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Christmas Concerts

Middle School

The CMCS Middle School Christmas Concert will be presented Friday, December 12 at 7:00 pm.

Performing will be the 5th grade band, 6th grade band, 7-8 band, 5th and 6th choir, and 7-8 choir. The bands are directed by Mrs. Mulder. The choirs will be directed by Mrs. Eilts.

Elementary School

The CMCS Elementary (grades K-4) Christmas Concert will be presented Friday, December 19 at 7:00 pm.

They will be presenting the musical "A Song of Joy". The 3rd and 4th grade will also perform Christmas tunes on their recorders. The musical and recorders will be directed by Mrs. Eilts.

Adult Volunteers Needed

There will be a New Year's Eve lock-in (7th - 12th grades) held at CMCS from 9:00 pm. - 6:00 am. on December 31 - January 1. Twelve more adult volunteers are needed to help chaperone, run the inflatables, supervise the games and refreshments. If twenty four people volunteered, we could split the shift. If you have any interest in helping, please call Scott Hankel at 320-905-5277 or Kirk Vander Pol at 320-905-2770.

CMCS Works Through Tragedy

Central Minnesota Christian School was saddened when first grade teacher Miss Kathy Greimann passed away suddenly on Saturday, November 22. A memorial service was held on Tuesday, November 25 at the First Christian Reformed Church in Prinsburg. Miss Greimann was remembered for her love of teaching and her kindness to friends and family. School was cancelled on Wednesday, November 26 to provide opportunity for people to travel to Garner, Iowa for the funeral service and to express sympathy and show support to her family.

Miss Greimann taught at CMCS for 26 years and she will be missed by students and staff.

Board Report

1. The Board reflected on the recent design charette conducted by Building God's Way.
2. The Board set aside time to work on a vision statement regarding construction of a new facility. Mr. Van Der Puy was asked to take the Board's individual ideas and create a unified document.
3. The Board made plans to hold a memorial for Miss Greimann on Tuesday, November 25. School was cancelled on Wednesday, November 26 to allow staff to attend the funeral.
4. Mrs. Stacy Schwitters is leading the first graders until Christmas. CMCS is currently taking applications until December 12 for the first grade position.

TRIP Updates:

The holidays are FAST approaching. Be sure to plan ahead and order your gift cards early. We will continue with our weekly Tuesday order schedule right on through December 16.

Please keep in mind that because of the volume of orders the Scrip office is inundated with this time of year, they may take a day or two longer to get to us. There is also the chance that certain gift cards may run out of stock.

Check out glscrip.com for all the latest discounts - as they change daily. Our next order for the new year will begin on January 6.

There are several bonuses being offered right now. They are listed with the bonus included:

GAP/Old Navy etc. - 11% until Dec. 5
LL Bean - 17% until Dec. 12
Bath & Body Works - 18% until Dec. 12
Barnes & Noble - 10% until Dec. 19
Borders - 11% until Dec. 19
Sears - 10% until Dec. 19
Shutterfly - 14% until Dec. 19
Kmart - 6% until Dec. 19
Lands' End - 19% until Dec. 19
Total Access Phone Card - 17% until Dec. 26
Buca di Beppo - 13% Nov. 22-Dec. 26
Eddie Bauer - 15% until Dec. 31
Shell - 2.5% until Dec. 31

ALERT: Domino's is temporarily unavailable. They are hoping to have them available again in about 3 weeks.

NEW:

Hallmark Gift Cards are now available in \$25 denominations with a 4% contribution
Home Depot increased their discount to 4%
Dick's Sporting Goods increased to 8%
Overstock.com® gift cards are now available in \$25 denominations with an 8% contribution. The gift card can be redeemed for merchandise on **Overstock.com**, excluding products in the

Cars, Auction and Real Estate departments. At **Overstock.com**, there is something for everyone. You can find everything from the latest video games to books, furniture for the kid's bedrooms to sheets for their beds, Dell laptop computers to top designer handbags and apparel for yourself. **Overstock.com's** entire selection offers incredible values of up to 70% off retail prices. Plus, all orders ship for only \$2.95 -- no matter the size.

College Financial Aid Workshop

A financial aid workshop will be conducted at CMCS in Mr. Stoel's room, Monday, December 15 at 7:00 pm.! Mike Epema from Dordt College will be here to give tips and information on filling out a FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid). This workshop is not just for students going to Dordt. Mike keeps the information general enough for any college.

The form seems to change a little from year to year, so even if you've filled out a FAFSA before, you are encouraged to come to the meeting anyway. If you want to get your junior or senior involved, they are welcome to attend also.

If you have any questions about the meeting, or if you cannot attend but have questions about the FAFSA, call Rhonda Slagter at CMCS - (320)-978-8700.

Thank You For Your Support!

As we near the end of the year, we want to thank everyone who has blessed Central Minnesota Christian School in many ways over the last year. Prayers offered on behalf of the school, projects tackled and services performed, volunteer hours worked, and financial gifts given are all greatly appreciated. We are humbled by the generosity of God's people! Thank you for supporting the mission of CMCS so fervently.

We ask that you continue to remember Central Minnesota Christian School as you consider your year-end giving. In the last couple of weeks we sent out information on our Annual Campaign needs of \$500,000. These funds help us to provide tuition assistance, busing service, technology, and development resources. Each of these items is essential for the continuation of quality Christian education within our halls.

We continue to collect funds toward the Matching Challenge. Currently we have a little over \$200,000. Gifts toward this challenge need to be submitted as soon as possible to maximize the effect of this challenge!

If my estate is small, do I still need a Will?

Yes! If you don't have a Will, the state has one for you. State laws are put in place in each state to direct what will be done with the assets of an individual who dies without a Will. Unfortunately, the state's "Will" does not take into account your personal values, Christian commitment, goals, family situation, or needs. A Will allows you to decide who will become the next "steward" of the resources God has entrusted to you.



The Central Minnesota Christian School Foundation is a proud member of the Barnabas Foundation. The Foundation's goal is to help caring Christians make tax-wise decisions and strengthen support for ministries close to their hearts.

A Will Reflects Your Life Values

Each spring, farmers start their tractors, hook up their implements and head to their fields. First, they plow, turning the soil over into neat rows, breaking up the winter clods and preparing the land for planting. Then they seed, hoping that within a week or two they'll see the first glimpse of their crops peeking through the dirt. With enough moisture, some fertilizer and the cooperation of the weather, the farmers will enjoy a bountiful harvest.

Our lives are like those of the farmers. First, we plow our fields by obtaining the education and training we need to earn a living. Then we plant our seeds, launching our careers and starting our families. With proper nourishment our careers succeed, our families grow and we accumulate assets, such as savings, homes and retirement plans. Eventually, we reap our harvest and enjoy the fruits of our hard labors by retiring.

Farmers would never think of stopping with their harvest. Once their crops are in, they start planning for next year's spring planting. So it is with our lives. Once we have reaped our harvest, we need to plan for ourselves, our loved ones and the charitable causes we care about. For most of us, this entails having a Will. A Will can ensure that we sow the seeds that will benefit future generations of our loved ones and kingdom causes such as Central Minnesota Christian School.

When it comes to preparing your Will, it is always springtime. The soil is always rich and ready for planting. All it takes for your loved ones and Central Minnesota Christian School to eventually reap a bountiful harvest is to plant the seeds in your Will.

Source: Crescendo Interactive, Inc. This is general information and is not intended to be tax or legal advice. Please consult your own advisors.

Greetings from New 2 You!

Did you know, we now have a new \$1.00 clearance rack and LOTS of Christmas decor? Trees too?

Often we receive brand new and name brand items just waiting for you to buy at a bargain price!

The next time you come to Willmar make it a point to stop in and see what we have and don't forget to bring your gently used winter wear in for a donation.

We are always thanking God for the supply we have and it comes from generous, conscientious people like you.

New 2 You - where your donation truly does make a difference! Your donations enabled New 2 You to give \$11,000 to CMCS for the month of November.

Becky Zondervan
Darci Post

New 2 You Thrift Store Schedule

December 13

Trapper and April Swierenga
Layton and Melissa Meyer
Sara Van Dyken
Jolene Ruschen

December 20

Elementary Staff

December 27

Becky Zondervan family

January 3

Jason and Lisa Jarveis
Darla and Brad Ryks
Craig and Kelly Blom

January 10

Rick and Char Dykstra
Doug and Anne Groen
Randy and Barb Bonnema

Concession Stand Schedule

GIRLS BASKETBALL

January 2

Layton and Melissa Meyer
Joy Peterson Doug Ledebor

January 6

Doug Zondervan Kay Hillers
Doug Groen Brian Van Eps

January 8

Dave and Jolene Ruschen
Sara Hankel Pety Zeatlow

January 22

Roger and Sue Wubben
Shannon Nichols Mike Witt

January 27

Jeff and Angie Brouwer
Brad Nelson Scott Wubben

February 2

Sara Hankel Angie Linde
Nicotie Bothof Doug Zondervan

BOYS BASKETBALL

January 9

Clyde and Tammy Slagter
Linda Ruschen Mary Jo Halliday

January 15

Steve and Jill Blom
Linda Foss Todd Groen

January 29 Whopper Wagon 4:30

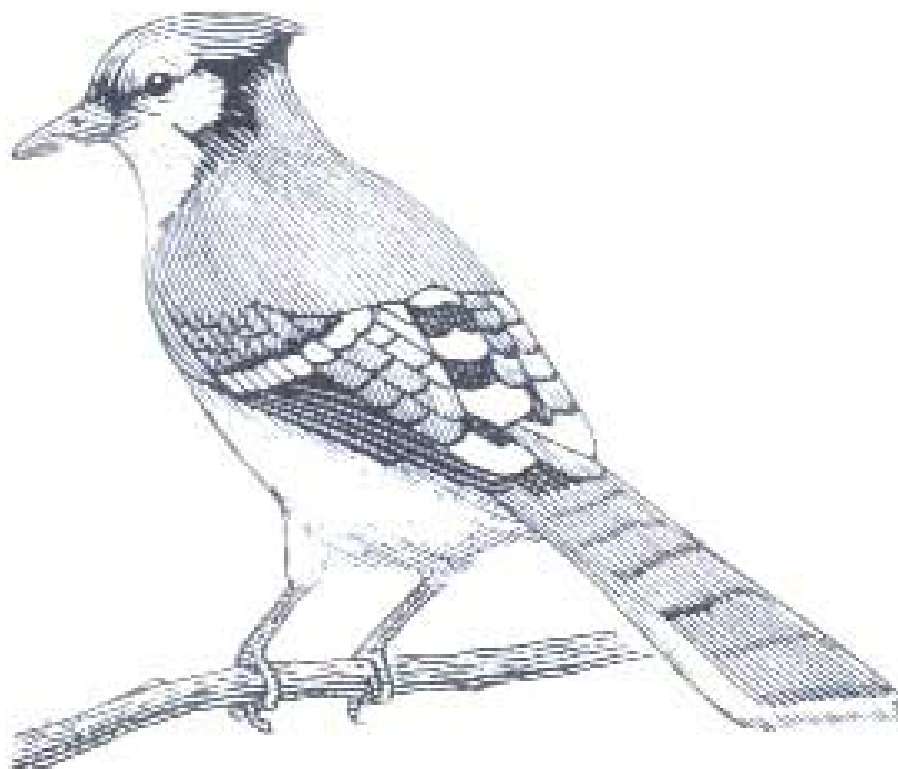
Kirk and Christina Vander Pol
Gene and Laura Streich
Steve and Donna Broten
Gary and Jane Wubben
Lenny and Michelle Schwitters

January 29 5:30

Drew and Edith Ryder
Dawn Link Theresa Skinner

February 3

Kelly and Janet Pauling
Pety Zeatlow Mike Witt



December

T 9 BBB host YME
 GBB @ MACCRAY
 JHBB @KMS-Murdock-4:30 pm
 Th 11 BBB host RCW
 F 12 5- 8 Concert - 7:00 pm.
 S 13 JHBB tournament
 @ CMCS -9:00 am.
 M 15 JHBB @ Willmar CC
 Th 18 JHBB @ MACCRAY -
 Raymond - 4:15 pm.
 F 19 K-4 Concert - 7:00 pm.
 M 22 GBB @ Dawson
 T 23 Probation notes sent home
 School dismissed at 2:00 pm.
 BBB host KMS

Dec. 24 - Jan. 2 NO SCHOOL
Christmas vacation

January

F 2 GBB host RTR
 S 3 BBB @ Southwest Christian
 GBB @ Southwest Christian
 M 5 Classes resume
 T 6 BBB @ Dawson Boyd
 GBB host YME
 Th 8 GBB host Lakeview
 F 9 BBB host RTR
 T-F 13-16 Exams - grades 7 - 12