

# CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CHRONICLE

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*And may the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that He may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all His saints. - I Thessalonians 3:12-13*

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## Administrator's News

By Mrs. Schrag, CCS Superintendent

***He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep,  
to gain that which he cannot lose.***  
~ Jim Elliot

Many have heard the story of Jim and Elizabeth Elliot, missionaries to Ecuador and one of the members of the five missionaries to the Auca tribe who lost their lives on the beach of the Curaray River. Jim Elliot and four friends saw the need of the Auca tribe to hear the gospel of Jesus Christ and answered this call. At 28 years old, Jim was murdered as they tried to make contact with the members of the Auca tribe.

Jim was born to a strong Christian family and his parents encouraged their five children to be adventurous and to "live for Christ". He was active throughout high school in speech and drama and won several awards; his teachers encouraging him to consider a career in acting or public service. After graduating from Wheaton College with a degree in Greek, Jim was highly sought after by several American churches to serve as a youth minister, but instead he chose to serve the Lord in the villages of Ecuador.

So why would a young man with the potential of influence and recognition decide to serve in the villages of a remote land? The answer can be found in Jim's own words, "He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep, to gain that which he cannot lose." At 28 years old, Jim traded what he could not keep, his life on this earth, for what can never be lost, eternity with His Lord and Savior.



So what are we holding on to that the Lord wants us to release to Him? Are we grasping wealth, possessions, belongings that need to be released to the One who owns the cattle on a thousand hills? Are we clutching renown, recognition, influence that can be released to the One whose name is above all names? My prayer is that we follow Jesus, the Author and Perfecter of our faith.

*And he said to all, "If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it. For what does it profit a man if he gains the whole world and loses or forfeits himself? Luke 9:24-25*

***I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all; but whatever I have placed in God's hands that I still possess.***

~ Martin Luther



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Oct. 4	Elem Chapel – Ryan Brons, Beautiful Savior Church	Oct. 18	Elem Chapel – Jackie Weiss Child Evangelism Fellowship
Oct. 5-6	No School – Teacher Professional Development	Oct. 19	No School – Parent/Teacher Conferences
Oct. 10	MS Chapel, Blaize Smith, Brookside Church	Oct. 20	No School – Teacher Work Day
Oct. 10	Family Night Out Valentino’s Pizza in LaVista 11 AM – 10 PM	Oct. 24	MS Chapel – Lance Grush, Marketplace Missions
Oct. 11	Elem Chapel – Peter Baye, King of Kings Church	Oct. 24	School Board Meeting @ Pre-K – MS Campus, 6 PM
Oct. 11	1 <sup>st</sup> Quarter Ends	Oct. 25	Elem Chapel – Teri Lynn Schrag
Oct. 12	HS Chapel – Jarell Roach Youth for Christ	Oct. 25	Beyond the Bell (K-2 <sup>nd</sup> ) Lego
Oct. 17	MS Chapel Ryan Jantz LifeSpring Church	Oct. 26	HS Chapel – Prayer Chapel
		Oct. 31	MS Chapel, Rich Rudd



**Please Note Calendar Change –**  
The date of the Spring Program has been changed from April 20<sup>th</sup> to April 27<sup>th</sup>. It will be held at Salem Baptist Church

**Website Update –**

Be sure to check out the new photos on our CCS website. Many thanks to Andi Wagoner Photography for this contribution to our school. <http://cornerstonechristianschool.org/>

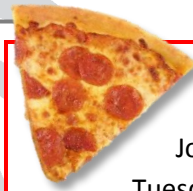
## Events & Info

### Attendance & Tardy Policies

As partners in your student’s education, we strongly encourage daily attendance. All school days, finals, and special activity days are considered compulsory attendance days. Parents are required to call and inform the office of a student’s absence.

Please contact the school office by 9:00 AM to confirm an absence or tardy for your child.

- Elementary & Middle School Office: 402.292.1030
- High School Office: 402.291.2260



### FAMILY NIGHT OUT

Join us at Valentino’s in LaVista  
Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> 11 AM – 10 PM  
Be sure to tell them you are from  
Cornerstone Christian School.



### Double Duty

One of our high school parents does double duty each week. She has been serving as a lunch volunteer – wiping down tables and counters, setting out the milk and orange juice, sweeping and cleaning up after the students leave the lunchroom. While here for lunch duty, she takes time to care for our flower garden at the entrance of the high school – planting and watering flowers and keeping the weeds at bay. Thank you, Mrs. Brollier, you are appreciated!



Self-portraits by 2<sup>nd</sup> graders



**Meals and Care Ministry**

This ministry provides needed support for our families experiencing any type of hardship. This could mean meals during a period of illness, support during the loss of a loved one, help with carpooling during prolonged illness of a parent, groceries during financial crisis and more. If you would like to be contacted whenever a member of our school family needs support, please contact Becky Libby at (402)885-0708. You will receive a sign Up Genius email and can help as you are able. Thank you!



**What is Scrip?**

Scrip cards are gift cards that can be purchased at school with a percentage of the sales going towards our school. Orders will be placed the third Wednesday of the month and order forms are due in the office of both campuses by 12:00 noon on Fridays. We also have scrip cards available for purchase at the Pre-K – MS campus to No Frills, Walmart and Target. Stop by the Pre-K - MS to purchase them.

**Cafeteria Corner – by Toni Santee**

All your burning Hot Lunch questions answered in 60 seconds.

Did you know...

- Your student can get white milk, chocolate milk or orange juice with each meal. And they can have as many as they want for just \$.45 each? (If your elementary age child is prohibited from getting drinks please email the office and let us know and we will indicate that on our lunch sheets)
- All hot lunches are ordered on ParentsWeb this year including Wednesday vendor lunches!
- We operate on a pre-pay system. When you order your lunches online for the upcoming month, payment is due in the office for that order. (Be sure to add extra if your student takes milks each day)
- Your family’s lunch and milk purchases all come from the same accounting system. No need to send in separate payments or indicate what amount is for lunch and what amount is for milk. It all gets pulled from the same account.
- You can view your family lunch statement which includes payments and purchases made on your account on ParentsWeb.
  - Login to ParentsWeb
  - Select: Family Information | Family Billing | Lunch and Milk | Details

**Parent – Teacher Conferences**

All Conferences will be held at the Pre-K – Middle School campus

Thursday, October 19, 2:00 – 7:00 PM

**Grades K – 5 Conferences** will be held in 15 minutes increments.

Click the Sign Up button below.



**Middle and High School Conferences** are on a first come, first served basis and are held in five minutes increments. No appointment is necessary.

Please be conscientious of your time with our student’s teachers. If you would like to discuss a concern further, please schedule an appointment with the teacher by calling the office or sending an email.



**Staff  
Spotlight**

**Mrs. Kara Werner**



Our Staff Spotlight for October is Mrs. Kara Werner. She is beginning her second year of teaching at Cornerstone. Kara teaches middle school math and coaches two 8<sup>th</sup> grade volleyball teams. She said, "I am excited to be at the school and a part of the Cornerstone family. It is amazing how God puts you exactly where you need to be."

Kara graduated from Martin Luther College in New Ulm, MN. The college assigns the students a place to teach after graduation and she was assigned to teach 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> grade (all in one classroom) in Salt Lake City, Utah. She did not know anyone in Utah, but trusted that God wanted her to be there. So, she packed everything she owned and moved. For two years she taught, coached, and served as the Athletic Director in Salt Lake City.



Then she married her wonderful husband, Matt, who she has known since she was in 4<sup>th</sup> grade. They lived in Washington D.C., where he was stationed at the Pentagon. While living in the D.C. area, she worked in a 4 & 5 year old Kindergarten classroom and helped with Middle School math. After two years there, her husband received orders to Offutt AFB. During the summer of 2016 they moved to the Bellevue area. She says that they love living closer to their families in South Dakota.

**Life Tidbit:**

Kara's husband is currently on a 6-month deployment. He left in April and will return in October. She said, "I cannot wait to have him back home! I have a little less than a month left!!" They have a Goldendoodle puppy who, she says, "has been a great companion while he has been away."

Pictured to the left is the couple with their puppy, Jaci, in Colorado right before Matt left on his deployment.

**Favorite Scripture verse:**

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." Jeremiah 29:11

**Fall Festival**

Sponsored by Cornerstone National Honor Society  
 Games ♦ Food for purchase ♦ Prize for the best costume  
 At the Pre-K – Middle School Campus ♦ Saturday, Oct 28, 6:00 – 7:30 PM  
 Admission: \$3.00 Adults, \$1.00 Children  
 Don't miss it! Watch for more information to come.

Donations of candy and pumpkins will gladly be accepted at the Elem/MS campus – Thank you.

**October School Board Meeting**

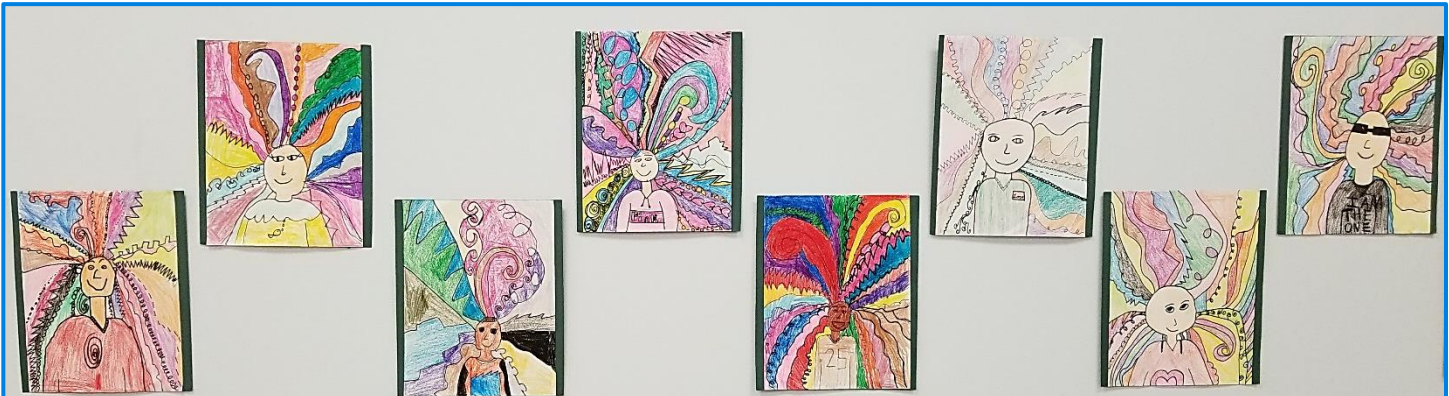
Tuesday, October 24, 6:00 PM  
 At the Pre-K – MS Campus  
 Parents are invited to attend.



Can you name at least 4 places that our high school students have gone for mission's trips?  
 (answers on page 5)

**Thanksgiving Meal Lunch – November 15<sup>th</sup>**

Our tradition has been to serve a Thanksgiving meal for lunch on the Wednesday prior to the week of Thanksgiving. All students will be served a meal and one milk. We also have a menu for students with special dietary needs. Keep an eye out for information on how you can participate in this much anticipated event!



**Cornerstone 4<sup>th</sup> graders experimented with different kinds of lines with their Crazy Hair Days drawings.**



**Cornerstone Trivia Answers**

Cornerstone Christian High School students have taken the following missions trips:

- Colorado Springs, Colorado – 2017
- Haiti – 2014 & 2016 (our next planned trip is February 2018)
- Camp Calvin Crest, Fremont, Nebraska – 2016
- Minnesota – 2015
- Omaha, NE – 2014 & 2017

