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Connecting Dots

“Real” World

Do you ever wonder sometimes, how what you thought you spoke about, was interpreted in a totally different way? This thought has been on my mind and was reinforced during a conversation I had where the topic of the “real world” came up. The reference was in regards to our students entering the “real world” upon graduation from high school and entering the work force or our secular educational institutions. I understood what the speaker was referring to and largely went along with the discussion but upon further reflection, I felt the need to respond.

We often use this term, and for the most part we understand that we are referring to a large part of our population which either denies, or ignores the role God plays in our world and their lives, whether they choose to acknowledge it or not. But I worry about the subliminal message our children (students) receive when we use this term. We have been taught from a very early age, that the earth is the Lord’s and everything in it, that everything is under His control and although Satan has his influence, God still reigns. Yet we insinuate that the real world does not have God playing any significant role.

Our secular institutions are deliberately void of God, not as a way of staying neutral or accepting of all view points, but rather intentionally taking God out of history, social justice, languages, and science. Richard Jedlin writes “The school should not hide the world from the students, but, like the Bible itself, the Christian school has the task of showing its students the world the way that it really is and then giving them the handles to cope with that world.” God is the central part of every aspect of our world. Let’s make sure our students recognize, and embrace Christ centered living in the real world.

Mel Brandsma

Attention - Grade 9 Parents

If you have students in Grade 9 who will be attending CACHS in September 2012, please return your completed registration form to the CACHS office by May 31, 2012. The Course selection sheets will be distributed shortly. If you have any questions, please call the school office at 403-782-4535.

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.

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 has been preparing for the Annual Spring Society Meeting to be held on May 24, 2012 at 7:30 p.m. We encourage all society members to join us as we will be presenting and voting on the budget for the 2012/13 school year. The Society Meeting agenda and financial statements went home with the students last week, or were mailed or put into church mail boxes.

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

Employment Opportunity

Central Alberta Christian High School is seeking a **Development Director.** Approximately 30 hours per month. Applicant should have a strong commitment for promoting Christian Education and work well in a team based setting. For a complete job description visit cachs.ca or contact Mel Brandsma at 403-782-4535 for further information. Email resumes to mbrandsma@cachs.ca
Closing date: June 15th, 2012

Operating Financial Statement for March 2012

Opening balance – April 1	\$ 301,797.67
Receipts – April 1 – 30	+ 55,005.24
Expenses April 1 – 30	- 101,911.16
Balance – April 30	\$ 254,891.75

Fashion Show

Once again our Fashion Show was a great success and a wonderful evening of great food and fashions

was enjoyed by all who attended.

This year's chosen charity was "Make-A-Wish" foundation, whose mission is to grant the wishes of children with life threatening medical conditions and enrich their lives with hope, strength and joy. Mrs. Angela Wiley, Make-A-Wish Ambassador/Wish Mom spoke about the charity and how it has impacted her family.

The Fashion Show Committee would like to thank the following:

- all those who donated items for the silent auction and door prizes
- CACHS Catering for the great desserts
- the models and technical people
- all those who attended

With your support we would were able to raise \$4,365.81 and help grant a wish to a child giving them a once in a lifetime experience.

Wendy Barnes
Business Administrator
wbarnes@cachs.ca

Grad 2012

Please note change of date for grad trip

Grad is just around the corner, and the planning is well underway! On May 28, 29, & 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.

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 Vandenborn, Rachel Schakel, Jeanine Roeland, Pete Hoekstra and Bernie Kolkman.

Drama Presentation

The Drama 20/30 class invites you to their year-end production of Macbeth Off Kilter. “Who says Shakespeare’s darkest tragedy can’t give you belly laughs? Scotty Macbeth is a high school senior with everything going for him, including a giant ego and a penchant for plaid. When some goth classmates – the weird sisters – convince him that he, not his friend Duncan Morto, should be class president, his ambition leads him down a dark and absurd path of deception and expulsion. (No murder, of course. It’s a comedy, after all!) Macbeth’s plan is foiled when a hilarious cast of school faculty (including the goofy custodian Willie, his love interest Nurse Doris and Oprah, the unstable psychologist) team up with a couple of angry expelled “ghosts” and start investigating the troublesome events at Highland High. Macbeth’s cheerleader girlfriend and co-conspirator, Sadie MacNutt, cleans her way to total madness as her own guilt finally exposes their evil plot. Complete with witty word play, slapstick action and a shocking twist ending.”

So, come join us on June 5th, 6th or 7th for an evening of laughs. The doors open at 7:00 and the play begins at 7:30 pm each night. Tickets are only \$10.00 and can be purchased through the school office. Give Ann a call to purchase your ticket and reserve your seat soon! We look forward to seeing you there!

Student Council News

This month we wrapped up our Stollery Children’s Hospital Fundraiser. The total amount raised was approximately \$970.00

There will be a Subway hot lunch, as well as Hero Day on May 23. At noon hour there will be an obstacle course set up in the gym for students to display their super powers to the student body.

Also in preparation for next year we will be nominating next year’s president and vice-president at the beginning of June.

Library Notes

Library Notes will return next month.

Career Corner

Grade 12 students are reminded that the following scholarship applications are due May 31, 2012:

Avelyn Prins Scholarship: \$1000 scholarship awarded to a student attending a post-secondary institution and specializing in the field of nursing. If there is no student that plans to enter the field of nursing, the award shall be presented to a student entering the field of medicine, and if failing that, a student entering a Christian institution.

Cameron B. Dowling Memorial Scholarship: \$1000 scholarship will be given to a student whose primary focus is on English and has a passion for writing.

Jenna Weenink Memorial Scholarship: \$200 scholarship is awarded to a student enrolled in a full-time program who shows congenial leadership.

Drs. Engel and Power – Family Eye Care \$500 Scholarship: This is awarded to an outstanding grade 12 student planning to continue his/her education after graduation at a university or vocational-technical school. Preference will be given to a student pursuing a career in the health care field.

Lacombe Branch of the Canadian Legion Scholarship: A \$500 scholarship is available for both a male and female student who is related to a present ex-service person or an RCMP officer.

Bentley Seed Cleaning Plant Award: This \$200 award is for a student registered in a post secondary program with preference given to those in an agricultural related field of study and having a graduating overall average of at least 70%.

Veronica Den Oudsten
Career Counselor

CACHS Catering

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

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

Calendar

May 21 – Victoria Day – no school

May 24 – CACHS Society meeting – 7:30 pm

June 1 – Early dismissal 2:15

June 5,6 & 7 – Drama 20/30 Presentation - (see
note elsewhere in this newsletter)

June 12 – English 30-1/30-2 – Part A

June 13 – Social 30-1/30-2 – Part A

June 18 – English 30-1/30-1 – Part B

June 19 – Social 30-1/30-2 – Part B

June 20 – 25 – Grade 10 & 11 exams

June 22 – Biology 30

June 26 – Chemistry 30

June 27 – Physics 30

June 28 – CACHS Grade 12 Graduation

June 29 – Staff wrap up

- Report card pick up – a.m.

Any report cards not picked up by noon will be sent home via church mailboxes or Canada Post

Basketball Wrap Up

The CACHS basketball teams had a wonderful season. Both the boys and girls teams played well and represented CACHS admirably. Both teams won their league championship. The girls finished third in the Central zone. The boys were the Central zone champions, and were able to represent the zone in the Provincial championships in Cold Lake. The boys played well and finished 7th in the province.

Thanks to all the grade 12 students who contributed to our program for many years. Aaron Den Oudsten, Paul Den Oudsten, Jason Dewit, Brett Vandeborn and Austin Ypma developed as leaders and worked hard throughout their basketball seasons. The girls did not have any grade 12 players this year, so the future looks bright.

We had the opportunity to thank Jen Zuidhof this year for her many years of coaching the girls basketball team. This year Travis Eggink, along with his wife Mary, took on the responsibility of coaching the girls. They did an exceptional job, and their hard work is greatly appreciated.

Thanks to the students, parents and fans who encouraged and cheered on our players. It was great to have the community's support throughout the year. We look forward to another good season next year.

Veronica Den Oudsten