FALCON FAMILY NEWS

PRINCIPAL SHARING: Play Sublimely

ntonio Stradivari was a 17th Century violin maker. When Ahis name is spoken in Latin, Stradivarius, it becomes synonymous with excellence.

He once said that to make any single violin, less than his very best work, was to rob God, because God could not make a Stradivarius without Antonio Stradivari.

Antonio was right. Certain gifts were given to that craftsman that no other violin maker had. Likewise, only we can do our own very best work with the gifts God has blessed us with. This especially holds true in the academic arena.

As a college preparatory Catholic high school, Christian Brothers' students' ultimate prize is a diploma and realizing one's first best choice for higher education. This is an honor our young men and women grasp each year with distinction.

Ninety-nine to one hundred percent of CB graduates matriculate into higher education. Approximately 69% of CB graduates are offered admission to 4-year colleges/universities; 30% entered community college on their way to transferring to a university. About one percent per year join our military, are undecided, or will take a gap year.

Yet, the road to graduation is equally impressive. Take, for example, our students' academic achievement in their course work. Over one third of our freshmen through senior students have achieved either "Highest" honors or "Honors" on our Academic

Last semester alone, 14%, or 153 of Christian Brothers' students, achieved a 4.0 and above GPA to attain mastery within our curriculum as exhibited by testing, projects, daily work, participation, critical thinking and analysis, and applying learning to new situations.

With GPA's from 3.0 to 3.99, another 54%, or 564 students. reached a high level of proficiency in these areas. Thirty-two percent of our student body (297 students) demonstrated their competency with GPAs of 2.0 to 2.99.

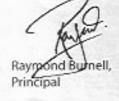


At our recent SENIOR LITURGY and ACADEMIC AWARDS CONVOCATION, we individually applauded our students who continue to develop and obtain such success in scholarship.

Of course there's more to developing one's greatness than academic scholarship. During these high school years, CB students' added talents shine brilliantly - as servant-leaders and ministers of faith, as athletes and artists, as friends.

In the grand orchestra we call life, each of us has an instrument and a song. Our own special gifts. And, Christian Brothers' students honor God by playing theirs sublimely.

LIVE JESUS IN OUR HEARTS, FOREVER!





SCHOOL CALENDAR - MAY

Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve

May 1-4	Multicultural Week
May 3	Classes begin 9:00 a.m.
May 4	Staff Appreciation Day
	Senior Retreat Leadership Team Day of Reflection
	Spring Instrumental Concert 7:00 p.m.
May 5	SAT exam @ C8
	Fresh/Soph Dance
May 7-17	AP Exams
May 7-10	Class Council Campaign Week

Booster Club Mtg. 6:00 p.m.

Dance Club Recital 6:30 p.m.

Falcon Hex - Class Council speeches

Classes begin 9:00 a.m.

May 7

May 9

May 10

St. La Salle Liturgy 9:30 a.m. May 15 May 16-17 Review Days May 16 Mathletes @ CSUS Grad Night Mtg. 6:30 p.m. Spirit Day May 17 May 18 Founder's Day - 11:30 a.m. dismissal Choral Hollywood Bowl Concert 7:30 p.m. May 21-24 Semester Exams

Coaches Dinner

Class Council elections

May 14-18 De La Salle Week

May 14-15 Pictures Days

May 21

May 23 Grad Night Mtg. 6:30 p.m. May 24 Senior BBO, Senior Flowers Baccalaureate and Graduation May 25 **Grad Night** May 29-June 1 Kairos 17

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GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT NEWS

SUMMER PLANNING

Gear up for summer! The counselors would like to remind students and parents that summertime is a good time to continue college planning and academic preparation. Parents, studies have shown that students who suffer from the dreaded "B" word (boredom) in the summer are more likely to engage in at-risk behavior with drugs, alcohol, early sexual activity, and "partying" than those students who are involved in structured, productive activities. Busy, involved students who are working on academic pursuits, a summer job, or enrichment activities are better prepared for the rest of high school and for college. In addition to the many summer program opportunities available on the CB website, there are several other things that students should be doing this summer:

- 1.) All underclassmen, remember to spend time this summer completing your summer reading assignments!!!
- 2.) Sophomores: consider taking the SAT Subject Exam on June 2 in an subject area you just completed (for example, AP World History or Chemistry)

3.) Juniors: A checklist of reminders: May

- * Take SAT or SAT Subject Exams May 5. Students who did not register in time can come to CB on May 5 as stand-by registrants (there is a late fee - see Ms. Kambas for details).
- Register for the June 9 ACT Exam by May 4. Go to www.act.org to register
- * If enrolled in AP classes, take Advanced Placement Exams
- * Plan for a challenging senior year
- Start checking out financial aid and scholarship resources.
 Try www.fastweb.com or www.finaid.com
- * Study hard for your finals

June

- * Take the SAT or SAT Subject Exams June 2 (any TWO subject areas, but not writing or math level I as UC does not accept those). It is a good idea to take an SAT Subject area test in a curriculum area you've just completed, for example, US History or Chemistry
- * Take the ACT June 9

Summer

- Send for college applications
- Study for SAT/ACT
- Begin drafting college essay
- * Do something extraordinary! Try a summer program on a college campus, work at a summer job, or travel.

4.) Seniors: A checklist of reminders: May

- * You must submit your SIR (Statement of Intent to Register) to the college you will attend by MAY 1 – this includes a deposit amount. It is unethical to "double deposit" and may result in your offer of admission being rescinded.
- Congratulate yourself (but stay focused on finals!) You did it!
- * Tell Mrs. Hesser where you have decided to enroll!
- * Advanced Placement Exams for AP students
- Fill out housing forms and pay careful attention to deadlines concerning housing deposits, etc.
- Write "Thanks but no thanks" letters to colleges you will not attend
- * Analytical Writing Placement Examination (Subject A test) for UC bound students is May 12
- ELM & EPT for CSU bound students offered May 5 and May 15.
- Enjoy your graduation and begin your college journey!

June

- Make sure you have responded to all requests from your college
- * Have the CB Registrar send your final transcript to college no later than JULY 15- and don't forget to thank your teachers, counselor, the registrar, etc. for all of their help over the past four years!

FINALS STUDY DAY

Last semester, students of the Communion and Liberation club hosted a study day where the students gathered with their classmates and their teachers to prepare for finals. Eighty students and six teachers attended. It was a huge success. This semester, we will gather Saturday, May 19 at 9:00 a.m. in the library and end with lunch being served at 12:30 p.m. Please RSVP or direct any questions to Mary Alice Bennett, Bobby Fresques or Dr. Holly Peterson.

BIOTECHNOLOGY STUDENTS WIN RECOGNITION

Congratulations Cyle Zezotarski, Meghann Danley, Kate Collins, and Lauren Lahey on a job well done! These students did a research project for our Biotechnology course and entered it in the Toshiba/NSTA Exploravision contest, receiving an honorable mention for their project called Fashion Farm. The Exploravision contest challenges students to think of technological innovations for the future. Their project explored the idea of providing another source for purchasing the furs of endangered species by genetically engineering cows to produce their fur.

"If successful, not only will cattle that is already being raised to be marketed for meat be put to better use (less of the animal will be wasted), but a cow's body will be manipulated to grow the fur of another animal."

They were chosen to be among the top 10% of projects received throughout the nation! You can read about their project idea posted on the website at www.www.exploravision.org/past-winners/honorable-mentions-2007.php



"Because we have been gifted with God's peace in the risen Christ, we are called to our own peace and to the making of peace in our world. As disciples and as children of God,

it is our task to seek for ways in which to make the forgiveness, justice and mercy, and love of God visible in a world where violence and enmity are too often the norm."

from Challenge of Peace

The Campus Ministry team wishes you and your families a blessed Easter season. May these fifty days be filled with the love and grace of God for you and all those you hold dear.

Liturgies

Our St. La Salle Liturgy in honor of our founder, St. John Baptist de La Salle, will be Tuesday, May 15, at 9:30 a.m. in the gym. PARENTS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME AT OUR SCHOOL LITURGIES. Please join us for this special part of our De La Salle Week celebration. Joining us as our presider for this liturgy will be Monsignor James Murphy.

The Baccalaureate Liturgy for the graduating Class of 2007 will be Friday, May 25 at 9:00 a.m. at the Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament. Bishop William Weigand will be the presider.

All current Juniors who are practicing Catholics and would be interested in being a Eucharistic Minister at our liturgies next school year can sign up now for this ministry in the Campus Ministry office. The training session will occur in August when school resumes.

Retreats

The Campus Ministry team expresses its gratitude for being able to "pray and play" with your sons and daughters through the retreat program this year

Many thanks to the **Senior Retreat Leadership Team** for their faith and leadership skills as they led 13 Frosh, Sophomore, and Junior retreats this year. The application and interview process for next year's team is underway. All current Juniors who are interested in being a Senior Retreat Leadership Team member next year should see Mrs. Nelson in Campus Ministry.

The next **Kairos** retreat is **May 29-June 1** at Christ the King Retreat Center and is for **current Juniors only**. See Mrs. Nelson in Campus Ministry for more information.



CHRISTIAN SERVICE

Christian Service Awards

The motto on our cross tower states, "Enter to Learn, Leave to Serve." The following students have taken those words to heart and have completed an outstanding number of Christian Service hours. A special congratulations to the Class of 2007 - collectively they did over 8,000 hours of community service while students at CB.

The following seniors received a Christian Service Award for completing 125 of service: Jessica Bond, Katherine Brun-Kami, Matthew Connors, Jeffrey Delgadillo, Shannon Heinzer, Stacey Howell, Lena Lam, Michele La Rosa, Maritza Luna, Chayla McDavid, Lindsay Meline, Elizabeth Olveda, Samuel Regalado, and Kevin Rooney.

The following seniors received a Christian Service Award with Distinction for completing 250 hours of service: Jessica Bryant, Angela Carter, Matthew Delgado, Jessica Lam, Paul Lee, Lauren Leishman, Samantha Miller, Hannah Murphy, Jessica Peterson, and Anne Winslow.

Christian Service Awards for the classes of 2008, 2009, & 2010 will be presented at the Holy Spirit Liturgy in August 2007.

CB Students March for a Cause at the Capitol

Ten Mystery of Suffering and Death students participated in an informational picket at the State Capitol Building on March 23, 2007. The students were part of a coalition of grass roots organizations led by Bill Jennett of the Western Service Workers Association, trying to stop passage of Assembly Bill 374 in the Judiciary Committee. The bill would legalize assisted suicide. Students heard representatives from opposing organizations explain their opposition, then marched to the Capital and picketed while information about assisted suicide was distributed to legislators and other passersby. The KBFT crew was also present and interviewed leaders and participants. Ultimately, the bill passed and is now before the Appropriations Committee., but our students learned from this experience about expressing their beliefs to influence the legislative process.

Seniors - Donate CB Gear!

Senior Jessica Lam is asking all graduating seniors to donate their unwanted, gently used CB gear. You can bring your donations by the Christian Service Center or see Jessica Lam directly. All donations will go to other CB students who may not be able to afford the CB logo shirts.

Christian Service-Learning

The CB varsity Cheerleaders did a wonderful Christian service-learning project with Oak Ridge Elementary School. The day before Oak Ridge students began their "STAR" annual state testing, the cheerleaders went to Oak Rige to hold a rally. The Oak Ridge students sat out on the blacktop while the varsity cheerleaders led them through cheers and skits, instilling the young children with school pride and confidence to do well on their upcoming exams. Great job varsity Cheerleaders!

Community Service Documentation Forms

Attention freshmen, sophomores, and juniors: If you haven't already done so, please turn in your community service documentation forms to Ms. DeBenedetti-Emanuel in the Christian Service Center ASAP. If you need additional forms you can get them on the CB web site under Christian Service, or in the Christian Service Center.

Christian Service Summer Opportunity

Teen Leadership Programs at Camp Pendola are a great way to spend the summer having fun and learning leadership skills. There are two programs available: Campers-In-Leadership-Training (CILT) for 14 and 15 year olds and Counselors-In-Training (CIT) for 16 and 17 year olds. If you want more information, please stop by the Christian Service Center for an application or go to www.pendola.org.



STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Multicultural Week will take place during the week of April 30 through May 4. Each day a different cultural club will sponsor food and activities for the student body. The week gives Christian Brothers students a glimpse into the lifestyles of cultures around the world. We will start the week out with X-treme Day, a day to play extreme games featuring a special presentation from extreme skateboarders. Tuesday will be Maya Club day, celebrating the history of Hispanic culture. Wednesday will be sponsored by the Black Student Union, Thursday the Asian Pacific Club will bring us food and entertainment, and the German, French, Muslim, and Greek clubs will finish off the week.

The annual springtime Frosh/Soph Date Dance

will take place May 5. The theme is yet to be decided, but the dance will take place from 7:30-10:30 p.m. Contracts will soon be available in the SAC so get ready to dance the night away.

Founders Week begins May 14 and ends with the traditional "fun day" on Friday, May 18. The day will begin with homeroom when the students receive their yearbooks. The remainder of the morning they will enjoy activities offered around campus. On the Mary Lawn the annual car show is put on by the Car Club. The Main Lawn has several activities such as surfing, jousting, and an obstacle course, and the opportunity for students to dunk their favorite teacher. There will be time to sit and sign yearbooks or enjoy icees, cotton candy, and root beer floats. Dodgeball and basketball games will take place in the gym. It's always a poignant day for our seniors as they celebrate for the last time as members of the school-wide community before they embark on their next adventures. A special Spirit Day will take place on May 17 to recognize our seniors and all students will be asked to wear yellow in honor of the graduating class.

- Looking ahead to next year, we want to say
- "Congratulations" to the newly elected
- ASB officers for 2007 2008:

PRESIDENT:

VICE-PRESIDENT:

SECRETARY:

TREASURER:

Rally Chairs:

Publicity/Historian:

Jonathan Gayton Joel Johnston

Katherine Holst Blair Pierroz

Michael Block

& Jonathan Soto

Erica Rocco









VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS

What a year it has been! Once again, our Visual and Performing Arts students and faculty have elevated the profile of Christian Brothers High School on local, state and national levels.

The year started out with many of us waking up to see our very own KBFT senior, Chris DuCray on the Channel 10 Morning segment: "What's Cool in School." Christian Brothers was the first school featured, and Chris set the bar for all of the high schools that would follow. Our KBFT Crew continued their success the entire year, receiving five awards at the Student Television Network national competition in Los Angeles, California. Students receiving awards were: Chris DuCray, Heather Kennedy, Matthew Hiltachk, Scott Sanborn, Derek Overhouse, Brendan Carroll, Robert Scherer, Andrew Nelson, Taylor Mahony, and William DaRosa. Our Senior Video Production class continues to grow, and after winning numerous awards last year, is expected to do very well once again in the Tower of Youth Film Festival on May 2.

In theater, our school musical, "Grease" performed to sold-out audiences right here on campus, in a 50x90 foot tent. Led by a stellar cast of leads, including Briana Wilborn, Rachel Malinowski, Jessica Masuhara, Annette Rincon, Amanda Hahn, Michael Block, Donald McFadden, Anthony Tavianini, Britton Cope, Cyle Zezotarski and Julian Castaño, folks slicked back their hair and took a trip down memory lane, with great songs like "Greased Lightnin"; "We Go Together", and "Beauty School Dropout". Next, students wrote, directed and created well crafted performances of One-Acts both on the CB stage as well as at CSUS for the Leneaea festival. Cyle Zezotarski's "Snow" impressed all of the judges. The 2006-07 theater season ended with a fabulous performance of the play "Bus Stop".

Students from our **instrumental program** could be seen performing all around Sacramento at art galleries, festivals, community events, and most recently on the Pier in San Francisco. Additionally, Ben and Megan Dagang accepted invitations to perform in the California Music Educators Association's "Capitol Section Honors Band" and Jasiit Virk, Travis Martinez and Jonathan Hester-McCullough all placed at the Golden Empire Music Festival.

With the addition of Robert Boriskin to our Art Faculty, the **visual** arts continued to improve upon already acclaimed success. The 20th Street Art Gallery Student Self-Portrait show saw four CB awards. Clare Flynn, Drew Meyer and Evann Whitelam all took "Best" in their categories, and Bryan Caselli took "Best in Show". The La Salle Art show featured CB's best judged by local artist Bob Girasek. "Best in Show" was awarded to Scott Hackney, with Shelby Heinzer, Spencer Kennedy and Amanda Dyba coming in 1st, 2nd and 3rd respectively. The year will conclude with some of CB's finest artists being showcased at CSUS Sacramento, when art instructor Kevin McGovern presents his exhibit "Teacher and Student: Paintings by Kevin Mc-Govern and artworks by his students at Christian Brothers High School. The exhibit will be on display at the CSUS Library Gallery from June 5-June 26, 2007.

The **choral program** continues to grow in numbers and quality with the addition of Holly Slabbinck to its faculty. The vocal jazz ensemble began the year with a master class featuring Grammy nominated "The Bobs". They then applied what they learned when they performed at the Sacramento Convention Center for 800 insurance representatives, sharing the stage with guest speaker, Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger. In February, our choirs debuted the first ever "Catholic High School Choral Festival", where they performed and were critiqued by internationally renowned clinician and choral director, Dr. Charlene Archibeque. And in March, Senior Rachel Sprague traveled to Miami, FL to represent the state of California in the American Choral Directors Association's "National Honors Choir", making her one of the top choral students in the country.

For more information about our programs, please visit the new Christian Brothers High School Visual and Performing Arts website www.cbarts.org, which opens in the middle of May.

CHRISTIAN BROTHERS ART INSTRUCTOR AND HIS STUDENTS TO **EXHIBIT** AT THE CSUS LIBRARY GALLERY

Christian Brothers art instructor Kevin McGovern has been selected by the University Library Gallery at Sacramento State to exhibit his paintings at the gallery this June. In discussions about the exhibit, McGovern was asked whether he could also bring works of art created by his students. The answer was "Absolutely!" The exhibit entitled, "Teacher and Student: Paintings by Kevin McGovern and artworks by his students at Christian Brothers High School," will be on display at the Library Gallery from June 5-26, 2007.

McGovern, an alumnus of CSUS (BA '79, MA '86), will be exhibiting his latest "Swimming Pool" series of paintings and 24 works of art from his students. The reception for the show is scheduled for Friday, June 8 from 5:00–8:00 p.m. at the CSUS Library Gallery. A color catalogue that will include all the works in the show will be available for purchase on that evening.

When asked about the exhibit, McGovern replied, "It is quite an honor to exhibit at the Library Gallery at CSUS. I think it is one of the nicest places to show in Sacramento, and to have my students with me makes it a real event!".

FALCON ATHLETICS

Good luck to all our programs as they complete league action and gear up for playoffs!!

It is time again to recognize the academic excellence our athletes have demonstrated while being committed to countless hours of practice and competitions this spring. The following teams achieved a 3.0 or better team grade point average at the posting of third quarter grades in March:

JV Baseball 3.02 Varsity Baseball 3.11 Dive 3.57 Men's JV Golf 3.17 Men's Varsity Golf 3.46 Women's Lacrosse 3.71 Men's Varsity Rugby 3.14 Women's JV Soccer 3.28 Women's Varsity Soccer 3.44 JV Softball 3.07 Men's and Women's Swimming 3.35 Men's Tennis 3.57 Men's and Women's Track 3.25 Men's Varsity Volleyball 3.73



Congratulations scholar-athletes for achieving a 3.5 grade point average or better the third quarter:

Frosh Baseball: Zachery Anderson, Joseph DaRosa, Travis Hart, Christopher Kunz, Peter Vanenburg; JV Baseball: Kevin Crawford, Aleksander Fornalski, Evan Hirano, Ryan Metzen; Varsity Baseball: Michael Laino, Kyle Venegas, Patrick Gormley, Joe Lewis; Diving: Blair Pierroz; M-JV Golf: Jarrett Link, Brandon Simoes, Nicholas Bacher, Nick Stathos; M-Varsity Golf: Connor Penfold, Chris Sylva, Matthew Aronson, Matthew Kalmanson; W-Lacrosse: Kelsey McNamara, Emily Clemons, Hannah Coyner, Kate Jelicich, Nicole Evashenk, Maren Gallagher, Allison Moser, Arianna Procopio, Ann Steimel, Margaret Waterhouse, Madeleine Flynn, Stacey Howell, Lauren Lahey, Lindsay Meline, Elizabeth Olveda; M-JV Rugby: Dakota Duonchelle, Graham Ryden, Kevin Amegin, Daniel Hansen; M-Varsity Rugby: Ian Markham, Gregory Miguel, Mark Sauser, Robert Scherer, Aaron Gustin; W-JV Soccer: Sarah Marks, Samantha Schumann, Whitney Swain, Megan Walters, Geanna Flavetta, Eleni Lewis, Elsie Michaels, Christine Van Beek, Chelsea Williamson; W-Varsity Soccer; Rachel Cheney. Elise Delgado, Haley Cavanaugh, Taylor Chamberlain, Cecilia Costa, Erica Havey, Markie Abney, Taylor Giroux, Nicole Link, Alexandra Murphy, Caitlin Olson-Kenny, Teresa Rojas; JV Softball: Tatiana Gomez, Melissa Roberts, Sarah Woolston, Amy Albertson, Mina Mohaddess. Varsity Softball: Macey Palermko, Katina Feil: Swimming: Domingue Bennett, Devyn Cotter, Nicole Gugeler, Diana Jacinto, Grady Pierroz, Kelsey Rojo, Faith Siler, Grace Silva, Danielle Drobny, Darren Schell, Spencer Tierney, Evan Wisheropp, Joe LaBriola, Trevor Meek, Lorenzo Piergallini, Katherine Rodota, David Tracy, Michael Day, Katherine Drack, Clark Taylor; M-Tennis: Michael Cohen, Colin Rooney, Anton Babich, Aaron Domingo, Sean Williamson, Dane Axelgard. Johathan Garrucho, Anthony Padilla, Christopher Wong: Track and Field: Dakota Dumonchelle, Dawn Fleming, Carmeron Goodman, Matthew Havey, Evan Lian, Ian McCormack, Kelly Pelz, Steven Pham, Kevin Sargent, Phillip Villegas, Viviana Becerra, Brittany Chamalbide, Taylor Chang, Morgan Dahl, Anne Dalisay, Carly Haw, Jonathan Hester-McCullough, Will Houston, Gregory Hufford, Ruben Montoya, Elliot Wenzel, Aaron Dennings, Siena Encinas, Nicole Evashenk, Katherine Holst, Megan King, Kelly McEnerney, Christopher McKinnon, Jose Nieto, Kayla Thompson, William Coddington, Matthew Delgado, Stephanie Hopcraft, Nicholas Sullivan, David VanMuyden, Brittany Wynne; M-Varsity Volleyball: Steven Anderson, Scott Lewis, Eric Liddle, Luis Lopez, Bryan Perrin, Colin Ballou, Bryan Caselli, Anthony Pham, Javier Plasencia, Ryan Wilson.

The Athletic Department congratulates Mr. Ron Gully who will be our new Women's Varsity Basketball Head Coach. Ron has been part of the basketball program for the past two seasons as the head coach of the freshmen and JV programs respectively.

The gym will be closed from May 16 until August 2007 so that a new gym floor can be installed. We apologize for the inconvenience to our summer programs that will not have use of the facilities. However, we will offer many summer programs for different sports. Please contact individual coaches for specific information.

We are offering camps for high school athletes that we encourage you to consider:

Conditioning for the female athlete: June 11 – July 20 1:30 – 3:30 \$140 Conditioning for the male athlete: July 2 – 20 \$100

FALCON FAMILY FACES



Christian Brothers High School Class of 2007 Grad Nite Party

As you reflect on the end of high school, celebrate a new beginning with your fellow classmates! May 25 – 26, 2007 \bullet 10 pm – 5 am

Country Club Lanes, 2600 Watt Avenue, Sacramento

Cost: \$ 90.00 (T-shirt size guaranteed if reservation is received by May 7. Reservations accepted with parent permission form through May 24.) Cost includes all entertainment and all the food you can eat, and much more! Don't miss the fun!

Senior Parent Info: The graduates will check in and be picked up at the event location.

Information will be mailed soon

All Parents: Parent Volunteers are needed for Grad Nite.

Contact Cindy Castronovo at ccastron@arb.ca.gov or (916) 395 - 3212 to volunteer.



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