



Oostburg Christian Sci

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Mr. Robert Adams, Administrator

"He is like a tree, planted by streams of water, which yields its fruit in season..."
Psalm 1:3

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HOME BULLETIN

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PRAYER AND PRAISE

Mr. Adams' family thanks all who held them up in prayer this past weekend while they attended the "retirement" of Mr. Adams' older brother Charlie and Charlie's wife, Pam. Although it was difficult to see how Charlie and Pam have changed since their accident, God was present and His Name was praised throughout the evening.

We also praise God for watching over our 6th - 8th grade students on Friday as they attended the Wisconsin Christian Schools Music Festival.

Please pray for our middle school students as they prepare for the musical, "Annie." Pray for all our children as the weather turns warm and they want to be outside. Pray they finish the school year strong.

TALKING POINTS

Dr. Joel Nederhood once wrote in *The Banner* the following about Christian education and the children attending our Christian schools: "We must speak to our children about Jesus often, and we must urge them to surrender to His lordship. Covenant children are saved only through regeneration and conversion.

These children are not perfect by any means. And they need to be converted. Each one of them must surrender to the lordship of Jesus. Woe to any of them who think that because of attendance in a Christian school all is well with their souls." Praise God for Christian schools that, along with Christian homes and churches, constantly remind our children of Christ's love, grace, and Kingship! Praise God that home, church, and school are all working together to teach our children about God's Word and His world.

TEACHER APPRECIATION WEEK

Teacher Appreciation Week is next week, May 2 - 8. God has blessed us with very giving and gifted teachers. They share their dedication, skills, and love for the Lord with our children daily. Please consider taking a little time to write a note or show appreciation to your child's teacher during that week. We are still looking for volunteers to supervise the students on Thursday, May 6, from 11:45-1:00 while the teachers enjoy a special lunch. If you are able to help with this, please contact Beth Modahl (564-6512).

ASSOCIATION MEETING

Please set aside the evening of next Tuesday, May 11, for our Annual Association Meeting. The meeting will begin at 7:00 PM, and we will be seeking God's will concerning the future of OCS. The meeting activities will consist of election of school board members, approving the general fund budget and the new tuition scale, and the choosing of GRACE Board members. All families will receive an agenda which will be e-mailed separately today. All parents or guardians with children enrolled in OCS are automatically Association members. All supporters who have paid the Association Dues or contributed at least \$100 to the school and filled out an Association Membership application are also members. Only Association members may vote at this meeting. If you need an agenda or an Association Membership application please call the school office, and we will send you one. If you are unable to attend the meeting, you can fill out an absentee ballot in the school office. Please be in prayer for our school in the days leading up to this important meeting. Thank you.

THANK!

The staff would like to thank the 6th grade parents who were involved with providing us with the delicious lunch last Thursday. It was a wonderful treat.

BIKES

REMINDER: Please remind your children to lock their bikes on the bike racks if they bring them to school.

The mission of Oostburg Christian School is to provide a distinctly Christian quality education which will equip God's children to function as Christians in society, church, and home.

JR. HIGH MUSICAL

"Annie, Jr." is being performed by our middle school students next week, May 6, 7, and 8. Evening performances on Thursday and Friday will begin at 7 p.m. A Saturday afternoon matinee will be offered at 2 p.m. Following the Saturday matinee, ticket holders will be invited to have their picture taken with an "orphan" or any member of the cast! Donations for the photos will go to Tesoros de Dios, a school for children with special needs in Nicaragua, which OCS is supporting this year, Tickets for "Annie, Jr." are \$3.00 for adults, \$2.00 for elementary students, and \$2.50 for high school students. A "family pass" for \$10 includes two adults and all children of elementary school age or younger. Tickets can be purchased in the O.C.S. office. Doors will open 45 minutes before each performance.

K-5 MUSICAL DVD'S

If you ordered a DVD of the "Jonah" musical, they are now available in the school office. The cost is \$5 per DVD.

PRIVATE NOTES

The Oostburg Christian School Board is seeking private notes to help finance the ongoing operations of the school as well as to repay a previously issued note that has been called in for payment. These notes will bear interest and terms as set forth in the schedule below. We are requesting a minimum note value of \$1,000. Please contact Justin Zylstra at 207-9990 or Brian DeMaster at 564-6963 for more information.

<u>Term</u>	<u>Minimum Deposit</u>	<u>OCS RATE</u>
36 month	\$1,000.00	2.50%
48 month	\$2,500.00	3.00%
60 month	\$5,000.00	4.00%
10 Year	\$10,000.00	5.00%

NEW, THREE-SCHOOL PROGRAM AT O.C.S.

Beginning in September, 2010, Oostburg Christian will offer a Three-School program on Tuesday and Thursday mornings from 8:30 – 11:00 for children who will turn three by September 1, 2010. We must have a minimum of eight children registered by June 1 to make this program possible. Three-School will be a play-based time of learning for the children that focuses on social development. Please call the school office if you are interested in this program and we will send you a registration packet.

EXTENDED AFTERSCHOOL CARE

Oostburg Christian School would like to extend the hours of our after-school care for the 2010 – 2011 school year. We are currently considering offering after-school care from the time of school dismissal to 5:30 PM. This would include children in our Early Childhood program through fourth grade. If you are interested in this, please call the school office or email the school and let us know.

4K REGISTRATION

We are now accepting registrations for the 4K program here at O.C.S. Stop in for a registration packet and reserve your spot today! No pre-registration fee is required for 4K.

TUITION ASSISTANCE

"No child in the area should be denied the opportunity of a Christian education because his or her family cannot afford tuition." It is this Board held belief that has led Oostburg Christian School to establish a Tuition Assistance Program (TAP Fund). With the current economy still in a serious slump, we believe there will be more families in need of assistance. Oostburg Christian School is partnering with the Christian School tuition Service of Fulton, Illinois, to determine how best to distribute the school's tuition assistance to those seeking help paying tuition expenses for 2010-2011. This "outside" service can impartially evaluate family needs. The only charge is \$15 per family payable to Christian School Tuition Service and sent in with the application. Please call the school office and ask for an application if you so desire. ALL APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SENT IN BY MAY 15, 2010. Please remember that families currently receiving aid through the TAP Fund must fill out an application and use this service if they wish to continue that assistance in 2010-2011.

NEW FAMILY REFERRAL

If a family that you refer to our school is enrolled for at least a semester, you will have a \$750 tuition assistance package coming your way! Besides the card you received several weeks ago, you can also pick up any number of brochures about our school to distribute to family and friends. There are several different ones that may meet your need specifically:

- Resource Room opportunities
- Part-time/Home School student information

- Two different general school information brochures
- Early Childhood Brochures
- Free 4-K package brochure
- Just hot off the press: Cabin Fever Reliever promotion brochure.

SCRIP WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW.....

that we are discussing the needs of the Scrip store, its vendors, its hours, and its service to you for next year. Please let our Scrip team know at ocscrip@gmail.com if you have any comments or suggestions about how to better serve you. **WE WANT 100% OF OUR FAMILIES USING SCRIP!**

OOSTBURG COMMUNITY EDUCATION FOUNDATION (OCEF)

Since 2005, beginning with a generous donation to our new playground, the OCEF has donated over \$31,000 to Oostburg Christian School. We are deeply appreciative of their generosity. Attached to today’s blue note e-mail is information about their upcoming fund raiser on Saturday, August 7—a golf outing and silent and live auction. Please look it over carefully and come out and support this local organization that supports our school.

The GRACE Place

SCRIP

There are over 40 vendors available in our Scrip Store. Please check the Scrip store form attached to today’s Home Bulletin e-mail and see if you find any vendors that you use regularly. We appreciate your support of this project—which is just as important as any others!

RUN-JOG-WALKATHON-May 21, 2010

It is the halfway point this week! One class will be getting a pizza hot lunch on Thursday!!!



SPAGHETTI SUPPER—May 21, 2010

We’ve added something new this year—salad bar! Along with your delicious all-you-can eat spaghetti, you will get a tasty salad bar with a variety of toppings and dressings following the Run-Jog-Walkathon. Come one, come all!

CAKES FOR SPAGHETTI SUPPER

We need a dozen cakes for the spaghetti supper. Please call Lisa Roerdink (564-3477) if you will make a cake.

1. Jackie Daane
2. Wendy Eckwielen
3. Abigail Anderson
4. Mary Swihart
5. Mary Swihart
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UNITY BIKE RIDE—MAY 22, 2010

We have already had some generous sponsorships this year and we appreciate that you will get the word out to your friends and neighbors who bike. Early registration before May 6, (just one week!) will give you a \$5 discount. A registration form is attached to today's home bulletin e-mail. Please use it yourself or give it to a biking friend or neighbor.

SPRING FRY—MAY 22, 2010

Attached to today's home bulletin e-mail is a list of donations we need for the Spring Fry and Spaghetti supper. Thank you for helping to keep our costs down for these two meals by picking up a few extra things for us when you grocery shop. Call Teresa (254-1335) about what you can bring.

REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Please come and pray for our nation on THURSDAY, MAY 6 at the Oostburg Civic Center (library). It will be open for silent prayer time 6AM-12:30PM AND 6PM-8PM Prayer guides available at each of the 7 stations. Pray for Government, Military, Media, Business, Education, Church, Family. Also come to the PRAYER SERVICE 12:30-1:00PM led by our local pastors. Questions? Willing to help? Call Sue 564-4212

TUTORING FOR THE SUMMER

Could your child use a little extra work this summer on Math, Reading, or Language? Mary Jane Gruett and Sandy Gartman are available to guide your child if needed. They will work with your child's classroom teacher to best assist your child. Call Mary Jane at 564-3788 or Sandy Gartman at 564-6279.

THE SHEBOYGAN TEEN MOPS GROUP HELPS TEEN MOTHERS OF PRESCHOOLERS WITH RELATIONSHIPS, RESOURCES, AND RESPONSIBILITIES.

Celebrate spring with us! Join Teen MOPS on Tuesday, May 4, from 5:30-7 pm at Calvin Christian Reformed Church (2313 Saemann Ave. in Sheboygan) for an early Cinco de Mayo (aka Cuatro de Mayo) fundraiser dinner. We will be serving enchiladas, rice, beans, a nacho bar, and dessert. The cost is only \$5 per person and kids 4 and under are free. All money raised will go to Teen MOPS general fund, leadership training, MOPS Mart, and group needs. Tickets can be purchased through Calvin Christian Reformed Church in Sheboygan (458-0092) or First Christian Reformed Church in Oostburg (564-2725). Come support this great group! If you want more information on Teen MOPS go to www.mops.org/teen. The Sheboygan Teen MOPS group provides a caring, accepting atmosphere for today's teen mother. Here she has an opportunity to share concerns, explore areas of creativity, and hear instruction that equips her for the responsibilities of motherhood.

EAGLE SUMMER CAMP

Expect an unexpected week of fun and learning at Eagles Summer Camp from July 26-30, 2010! Join us at Sheboygan County Christian High for a week of zany science discovery, or techno techniques, or outrageous art, or fabulous food creation, or music with a twist or a super selection of sports. This crazy summer camp is for students who are entering 3rd through 8th grades. All instructors are staff members and/or coaches at Sheboygan County Christian High. Students may sign up for a full day [two choices] or a half day option [one choice] either morning or afternoon. Lunch and snacks are included. Flyers are available in your school office or by contacting the Christian High office. Call Rhonda Anderson 458-9981 ext. 306 (evenings at home: 920-893-1993) for more information. Don't wait to sign up for a thrilling week at camp – class sizes are limited!

ATTENTIONS ALL MOMS!

Please join us on Thursday mornings in the school library from 10:30 to 11:45 a.m. for a time of prayer for your child and our school. If you can't make it every week, that is okay. Come when you are able. We have FREE childcare available for moms with little ones. Please call Sue Dykstra 564-4212 with your questions or to arrange for childcare. *Lamentations 2:19b "... Lift up your hands to him for the lives of your children, who faint from hunger at the head of every street"*.

PARTY CAKES

THE 1st Oostburg CRC Youth Group THAILAND MISSION TRIP TEAM is selling party cakes for any occasion. Call Doris Hendrikse at 564-2460 to order the cake of your choosing for \$20.00. Thank you for supporting the on-going work of Dave and Jan Veldhorst.

FORMS AVAILABLE IN THE O.C.S. OFFICE

*Information/Registration Form for Cedar Grove-Belgium Schools Summer Swim Program. Registration is May 12 and 13, 6:00-7:30 PM in the Elementary School Commons. You can also access the registration form on-line. Go to the school website and get the form there. Print it off and bring it to the registration session.

*Informational Brochures/Registration Forms for the Lakeland College Girls' Basketball Camp for girls in grades 4-8. The camp will be held July 23 – 25.

*Informational Brochures/Registration Forms for the Green Bay Prevea 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament being held June 5 for hoopsters age nine through adult.

*Camp Calvin Registration/Information Brochures – Camp is June 21-26

CALENDAR

April 29	R-J-W Class Pizza Party
May 3-7	Teacher Appreciation Week
May 5	Chicken Patty Lunch
May 6	"Annie, Jr." 7:00
May 7	Progress Reports
	"Annie, Jr." 7:00
May 8	"Annie, Jr." 2:00