

CORNERSTONE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL CHRONICLE

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So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love. ~1 Corinthians 13:13



Administrator's News

By Dr. Schrag, CCS Superintendent

"Discipleship is not an offer that man makes to Christ. When Christ calls a man, he bids him come and die." Dietrich Bonhoeffer

Cornerstone Christian School is a discipleship Christian school dedicated to bringing the Lord glory through every aspect of our school. But what does it mean to be a disciple? Jesus's call to discipleship is a threefold call. First, this is a call to know Him. This knowing is a personal commitment to the Lord, not just to know of Him, but to know Him by personal experience and depth of understanding. *That I may know him and the power of his resurrection, and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead. (Phil. 3:10-11)*

Second, the call to discipleship is a call to follow Jesus. He demands complete, exclusive, and unwavering obedience to Him. This obedience is an abandoned surrender to His will, His plans and purposes. *And he said to all, If anyone would come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me (Luke 9:23)*

Third, the call to discipleship is a call to make disciples. *Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age. (Matthew 28:19-20)*

When asked "what does discipleship look like for a Cornerstone Christian student?" the CCS teaching staff can described their goals for students in this manner. A CCS student will:

- Know Christ as the Truth
- Have a true repentance and humble obedience
- Study the Bible and have a consistent devotional life
- Be a leader and role model for others
- Be empathetic and "other" focused with quiet acts of love, compassion, honor, and service
- Apply the Truth of God's Word to their lives and demonstrate the Truth
- Work for the glory of the Lord and not just for a grade or a score
- Demonstrate the fruit of the Spirit daily and outwardly
- Continue the cycle of making disciples

Our students are to be disciples who are not being conformed to the world, but are being transformed by the renewing of their minds. (Romans 12:2)

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Nov 7	Elem Chapel – Esther Beasley, <i>Child Evangelism Fellowship</i>
Nov 8	HS Chapel – Pastor Dan Hauge, <i>Grace Bible Church</i>
Nov 9	Midterm
Nov 10	MS & HS Quiz Bowl Tournament
Nov 12	High School Orientation
Nov 12	MS & HS Basketball Practice Begins
Nov 13	MS Chapel – Hugh Smith, <i>Voice of the Martyrs</i>
Nov 13	Family Night Out, Arby's, Bellevue 5-9 PM
Nov 14	Elem Chapel – Hugh Smith, <i>Voice of the Martyrs</i>

Nov 14	Thanksgiving Meal
Nov 15	HS Chapel Pastor Myron Pierce, <i>Mission Church</i>
Nov 16	Midterm Grades Sent Home
Nov 20	MS Chapel, Worship Chapel
Nov 21-23	No School – Thanksgiving Break
Nov 27	MS Chapel – Mr. Jon Hood
Nov 28	Elem Chapel – Rich Rudd
Nov 29	HS Chapel – Blaze Smith, <i>Brookside Church</i>
Nov 29	Fall Athletic Awards Night Pre-K – MS Camus



Events & Info

High School Orientation –

You are invited to join us for an evening of information and fellowship. This evening will be an introduction to the CCS High School program. Our teachers will share what your student can expect for high school and answer questions about this important chapter in your student's life. Some topics include daily schedules, graduation requirements, homework, college and career readiness, missions' trips, clubs and activities, and athletics.

- **When:** Monday, November 12
- **Where:** High School campus, 16405 Clay Street
- **Refreshments:** 6:30 pm
- **Presentations and Q & A:** 7:00 pm

This event is for both parents and students with a focus for families of an eighth grade student.

Please RSVP by November 8 to the school office (402) 291-2260 or (402) 292-1030.



Thanksgiving Meal Lunch –

November 14th

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.

Look for more information on how you can participate in this much anticipated event!

Computer Generated Self Portraits



Self Portraits – by Mr. Greg Friesen, K-8 Technology Teacher
Eighth grade students learned about photo editing using Pixlr software. They uploaded their portraits and then added layers with a traced outline and then a painted layer. The final step was to add an interesting background. (see more self-portraits on page 4)



Join us for our CCS Family Night Out at

Arby's

Tues. Nov. 13,
5-9 PM

1303 Cornhusker Rd,
Bellevue

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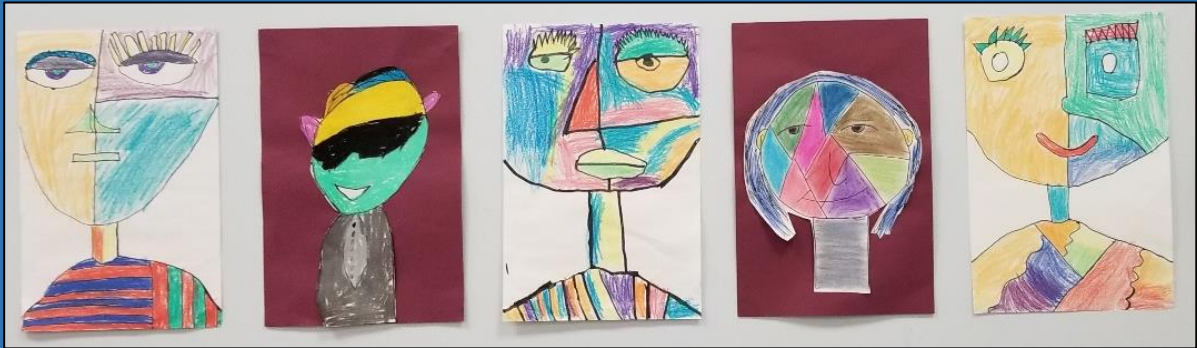
Music Exhibition Concert – by Mr. Mark Lambert, MS & HS Music Teacher



The CCS Second Annual Music Exhibition Concert, Silent Auction and Raffle was a huge success raising over \$3,000. The high school band, high school choir and middle school silver band gave a wonderful performance. At the culmination of the concert, community members joined our students in singing the Battle Hymn of Republic.

Thank you parents, students & volunteers who contributed to making this fundraiser a success.

The Faces of Picasso



Picasso Faces – by Mrs. Julie Clarahan, Elementary Art & Media Specialist

In Art, the 3rd and 5th graders learned about Picasso and Cubist art. They had great fun drawing and coloring their "Picasso Faces". (See more Picasso Faces on page 4)



1. What year was this photo taken? *2008, 2009 or 2010*
2. Can you Identify 3 individuals in this photos that are still part of Cornerstone?

(Answers on page 6)



The Faces of Picasso



A Successful Season –
by Jessica Evans, CCS senior

This past cross-country season proved to be a very successful one. All of the hard work that our team poured into the season became evident at the District meet. Three athletes qualified for State as individuals and our varsity boys' team won the Class D District meet, sending our entire varsity team to State Championships on October 19th. Our team made school history and I am so honored that I got to be a part of that for my senior year. We owe our prosperity to God and our coach, Mr. Hood who trained us well and encouraged us every step of the way.

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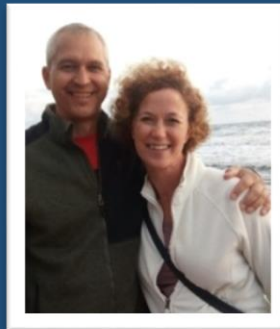


"A Really Goofy Purim Play"

Presented by our Middle School Drama Club
Monday, December 3rd at 2:00 PM - for our Elementary & Middle School students
Tuesday, December 4th at 7:00 - for everyone
At the Pre-K- Middle School campus
Sponsored by Mrs. Binko, Mrs. Clarahan and assisted by Carson Santee

Penny Wars Report

The Penny Wars is over for this year for our students, but the blessing is yet to come for the Harder family. The Harders were a part of our Cornerstone family from 2011 to 2015 before going to Lithuania to serve as missionaries. The students' "Penny Wars" raised \$2,311.37 that will go to the Harder family. Thank you Cornerstone students!



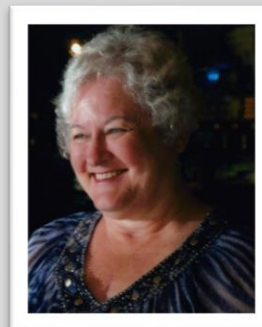
Joe & Lisa Harder
Rebekah, Caleb & Sara



Outdoor Archery Event – by Drew Severson, Cornerstone parent
On Saturday, Oct 20th the Cornerstone Archery Team held its first ever outdoor archery event. The Nygren family graciously hosted us on their acreage in Plattsmouth. The team not only enjoyed shooting traditional targets, but also pumpkins and apples as well. God blessed us with a warm day and a fun time together.



Mrs. Linda Sarver



We are pleased to introduce you to our Staff Spotlight for November. Mrs. Linda Sarver has had a life intermixed with family, ministry and education.

Linda was born in Ogallala, Nebraska. Her family made several moves then settled in Albion, Nebraska, where Linda graduated high school. After high school, she moved to Omaha to attend Grace Bible Institute (later named Grace University). There she met her husband of 45 years. Keith and Linda have three daughters, Sheri, Michelle & LaVae and 8 grandchildren (with one more soon to be adopted). Two of Linda’s grandchildren attend Cornerstone.

The Saver family lived in Montana for 10 years on the high line, which is the east/west road the closest to Canada. Keith taught school while Linda stayed home with the children. Then they were called to Missouri to be missionaries with Missions Outreach International. Each summer, as part of their opportunities with the mission they took teenagers on work/witness teams all around the world including northern Canada, Alaska, the southern US, Belize, Fiji, and Ireland.

Linda went back to college at the age of 35 to complete her education. She earned her teaching degree at Northwest Missouri State University then jumped into teaching. She has taught 1st grade through 5th grade, music K-8, middle school and high school communication arts, computers, history, geography, math, and science. In past years, she was a curriculum writer, a district in-service provider, and an academic team coach for junior high and high school. She retired after 25 years of teaching and then has subbed for the last nine years making it a total of 34 years teaching.

Mrs. Sarver is a 2003 Milken National Educator of the year, an award is given to one or two people from each state. The award included an all-expenses paid trip to Washington DC and a monetary reward. She is a member of the Missouri Governor’s Talent Pool and the Nebraska Commissioner of Education’s Resource Teachers Pool. She was chosen to be a contributor to a high school history text, America: The Last Best Hope by Bill Bennett. She also served as President of Missouri State Teacher’s Association, Northwest Region. Twice Linda attended *We The People* summer academy, which is taught by some of the greatest Constitution authorities in America.



She said this, *“My career has been an amazing journey and I am very blessed with what God has done. I still can hardly believe what I have experienced and the lives I was allowed to impact, not to mention the lives that impacted me!”*

Keith and Linda lived in Missouri for 33 years then moved to Plattsmouth 2 years ago. We were blessed last year to have Mrs. Sarver join the Cornerstone team as a substitute teacher and to be teaching high school biology this year.

Fun Tidbit: Linda’s best friend from high school who was also her college roommate is Dr. Schrag’s Aunt Elsie.

Favorite Scripture: Send us around the world with the news of your saving power and your eternal plan for all mankind.
~ Psalm 67:2 TLB



Cornerstone Trivia Answers

1. The photo was taken in 2008.
2. Individuals in the photo that are still part of Cornerstone:
 - Mrs. Burkett – 2nd grade teacher
 - April Schrag (front row, 2nd from the left)– CCS senior
 - Nathan Schrag (front row, 4th from the left) – CCS senior



Fall Treat

Family Consumer Science students made their own caramel for caramel apples. Mmmm good!