CC Students Support Sinatra Show for Senior Citizens

About 10 years ago, CC parent (and brother of activities director Kari Paris) Matt Henderson started going out to nursing homes to entertain seniors with a Frank Sinatra act. Some facilities have little to no entertaining budget and the fact that he was not only performing for free, but singing music that brought such great memories from their past, made him in high demand around the holiday season. Five years ago, he started renting out the state theater and people were bussed in for the show. The show has grown bigger and bigger every year. Approximately 500 people attended this year’s show!

It’s a CC Thing! Our past parents, David Halvorson and Ann Kline ‘77, joined during year two. We now have alumni David Halvorson Jr. ‘08, who is also the lead singer of the band Non Stop, as a headliner and Pat Burda ‘01 as a performer. Sue Fenton, CC past parent and grandparent, creates the set each year from her store, At Home. Senior Gabby Nazareno has sung the last two years and has stolen the show with her amazing voice! We have had our advance dancers perform in the past and this year’s student dancers included Devyn Halvorson and Josephine Henderson. Santa has always been our ASB president, this year Santa was Dane Juarez. FFA and ASB have helped escort people to their chairs and hand out programs each year.

Last year, Matt started giving a $1000.00 award to a teacher who goes above and beyond in the classroom. The award is named after one of his past coaches and mentors, Ron Vermeulen, who taught and coached at Downey High School and sadly passed at a young age. Matt Yonker was awarded last year along with three others. This year two teachers from Modesto City schools were honored.

Another key component of the event is honoring our veterans. This year, 98 year old Calvin Henderson (uncle to Matt Henderson and Kari Paris) was the honoree. Calvin is one of the survivors of the Hacksaw Ridge Battle on Okinawa during World War II.
Cattlemen’s Manager talks to Ag Class

Advanced Ag Systems had the privilege this morning to hear from a representative from Cattlemen’s Livestock Market about the work that they do in the cattle industry. Mr. Gookin gave the students valuable insight on the work that he does directly with CLM and how the business runs. CLM is located in Galt, CA and it is California’s only Wednesday auction market that is accessible in person and online. WE truly value these opportunities and thank Mr. Gookin for spending his valuable time to visit with the class before he started his work day.

Catholic Daughters of the Americas’ Education Contest

Every year the local chapter of the Catholic Daughters, in conjunction with the State and National organizations, sponsors an Education Contest for students in elementary and high schools. Students may submit an essay, a poem, a piece of art or computer art or music based on an annual theme. This year the theme is "Here I Am Lord, I Come To Do Your Will". Applications can be picked up in the CCHS Development Office or from English and Religion teachers. Submissions are due by January 24, 2019. Last year we had 8 local winners and five on the State level; students are awarded certificates and gift cards.

Make Your Commitment Today!

WE are so grateful for all of you who have pledged to support the Central Catholic Fund! If you have pledged but not paid you should have received an envelope to mail your pledge in or you can go online and pay. If you have not yet pledged or donated WE would be grateful for any support you are able to give.

Your contribution to The Central Catholic Fund provides direct funding for the educational initiatives and various programs that tuition alone does not cover, thus fulfilling our purpose to grow an academically-prepared student, a socially-responsible leader, a globally-conscious citizen, and a spiritually-developed person.

WE are grateful to all the CCHS friends and family who so generously support the CC Fund, WE are blessed!
One Down, Four to Go!

Last night, Mr. Castello and his wife Jennifer welcomed their little boy to the world! Baby boy Santino Patricio Castello weighed 7lbs. 12oz. and is 20 inches long. Congratulations to the Castello family!

Four more CC families are also expecting little ones in the coming months. Religion teacher Mrs. Velazquez and dance teacher/cheer coach Mrs. Swilley are both due in December. Our Controller Mr. Boulos and his wife are expecting in January. In addition, dean/religion teacher Mr. Driver and his wife, Kayla, have just announced that their second child is due in June.

Congratulations and God Bless to all of our growing families!

Congratuations Nadia!

Senior Nadia Estacio recently traveled to Stanford University where she was awarded the Hispanic Heritage Scholarship Award for the Northern California Region in the category of Healthcare and Science. The Youth Awards program is the main pipeline to Hispanic Heritage Foundation’s (HHF) system of talent that prepares and positions Latino youth through the award-winning Latinos On Fast Track (LOFT) program as they transition from high school, to college, to graduate school, and into their careers.

Scholarships for 2019/20

It hardly seems possible but it’s time to be thinking about scholarships for next year. All current freshmen through junior students, as well as incoming students, who want to apply for scholarships for next year need to get started now. FACTS forms and applications for scholarships need to be submitted (on-line) by January 15, 2019. Everything is on-line this year; the student fills out the application on-line and uploads his/her essay. Letters of recommendation can be up-loaded or emailed directly to Mrs. Hart (hart@cchsca.org). Applications for all need-based scholarships must have a FACTS form filled out by the students’ parents. For questions or concerns, please call or email Mrs. Hart at (209) 524 6822 or hart@cchsca.org.

Support CC and Buy a Bleacher Name Plate

When we began construction and fundraising for the Mark Gallo Health and Fitness Center, one of our board members came up with the idea of “selling seats”, actually name plates that would be affixed to the bleachers with a student, graduate or family’s name (and perhaps graduation year). Seats are still available! You may consider one for a Christmas gift or a graduation gift – or just because you want to celebrate your history with CCHS. It’s easy – just decide what you would like on the plaque (within three lines of 14 characters each) and make your gift of $1,000 (special payment plans are available) to the CCHS Foundation. Contact Joan Hart at (209) 524-6822 or hart@cchsca.org for more information.
Congratulations Ambria!

Ambria Schneringer of the class of 2018 committed to play volleyball at Modesto Junior College and has been thriving there. The MJC Pirates finished their season with an overall record of 13-10 and a conference record of 8-8. Ambria has just been named to the 1st team in MJC’s All Big 8 Conference.

Congratulations Ambria!

Mark Gallo Invitational Tournament

Come out and support our CCHS Boys Basketball team in their inaugural Mark Gallo Invitational Tournament. This elite 16-team event will be week of December 11-15, 2018 on the campus of Central Catholic High School in Modesto, CA. This will be a highly competitive event made up of recent and anticipated NorCal and SoCal playoff participants. We have put together a strong, diverse field to provide four competitive games to prepare the entrants for league championships and deep playoff runs. This event will also provide outstanding visibility for the young men to next-level decision makers. General admission is $10, students and seniors are $5 and children under 5 are $2. Visit galloinvitational.com for more information.

Advent Season Begins

Today, we celebrated the start of the Advent Season with our monthly school wide Mass. Father Michael’s homily was about the accomplishments of our Fall student athletes. His message was that WE are all champions, regardless of the outcome of a game, as long as we have played with grace and humility and to the best of our ability. He would like us celebrate all of our successes by recognizing the work of the Holy Spirit within us. None of us could accomplish what we do without the gifts that God has given us.

In recognition of the Advent season, we will have several activities on campus. The first is a daily Advent Gospel Reflection. Our staff and students are invited to prayerfully celebrate the Advent Season by joining in the Chapel each morning at 7:35. At that time, we will read the Gospel of the day and the Gospel Reflection written by Bishop Barron. It will last about 5 minutes. The second is an Advent Fast on Fridays during Advent. Advent is a penitential season in the Church, though distinct from Lent’s somber penance. This penance is in preparation for the Incarnation, the single event that elevated our humanity above even the angels. It is proper to fast on Fridays like in Lent. We are going to have bread and water available by the chapel after the Angelus at lunch time.
Scrip Closed over Christmas Break
SCRIP WILL BE CLOSED DEC. 21, 2018 – JAN. 4, 2019 FOR CHRISTMAS BREAK
LAST DAY TO PLACE SPECIAL ORDERS IS DEC. 14TH TO INSURE DELIVERY BEFORE THE BREAK

Important 2018-2019 Dates
Dec 17-20 Quarter Finals
Dec 21 Christmas Break begins
Jan 7 Return to School
Jan 15 WCEA Meeting (Early Release 12:05pm)
Jan 16 Senior Retreat

Finals Week Schedule
Read the schedule carefully, our Finals Week Schedule has changed. It is no longer arranged by subject.

Monday, Dec. 17
A period Final 8:00-9:20
Prayer and Pledge 9:20-9:30
Break 9:30-9:45
B period 9:50-11:10

Wednesday, Dec. 19
E period Final 8:00-9:20
Prayer and Pledge 9:20-9:30
Break 9:30-9:45
F period Final 9:50-11:10

Tuesday, Dec. 18
C period Final 8:00-9:20
Prayer and Pledge 9:20-9:30
Break 9:30-9:45
D period 9:50-11:10

Thursday, Dec. 20
G period Final 8:00-9:20
Prayer and Pledge 9:20-9:30
Break 9:30-9:45
Make-up Finals 9:50-11:10

2019 Yearbook Senior Ad Information
Parents will create and purchase their Senior ads for the 2019 yearbook online. No ads will be sold on campus.

1). Log on to www.yearbookordercenter.com and enter order number 6302
2). Click Create a Yearbook Ad.
3). Follow the prompts to design your ad, add it to your cart and purchase it. Your ad is not complete until you add it your cart and complete the checkout process!
4). Call Herff Jones Tech support if help is needed with the website at 1-877-362-7750.

Create and purchase ads online by Friday, December 14th, 2018 to guarantee your spot in the 2019 yearbook. After December 14, 2018 prices will increase by 20%. Space is limited after this date.

Full Color Ad sizes & Prices
Full Page ($375)  Half Page ($250)
1/4 Page ($150)

Email Yearbook Advisors Theresa Hubert thubert@cchsca.org or Marlean Bravo bravo@cchsca.org with any questions.

Central Catholic High School Mission Statement
Faithful to our Catholic Tradition, our mission is to witness to the Gospel while building an educational community that inspires the spiritual, academic and social development of young adults.