

**HOME BULLETIN**  
**February 9, 2011**

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

Please continue to keep Jill Haag and her family in your prayers (husband, Bill and children, Ashlea and Aiden). Jill is continuing to recover from a bone marrow transplant. You can visit Jill's Caring Bridge website as you pray: [www.caringbridge.org/visit/jillhaag](http://www.caringbridge.org/visit/jillhaag).

Jill's address is:       Jill Haag  
                              c/o Froedtert Hospital  
                              BMT-Rm. 1  
                              9200 W. Wisconsin Avenue  
                              Milwaukee, WI 53226

Please continue to pray for the school board as they work on the budget for the 2011 – 2012 school year. Thank you for your prayers.

**ALL-SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**

Oostburg Christian School will be hosting a 4K – 8<sup>th</sup> grade Open House tomorrow, February 10, from 6:00 PM – 7:30 PM. Come and join us for all the fun. Our 5<sup>th</sup> / 6<sup>th</sup> grade basketball teams will be hosting the St. Dominic School teams in our gym and our 7<sup>th</sup> / 8<sup>th</sup> grade boys' team will be hosting the Sheboygan Christian 7<sup>th</sup> grade team. Classrooms will be open and teachers / administration will be available to answer any questions. If you know of any families who are interested in learning more about our school please invite them to come.

**NEW FAMILY REFERRAL**

Remember to invite new families to our Open House next week. If the family you refer to our school decides to enroll and stays for at least one semester you will have a \$750 tuition credit coming your way. We have a number of brochures available to distribute to your family and friends. Please ask the office for these materials or pick them up in the brochure rack outside the office.

**YEARBOOK LUNCH**

There will be a junior high yearbook lunch next Monday, February 14. Hot dogs and noodle cups will be available for \$1.00 each, payable on Monday morning.

**EARLY RELEASE REMINDER**

Next Wednesday, February 16, is the third Wednesday of the month. Students will be dismissed at 1:20 PM. Busses and the school van will be running at that time. Please remember there is no Afternoon Care beyond 1:20 PM.

**PRE-REGISTRATION AT O.C.S.**

A Pre-registration form was sent home with your child last week. Please fill out and return it with your registration fee by Friday, March 4. Please remember that anyone who cannot afford the registration fee at this time should contact a Finance Committee member to make arrangements. Members of the Finance Committee are Justin Zylstra (Treasurer – phone #698-1392), Beth Modahl (Assistant Secretary Treasurer – phone # 564-6512), Annette Wisse (Board President – phone # 564-6211), and Bob Adams (School Administrator – phone # 564-2664 school or 564-3828 home).

*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.*

## **TUITION ASSISTANCE**

*"No child in the area should be denied the opportunity of a Christian education because his or her family cannot afford tuition."*

Because of this Board held belief Oostburg Christian School has 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 Assistance Service of Fulton, Illinois, to determine how best to distribute the school's tuition assistance to those seeking help paying tuition expenses for 2011 – 2012. This "outside" service can impartially evaluate family needs. The only charge is \$18 per family payable to CSTAS 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 1, 2011. **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 2011 – 2012.**

## **MUSIC DEPARTMENT NOTES**

Our K-5th grade musical, I Witness News: Live From Jericho, will be presented on Thurs., March 10, at 6:30. All K-4th grade students will need a tan, gray, or brown t-shirt to wear over blue jeans. The 5th graders have already been notified about their costumes. Please invite friends and family to this entertaining re-telling of Joshua and the Israelites at the city of Jericho.

The 6th-8th Grade Music Festival at Brookfield Christian School will take place all day Friday, April 15, with our OCS Mini-Music Festival scheduled for Thursday, April 7, starting at 6:30. All family and friends are invited to all of these events. Detailed information about our Music Festivals was given to all 6th-8th grade students on Monday, Jan. 31. Please ask your child about this; students were asked to get a parent's signature and return the forms by Thursday, Feb. 3. Any questions? Call Mr. or Mrs. DeMaster

## **POSSIBLE TEACHER OPENINGS AT O.C.S.**

There will be some possible teacher openings at Oostburg Christian School in the fall. Miss Tammy Gantner must take one semester off from teaching pre-school to complete her student teaching to be licensed through sixth grade. This means we will be looking for a 4K teacher as well as a part-time middle school Spanish teacher for the first semester of the 2011 – 2012 school year. Mrs. DuMez is considering teaching part-time next year. This means there is a potential part-time fourth grade opening for the 2011 – 2012 school year. Finally, Mr. DeMaster is considering teaching full-time at Sheboygan County Christian High School. If this were to happen OCS would need a part-time band instructor. If you know of anyone who may be interested in any of these positions, please have them contact the school for an application and send in their resume. Please be in prayer for our staff as they consider God's leading in their lives. We praise God for the tremendous, Godly teachers we have at Oostburg Christian School.

## **4K REGISTRATION AT O.C.S. FOR 2011 – 2012**

We are now accepting registrations for 4K for the 2011-2012 school year. If you need a registration packet, please contact the school office.

## **CABIN FEVER RELIEVER**

Our next Cabin Fever Reliever date is Thursday, February 17, from 8:30 – 10:00 AM. Pre-school, home-school, public-school or Christian-school...children and their care givers are invited to attend. Anyone who would like to see the rest of the school during this time is welcome to walk through. For more information, call the school office.

### **UNITY GROUP PROJECT AT O.C.S.**

Our Unity Groups continue to collect funds for the Tesoros de Dios project. We have collected \$744.58 to date this school year. Please continue to support this very worthwhile cause our students are involved with. Thank you!

### **WINTER WEATHER CLOSINGS**

Parents and guardians are reminded that students should have an emergency plan in case we dismiss early or if school is cancelled. Students will be allowed to make emergency phone calls and school will stay open until transportation arrives for all students. Parents and guardians are asked to notify the school office if someone other than themselves will be providing transportation for the children. Please listen to WHBL radio (1330 on your AM dial) for closing information due to weather. You can also get closing information on their website at [www.whbl.com](http://www.whbl.com). Go to "Quick Links" listed on the right side of the home page and select "Cancellations". Parents may also tune into Channel 4 and 12 on their TV for closing information. Remember, if Oostburg Public Schools close due to inclement weather, so do we (bussing). There is no aftercare if school closes due to inclement weather.

### **SCRIP WOULD LIKE YOU TO KNOW.....**

that Dulmes Décor is now available for a 5% discount (3% for you, 2% for the school, which is also you!) When shopping there for your home improvement projects, just mention that you are a supporter of Oostburg Christian School. You will write the check for the full amount to OCS Scrip, and they will in turn give you a check for the amount minus 5% to pay your bill. Very easy to use—just ask Brenda ([jblammers@frontier.com](mailto:jblammers@frontier.com)) or Melanie ([hoops221@frontier.com](mailto:hoops221@frontier.com))

### **CHARGER SHOOT-OUT 2011 IS HISTORY**

We praise God for the many blessings we have received from this year's event:

- The weather held out so that all games could remain on schedule.
- All teams were lined up and arrived as planned.
- The concessions were well-staffed with faithful workers and food was served without incident.
- We recognized the memory of Jason Mentink with family and friends attending on Saturday night. We are re-naming the Charger Shoot-out tournament in his honor: The Jason Mentink Memorial Tournament.

We received the following thank you to the Oostburg Christian School Family:



*Words don't seem sufficient enough to fully express our gratitude for the incredible honor it is in changing the name of the "Charger Shoot Out" basketball tournament to the "Jason Mentink Memorial" basketball tournament starting next year.*

*Jason loved sports... especially basketball. He was so proud to be on the first team (coached by his dad and his brother), the very first year of the "Charger Shoot Out".*

*He had a great respect for his heritage and accredited a portion of that "up-bringing" to his experience at Oostburg Christian School.*

*As a family, we are just in tears over how perfect this gift of honor is for Jason. It combines his great love for sports, his pride for his school and his history of playing in the "Charger Shoot Out" many years ago.*

*Thank you... from the bottom of our hearts. This is such a special gift to us... and to Jason.*

*The Jason Mentink Family*

- Our girls took first place Consolation with Tim Wisse as coach. Our boys took first place Championship, under the temporary leadership of Dale Stecker and Wayne Kelley as Mr. Adams was called out of town for his father-in-law's funeral. Thank you for stepping up to help!
- We have many faithful sponsors for this event and praise God for each one of them!

We will publish profit figures as they become available. Thanks for your help throughout the tournament.

### **SHEBOYGAN PRESS**

If you or someone you know gets the Sheboygan Press delivered to their door, please consider renewing your subscription through the school. We will distribute it the same way that we do Scrip, and your tuition account will benefit. You cannot use the E-Z pay method, but must have a paper renewal subscription. **Once again, thank you for considering helping the school!**

### **COMING EVENT: NIGHT OF PRAISE**

Put April 16, 2011 on your calendar for a great evening of praise and fellowship. Details will follow.

## **REQUESTED ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **LIBRARY EVENT**

Oostburg Public Library will be featuring "Rockin' All Over the World" with Mr. Billy, sponsored by the Friends of the Library, on Friday, February 11, at 4:00 PM.

### **DORDT DISCOVERY DAYS**

Mark your calendars now for Dordt Discovery Days, an academic summer camp for students who have completed the 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> or 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Over 30 classes are offered in science, technology, art and more! See the website for last year's classes.

#### **DORDT DISCOVERY DAYS**

Dordt College, Sioux Center, Iowa

June 20-24, 2011

Registration opens online March 19 at

[www.dordt.edu/events/ddd](http://www.dordt.edu/events/ddd)

### **CALENDAR**

February 10	Open House 6:00 – 7:30 B-Ball Boys5/6 vs StD 5:00 Girls5/6 vs StD 6:00 Boys7/8 vs SCS 7:00
February 14	Jr. High Yearbook Lunch
February 15	B-Ball Girls7/8 vs StD 5:00 Boys7/8 vs StD 6:00
February 16	Hamburger Lunch 1:20 PM Dismissal
February 17	Cabin Fever Reliever 8:30 – 10:00 AM B-Ball Girls5/6 @ HF 4:30 Boys5/6 @ HF 5:30
February 18 & 19	Christian School Basketball Tourney @ Randolph & Waupun