

VERITAS CHRISTIAN ACADEMY ACADEMY EPISTULA

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Team Veritas Wins Chesapeake Freedom Challenge for 4th year!

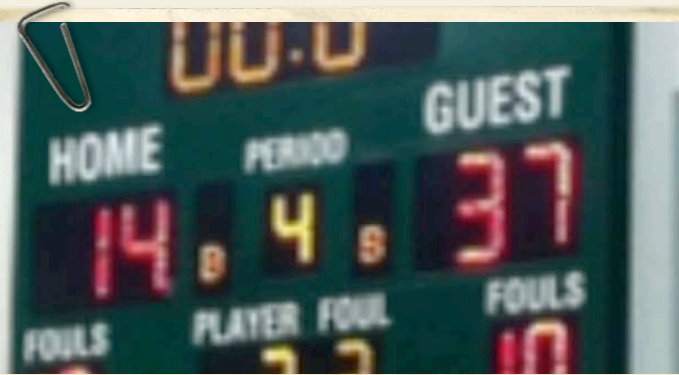
Middle Schools Students: Savannah
Throneberry, Jake Leporte & Sam
Beethoven, take the Trophy again for
Veritas.

5 years ago, Craig Blackman, teacher of the year for the City of Chesapeake, began a competition, The Chesapeake Freedom Challenge, with the notion of creating a venue in which public and private school students can compete academically. Centered on The Battle of Great Bridge and the historical reenactment the first Saturday in December, the competition, much like *Treasure Hunters on NBC*, pits students against each other in a competition, one part quiz bowl, the other part scavenger hunt. The students answer questions on the War for American Independence, as well as the Battle of Great Bridge, and search the grounds of the Battlefield for historical clues to our colonial past.

The first year, a team of Veritas high school students competed against AP students from Greenbrier Christian, Oscar Smith, and Indian River HS, and won the battle.

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**Lady Spartans
Varsity
BASKETBALL
off to a great
start with a 2-0
Season, against
Ryan Academy &
Friends School**



Lady Spartans, Final Score v. Va. Beach FRIENDS School, 37-14



Team Veritas, Freedom Challenge 2011

Plonus tempus placet.





Colonial Dance & Feast, 2011

*Lou Vostene, Dance Master,
Williamsburg Heritage Dancers*

**FREEDOM CHALLENGE
VICTORY**

COLONIAL DANCE, 2011

Veritas competed over the next three years, and garnered the title for 2 of them (2009 & 2010).

Good Food! Good Fun!
And a Whole Lot of Dancing!

This year, on a cold morning in December, a team of 5 students: Sam Beethoven, Jake Leporte, Savannah Throneberry, Bronwyn Keating, and MacKennon Bailey, took the title, again, in a near record of 38 minutes. They worked hard, and their diligence was evident. Congratulations, or, as it was said in Colonial America, Hazzar!

To all Veritas families, thank you all for making this year's COLONIAL DANCE the Best we ever hosted!

A Grand time was had by all!



Lou Vostene is the Dancing Master for the Heritage Dancers at William & Mary. Mr. Vostene has more than twenty-five years experience performing and teaching the dances of America's colonial period. He is an active member of the Country Dance and Song Society, and the Lloyd Shaw Foundation, national groups that promote traditional and historical dance throughout North America. He also directs the Williamsburg Heritage Dance Ensemble, a performing group that has presented dance programs around the country, and in particular, Colonial Williamsburg. We are truly blessed to have this National Treasure each year at Veritas Academy!