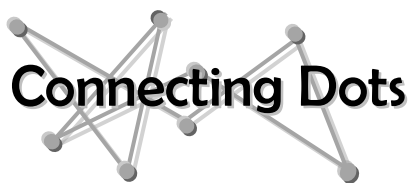


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Connecting Dots

“Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal. But store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth and rust do not destroy, and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.”

Matthew 6: 19-21

Have you ever marveled at an individual who is passionate about a certain task or goal? Many of our high achievers in society are what we refer to as a type A personality. It's that Olympic gold medalist who says that he/she has committed everything to this goal and now they have accomplished it. Perhaps it is a student who works tirelessly towards a law degree and graduation and a prestigious job seems the culmination of everything important. For others, it is accumulating enough financial security to retire in our early fifties.

I often wish we would spend a little more time examining the lives of those who accomplished “significant” high profile goals. What does the Olympic medalist do to find renewed purpose after the glory of the event has vanished? What does the graduate find as they enter the job market and the day to day activities that set in are not so dramatic? What does a retiree do to find fulfillment and purpose in life after the “work” is

done? Perhaps it is time to re-examine our goals and priorities in life and ensure that they are based on eternal treasures, not earthly passions. Short term and long term, they are the goals worthy of a life-long pursuit.

Mel Brandsma

Fashion Show & Dessert Evening

“**Making Dreams Come True**” On Friday, April 27th at 7:00 pm, CACHS will be hosting their annual Fashion Show and Dessert evening. This year all proceeds will be going to the Make A Wish Foundation. Doors open at 6:30 pm and the show will start at 7:00 pm. Tickets are \$20 each and are available by calling the school office at 403-782-4535. Be sure to come out for a great night of fashion, desserts, music and a Silent Auction.

Europe Trip Participants

Remember May 8th!!! If you have any questions or concerns please email Carolyn Hoyt at choyt@cachs.ca

Do not let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in life, in love, in faith and in purity. 1 Timothy 4:12

Board Notes

The Board is very thankful for the blessings of the Building Blocks Thrift Store. Last month a group of CACHS students had the opportunity to work alongside some of the volunteers to help with the Spring turnover. Thanks to these students and all the many volunteers who make Building Blocks a success.

There are many individuals who contribute to CACHS in various ways. As I sat in the last Board meeting I listened to the reports from committees and staff. I heard a passion for Christian education and that many people work hard behind the scenes to make our school run smoothly. Thank you to all for sharing your gifts with CACHS.

The Board is still accepting nominations for board members until May 1st, 2012. A nomination sheet is part of this newsletter.

2011-2012 Board members are:

Bernie Ten Hove – Chairman

Bernie Kolkman – Vice-Chairman

Peter Walls – Treasurer

Mrs. Froukje Brouwer

Mrs. Colleen VanderSchee

Mrs. Jane Visser

Mrs. Anita Zuidhof

Carolyn Vanderhoek

Board Secretary

Operating Financial Statement for March 2012

Opening balance – March 1	\$ 218,366.23
Receipts – March 1 – 31	+ 171,150.59 **
Expenses – March 1 – 31	- 87,719.15
Balance – March 31	\$ 301,797.67

** We received grant money from the Alberta Government. We have now received 70% of funding for the year. Our final installment will be at the end of August.

Wendy Barnes
Business Administrator
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Career Corner

Many students are frustrated and confused about their future. There is a wonderful opportunity to explore over 90 different possibilities. CAREER EXPO is not just an educational fair, but it also gives students an opportunity to “try out” various careers.

On Thursday, April 26th at Red Deer College CAREER EXPO will be held. It runs from 9:30 – 3:30. If you feel this would be a valuable opportunity, please check out www.netgen.org/CAREERexpo for more information.

The Alexander Rutherford scholarship needs to be applied for by May 1st if you would like the money sometime in your first semester of post-secondary schooling. If Grade 12 students are still unsure of where they might be attending, it is recommended that they apply for the Rutherford once they are positive of the institution they will be attending. The Rutherford scholarship money remains available for students even if they take a year or more off before attending college or university. Applications are available online at www.alis.gov.ab.ca

Student loan information is available through this same website. It is worthwhile to find out more about the program, however one cannot apply for their student loan until later in the spring. Keep checking to find out when you can apply.

Veronica Den Oudsten
Career Counselor

Facebook

Are you “facebook friendly”? For regular users of Facebook, just a reminder that you can “like” us by following the Facebook link found on the bottom of the CACHS home page. This is a great way to keep up, not only with things happening at our school, but with others who share a connection to CACHS.

Library Notes

We are fast approaching the mid mark in the semester where some of the classes will be “switching”. Just a heads up that the books that were used for projects in those classes need to be returned as soon as possible, so that the next class will have the resources for their projects.

Also, included with the report cards that were sent out April 20th will be a list of books that have been checked out by the students. Please make sure you are aware of where they are and return the ones that you are done with. They will all have to be returned to the Library by mid June or they will be deducted from your book deposit. If you think there has been a mistake, please come and talk to me and we will “fix” it.

Just a reminder to check the school’s website for a preview of some of the new books that will soon be on the shelves.

Here are a few of the new books that I have picked up lately:

Loving by Karen Kingsbury

The fourth and final book in the Bailey Flanigan series, Bailey is planning a wedding and making decisions that will shape her future. Bailey enjoys the beginning of her new career and time spent with Brandon while Cody faithfully coaches his team on and off the field. Will she spend her life with Brandon Paul in Los Angeles, or will her heart draw her back to Bloomington, Indiana and Cody Coleman, her first love? Bailey has learned much and grown over the years, but the greatest challenges, the richest joys, and the deepest heartaches are still to come. Featuring members from Karen Kingsbury’s popular Baxter family, ***Loving*** completes Bailey and Cody’s story – the finale thousands of fans have been waiting for.

A Billion Reasons Why by Kristin Billerbeck

Katie McKenna has never loved any man but one: billionaire Luc DeForges. He was her first love. But there are a billion reasons why she is engaged instead to Dexter Hastings, a solid and stable man who wants the same things she does: marriage and a family but all of the things that she wants without the deep-seeded pain and fear of being abandoned that Luc brings. Dexter and she have worked an arrangement that is akin to faith without action, love without deeds – a dead faith. Going home to New Orleans to sing for her childhood friend’s wedding, Kate must search her heart

to find out if any of her reasons for being with Dexter are stronger than love. Only when Katie steps fully into faith and jumps off the cliff of life into the arms of Luc does she understand the fullness of God’s grace.

Beyond the Farthest Star by Bodie & Brock Thoene

Their newest novel is based on the screenplay by Andrew Librizzi, which is an insightful, mesmerizing story that centers on the Wells family. Adam, Maureen, and their teenage daughter Anne, are each struggling with internal demons that are destroying their family. Once a world-renowned preacher, this move to the small town of Leonard, Texas, is Adam’s last hope of restoring his dream of living up to the approval he craves, but instead brings mounting tensions, revealed secrets and an unexpected confrontation that leads to the ultimate sacrifice.

Yvonne Reed, Librarian

Grad 2012

Grad is just around the corner, and the planning is well underway! On May 28 – 30, the grade 12 class will be going to Sundance Lodges in Kananaskis for the Grad Trip. Outings that have been suggested include shopping and the Hot Springs in Banff, White Water rafting and/or a Dinner Theater in Calgary.

On June 28th the graduating class will be meeting at Bower Ponds (weather permitting) at 12:00 for pictures, followed by the Ceremony at 3:00 pm at the New Life Church in Red Deer. At 6:00 pm there will be a banquet held at CACHS by invitation only.

In order to pay for most of these things, the grads have been doing a number of fundraisers over the past year. We are currently selling subs, which will be made and delivered on May 5th.

We will also be needing volunteers from grade 12 to help out with the Banquet and Ceremony committees.

If you have any questions, suggestions, or would like to be on one of these committees, please talk to a Grad Committee member. Members are Taylor Duckett, Steph Hoekstra, Brett Vandeborn, Rachel Schakel, Jeanine Roeland, Pete Hoekstra and Bernie Kolkman.

Student Council News

This month CACHS hosted the grade nine students for a pizza night where there were activities and students got acquainted with the school.

As a fundraiser the Student Council has decided to support the Stollery Children's Hospital. Stephanie Perilli (the community initiative manager) came from the foundation to tell us that we will be fundraising for equipment, and expanding the hospital by making more operation rooms for heart surgery.

On April 13th we hosted a Western Dance. Everyone showed up in their plaid shirts and cowboy boots. There were plenty of line dances and yee-haws!

Also there was a jersey day where everyone showed up in the spirit of the favorite team!

Calendar

April 26 – Parent teacher interviews after school and evening

April 27 – Parent teacher interviews in morning

- Staff inservice – pm
- No school for students

April 27 – Fashion Show at CACHS

May 4 – No Wolf Creek bussing

May 10 – Church Leaders Day

May 18 – Staff meeting and inservice – no school

May 21 – Victoria Day – no school

May 24 – CACHS Society meeting – 7:30 pm

June 28 – CACHS Grade 12 Graduation

CACHS Catering

Our upcoming events for which we are looking for help are:

April 27 – Fashion Show at CACHS

May 4 – Lindemulder wedding at LMC – Lacombe

June 28 – CACHS grad

August 4 – Lok wedding at Ponoka Kinsmen center

August 18 – Hoogenboom/Luymes wedding

August 31 – Hoekstra/deRegt wedding – Bentley Ag Center

September 8 – Dalstra anniversary – Red Deer First

September 21 – Linker anniversary

October 11 – Ponoka Christian School

Thanksgiving dinner at Ponoka Christian School

If you are able to help serve and clean up at any of the functions booked for CACHS Catering, please contact Liz Stad or Ann Siebenga. Please volunteer a few hours of your time to help an evening at a CACHS Catering function. Your school and **ALL** the students benefit from the funds raised. Please call Emma Den Oudsten if you wish to book CACHS Catering services.

Members of CACHS Catering are:

Emma Den Oudsten

Clase van Iperen

Rosemary Vander Ploeg

Ester Verhoef