



Parent Newsletter

Annual Luau Welcomes Many Friends



Chinese Christian Schools bid "E komo mai e na hoaloha," or "welcome friends," to well over 650 guests at the Annual Luau last month in Hayward's Centennial Hall. The many friends and supporters of the school witnessed student performances by the Youth Choir, Alameda kindergarteners, and San Leandro first graders. There were also plenty of bargains and winnings from the silent auction and raffles.

CCS also took this opportunity to honor two faithful volunteers, Cy Moy, for his help in videotaping school events, and Steve Oase, for coaching basketball and taking care of the lawn in Alameda. Both individuals were deservedly recognized by the appreciative school community present.

The Youth Choir (left), directed by CCS parent Dr. Stan Leong, performs before a completely full auditorium (right) of families, friends, and supporters of CCS.



CCS staff member Jason Moy (L) presents his father, Mr. Cy Moy, with a plaque to express the schools' appreciation for his years of volunteer service.



Mr. Steve Oase (L) receives a plaque in recognition of his volunteer service for the school from one of his basketball players, Nathan Ong.

Students to Receive Free Assessment

Second through 12th grade students at Chinese Christian Schools will be taking a free assessment of cognitive learning skills through a special program administered by ACSI's Urban School Services. As part of the leadership council, CCS will take part in a study to see if the web-based program of LearningRx can be used as a cost-effective way to bring valuable training to urban schools and students.

The first part of the program will involve a 45 minute diagnostic test to determine each student's strengths and weaknesses in nine different cognitive learning skill areas, such as

sequencing, memorization, auditory processing, and visual processing.

After the diagnostic test results are received, free training exercises will be offered to those who will commit to faithfully participate for an hour a day, five days a week, for 12 weeks. The school will make its computer labs available to students who cannot do the exercises from home.

LearningRx is a recognized service that often costs several thousands of dollars, but they are making their service available for free during this study period. More information on this great opportunity is coming.

Calendar of Events

November 22-23

- No School-Thanksgiving Break

Friday, November 30

- Alameda PTF Social

Friday, December 7

- MS/HS Science Bowls
- HS Community Service Day

December 14-16

- BACBC Christmas program featuring CCS Theatre Group

December 19-21

- High School Final Exams

December 24 - January 4

- No School: Christmas Vacation

Monday, January 7, 2008

- School Resumes

Fall Sports Season Sees Great Progress

The fall sports season recently concluded with the teams showing great improvement this year. The JV Girls Tennis team won three matches and first team doubles had a winning record, placing third in a jamboree tournament. Despite not having a home court and having to travel across the Bay several times for road matches, the girls demonstrated a lot of heart and show great promise for the future.

The Boys soccer team made it to the play-offs and the girls volleyball team demonstrated great competitiveness and spirit throughout the season.

The boys and girls cross country teams placed third in their respective divisions, again showing much progress from previous years. Senior **Victor Ho** came in 2nd in the North Coast Section championship and he and his sister, **Jessica Ho** (11th in NCS), will run in the State finals.

CCS was also pleased to offer junior varsity girls volleyball and junior varsity and middle school cross country. These teams also trained hard and competed in numerous matches, representing the school well.

Awards & Recognition

The **CCS FIRST Robotics Team** received a \$4000 grant from Google to help pay the registration fee for this year's competition. The team is gearing up for their second year of competition, knowing that the experience they gained from last year will help them tremendously.

CCS received a \$2500 grant from **Wilsey Foundation** to improve the use of technology at the school. The school will use the funds to help pay for a second mobile computer lab at the San Leandro campus that will be used in Science and Foreign Language classes.

High school science teacher **Cindy Tam** was nominated for inclusion in the **2007-2008 Cambridge Who's Who Among Executive and Professional Women in Teaching and Education, Honors Edition**.

The **CCS Mathletes Team** of **Charley Ho, Jeremy Lai, Bryant Lee, Adam Tan, and Leo Yuan** placed 2nd among 10 East Bay high schools in the first competition of the year.



Top Left: The JV Girls Tennis team with their coaches, Mr. Gacayan and Miss Kim

Top Right: Jasmine Chang, Malcom Solomon, and Emily Wong made all-league in middle school cross country.

Right: The Middle School cross country team with their coach, Kimball Wong.



Safety First for Kindergarten



Alameda Kindergarten students get up close to a fireman to see all of the safety clothing and equipment he is wearing. The students visited the fire station on Bay Farm Island.

CCS Theatre Group to Perform this Christmas

CCS is joining with Bay Area Chinese Bible Church to present three Christmas programs in December, featuring the CCS Theatre Group's performance of "The Best Christmas Pageant Ever." The scheduled performance times are Friday, December 14, at 7:30 PM, Saturday & Sunday, De-

ember 15 & 16, at 7:00 PM. Admission is free but tickets are being issued because seating is limited.

More information on how to obtain tickets and about the other aspects of the program will be going home soon. Watch for details and plan on attending one of those nights!