ourselves by cleaning up after lunch time. It's the least we can do to show some Bengal pride.

