

# *The District Buzz*

## **CMHS NEWS**

### **Principal Haro's Corner**

Good Afternoon,

The band trip to Washington DC was amazing! The kids performed like professionals and were complimented by all. We were continually amazed at the beauty, architecture and rich history of DC. This was an amazing trip and I want to thank all of the donors that supported this experience for our students.

Thank you to all of the parents that came to conferences on November 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup>. Conferences are not just at specific times throughout the year, if you would like to have a conference with your student's teachers, please call the main office and we will arrange a conference for you.

The students showed their school spirit on November 19<sup>th</sup> and decorated many of the doors in the building. The school looks bright and cheery and a positive place for students to learn.

### **Upcoming Events**

Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup> 1/2 Day of School, Professional Development

**Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup> 1/2 Day of School, Progress Reports**

**Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup> through Friday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, NO SCHOOL WINTER BREAK**

**Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup> 1/2 Day – Professional Development**

Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> No School – M.L.K. Day

# Sports World

Wednesday, November 28<sup>th</sup> MS Wrestling 6:00

**MS G Basketball @ McKenzie 4:30**

Thursday, November 29<sup>th</sup> HS BB vs Fall City, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00 and 6:30

**Friday, November 30<sup>th</sup> HS BB vs N Clackamas Christian 6:00 and 7:30**

Saturday, December 1<sup>st</sup>, HS Basketball @ Riddle 4:00, 5:00, 6:00 and 7:30

**Monday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> MS G Basketball @ T- Lake 4:30**

Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> HS Basketball @ Yoncalla 4:30

**Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> MS G Basketball vs Siletz 4:30**

Hello all,

I know we've been back for a while, but I've been spending the last couple of days trying to get my [painfully swollen] feet back under me since our return.

In brief, your kids ROCKED it. The CHS Band did amazing things in Washington DC last week, and many, MANY people took notice. They have been invited back indefinitely for any future celebrations put on by this specific group. They were the consummate professionals, and impressed anyone who had the great fortune to meet with them or hear them.



To start, the news segments that KVAL did were excellent. I was able to DVR them, but I don't know how to actually share them - if it's at all possible.

After we played at CHS [to a very respectful audience, which we all appreciated] we performed for a group of veterans at the Lane Electric Co-op. These performances were to set the tone for the rest of the weekend. There were tears amongst our honored veterans as we played - a high compliment.



The performances in DC itself were remarkable. The first one [Saturday, 11/10 at the Lincoln Memorial, the WWII Memorial, and the Reflecting Pool], the mass band and Mark's "Taps" performance was a true test of everyone's endurance. The temperature was quite low and with the wind chill from the 20 - 40 mph wind hitting us the entire time, it was amazing we could play at all. All during the celebration Mark stood attention . . . in shirt sleeves. Even with the wild phasing between different parts of the band the performance of "God Bless America" went quite well, weather notwithstanding. Mark was set to play "Taps" three times, but ended up playing only twice due the wildness of the situation.



The next day's performance was at the Iwo Jima Memorial. This was our featured performance. This performance was my highlight of the trip. They played SO well, even with such things happening as my own music stand basically falling apart and Olivia's ligature [the metal ring that holds on the reed] being mysteriously smushed flat and having to be re-formed using my bare hands and a dry erase pen as a mandrel. Regardless they knocked it out of the park, impressing everyone who listened to them. After the performance we had a brief time to hang out with one of the other bands and the kids had a chance to hobnob and take selfies with the other group. Mrs. Haro and Mr. Brown were able to record most of the performance. You can be so proud of these young people.

We were able to spend a lot of time playing sight-seeing tourists as well, being able to tour the Capitol Building, Arlington Cemetery, DC landmarks including the White House, and the WWII, Korean, and Vietnam Memorials, among other things. We were also able to spend two sessions in different parts of the Smithsonian Institution. There was a dinner/dance cruise on the Potomac that will be forever remembered by all.

I do not know how many miles we walked by the end of our visit, but just as an example we did walk something near 16 miles on Saturday alone. Four shoes blew out, someone's arches began to collapse, and it was pretty dang COLD, especially those walks after dark. Yes, most of our feet our still sore.

There is so much more that I can tell you, but this is a good start. Anyone who went is so full of stories and are thrilled to tell them. I'll talk your ear off if you let me.

As I said, your band did an amazing job. There was such a huge amount of work to prepare for this. We actually began practicing one of our pieces last spring, and we played together weekly all summer when we could. This fall the really hard work started. Everyone stepped up to the plate and gave their all. This trip was for them, and they truly rose to the occasion. They understand the gravitas of the situation and how much people sacrificed for them, and they are greatly appreciative.

This project only happened because of the generosity of the Crow and surrounding communities, as well as strangers from across the country. Our funding came completely from donations and fundraisers -- not the least of which happened here in Crow. I don't have the final numbers, but I estimate we raised between 15k and 17k. Truly an astounding amount, considering we only started the planning for this trip in February of this year.

I also want to thank the band parents for supporting this project. It would not have happened without your backing and letting your children take part in this amazing event. Thank you for your patience with me!

I need to thank both LeeAnn and Donna for helping me out with the financial part of this trip. Money is very much outside of my comfort zone and they really helped out a lot. Finally, Mrs. Haro and Mr. Brown were an absolute godsend. I do not know what I would've done without them, either here at school or on the trip itself. This trip would not have been possible without their help and guidance. I owe them a huge debt of gratitude.



Thank you all for being a part of this adventure,

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## Lorane News

Come join the fun at the Hanging of the Greens at Lorane Christian Church on Sunday, December 2 at 6 pm. Bring finger food treat /type desserts to share.

The next Rural Art Movie Night is Saturday, December 8 starting at 6:00 pm at Lorane Grange.

Sunday, December 9 is the Lorane Grange Open House Christmas Dinner potluck at 1 pm. Grangers will furnish the meat, dressing, potatoes, gravy, and beverages. Everyone else brings a side dish and/or dessert. Also, bring a white elephant gift for the gift exchange. It's always a fun time, chance to visit with neighbors and friends.

Please remember to check out the Angel Trees at the Lorane Family Store or Crow High School to get a gift for a child less fortunate. Also, get some canned foods or nonperishables for the food boxes. There are many families in need, it's the time to help others.

## *Invitation to all Girls*

Eta Theta Rho Girls Club #94 is a Community Based Organization branched off from the Odd Fellows and Rebekahs, IOOF. Theta Rho is for girl's ages 8 through 18. The Theta Rho motto is "Happiness Through Service".

Meetings are every Thursday at 6:30pm at the Lorane Rebekah Lodge Hall when Crow schools are in session. For questions or if you want more information contact the Head Advisor - Tara Wigle. At cell (541) 520-4151 or home (541) 935-5245.

# BAKE SALE!!!

Lorane Rebekah Lodge Hall

December 17<sup>th</sup> 10:00am-1:00pm



# *Great News about the Applegate Panthers!*

From Principal Aaron B. Brown

November is almost over and we have many activities we need to reflect upon. I need to share the CROW award winners, our perfect panthers, pictures from our assembly, field trips, and the turkey trot. We have a lot to be thankful for.

Congratulations to our latest **Perfect Panthers!!** Keep making us Proud! You are an inspiration to all of us.



## **From the Kindergarten: Lee Lee Lostrom**

“Lee Lee is our Perfect Panther because I have been so impressed with her focus this week. The way our chairs are arranged she actually has her back to the front of the room but she has been so responsible to make sure she is turned around and tuned into the lesson. As soon as I have been ready to give directions she has her eyes on me and her voice off. After her reading group, every day for the past 2 weeks, she has walked quietly into the room and immediately gotten to work on her seat work. She has done such a great job that she has been rewarded a few times by getting to do her work by Rex.

We also recently started lining up in line order. Lee Lee has done an excellent job of always going to her line order with no complaints. She makes sure to leave space in front of her for her friend that needs to line up in before her. I have heard her nicely reminding her friends where they stand as well.

We did a lot of testing this week for report cards and so there were a lot of times where students were working at independent learning centers. I was impressed because Lee Lee paid close attention to the instructions and was able to help other friends stay on task.

I can tell how hard you have been working to be a good listener and follow directions the first time and I am so proud of you for that! Thank you for being a role model for your friends! Keep up the great work!

- Mrs. Glenn



## **From 6th Grade: Caedyn Jones**

I have been so impressed by some of Caedyn's actions in the last few weeks. I am seeing him make efforts towards being a better student, not just to receive praise, but because he really wants to do better. He is making amazing progress at trying to embody all of the acronyms; he is trying to be careful and safe in the halls and other locations around the school (C). He really shows respect in the classroom, he is often the first person quiet and ready with his materials when the rest of his peers are still chatting with their neighbor. He is also trying really hard to be respectful in all situations, even if they are not academic ones, like sitting quietly and respectfully during assemblies (R). He is learning how much work goes in to, not only keeping track of his assignments, but paying attention in class. I know there has been a few slip ups here and there but overall Caedyn's DRIVE is there and so is his effort. It is in seeing that drive and effort, that I know the other letters of the acronym (O.W.) will fall in to place seamlessly and Caedyn will truly become a class leader.



-Mrs. Bloom

I enjoy recognizing our students for their academic accomplishments and for their citizenship during the school day. We are truly lucky to have such wonderful kids attending Applegate Elementary.

## We are PROUD of our Applegate **CROW** Award Winners for October!

They are an inspiration to all of us for being students we can look up to.



# Science Circus

## Comes to Applegate

On November 7<sup>th</sup> the school was treated to a comedy show called the Science Circus. This program demonstrates the physics of juggling through acrobalance tricks and was performed by Rhys Thomas who is a former Applegate and Crow graduate.



The "Science Circus" shares juggling insights through modular STEM-based explorations of gravity, gyroscopics, inertia, centripetal force, balance, rotation and levity. Because it works on so many levels, people often compare it to a Pixar movie. Enjoy the following pictures from the event.



Lee cheers on Rhys



Ry Ry get involved in the act



Colton Nevins helps during a juggling act



Kacie Fox helps Spin the ball.



# Beavers Beyond the Classroom

*A Field Trip to OSU presented by the College of Engineering!*

On November 14<sup>th</sup> Applegate traveled to Corvallis for a fun day cheering on the top ten ranked Women's Basketball team and touring parts of the OSU campus. This included, kid-friendly music, activities, interactive video board pieces and other fun! Our famous mascot Benny Beaver was in attendance as well as the Oregon State Cheer team, Dancers, and the Oregon State Pep Band. It appears from the picture that everyone had a good time!



*Time to say Hi to the Benny Beaver statue!*





# The Annual Turkey Trot

On the last day before the break all students participated in the annual Turkey Trot. After much practice in P.E. students wrote down the times they thought it would take for them to complete the course running or walking. Here are the winners of our annual Turkey Trot. They were able to guess a time that was closest to their actual course time. Good Job!

“Turkey Trot Winners!”



Carson Davis Kailani Alvarez Matthew Hanson Addison Nevins Ruby Norton-Shantie Connor Lloyd Carson Lloyd Beckett Bloom

*Please enjoy the following collage of pictures from the Turkey Trot.*





# UPCOMING EVENTS

## *Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup> is a Half day!*

**Elementary students will be released at 11:50 am and high school students at 12:00 pm.**

The Rural Art Center will be hosting art lessons at Applegate from 12:00 to 3:00 pm. Join Maria Sollo and make a variety of puppets with recycled fabric.

## *Applegate's Winter Concert is Thursday, December 13<sup>th</sup>*

A soup dinner will be served at 5:30 pm and the performances will begin at 7:00. We ask that each person donate one can or box of dried goods. The food collected will directly impact our C-A-L families.

## **Friendly Reminder**

We will have a Winter Party Friday, December 21<sup>st</sup>. Parents please remember to get your \$5.00 present into the office for the Winter Party. If you have not sent an unwrapped gift already, please drop one off in the office. If you have any questions contact Donna or Lee Ann.

There will be **no after school program or half-day art** on December 21<sup>st</sup>.

Winter Break begins December 24<sup>th</sup>. School will resume after the Winter Break on Monday, January 7<sup>th</sup>. Have a joyous and safe holiday!

# Thank You!

Our hard working staff, Booster Club, and volunteers from the community continue to help our students educationally and financially. We love our staff, boosters, and volunteers and they love the C-A-L schools!

# Happy Holidays!



## Holiday Helpers

Organizations from Lorane and Crow are working towards creating merrier holidays for area families. There will be Angel Trees located at Crow High School and at the Lorane Family Store no later than December 1st. These trees will have angels on them with information about families in need this holiday season. Below is a questionnaire to let us know if your family could use some assistance or if you would like to provide support.

### ALL INFORMATION IS KEPT CONFIDENTIAL.

If you would like to participate in either way please return this form in a sealed envelope addressed to: Holiday Helpers c/o Applegate Elementary by **Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup>** so Santa's Elves will have time for shopping and wrapping.

**Yes, our family could use some extra help for the holidays.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

I live in \_\_\_ Crow \_\_\_ Lorane

PLEASE GIVE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

FOOD (Suggest items you could use)

CLOTHING (Suggest what is needed) Please give name, ages, and sizes.

TOYS (Suggest what they might like). Please give name & ages.

OTHER GIFTS (Suggestions for gifts) Please give names & ages.

**No, I do not need assistance but instead have included my monetary donation to help with those in need.**

**No, I do not need assistance but will take an envelope off the Angel Tree and will have my donation dropped off at Applegate Elementary or the Lorane Family Store by December 14<sup>th</sup>.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Please have all contributions in no later than December 14<sup>th</sup>. Gifts can be dropped off at Applegate Elementary or the Lorane Family Store.



# 18-19 Half Day of Art

# FRIDAYS

5.	Join Maria Sollo to make a variety of puppets with recycled fabric.		Dec. 7
6.	Join Maria Sollo with crafts of Mexico.		Jan. 18
7.	Rope making with BJ Coleman. (We're working on the rope machine in hopes to have it ready for spring!)		Feb. 8
8.	Steam Punk Flying Contraptions. Design your own with Marianne Walker. Use light tables to transfer drawings.		Feb. 15
9.	Bring a t-shirt! Learn stenciling with Tina D! Make a design and apply it to your own t-shirt.		March 8
10.	Sculpt a crazy clay monster with Patricia Donahue and pick it up after it is fired in the kiln!		May 3
11.	Stretch your sketching skills with Esteban Camacho-Steffensen, the public mural artist.		May 17
12.	Paint with acrylics on wood with Esteban Camacho-Steffensen, the public mural artist.		May 24

The Rural Art Center is pleased to present a full line up of TWELVE Half Days of Art, all on Fridays!

Join us for 3 hours of creativity with professional artists, and a healthy snack when school lets out early. (No half days on the Friday before winter or spring breaks.). Affordable at suggested donation of \$15/ afternoon. Help us plan and sign up for the series to get one session courtesy (\$130). Scholarships available. For information contact Betsy (ruralartcenter@gmail.com). Sorry, there is no bus service so children must be picked up promptly at 3PM. Thanks! Please return the tab below to Donna Willits @ Applegate Elementary with payment.

Please sign \_\_\_\_\_, grade \_\_\_\_\_ for half day on \_\_\_\_\_. I will pick up my child at

*child's name*

*grade*

*date*

3PM. It is ok to take photos of my child for publicity reasons. Enclosed is my check made to the Rural Art Center for \$15/session or \$130 for the whole season.

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