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CPLS VISION

Cair Paravel - Latin School aspires to become the premier classical Christian, liberal arts school in America.

CPLS MISSION

To cultivate classically trained, life long learners, committed to the Lordship of Jesus Christ, who will enrich their community and God's kingdom.

FROM THE DEAN'S DESK...

It has been an eventful week at CPLS with activities ranging from our eighth annual Aslan Lecture to participation in the Elwood Invitational Basketball Tournament. We have been blessed, and we hope you have been blessed, by the variety of things that have taken place.

BENEFIT FOR BENEFITS

Saturday's Benefit for Benefits Dinner was a wonderful event that raised money for the furtherance of a faculty endowment fund. This fund will enable CPLS to continue to attract and retain the best teachers for your children without placing the entire burden for compensation upon tuition dollars. Many have been surprised to discover that the overall compensation and benefits for full time faculty members at CPLS is nearly 37% less than that of a Topeka Public School counterpart's average pay and benefits. When considering just the average pay, the disparity grows to nearly 39%. Heartfelt thanks to those who have contributed and will continue to do so in order to provide our school's most valuable assets with an honorable income. The event at the Great Overland Station was filled with wonderful entertainment from first graders to high schoolers. Deep and sincere thanks to those special parents who braved the cold weather and nasty streets to get their children to the station for their role in the program.

TEACHER IN-SERVICE

On Monday, our teachers enjoyed the tutelage of Mr. Andrew Pudewa, the founder and director of the Excellence in Writing Institute. We have been using Mr. Pudewa's materials for five or six years and we benefited greatly from his expert instruction and assistance in bettering our understanding of the elements of the program we use to develop better writers, communicators and thinkers.

ASLAN LECTURE

Monday evening's, Aslan Lecture, was also conducted by Mr. Pudewa. His talk was entitled, "Nurturing Competent Communicators: The Two Most Critical Components". The consensus was that this was the most well attended, entertaining and practically informative Aslan Lecture that we may have ever held. No less than four of our attendees made the trek as far as Omaha, Nebraska and St. Louis, Missouri. In a talk that provoked both uproarious laughter and deep contemplation, Mr. Pudewa spoke of the great need for

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FROM THE DEAN'S DESK (CONTINUED)...

memorization of scripture, poetry and great literature (no matter one's age, but especially in early childhood) and the great benefit of reading out loud at all age and grade levels. In next week's newsletter, I will develop the content of his lecture more fully and add some suggestions for parental participation that the faculty hopes will be most helpful.

HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY SEMINAR

On Tuesday, Mr. Pudewa conducted a High School Essay Writing Workshop for seventy-one attendees. Twenty one CPLS students joined public schoolers, home schoolers and auditing parents for a six-hour workshop that was designed to assist them in preparation for essay writing on standardized tests and college applications as well as general principles for excellence in writing. As one who makes such matters the primary focus of his ministry, Mr. Pudewa served as an effective adjunct to the instruction offered at CPLS and a beneficial enrichment for many of our public and home schooled friends.

As this newsletter goes to print, our high school basketball teams are playing in the Elwood Invitational Basketball Tournament near St. Joseph, Missouri. This is a great opportunity to be a testimony for the Lord while competing with public school opponents like Elwood, Doniphan County and others. We would love nothing more than to see someone associated with that tournament one day come to know the Lord and have their experience with CPLS be a factor in their decision to place their trust in Him.

James Waldy, Dean of Faculty

LION'S SHARE NEWS

The Lions Share program had a GREAT month in December!! Thanks to all of you dedicated gift-card purchasers, we sold over \$26,000 in Lions Share cards!!!! That's a record!!!! The profit to the school was over \$1800 just for December!! YAY!!!! Everybody treat yourselves to dinner out - and buy a Lions Share card to Applebees, Bennigan's, Carlos O'Kelley's, Chili's, Longhorn Steakhouse, Old Chicago, Olive Garden, On the Border, Outback Steakhouse, Red Lobster, Red Robin, Ruby Tuesday's, or Texas Roadhouse to celebrate!!!!



CREDIT CARD USAGE INPUT

The Board of Directors and Administration would like to express their appreciation for those who responded to the survey concerning charging a convenience fee for those who use their credit card to pay tuition. A total of 15 responses were received by email as of January 17th. Eleven respondents felt that credit card users should be charged a fee equal to the cost of using the credit card. Three suggested that the option of using a credit card be eliminated. Three current credit card users indicated that they would be willing to pay via another method. It was suggested by one respondent that all payments to CPLS be made via electronic fund transfer (EFT). It was noted that none of the people that responded opposed charging a convenience fee when credit cards are used.

The Board will take into consideration these comments as they make decisions for the use of credit cards for the coming school year. No change in this procedure is expected for the current school year.

John McFarland, Chief Administrator

JUNIOR CLASSICAL LEAGUE INITIATION TO BE HELD

On Saturday, January 27 at 3:00pm in the Stone Table Theater, the twenty-nine Latin students will perform the rites of initiation and become the first members of S.P.Q.R., the Junior Classical League chapter at CPLS. Founded in 1936, National Junior Classical League is one of the largest academic youth organizations in the world with over 50,000 members. Members of NJCL covenant to "hand on the torch of classical civilization in the modern world."

The rites of initiation will be followed by election of officers and a short business meeting. A reception will follow. Family and friends are welcome to attend.



AFTER-SCHOOL MONITOR NEEDED

We are in need of someone to be an after-school monitor on Thursdays. The volunteer is responsible for making sure students are picked up after school. Any student who has not been picked up by 3:45 is sent to daycare. If you pick up students after school on Thursday's, this is a great way to help out the school and help make sure students are picked up safely. If you could help in this way, please contact Christine Myers cmyers@cpls.org or in the office at 232-3878 as soon as possible. Thanks.

NEXT WEEK AT CPLS

Friday, January 19

TBA - Girls Var Bball @ Elwood Tourney *
 TBA - Boys Var Bball @ Elwood Tourney *

Saturday, January 20

TBA - Girls Var Bball @ Elwood Tourney
 TBA - Boys Var Bball @ Elwood Tourney

Monday, January 22

HS Spiritual Emphasis Week
 5:00pm - Boys JH Bball @ St. Mary's Academy (A)
 6:30pm - Boys JV Bball @ St. Mary's Academy (A)
 8:00pm - Boys Var Bball @ St. Mary's Academy (A)

Tuesday, January 23

HS Spiritual Emphasis Week
 5:30pm - CPLS Board Meeting, Library
 7:30pm - CPLS Board Open Forum

Wednesday, January 24

HS Spiritual Emphasis Week
 2:30pm - Moms in Touch, Daycare House

Thursday, January 25

HS Spiritual Emphasis Week
 5:00pm - Girls JH Bball v Genesis Christian (H)
 5:30pm - Girls JV Bball @ ACCHS (A)
 6:15pm - Boys JH Bball v Genesis Christian (H)
 7:00pm - Boys JV Bball @ ACCHS (A)

Friday, January 26

HS Spiritual Emphasis Week
 3:30pm - Girls JV Bball v Tri-City (H)
 4:45pm - Boys JV Bball v Tri-City (H)
 6:00pm - Girls Var Bball v Tri-City (H)
 7:30pm - Boys Var Bball v Tri-City (H)

* Tournament play on Thursday, Friday and Saturday is dependent upon results.

**For a complete CPLS school calendar see the
 CPLS website at <http://www.cpls.org>**



ATHLETIC DEPT. BOX SCORES

BOYS VARSITY BASKETBALL

01/12 - CPLS..... 63 McLouth..... 42
 Elwood Tournament

BOYS JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

01/12 - CPLS..... 35 McLouth..... 32

GIRLS VARSITY BASKETBALL

01/12 - CPLS..... 40 McLouth..... 59
 Elwood Tournament
 01/16 - CPLS..... 26 Wathena 55

GIRLS JUNIOR VARSITY BASKETBALL

01/12 - CPLS..... 4 McLouth..... 18

BOYS JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

01/09 - CPLS (7th).. 50 Veritas 32
 01/11 - CPLS 51 Flint Hills..... 23
 01/16 - CPLS..... 50 Emmett..... 32

GIRLS JUNIOR HIGH BASKETBALL

01/11 - CPLS 30 Flint Hills..... 6
 01/16 - CPLS..... 13 Emmett..... 42

KITCHEN CORNER

HOT LUNCH MENU (JANUARY 22-26)

MON ... Breakfast stick, eggs, orange, pineapple
 TUE Cheese pizza, applesauce, carrot sticks,
 brownie
 WED ... Corn dog, tator tots, apple, cake
 THU Fish nuggets, corn, pears, roll
 FRI..... Deli turkey, banana, carrot sticks, oatmeal pie

ALA CARTE

MON ... Stuffed Crust Pizza\$1.25
 TUE Taco Bar\$2.00
 WED ... Hot Pocket\$1.25
 THU Burrito w/sauce\$2.00
 FRI..... Cheeseburger & Fries\$2.00

CPLS PTF MINUTES

DECEMBER 8, 2006, 1:30 PM DAY CARE HOUSE

Members Present: Tammy Anderson, Edye Freund, Sara Cook, Jaye Conner, Darla Hass, Lynn DeGross, Sandra Fienhage, Shari Albrecht, John McFarland, Maureen Koopman

Tammy called the meeting to order and Edye opened us in prayer. Thank you's from teachers and staff were passed around.

Sara read the minutes from the November meeting. They were approved as read. Minutes from the previous meetings were also approved.

Treasurer's Report - Jaye Conner

Jaye presented the profit/loss statements for the PTF budget (see reports) with the following notations. Christmas Store had an additional expense of \$40.48. Mailing costs are also over budget due to upper school faculty Christmas mailing. It was decided to break out paper and copies into office expense.

Summary:	\$13,890.92	cash on hand
	- 2,851.60	budgeted, but not spent yet
	- 3,706.26	restricted funds
	\$ 7,333.06	available funds

Tammy mentioned that we need to reserve approximately \$2,500 from available funds to carry over for next year's start up budget, which would leave approximately \$4,800 undedicated.

President Elect - Edye Freund

Edye apologized that due to illness and trouble with mailings, there has been a delay in completing the Wish List items for teachers. Sandra and Tammy offered to help her complete the ordering.

Upper School Representative - Maureen Koopman

Maureen reported that she is in the process of collecting money for the upper school faculty for their Christmas bonus. She will send out a reminder to parents with a final date to send their money to the office. It will be distributed to the teachers before Christmas break.

Family Activities Coordinator - Lynn DeGross

Two dates have been identified for CPLS family night at CiCi's. They are Feb.. 15 and April 12, 2007. It will be published in the newsletter.

Unfinished Business

Playground sign – Tammy presented draft changes. Asked for any feedback. The final copy will go to John McFarland and the Board for approval.

Classroom party funds – Review: \$900 was cut from the schools budget for classroom parties. PTF voted at a previous meeting to cover the classroom party money given to room moms for this year since teachers were expecting this. Tammy was on the agenda to go to the Board in November to discuss the cut and ask for direction for the future.

She reported that she did not meet with the Board. There was discussion about the fee being separated out at enrollment, be included in the school's budget or to just use PTF's budget to cover these items. A decision needs to be made before the Board works on their budget. Darla asked whatever is decided to let the teachers know what to expect.

Regarding the teacher/staff appreciation luncheons, these are luncheons held once in August, January and May. \$329 is what we would have collected from the schools budget, \$104 has already been spent. \$450 was our original budget. Discussion. Jaye made a motion to fund \$450 for the fiscal year 2006-2007 for teacher/staff appreciation luncheons. Edye seconded. Motion passed. Since teacher/staff appreciation was not funded this year as expected, we decided to put it in our budget.

Christmas Store - Jaye presented a request from Tammy Foster for additional money for men's gifts and supplies. Jaye made a motion to extend up to \$100 for Christmas Store. Maureen seconded. Motion passed.

Jaye made a second motion to cover \$40.48 for an overage of expenses for the Christmas Store. Maureen seconded. Motion passed.

Water Fountains – Tammy reviewed the information from last meeting. John McFarland also gave his input. Sara made a motion to give \$2,000 for replacement of four water fountains. Edye seconded. Motion passed.

New Business

Vision Screening – Sara reported that she talked with Dr.s. Pohlenz and Fitch and they both agreed to help with the screening. She hopes to get it scheduled in January or February.

Tammy A. expressed concern that teachers are asking what PTF does. Discussion was held among members on how we can better communicate with teachers and introduce PTF to them through new teacher orientation, staff meetings, etc.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 3:30pm.

Respectfully submitted,
Sara Cook, Secretary



LIONS SHARE Family Order Form



PROVIDERS	AMOUNTS AVAILABLE (circle desired denomination)	% EARNED BY CPLS	QTY	TOTAL
RESTAURANTS				
Applebee's	\$25	8%		
Arby's	\$10	10%		
Baskin Robbins	\$2	9%		
Bennigan's	\$25	15%		
Boston Market	\$10	12%		
Burger King	\$10	4%		
Carlos O'Kelley's	\$10	9%		
Chili's/On the Border	\$20	11%		
Chipotle	\$10	6%		
Chuck E. Cheese	\$10	8%		
Cold Stone Creamery	\$10	8%		
Cracker Barrel	\$10	9%		
Denny's	\$5	9%		
Domino's Pizza & Coke				
Combo (1 lg. pizza & 2 liter)	\$14	25%		
Domino's Pizza	\$5	5%		
KFC	\$5	9%		
Long John Silver's	\$5	9%		
Longhorn Steakhouse	\$25	11%		
Mr. Goodcents	\$5	7%		
Old Chicago	\$25	6%		
Olive Garden/Red Lobster	\$25	9%		
On the Border/Chili's	\$20	11%		
Outback Steakhouse	\$25	4%		
Panera Bread	\$10	9%		
Papa John's Pizza	\$10	6%		
Pizza Hut	\$10	9%		
Quizno's Subs	\$5	8%		
Red Lobster/Olive Garden	\$25	9%		
Red Robin	\$10	9%		
Ruby Tuesday's	\$25	8%		
Sonic	\$5/\$10/\$20	10%		
Starbucks	\$10/\$25	7%		
Texas Roadhouse	\$25	8%		
Wendy's	\$10	10%		
TRAVEL PROVIDERS				
American Airlines	\$50/\$100	16%		
Best Western	\$25/\$100	12%		
Comfort/Clarion/Quality Inns	\$25	4%		
KC/LAWRENCE RESTAURANTS/RETAILERS				
Bob Evans	\$10	10%		
Build-A-Bear	\$25	8%		
Cheesecake Factory	\$25	5%		
Joe's Crab Shack	\$25	9%		
Macaroni Grill	\$20	11%		
Pottery Barn/Williams Sonoma	\$25/\$100	8%		
Uno's Chicago Grill	\$25	17%		
ENTERTAINMENT				
Hollywood Theatres				
Supersaver Ticket (limitations for new movies)	\$5.75	13%		
Hollywood Theatres Ultimate Supersaver Ticket (good any movie any time)	\$7.50	13%		
GROCERY STORES/GAS STATIONS				
BP Gas	\$50	2%		
Dillons/Kwik Shop Paper Certificates	\$25	6%		
Dillons Plastic Cards	\$25/\$50/\$100	6%		
Hy-Vee	\$25/\$50/\$100	5%		
Price Chopper	\$25/\$50/\$100	5%		

- Send Order Home with My Child
 Pick Up Order in School Office
 Mail My Order (please add \$.60 to order)

**ORDERS DUE ON MONDAY OR TUESDAY - MOST DELIVERED
SAME DAY AS ORDERED!**

Date: _____ Make checks payable to CPLS

Name _____

Child's Name _____ Grade/Teacher _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

PROVIDERS	AMOUNTS AVAILABLE (circle desired denomination)	% EARNED BY CPLS	QTY	TOTAL
RETAILERS				
Ace Hardware	\$25	4%		
Advance Auto Parts	\$25	7%		
Afterthoughts/Claire's/Icing	\$10	9%		
American Eagle	\$25	8%		
Barnes & Noble	\$10/\$25	9%		
Bath & Body Works	\$10/\$25	18%		
Bed, Bath & Beyond	\$25	7%		
Best Buy	\$25/\$100/\$250	2%		
Blockbuster	\$10	7%		
Cabela's	\$25/\$100	11%		
Casual Male	\$25	6%		
ChemLawn/TruGreen	\$50	10%		
Champs Sports Store	\$25	9%		
The Children's Place	\$25	12%		
Christian Book & Gift	\$5/\$10/\$25	10%		
Claire's/Afterthoughts/Icing	\$10	9%		
Dick's Sporting Goods	\$25	8%		
Dillard's	\$25	9%		
Eddie Bauer	\$25	9%		
FinishLine	\$25	10%		
Footlocker	\$25	9%		
Gap/Old Navy	\$25	9%		
Gordman's	\$25	7%		
Gymboree	\$25	13%		
Home Depot	\$25/\$100/\$500	3%		
Icing/Claire's/Afterthoughts	\$10	9%		
JC Penney	\$25/\$100	5%		
JoAnn Fabrics	\$20	6%		
K-Mart	\$25/\$50	2%		
Kohl's	\$25/\$50/\$100	4%		
Linens and Things	\$25	8%		
Lowe's	\$25/\$100/\$500	4%		
Macy's	\$25/\$100	9%		
MasterCuts	\$25	8%		
Maurice's	\$20	7%		
Men's Wearhouse	\$25	8%		
Office Depot	\$25	4%		
Office Max	\$25	5%		
Old Navy/Gap	\$25	9%		
Payless Shoes	\$20	13%		
Pier One Imports	\$25	9%		
Radio Shack	\$25	4%		
Regis Hair Salon	\$25	8%		
Sally Beauty Co.	\$25	12%		
Sears	\$25/\$100/\$250	6%		
SmartStyle Family Hair Care	\$25	8%		
TJ Maxx	\$10/\$25	7%		
Talbot's	\$25	11%		
Toys R Us	\$20	1.5%		
Walgreens	\$20	2%		
INTERNET				
Amazon.com	\$25	4%		
L.L. Bean	\$25	15%		
Land' End	\$25	9%		
Napster (15 songs)	\$15	7%		
Shutterfly (photo printing)	\$25	9%		
Lions Share Gift Certificate				
ORDER TOTAL				

Office Use Only

Date Order Filled _____	Check # _____	
Items Backordered? Y/N _____	GC Backordered _____	Est. Date of _____