2010-11 Papermaker Highlights

STUDENTS

CHS Magnet Students Win Big Honor, Paycheck at Imagine Tomorrow Competition
Teams of students from the Camas High School Magnet Program competed in the 4th annual Imagine Tomorrow science problem solving competition held at Washington State University on May 20-21. There were over 50 high schools competing in this event from across the state, with more than 120 projects on display. Despite the tough competition, CHS freshmen Carly Marshall, Lindsay Weinberg, Ryann Bruno, and Hailey Pfeifer won top honors in the behavioral category for their “Green Machine: Education through Compost” project, earning the students a cash prize of $5,000 and another $5,000 for CHS. Congratulations to these students (and their teachers) for their fine academic performance!

CHS Chefs Win Culinary Honor
On May 7th a team of aspiring chefs distinguished themselves at the 3rd Annual Clark Country High School Culinary Competition. The team of Chris Ontkean, Megan Essman, Enya Hornby, and Jaryn Hornby came away with the Sodexo Chefs’ Choice for Most Creative Use of Mystery Ingredient. Congratulations to these four students for their collaborative and creative work in the kitchen as well as to CHS Foods instructor Melanie Clark.

CHS Track Athletes Run and Jump to State
The CHS Track & Field Team had some dominating performances at the Bi District Track Meet on May 20-21. Here is the meet summary from Head Girls Coach Alisa Wise:
Camas Ladies Track and Field team were on a mission this past weekend – and they return home as Regional Champions for a 2nd year in a row outscoring 22 schools this past weekend. Megan Kelley had a standout performance earning 3 championships: the 100m, 200m and 400m and breaking the meet record for the 100m in the preliminaries with a time of 12.47 and also anchoring out 4 x 400m relay team to a 2nd place finish. That team consisted of Slayton, Reiter/Parsons, Klein and Kelley. Megan Napier also crossed the line as champion in the 1600m run with a time of 5:12, with Austen Reiter a close 3rd behind her. Parsons and Napier were 2nd and 3rd in the 3200m run. Sara Slayton took 3rd and 2nd in the 100m high hurdles and 300m intermediate hurdles. Lauren Neff ended up 4th in the high jump. We have 7 ladies qualifying for 10 events for State this next weekend. Congrats to our Championship Girls and good luck to them as they take it to State at Mt. Tahoma High School on May 27-28.

Our Men’s Track team ended up 11th this last weekend at the Bi-District meet in Tacoma. We have 9 athletes who qualified for state next week: Even Klein finished a strong 2nd in the 800m run. Thomas Cocks placed 5th in the Pole Vault to earn a spot in the state meet. Andrew Kaler placed 5th in the 3200m run, also earning a trip to state. Scott Feather finished 4th in the discus. Our boys 4 x 400m relay team – consisting of Schrader, Klein, J. Smith and Golden – proved to be one of the fastest at Camas since the mid 1980’s, running a time of 3:28 and qualifying for the State Meet.

Softball Puts It All Together at District Tournament
Head Coach Ken Nidick and his girls entered the District Softball Tournament as the #4 seed, but finished as the 2011 GSHL 3A District Champions! The girls caught fire and defeated Prairie and League Champion Kelso to qualify for the Bi District Softball Tournament as the #1 see from our league. Way to peak at the right time softballers!

Minder Posts Milestone Victory
Head Boys Soccer Coach Roland Minder collected his 250th career victory with his team’s 3-0 win over Fort Vancouver. After defeating Sammamish in the State Quarter Finals, the CHS Boys have reached the Final Four for the fourth time in the past 5 years! Remarkably, the boys 3-0 win over Auburn-Mountain View qualified them for the State Tournament for the 13th consecutive year.

To read the Camas Post Record story on Minder’s 250th win click on this link: http://www.camaspostrecord.com/news/2011/may/18/sidelines-minder-250/

CHS Equestrian Team State Results
Here is Coach Laurie Purviance’s “run down” of top performances by the Camas High School Equestrian Team at State...

We had 7 top 10 finishes with 2 CHS riders taking medals (Medals are awarded for 1st to 3rd place finishes: Gold, Silver and Bronze). Competition was tough this year, but our kids have worked very hard this season and have come a very long way. Great performances by:

Chris Allen - 1st place, GOLD medal... In Hand Trail
Mckenzie Kuhlman – 3rd place, BRONZE medal... In Hand Trail, 9th Place in Driving.
Sarah Brizek- 6th place..... Driving
Jordan Moore – 6th place... Reining
Chris Allen, Mckenzie Kuhlman, Sarah Brizek & Hanna Firstenburg - 4th Place .. In Hand Obstacle Race
And our first ever DRILL Team for Camas took 10th .... Krysta Purviance, Emily Watson, Chris Allen, Mckenzie Kuhlman, Megan Templer, Sade Allen, Hanna Firstenburg, Randi Hirn, Jordan Moore & Kristi Weese.

CHS Ladies Track Dominates District Track Meet, Boys Qualify for Regionals
The CHS girls added a district title to their league title thanks, in part, to these standout performances: Megan Kelley swept all four of her events winning the 100m, 200m, 400m and anchored the 4 x 400m relay team. Sara Slayton also won all her events – 100m high hurdles, 300m intermediate hurdles, 4 x 200m relay and the 4 x 400m relay. Megan Napier was District Champion in the 3200m run. Many, many more girls qualified for the Bi District Meet in Tacoma.

Our boys fell shy of the District Championship, but advanced several athletes to the Bi District Meet. Andrew Kaler was District Champion in both the 1600m and 3200m run. Congratulations to all our qualifying athletes and good luck to them at Mt. Tahoma, from which the top 5 in each event will advance to the State Meet.

Mobile Lab to Roll on Campus this Fall
CHS has received a $10,000 grant from the Camas Educational Foundation for a mobile lab consisting of 35 netbook computers. Rather than having to bring his/her class to a computer lab, the mobile cart enables teachers to bring the computers to the classroom! We are looking forward to adding this mobile
lab to our building technology options. We have high hopes that it (along with added computers as a result of the remodel) will alleviate the scheduling challenges and tech shortages that CHS staff have faced the past few years.

**CHS Gymnasts Compete at National Gymnastic Competition**

*Amy Siebenthaler* and *Amanda Bolton* were two of only thirteen entries from Washington State to compete at the Senior Nationals Gymnastics competition on May 20. Both girls competed in all four events and Amy qualified to finals on Saturday on floor, finishing 9th in the nation! Congratulations Amy and Amanda.

**Congratulations to CHS Pride Inside Award Winners**
These students were nominated and selected by staff for epitomizing the character and qualities that teachers would expect from a “great CHS student.”

*April* Seniors  **Austin Webberley** and **Adrienne Engel**; Juniors Ben Hagen and Ashley Wirta; Sophomores Fengjun (Jon) Dong and Courtney Loewen; and Freshmen Sam Odia and Melody Peterson.

*March* Seniors  **Raya Klein** and **Julian Samuels**; Juniors **Sasha Mouser** and **Samuel Johnson**; Sophomores **Makenzie Hall** and **Wyatt Hancock**; and Freshmen **Harli Hubbard** and **Cassius Johnson**

*February* Seniors  **Joseph Tomassi** and **Alicia Hamlin**; Juniors **Adam Anicker** and **Christy Swan**; Sophomores **Brandon Waudby** and **Amanda Kern**; and Freshmen **Matthew Palodichuk** and **Eryka Cooper**.

*January* Seniors  **Matt Espiritu** and **Danika Jones**; Juniors **Noah Encke** and **Cassidy Hines**; Sophomores **Andy Peterson** and **Josie Harris**; and Freshmen **Tye Lommason** and **Rebecca Fitzgerald**.

*December* Seniors  **Amaan Singh** and **Briann Wood**; Juniors **Austin Barr** and **Sydney Schwartz**; Sophomores **Zach Smith** and **Kimi Knight**; and Freshmen **Jason Vailea** and **Kathleen Brumfield**.

*November* Seniors  **Nick Sharma** and **Marleen de Zoete**; Juniors **Cameron Schnell** and **Renee Valenter**; Sophomores **John Martin** and **Sara Knight**; and Freshmen **Nathan Beasley** and **Sulamitta Stepanyuk**.

*October* Seniors  **Carolyn Foster** and **Dillon Shultz**; Juniors **Deborah Lubanga** and **Connor Vermillion**; Sophomores **Kristin Duley** and **Devin Wickersham**; and Freshmen **Brenda Nesta** and **Matt Danis**.

*September* Seniors  **Brent Hill** and **Danielle Southard**; Juniors **Jared Smith** and **Ashley Sturza**; Sophomores **Connor Zeponni** and **Haley Haskins**; and Freshmen **Nicholas Rich** and **Madison Grunwald**.

DECA Finishes Record-Setting Year
CHS qualified a school-record nineteen students for the International DECA competition in Orlando, Florida. Below is the summary from Dave Johnson, CHS DECA Advisor: At Internationals, each student or student team competes against approximately 130 other students/teams in their category. The top 20 then qualify to compete in the finals of their category. The following students qualified for finals:

**Chad Wiley**- Business Services Marketing  
**Elijah Kent/Scott Feather**-Sports and Entertainment Marketing  
**Sara Slayton/Evan Klein**-Financial Literacy Promotion

The 20 finalists in each category then solve another role play situation or present their project again. At the final awards ceremony the top 10 are called up on stage. Placing in the “Top 10” at the international conference were:

**Sara Slayton/Evan Klein**  
**Elijah Kent/Scott Feather**

In addition, some students are recognized because they placed in the top 6 in some portion of the competition but did not make finals. **Keira Alkema** and **David Meyer** were recognized on stage for their superior performance in one portion of the competition.

**Janson Wins Kaiser Scholarship**  
Senior **Olivia Janson** has been selected by Kaiser Permanente Northwest and the Oregon Health Career Center to receive a Kaiser Permanente Health Care Career Scholarship. She is one of an elite group of graduating high school seniors from 114 Oregon and Washington schools to be chosen for this scholarship, which provides funding to students who plan to pursue careers in health. Janson will receive this $2,000 award at a ceremony on May 14.

**Science Olympiad Wins State Title**  
After three consecutive years of placing 3rd in state, the CHS Science Olympiad team had a breakthrough. The team won its first state title at the April 16th tournament at Clark College. Medal winners at the state tournament were:

**Chris Schiller** (1 first, 2 seconds); **Brett Steffens** (1 first 2 seconds); **Marcus Bintz** (2 firsts, 2 seconds); **Tim Grote** (1 first, 2 seconds); **Joanna Liao** (1 first, 1 second, 1 third); **Chris Grote** (1 first, 1 second, 1 fifth); **Genny Billington** (1 second, 1 fifth); **Olivia Janson** (1 first, 1 second); **Danika Jones** (1 first, 1 second); **Jake Hsu** (1 first, 1 third); **Noah Wachlin** (1 first, 1 third); **Vaughn Okerlund** (1 first); **Devin LeBlanc** (1 first); **Nicholas Lim** (5 medals: 3 firsts, 1 second, 1 third); **Chris Emmet** (1 second, 1 fourth); **Eliot Shoemaker** (1 second)

Coach **Ron Wright** noted that the CHS team medaled in 19 of the 25 events! The team is moving the national tournament on May 21 in Wisconsin.

**CHS K-Bowl Wins Back-to-Back State Titles**  
For the second year in a row, the CHS Knowledge Bowl Team has claimed the 3A state title. Coach **Dale Croswell** had this two say about his K-Bowlers: “The guys truly represented themselves, our school, and our community very well. They won their pre-lim bracket, then stormed through the semi and championship rounds to emerge with the trophy.” Members of the 2011 State Champion Knowledge
Bowl Team are: Captain Ryan Gompertz, Jacob Freedman, Chris Grote, Nicholas Lim, Alec Maier, and Chris Emmet.

Mock Trial Finishes Strong at 2nd State Competition
While they did not “rule”, the CHS Mock Trial Team certainly made its best case at its second-ever state competition. While their 11th place finish was not as high as they had hoped, team members were proud of their performance. These legal-minded students were paired with an opponent that won state last year, this year, and took 4th in the nation last year. Coach Jackie Hofer said: “Although we were placed in a more challenging bracket, we were not “outdone” and had a great competition.” The CHS attorneys and witnesses certainly impressed the judges: Hannah Tweed, Sam Svilas, and Deborah Lubanga and were all nominated for Best Attorney and Jacqueline Harms, Derek Hood, Jason Jay, Ben Gibson, and Garrett Wilgus all received nominations for Best Witness.

Robotics Team Wins Big in Seattle Microsoft Competition
The FIRST Robotics Team 2471 aka “Team Mean Machine” dominated the competition at the March 18-19th Microsoft Regional Robotics Tournament. The team led from start to finish, winning eight of their first nine matches. They then held strong through the quarter-, semi- and finals rounds to become the 2011 Regional Champions and qualify for the International Robotics Competition to be held in St. Louis at the end of April. Team Mean Machine was also the winner of the Industrial Design for Engineering Award sponsored by General Motors, which “celebrates form and function in an efficiently designed machine that effectively achieves the game challenge.” The team consists of the following CHS students: Hans Cocks, Andrea Saechao, Natalie Janson, Henry Midles, Jordan Mazi, James Wasson, Catherine Le, Brett Johnson, Kurt Johnson, Griffen Gorsuch, Nicholas Thornley, Zachary Spratt, Victor Zhang and Jongkon Khommmthian and is coached by team of adult advisors led by Brianna and Mohit Abraham.

CHS Scientists Impress at WJSHS
Three Camas seniors, Jacob Freedman, Carolyn Foster and Nicholas Lim, recently participated in the 49th annual Washington Junior Sciences and Humanities Symposium (WJSHS) in Seattle. These students presented their senior research projects in juried presentations settings. Lim earned a 6th place in oral presentations and an all-expenses-paid trip to San Diego for the national event while Foster earned a ribbon as a second-runner-up in the poster presentations competition. Nice work CHS scholars!

Science Olympiad Wins Regional Competition for Fourth Straight Year
The Camas High School Science Olympiad team extended its dominance of the Southwest Region Science Olympiad Tournament to four straight years. While it was close this year, the Papermakers edged out Columbia River and Union at this March 12th competition.

Medalists included: Chris Emmet, Nicholas Lim, Olivia Janson, Danika Jones, Chris Grote, Brett Steffens, Chris Schiller, Ryan Gompertz, Devin LeBlanc, Joanna Liao, Marcus Bintz, Jake Hsu, Tim Grote, Vaughn Okerlund, Genny Billington, Charles Teames, Griffin King, Ryan Lim, and Parker Liebe.

The next tournament is for all the marbles: The April 16th State Championships at Clark College. Our Olympic scholars have placed 3rd in State for the past three years and are ready to win it all in 2011.

Congratulations to CHS Winter Sports All League Athletes
At the end of each season, the head coaches of the Greater St. Helens 3A League decide which athletes deserve the honor of being named to the All League Teams. These teams consist of the coaches’ picks for the regular season’s top performers at a certain position or in a certain event. Camas is proud to claim eighteen All League athletes, an Athlete of the Year, and a Coach of the Year (see below). Congratulations on this honor.

**Boys Basketball**
- Player of the Year
  - Jacob Kaler
- First Team
  - Marc Eppinger
- Second Team
  - Addison Owen
- Coach of the Year
  - Scott Preuninger

**Girls Basketball**
- First Team
  - Kendra Preuninger
- Second Team
  - Sydney Allen
  - Kayla Roche

**Wrestling**
- First Team
  - Tye Lommasson, 103
  - Miguel Salamanca, 145
  - Gabe Wells, 189
  - Jason Cline, 215
  - Chris Scott, 285
- Second Team
  - Dakota Safford, 119
  - Tyler Weiss, 135

**Gymnastics**
- First Team
  - Audrey Siebenthaler

**Boys Swimming**
- First Team
  - Nick Kabel (50 free)
  - Jake Yraceburu (100 breast)
- Second Team
  - Ian Ulmer (200 IM)

**DECA Dominates at State Competition; 17 Going to Nationals**
Marketing students competed in Bellevue on March 4 and 5 to determine who would qualify for national competition in Orlando, FL April 29-May 4. According to DECA Advisor Dave Johnson, “We took an extremely strong team, mixed with experience and youth, and they represented Camas High School very well.” The top 6 of 60 qualify for national competition. Here is a list of the national qualifiers:

- **Sara Slayton**-Apparel Marketing 3rd place
- **Drew Swisher**-Automotive Service Marketing 2nd place
- **Chad Wiley**-Business Services Marketing 3rd place
- **Keira Alkema**-Food Marketing Services 3rd place
- **Renee Valenter**-Entrepreneurship 5th place
- **Kevin Knight**-Employment Acquisition-Sports Marketing 1st place
- **Jason Gorman/Chris Schiller**-Buying Merchandising Team Event 2nd place
- **Evan Klein/Ciara Klein**-Buying Merchandising Team Event 3rd place
• Scott Feather/Elijah Kent-Sports and Entertainment Team Event 5th place
• Courtney Kinsman/Danni Southard-Entrepreneurship Promotion Project 2nd place
• Sara Slayton/Evan Klein-Financial Literacy Promotion Project 1st place
• Annike Sumpter/Olivia Lovell-Buying and Merchandising Operations Research 6th place
• Tony Kern-Sports and Entertainment Marketing-8th place

Students that made the stage and received medals or placed in the top 10 but just missed qualifying for nationals:
• Dalen Lappe/Parker Roland-Travel/Tourism Team Event-10th place
• Honor Stevenson-Sports and Entertainment Marketing-10th place
• Amanda Rutter-Apparel Marketing-10th place
• Austin Barr-Hotel Lodging Management-10th place
• David Meyer-Marketing Management-10th place

CHS Mock Trial Makes Strong Case at District Competition
Our Mock Trial coach Jackie Hofer had this to say this after her team placed 1st in the District Mock Trial Competition: “This team deserves TONS of accolades. We have the strongest team we have ever seen...75% of our witnesses were nominated for Best Witness and 100% of our attorneys were nominated for Best Attorney (which I have never seen happen before).”

These students won the following individual honors: Best Witness - Jason Jay and Best Attorney - Deborah Lubanga. Watch out defendants, the team CHS, which defeated the competition from the Vancouver School District’s Legal Arts Magnet, is headed to state brimming with confidence.

Knowledge Bowl Strikes Again – Wins Regional Championship!
Of the 9 teams that competed in the 2011 Varsity Tournament, the 4 teams from CHS finished 1st, 6th, 7th, and 9th. The defending state champions, Chris Grote, Chris Emmet, Alec Maier, Ryan Gompertz, and Nick Lim, will again be representing CHS at the State Tournament, which will be held in Richland on Saturday, March 26th. Coach Dale Croswell also wanted to celebrate the success of his JV program. According to Croswell, “The CHS was well represented at the JV Tournament, which involved the top 9 of all 39 JV teams in ESD 112. Our teams finished 2nd, 5th, and 6th. Fantastic!” The 2nd-place team of Kyle Binder, Xinyang Chen, Tim Liu, Shicon Wen, Rachel Fadlovich, and Lindsay Weinberg scored the highest total for this tournament!

CHS Wins 2011 Washington Achievement Award
Let’s take a moment to celebrate that CHS repeated as winner of the Washington Achievement Award. CHS was one of 186 schools overall and 21 high schools in the state to win this honor. Click here to learn more about the 2010 Washington Achievement Award.

This award, sponsored by the Washington State Board of Education and the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction, celebrates the state’s top-performing schools and recognizes achievement in multiple categories. This highly selective award is based on a school’s performance on the Achievement Index, a comprehensive measurement of Washington schools’ performance over time.

Equestrian Team Shines at First Competition of the Year
Coach Laurie Purviance was happy to report that her riders combined for 25 “Top 10” finishes to start the season. Here are the results:


Salamanca Wins State Wrestling Title
Congratulations to senior Miguel Salamanca who became Camas’ first male wrestling state champion in twelve years by beating Hanford’s Matt Owens 9-7 in the 145 lb. Finals. According to Coach Alan Bohac, “While this win was impressive, Miguel’s match of the tournament was his semifinal win over the top-ranked wrestler in triple overtime.” Junior Tyler Weiss placed 7th at 135 lbs. As a team, CHS finished 17th out of 60 3A teams. Well done Papermaker Wrestlers.

CHS Girls Basketball Raises Nearly $4,000 in Hoops 4 Pink Fundraiser
Thanks to the efforts of the entire CHS Girls Basketball program and its parents, nearly $4,000 was raised for breast cancer research. To view the Hoops 4 Pink photo gallery click on this link: http://www.camaspostrecord.com/photos/galleries/2011/feb/08/hoops-for-pink/

CHS Boys Basketball Make History
The 2010-11 Boys Basketball Team, led by Coach Scott Preuninger, became the first CHS boys team in 49 years to win a GSHL League Title. To view the league championship photo gallery click on this link: http://www.camaspostrecord.com/photos/galleries/2011/feb/08/making-camas-hoops-history/

Student Research Project Published in Science Journal
Congratulations to seniors Olivia Janson and Nick Lim on their first scientific publication! Their behavioral study on the effect of Alzheimer’s Disease was published in the journal, Neuroscience. Their mentor wrote: “[Nick and Olivia’s] contribution through olfactory, rearing and activity testing as well as MPTP injections was crucial to the successful outcome of these analyses, which is why [they were] listed as coauthors on the manuscript.” Olivia and Nick’s research was also featured in the February 20th Sunday Columbian.

Young Poets Know It at 2011 Poetry Out Loud Competition
Congratulations to Hope Nakamichi and Eden Pollock, who finished atop a field of over thirty CHS contestants at the 3rd annual CHS Poetry Out Loud Contest on January 27, competing for a national grand prize of $20,000. Nakamichi recited Jimmy Santiago Baca’s “Who Understands Me but Me?, while Pollock recited “Amor Mundi” by Christina Rossetti. To compete in the school-wide contest, students choose poems, which they commit to memory and recite to win classroom competitions, and then again
to a panel of five judges in competition with other classroom winners. Contestants are evaluated on physical presence, voice and articulation, appropriateness of dramatization, level of difficulty, evidence of understanding, and accuracy. Nakamichi and Pollock will move on to compete in the SW Washington Regional Contest on 8 February, at the Wy’East Middle School.

Special thanks to the CHS faculty who staffed the event: Terry Cavender, Mark Gardner, Hannelore Tweed, Sam Greene, Tyler Morgan, Brandon Raimo, and Terry Nyqust.

Swimmers Succeed at Sub District Swim Meet
Camas swimmers shined at the 3A sub-district swim meet at Propstra Pool. According to Coach Mike Bemis, all swimmers swam best times of the season. Great performances were turned in by Austin Alling winning the 500 Free, Ricardo Andolina in the 100 Back, and Jake Hsu in the 100 Breast. These three swimmers qualified for the district meet.

Papermaker Gymnasts Undefeated
The CHS gymnasts completed a perfect regular season, defeated the Trappers, Eagles, Thunder, Highlanders, and Falcons on their way to the 2011 League Title. Members of the team are: Amanda Bolton, KaCey Caswell, Nicole Dietzman, Virginia Duley, Emily Early, Grace Giordano, Ashley Gjerswold, Alicia Hamlin, Katelynne Jones, Jessica Meyer, Kylan Meyer, Kacie Ramage, Hali Ramirez, Amy Siebenthaler, Audrey Siebenthaler, Hayden Sutton, Tiffani Vincent, Kacee Webb, and Jamie Woods.

Signing Party Celebrates Five College-Bound CHS Scholar-Athletes
Five Papermaker athletes will continue their athletic careers at the college level next fall. On the morning of February 2, Melissa Williams (Eastern Washington – Basketball), Odin Coe (Montana State – Football), Addison Owen (Montana – Football), Drew White (Washington – Soccer), and Curt Yinger (University of California Santa Barbara – Baseball) all officially accepted scholarships to play for their respective universities. Congratulations and good luck, Fantastic Five. Papermaker sports fans will have fun following you in the years to come.

Esser, Klein, and Sumpter Named to All State Soccer
Congratulations to seniors Kailee Esser, Raya Klein, and Annike Sumpter who were named by state soccer coaches to the 2011 3A All State Soccer Team. Kailee (defender) was named to the First Team All-State Team while Raya and Annike earned Second Team honors.

Grindy, Coe Win Top NFF Scholarships
For the first time since the scholarship began in 1992, a pair of Camas Papermakers were awarded the top two scholarships by the Clark County chapter of the National Football Foundation and College Hall of Fame: Senior quarterback Logan Grindy and senior lineman Odin Coe each received $3,500 in college scholarship money!
Three backs and three linemen received scholarship money (ranging from $1,500 - $3,500) from the Clark County chapter of the NFF. Nominees had to play high school football as seniors and carry a grade point average of at least 3.0. Scholarship winners are chosen based on academic and football success,
and their contributions to the community. Taking all of this into consideration, Logan and Odin emerged as the top scholar-football players in the region. Congratulations guys.

Super Showing by CHS Science Olympiad at Home Event
Coach Ron Wright was pleased to report that his three teams placed 2nd, 3rd and 11th out of 18 teams at the January 22 Camas Invitational. Individual medal winners at the first-ever Science Olympiad Competition: Chris Emmet – 2nd, 4th; Tim Grote – 2nd, 1st, 4th; Eliot Shoemaker – 2nd, 3rd; Eugene Hsu – 3rd, 4th; Rogan Campbell – 4th, 4th; Chris Grote – 1st, 2nd, 2nd; Jake Hsu – 1st; Marcus Bintz – 1st, 2nd, 2nd; Vaughn Okerlund – 3rd; Yushuan Peng – 3rd; Nick Lim – 1st, 4th, 1st, 1st; Noah Wachlin – 1st; Brett Steffens – 2nd, 1st, 1st; Chris Shiller – 2nd, 1st, 1st; Ryan Gompertz – 4th; Eric Kuhta – 3rd, 4th; Charles Teames- 3rd, 4th; Olivia Janson – 1st, 4th, 1st; Danika Jones – 1st; Tynan Black – 2nd; Rachel Fadlovich – 3rd

DECA Students Shine at Area Nine
The CHS DECA juggernaut continued to roll over its regional opponents at the January 19th Area 9 DECA Conference in Longview. Students presented two role play situations to local business people and completed an extensive marketing test. Marketing teacher Dave Johnson was pleased with his students’ performances and with the number of students who qualified for state competition March 3-5 in Bellevue. The long list of state qualifiers include: Renee Valenter - 1st place in Entrepreneurship; Sara Slayton-1st place Apparel Marketing; Courtney Kinsman-3rd place Apparel; Ollie Stanchfield-4th place Apparel; Amanda Rutter-6th place Apparel; Rachel Grant-5th place Accounting; Drew Swisher-3rd place Automotive Services Marketing; Nolan Valenter-4th place Automotive; Chad Wiley-1st place Business Services Marketing; Adrienne Espedal-6th place Business Services; Keira Alkema-1st place Food Marketing; Marc Crinon-4th place Food; Madison Berkley-5th place Food; Austin Barr-1st place Hospitality Marketing; Julie Swisher-2nd place Hospitality; David Meyer-1st place Marketing Mgt.; Ben Hagen-2nd place Marketing Mgt.; Aksa Manzer-4th place Marketing Mgt.; Brandon Vega-6th place Marketing Mgt.; Curtis Little-1st place Quick-Serve Restaurant; Greg Wandro-2nd place Quick-Serve; Aubrey Riggins-3rd place Quick-Serve; Matt Randall 4th place Quick-Serve; Mahrukh Ahsan-1st place Retail Marketing; Shiraz Baroukh-5th place Retail Marketing; Michael Roberts-6th place Retail Marketing; Derek Debord-3rd place Sports Entertainment Marketing; Honor Stevenson-4th place Sports; Anthony Kern-5th place Sports; Jason Gorman/Chris Schiller-1st place Buying and Merchandising Team; Evan Klein/Ciara Klein-3rd place Buying and Merchandising Team; Parker Roland/Dalen Lappe-1st place Travel/Tourism Marketing Team; Scott Feather/Elijah Kent-1st place Sports/Entertainment Team. Congratulations on your incredible success DECA.

CHS Gymnasts Make History
Congratulations to the Camas High School Gymnastics team for scoring their highest team score ever in school history! The Papermakers beat Evergreen High school with a 162.0 at their January 22nd meet. Outstanding individual All-Around performances included: 1st – Amy Siebenthaler; 2nd - Audrey Siebenthaler (33.6); 4th – Amanda Bolton (32.5); and Nicole Dietzman (30.4).

Croswell Crows over Latest K-Bowl Win
Coach Dale Croswell felt pretty proud after his team’s latest dominating performance at the January 19 Knowledge Bowl Round Robin Tournament. In the varsity tournament, out of 12 varsity teams competing, our 4 teams finished 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th. In the JV tournament, out of 15 JV teams competing, our 5 JV teams finished 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th. Croswell summed up the results in one sentence: “It doesn’t get much better than that.” You are correct Coach Croswell. With one regular
season tournament to go, our varsity teams are currently in 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th place in league, while our JV teams are currently 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 8th.

**CHS Stuffs the Bus with Over 40,000 Pounds of Food**

Thanks to the generous support of the Camas community, CHS surpassed its goal of collecting over 40,000 pounds of food and reclaimed the Stuff the Bus trophy.

Once the final buses from Camas and Washougal High Schools were weighed, it was announced that the grand total for this event was 71,220 pounds of canned food. While that amount roughly equaled the total from 2009, the winner of this competition was the school that posted the greatest increase over last year’s donations. While the Panthers brought in slightly less than they did in 2009 (30,980 lbs. v. 35,560 lbs.), the Papermakers collected 10% more than last year (40,240 lbs. v. 36,560 lbs.)

While the effort was spearheaded by CHS Leadership students, it was our community donors who made this undertaking such a success. According to CHS President **Lucas Smith**, “It was truly a team effort.” Our elementary and middle schools rose to the occasion and raised an incredible amount of food, CHS students and staff – as well with our district office – contributed countless hours and dollars to the cause, and our CHS families and supporters overwhelmed us with their generosity.

While the event netted thousands of cans of food, it also raised thousands of dollars (over $8,500!) that were spent at local grocery stores. The end result defied expectations; organizers feared that donations would be “down” this year. It just goes to show what can be accomplished a common goal, a little teamwork, and – of course – a lot of “Papermaker Pride”!

Thanks to everyone who rallied around CHS and helped our neighbors in need.

**Klein, White Named to Adidas All-Region Team**

Seniors Raya Klein and Drew White were just two of twenty-four athletes to be named to the 2010 NSCAA/Adidas Far West Team. Congratulations on this elite honor Raya and Drew!

**JV Girls Soccer Players Make Big Donation to Rescue Mission**

Congratulations to Coach **Paul Della Valle** and our Junior Varsity Girls Soccer Team for eclipsing their 2009 fundraising total of $550 and raising over $577 for the Portland Rescue Mission to provide Thanksgiving meals for the city’s homeless. The girls’ generosity made a big difference in the lives of many over the holiday season.

**CHS Drama Fall Play a Side-Splitter**

This fall, **Rob Kankelberg** and his theater students brought some levity to the stage with their production of Neil Simon’s farcical play **Rumors**. Comic complications and great performances kept audiences laughing for its five-night run. All of those involved in this play – on stage or behind it – deserve applause. Bravo, CHS Thespians!

**Three Qualify as National Merit Semifinalists**

The National Merit Scholarship Program has announced the names of approximately 16,000 semifinalists nation-wide who will continue in the competition for 8,200 National Merit Scholarships.
Seniors Alexa Rakoski, Nicholas Lim and Connor Sullivan are all part of this elite group. Congratulations and good luck to the CHS’s “Terrific Triad.”

Congratulations to CHS Fall All League Athletes
At the end of each season, the head coaches of the Greater St. Helens 3A League decide which athletes deserve the honor of being named to the All League Teams. These teams are comprised of the coaches’ picks for the regular season’s top performers at a certain position or in a certain event. Camas is proud to claim FIVE players or co-players of the year and FORTY-THREE All-League athletes as well as two Coaches of the Year (see below). Congratulations on this honor.
Football
Offensive Player of the Year
Logan Grindy

First Team-Defense
Erik Clay (DL)
Odin Coe (DL)
Ikaika Gunderson (LB)
Jeremy Faulkner (DB)
Brent Hill (DB)
Addison Owen (DB)

Second Team-Defense
Kamari Brown
Damon Kosaki

Coach of the Year
Jon Eagle

Volleyball
Co-Player of the Year
Stefani Sorensen

First Team
Brindl Langley (OH/MB)
Marleen de Zoete (Setter)

Second Team
Kelsy Benton (OH/MB)

Coach of the Year
Julie Nidick

Soccer
Defensive Player of the Year
Kailee Esser

First Team
Raya Klein (Midfielder)
Adrienne Engel (Midfielder)
Annikke Sumpter (Defender)

Second Team
Ciara Klein (Forward)
Olivia Lovell (Camas)
Andrea Soderberg (Keeper)

Cross Country
Athlete of the Year
Andrew Kaler

First Team
Andrew Kaler
Megan Napier
Tucker Boyd
Austen Reiter
Jacquilynn Premo
Lindsay Wourms

Second Team
Andrew Duffy
Austin Vaughan

Boys Tennis
Singles Player of the Year
Triton Pitassi

Second Team Singles
Brandon Kang
Second Team Doubles
Sam Lin/
Augustus Cooper
Richard Nakagawa/
Conner King

Boys Golf
First Team
Cosmo Peng

Second Team
Ben Gibson

Honorable Mention
Daniel Patterson
Brandon Waudby

Patterson Signs Letter of Intent with New Mexico State
Senior pitcher Ryan Patterson signed a letter of intent to play baseball for New Mexico State University next year. Patterson went 4-0 with 19 strikeouts in 24 innings during the 2009-10 season.
Congratulations Ryan ... Go Aggies!
Football & Volleyball Make CHS History
The CHS varsity football team (11-1) made history on November 12th, when the Papermakers defeated Juanita High School in the opening round of the 3A Football Playoffs. Until this win, CHS had never won a state football game. Another incredible achievement: The entire CHS football program finished the fall season with a combined 26-1 regular season record!
Meanwhile, CHS Volleyball, which finished 5th in state, amassed a 30-2 overall record en route to becoming the first volleyball team in school history to finish as undefeated league champions. Way to go, ‘netters!

“K – Bowl” Keeps Bowling Over Competition
CHS Knowledge Bowl students recently opened their 2010 season with a dominating performance against schools from throughout the region. Here is the latest report from CHS Knowledge Bowl Coach Dale Croswell: “Out of 12 varsity teams, our 4 teams placed 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 5th. Our highest scoring team was the group who won the state meet last year. They started the year off by scoring 114 points, the second highest score by any k-bowl team in our ESD 112 region over the past 10 years. Our second and third placing teams both scored over 90 points, which are excellent varsity scores as well.”

“On the JV side, we had 5 of the 15 teams, and they finished 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 6th, and 11th. Two of these scored over 70 and one was at 69, very good scores for JV. The highest any of our JV teams scored last year was 60. Although comparing years like that might be similar to making comparisons between last year’s and this year’s HSPE scores – different kids and questions – it does give some idea. FYI, the 1st place team which scored 77 points is made up entirely of freshman.”

CHS Leadership Students Receive State Honor
The Camas High School Leadership program was presented the 2009-10 Student Council Award of Excellence by the Washington Association of Student Councils. Our student leaders were honored for their “innovative projects and commitment to service” and their contributions to building a positive school climate in which all students feel empowered, engaged, and valued. The citation went on to read: “Through your involvement in student leadership activities at the state level and your local focus around the themes of recognition, civic engagement, community service, and program evaluation, you are making a positive difference in your school, community, and world.” Nice work, CHS leaders – past and present! The CHS Leadership program is supervised by Associate Principal Ellise Anderson and Bronk Williams.

Work of CHS Artists Featured on State Library Poster
A poster designed by Camas High School graphic design students Annike Sumpter and Alex Garwood was named as the top entrant in a contest sponsored by the Washington Library and Media Association. Students were asked to design a visual that advocates for the support of school libraries. Annike’s and Alex’s design will be used throughout the state on various school library publications. Their graphic design teacher at CHS is Doug Huegli.

CHS Proud to Claim Another WAS Graduate
Congratulations to Parisa Footohi who became the second CHS student to graduate from the Washington Aerospace Scholars Program. This is high-level, NASA-designed curriculum covers the history of space exploration, the Space Shuttle, the International Space Station, the Moon, and Mars.
Throughout last year, Parisa completed an array of quizzes, math solutions, essays, and graphics concerning these topics every other week. She was then selected as one of only 160 students for the WAS Summer Residency Program at which she planned a human mission to Mars with support from professional engineers/scientists, university students, and certificated educators.

**Fall Sports Scholar-Athletes Succeed in Classroom**

Congratulations to our Fall Sport scholar-athletes, who have shown a commitment to excellence in academics and athletics. Take a look at our Fall Sport Team GPAs:

- Boys Cross Country – 3.27
- Boys Tennis – 3.55
- Football – 3.06
- Girls Cross Country – 3.34
- Boys Golf – 3.19
- Girls Soccer – 3.76
- Girls Swimming – 3.59
- Volleyball – 3.59

Great job, fall coaches and scholar-athletes!

**STAFF**

**May Pride Inside Award Presented to Hank Midles**

Hank Midles was selected by his peers as the winner of the May Pride Inside Award “for the outstanding job he does with his students, his amazing flexibility and his support of other students and teachers. He is always there to lend a hand and coordinate support for anyone who needs it. He is an exceptional teacher and an outstanding human being.”  

*Principal’s note: I would also like to acknowledge Hank’s assistance with supervising the 2011 Prom. He proved himself to be a very active and capable chaperone on the dance floor.*

**Minder Wins March Pride Inside Honor**

World Language instructor and Boys and Girls Soccer Coach Roland Minder was selected as the winner of the CHS Staff Pride Inside Award for March. Roland’s citation reads: “Much like a student-athlete who puts scholastics first, Roland is a teacher-coach whose classroom responsibilities are his top priority. But that is not to say that he does not put an incredible amount of time and effort into coaching our girls and boys soccer teams, because he does. One just has to review all of our league, district, and state championships to see that. He is a warrior without equal when it comes to commitment and competitive spirit. This spring, he missed a game to illness, which was his first in hundreds of games. The thing I admire about Roland is that he holds everyone to high standards. However, while he is headstrong, he is no hypocrite. He holds himself to those same standards.”

**Dean to Study Species Preservation at San Diego Zoo**

CHS Biology teacher [Jennifer Dean](#) has been selected to participate in a series of trainings at the San Diego Zoo Institute for Conservation Research this summer. Dean is just one of 96 teachers nationwide to be selected for this experience.

**Entertaining “Hello Dolly!” Wows Audiences**
Musical Director Kim Shire, Orchestra Director Richard Mancini, Vocal Director Alice Dalrymple, and Set Designer Rob Kankelberg deserve a standing ovation for their amazing work on the spring musical “Hello Dolly!” Their leadership, creativity, and dedication - combined with the energy and talents of our student performers – produced five nights of musical theater filled with great music, humor, and choreography. Thanks to everyone who made this musical possible.

“Attendance Ladies” Win February Pride Inside
Enforcing the district and state attendance rules is not an easy job. And while not all parents and students like living by these policies and laws, no one can argue that Barb Voogt and Michelle Brown consistently enforce them. So, for doing a tough, thankless job and doing it well, the CHS staff salute Barb and Michelle. We appreciate your thoroughness and accuracy.

Gibson has the Papermaker Pride Inside
Josh Gibson, CHS Dean of Students, was the winner of the Jan Staff Pride Inside Award. Josh’s nominator had this to say: “Because he’s awesome. If you’re in a tough parent meeting, he knows the perfect thing to say to de-escalate and refocus the situation. He’s coordinated paraeducator schedules to best support our special education kids, and he’s organized all the many meetings and administration of the Freshman Academy. He definitely deserves some recognition.”

Ellison Wins Pride Inside for December
Lisa Ellison, Math Teacher, was the winner of the December Staff Pride Inside Award. Her nominator wrote this about Lisa: “While teaching 3 different math classes, including Calculus BC, Lisa is still always there for her students. She stays very late almost every day to answer any questions they have, as well as helping students in her plan period and at lunch. She goes above and beyond in her teaching, and makes sure her students understand the math, not just memorize how to do it.” Lisa, on the 1-10 scale of great teaching, you are an 11!

Lunch Ladies Lauded by CHS Staff
...and the winners of the November Staff Pride Inside Award are...THE CHS LUNCH LADIES. The staff of CHS honored the positive attitudes and great work of our cafeteria workers by awarding this monthly honor. The staff agreed with their nominator, who praised the ladies for their friendliness, work ethic, and customer service.

Greene, Nyquist Join Ranks of CHS National Board Certified Teachers
Sam Greene and Terry Nyquist, both Humanities teachers at CHS, recently learned that their portfolios were approved by the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards. Congratulations Sam and Terry! They join eight CHS teachers who have already earned National Board certification: Kristi Bridges, Melanie Clark, Mark Gardner, Eric Linthwaite, Christen Palmer, Val Parbon, Elizabeth Rollman, Ashley Snyder. Best of luck to Sarah Widdop and Tyler Morgan, who are currently pursuing National Board certification.

Nicholson Named November Pride Inside Winner
Karen Nicholson, our fantastic Library Assistant, was the winner of the October Pride Inside Staff Award. Her nominator wrote this sincere, but humorous tribute to Karen: “She has dealt with textbook checkout for Science and Math for the last two years. I think that says it all...” In other words, in
addition to all of her Library responsibilities, Karen has taken on the labor-intensive tasks of bar coding, distributing, tracking, collecting, and repairing our Science and Math textbooks. By agreeing to implement Phase I of our effort to centralize textbook check-out, Karen has saved our building thousands of dollars and our teachers from spending countless hours on classroom textbook inventories. So, on behalf of our students, teachers, and taxpayers: Thank you.

Clark Wins Grant to Attend FDA Training
Camas High School teacher Melanie Clark was one of 40 teachers nationwide chosen to participate in a food science workshop developed and implemented in a partnership between the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), the National Science Teachers Association (NSTA), and the Graduate School at Washington DC. The one-week workshop for middle and high school science and family and consumer science teachers took place in Washington, DC, this summer.

The goal of the program is to educate teachers and students about critical food safety issues such as foodborne illnesses by exploring the science behind them. Participants also learned about nutrition and food allergies from FDA experts and received nutrition material to help teach their students how to use the Nutrition Facts Label to make better food choices.

Four CHS Teachers Attend AP Summer Institutes
This summer, the following CHS teachers availed themselves to Advanced Placement (AP) trainings that took place around the country: Steve Loewen (Psychology), Cory Marshall (Biology), Hannelore Tweed (Human Geography), and Maura Flynn (Spanish). These trainings acquaint teachers with AP curricula, grading standards, and teaching practices so they can support the success of their students. Last year, 81% of the CHS students who took 521 AP tests earned passing scores – which in most cases waives equivalent college courses.

Marshall Named WLMA Secondary Principal of the Year
Steve Marshall received 2010 Secondary Principal of the Year honors at the Washington Library Media Association’s Annual Conference in Seattle. Marshall was nominated by CHS Teacher-Librarian, Rosemary Knapp and teacher Jan Younce. He was recognized for participating in library literacy activities such as Teen Read Week and Book Friendraisers, in which staff and students read and discuss a book in common, and for making the maintenance of print and online resources a priority during a time of budget cutbacks.

Leighton has CHS Pride Inside
Lori Leighton of the CHS Math Department as the winner of the September Pride Inside Staff Award. Colleagues of Lori noted her dedication to students, sense of humor, and her willingness to examine and modify her own teaching practices to benefit her students. A fellow teacher had this to say about Lori: “I have been encouraged and challenged by Lori Leighton during the first three weeks of school. She has done a great job of identifying struggling math students early and initiating conversations with those students, their parents, their middle school math teacher, and their counselor. On top of that, she is doing her normal outstanding job of connecting with her students and creating an atmosphere students enjoy.”