



RAIDER NEWS

CRESCENT VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL • PUBLISHED BY CVPO

From the Principal, Cherie Stroud

These days I live by the English proverb, "hope for the best, but prepare for the worst." The prediction for next year's budget seems to be a moving target as we wait for final numbers from the state legislature and the impact of the federal stimulus package on our local budget. Like businesses across America, in our state and city, the Corvallis School District is experiencing difficult financial times, resulting in a loss of funding for our school district.

This month, I'd like to share information from two sources with you. The first is a stimulus update to Oregon school districts from State Schools Superintendent, **Susan Castillo**, from her monthly Superintendent's Message:

As you all know, Oregon will be receiving federal stimulus dollars to help our students weather these tough economic times. The investment in education through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) is designed to do two things:

1. *Help our schools make it through this current budget crisis and;*
2. *Invest in the long-term strength of our nation through school reforms that boost student achievement.*

We are fighting together every day to get the best budget possible from the State Legislature and the most funding from the Congress so that we can do our work and focus on our students. I know how hard your job is right now. You are building budgets based on limited resources and limited information.

It may feel like you are walking a tightrope as you attempt to balance speedy investments that will help schools this school year, plan for the next biennium, and invest in strategies that will have real, long-term impacts on students.

Earlier this week, I was in Washington, DC, meeting with my colleagues from around the country. Much of our discussion centered on the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. We met with Secretary of

Education Arne Duncan and President Obama. Both delivered a very strong message, directing us to target the dollars we receive in this unprecedented help from the federal government. The president encouraged us to use these funds to expand programs that raise student achievement and to stop funding those that aren't delivering the results we want. They both reiterated the message delivered to state superintendents about a week ago at the White House that they expect transparency and accountability and that they are presenting us with a unique window of opportunity for our children. While this window comes at a time when we are facing an unprecedented state budget crisis, we must make every effort to invest the federal dollars in what we know will make the biggest difference for Oregon's students.

As mentioned in this message, leaders from across the country met earlier this year in a two-day summit sponsored by the Hope Foundation. As a result of this meeting, several recommendations were made to the Obama administration. The following excerpt was taken from <http://www.hopefoundation.org>:

*On February 5, 2009, fourteen of the country's top education, business, and government leaders announced recommendations for the Obama administration that will significantly improve the education system in America. [The HOPE Foundation](#) sponsored a two-day summit with these leaders in Washington, D.C., to discuss and identify the most important education policies facing **President Obama** and Members of Congress.*

Participants included two former governors, policy makers and top education leaders ([see list](#)). They came from different backgrounds, with opposing perspectives and from both sides of the aisle, a fact emphasized by news coverage of the event (Gundle-Krief, 2009; McNeil, 2009). Putting aside politics to focus on the future of this country's youth, the leadership group put forth the following recommendations:

- *Assure Readiness: Success in the classroom requires that children arrive ready to learn – cognitively, physically and psychologically.*

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- *Provide Rich Learning Environments for All Students: All young people in America deserve rich learning environments that challenge their thinking, promote learning by doing, and focus on higher-order thinking skills that encourage life-long learning and prepare young people to be engaged, collaborative citizens.*
- *Improve Overall Standards, Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment: Policies and systems must be in place to promote best practices in teaching, reward high performers, and provide opportunities for feedback and development for those in need of improvement.*
- *Improve Overall Teacher Quality: Policies and systems must be in place to promote best practices in teaching, reward high performers, and provide opportunities for feedback and development for those in need of improvement.*
- *Ensure the Development of 21st Century School Leaders: School leadership should be focused on a combination of student learning, progress, and culture building, while enhancing the quality of teaching.*
- *Generate and Use Research Effectively: Ensure the use of existing research and advance new research topics that address issues specific to 21st Century challenges.*

The participants stressed that because of the broad base represented by their group, in addition to the new visionary leadership by the Obama administration; these recommendations provide an opportunity to make significant progress on behalf of the children of this nation. Continuing their bipartisan efforts, several members of the group plan to move forward with action steps resulting from their consensus.

Although we are living in tumultuous economic times, I am encouraged by the bipartisan focus on educating the nation's youth. The students of today are the leaders for tomorrow. I feel hopeful that we, as a nation, can stand up to the challenges we face. With a unity of purpose and a common goal, we will overcome the trials of these arduous times.

With so many unfortunate stories about loss and insecurity in the future, it is difficult to stay positive and thankful for the freedoms and liberties we so easily take for granted. Recently, I've thought about how much gratitude can impact our attitude and resiliency in the face of adversity. Bestselling author and journalist, **Melodie Beattie**, captures the sentiment in the following quote:

Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough, and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos into order, confusion into clarity.... It turns problems into gifts, failures into success, the unexpected into perfect timing, and mistakes into important events. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today and creates a vision for tomorrow.

As we work through this trying time together, I want to thank you for all you do to support our school, students and community. I am deeply grateful to live and work in such an amazing place.

Cherie

Student Safety Update

Melissa Harder, Assistant Principal

Several safety concerns come to mind as we approach the end of the school year, and many of them are car related. Several sophomores are participating in the high school rite of passage and acquiring driver licenses. With the increased number of student drivers, a reminder on driver safety around campus is appropriate. Crescent Valley administrators would like to remind students to obey speed limits on Highland Drive, Raider Drive, and in the parking lot. The county recently re-installed a speed zone on Highland Drive, the length of the Crescent Valley campus. The flashing lights indicate the speed zone is active; drivers will find those lights flashing at the start of the school day, during lunch, and at the end of the school day. We have had wonderful cooperation from the Benton County Sheriff's office and the State Police who have been regularly patrolling the area to reinforce the speed limit. Raider Drive is the westbound access road to the student parking lot, and we ask that drivers continue to follow the 20 MPH limit on that road as well. In the student parking lot, students are asked to drive 5 MPH and be alert for fellow students who may be walking. At arrival and departure times, it is not uncommon to find a member of the behavior team stationed on a sidewalk monitoring student driving.

As is the case each school year, students who drive cars on campus and park in the student lot must register their car with the front office. This is a quick and simple process. Students will receive a yellow parking sticker to put on their windshield, and they are permitted to park in the student lot only. Students are prohibited from parking in staff lots which include the lot between F Building and the football field, as well as the spaces in front of the main building. Parking violations do result in warnings and possible fines for repeat offenders.

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Students who insist on bringing expensive handheld electronics to school (including iPods and cell phones) are encouraged to keep them safe from theft. If the item is not in the student's immediate possession, it should be locked in a locker. PE lockers are not always locked and are a frequent target for thieves. Copy down the serial number of the items and keep those numbers accessible somewhere at home. When the behavior team has been able to recover stolen items, the serial numbers have been an important factor. If your son or daughter does have something stolen at school, we strongly encourage them to report the theft immediately to the behavior office or the front office. The chances for recovery increase if the theft is reported immediately.

Student misbehavior also tends to peak as we near the end of the school year. Student behavior that includes harassment, threats, or violence on campus or at school events will not be tolerated. The behavior team is focused on maintaining a safe and welcoming campus environment and, to that end, students participating in unsafe behavior will face appropriate consequences. Students and parents are encouraged to contact the CVHS administration with any concerns regarding student behavior. The more information we have, the safer our campus is for students and staff.

DMV Proof of Enrollment

The DMV requires proof that applicants for a driver permit or license, under the age of 18, are making satisfactory progress towards a high school diploma or GED. A DMV Proof of Enrollment form can be obtained from the CV main office or counseling center.

Attendance Policies

Please remember that all students are to turn in "pre-arranged absence" forms to the attendance office BEFORE any absence of three days or more. This form can be found on our website at <http://www.csd509j.net/cvhs/> (click the attendance button) or in the school office. This also includes any school activities of three days or more. Whenever students come late or leave during the school day, they need to sign in at the front desk.

Attendance policies can be found in the CV Parent/Student Handbook which was given to each student at the time of registration. It can also be found online at <http://www.csd509j.net/cvhs/pdfs/Student%20Handbook%202008.pdf>.

The nightly automated absence calls are now going out! Our new Pinnacle system has not been cooperating with the "caller" for most of the school year. As of March 4, it now is. Thank you for your patience during this time as we work the bugs out of our new system.

Health News

If your student receives immunizations on a regular schedule, please be aware that a Tdap Booster is strongly recommended at the high-school level. The booster contains tetanus, diphtheria, and pertussis (whooping cough) vaccines. Contact your physician or the Benton County Health Department at 766-6835 for more information.

Crescent Valley Parent Organization

Please check the CVHS website at <http://www.csd509j.net/cvhs/> for the monthly CVPO and Principal's Coffee minutes. The link to the minutes is under "Other News" on the left side of the home page.

CV Science Students Earn Honors and Awards

OSU scholarships; recognition from environmental, meteorological, and psychological societies; and appointments to the State Science Expo are a few honors 18 Crescent Valley science students earned at the Central Western Oregon Science Expo held at Linn-Benton Community College on February 28. After several weeks of research, 73 students attended the Expo to give their presentations. When it was all said and done, the following recognition was bestowed:

- U.S. Public Health Service Award to **Hannah Doran, Grant Parnon, Allie Smouse** for "Harnessing Energy from a Weight Machine Using Neodymium Magnets and Copper Coils"
- Water Environment Quality Award – Stockholm to **Zak Derocher, Akshay Subraminian, Patrick Yun** for "Comparison of Linear Low Density Polyethylene and High Density Polyethylene for Landfill Liners"
- American Meteorological Society Award to **Claire Krizan, Kimi Lerner, Lauren Parker** for "Neutralizing Acid Rain Through the Distribution of Various Bases"
- American Psychological Society Award to **Rachel White** for "Using Simulation to Relate Problem-solving Strategies to the Sensemaking Model"
- Oregon State University - \$2500/year for four years and Recognition from Earth Design Consultant Associates to **Lipi Gupta** for "The Effect of Forest Fires on Tree Growth"
- Oregon State University, School of Engineering - \$1000/year for four years to **Charlie Nairn and Tony Wu** for "The Industrial Feasibility of SAM Coating to Improve Solar Energy Conversion Efficiency"

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Spring Conferences

Mark your calendar to attend our spring conferences on Thursday, April 9, and Friday, April 10. Parents and guardians have the opportunity to meet with teachers. Drop-in conferences will be held in our cafeteria on Thursday, April 9, from 12–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.; and scheduled conferences will be in teacher classrooms from 7–8 p.m. On Friday, April 11, conferences will be scheduled from 8 a.m.–12 p.m. in teacher classrooms.

Scheduling for conferences will begin on March 30. Contact the main office at 757-5801. Teacher availability is listed below, as well as on the school website.

Thursday, April 9:

12–3 p.m. Drop-in conferences in cafeteria
 3:20–6 p.m. Drop-in conferences in cafeteria
 7–8 p.m. Scheduled conferences in classrooms

Friday, April 10:

8 a.m.–12 noon Scheduled conferences in classrooms

Part-time teacher availability – all other teachers are available at all conferences times:

	Thursday <u>Drop-in</u>	Thursday <u>Scheduled</u>	Friday <u>Scheduled</u>
Jan Boley	2–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.	7–8 p.m.	Not available
Brenda Cochran	12–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.	7–8 p.m.	Not available
Louanne Collins	12:30–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.	Not available	8:30 a.m.–12 noon
Peg Cornell	4–6 p.m.	7–8 p.m.	Not available
Charles Creighton	2–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.	7–8 p.m.	Not available
*Sheila Fowler	12–2 p.m.	9–11 a.m.	8 a.m.–12 noon
Angela Garcia	2–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.	7–8 p.m.	Not available
Valoree Hill	3:30–6 p.m.	Not available	Not available
Kris Janes	Not available	Not available	8 a.m.–12 noon
Laurie Jones	12–2 p.m.	Not available	8 a.m.–12 noon
Sally Long	2–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.	7–8 p.m.	Not available
Laura Machado	12–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.	7–8 p.m.	Not available
*Cami Roberts	12–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.	9:30–11 a.m.	Not available
Beth Russell	12-2 p.m.	Not available	8 a.m. - 12 noon
*Jeff Shimabuku	12–3 p.m.	8–11 a.m.	8 a.m.–12 noon
Emily Thielen	2:30–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.	7–8 p.m.	Not available
April Turple	5–6 p.m.	7–8 p.m.	Not available
Maureen Weidenkopf	12–3 p.m. and 3:20–4 p.m.	Not available	8 a.m.–12 noon
Judy Westlake	Not available	Not available	Not available
*Heather Zimmers	12–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.	8–11 a.m. 7–8 p.m.	Not available
Mukta Gupta (online classes)	12–3 p.m. and 3:20–6 p.m.	Not available	Not available

*These teachers will have scheduled conferences Thursday morning.



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CV Science Students Earn Honors and Awards *continued*

The following students earned the privilege of going on to the Intel Northwest Science Expo on April 3 at Portland State University:

- **Betsy Geller, Vesta Namiranian, Laura Ornes** for “Experimental Study of Estradiol Contamination in Various Water Sources”
- **Charlie Nairn and Tony Wu** for “The Industrial Feasibility of SAM Coating to Improve Solar Energy Conversion Efficiency”
- **Carli Donoghue and Elizabeth George** for “Effects of Oxygen on Armillaria Mella”
- **Lipi Gupta** for “The Effect of Forest Fires on Tree Growth”
- **Zak Derocher, Akshay Subraminian, Patrick Yun** for “Comparison of Linear Low Density Polyethylene and High Density Polyethylene for Landfill Liners
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Great job students, and a big “thank you” to parents, community volunteers, and science teachers for selfless support!

Crescent Valley Teams Win Academic Awards

The Oregon School Activities Association (OSAA) and the Oregon Dairy Farmers sponsor the Academic All-State program each sport season. This winter season, Crescent Valley High School girls swimming won first place for all schools with a 3.83 GPA team average. In addition, in the 5A schools, boys swimming was 2nd place with a 3.63 GPA, dance was 3rd with a 3.57 GPA, boys basketball was 5th with a 3.52 GPA and cheerleading was 8th with a 3.28 GPA. Congratulations to these teams!

League and State Honors

Boys swimming came in second in the league championship and sent five boys to the state meet. The athletes who attended were **Alex Huddleston, Ian McPherson, Jason Schoper, Aaron Smith, and San Yoon.**

Girls swimming won the league championship and sent 12 girls to the state meet. The athletes who attended were **Jordan Iverson, Mackenzie Entrikin, Claire Krizan, Samantha Lui, Erin McCown, Johanna Sagmeister, Erin Schoper, Erika Twenge, Meredith Wells, Reid Wells, Kim Snider, and Madeline Entrikin.** CONGRATULATIONS to the girls swim team for winning the state 5A meet held at Mt. Hood Community College on February 20 and 21.

CVHS wrestlers Kyle Christiansen, Kyle Gardner, Marty Langager, Christian Strahl, and Garrett Wells advanced to the state tournament with Marty placing 5th, Kyle Christianson placing 6th, and Christian placing 8th in their weight brackets. What a remarkable season for wrestling.

Boys basketball tied for the league championship, won its second round playoff game against Hermiston, and advanced to the state tournament in Eugene. CVHS won the sportsmanship award at the state tournament. Congratulations on an exciting season.

Awesome Job CVHS WRESTLERS, Family Members and Volunteers!!

Cindia Wells, Parent Coordinator

CVHS hosted the Mid-Willamette District wrestling tournament on February 20 and 21. It takes hundreds of people to pull off this event and very talented, caring people to make it run so smoothly. Community members outside of our wrestling family were acknowledged in the GT “Good Words,” but many of our CVHS family members warrant a hearty applause here in our school newsletter!

Thank you to all of our 28 wrestling families who contributed/prepared food/beverages to feed 100 tournament workers/volunteers each day. Concessions kept the fans happily fed, thanks to concessions coordinator **Lauren Burkum** and her many volunteers: **Julie Strahl, Julie Hunnemuller, Diana Baker, Rossanna and Ron Paul, Eileen and Don Milligan, Julie McNeill, Rod and Kim Aust, Lisa Tostberg, Don and Maddy King, Robert Griffing, Mercedie Langager, Ziko Rizk, Deanna Pennington and Carol Walsh.** Thanks to **Mark Christiansen, Kelly and Julie Gardner, and Mike McNeill** for working the grill and getting the food. Hospitality help and hosting was provided by **Maddie King, Carol Walsh, Diana Baker, Vonda Peters, Lizzy Vittello, Amy Schlundt, and Melody Resseguie.** A huge thanks to **Amy Adamski** who helped me coordinate hospitality workers and keep the food warm and ready for the crowds we fed. **Julie Strahl** and **Eileen Milligan** coordinated food and beverage donations from the community including **Albertson’s, Safeway** on Circle and 3rd street, **Fred Meyer, Great Harvest Bread, El Sol de Mexico, Pepsi Bottling Co.** of Corvallis and **Coffee Culture.**

Security main coordinator **John Adamski** and volunteers **Keith Hunnemuller, Jack Peters, Dan Schauwecker, Ron Reher, John Wilson, Tim Fiez, Dan Lench, Kelly Gardner, Glen Wilson, Alex Scandalios, Donn Alexander, Bill Vandehey, and Donna King** kept the mat/ staging areas clear and ready.

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Gate and ticket takers were **Marty Corcoran, Don King, Joe Rosenast, Trina Norman, Mike Murphy, Stan Marugg, Barb Alexander, Donna Granados, Linda Alderman, Todd Strahl, Moses Buckner, Kay Eilers, Joanne Murphy, Bernie Feryerherm, Ian Walsh, Denise Derrick, Sue Peterson, Marilyn Wake, Trina Norman, Paul Tostberg, and Kalli Wells** .

Talk about talent...**Laura King** filled in 14 Championship bracket boards – around 304 names/scores in calligraphy!! Table workers **Phil Burkum, Don Alexander, Breta Brooks, Josh Whisenhunt, Tyler Brooks, Gordon Kelsey, Ron Reher, Brenden McLean and Cole Mattes** kept the scoring and time clock on track. National anthem singers were **Kim Snider and Rachel Dugan**.

Thanks to CVHS Athletic Trainer **Mindy Depue** and physician **Dr. Rampton** who has supported the team for many years; our mat statisticians **Rachel Adamski and Mercedie Langager**; and **Ed Olson** for video taping.

Head Table workers **Gene D'Agostini, Bryan Cambell** and tournament directors **Joe Wells and Bob Ulrich** kept the table crews organized and the tournament flowing forward. To **Kip Carlson** our announcer and **Cherie Stroud** our tournament host – thank you for your support! To **Sandy Nash and Craig Ellingson** – many thanks for many hours of work above and beyond the call of duty!!

To all of our team wrestlers.....we are proud of YOU!! The team placed higher this year than they have since 1988!! From the district tournament, five boys qualified for state: **Marty Langager, Kyle Gardner, Kyle Christiansen, Christian Strahl and Garrett Wells**. Three of those wrestlers placed at the state tournament: **Marty Langager** placed 5th, **Christian Strahl** placed 8th, and **Kyle Christiansen** placed 6th!! **Kyle Gardner** and **Garrett Wells** were each one match away from placing!! Congratulations to you all on a successful season!!

Last but not least we would like to thank our coaches: assistant coaches **Andy Hall and Drew Anderson**, volunteer coach **Cole Mattes**, and head coach **Brendan Courtot**. “Thanks” is an expression that will never be enough for all that you do!! Forgive me if I missed acknowledging anyone!

Boys & Girls Club of Corvallis April News

- The clubhouse after-school program is open to all members in grades 1–12, from 2:45 p.m.–7 p.m. The cost is \$25/year.
- The clubhouse teen program is open to all members in grades 6-12 on days when there is NO SCHOOL, from 1–6 p.m. This month’s dates are April 9–10.
- On Wednesday, April 8, the teen program will run after school from 2:30–6 p.m.
- The Club is no longer open Saturdays this school year as of March 21.

Register for all programs online at www.bgccorvallis.org.



Senior All Night Party (SANP) News

Tickets

It's never too soon to purchase tickets to the Senior All Night Party; tickets can be purchased anytime throughout the year. Simply fill out the form below, attach a check and submit it to **Denise Purdy**, bookkeeper, in the main office. The price is now \$25; final time to purchase tickets will be at the door, and the cost will be \$30. Buy now and save some money!! Please make checks payable to CV/CHS SANP.

Memory Collages

There will be a get-together in the CV cafeteria on Wednesday, April 22, at 7 p.m. and again on May 13 at 7 p.m. to put together memory collages. Paper and glue will be available for use, and there will be some examples. Bring photos of your senior growing up and/or with friends. If you have any questions, email sunita_vasdev@hotmail.com.

Senior All Night Party Ticket Form

Student's Name: _____	School _____
Parents' Name(s): _____	
Address: _____	
Phone: _____	Email: _____

Corvallis/Benton County Public Library

Check out the local public library for great activities for teens: Teen book club, Manga club, teen game nights, movie nights, and an all-nighter in the summer, to name a few. Visit its websites at www.thebestlibrary.net and www.myspace.com/corvallisbentonteens for more information.

Andeo International Homestays

Would you like to host a Spanish or French teen for a few weeks in the spring, summer or fall? Or perhaps have your child join a homestay program in France, Spain, Costa Rica or another country this summer? Andeo International Homestays, a non-profit student exchange organization based in Portland since 1981, offers many exciting cultural experiences. The focus of the programs is the companionship and conversation of a homestay experience. Contact Andeo today at 1-800-274-6007 to find out more about hosting a student from Spain or France, or about summer programs abroad. The deadline to apply for a summer 2009 program abroad is May 1! You can also find program details and applications to host or go abroad at www.andeo.org. This is not a Corvallis School District sponsored event.

Opening Windows to the World: The Crescent Valley Library Media Center

Judy Westlake, Librarian
766-4889 or judy.westlake@corvallis.k12.or.us

"I've got a vendetta to destroy the Net, to make everyone go to the library. I love the organic thing of pen and paper, ink on canvas. I love going down to the library, the feel and smell of books." ~[Joseph Fiennes](#), actor

Bookroom/Library Volunteer Thank You!

Thanks again to our regular library volunteers – **Angie Killen**, **Brigid Sullivan**, and **Katie Weber** – for their valuable assistance.

Policies and Procedures You Need to Know About Textbooks and Library Books

Please check with your student to make sure they are able to check out library books and bookroom books. To do so, they need to have:

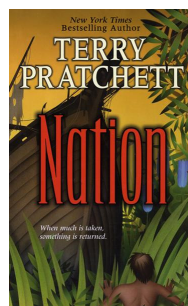
- Returned all overdue books, or paid for them
- Paid for all damage charges
- Have a current student ID card. If they need a new one, they should stop by the bookkeeper's office. Replacement cost is \$5.

We do charge for damages, especially to our brand new books, so please remind students to remove extra papers or sticky notes, and erase or white-out any marks from their books. In addition, please remind them that all textbooks should be covered with a sturdy paper cover and treated gently. If you find old CV books around the house, please have your student bring them in; we will not penalize them. In this time of budget cuts, we cannot afford to lose books!

Donations Are Appreciated

Our book budget is shrinking! Please think of CVHS Library when birthdays and other gift-giving occasions occur. In addition, please remember to think of us when you are cleaning out your bookshelves. We would welcome any donations of books that our students might enjoy. Finally, if you buy textbooks for your child, please consider donating them after your student has finished with them. As librarian, I search garage sales, used book stores, and Friends of the Public Library sales for like-new used books that we need. Please help find books for our students as well. Books that we are currently searching for include The Host by Stephanie Meyer, The Graveyard Book and Coraline by Neil Gaiman, Wintergirls by Laurie Hales Anderson, The House on Mango Street by Sandra Cisneros, and Finding Miracles by Julia Alvarez.

Also, our budget does not cover the supplies we loan or give to students. We depend upon donations from parents for these items. We especially welcome contributions of the following items: tissue, colored markers, construction paper, glue sticks, white out, scissors, simple calculators, and colored pencils. Thank you, CVPO, for donating flash drives!



New: Nation

By Terry Pratchett
2009 Michael L. Printz Honor Book

British author Terry Pratchett sold his first story when he was 13, and is now one of the most significant contemporary English-language satirists. He has won numerous literary awards and was named an Officer of the British Empire "for services to literature." Nation is his first novel for young people

which takes place outside of Discworld, about which he has written 36 books. In this award-winning book, a tsunami destroys everything on a small tropical island. Mau, a young man who escaped only because he was at sea during the storm, is the only survivor. Soon Daphne, an English girl, joins him. As others arrive, they set up their own nation. This title features serious questions, fascinating characters, action, humor, romance, and all sorts of discoveries that welcome every reader. Highly recommended. An interesting note: Terry Pratchett has recently been diagnosed with early onset Alzheimer's disease. Let's hope we can still see more new books from him!

What are some of Terry Pratchett's favorite authors?

Pratchett's earliest inspirations were *The Wind in the Willows* by Kenneth Grahame and the works of Isaac Asimov and Arthur C. Clarke. His literary influences have been P.G. Wodehouse, Tom Sharpe, Jerome K. Jerome, Larry Niven, Roy Lewis, G. K. Chesterton, and Mark Twain. A Pearl of Wisdom from Terry Pratchett, May 21, 2001: "One of life's certainties is that there is generally a last chocolate hidden in all those empty wrappers."

Career Center News

CV Career Center: Open during school hours to parents and students
Location: Across hall from library
Coordinator: **Nancy Pliskin** available:
Monday/Wednesday/
Thursday, 8:30am–3pm
Tuesday, 10:30am–3:30pm
Friday, 8:30am–12:30pm.
Contact Info: nancy.pliskin@corvallis.k12.or.us
or 757-5916
Website: www.csd509j.net/cvhs/counseling

AP Registration: The CVHS deadline to register for an AP exam was Friday, March 20. Students who missed that deadline but still wish to register should see **Nancy Pliskin** in the CC as soon as possible. She can place a late order for exams April 10–17, but there is a \$50 late fee. Students who have an approved reason for needing to take an AP exam on the alternate test date, such as choir members if there is a conflict with the state competition, should see Nancy as soon as they know there is a conflict but no later than May 8.

Sign Up to Volunteer in the CC for Next Year: Any parent or guardian of a CV student is invited to volunteer in the CC for the next school year, 2009–10. There are weekly shifts of 1.5 to 2 hours. The sign-up sheet will be located in the CC at the volunteer desk, and space will be filled on a first-come, first-served basis. Questions? Please contact **Nancy Pliskin**.

ASVAB Test Results Have Arrived: Watch the daily bulletin for the date and time that the results will be discussed and returned to students.

College Now Credits On LBCC Transcript: All students who have registered for college credits through Linn Benton Community College for certain courses taken at CV (College Now Program), should periodically check their LBCC transcript to ensure that all credits earned have been properly posted. Visit www.linnbenton.edu and follow the link to the SIS (Student Information System). Any discrepancies should be reported to **Nancy Pliskin**. Once a student graduates from CVHS, LBCC cannot retroactively post CN credits to the LBCC transcript.

COLLEGE & CAREER

College Reviews by College Students: Unigo.com is a website where students offer reviews, photos, and videos on the colleges they attend. The website is overseen by paid editors and includes profiles of more than 250 colleges and universities.

Sign Up for the Career Cruise: Students who pre-register in the CC may attend the LBCC Career Cruise from 10 a.m.–noon on Friday, May 8. Students select one career area that interests them and attend the hands-on, career-exploration session. Bus transportation will be provided, and students will be supervised. Space is limited, and some of the career areas have already been filled so sign up soon in the CC. A signed parent permission form is required in order for students to attend.

Explore A Career in Science Investigation: On Friday, April 17, from 9:30–3:30, high school students are invited to attend the Hatfield Marine Science Center in Newport to meet real scientists and learn what their jobs entail, explore high tech equipment and cutting-edge techniques, tour labs, and interact with live animals. Cost is \$15 per student. Pre-registration is required by April 3. Contact **Maureen Collson** at 867-0159 or Maureen.collson@oregonstate.edu.

Boys State for Juniors: American Legion's annual hands-on government training program for students who have completed their junior year in high school will be held at the University of Oregon June 14–20. Students will join about 500 other young men from around Oregon for this week of developing civic leadership and a better understanding of how government functions. Two students will be selected to attend Boys Nation in Washington, DC, in July. The deadline to turn in applications to the CC is April 13.

Girls State for Juniors: American Legion's annual hands-on leadership and government training camp for high school girls between their junior and senior years will be held June 14–20 at Willamette University in Salem. This program brings together girls from around the state and promotes leadership development; a better understanding of local, county and state government; as well as participation in setting up a government and administering laws. Participants may be eligible for college scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$20,000. Two students will be selected to attend Girls Nation in Washington, DC, in July. The deadline to turn in applications to the CC is April 9.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Many of the scholarship deadlines have passed, but there are still scholarships with upcoming deadlines. Be sure to check the scholarship board in the CC or visit the CV website (counseling/career link), and continue to do scholarship searches on the web. Below are just a few of the scholarships still available:

Career Center News continued

Kiwanis Student of the Quarter: The last date to submit an application to be considered for this recognition is April 17. Applications are available in the CC.

Scholar-Athlete Scholarship: The Mid-Willamette Conference will award two \$500 scholarships to students who have outstanding achievements in academics, athletic, and school or community involvement. Pick up an application in the CC. The application deadline is April 14.

Hart Family Scholarship for Seniors who attended Mt. View or Wilson Elementary: The Hart Family Scholarship awards a \$600 scholarship to two CV seniors – one who attended Mt. View Elementary and one who attended Wilson Elementary. Applicants must have attended for at least two full years. Minimum GPA is 3.0. The application deadline is April 15.

Latina Altrusa Scholarship for Seniors: To apply for a \$500 college scholarship from Altrusa, pick up an application in the CC or contact **Tammy Skubinna** at 752-4214 for more information. Applications are due April 15.

School Employees Scholarship: OSEA sponsors two \$500 scholarships in honor of **John Brown** for the family members of OSEA members. Applications are available in the CC and must be postmarked by April 15.

Rotary Club of Corvallis After 5 Scholarship: One \$250 scholarship for a senior who has shown strong community involvement, demonstrated leadership, participated in extracurricular activities, and has a minimum GPA of 3.5. The deadline to turn in applications to the CC is May 1.

Kip Smith Young Writer's Award: Any high school senior who likes to write may apply. Students should submit their best writing in any genre – poetry, fiction, nonfiction, drama or translation. A cash prize of \$800 is awarded to one senior in Benton County. More information and applications are available in the CC. The postmark deadline for all submissions is Friday, May 16.

Scholarship for seniors going to U of O: Seniors with an intent to study business are eligible to apply for the W.A. "Pete" Brooks Scholarship (up to \$2,500). Applications are available in the CC. The postmark deadline is May 18.

High School Student Volunteers Needed: Trillium Children's Farm Home is looking for volunteers to help with its Denim and Diamonds fundraiser on April 25. Volunteer shifts are available Friday, April 24, through Sunday, April 26. Call **Cheri Galvin** at 758-5953 or cgalvin@trilliumfamily.org for more information or to sign up.

Volunteer Gardening Opportunity: The Children's Farm Home is looking for volunteers to plant, till, weed, and harvest a garden that will help sustain the school and feed the hungry in our community. The project starts mid-May and will continue into the fall. Contact Cheri Galvin at cgalvin@trilliumfamily.org.

Volunteer Opportunities Website: The LBvision Volunteer Center lists volunteer opportunities available through more than 200 area nonprofits. See www.lbvision.org for more information.

TRAINING & JOB OPPORTUNITIES

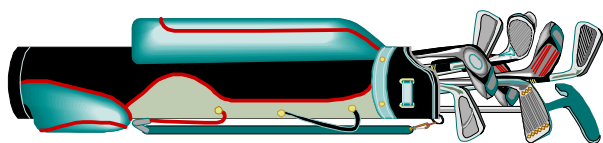
Wildland Firefighter Training at LBCC will be offered April 24–26 and May 1–3 **OR** June 22–27 in the Fire-side Room at LBCC, 8 a.m.–5 p.m. Class size is limited. Call 917-4923 to register. The cost is \$275. Participants must be 18 years of age and have two forms of government-issued ID. Students who successfully complete the course will receive a certificate of completion that may be beneficial when applying for positions with private Wildland Firefighting contractors, the Oregon Department of Forestry, the U.S. Forest Service and/or rural and city fire departments. More information is available in the CC and at www.linnbenton.edu/go/firefighter.

Northwest Youth Corps is accepting applications for spring, summer, and fall programs for students ages 14–19. Under staff supervision, youth crew members work on conservation, reforestation, and recreation projects, and learn valuable lessons of teamwork and responsibility. For information, visit northwestyouthcorps.org.

Military Recruiter Visitation Schedule: Recruiters from each branch of the military visit the CC during lunch according to the following schedule:

Army	2 nd and 4 th Tuesday
Marines	1 st and 3 rd Tuesday
Navy	2 nd Wednesday
Air Force	4 th Thursday in April

Corvallis Counter-Military Visitations: One or more members of this local committee will be available on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month to give a short presentation and to answer questions.



CVHS Activities - April 2009

Sun-day	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<p>1 odd 12:00 pm - JV GGO @ Tryst, Tree 3:00 pm - JV BGO @ Springhill 3:45 pm - Track - CHS 4:30 pm - JV BB - South Albany 4:30 pm - fr BB @ South Albany 7:00 pm - 8th GRADE OPEN HOUSE</p>	<p>2 even 12:00 pm - v GGO @ Canby Inv MID-WILLAMETTE CONF CHORAL @ Dallas 4:00 pm - BTE - Silverton 4:00 pm - GTE @ Silverton</p>	<p>3 all 3:30 pm - TR @ Laker Classic-LO 4:30 pm - JV v BB @ South Albany 4:30 pm - fr BB - South Albany 4:30 pm - JV v SB - South Albany</p>	<p>4 ACT</p>
5	<p>6 odd ADVISOR-PEP ASSEMBLY-gym 10:00 am - BGO @ Tryst, Tree 1:00 pm - v GGO @ Golf Cl/OR 4:30 pm - JV v BB @ Silverton 4:30 pm - fr BB - Silverton 4:30 pm - JV v SB - Silverton</p>	<p>7 even 4:00 pm - BTE @ CHS 4:00 pm - GTE - CHS 4:30 pm - fr BB @ Silverton 4:30 pm - fr BB @ Silverton 4:30 pm - JV v SB @ Silverton</p>	<p>8 all 3:45 pm - Track @ South Albany</p>	<p>9 GRADING/CONFERENCE - no school for students MID-WILLAMETTE LEAGUE BAND @ LBCC 4:00 pm - BTE - Dallas 4:00 pm - GTE @ Dallas 4:30 pm - JV v BB @ Silverton 4:30 pm - fr BB - Silverton 4:30 pm - JV v SB - Silverton</p>	<p>10 CONFERENCES - no school for Students 11:30 am - v GGO @ Juniper GC 4:00 pm - TR @ Springfield Inv</p>	<p>11 7:00 pm - "Mr. CV" - aud</p>
12	<p>13 odd QUARTER 4 BEGINS EARTH WEEK 10:00 am - v GGO @ Bend Creek 12:00 pm - BGO @ Mallard Creek</p>	<p>14 even TBA - BGO @ Pumpkin Ridge 4:00 pm - BTE - Lebanon 4:00 pm - GTE @ Lebanon 4:30 pm - JV v BB - Woodburn 4:30 pm - fr BB @ Woodburn 4:30 pm - JV v SB @ Woodburn</p>	<p>15 odd 1:00 pm - v JV GGO @ Cross Creek 3:45 pm - Track - Silverton 4:30 pm - JV v BB @ Woodburn 4:30 pm - fr BB - Woodburn 4:30 pm - JV v SB - Woodburn</p>	<p>16 even SPECIAL SCHEDULE - 1 hr lunch 11:00 am - CVPO -sdr 11:45 am - PARENT COFFEE -sdr 1:30 pm - JV GGO @ McKenzie River 4:00 pm - BTE @ Woodburn 4:00 pm - GTE @ Woodburn 5:30 pm - PARENT COFFEE - sdr</p>	<p>17 all 4:30 pm - JV v BB - Woodburn 4:30 pm - fr BB @ Woodburn 4:30 pm - JV v SB @ Woodburn</p>	<p>18 CV/CHS BGO & GGO FUND RAISER @ Trysting Treest</p>
19	<p>20 ARTFEST WEEK 12:00 pm JV GGO @ Mallard Crk 1:00 pm BGO @ Springhill 6:00 pm - HONOR SOCIETY INITIATION - aud</p>	<p>21 even 3:30 pm - SITE COUNCIL - lib 4:00 pm - BTE @ West Albany 4:00 pm - GTE - West Albany 4:30 pm - JV v BB - West Albany 4:30 pm - fr BB @ West Albany 4:30 pm - JV v SB @ West Albany</p>	<p>22 odd 3:45 pm - Track @ Lebanon 4:30 pm - JV v BB @ West Albany 4:30 pm - fr BB - West Albany 4:30 pm - JV v SB - West Albany</p>	<p>23 even AM - MOCK INTERVIEWS @ OSU for Junior Class 4:00 pm - BTE @ South Albany 4:00 pm - GTE - South Albany</p>	<p>24 all 4:30 pm - JV v BB - West Albany 4:30 pm - fr BB @ West Albany 4:30 pm - JV v SB @ West Albany</p>	<p>25 BB,SB,TE - Make up Day TBA - TR @ OR Relays-Ulofo</p>
26	<p>27 odd DIVERSITY WEEK ACTIVITY SCHEDULE JR - HEALTHY TEEN SURVEY FR,SOPH,SR --TBA 1:00 pm - v GGO @ Tukwila 4:00 pm - BTE @ Silverton 4:00 pm - GTE - Silverton</p>	<p>28 even 4:30 pm - JV v BB @ Dallas 4:30 pm - fr BB - Dallas 4:30 pm - JV v SB - Dallas</p>	<p>29 odd TBA - BGO - CV/CHS Inv @ Tryst,Tr 2:00 pm - JV GGO @ Evergreen GC 3:45 pm - TR @ Dallas 4:00 pm - BTE - CHS 4:00 pm - GTE @ CHS 4:30 pm - JV v BB - Dallas 4:30 pm - fr BB @ Dallas 4:30 pm - JV v SB @ Dallas</p>	<p>30 even 12:00 pm - BGO @ Cross Creek</p>		



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| <u>April 2</u> | Mid-Willamette Conference
Choral Invitational |
| <u>April 4</u> | ACT |
| <u>April 9</u> | Mid-Willamette League Band |
| <u>April 9-10</u> | Grading/Conferences-No
School |
| <u>April 11</u> | "Mr. CV," 7pm, Auditorium |
| <u>April 13</u> | Fourth Quarter begins,
Earth Week begins |
| <u>Aug. 19</u> | Junior/Senior Registration |
| <u>Aug. 20</u> | Freshman/Sophomore
Registration |
| <u>April 16</u> | CVPO, 11am; Parent Coffee,
11:45am; Parent Coffee,
5:30pm |
| <u>April 20</u> | Artfest begins, Honor
Society Initiation, 6pm |
| <u>April 21</u> | Site Council, 3:30pm |
| <u>April 28</u> | Diversity Week begins |



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