

Knight News

Coming Home to CCS—A Great Place!

By Craig Moody, CCS Board Chairman

I am privileged to say that this is my 35th year of being a part of the CCS community.

Although at times I have not been as involved as I would have liked, one of the most apparent things to me is that no matter how long you have been away from Columbia, upon returning it truly is like coming home. One of our long-time teachers shared with Bill Hunt, our Superintendent, that he best describes Columbia as "that school you went to when you were a kid." To me, that is a perfect description of Columbia. CCS really is a place that is safe, encouraging, and nurturing in all areas. It's a place where the values of God's Kingdom still reign supreme and it's a place where its easy to soak in the important things in life. I have to say that none of this would be possible without our dedicated faculty, staff, administration, parents, grandparents, donors, volunteers, and people who are just passionate about CCS. Thank you for being a part of what God is doing at CCS. We think the best is yet to come! 📧



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 17 - Elementary Honor Chapel*
- March 19 - Target Day, End of Q3*
- March 22 - April 2, Spring Break*
- April 12 - 16, Stanford Tests*
- April 17 - Junior Senior Banquet*
- April 28 - Elementary Honor Chapel*
- May 3 - 7, Teacher Appreciation Week*
- May 26 - Senior Luncheon*
- Elementary Honor Chapel*
- May 27 - High School Awards*
- May 28 - Blue Lake Park*
- May 31 - Memorial Day, No School*

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Knights Golf Classic

Come join the fun and fellowship at the 2010 Knights Golf Classic! This year's event will be held at the beautiful Langdon Farms Golf Club (www.langdonfarms.com), 24377 NE Airport Road, Aurora, Oregon, 97002, on Saturday, June 5th, 2010. We will begin check-in at 12:15 p.m. and have a shotgun start beginning at 1:45 p.m. An awards dinner will follow the Golf Classic and begin at 7 p.m. We look forward to seeing you there!

Please contact Pearl Howarth at golf@columbiachristian.com to sign up for this year's Knights Golf Classic or to request further information.



Choir Update

by Mrs. Jamie Foland,
High School Teacher & Choir Director



THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!! I would like to begin by thanking everyone who attended our winter concert this year. The ongoing support we have experienced has really encouraged the students. It was such a pleasure to watch students celebrate their growth in music, as they sang in German and Russian, and as they encouraged their peers who sang solos, duets and played instruments.

In November, a few students auditioned for the *Oregon Music Educators Association, All State choir*. This is an elite choir, composed of the best choral students in the entire state. Competition to participate

in this event is very steep. I am honored to say our school has had at least one student participate each year since 2004. This year, CCS Choir President, Ben Meaders, was selected for the second year in a row to participate as a tenor. Ben enjoyed adding his voice to a massive choir of dedicated musicians. He was proud to “represent the 1A class, my school and my God. It just revitalized my love for music.” Ben came back full of songs, stories and memories that will last him a lifetime.



Ben Meaders with Jamie Foland

August 23, 2005, was a day that many will never forget. Hurricane Katrina brought destruction on New Orleans that saw 80% of the city under water, and 90% of its residents evacuated. Many from around the country, including some of our CCS family, went to help with the immediate needs. While many areas of the city have been redeveloped, you can still go to Google maps and zoom in to see areas that are still completely devastated.

This March, our choir will travel over 2,600 miles to work with *Operation Nehemiah*, a nonprofit organization dedicated to “rebuilding the walls of people’s lives.” Students will have the opportunity to encourage others through songs, work on community projects and learn about the history of an original American music form, jazz. I am very excited for this opportunity to spread the love of the Lord to those in New Orleans and to the choir. Students have worked very hard to raise the funds needed for this trip and are eager with anticipation for the journey. Thank you to the many individuals who have helped with fund raising efforts, for all who have made donations and for everyone who has dedicated our choir to the Lord in prayer!



CCS High School Choir



HIGH SCHOOL HONOR ROLL 1st Semester



Principal's Honor Roll
GPA 3.75 and above, no grade below "C"

Honor Roll, GPA 3.00 and above, no grade below "C"

Grade	Student	GPA	Honor
12	David Huynh	4.000	PHR
12	Lindsay Tester	4.000	PHR
12	Olivia Womack	4.000	PHR
12	Taylor Blair	3.875	PHR
12	Sarah Brahim	3.875	PHR
12	Ligia Pasc	3.778	PHR
12	Braden Mueller	3.714	HR
12	Cherith Schuck	3.714	HR
12	Joanna Reynolds	3.625	HR
12	Rachel Jones	3.571	HR
12	Benjamin Meaders	3.125	HR
12	Cody Shufflebarger	3.000	HR
11	Rachel Tolon	4.143	PHR
11	Jae Won Jeon	4.000	PHR
11	Mack Cash	3.875	PHR
11	Sumi Kim	3.857	PHR
11	Mandi Bristow	3.714	HR
11	Derek Poole	3.625	HR
11	Kenny Nguyen	3.429	HR
11	Catherine Allen	3.375	HR
11	Jed Hoesch	3.333	HR
11	Nicole Himes	3.143	HR
11	Levi McDonald	3.143	HR
11	Johnny Stefan	3.000	HR
11	Robbie Stefan	3.000	HR
10	Blaine Bradford	4.000	PHR
10	Joy Brown	4.000	PHR
10	Kazi Garski	4.000	PHR
10	Kevin Park	4.000	PHR
10	David Pasc	4.000	PHR
10	Viktoriya Vasilenko	3.889	PHR
10	Kristen Dawkins	3.889	PHR
10	Makila Schuck	3.778	PHR
10	Sarah Moody	3.750	PHR
10	Brock Mueller	3.625	HR
10	Katie Hamad	3.625	HR
10	Luke Simmons	3.600	HR

10	Justin Alcatraz	3.375	HR
10	Mackenzie Endresen	3.375	HR
10	Carley Deyoe	3.286	HR
10	Giny Oh	3.222	HR
10	Monique Lyselle		
	F Messing	3.143	HR
10	Zachary Hailey	3.125	HR
10	Kailyn Alexander	3.125	HR
10	Ashley Tester	3.125	HR
10	Artem Voronov	3.000	HR

09	Coby Poole	4.000	PHR
09	Eric Allen	3.750	PHR
09	Connor Getting	3.750	PHR
09	Andy Kong	3.625	HR
09	Tess Carter	3.625	HR
09	Kayla Davis	3.500	HR
09	Laura Freeman	3.500	HR
09	Chris Hutchins	3.500	HR
09	Jennifer Son	3.500	HR
09	Corbin Arnett	3.375	HR
09	Rebecca Siler	3.125	HR
09	Rebecca McCoy	3.000	HR

08	Amber Jones	4.000	PHR
08	Preslee O'Brien	4.000	PHR
08	Lance McCaughan	3.875	PHR
08	Madison Simmons	3.875	PHR
08	Katie Meaders	3.667	HR
08	Randy Saechao	3.625	HR
08	Daniel Smith	3.625	HR
08	Tasha Cannon	3.375	HR
08	Larissa DeWhitt	3.375	HR

07	Reuben Carter	4.000	PHR
07	Colton Davis	4.000	PHR
07	Caden Dukes	4.000	PHR
07	Jason Smith	4.000	PHR
07	Meghan Spencer	4.000	PHR
07	Daniel Vensel	4.000	PHR
07	Sara Leusca	3.875	PHR
07	Timothy Grishkevich	3.750	PHR
07	Carson Hicks	3.750	PHR
07	Nicole Lane	3.750	PHR
07	Jenna Tucker	3.625	HR
07	Luke Moody	3.375	HR
07	Austin Cash	3.375	HR
07	Karli Cummings	3.250	HR
07	Manmeet Virk	3.250	HR

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ELEMENTARY HONOR ROLL

3rd Grade

Honor Roll: Avory Lewis, Noah Spencer. **Principal's Honor Roll:** Ana Marie Martinez, Amber Kolb, Cory Ewry, Brooklyn Davis, Griffin Martinez, Honesty Keith, Lisa Henry, Michael Spencer, Miriam Pasc, Saylor Dukes, Trinity White

4th Grade

Honor Roll: Autumn Plumlee, Hannah Warnke. **Principal's Honor Roll:** Andrew Stark, Brett Houston, Delilah Carter, Grace Canfield, Jacquelynn Nguyen, Jason Ray, Josiah Cummings, Nicolas Aguilar, Sarah Chris, Sasha Kiselev, Valerie Yakubovich, William Cash

5th Grade

Honor Roll: Sasha Voronov, Dylan Croonquist. **Principal's Honor Roll:** Cameron Ewry, Audriauna Lewis, Jason Mummert, Ashley Smith, Cameron Wetherald, Levi Davis, Austin Hrynko, Simon Grishkevich, Christopher Lane, Dustin Vensel, Alexandria Herring, Riley Davis

6th Grade

Honor Roll: Madison Spencer, Alex Ray. **Principal's Honor Roll:** Sophia Voronov, Samantha Kolb, Kylie Getting

Appreciation Corner

We appreciate all our volunteers and apologize if we have left anyone out. We are grateful for all that you do!

Help with the 2009 CCS

Auction: Darla Bennett, Anniece Foster, June Andersen, Angie Siler, Emily Siler, Randy and Carlene Siler, Debbie Whiddon, Donnie Alcatraz, Justin Alcatraz, Joel Davis, Judy Outlaw, Anna Carter, DeAnn Womack, Jan Moody, Linda Moody, Les and Chris Grant, Tom Rinesh, Tressa Schuck, LaDonna Gulick, Vera Porter, David Rude, Vonda Piersol, Bonnie Miller, Brenda Gentry, and many others who donated items, volunteered their time, and attended the event.

Choir trip fundraisers: Beth Blair, Joni Tolon, Kim Walters, Angie Siler,

Carl and Cindy Shufflebarger, Sharon Houte, Ben Meaders and Kim Endresen

Basketball: *Doing clock and keeping book* – Vern Meaders, *Keeping the book* - Ruth Ann Reynolds, *Running the gate* - Angie Siler, *Organizing Concessions* – Alan Himes and Debi Riley, *Photography* – Rosco Pirtle, *Videography* – Brian Tester, and all the supportive fans!

Coach Lynn would like to thank all the parents and students who helped provide snacks, run scoreboard, coach and ref during our Jr. Knights program and specifically: Luke Moody, Daniel Vensel, Daniel Smith, Lucas Aguilar, Coby Poole, Charles Deyoe, Cody Shufflebarger, Sarah Moody, Jill Lewis, Wayne Highsmith, Robin Ewry, Dan Vensel, Sam Kolb, and Allan White.

JrK and 1st grade classroom assistance and more: Heather Laber
Kindergarten Chaperones: Veronica and Aaron Fox, Tony Johnson, Lyuba Kaydalin, Yelena Skobkarev;

Kindergarten classroom readers: Veronica Fox and Yevgenia Yakubovich

1st grade Teacher Assistants: Ashley Tester and Sarah Moody

2nd Grade Teacher Assistants: Carley Deyoe and Ameerah Green

3rd Grade Classroom Volunteers: Cheri Davis and Melissa Kolb;

Passport Day: Glenn and Phyllis Cash
4th grade helpers: Christine Ray, John Cummings, Cherri Warnke, Hien Nguyen, Delia Chis

5th grade helper and office assistance: Lori Davis

Donation of Big Books for elementary classrooms: Les and Chris Grant

Coaching, Campbell's Label Coordinator, and many other areas: Kerry Aguilar

Donation and support of elementary musical program: Michael Martinez

Weekly library help: Dale Toll

Hot lunch helpers: Christine Ray and Heidi Bradford

Coordinating immunization records, free health screening: Jill Lewis



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High School Boys Basketball Takes 1A State Title

The CCS Knights were victorious this year at Baker City and brought home the 1st place trophy for 1A Boys Basketball State Competition. In the first round of State games, CCS defeated Powder Valley 76-51; next, our team moved on for a win against Mohawk 44-39; and finally, the guys took the title when they beat Wallowa 47-40. This was the first time for our boys to take the 1st place title since CCS joined OSAA in 1961, although there have been many years they have placed 2nd.

Special recognition was given to the following players: **Derek Poole** was named 1st Team All-Tournament, **Braden Mueller** scored 57 points in the State Tournament and played great defense on some strong opposing guards, **Johnny Stefan** ran point well and effectively distributed the ball while also playing

strong defense, **Michael Hickman** had 36 points and 34 rebounds during the State Competition, and **Levi McDonald** covered the inside defense well—shutting down the best players from both Mohawk and Powder Valley. CCS excelled at defense and held the opponents to only 30% shooting from the floor. The Knights were the best rebounding team among the competition.

A school-wide chapel service was held at Columbia after the State Tournament to honor the success of the team. As part of the presentation, Coach Flint shared that he is proud of the dedication and hard work of the players. He praised the boys for representing CCS well during the entire season and particularly at the State games. Special appreciation was given to the fans who have supported the team all year and especially those who made the trip out to Baker City. **Coach Flint** was also honored this year by receiving the title of **Coach of the Year** for our district.

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