

The Happenings

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“The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom; all who follow his precepts have good understanding. To him belongs eternal praise.” Psalm 111:10

1. Important Athletic Information

Volleyball Game Location: The volleyball games against North Lakes Academy on Monday, Oct. 3 will be played at Crossroads Covenant Church, 17445 Notre Dame Street Northeast, Forest Lake, MN 55025-8325. We are also adding a JV Volleyball game for that evening as well with a 5:30 start time.

Soccer Game Cancelled: The boys JV soccer game versus Spectrum that was scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 29, has been cancelled.

2. **Marathon 2011 Update** We had our first check in and 8 students turned in pledges totaling just over \$2200. Our high school goal is \$10,000 which is attainable if everyone works together. The students turning in pledge sheets totaling \$50 or more qualify for a Calvin survival bracelet. The second check-in is this Wednesday, September 28. Turn in your pledge forms (no money) to your advisor. PTF is sponsoring a pizza party for the advisory who earns the most points through amount of money raised and by actually participating in the marathon on Saturday. More information about the Marathon can be found on our website under the High School tab, then go to About Us and Communications. **Remember that you can earn money towards your class trip by raising money for the Marathon now.**

3. **Partnership Visit Days** Our first partnership visit day is this Friday, September 30. If you have signed up for this first visit day, you will receive an email reminder and information. If you have not signed up, please feel free to RSVP by clicking on our website calendar or by email to tdevries@calvinchristian.org. Other designated visit days are coming up in the months to come—October 27, November 22, January 25, and February 13. We look forward to your visit!

4. **Vision Screening** All ninth and tenth grade students will have their vision checked by the school nurse this Wednesday morning, September 28. If your child has glasses or contacts, please remind him/her to wear them.

5. Important Upcoming Student Assessments

- **Mid-Terms** Mid-term reports will be sent home with students on October 12.
- **Portfolios** At the end of each trimester, student portfolios will be sent home. These portfolios are meant to be representations of student achievement and growth throughout the trimester. Although grades are a part of student assessment at CCHS, the portfolio is a much better indicator of specific achievement and growth than grades alone.

6. Parent/Student/Advisor Conferences

Parent/Student/Advisor conferences will be held on Tuesday, October 11 and Tuesday, October 18. During these conferences you are encouraged to meet with your child's advisor to discuss your child's discipleship plan and academic progress. You will also have the opportunity to meet with other faculty as they are available. Parents of freshmen, sophomore and new students are required to schedule conferences; conferences are optional for parents of juniors and seniors. **Please return the attached sign-up sheet by next Tuesday, October 4.** If you are a parent of a freshman or sophomore and have not turned in a form, a conference date and time will be assigned for you. After the forms are returned, a schedule will be made and sent home with each student.

7. Attention Parents of Students in African-American Literature Class

Miss Branderhorst's African-American Literature class will be going to the Penumbra theatre in St. Paul on Wednesday, October 19. There is no additional cost to parents for this trip. Students in this class received the attached letter last week.

8. Restaurant Lunch Day Change

Due to the African-American Literature class trip on October 19 our restaurant lunch day for students who have previously placed an order will take place on Tuesday, October 18. Please bring a sack lunch for Wednesday, October 19.

9. **Photo Ordering Opportunity** Please see the attached information sheet for an opportunity to order an all school or advisory photo.

10. **Upcoming PSAT Test** A letter regarding the upcoming PSAT test and a PSAT practice book was sent home with all Sophomores and Juniors. If you wish your sophomore student to take the PSAT test, payment is due by this Wednesday, September 28. The PSAT test will be taken on October 12.

11. **The Happenings Entertainment Book Fundraiser Officially Ends Today!** Please turn in your money envelope along with any unsold books you may have checked out to the school office (including the one sent home with each child) ASAP if you have not done so already! We need to wrap up this fundraiser so your promptness is appreciated. Thanks for all your work to make this sale a success! We couldn't have done it without you!

12. **New to You Thriftique: Furniture Committee Needed!!!** The one single way for the thrift store to be more successful is to be able to consistently(weekly) find and obtain quality furniture to sell in our store. There are many ways to do this, but we need a core group of people that spend their volunteer time at Calvin focusing on this piece. This is a call out to gain a few individuals to own this part of the thrift store and even may already have thoughts and connections to make this happen. Please e-mail Craig Veurink at cbboys@comcast.net or call him at [612-710-7105](tel:612-710-7105) if this great opportunity is something you would like to be a part of. This committee truly can have a major impact on the financial aspect of the thrift store and ultimately Calvin Christian School.

13. **Job Opening** CCS is seeking a fundraising coordinator to help maintain a significant and dependable revenue source for the organization. This paid position requires an average of 10 hours per week during the school year, plus some summer hours. Responsibilities include recruiting and managing fundraising volunteers, coordinating and promoting fundraising programs, and assisting with fundraising events. To apply, send resume to lchurch@calvinchristian.org. Questions? Email Jim DeYoung, development director: jdeyoung@calvinchristian.org. Position to be filled immediately; applications received by Saturday, October 1, will receive priority attention.

14. **CCS 50th Anniversary Celebration** Please reserve Saturday, October 15 for Calvin Christian School's 50th Anniversary Celebration. This is an opportunity for members of the CCS community, past and present, to gather and celebrate the blessings of our Lord upon Calvin Christian over the past 50 years. The schedule for the day includes:

- **1:00-2:30 pm** Open house, tours, class reunions at the Blaine and high school campuses
- **3:00-5:00 pm** Open house, tours, class reunions at the Edina campus
- **5:00-6:30 pm** Barbecue dinner at the Edina campus

- **7:00 pm** Service of Celebration at Calvary Church, Edina
All students will be participating in the Celebration Service at Calvary Church.

Upcoming Events

Sept. 26/27	Environmental Studies overnight trip
Sept. 26	Happenings Sale Ends
Sept. 28	9 th & 10 th Grade Vision Screening Second Marathon Check-in
Sept. 29	Env. Studies class to Single Creek
Sept. 30	Partnership Visit Day Conference forms due
Oct. 1	Marathon for Non-Public Education
Oct. 11	Conferences
Oct. 12	PSAT Test
Oct. 15	50 th Anniversary Celebration
Oct. 18	Conferences

Restaurant Meals

Oct 5	McDonalds
Tues, Oct 18	Pizza Hut
Oct 26	Taco Bell
Nov 2	McDonalds