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2011 Scholarship Endowment Gala

Coach Bobby Bowden was nicknamed "King of the Road" early in his coaching career when he boasted his team would take on "any team, anytime, anywhere". And so, the theme for Faith Lutheran's 2011 Scholarship Endowment Gala was fashioned after this year's special guest. Coach Bowden graced the stage and blessed the hearts of everyone in the room on October 22, 2011 at the beautiful Red Rock Casino Resort.

With over 250 guests in attendance, the gala evening was a true success for the school's scholarship endowment fund and tuition assistance program. We were honored once again to have Dave Courvoisier, Anchorman, KLAS-TV Channel 8, as our master of ceremonies. Along with Coach Bowden's inspirational message, the spectacular evening included performances by Women's Ensemble and Men's Ensemble along with testimonies from some of Faith students who benefit from the tuition assistance program. Everyone enjoyed a very special meal prepared by the outstanding Red Rock chefs.



Former Florida State Football Coach Bobby Bowden addressing the Gala crowd

The Faith Development Office extends very special thanks to the generous sponsors who helped make this premier fundraiser such a success: **Crusader Sponsors** – Victoria & Calvin Owens; **Gold Sponsors** – Bell Transportation Limousines, Sedans & Buses, JGN Financial Services, LLC, Marilyn Pekrul, Shirley & Darl Rose, StorageOne, Inc., and US Bank; **Silver Sponsors** – Donella & Sam Boyd, Carolyn Chingros-Cerabino, Pat & Jim Egan, Faith Community Lutheran Church and School, MJ Christensen Diamonds, Faith Lutheran Parent/Teacher Fellowship, and Nancy Nelson.

Very special thanks to the 2011 Scholarship Endowment Gala Committee for all their hard work and planning of the grand event: Suzanne Bell, Carolyn Chingros-Cerabino, Amanda Flangas, Elynne Green, Wynn Guinn, Kari Jones, Elaine Larson, Catherine Laska, Karen McCue-Zeilon, Darlene Miller, Kimberly Perryman, and Debi Reiter.

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Master of Ceremonies, KLAS Channel 8 News Anchor Dave Courvoisier

Women's & Men's Ensemble with Coach Bowden

Breakfast with Mayor Carolyn Goodman

Faith Lutheran was honored to have Mayor Carolyn Goodman on campus as special guest speaker for the Business Advisory Council Breakfast on October 25, 2011. We extend very special thanks to the BAC member businesses that sponsored this wonderful morning: Bell Transportation, Limousines, Sedans & Buses; Doroshow Insurance; Benson, Bertoldo, Baker & Carter.

Faith Lutheran Business Advisory Council members are "Champions to a Future Generation." This group of prominent business leaders supports the technology needs of the school. For information about how you can become a Business Advisory Council Member please contact the Development Office. You too can be a "Champion to a Future Generation"!



Business Advisory Council Breakfast Sponsors:



Dr. Buuck presents a thank-you gift to Mayor Goodman.



Dr. Buuck with former BAC Executive Chairman, Bruce Wiggins, Strategic Medical Management and Scott Plummer, G.C. Wallace, Inc., celebrating 10 years of membership in BAC!

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150 Attend Future Crusader Visit Day!



Elementary students seeking admission to Faith Lutheran for were invited to attend Future Crusader Visit Day on November 8th. Activities began in the Chapel/Performing Arts Center with an informational program followed by a campus tour and lunch. Our guests learned about the opportunities available to them from current students. The morning wrapped up with prize drawings by Mrs. Heislen and Dr. Buuck.

Girls golf team partners with Birdies for the Brave

Birdies for the Brave was created by Phil and Amy Mickelson to support troops injured in combat. Phil contributes \$100 for each birdie made in competition and \$500 for each eagle. As a PGA Tour partner, Birdies for the Brave raises money for military home front groups that provide services and programs for military men and women and their families. These groups include Homes for Our Troops, The Wounded Warrior Project, Operation Homefront, The Navy

Seals Foundation, and The Special Operations Warrior Foundation.

Throughout the month of September, the girls golf team accepted pledges for each birdie or eagle they scored in competition. Students, teachers, families, and advisory classes all participated in the effort to support Birdies for the Brave. With 51 birdies and two eagles scored in competition, the girls raised over \$2200 for this worthy cause!



Business Advisory Council Business Focus of the Month

Brett Carter
Benson, Bertoldo,
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Up Close & Personal

Brett and Michelle Carter met in Las Vegas in 1996. They have two children, Lauren (11), who is a sixth grader at Faith Lutheran Middle School and Evan (9), a fourth grader at Faith Lutheran Academy.

Brett is a partner at Benson, Bertoldo, Baker & Carter, having joined the firm in 1996. He moved to Las Vegas in 1988 and received a degree from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, going on to earn his Juris Doctorate from the Willamette University School of Law. The 25-plus-year firm handles exclusively plaintiff personal injury and wrongful death cases. Word-of-mouth referrals and repeat business comprise over 80% of the clientele.

Brett devotes himself to cases involving vehicular negligence, premises liability, medical malpractice, nursing home negligence, products liability and negligent security. His practice ranges from those individuals who have suffered relatively minor injuries to those who have had their lives permanently and catastrophically altered



Brett Carter



as a result of another's negligence. Typical cases consist of one or more of the following: traumatic spinal injury, traumatic brain injury, fractures, traumatic amputation, wrongful death, disfigurement and other acute injuries or conditions.

Even with his busy schedule, Brett is on the board for the Nevada Justice Association (NJA), involved in the Nevada legislative bill review process on behalf of consumers, and a speaker at various seminars for the NJA and Clark County Bar Association.

Michelle is an elementary school teacher who now subs part-time. Her best teaching occurs after school over homework with her two children. The Carters preach never-ending kindness, respect and tolerance unto others with dedication to excelling in life's pursuits. Each family member is charged with looking out for the little guy or gal. Attending Faith Lutheran provides a strong base to practice and display these ideals.

From the Executive Office

Dr. Steven Buuck
FLHS Chief Executive Officer



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It's the most wonderful time of the year (in my best Andy Williams' voice!). The sights, the sounds, the smells, the tastes ... everyone loves the Christmas season! Around Faith Lutheran, our students, faculty, and staff will enjoy a well-deserved two weeks off to spend time with family and friends. And maybe open some presents!

In fact, Christmas is all about presence – not presents, but presence. It's about the presence of Jesus Christ on earth. Even the famed Grinch from Dr. Seuss gets it. Regarding Christmas, he said, "It came without ribbons. It came without packages, boxes or bags." And he puzzled and puzzled 'till his puzzler was sore. Then the Grinch thought of something he hadn't before. "What if Christmas," he thought, "doesn't come from a store? What if Christmas, perhaps, means a little bit more?"

The Grinch is right. It absolutely means more. It means that the Savior of the World came for us. True God and true Man, born of a virgin, wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. He came with one purpose – saving mankind as Savior of the world.

The best gift that we get at Christmas is a Savior. Christmas is a celebration of

God becoming human, being born in a manger, and ultimately suffering and dying for us. As unintelligible as it is to think of almighty God becoming a weak helpless baby born in a cattle shed, that is what happened so that he could do what the name "Jesus" means – "Save his people from their sins" and, so that he could be Emmanuel, God with us.

Yet Christmas without Easter is just the birthday of another cute little baby. Christmas with Good Friday and Easter, however, is the most amazing act of love ever conceived. Christmas is best viewed in light of the cross, where the innocent blood of Jesus Christ, the Son of God, was shed for you and me. Wow, God sent His one and only Son to take our punishment. As the band Newsboys sing, "Amazing love! How can it be – that you my King should die for me?!" But that's exactly what God did for us.

It's ironic isn't it: Jesus Christ was content with a stable when he was born so that we could have a mansion when we die.

And that, my friends, is the whole point of CHRISTmas.

So, Merry Christ-mass!!

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2011 Scholarship Endowment Gala

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The 2011 Scholarship Endowment Gala Committee with Coach Bowden



Dr. & Mrs. Buuck with Coach Bowden



The "Ace of Diamonds" Cliff Miller, owner of MJ Christensen Diamonds with Rosemarie & Ken Collins. Rosemarie is wearing the beautiful diamond cross pendant donated by MJ Christensen Diamonds for the raffle.

MJ Christensen Diamonds is Helping Faith Lutheran Grow

Did you know MJ Christensen Diamonds will pay you top dollar for your unwanted gold and silver jewelry? And, they'll even do better than that! MJ will make a donation to Faith Lutheran for 20% of all the gold, silver, diamonds, or gemstones they purchase on the school's behalf! Simply take your unwanted jewelry to MJ Christensen at Boca Park along with the coupon here. You'll make money and so will Faith Lutheran! So, get down to MJ Christensen Diamonds today.



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Name: _____

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Operation Christmas Child



Members of the HS Applied Christianity class, Ms Heimlich, and Ms. Dargatz pose with the over 600 Operation Christmas Child shoe boxes the entire student body brought to Chapel on November 9th. Through the Samaritan Purse Organization, the 700+ hundred shoeboxes will be sent around the world to needy children. The children will get a shoebox full of both necessary day to day items and toys but more importantly they will also be shared the Gospel. These shoeboxes will be a tangible way of showing them the love of Jesus Christ. Operation Christmas Child applauded our efforts and thanks everyone who donated. Way to go Faith Lutheran!

A MESSAGE FROM THE PTF

As the holidays approach, it is a good time to reflect on the blessings that surrounds us. It is also a time to reconnect with family and friends in celebration. On behalf of the Board of the Parent Teacher Fellowship, we wish to thank all of the parents who have participated in our events and volunteered to help make each event a success! The year is only half over and we still have more events to strengthen the relationship between home and school, parents and teachers and enhance the experience of our students and faculty exemplifying Christian values. Please visit the PTF webpage for information on upcoming events and ways that you can be a part of the fellowship. PTF is still accepting donations for the Annual Christmas Giving program to recognize our outstanding faculty and staff during Christmas. Best wishes for a happy, healthy and safe holiday season.

"We who had sweet fellowship together, walked in the house of God in the throng." ~ Psalm 55:14 | www.faithlutheranlv.org

End of Year Giving to Faith Lutheran

If you are planning an end-of-year gift to Faith Lutheran (and we hope you are!), please use the following date & time schedule:

Gifts via Check: To qualify for a 2010 deduction, checks mailed must be post-marked by Dec. 31. Checks hand-delivered in person must at School by December 28th at 12 noon.

Gifts via Credit Card: The gift date is recorded as the date on which the charge is made to your credit card, not the date you give your credit card number to the School. The Development Office must receive your

credit card information by 12 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 27 to insure the transaction is processed in 2010.

Gifts of Stock (direct transfers): The gift date is recorded as the date on which the stock is transferred into Faith Lutheran's account, not the date on which you advise your broker to make the gift. Please request the transfer and notify the Development Office by Dec. 19th. It often takes a few days to verify transfers, particularly during the holidays, and we want to make sure your transfer is completed before we close on Dec. 29th.

Follow The STAR

Christmas Concerts

Tuesday, December 6

Middle School Bands, Choir, Handbells, & Strings
7:00 PM in the Chapel Performing Arts Center

Thursday, December 8

High School Bands, Choir, Handbells, & Strings
7:00 PM in the Chapel Performing Arts Center

Concordia University, Irvine Invitational Christian High School Choral Festival

Faith Lutheran HS Choral students participated in the festival with performances by Vocal Ensemble and Women's Chorus. Dr. Christopher Peterson from California State University in Fullerton adjudicated the festival.

Left: Faith HS Choral Students. Below: Vocal Ensemble



STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Spanish Students Study El Dia De Los Muertos

Mrs. Grant's Middle School students celebrated El Día De Los Muertos (Day of the Dead) by baking Pan de muerto (Bread of the dead), a typical sweet bread made in Mexico to celebrate the holiday.



Dylan Gagnon and Ryan Enlow present their "Pan de Muerto" (Bread of the Dead) in honor of El día de los muertos celebrations.

Western United States Honor Choir

The following students were selected by audition as members of the Western Division Honor Choirs for the American Choral Directors Association: **Katelynn Arndt, Olivia Micco, Caitlyn Orne, Michael Padilla, and Christine Sidell.**



Caitlyn Orne, Katelynn Arndt, Michael Padilla, Olivia Micco, Christine Sidell

They will rehearse and perform in Reno, Nevada February 29 – March 3, 2012 in Reno's Pioneer Arts Center. The Honor Choir is in conjunction with the American Choral Directors Association Western Division Conference representing the states of Nevada, Arizona, California, Hawaii and Utah.

ALUMNI CORNER

Tiffany Grace (Ramirez) graduate of Class of 2000 has recently finished her pediatric residency training and joined a practice here in Las Vegas, Nevada. She is working at Southern Nevada Internal Medicine / Pediatrics, 6252 South Rainbow Blvd, (702) 253-5410. She welcomes all new patients to contact her office for information and appointments.

ATTENTION FLHS ALUMNI: Check out the Alumni Tab at www.faithlutheranlv.org

Update your contact information so all your former classmates can contact you, and you can stay up to date on all FLHS happenings. We want you to know that all your contact information is completely secure on the website and will never be displayed publicly. The only way someone can contact you via the website is by email, and even then your email address is not made public, even to the person emailing you. So, go ahead – update your contact info at www.faithlutheranlv.org! It's safe, secure and oh so important for staying in touch with FLHS!

FINANCE OFFICE REMINDERS

- ❖ Monthly Tuition Invoices are e-mailed the last day of the month. If you aren't receiving your invoice, please contact Beth Holmes in the Finance Office to confirm we have the correct e-mail address(es) on file. Beth can be reached at either holmesb@flhsemail.org or by phone at (702) 804-4457. Thank you;
- ❖ Monthly tuition payments are due the first of the month and become late after the tenth of the month. Late payments

- are assessed a monthly charge of 1.5% of any outstanding balance plus a \$25 late fee each month. Please make sure your payments are scheduled to arrive in the Finance Office prior to the 10th of each month;
- ❖ REMINDER – Families working off Volunteer Hours for FACTS are required to have one-half of their commitment completed by December 31. Watch your mailbox for status letters.

- ❖ Payments made online through Nutrikids, and payments made in the Finance Office for Lunch accounts MUST be received by 10:30 a.m. in order for the credit to be available that same day;
- ❖ When making credit card payments for Tuition, Transaction Fees apply as follows: Transactions UNDER \$300 are assessed a \$

- Transaction Fee; and Transactions OVER \$300 are assessed a \$15 Transaction Fee;
- ❖ 2012/2013 FACTS Tuition Assistance – Due to changes in the processing of FACTS for the upcoming school year, please DO NOT try to apply for assistance for next school year until January 2012. Anyone applying prior to January will have to re-apply after January 1.

Faith Lutheran Jr/Sr High School The Second Annual *Experience The Arts*

An Evening of Dining and Entertainment
Featuring Las Vegas Talent

In combination with

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Faith Lutheran Fine Arts Booster Club is excited to announce the second annual **Experience the Arts**. The success of the first annual event has raised the bar for fundraising at FLHS. With the success of last year's event the Fine Arts program was able to purchase items for the Art, Music, and Drama departments. Our goal this year is to reach \$50,000 through the gala event that gives the community an opportunity to interactively experience the incredible talents that are a product of the school's Fine Arts programs. The **Experience The Arts** will be held on **Saturday, January 28, 2012** on the Faith Lutheran campus. We will have professional entertainment in combination with many of the talents Faith Lutheran has produced, while allowing attendees time to enjoy a meal and partake in bidding on silent auction items.

In order to meet this fundraising goal, we are trying to obtain donations that would generate interest and encourage bidding during the silent auction. We feel that any donation from your business would be a solid foundation for a package, either stand-alone or in combination with other items. Therefore, we would ask you to prayerfully consider a donation that would attract bidders during the silent auction. As a side benefit, your contribution would be acknowledged in the Crusader monthly newsletter, which is mailed to all Faith families and supporters, which number in the thousands.

For more information, please contact John Heidorn or Sandra Youmans.
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ATHLETICS

HIGH SCHOOL Lady Crusader Golf



Nicole Beccue, Briana Powers, yours truly, Sarah Paravia, Annie Freman, Brianna Becker, Julia Becker, Bri Yee

For the third year in a row, the Lady Crusader golf team finished their season as the 4A state runner-up. Playing at Bear's Best, the team shot the low round of the tournament, but couldn't overcome their first day deficit to Green Valley. **Annie Freman** recovered from a first day 78 to shoot 70 on day two, earning 2nd place overall. **Brianna Becker** shot 76-74 to finish third. Also for the third year in a row, the team won the Northwest League and the Sunset Region. Three players earned post-season honors. **Annie Freman** (Jr.) was 1st Team All NW League, 1st Team All Sunset Region, the Sunset Region Player of the Year, 1st Team All Las Vegas, and the Las Vegas Player of the Year. **Brianna Becker** was 1st Team All NW League, 1st Team All Sunset Region, and 1st Team All Las Vegas. **Julia Becker** (Fr.) was 1st Team all NW League, 1st Team All Sunset Region, and 2nd Team All Las Vegas. In addition, **Bri Yee** (So.) won the Crusader Award, and **Coach Mark Cheney** was named the Sunset Region Coach of the Year. With no seniors, the team will be looking to claim a state championship next year.

Varsity Dance Team



Varsity Dance Team participated in the "Light the Night" Cancer Walk on Saturday November 5th. The Dance team kicked off the start with 2 performances before the walk began. Our girls stationed themselves first at the starting line, then half way through and finally cheering the participants as they walked through the finish line at the end of the emotional walk. This event was very special as participants walked with a lighted balloon through the night representing either support for the fight against cancer. We are honored to have been chosen to be a part of this special event!

Varsity Girls' Soccer

The Varsity Girls' Soccer team recently finished off another strong soccer season with an overall record of 12-6-1. The Lady Crusaders lost a close-fought Regional game against Pahrump Valley, 2-0, to end the season. The team says thank you and goodbye to Seniors **Tori Bakken, Jessica Forage, Taylor Pori, Kristen Uy,** and **Jordan Vicencio**, but looks forward to having a number of returning contributors for next season. All-Conference honors go to Sophomores **Morgan Bracey, Kayla McKlein, Kendall Pori, Charlotte Vancura,** Junior **Kelly Zufall,** and Senior **Taylor Pori**. Even though the team fell just short of the high expectations of making a run at the State title, the girls still experienced a great season filled with lots of lasting memories.

The team looks forward to playing a schedule next season filled with tougher competition after the state of Nevada realigns its 4A athletic conferences and moves Southern girls' soccer to the fall season. Coach Steve Morrill comments, "We should face a more rigorous schedule as we compete against the 4A teams in Las Vegas instead of having the limited number of teams we used to be able to play. I'm looking forward to having better competition and hopefully bringing out the best in these young ladies." If you want to stay updated with Faith Lutheran Women's Soccer feel free to join the Facebook group that goes by the same name.

Varsity Boys' Soccer

On the final home game for seniors **Murad Ahmed, Todd Tombuoro, Zach Habart,** and **Jon Moretti** the crusaders took on Arbor View. Faith jumped out to 2-0 lead with goals by **D'Khari Hicks** and **Sam Stevens** before the Aggies made things interesting closing the gap to 2-1 at halftime. The crusaders came out in the second half ready to put the game away scoring early and increasing the lead to 3-1. The teams battled throughout the rest of the half and Arbor View got within a goal at 3-2 before the home team added a goal towards the end of the game to make the final 4-2 with Sam and D'Khari each adding a goal. **Carter Bishop** kept the visiting Aggies out of the net and preserving the victory. With the win the varsity boy's soccer team finished tied for fifth place in the Northwest league. Offensively the team was lead by **D'Khari Hicks** with 23 goals, which was also fourth best in all of the 4A. **Sam Stevens** added 13 goals for the season, which was also in the top twenty of all of the 4A. **Todd Tombuoro** also added 5 goals, **Murad Ahmed** put



Todd Tombuoro is congratulated by team manger Shaye Morrison.



Jon Moretti (back row) and Murad Ahmed celebrate their final soccer game with the Moretti family.

in 4, and **Michael Manfredi** also netted 3 more. D'Khari and Todd also lead the team in assists with 6 each. **Chase Carey, Fernando Tellez,** and Sam also contributed 3 each. Defensively the team was lead by **Jon Morretti** and **Carter Bishop** in goal. Together they combined for 5 shut-outs. On the field **Murad Ahmed** and **Sean Kay** directed the defensive and kept many of the offenses on their toes and forcing them offside.

For the first time in history Faith placed two players on the all Northwest first team. Coaches from the league selected D'Khari and Sam for the honor. D'Khari was also selected for the all-Sunset team and all city team. Congratulations to Sam, D'Khari and the entire varsity team on a successful season.

Thanks Miracle League Volunteers



On Saturday, November 5, nine Crusader softball players volunteered to help with a baseball game through the Miracle League of Las Vegas. Juniors, **Rachel Kerr, Francesca Lee, Amanda Young, Kelly Zufall;** sophomore **Alexa Snyder;** freshmen, **Sara Sharif, Vanessa Valdez,** and 7th graders **Tyler Christiansen** and **Jillian Clark** spent their Saturday morning being a "buddy" for a player in one of the games the league has. The Miracle League is a baseball league for children/adults with mental and physical disabilities. The Miracle League's website www.miracleleaguelasvegas.com says, "There is nothing more heart warming than to see children playing the game that is America's pastime. But for children facing serious physical and mental disabilities, that opportunity isn't always the easiest to achieve. Baseball diamonds are not exactly designed with wheelchairs and crutches in mind. The Miracle League of Las Vegas removes these barriers and allows these special athletes to experience the joy of playing baseball. Miracle League fields remove



the obstacles that arise from the natural grass fields used in conventional youth facilities. Miracle League teams play on a custom-designed, rubberized surface field which will accommodate wheelchairs and other assistive devices. In addition to playing the game, The Miracle League is about making new friends, building self-esteem and being treated just like other kids."

A special thanks goes to Leah Rippetoe, Executive Director of Miracle League Las Vegas. Through a family contact of senior softball player, Rachel Jones, Ms. Rippetoe contacted Faith about our softball players participating in one of their games. Mrs. Jenny Snyder, mother of sophomore **Alexa Snyder,** organized the entire event from Faith Lutheran's end. Mrs. Snyder's comment was, "It was a blast to watch but most of all the girls put a smile on several faces just as much as the players put smiles on the girls."



Crusaders Football

The Faith Lutheran Football Team finished the season with four post season awards. Senior **Chris Mays** was named 1st Team WR, Chris finished the season with 36 reception for 544 yards. **Anthony Pryatal-Farmer** received All Conference Honorable Mention at WR also. On the defensive side of the ball, Senior **Trey Jasonek** earned All Conference Honorable Mention at DE and Senior **Brad Pearson** received All Conference Honorable Mention as a DB. Congratulations to those student athletes for all their hard work and dedication.

Volleyball

The Crusader Volleyball team ended their season November 3 against Bishop Gorman in the regional semi-final match. The team finished their season 22-10 (14-2) placing 2nd in the Northwest Division and top 10 in the state in the 4A division. The team also received all-conference honors. First team All Northwest were **Kelsey McCourt, Taylor Hammer, Taylor Richards.** Second team All Northwest was **Vanessa Sigman.** Honorable Mention All Northwest was **Samantha Leonard.** **Coach Amy Fisher** received Coach of the Year honors from her peers as well. **Kelsey McCourt** was again honored for Max Preps Nevada State Player of the Week for the second time this season. The team would like to thank everyone that supported them this year. Thank you for all the prayers sent their way during the season.

Lady Crusader Basketball

The Crusader girls basketball team is looking forward to another successful season. The girls open their season against SNVTS and then head up to Reno to face a few Northern schools. This marks the third year of competition in the 4A Northwest Division in Southern Nevada, some of the toughest competition in the State. The Crusaders look to continue to improve on their 6th place finish in the league last year and have high hopes of making it to the playoffs this year. **Sam Leonard** and **Julia Benko** state, "This year we will strive to improve our place in the league. We are excited to play because we have put in a lot of time and effort into getting better and can't wait to show our league that we're the team to beat." The Crusaders are led by returning starters, senior **Kelsey McCourt,** and juniors **Julia Benko, Sam Leonard** and **Taylor Hammer.**

Volleyball B Team

Congratulations to our high school volleyball B team. The team finished the season with a perfect 23-0 record for this past season. The team finished 1st in the Northwest League and also won the City Championships where almost all the 4A schools teams participate in the tournament. Way to go! The future definitely looks bright!

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Middle School Cross Country

The teams finished the season running away with three of the four trophies at the Championship Meet that took place on October 27th on the Faith Lutheran Campus. The 6th grade boys took the first place trophy. **Brady Rohnkohl** placed first with **Ben Snyder** coming in 9 seconds later in third. **Athan Kelman** placed fourth with **Conor Docherty** and **Jason Heffern** also finishing in the top ten. The 7th-8th grade girls earned the 2nd place trophy only 8 points behind Las Vegas Day School. **Nicole Amivasca** crossed the finish line in 2nd place. **Michelle Reiss** and **Emily Seigle** also placed in the top 10. The third place trophy was presented to the boys 7th-8th grade team from Faith. **Chase Wood** led his team with a second place finish with **Erik Harper** finishing 9th.

6th Grade Flag Football

The Sixth Grade Flag Football teams finished up their seasons at the beginning of November. The Maroon team finished their season with a hard-fought game against Las Vegas Day School, resulting in a 1 point loss. The White and Gold teams were among four teams in the league to advance to the playoffs. Both teams eventually lost to Las Vegas Day School, who defeated the Gold team in the championship game. All teams worked hard and gave constant effort to improving and perfecting their game throughout the year.

FIRST QUARTER HONOR ROLL

SCHOLAR

GRADE 6: Alessandro Amador • Morgan Boylston • Joe Bulford • Olivia Burdall • Lauren Carter • Brandon Charbonneau • Micah Chilman • Justin Chung • Gabriella Crea • Camryn DeVore • Sydney Elliott • Donovan Evangelio • Ryan Gray • Lauren Haight • Emily Ho • Austin Howryla • Ryan Hughes • Brian Jasiurkowski • Tatyana Johnson • Sydney Keech • Athan Kelman • Jack Kirvin • Kage Kraft • Kayla Kujaczynski • Kendall Larson • Ryan Little • Cameron McCormick • Jenna McKee • Sadie Oakley • Chandler Orstein • Conor Paravia • Jadon Pauling • Jacob Poser • Carter Reback • Serene Remley • Daniel Rice • Anabella Romano • Alyssa Schreiber • Donald Sea • Ryan Sepede • Sofia Silvestri • Pierce Taylor • Lauren Uhrlich • Mary Vancura • Rachel Voight • Jaclyn Voigt • Derek Von Hake • Audrey Walker • Calista Wong • Austin Wright • Maya Yamamoto • Abigail Yee • Michael Yochum

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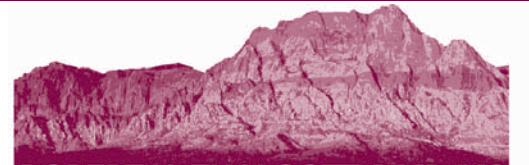
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11	12 Maroon/ Gold	13 Finals	14 Finals	15 Finals	16 Finals	17
18	19 No School thru Jan. 2nd	20	21	22	23	24
25 	26	<div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"> <p style="text-align: center;">Chapel ONLINE!</p> <p>All Chapels for this year are now available for viewing on the school website under the "student life" tab. Students use the Tricaster Studio to broadcast and stream every week's Chapel service to the website. On maroon Chapel days the middle school video production team is responsible for all production elements that are required to do a live broadcast. On gold Chapel days, that responsibility shifts to the high school video production team.</p> </div>				

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1	2 No School	3 Maroon	4 Gold	5 Maroon	6 Gold	7
8	9 Maroon	10 Gold Minimum Day	11 Maroon	12 Gold	13 Maroon MS Servant Event	14
15	16 No School	17 Gold 1st Semester Ends	18 Maroon	19 Gold	20 Maroon	21
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