

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.



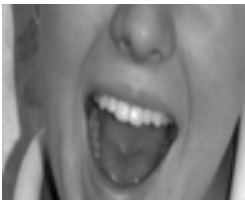
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CPLS Cheerleading and Pep Band?



Who is this senior?



New Snooze Alarm



On the Road Again...



'Tis the Season to Be Singing

For the first time ever, CPLS Choir members performed at five different public schools as part of Choir Tour '06.

First, the choir sang at Washburn Rural High School, and the Jr. Blue Choir returned the favor. Then it was off to the Westridge Mall for lunch, then over to Highland Park for another engagement.



The day ended with performances at Topeka Lutheran School and at Topeka West and Holton High Schools.

Then on

Tuesday, Dec. 12, Mrs. Greene took her 5-12 choirs and Madrigals to First Presbyterian Church for the school's annual Christmas Concert.

The performance included the 7th and 8th grade choir singing the Latin song, "Orientis Partibus" (see picture above).

Silver Bells Finds New Location

High school students have been brushing up on their dance steps for the annual Silver Bells event Wednesday, Dec. 20th.



This Silver Bells differs from previous years in that no food will be served at the Bradbury Thompson

Center at Washburn University.

Instead, students are encouraged to eat out at a restaurant with their classmates before going to Washburn.

After dancing and pictures, students will get to partake in an evening of games, Christmas movies, and drawings for prizes.

Alumni Game Set For Thursday

The senior class invites all students to the annual Alumni Night athletic event Thursday, Dec. 21, beginning at 7:00 in the CPLS gym.

Former CPLS sports greats will return to play the current varsity teams in volleyball and basketball. Admission is \$@ for adults, \$1 for students, and goes to pay for senior graduation.

Wouldn't It Be Nice

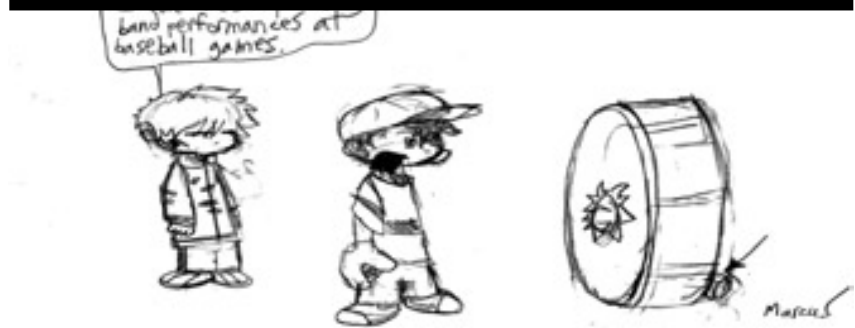
Among the unsung heroes and heroines at CPLS are the cheerleaders and their volunteer advisers.

They spend long hours in learning routines, brave cold November winds, and try to lift the spirit of their team. Too often, they are treated with apathy or ignored by students during games, when the participation of a rowdy student body could favorably affect the outcome of the game.

We urge CPLS students to appreciate the cheering skills of the Lion's cheerleaders and join wholeheartedly in rooting for our teams.

The cheerleaders are pretty good at what they do. If it were possible, we'd also like to see

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more of their dance routines at quarter breaks and halftime.

No criticism intended, and perhaps it is a lot to ask, but wouldn't it be great if they could cheer at all home **and** away games?

Another thing that would be nice is for some upperclassmen (or women) to bring back the CPLS drum line. What if some enterprising musically-inclined students sought permission to play the drums, and a few others brought other musical instru-

ments? For a "pep band" like this to happen, all it would take is a little upper-class initiative, the right attitude regarding music selection, and a little practice time outside of school hours.

A pep band would only make a great school even greater, but changes don't happen by themselves. Someone--several upperclassmen--need to step forward and make it happen.

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And What Do You Want For Christmas?

We conducted an informal poll among CPLS students and asked them what was on their Christmas list.

Top 5 Christmas List

1. XBOX, 360 or regular
2. Dolls (especially Baby Bratz)
3. BB gun
4. Clothing
5. Gameboy (DS or SP)



Unique Wish List Stuff

1. Trip to Alaska
2. 4-wheeler
3. "Big, fat Amazon gift certificate"
4. Beef Jerky
5. Shotgun

Know Your Seniors

Sydney Doel began her Narnian journey back in 1994, when she stepped through the wardrobe as an AM kindergartener. She has tried sports, but prefers the performing arts. Outside of school, she loves to travel. Sydney plans to enroll at the University of Tulsa next fall.



Lindsay Danae Edwards has attended CPLS since 6th grade and has enjoyed being in choir during her years here. She spends her summers as a staff counselor at Kansas Bible Camp. She likes playing Halo 2 with her friends in Dover, and staying up late. She plans on staying in Topeka for a long time and majoring in math at Washburn.



Ryan Hood has been at CPLS since kindergarten. He has been an important part of the football program, playing tackle from eighth grade till senior year. He is a member of the school's Quest team. Recently, Ryan was named a National Merit Commended Scholar.



Hannah Kaff has attended CPLS since kindergarten. She has been a part of the girl's soccer program for 6 years. Hannah considers herself the best whiffer on the team. She loves hanging out with Caitlyn Keller and her younger sister, who recently got her ears pierced.



Food Guy Finds a Buddy

by Chris Cantrell

We found Buddy's, at the southwest corner of 10th and College, serves up delectable, juicy burgers.

In addition to their famed "Buddy Burger," they serve up a varied menu that includes grilled cheese sandwiches and onion rings.

We found the parking at Buddy's adequate and the service generally quick.

Getting into and out of the parking lot from busy 10th street during the noon hour can be a hassle, but overall, this old-fashioned burger joint gets a 4 out of 5 napkins from me, the Food Guy.

“The Nativity” Plays Well at Holiday

The Lamp Post

During the holiday season, movies such as Happy Feet, Santa Clause 3, and Deck the Halls are due in theaters. There is, however, one more serious movie that may be overlooked by the secular world.

The Nativity Story, based on the Biblical narrative, is a well-shot and inspirational movie in theaters this Christmas. Keisha Castle-Hughes portrays Mary, and Oscar Isaac gives us a loving and protective Joseph.

The movie makes a subtle but clear case for the ultimate triumph of good over evil, a theme often overlooked in Hollywood.

Though there may be some quibbling over historical accuracy, the movie keeps to well to the main purpose and meaning of the Nativity.

Mary's delivery scene may be a bit too intense for some, but this film is a good choice for families.

Picture of the Month



Mr. James Seidel shows off his Christmas present, a nerf gun that he says he will use on those who fall asleep in his math classes.

Boys Varsity Basketball Under New Management

by Ben Iliff

New boys varsity basketball Coach Jason Sellers began the 2006-07 season with a bang.

Coach Sellers, a native of Ottawa, started off the season with four consecutive wins over Lee's Summit, WAHAA, Veritas, and Valley Falls.

The new head man, a former all-district basketball star at Ottawa High School, went on to play baseball at Baker University. He said he had more natural talent for the national pastime, but basketball was his first love.

"My father was a baseball coach, and that's where I got my love of coaching," Sellers said.

"I've always had a dream and a goal to coach a high school basketball team," he added.

Sellers thinks this year's squad is extremely athletic.

"We have the opportunity to do things we have never done before," he said.

So far, the players seem to enjoy the new direction of the team.

Sophomore Jake Copp said, "He is awesome. I like having a younger coach that jokes around."

After the first win over Lee's Summit, freshman Brett Lynch said, "You can tell he cares about the success of the team."

"I knew he would be a good coach," said CPLS Athletic Director Seth Garinger.



Coach Jason Sellers applauds his team's effort during the game at Veritas.

Young Lions Start Season

The junior high versions of the CPLS Lions basketball teams began the season earlier this year than in years past.

The girls, under the direction of new coach Scott Cook, are out to defend their KCAA title. The boys, under Coaches Mike Haberkorn and "Mr. Mike" Haberkorn, are also seeking to repeat as KCAA champs.

Both squads journeyed to Lyndon, where the boys won convincingly 42-20 behind 14 points from Ryan Wynne and 10 from J.D. Urish.

The girls fought hard but lost their first game 30-23.

Girls' Varsity Basketball Road Woes Plague Lions

When a late fall icestorm hit northeast Kansas Nov. 30, it caused the cancellation of the only home game for all CPLS basketball teams before Christmas.

Forced to go on the road, the Lady Lions found the going tough at Lees Summit, WAHHA, and Valley Falls, while but they pulled out a victory at Veritas.



Senior Molly Murphy launches a trey from the wing while Carly Shafer and Caitlyn Keller get position for a rebound.

Scoreboard

Boys Varsity Basketball (4-0)

CPLS	61	Lee's Summit	60
CPLS	59	WAHAA	44
CPLS	60	Veritas	40
CPLS	62	Valley Falls	46

Girls Varsity Basketball (1-3)

CPLS	24	Lee's Summit	48
CPLS	24	WAHAA	36
CPLS	59	Veritas	34
CPLS	55	Valley Falls	47 (OT)

Boys JV Basketball (2-2)

CPLS	34	Lee's Summit	21
CPLS	43	WAHAA	48
CPLS	40	Veritas	32
CPLS	36	Valley Falls	44

Girls JV Basketball (1-0)

CPLS	26	Lee's Summit	10
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Jr. High Boys Basketball (1-0)

CPLS	42	Lyndon	20
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Girls Jr. High Basketball (0-1)

CPLS	23	Lyndon	30
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