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The Parent Newsletter of Cuyahoga Valley Christian Academy

what's happening...

DECEMBER

- 12 College Financial Aid Information Meeting
- 12-13 Auditions for the Spring Musical, "Cinderella"
- 16, 19, 20 Semester Exams
- 20 Ski Club Deadline
- 21-30 NO SCHOOL

JANUARY

- 2-3 NO SCHOOL
- 4-13 J-term
- 16 NO SCHOOL
- 21 Jr. High Theater Workshop
- 19 FBLA All-Members Meeting

For more information on these and other events visit www.cvcaroyals.org

Merry Christmas!



J-term will soon be here!

Please keep these important details in mind as you prepare.

Grade 7 Academics: January 9-13

Grade 8 Academics: January 4-9

High School Classes: January 4-13

- Classes start at 8:00 a.m. and end at 2:45 p.m. each day.
- Students are encouraged to bring lunch since only limited items will be available from the cafeteria.
- SAS will be enforced. Students may wear Friday Spirit Wear each day.
- Students will follow normal bus schedules.
- Snow days, if any, will be announced through usual means.
- Homework is not generally assigned for J-term classes.
- The Library will not be open after classes are dismissed.

- High School students will receive an email from their J-term teachers or trip leaders before Christmas vacation. These messages will include class goals, locations, and needed supplies. Please encourage your students to check their CVCA email for these important messages.
- Junior High students have already received their J-term packets.
- Questions? Contact Dr. Sewell at jsewell@cvcaroyals.org.



CVCA's National Merit Scholarship Commended Students

Headmaster Michael Bova announced that nine seniors have been named Commended Students in the 2012 National Merit Scholarship Program. A letter of commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, will be presented by the Headmaster to these scholastically talented seniors:

Jonathan Forsythe	Ryan Mifflin
Shelby Hoffman	Benjamin Pykare
Christopher Karnadi	Alec Sands
Rebecca King	Laura Sierko
Sarah MacIntosh	

About 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the 2012 competition for National Merit Scholarships,

Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2012 competition by taking the 2010 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT).

"The young men and women being named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success," commented a NMSC spokesperson. "These students represent a valuable national resource; recognizing their accomplishments, as well as the key role their schools play in their academic development, is vital to the advancement of educational excellence in our nation. We hope that this recognition will help broaden their educational opportunities and encourage them as they continue their pursuit of academic success."

Online Renrollment

When the second semester begins, we also begin re-enrollment for our current students for the 2012-13 school year.

All current students must confirm their enrollment plans for the next school year by submitting a re-enrollment fee. Each family will receive a detailed re-enrollment packet in the mail the week of January 23. Please look for it!

Re-enrollment will be completed online using ParentsWeb. Families needing assistance with online re-enrollment, or who do not have internet access, may request assistance by contacting Director of Admissions Mindy Fullerton. To re-enroll your students, you will need to:

- Verify your family's demographic, medical, and financial information via the "Reenroll" link in ParentsWeb.
- Pay your re-enrollment fee. **Enrollment Deadlines are as follows:**
 - Early Enrollment: 3/15/12 with \$125 fee
 - Regular Enrollment: 5/15/12 with \$225 fee
 - Late Enrollment: 7/15/12 with \$350 fee
- Re-enrollment fees may be paid by debit or credit card, or by automatic funds transfer through your Accounting tab in ParentsWeb. A nominal transaction fee (less than \$3) will be charged for this service.
- For families who choose a monthly or quarterly tuition payment plan using FACTS management, a \$42 financing fee is charged per contract. (All students in the same family may be included in the same contract).
- CVCA does not require a tuition deposit.
- No student is re-enrolled until the re-enrollment fee is received.

We hope that online re-enrollment will save you time. **Please watch for your re-enrollment packet in the mail.**

Entrance Exams

The next Entrance Exams will be given February 11 and June 13, 2012.

National Honor Society Inducees

The National Honor Society Induction Ceremony was held in the Anne Tell Chapel on November 28. Induction into the Jim Elliot Chapter of the National Honor Society is based not only on an excellent academic record (3.8 GPA juniors and 3.5 GPA seniors), but also a commendable record in leadership, service, and Christian character. Congratulations to CVCA's 2011-2012 National Honor Society inductees!

Junior Inductees:

Noah Armstrong
Zachary Arnold
Grace Bolinger
Christine Cameron
Antonio Carroscia
Joshua Chung
Talia Cosentino
Rachel Criswell
Stephen D'Abreu
Kimberly Eaton
Austin Foguth
Mary Jane Horth
Timothy Horth
Maggie Keating
Caleb Kleibscheidel
Evan Kovar
Kierstynn Lund
Derek McGuckin
Daniel Meredith
Bethany Miller
Mikaela Monteith
Kacie Moore
Malinda Moore
Benjamin Paisley
Matt Pastoria
KendallPetno
Maggie Risma
Kimberley
Rutherford
Aline Shlepr
Natalie Silk
Ryan Starcher

Jacqueline Stofsick
Timothy Tedeschi
Alina Tiber
Daniel Tiley
Nathan Tomasello
Nathaniel Wesley
Kaylene Widdoes
Tiana Williams
Jessica Wise
Hannah Wright
Nathan Young

Senior Inductees:

Leslie Adams
Brienne Angell
Kayleigh Benson
Holly Brumfield
Stephen Bundy
Ariana Carver
Lauren Chalet
Emily Denton
Madison DePace
Ayden Flynn
Jonathan Forsythe
Anginette Fullerton
Haley Gaines
Christene Gesing
Nickalas Gradert
David Gray
Emma Hawthorne
Clare Heisey
Alexander Hoffman
Shelby Hoffman

Cameron Holloway
Andrew Johnson
Chelsea Johnson
Rebecca King
Noelle Lewis
Zachary Locke
Sarah MacIntosh
Jordan Mancari
Natalie Mercer
Alexandra Nykamp
Paige Oster
Ashley Perry
Chloe Plum
Sydney Redmon
Nathan Rosenberger
Guiliana Scavone
Darby Shanaberger
Savannah Shoaff
Hannah Sidle
Ashley Sivillo
Lisa Sukenaga
Rachel Truthan
Michael Vanaman
Bruna Vilela
Kelsey Widdoes
Sarah Wiener
Theodore Wilson III
Abigail Wylie

Current Members:

Heather Alberson
Kimberly Armentrout
Chelsea Burrell

Brittany Charlton
Annie Cho
Christopher Cochoff
Katelyn Cook
Christian Corpora
Daniel Criswell
Katherine Flenniken
Melissa Greenwood
Joel Griffith
Jonathan Hart
Samuel Hill
Morgan Holmes
Christopher Karnadi
Clara King
Emily Koudelka
Mikayla Lowenkamp
Rachel Lyon
Mackenzie Maresh
Ryan Mifflin
Adrienne Moncrief
Matthew Morse
Taylor Myers
Renee Ormond
Benjamine Pykare
Peter Richards
Hannah Ross
Matt Salyer
Laura Sierko
Allison Trachsel
William VanBuskirk
Chanel VanDyke
Lauren Watt
Elisabeth Wilson

Auction Volunteers: Now's the Time!



If you signed up to be on an auction committee, please check your email. Your committee chairperson will be contacting you through email. Some committees have already been contacted, and others will be contacted closer to the auction, depending on the duties of each committee. It is not too late to volunteer. Thanks for your involvement with the auction.

Please check the insert in this month's Link for more auction information. We still need silent auction table hosts for the night of the auction. Contact Linda Schilling at lschilling@cvcaroyals.org or 330-929-0575, ext. 318 with any questions.

Please reserve March 23 for the Auction Preview and March 24 for the 2012 Auction.

Parents Spur on Parents to PARTICIPATE in CVCA's Kingdom Fund

CVCA's
KINGDOM FUND
2011 / 2012 GOAL: \$220,000

CVCA's "Kingdom Fund," part of our annual fund, provides for expenses not covered by tuition and supports the people, programs, and students at CVCA. This year the gap is \$220,000, and the need is critical. A group of current CVCA parents who want to see our present family constituency help us meet our goal have put up challenge "bonus" opportunities for each class. For instance, if **100% participation** in a particular grade level is reached, a "bonus" gift of \$5,000 will be unlocked and added to the class total. Each and every gift is significant on our way to reaching 100% participation. Please visit www.cvcaroyals.org for more information and to use our secure online-giving portal.

To participate today, please log on to the school website at www.cvcaroyals.org and click "Give Online" on the homepage.

Moody Founder's Week

Please join us in praying for the CVCA Moody Founder's Week trip. We have 38 students and 13 adults that will leave on Wednesday February 8 and return Saturday February 11. Pray for safety and spiritual growth as we learn and hear about "The Hope Within Us." As leaders, our prayer is that students and adults alike would be "cultivated" by this experience and be even more prepared to share our faith and lives for Christ.

You can listen along with us at www.moodyradiocleveland.fm. For information about the Moody Founder's week speakers visit www.moodyconferences.com/foundersweek.



Inlet Dance Theatre Concert

CVCA is honored to host Inlet Dance Theatre for a narrated concert on **Wednesday, February 29** at 7:00 p.m. in the Anne Tell Chapel. Artistic Director Bill Wade will illuminate his choreography for us, sharing how Christian themes are expressed in the dancer's movements.



Inlet Dance Theatre, one of the region's most exciting professional contemporary dance companies, embodies the belief that dance viewing, training and performing experiences serve as tools to bring about personal growth and development. As Christian believers, Inlet's company members have built a solid reputation for uplifting individuals through their performances. Inlet will perform a number of original pieces by Wade including "The Man in The Mirror," "In Not Of," "There is a Fountain," "Ascension," and "Stone by Stone."

Inlet's diverse base of work includes international and local performances as well as residencies throughout Ohio as part of the Ohio Arts Council's Artist in Residence Program. We look forward to hosting Inlet for a dance residency during CVCA's J-term 2013.

Discover for yourself what makes Inlet unique. Tickets will be available for \$5.00. Youth groups may also receive a group discount.



Senior Receives DAR Award

Please join us in congratulating **Anginette Fullerton** who was selected DAR Good Citizen for the Cuyahoga Falls DAR! She won a cash award, and she and her parents will be honored at a January meeting. Anginette's winning essay and portfolio will be entered in the state contest. Nominated by her eleventh-grade English teacher, Anginette was then voted in by her senior classmates for this award.

Library News

Do your students need to improve their Power Point presentations? Learn how to create a cloud poem with Wordle.net? Create an effective cyber poster with Glogster? Receive RSS feeds on current news topics? Create a diorama or other structure? These **on-line how-to's and more are available on any computer with Internet access to the CVCA webpage.** Go to the "Academic" menu, then "Faculty Websites," then "Mrs. Horsfall, Library Media." Here you will find links to many tutorials related to the creation of academic assessment products. You will also find links to many aids for effective research.

We are also currently creating a space in the Library where students may create projects of a 3-D nature. Students will not only have the know-how, but a physical space to create and temporarily store projects too awkward to store in a locker.

Upcoming Royal Theatre Events

Junior High Theatre Workshop
January 16-28

Performance Date: Saturday, January 28

2012 Spring Musical
Cinderella
April 20, 21, 27, 28

Auditions for Cinderella will take place on December 12 and 13, 2011.



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SPORTS SHORTS:

We Want Your Photos

If you have taken any terrific pictures at CVCA athletic events this fall or winter, and would be willing to have them published, please send them to the athletic office at bmiller@cvcaroyals.org.

Winter Sports Awards Nights

Please plan to attend this important evening for your winter sport athlete.

Jr. High Awards Night: February 28 at 7:00 p.m. in the CVCA Auditorium

Sr. High Awards Night: March 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the CVCA Auditorium

Looking Ahead: Spring Sports

The **Mandatory Pre-Season Parent Meeting** will be held on March 13 at 6:30 p.m. in the CVCA Auditorium.

All spring athletes must have an OHSAA completed physical form (by a doctor) on file in the Athletic Office to practice **or try out**. You will not be permitted to practice or try out without one. Please read and sign all four pages.

Check out our Website

Please check our website at www.cvcaroyals.org under "Athletics" to keep up on the latest information concerning the Athletic Department. Daily schedules, season schedules, past season reviews, directions to away games, archived records, etc. can all be found there.

For cancellations and recent changes, go to "Athletics/Team Schedules and Scores" for up-to-the-minute notices regarding scheduling.

No internet access? You may access the daily schedule by calling the Athletic Office and following the options at 330-929-4151.

SKI CLUB Making Winter Fun!

Sign up: Register and pay for Ski Club online at www.skipeakresorts.com/shopbmbw. Information sheets are available at the CVCA Welcome Center. The final deadline for joining is December 20.

Did you know: Family members (over eight years-old) can also join Ski Club? As a member you enjoy the most discounted way to learn to ski/snowboard or improve your skills.

The important facts: We ski at Brandywine Ski Resort every Monday from January to March. Students leave CVCA by bus at 3:45 p.m. and return to CVCA at 8:25 p.m.

Cost: The cost is \$183.25 with ski rental or \$130 without and includes three freebie cards. There is also a \$25 bus fee (payable to CVCA) that covers the whole season.

All details are available at the CVCA Welcome Center. Questions should be directed to Gini Thompson at ext. 270 or Vthompson@cvcaroyals.org or check www.cvcaroyals.org or the Boston Mills/Brandywine website at www.bmbw.com.

**CUYAHOGA VALLEY CHRISTIAN ACADEMY
SAT PREPARATION CLASSES**

Students in grades 10 & 11

Spend a few hours preparing yourself to do your best on an upcoming SAT test

- Learn: Timing tips
- Verbal reasoning techniques
- A variety of approaches to math problems

Practice Test: Assess your strengths and weaknesses prior to testing

Although instruction is directed towards the SAT test, students planning to take the ACT or PSAT will benefit from these classes.

SAT/ACT test dates on back

Upcoming SAT: Saturday, March 10 (registration February 10, 2012)

Upcoming ACT: Saturday, February 11 (registration January 13, 2012)

Winter 2012 Dates:

Saturday, January 21 8:00 a.m.—12:00 noon

Saturday, January 28 8:00 a.m.—12:00 noon

Saturday, February 4 8:00 a.m.—12:00 noon

Students attend all sessions

COST: \$120.00 (includes The Official SAT Study Guide)

Students should bring paper, pencil & calculator

Class size limited to 24 students

Return to Mrs. Staker with check payable to CVCA by Friday, January 13, 2012

Registration: SAT Prep Classes January 21 & 28, February 4

Student's Name: _____ Grade: _____

Phone: _____

\$120.00 fee is enclosed

\$ 90.00* fee enclosed—I have previously taken a SAT Prep Class at CVCA

*Students who have previously taken an SAT Prep Class at CVCA pay only \$90.00

2011-2012 SAT Test Dates

2011-2012 Dates	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Required Deadline
March 10, 2012	February 10, 2012	February 24, 2012
May 5, 2012	April 6, 2012	April 20, 2012
June 2, 2012	May 8, 2012	May 22, 2012

Additional information and registration materials may be obtained by calling our Guidance Office at 330-920-8204 or at the SAT website www.collegeboard.org

2011-2012 ACT Assessment

Choose either of two test options—the ACT Assessment or the ACT Assessment Plus Writing, which includes a 30-minute writing test. Not all colleges and universities require a writing test. Check with the colleges you are considering—or go to www.actstudent.org for a list of institutions that require or recommend the writing test.

2011-2012 Dates	Registration Deadline	Late Fee Required Deadline
February 11, 2012	January 13, 2012	January 14-20, 2012
April 14, 2012	March 9, 2012	March 10-23, 2012
June 9, 2012	May 4, 2012	May 5-18, 2012



CVCA

NEEDS YOUR HELP!

Many ways to help in this year's auction

Donors and volunteers are already contacting us with their contributions of donated time and items for the 2012 auction. Become a part of *The 2012 CVCA Auction: AN EVENING IN PARIS* and see for yourself how much fun it can be to help keep the tuition at CVCA as affordable as possible. The proceeds of our 13th Annual Auction will go to our Annual Fund for this purpose. The evening will be a time of fun and fellowship and you may walk away with some great deals!

Once again we will start the auction weekend with the **Auction Preview on Friday, March 23, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** This is a great time to plan your strategy, spend time viewing the items, and to start writing down bids for the **actual auction night of Saturday, March 24.** Both Live and Silent Auctions and a great time of fellowship will fill the auction evening. One of the mainstays of the auction is the usual lavish spread of exquisite hors d'oeuvres. We are asking for your help in supporting this very important event to ensure a Christian education for all students who desire one. You can use these donation ideas (and any others you might come up with) to help make this evening successful:

- **New or low mileage car** (do you have a connection with a car dealer?)
- **A large donation combined from several contributors**
- **Vacation condo or bed & breakfast getaways**
- **Golf packages**
- **Sporting event tickets**
- **Donation from someone you know that we don't!**
- **A home dinner party prepared by a chef (or a very good cook!)**
- **New or of antique value home furnishings**

We would love to hear from you with ideas on how you can help. Be creative! On the back of this letter is a form to fill out and return to Linda Schilling as soon as possible. If you have any questions, please call Linda at (330) 929-0575 ext. 318, or email at lschilling@cvcaroyals.org

Think about a new family that you can introduce to CVCA by inviting them to the auction. A comment recently written by an auction attendee sums up the fun she and her husband had at last year's auction,

"We had only heard great things about the auction, and we love to be in the middle of things, and more importantly love to support the school any way we can, so that was probably the main reason we attended last year. As for this year, it was a no brainer; we had a blast last year. We did bring a new family this year who will have a 7th grader there next year, so I think that is key for parents to bring along new faces each year. I am a completely biased participant, I love CVCA, from being there as a student, but even more so as a parent."

Once again we will have the opportunity for businesses to **advertise in our Auction Catalog.** Please contact Linda if you or someone you know would be interested in this option.

We need everyone's help to make this evening a success and to keep Christian education affordable to as many families as possible. We hope to see you at the auction!

BE CREATIVE. . .

- Babysitting
- Cookies for a year to a college student
- Restaurant gift certificates
- Electronic games
- Housecleaning services
- College apparel (sweatshirts, etc.)
- Furniture (new or antique)
- Sports tickets
- Hotel packages
- Salon services
- Landscaping services
- Music lessons
- After Christmas sale items
- Pet-sitting or walking
- Tutoring
- Artwork
- Jewelry
- Retail gift certificates
- Spring cleaning services
- Advertisements for our Auction Catalog from businesses you contact on a daily basis
- Combine with one or more families to donate a getaway or other large item

In order to properly describe your item in the auction catalog, we ask that **all donations be received by February 10, 2012**

We kindly request that items be new and/or of antique value.



I will donate the following item(s): _____ Value: \$ _____ *

I will donate the following services(s): _____ Value: \$ _____ *

Cash Donation Amount: \$ _____

- Please check one: _____ Gift certificate is attached.
_____ I need CVCA to make a gift certificate.
_____ I will mail or deliver donation by February 10, 2012.
_____ I need someone to pick up my donation.
_____ Please contact me about advertising in the Auction Catalog.

Name _____ Company _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Fax (____) _____

E-mail address _____ *Necessary for accounting purposes