

# The Treader

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## *From the Dean's Desk...*

Welcome to the maiden voyage of what we hope will be many semi-annual editions of a newsletter we have affectionately dubbed "The Treader." Named for the ship of Prince Caspian and Lord Drinian in *The Voyage of the Dawn Treader*, we hope the newsletter serves as a vessel for information, encouragement and connection with the friends and families who have graced the halls of CPLS and who are now on life's journey toward the Eastern Shore to see our Savior face to face. Perhaps some elaboration on the choice of title is in order.



Just as Eustace, Edmund and Lucy were drawn into Narnia through the pain of the sailing ship on the bedroom wall, so most students of Cair Paravel found themselves drawn into our school by an irresistible force - namely: their parents. Some may have entered happily and expectantly, some naively and compliantly, and other made the journey because they were com-

elled to so do. No matter the reasons, the fact that you stayed the course and graduated earns for you a similar accolade to the one given by Aslan Himself, "Once a king or queen of Narnia, always a king or queen."

Through their journey, the voyagers pass through the Seven Isles and the Lone

Isles, encountering both peril and blessing along the way. We know that this is true for each of us, and our newsletter will include both triumphs and tragedies, blessings and burdens. One great motivation and thread of continuity will be regular encouragement to each of us keep the faith and continue along that narrow path that leads to eternal life.

Perhaps my favorite chapter in *The Voyage of the Dawn Treader* is about Eustace Scrubb's encounter with Aslan after he has been turned into a dragon. Eustace is taken into the mountains by Aslan. After some effort, Eustace sheds some of his dragon skin but he cannot

finish the task on his own. Aslan then uses his lethal but loving claws to tear the dragon flesh deeply to free Eustace. I fancy that each of us have had our day with Aslan as he has peeled away the layers of scaly imperfection and continues to do so as we grow every more like Hiim. Our hope is that they newsletter will be yet another means of reminding you to turn your eyes upon Jesus and continue on the journey of faith.

Blessings upon each of you,  
James Waldy,  
Dean of Faculty

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# 1996 Class Reunion

On June 10, 2006 the class of 1996 met for a tenth anniversary reunion. The gathering began at the home of Terry and Susan Barker, parents of Amber (Barker) Weber. Nine of the fifteen 1996 graduates were able to return with Summer (Ensz) Gilstrap and her husband Tim making the longest trek from Fresno, California.

Reminiscences and introduction of spouses and children surrounded the feasting on the outdoor BBQ and spread provided by the Barker family. Afterward the children were left with sitters and the alumni enjoyed a tour of CPLS with Mr. Waldy. Several boys reminisced about their 1993 and 1994 soccer championships as their recognition shields still hang from the north gymnasium wall. All agreed that they were happy to have graduated from CPLS before they had to attend classes in the modulars. They were also very pleased to be able to peruse pictures of past musicals and dramas to find their photos and recall their theatrical adventures.

The gathering then made their way to the Kobe Steakhouse for further fellowship. Conversation focused upon the more humorous aspects of the educational careers of the students, recollections of experiences with teachers and life over the past ten years.

This class has been particularly diligent to maintain contact with each other over the years. They have established a class web page that is managed by Angie Russell and Janet (Van Tuyl) Medina. Visitors can view their site at <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/CPLS1996>.

## By the numbers • Class of 1996 • 15 graduates

Married: Amber Barker to Anthony Weber (2 children), Lindsey Chalfant to Jason Debuhr, Clark Eddy to Kerry Fulton (Class of 1995) (one on the way), Summer Ensz to Tim Gilstrap, Matt Grove to Emily, Hardi Halim to Anna, Angie Lindbloom to Skip Russell (2 children), Lucas Pitts to Beth, Michelle Seicgrist to Tony Allison (1 child), Janet Van Tuyl to Brandon Medina (one on the way).

Children of graduates: 5 (with two on the way)

Geographic extremes: Fresno, CA (Summer Gilstrap) to Kenya, Africa (Toby Lunn) to Djakarta, Indonesia (Hardi Halim) Living in Topeka: 7

## *New Faces in Narnia*



*John McFarland*

John McFarland joins CPLS as our interim Chief Administrator while we continue our search for a new Chief Administrator. Mr. McFarland's previous experience in school administration is serving us well as he has already jumped into the fray.

Michael Ryan Haberkorn (a 2002 CPLS graduate) joins us this year to teach 8th grade and high school science and our Ancient Literature and History course. "Mr. Mike", as he will be

addressed, is a recent graduate of Kansas State University, with a major in history and a minor in chemistry, and the son of faculty member, Mike Haberkorn (8th grade).



*"Mr. Mike" Haberkorn*

Gina Mangiaracino will join us as a part-time 4th grade teacher. Mrs. Mangiaracino has a degree in education from the University of Kansas. She most recently served as a third grade teacher at Topeka Collegiate.



*Gina Mangiaracino*

Welcome to Narnia!

# Reflections ...



Sue Jernigan

by Sue Jernigan

*Psalm 71:18 - "Even when I am old and grey, do not forsake me, O God, 'til I declare your power to the next generation, your might to all who are to come."*

Twenty years of teaching at CPLS rewards on with unforgettable memories and lifetime relationships with the students. Blessings come when I can be a part of the senior graduations, watch them go on to college or work, get married and even come back to the school to teach! God's faithfulness is felt in my heart by having the honor of teaching the children of former first students.

Keeping in touch with many of the former students of their parents has been an exciting part of teaching. I can see how one little student, who was an evangelist is now coaching students and is making sure they hear about Christ! Two first graders, in the same class, were in love then and are now married!

Life has been challenging for many of the students. I rejoice when I hear about the times when they can see God at work and can draw on His love for them. Hearing about their success or failures allows me to pray for them and wait in expectation for the Lord to bless them and show His concern and care for them.

Sadly, attending funerals of the former students causes reflection of their lives and being thankful that Christ was a deep part of their formative years.

Teaching touches students hearts, but the heart of the teacher becomes more tender and blessed each year because she was with children who became part of her life. Each child is never forgotten and cherished forever.

## Contact Us

To submit information for the Narnian News, email your information to: [Newsletter@cpls.org](mailto:Newsletter@cpls.org). Please include your name (including maiden name if applicable), your year of graduation, and your current address and phone number.

To obtain information about any of our school events call 785-232-3878 or email [info@cpls.org](mailto:info@cpls.org). School calendars, athletic schedules and results may also be found by visiting [www.cpls.org](http://www.cpls.org).

## Narnian News

2005

Craig Congdon played the pirate king in the John Brown University production of *The Pirates of Penzance*.

2004

Griff Letch portrayed King Arthur in the Clumbian Theater's production of *Camelot* in April. Griff currently attends Kansas State University.

2003

Jacquelyn Pingleton tied for 7th place in persuasive speaking at the Interstate Oratory Contest held in Boston, MA in April. She was one of two Kansans to qualify for the oldest speech competition in the nation. Jackie attends Washburn University

Cari Power and Ben Mooneyham (CPLS 2005) announce their engagement. They plan to marry in the summer of 2007.

2002

Isaac Penny was awarded a National Science Foundation Fellowship to be used for 3 years of graduate school at the school of his choice. Isaac recently graduated from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

1997

Mindy Hines Snow and husband Tim welcomed the birth of Sadie Kae on September 23, 2005. The Snows reside in Houston, TX.

Faculty

Brett Martin (5-12 Latin) and his wife Sara welcomed son Jack on June 21, 2006.

# 2005-2006 Highlights

CPLS celebrated 25 years of excellence in education in July 2005 with a Silver Anniversary Celebration held July 3, 2005. Over 480 former students, faculty, family and friends gathered to celebrate the achievement.

CPLS was awarded first place in the Midwest Living Magazine's *Champions of Education* program. The school received a \$1,000 prize for this honoring Mr. Waldy's creative efforts to build character in our eighth grade students.

Sarah Gardner and Amanda Stoller were recognized as 2006 National Merit Commended Scholars. CPLS has had at least one student recognized by the National Merit Scholarship program every year since 1993.

The CPLS girls volleyball team won their first KCAA (Kansas Christian Athletic Association) state championship in October 2005.

Over 295 CPLS middle and high school students, friends and family attended a private showing of *The Chronicles of Narnia* in December.

The Aslan Lecture series continued with an excellent presentation, "Making Doctrine Dance: C. S. Lewis's Theological Imagination" presented by Dr. Christopher Mitchell of Wheaton College in January 2006.

The boys varsity basketball team took first place at the KCAA State Basketball Championships in February.

Andrew Toburen (11th) won the state final in the Poetry Out Loud contest sponsored by the National Endowment for the Arts. Andrew won \$200.00 and an all-expense-paid trip to Washington, D.C. to compete in the national contest.

The Kansas Scholastic Press Association honored the CPLS yearbook staff with its Award of Merit in Class IA for our 25th Anniversary (2004-2005) yearbook.

Over 21 CPLS students were recognized for excellence in the National Latin Exam sponsored by the American Classical League and the National Junior Classical League. This exam is taken by over 134,000 students annually, nation-wide.

# Upcoming Events

## Fall 2006

- October 16, 2006 - Fall Music Concert
- November 9-11 & 16-18, 2006 - High School Musical
- December 2, 2006 - 4th Grade Musical
- December 7, 2006 - Grades K-4 Winter Music Concert
- December 12, 2006 - Grades 5-12 Winter Music Concert
- December 21, 2006 - Alumni Night

## Spring 2007

- February 8-10, 2007 - Middle School Musical
- February 13-14, 2007 - Singing Valentines
- March 8-9, 2007 - Eighth Grade Play
- March 10, 2007 - Kindergarten Round Up and CPLS Showcase
- March 12, 2007 - Grades 5-8 MAACS & Fine Arts Showcase
- April 5, 2007 - Grandparents' Day
- April 19-21 & 26-28, 2007 - High School Drama
- May 14, 2007 - K-4 Spring Concert
- May 20, 2007 - Grades 5-12 Spring Music Concert
- May 24, 2007 - 8th Grade Graduation
- May 26, 2007 - Senior Graduation

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