

# CAIR PARAVEL - LATIN SCHOOL

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## Family Newsletter - November 14, 2003

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### **BYLAWS COMMITTEE REPORT**

The Bylaws Committee has sent its first proposal to the CPLS Board regarding proposed changes to the Bylaws. It reads:

Proposal from the Bylaws Committee  
to the CPLS Board  
November 11, 2003

Subject: Parent Involvement reflected in the CPLS Bylaws

This proposal is to add the following clause to the CPLS Bylaws. We feel this would provide for ongoing parent involvement with the Board.

A. To carry out the activities and purposes of the Board as set forth in the Constitution, the Board shall designate standing committees and may designate ad hoc committees. The membership of these committees shall include parents of school students, and may include Board members and others as appointed by the Board.

B. The standing committees of the Board of Directors shall include, but are not limited to: Development, Marketing, Facilities Planning and Management, Curriculum, Finance and Bylaws.

C. The Board, through written continuing resolutions, shall establish the purpose, membership, function, and structure of standing and ad hoc committees and the duration of any ad hoc committee.

A two-week period for response from our school family is now open. Please direct any comments to any Bylaws Committee member, or to Doug Simmons, Chair. ([dougsimmons777@yahoo.com](mailto:dougsimmons777@yahoo.com))

*The next Bylaws Committee meetings are: Monday, November 24 and Tuesday, December 2 at 6:30pm in the CPLS Library. Bylaws Committee meetings are open to all interested persons.*

### **BAGELS WITH BOB**

The November Bagels with Bob is upon us. This is your opportunity to discuss issues,

ideas, or concerns about CPLS with your Board President. You are invited to attend from 8:30-10:00 on Saturday, November 15th in the CPLS Library.



### **SILENT AUCTION FOR PARKING SPACES**

The two reserved parking spaces in the cutback parking on Clay Street will be auctioned off in a silent auction this year. The spaces are marked by "reserved" signs so that they may be used whenever the winners wish to park there.

You may place your bid with Cindy Patton via email ([cpatton@cpls.k12.ks.us](mailto:cpatton@cpls.k12.ks.us)) or in writing by dropping it by the office. Please place your written bid in a sealed envelope with "SILENT AUCTION" noted on the outside. The minimum bid is \$750.00. All bids are must be turned in by Tuesday, November 25th.

Proceeds will help fund Spiritual Emphasis Week and employee bonuses.

### **ELEMENTARY MUSIC PROGRAM**

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!! The Grammar School students (K-5) have been hard at work on the Christmas music for their program coming up in December. Plan now to join us as we celebrate the birth of our Lord with this joyous music on Thursday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm at the Topeka Bible Church.

Watch for a letter outlining the details to be sent home by Thanksgiving!

## KITCHEN CORNER

### HOT LUNCH MENU

MON ... Cheese pizza, carrot sticks, applesauce, oatmeal pie  
 TUE .... Taco salad, corn, apple, cinnamon roll  
 WED... Chicken fajita, tossed salad, pears, cookies  
 THU .... Beef mac, green beans, orange, roll  
 FRI ..... Deli ham, banana, chips, oatmeal pie

### ALA CARTE

MON ... Baked Potato ..... \$1.50  
 TUE .... Walking Taco ..... \$1.75  
 WED... Chicken Fajita ..... \$1.25  
 THU .... Stuffed Crust Pizza ..... \$1.25  
 FRI ..... Cheeseburger w/Fries ..... \$2.00

## LIONS' SCORES

### JUNIOR HIGH VOLLEYBALL

Oct 23 - CPLS ..... 1 MHS ..... 2  
 (18-25; 25-14; 15-17)

## CHILDCARE POLICY REMINDER

Any student that arrives at school more than 30 minutes prior to the beginning of the school day (before 8:00am) will be sent to our childcare facility and the parents will be billed on the 5th of the month.

Any student that remains in the building more than 15 minutes after the end of the school day (after 3:45pm), and is not remaining for a specific supervised activity (i.e. sports practice, musical/drama rehearsal, Bible quizzing, etc.), will be sent to the playground/childcare facility and the parents will be billed on the 5th of the month.

Parents, please observe this policy. It is not safe to have students in the building unsupervised.

Thanks for your cooperation with this policy.

**Cindy Patton, Chief Administrator**

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[www.cpls.k12.ks.us/newsletter](http://www.cpls.k12.ks.us/newsletter)

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

### NOVEMBER 2003

7 ..... **Iowa Basic Testing**  
 8 ..... 05:00 PM ..... School Skating Party @ SkateAway  
 11 ..... 05:30 PM ..... CPLS Board Meeting - Library  
**11 ..... 06:15 PM ... CPLS Board - Parent Open Forum**  
 11 ..... 08:00 PM ..... Basketball Parents Information Meeting - CPLS Gymnasium  
 13 ..... 07:00 PM ..... Man of La Mancha  
 14 ..... 07:00 PM ..... Man of La Mancha  
**15 ..... 08:30 AM ..... Bagels with Bob - CPLS Library**  
 15 ..... 07:00 PM ..... Man of La Mancha  
 20 ..... 07:00 PM ..... Man of La Mancha  
 21 ..... 07:00 PM ..... Man of La Mancha  
 22 ..... 02:00 PM ..... Man of La Mancha  
 22 ..... 07:00 PM ..... Man of La Mancha  
 24 ..... 06:30 PM ..... Bylaws Committee - CPLS Library  
 26 ..... NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break  
 27 ..... NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break  
 28 ..... NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break

### DECEMBER 2003

2 ..... 06:30 PM ..... Bylaws Committee - CPLS Library  
 9 ..... 05:30 PM ..... CPLS Board Meeting - Library  
**9 ..... 06:15 PM ... CPLS Board - Parent Open Forum**  
 12 ..... 8th Grade Victorian Ball  
**15 ..... 07:00 PM ..... 6-12 Grade Christmas Concert @ Topeka Bible Church**  
**17 ..... Semester Finals**  
**18 ..... Semester Finals**  
**18 ..... K-5 Christmas Concert**  
**19 ..... Semester Finals**  
 20 ..... Silver Bells  
 22 ..... Alumni Night  
 22-31 ..... NO SCHOOL - Christmas Break

## SNOW REMOVAL BIDS BEING TAKEN

Cair Paravel will be accepting bids for snow removal in the Faculty/Staff parking lot and the cutback parking along Clay Street.

Please call or email Cindy Patton, Chief Administrator, if you would be interested in providing this service for the school or bidding for the job.



## **FROM THE DEANS DESK....**

**JAMES WALDY, DEAN OF FACULTY**

### **SOME WHY'S AND WHAT FOR'S ON STANDARDIZED TESTS**

It was relatively quiet in the hallowed halls of Cair Paravel during the past week as the elementary and middle school students were given the Iowa Tests of Basic Skills. These tests are administered annually at CP-LS for several reasons, and I thought it might be good to share some of those with you.

Scripture reminds us that those who would compare themselves among themselves are not wise. From a total school perspective we know that our parents and teachers are doing a good job of educating our children because of a number of different measuring sticks. From anecdotal accounts of those who may be impressed by what our kids have learned to the development of National Merit Scholar candidates, Cair Paravel has many positives that reflect on a high quality of education. However, anecdotes and all-stars don't make for a degree of quantifiable evidence that engenders true legitimacy. National Merit Scholars come from inner city schools and elite boarding academies and every kind of school in between.

Standardized tests, which are administered across the spectrum of student populations, do a better job of allowing us to see how we compare with others in the world of education. The Iowa Tests are sufficiently national in scope that the comparisons are legitimate and the data meaningful. That Cair Paravel scores in the top 2% of all schools taking the exams says far more for those who desire objective measurements than our own, in-house claims that we do a good job. Average scores of 26-7 on the ACT examinations do the same for our high school.

A second function of the standardized exams is the independent and objective assessment of each student in the various subject areas. Ideally, the standardized scores and the letters earned on a grade card will tell similar stories. Straight "A" students ought to be scoring in the 80's and 90's on the standardized exams or we may find out that we are grading students too kindly. Conversely, we may find that ITBS scores demonstrating that our own student evaluations are too difficult. This is a tough area to assess because standardized tests don't take into account social development and work habits. Testing scores might, however, be used to support pedagogical and parental arguments to those students who could be doing much better in a given subject if they would only apply themselves and/or be more responsible. Students who score in the 99<sup>th</sup> percentile in a given subject on the ITBS should not be making "C's" and "D's" on their grade cards.

A third benefit of taking standardized tests lies in the sheer discipline of the exercise. While we live in a culture that calls for creativity and even nonconformity, there are still dozens of activities and disciplines, which require attention to exact instructions, conformity to rules and guidelines and concentrated focus. Try winging it on a url, being creative with which keys you hit on the keyboard or refusing to be concerned about traffic laws or cooking instructions and see the results. Standardized tests help students to understand that there are venues in life in which it is most profitable to simply follow instructions and abide by the rules. There are plenty of other opportunities for self-expression and unique creativity.

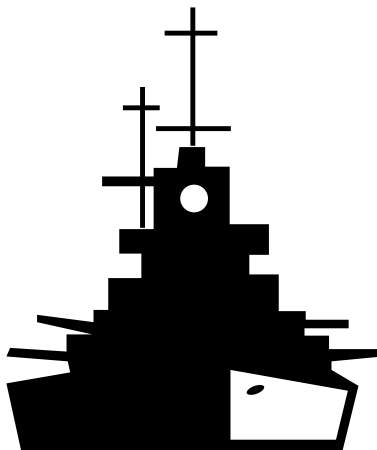
When the ITBS results come back in a few weeks, please join the teachers in taking a serious look at the results. For many these results will serve as affirmation of impressions and assessments already established. For some, there may be questions that arise in a resultant discourse that opens the door for new strategies for learning. Please pay particular attention to the reading, language arts and mathematics categories, as these are more universal in nature and fundamental to learning abilities. This is not to devalue those more content specific subjects like "social studies", science, reference skills, etc. However, we are not as concerned about whether or not our seven-year-old second graders have learned about social justice or crop rotation as we are about their reading comprehension and mathematical computation skills. We may address such matters in a future article once those scores come in.

## 7<sup>TH</sup> 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE TOUR SPONSORS NEEDED

The WW II Aircraft Carrier Lexington awaits the young naval cadets from CPLS. Capt. Dickenson, Jim Bowie and Davie Crockett are waiting for reinforcements at the Alamo. We will stop in Dallas to see where Oswald shot Kennedy, but it is too late for us to do anything about it. Cowboys and Indians await on the trail.

We are now accepting volunteers from among the parents. If you are from Kentucky and can shoot a long rifle it would help. We will have some instruction on how to grin down a grizzly in case your rifle jams. Be prepared though to cross the line (via internet) that is drawn in the sand knowing that if you choose to go to the Alamo, you may not return.

Block out the dates April 25-May 1. Email your desire to serve to Steve Iliff at [sricpa@aol.com](mailto:sricpa@aol.com). Be sure to put "tour" in your subject field.



## 7<sup>TH</sup> & 8<sup>TH</sup> GRADE BOYS BASKETBALL

The 7th & 8th grade boys basketball coach has scheduled several optional practices over the next couple of weeks. All interested 7th & 8th grade boys are invited to attend.

Dates and times are:

Nov. 15 - 9:00-11:00am, and

Nov. 22 - 10:00am-12:00noon.

Please note the time change for the November 15th date from the original schedule mailed out to all 7th & 8th grade boys.

Questions? Call Ken Vander Hart @ 478-0775 or by email at [HeyKen@theharvestsolution.com](mailto:HeyKen@theharvestsolution.com).

# LIONS' ROAR

- Senior Melissa Orr was named to the 2003 KCAA All-Tournament Volleyball team.
- Michael Wieser plays Don Quiote and Courtney Simmons is Dulcinea in the High School production of "Man of La Mancha."

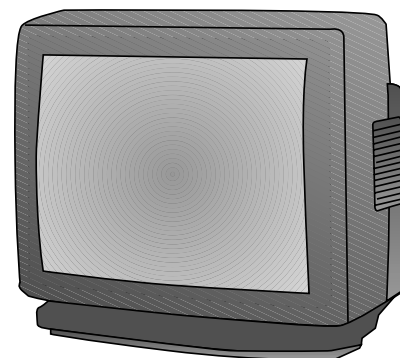
## LIONS' LORE

Did you know the following fun facts about CP-LS?

- CPLS was founded in July 1980.
- Our school motto is: Dominus Illuminatio Mea. It means "God is my Light."

## DAYCARE NEEDS VCR AND TV CABINET

The Daycare is in need of a used VCR and a cabinet for a 27" television. Please contact Tammy Eilert @ 234-6009 if you have one you can donate. Thank You!



# CAIR PARAVEL-LATIN SCHOOL • 1ST QUARTER HONOR ROLL

## UPPER SCHOOL

### FRESHMAN

#### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Molly Murphy  
Anna Waldy

#### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Arielle Bayer  
Katlyn Carter  
Kelly Copp  
Elizabeth DeDonder  
Sydney Doel  
Greyson Honaker  
Lesley Miller  
Daniel Moyer  
Geoffrey Nelson  
Allison Stone  
Andrew Toburen  
Judah Wayman

#### CUM LAUDE

Brianne Clark  
Lindsay Edwards  
Ryan Hood  
Hannah Kaff  
Gabriel Letch  
Jessica Toth  
Alan Wan  
Andrea Zurbuchen

### SOPHOMORES

#### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Adam Aadalen  
Michael Sawyer  
Amanda Stoller

#### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Stewart Bernard  
Sarah Gardner  
Savannah Keller  
Mark Laccheo  
Drew Rooks

#### CUM LAUDE

Emily Bogue  
Diana Hylton  
Lauren Jorgensen  
Sara Beth McGlasson  
Matthew Patton  
Danielle Power

### JUNIORS

#### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Andrew Bernard  
Craig Congdon  
Nathan Eilert  
Shane Marcus  
Ben Mooneyham  
Abraham Schneider

#### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Ansen Bayer  
Thomas Carr

#### CUM LAUDE

Blake Andrews  
Jenny Beaver  
Ashley Boman  
Jessica Boucher  
Christopher O'Neill  
Ruth Penny  
Brittany Vander Hart  
Morgan White

### SENIORS

#### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Douglas Baker  
Sam Schneider

#### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Rebekah Meek  
Courtney Simmons  
Kari Tague

#### CUM LAUDE

Caleb Gosser  
Morgan Grau  
Dan Grove  
Jessica Langhofer  
Allison Nelson  
Andrew Shafer  
Michael Wieser

## MIDDLE SCHOOL

### SIXTH GRADE

#### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Kaylee Cantrell

#### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Amanda Albrecht  
Katie Haberkorn  
Joey Hernandez  
Nicholas Higgins  
Hillary Kline  
Brett Lynch  
Laurel Sutton  
Ariel VanHouse

#### CUM LAUDE

Caleb Akerstrom  
Casey Bettis  
Hannah Cox  
Kate Danenhauer  
Hunter Spees

### SEVENTH GRADE

#### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Lucas Bider  
Hanna Guenther  
Emily Zurbuchen

#### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Ian Boggs  
Anna Carlson  
Jessie Conroy  
Rachel Gardner  
Lauren Hylton  
Caitlyn Keller  
Allison Lippe  
Taylor Petrik

#### CUM LAUDE

Jacob Calander  
Addison Herron  
Caleb Tague  
Sarah Wayman  
Jacob Welch  
Brandon Weese

### EIGHTH GRADE

#### SUMMA CUM LAUDE

Claire Albrecht  
Nicole Koopman  
Christa Packard

#### MAGNA CUM LAUDE

Lacinda Ebert  
Stefanie Glaubitz  
Andrew Lippe

#### CUM LAUDE

Cameron Bernard  
Emily Carlson  
Dustin Hayes  
Amanda Helms  
James Iliff  
Jaron Marcus  
Janie McGlasson  
Rachel Murphy  
Nicki Power  
Darby Williams

# CPLS PARENT TEACHER FELLOWSHIP TO SELL COASTERS

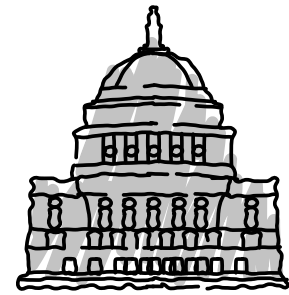
The CPLS PTF is offering coasters as a new fund raiser to support PTF programs. The PTF supports the school in a variety of ways by providing programs, supplies and volunteers to the school.

The coasters are full-color with the school logo. They are foam-backed and come in sets of four. The cost is \$10.00 per set. All profits from the sale of the coasters will go to support PTF projects.

These coasters make wonderful gifts for that hard-to-buy-for person. They are also a great advertisement for CPLS when used on your desk at work.

An order form may be found below, or copies will be available in the school office. Please place the order form in an envelope with your money and leave it in the PTF box at school.

Questions? Call Tami Foster @ 379-0755.



## SPONSORS NEEDED FOR D.C. TOUR

Please contact Cindy Patton or Anne Sawyer if you would be able to be a sponsor for the 9th/10th grade tour to Washington DC. We will need 20 sponsors because of the large sizes of these two classes.

Please check your calendars for April 25 - April 30 to see if you can go with us. Thanks for making these tours possible by volunteering your time.

### CAIR PARAVEL-LATIN SCHOOL PARENT TEACHER FELLOWSHIP COASTER ORDER FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

TELEPHONE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

CHILD TO GIVE COASTERS TO FOR DELIVERY: \_\_\_\_\_

CLASSROOM: \_\_\_\_\_

NUMBER OF SETS \_\_\_\_\_ OF 4 COASTERS AT \$10.00 PER SET

TOTAL COST: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ CHECK : NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ CASH

Sponsored by CPLS PTF. A coaster will be on display on the PTF information board outside the school office. Questions? Call Tami Foster at 379-0755