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## Grandparents' Day

Grandparents' Day will be held Friday, April 3. The K-6 music program for grandparents will be at 10:30 am. After the K-6 program, approximately at noon, the grandparents of all students in grades K-6 are invited to lunch in the gym. After lunch, the students will be dismissed for an afternoon of fun with their grandparents so it really is important for grandparents to come, if they can. The K-4 music program for the public and parents will be held Thursday, April 2 at 7:00 pm. in the high school gym.

## Wanted: Pre-K and Kindergarten Families!

CMCS has been sending out information to prospective pre-k and kindergarten families. If you have not received this information, call Larry Van Otterloo at 320-978-8700. We also encourage you to give us names of families who are interested in sending their children to CMCS.

## Sonshine Pre-K Open House

We will hold an Open House for all potential pre-k students and their parents on Friday, March 13.

Tours of the elementary building will begin at 6:30 pm.

Beginning at 7:00 pm. in the elementary library Mrs. Van Otterloo, Mr. Van Otterloo, and Mr. Wassenaar will present important information. Personnel will be on hand in the pre-k room so these children can play in and get acquainted with the room!

## Kindergarten Parent Open House

We will hold an Open house for all parents of prospective kindergarteners (no students, please) on Friday, March 27, at 7:00 pm in the elementary library. Current pre-k students will be introduced to the kindergarten teacher, Mrs. Jasper, and to the kindergarten room during a school day.

The last two years, we did not have "kindergarten roundup", because so many of our pre-k students continued on to kindergarten here at CMCS. As a result, we have found that some parents have missed important information.

All parents of current pre-k students should attend this meeting!

## CMCS Welcomes New Family

CMCS is pleased to welcome the Todd Ahrenholz family to our school family. They have 2 children, Teddy and Hank, who are enrolled at CMCS.

Todd and his wife, Nici, have lived in the area for the past 13 years and in Willmar since 2000. Todd grew up in Clara City and Nici in Nebraska. Todd is employed by JD Kreps Financial Group as a Financial Advisor. He enjoys golfing and running. Nici is the new 1st grade teacher at CMCS. She enjoys knitting and the lake.

Teddy is in 4th grade and plays hockey in Willmar. He enjoys everything - BMX, football, waterskiing, hunting, and fishing. Hank is in 3rd grade and started guitar lessons this year. He also enjoys the lake, playing football in the yard, and playing with friends.

We hope that we may be a blessing to each other as the school year progresses. Thanks for choosing CMCS!

## CENTRAL LINK

The Building and Finance Committees met on Wednesday, January 21. We had a full agenda which included visits with an architect from Cities Edge Architecture and a mechanical engineer from Applied Engineering. They presented their findings made during their facility audit at CMCS. and identified the MOST significant issues to be dealt with if we continue using the existing buildings long term. They came up with the following numbers: Repairs/Replacements needed in the elementary building are estimated at \$815,000+ and in the high school building approximately \$2,380,000+. This totals over \$3,200,000. These numbers do not reflect the total costs as there were other exclusions such as another science lab, and additional classroom space, lockers and other repairs, etc. Please note that these amounts are not for all the necessary fixes but are for the most needed at CMCS.

These buildings have served us well for over 50 years, but now a decision needs to be made concerning "fixing" the existing structure and still be in an older building with its limitations or to build a new facility whether on the present site or at a new location in Prinsburg. The new school could be built in phases.

We also met with Dan Cook from Building God's Way and he answered many questions we had concerning construction, time-lines, and fund raising.

We will continue to research and discuss so that we can make an informed recommendation to the Board. We appreciate your prayers as we continue this process. Please continue to pray also for our school as you also seek God's will for your involvement in this project! May God bless you as you continue your support of CMCS.

## Board Notes

1. Mike Bonnema opened the meeting with Psalm 127. The Board then spent time in prayer for the students of CMCS.
2. The Board discussed Board member replacement for retiring Board members: Paul Dobmeier, Jason Schwitters, Byron Damhof, and Steve Broten. Consensus was that we need to get another representative from the Bunde society.
3. The Board approved allowing the One Act group to attend the State Festival on February 13.
4. Administrative contracts for Larry Van Otterloo, Pete Van Der Puy, and Kevin Wassenaar were approved.
5. The educational goals of the school were discussed at length.
6. The Board approved having Servicemaster come in for mold remediation.
7. Rekeying doors at both campuses was approved.
8. The Board approved splitting the 5th grade class for the 2009-2010 school year.

## Board Member Filing Time

Once again it is time for prospective Board members to file with the school their intent to run for a seat on the CMCS School Board.

Please send your letter of intent to run for office to Mr. Van Der Puy by the end of February. Society members are also encouraged to send in nominations for qualified Board candidates.

## Congratulations, honor roll students

The CMCS junior high and high school students have completed one semester of the school year. Exams were given January 13 - 16 and report cards were mailed to parents on January 21. After all the calculations have been made, we are pleased to publish the "A" and "B" honor rolls.

Congratulations to these students on their accomplishments!

**"A" Honor Roll** - G.P.A. of 3.67 or greater  
\*denotes a 4.0

### Twelfth Grade

Kelsey Bonnema	Brianna Wubben
Elizabeth Johnson	Caleb Wubben
Bryent Slagter	

### Eleventh Grade

Angela Broten	Shara Leininger
*Whitney Brouwer	Lisa Ohden
Ashley Hoekstra	Mattea Wieberdink
Ellen Kleinhuizen	

### Tenth Grade

Erica Broten	*Lacey Tebben
*Jiyun Kim	

### Ninth Grade

Heather Blom	Courtney Ulferts
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### Eighth Grade

Brian Bonnema	Nathan Ryder
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### Seventh Grade

Evan TeBrake

**"B" Honor Roll** - G.P.A. of 3.00 - 3.66

### Twelfth Grade

Mariah Brouwer	Bethany Ledeboer
Nicolas Dykstra	Rachelle Poppema
Greta Evink	Jeff Ruschen
Jason Groen	Katrina Ryder
James Hankel	Brandon Van Der Puy
Zachary Hankel	Justin Vanderhooff
Hans Hibma	Rebecca VenOsdel

### Eleventh Grade

Stephanie Ahrenholz	Erin Erickson
Brittany Blom	Jenny Slagter
Jordon Daugherty	Gabriel Williams
Paige Dobmeier	

### Tenth Grade

Shayla Beekman	Rachelle Marcus
Hannah Freese	Keena Slagter
Joey Grussing	Jordan Swart
Kristina Hankel	David Vanderhooff
Greta Jarveis	

### Ninth Grade

Melanie Bulthuis	Jodi Van Otterloo
Christopher Van Dyken	

### Eighth Grade

Kari Blom	Grant Hoekstra
Jessica Bloomquist	Samuel Ohden
Lisa Damhof	Kendra TeBrake
Nathaniel Gerdes	Cassie Van Der Puy
Caleb Groen	Jacob Van Dyken

### Seventh Grade

Ryan Brouwer	Laura Miller
Jason Bulthuis	Tyler Stoel
Breanna Carter	Kailey Van Eps
Mary Covert	Tyler Wieberdink
Nicholas Daugherty	Danielle Wubben
Courtney Groen	

## Crossing Guards Needed

CMCS elementary is in need of adult crossing guards for Tuesday and Wednesday mornings. If you are willing to volunteer, please call Larry Van Otterloo at 320-978-8700.

## New 2 You Thrift Store Schedule

### February 7

Dohn and Becky Hoekstra  
Theresa Skinner      Stephanie Vogel  
Tim Miller              Lanne Roelofs

### February 14

Dan and Sarah Brouwer  
Gary and Jane Wubben  
Curt and Debbie Swart

### February 21

Chad and Sonia Ulferts  
Jay and Kris TeBrake  
Kay Hillers              Lori Roelofs

### February 28

Nolan and Rhonda Slagter  
Scott and Lexi Wubben  
Mike and Luanne Groen

### March 7

Tim and Dawn Link  
Jeff and Angie Brouwer  
Joel and Jina Ruschen

### March 14

Randy and Christy Groen  
Jason and Stacy Schwitters  
Lenny Schwitters      Josh Mulder

## CMCS Seeks Prayer Warriors

We now have 30 adults praying for selected students this year! They each pray for 3 students (some pray for more) by name each day and they also pray for our staff, students, and school as a whole.

Each week, they receive a Prayer Warriors Bulletin - by mail or by e-mail with specific prayer requests. Our Prayer Warriors have found this program to be a blessing for them. We have also found this program to be a tremendous blessing for our students.

More Prayer Warriors would mean more prayers - and maybe more blessings! Please consider becoming a Prayer Warrior. If you are interested in this, please call Larry Van Otterloo at 320-978-8700.

## Concession Stand Schedule

### GIRLS BASKETBALL

#### February 5

Sara Hankel              Angie Linde  
Nicotie Bothof          Doug Zondervan

### BOYS BASKETBALL

#### February 10

Randy and Barb Bonnema  
Mike Groen

#### February 12

Clay and Bridgette VenOsdel  
Doug Ledeboer  
Mary Jo Halliday

#### February 24

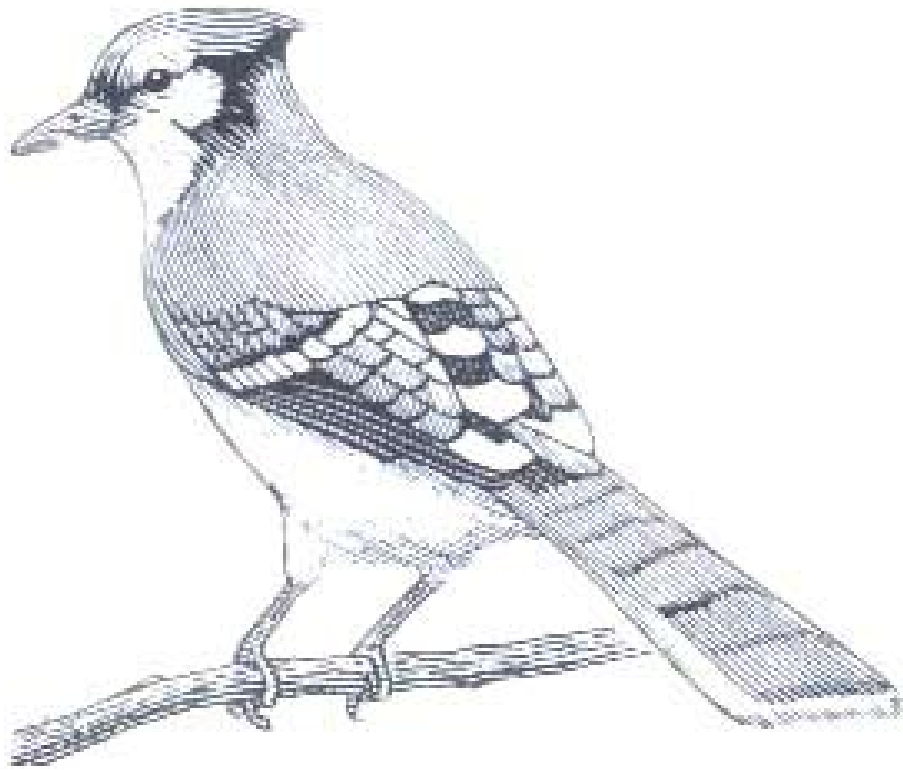
Chuck and Sandy Leininger  
Steve Ruschen  
Wes Wieberdink

## Should I name my kids as beneficiaries of my retirement plan?

It might seem natural to name your children as the beneficiaries of your retirement assets, and use other assets to support the kingdom causes dear to your heart. But those retirement funds are the least "tax friendly" assets to leave to your children. If instead you use retirement assets to support ministries such as Central Minnesota Christian School and leave other assets to your children, you may be able to give more to your heirs.

For a FREE copy of "Avoiding Double Taxation on Retirement Assets" contact Kevin Wassenaar from Central Minnesota Christian School at (320) 978-8700 or [kevinw@willmar-net.com](mailto:kevinw@willmar-net.com).

*This is general information and is not intended to be tax or legal advice. Please consult your own advi-*



## February

M	2	JHGBB @ RCW- Sacred Heart	T	24	BBB @ Hancock
T	3	BBB host Minneota	Th	26	GBB Sub Section
		GBB @ Echo Charter	F	27	BBB Camden Conference
		JHGBB @ CCS - Willmar			Championship
Th	5	GBB host Dawson Boyd	S	28	GBB Sub Section
		JHGBB host Dawson Boyd			
F	6	BBB @ KMS			
S	7	One Act Play - Section			
M	9	JHGBB host CCS			
T	10	BBB host Echo Charter			
		GBB @ TMB			
W	11	Probation notes			
Th	12	BBB host Dawson Boyd			
		JHGBB @ MACCRAY -			
		Raymond			
F	13	Class drop deadline			
T	17	President's Day - NO SCHOOL			
W	18	Mid-quarter point			
F	20	Mid-quarter notes mailed			
		GBB Camden Conference			
		Championship			
M	23	GBB host Buffalo Lake-Hector			
		BBB @ Lakeview			

## March

T	3	GBB Sub Section
Th	5	BBB Sub Section
F	6	GBB Sub Section
S	7	BBB Sub Section
F	13	GBB Sub Section
S	14	BBB Sub Section
Th	19	BBB Sub Section