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## **Home of the Knights!**

### **A MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL...**

The year is off to a great start at Century High School. I am proud of the accomplishments of our students who continue to demonstrate how talented they are! The “One Act Plays” were entertaining; marching band ratings continue to climb; and fall sports are doing well as they enter our big county rivalries! This is Homecoming Week at CHS and we hope to see you at all the events. The school spirit of our students builds up to the homecoming game and dance. It would be great to have large crowds at our home events this week! You can’t miss the parade on Wednesday. We start at Sykesville Middle School and wind our way down Main Street. It is a nice family atmosphere which brings a lot of middle and elementary school students out; who have dreams of being Knights one day.

Academically, our students continue to set high standards for success. We recently recognized four (4) individuals who were “COMMENDED STUDENTS” in the 2010 National Merit Program. Seniors Stacie Bosley, Michael Fornaro, Caitlin Taylor, and Laura Wise earned this recognition for scoring in the top 5% nationally on their PSAT! The PSAT will be given to all 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students on October 14, 2009. Juniors are eligible for the National Merit Scholarship Program ~ good luck students!

PSAT day (October 14) is also a big day for freshmen and seniors. We take pride in our freshmen who will perform community service projects in and around the Sykesville community. The impact of our students is fantastic and a great learning experience. Students demonstrate the value of providing “service to others” that day. Highlights of their service projects will be shared in our next newsletter.

Meanwhile, our senior class will have a special morning planned while 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> grade students are testing. They will have a breakfast, take their class picture, and participate in two activities related to “life after high school”. One: students will see “30 Days on Minimum Wage”. A documentary about a young couple who experience life on minimum wage; it is a powerful message for students as they prepare to become more independent next year. Two: speakers will talk with students (separated by gender) about issues facing young adults. This message is part of our annual requirement for Drug and Alcohol education and has ties to many social issues which our students need to prepare for as they leave high school.

**Thank you for your continued support of Century High School!**

**Mr. Drew Cockley**  
Principal

## **October/November**

## Calendar of Events

- Oct 12:** Continuing Education Fair – AG Center, Westminster, MD @ 6:30pm
- Oct 14:** PSAT Day!
- Oct 16:** NO SCHOOL – Professional Meeting Day
- Oct 17:** Marching Band Competition @ Northwest HS (MD States!)
- Oct 20:** PTSO Meeting @ 7pm
- Oct 21:** “It’s Academic” Team Challenge @ Liberty HS
- Oct 22:** CCPS “One Acts” @ 7:30pm hosted by Century High School
- Oct 23:** AHC Academy – guest speaker during Flex Period
- Oct 24:** Marching Band Competition – Mid Atlantic Regionals @ Towson
- Oct 27:** Mid Term Exams 1 & 3
- Oct 28:** Mid Term Exams 2 & 4
- Oct 29:** 2 hr. 45 min. Early Dismissal (11:50am student dismissal)  
End of the 1<sup>st</sup> Marking Period
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- Nov 6:** Marching Band Competition – National Championships at Navy Stadium, Annapolis, MD  
  
Report Cards Distributed to students in Advisory
- Nov 9:** 2 hr. 45 min. Early Dismissal (11:50am student dismissal)  
Professional Meeting Day
- Nov 11:** Veterans Day Assembly
- Nov 13:** CHS Rude Mechanicals present Shakespeare’s, “Taming of the Shrew” @ 7pm
- Nov 14:** CHS Rude Mechanicals present Shakespeare’s, “Taming of the Shrew” @ 7pm
- Nov 17:** PTSO Meeting @ 7:00pm
- Nov 19:** Achievement Counts Presentations in Seminar Classes
- Nov 20:** Achievement Counts Presentations in Seminar Classes  
“Taming of the Shrew” @ 7pm
- Nov 21:** “Taming of the Shrew” @ 7pm
- Nov 23:** Parent Conferences 12:00pm to 8:00pm – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
- Nov 24:** Professional Meeting Day – NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS
- Nov 25 to 27:** Schools Closed for Thanksgiving Break

## Veterans Assembly – Update for Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>

The annual Century High School tribute to Veteran's will be held on November 11, 2009 in our main gym. This assembly is meant to honor each veteran's service to our country and highlight for students ways that we can provide "service to others". Please RSVP if you have friends or family members who are veterans and can attend!



### Century High School Veteran's Day Tribute RSVP

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Branch of Military: \_\_\_\_\_

Dates of service: \_\_\_\_\_

Conflicts involved in: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

Names of Guests: \_\_\_\_\_

**PLEASE RSVP BY: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2009**

Mail to: Century High School  
Attn: Veteran's Day  
355 Ronsdale Rd.  
Sykesville, MD 21784

-Or-

Call 410-386-4400

## NOTES FROM THE NURSE

### H1N1 (Swine Flu) Concerns:

This school year may prove to be a challenge with concerns of pandemic spread of the swine flu. The school system, at this time, will not be providing flu shots. But, we do ask for strict adherence to the school boards policy for flu like symptoms or presence of fever (100°F or greater). The policy states: **Stay home when sick: Those with flu-like illness should stay home for at least 24 hours after fever, or signs of a fever, is gone without the use of fever-reducing medicines. Students should stay home even if prescribed antiviral medications.**

Students who may become ill during the school day and have flu-like symptoms will be required to wear a facial mask in the health suite while waiting for parent pick-up to prevent the spread of germs; this policy is per the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

My best recommendation for illness prevention is the emphasize of basic foundations of influenza prevention: **stay home when sick, wash hands frequently with soap and water, and cover noses and mouths with a tissue when coughing or sneezing (or a shirt sleeve or elbow if no tissue is available).**

### Flu vs. Colds: A Guide to Symptoms

The flu and the common cold are both respiratory illnesses but are caused by different viruses. Because these two types of illnesses have similar symptoms, it can be difficult to tell the difference between each based on symptoms alone. In general, the flu is worse than the common cold. Symptoms such as fever, body aches, extreme tiredness, and dry cough are more common and intense with the flu. Colds are usually milder and the main symptom is more likely to be a runny or stuffy nose.

<u>Symptoms</u>	<u>Flu</u>	<u>Cold</u>
onset of illness ...	sudden	slow
Does your child have a ...	high fever	no (or mild) fever
exhaustion level ...	severe	mild
Is your child's head ...	achy	headache-free
appetite ...	decreased	normal
Are your child's muscles ...	achy	fine
Does your child have ...	chills	no chills

From the Nurse... continued.

Some bacterial diseases, like strep throat or pneumonia, can also look like the flu or a cold. It's important to get medical attention immediately if your child seems to be getting worse, is having any trouble breathing, has a high fever, has a bad headache, has a sore throat, or seems confused. The important thing to remember is flu symptoms can vary from child to child (and they can change as the illness progresses), so if you suspect the flu, call the doctor. *If your child has a fever of 100°F or more, please keep him or her at home until he or she has been fever free for 24 hours, medication free.*

Any questions or concerns, please feel free to call me during school hours:

Dawn Adamson, RN, BSN

410-386-4400.

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## **HIGH SCHOOL ASSESSMENT – extra tutoring program!**

Does Your Child Need Help Passing the High School Assessments?

Help is here! Century is offering support for each High School Assessment in an MSDE grant funded after-school program that runs from 2:50 PM until 3:50 PM every Monday through Thursday. A content area teacher teaches the class with support from a special education teacher or instructional assistant. Currently the program is offering assistance to those students who will be taking the High School Assessments during the October 5<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> test window. Algebra and Government sessions meet every Monday and Wednesday. English and Biology sessions meet every Tuesday and Thursday.

Future phases of the program will continue to provide assistance to students who have not yet passed the exams as well as students who have not yet taken the assessments but are struggling with learning content. The program will also provide an opportunity for students to work on Bridge Plans (the alternative path toward meeting the H.S.A. graduation requirement provided for those students who qualify).

**This program is available to ALL Century students free of charge.**

To sign up your child or for more information, please contact Vicky Grant, Special Education Department Chair, at 410-386-4400.

# Army JROTC

*“Motivating Young People to be Better Citizens”*

Senior Army Instructor  
LTC (retired) Lee Mitchell

Army Instructor  
1SG (retired) Walter Sitarek

One of this year’s goals for improving the JROTC program is better communication and involvement with the CHS community and its feeder schools. This article is the first of many that will keep you abreast of the JROTC Program’s accomplishments and upcoming events.

We already started the year out demonstrating of our commitment to better involvement in the CHS community. On Friday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, we included the History Club and the Marching Band on our fieldtrip to George Mason University to see the “Spirit of America”; a musical and historical presentation by the 3<sup>rd</sup> Infantry Regiment “the Old Guard” and other Army musical units in the Military District of Washington.

Also, we are particularly excited to finally be able to offer JROTC to students from Liberty and South Carroll High Schools. Thanks to the initiation of the JROTC Magnet Program, students from our sister schools are provided with round-trip transportation between CHS and their home schools to take JROTC classes. If you are interested in your child participating in this worthwhile program please contact his/her guidance counselor and ask for your child to be placed in Leadership Education and Training I (LET 1). Incidentally, ***JROTC does not recruit for the military and participating in JROTC does not obligate your child to join the military.***

## **Reflections on 2008-2009**

**Unit Report:** One of the accomplishments I am most proud of is our cadets achieving a maximum score of 400 points on the annual Unit Report. This report is one of the evaluative items the US Army Cadet Command uses to measure the quality of our program and the cadets’ involvement in the school and community.

**Patriot Club:** Last year our Drill Team mentored the Patriot Club from *Linton Springs Elementary* and trained them in basic drill and ceremonies (facing and marching movements), flag etiquette, and color guard procedures. This year we would like to expand our community involvement to *Sykesville Middle School* with a similar mentoring program that focuses more on adventure, leadership, and self-confidence.

**JROTC Night:** Last fall we initiated “JROTC Night”; a new tradition at CHS where the entire JROTC Cadet Corps attends varsity football home games in uniform. The cadets march into the stadium, sit together, and cheer on the team. The highlight of the evening being the Raider Team running onto the track to do pushups when our team scores. Look for the Raiders at the Homecoming game on October 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Veterans Day:** Our cadets played a large part in the success of the annual Veterans Day Assembly. They greeted the visitors, served as escorts, and also ate breakfast with the veterans before the program. After the program they hosted a living history museum in the media center. One of the most memorable moments of the program was the Linton Springs Elementary School's "Patriot Club" leading the assembly in the "Pledge of Allegiance".

**Service Learning Project:** During the spring, the cadets visited Fairhaven Retirement Community and interviewed several military veterans as part of a Service Learning Project of which the final products will be one-page biographies of each veteran. We will present the framed biographies to each veteran and display during the Veteran Day Living History Museum.

**JLAB:** In their first time competing, both our Leadership and Academic teams advanced to the Semi-finals in the International JROTC Leadership and Academic Bowl (JLAB). The Leadership Team went on to place 1<sup>st</sup> in their division and advance to the International Leadership Symposium at George Mason University, June 26<sup>th</sup> – 30<sup>th</sup>. The Academic Team just missed the finals, by placing 6<sup>th</sup> out-of-96 teams.

**JCLC:** In a show of true dedication and a thirst for adventure, twelve cadets forfeited the first few days of summer vacation to attend the annual JROTC Cadet Leadership Challenge (JCLC) at Fort A.P. Hill, VA from June 21<sup>st</sup> through 26<sup>th</sup>.

### **Individual Cadet Accomplishments**

**Gunther Spriggs** received a 4 year Army ROTC scholarship to Towson University.

**Jacob Brooks, Alexander Carroll, Todd Castle, and William Robison** all received the General Douglass MacArthur Leadership Award, and the General George C. Marshall JROTC Leadership Award for their accomplishments in the JLAB competition.

**Sarah Sparks and Lauren Nielsen** were selected for recognition as Valiant Knights at CHS.

**Jacob Brooks** was selected as the Outstanding JROTC Cadet by the Maryland Society of the Sons of the American Revolution. Brooks also had the honor of being the keynote speaker for the SAR annual summer meeting.

### **Upcoming Events**

Early October: JROTC Fundraiser (World's Finest Chocolate). Please support the cadets.

7 Oct: Homecoming Parade

9 Oct: JROTC Night (Homecoming Game)

TBD: Rappelling and Land Navigation Training at Camp Frettered, MD

7 Nov: Drill Team competes at Southern Garrett High School

11 Nov: Veterans Day Program

## **Research Doctor Visits Honors Human Anatomy Class**

Dr. Maria Tejero, M.D./Ph.D., mother of Stephanie Taldo (2010), spoke to Ms. Perouty's Honor Human Anatomy class on September 18<sup>th</sup> as part of a Human Anatomy Lecture Series.

Dr. Tejero is a cardiovascular researcher who received her original medical training in Spain, her natal country. She described her medical training, how it differs from medical training in the U.S.A.; her various research experiences in neurogenic inflammation, the effects of heart drugs and the side effects of HIV drugs on the heart; and discussed the ups and downs of working under the grant system and the importance of mentoring and relationships within the research community. Dr. Tejero also discussed her latest career move to the Food and Drug Administration Office of Regulatory Affairs for Medical and Radiological Devices.

Other speakers this year will include Dr. Helen Liu, MD, LAc, DOM, a local acupuncturist and Doctor of Oriental Medicine trained in China; and Mr. Robert Urban, a local historian and medical historian who discusses and demonstrates surgical techniques from the French and Indian Wars, American Revolutionary War and Civil War.

**If you are interested in speaking about medical careers or specialties, please email Ms. Perouty at [clperou@k12.carr.org](mailto:clperou@k12.carr.org) .**

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**The Music Boosters will be hosting a Ledo's Night on Monday, October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at our Sykesville Ledo's. Please join us and dine in or carry out at any time during the business day, and the music students of Century High School will receive a portion of the profits! Thank you so much for your support!**

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**Attention Parents of Music Students: If your student placed a Joe Corbi's order for the Music Boosters fundraiser, the orders will be delivered and ready for pick up Wednesday, October 14<sup>th</sup>, 2009 from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm in the cafeteria. Please make arrangements to pick up your order that evening, as items are perishable! Thanks so much! Questions? Please contact Ms. Adelman at [maadelm@k12.carr.org](mailto:maadelm@k12.carr.org)**

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Century High School's Class of 2011 Presents:

# Basket & Bag Bingo!

When: Saturday, October 24th

Where: Century's cafeteria

Time: Doors open @ 5, games start @ 5:30

Price: \$15 in advance, \$18 at the door

For tickets in advance, contact Mr. Ingram or Mrs. Adedeji  
@ 410-386-4400

## Food! Special games!

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### Drama Boosters News

The Class of 2010 will be directing Opening Acts, VI on October 1, 2 and 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7pm at Century High School. Skits will include actors from all grades including seniors. Watch for skits featuring faculty members! Tickets are \$7

Set Construction volunteers are needed for the spring musical, *The Wizard of Oz*. **No experience is necessary!!** Please contact Jeff at 443-609-4514 or [jefmeyer@comcast.net](mailto:jefmeyer@comcast.net) if you are interested in helping.

The Carroll County One Acts Festival will be held at Century High School on Thursday, October 22. High schools from around the county will bring their best one act plays to Century for a showcase of the best acting and directing in Carroll County's high schools.

Finally, the Drama Boosters would like to congratulate Ms. Anne Dorwart and her husband on the birth of baby Margaret on September 4.

# Get excited: Class of 2013 is in the house!

Welcome to Century High School!!

Just a quick update to let you know what is going on with the freshman class.

We have elected officers:

President is **Ryder Cavey**  
Vice President is **Nick Dantzler**  
Secretary is **Allison Remenapp**  
Treasurer is **Andy Murosko**  
Historian is **Julia Hinson**

Congratulations!

We are working on homecoming preparations. Any freshman that is willing to help should see Ms. Barnold (B210) or Mrs. Haak (G103).

We have a really cool theme for our hallway and our float. We also have an awesome executive board of students willing to help donate supplies, time and energy to help create our hallway and float: **Spenser Ricks, Abbey Gillis, Haley Bordner, Morgan Lamb, Jamie Clark, Steffie Pfisterer, Mackenzie Connolly, Alex Bontzos, Kara Stone, Kirsten Pauley, Ryan Freeburger, Sarah Hunter, Alison Gilbert, Scott Turner, Cole Holocker, and Olivia Wisner.**

After we get finished with homecoming 2009, the freshman class needs to start raising money... any ideas?

We are interested in getting together a parent booster/support team for our freshman. If you are willing to help, please email Mrs. Haak [trhaak@k12.carr.org](mailto:trhaak@k12.carr.org) or Ms. Barnold [anbarno@k12.carr.org](mailto:anbarno@k12.carr.org).

We will be more successful with the support of our parents!

Sincerely,  
Mrs. Haak and Ms. Barnold

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The Music Boosters will be selling Yankee Candle products through October 16<sup>th</sup>. These make wonderful gifts for any occasion, including holidays, birthdays, anniversaries, and housewarmings! Please purchase your candles from any Century Music Student to help us earn 40% profit! Thanks for supporting our talented musicians! Please contact Judy Bushey at [jlbushey69@msn.com](mailto:jlbushey69@msn.com) with any questions.

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## From the School Counseling Center

### Scholarship Newsletters

The Senior and Underclass Scholarship Newsletters are available on the Century High School Website at [www.centuryhigh.org/counseling/scholarships](http://www.centuryhigh.org/counseling/scholarships). They are also available on the CCPS website at [www.carrollk12.org/about/resources/default.asp](http://www.carrollk12.org/about/resources/default.asp).

### Community Service Hours

Do you need Community Service Hours?

- Don't forget that many Community Fall Festivals will be taking place soon. They can use the extra help.
- Be a Linton Springs Mentor, sign up in the School Counseling Center
- How about Outdoor School at Hashawha? Be a counselor for a week with attending sixth graders. There is a sign-up sheet in the School Counseling Center.
- Be a Bear Branch Nature Center volunteer. Applications are available in the School Counseling Center.

Other places to look for opportunities,

- Listen to the Morning announcements
- Look in the local paper, many organizations will list upcoming events that always need volunteers.
- Places of Worship are beginning their fall clean-up, raking leaves, cutting bushes, etc.
- Many local Fire Departments hold evening bingo, check to see if you can volunteer.
- Local Recreation Councils can use volunteers.
- Check out these websites for more opportunities,  
<http://ccpl.carr.org/ccps/instruction/student-services/servlearn/index.htm> or  
<http://communitycarroll/browser.asp>

**Mrs. Jordan, counselor for the Class of 2010, gave a presentation to students in senior advisories regarding the college application process and having a plan for life after Century High School.** Whether this includes college, a trade school or entering the work force, students need to be prepared. The presentation included student responsibilities, counselor responsibilities and transcript request procedures. A copy of the power point used is on the Century website, under the School Counseling tab, as well as the Senior Recommendation Request Form, Senior Activity Information Sheet and transcript request procedures. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs. Jordan or Mrs. McKeiver, registrar (regarding transcripts).



# got savings?

## **Century High School does! We'll be selling the all-new 2010 Entertainment® membership book this fall!**

**GREAT SAVINGS** on the things you use every day, including:

- Safeway - \$20
- Play It Again Sports - 20%
- Aeropostale - \$10
- Rita's Italian Ice - 3 Free Italian Ice
- Kyoto Japanese Cuisine - \$22
- Pap Pap's Restaurant - \$13
- Don Pablo's - \$10
- Osaka Hibachi Grill - \$19
- Fuddruckers - \$5
- Auntie Anne's – 2 Free Pretzels
- Jiffy Lube - \$15
- Mr. Tire - \$25
- Dick's Sporting Goods - \$45

*...And thousands more!*

**Everyone wins with Entertainment!**

Parents save money, our organization raises much needed funds and we support neighborhood businesses!

The book is available for you through the PTSO. Purchase your copy and enjoy all the values. Don't miss your chance to SAVE BIG and support Century HS!



## ***Only \$25 per book***

# Club News

## *Attention Ski Club Parents:*

*A Ski Liberty representative will be at Century High on Monday October 19<sup>th</sup> to answer any questions about the Night Club Card program. Ski club advisers will also be available to answer questions regarding transportation to resorts, club expectations, and general club information. The meeting will take place at 7pm in Century's media center. Please come out and have your questions answered!*

## *Dig Pink Breast Cancer Awareness Match*

*The Century High School Volleyball team will be putting on an event that will promote breast cancer awareness throughout our school and community. Our match against Westminster on Thursday, October 15<sup>th</sup> is going to be dedicated to sponsoring organizations that share a vision of a cancer free world. The Dig Pink Breast Cancer Awareness Match will be used to raise money by selling pink t-shirts that fans and players are encouraged to wear, distributing educational materials, and collecting donations for those individuals in need of our help. The Side-Out foundation needs our help and we are hoping to raise enough money through the wonderful sport of volleyball! If you would like more information on the Dig Pink Match fundraising go to [http://www.side-out.org/application/teams/team\\_page/1696](http://www.side-out.org/application/teams/team_page/1696). Join our volleyball team in the Dig Pink Match to help support the Side-Out foundation in promoting breast cancer awareness in our community.*

## *The Guitar Club*

*... will be hosting a "Haunted Coffee House" on Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at 7pm in the cafeteria. Cost is \$5 per person at the door and will include an evening which will showcase the music of CHS Guitar Club members, and will include refreshments such as coffee/tea, desserts, and surprises! Contact Ms. Adelman with questions: [maadelm@k12.carr.org](mailto:maadelm@k12.carr.org)*

## *Century Nights - CHS Astronomy Club*

Century High School's Astronomy Club got off to a great start this school year. Known as the Century Nights – that's without a "K" – the club now has 68 members in its second year.

Under the faculty direction of Mr. Fuhrman, science teacher at Century, the club was established after numerous students expressed interest in creating an astronomy club because of their interest in better understanding the Universe and learning more about the many activities going on in space, including the upgrade of the NASA's Hubble Space Telescope, launches of numerous new space missions, and many exciting new discoveries.

This year's slate of club officers are: Yanni Panagiotopoulos, President  
Matthew Kaliszak, Vice President  
Rachel Martin, Secretary  
Jonathan Lambert, Treasurer  
Morgan Jones, Historian

In the first weeks of the new school year, Century Nights has held two meetings. They held their first field trip on Sept. 25 when 15 club members attended a planetarium show at Bear Branch Nature Center followed by an hour of star gazing. The second club event took place at 8 am, Saturday morning (Sept. 26), when they witnessed a NASA mini-satellite launch right on the grounds at Century High School.

Future activities include a visit to the planetaria at the Maryland Science Center, Towson University, and the observatory at University of Maryland – College Park. They will also be revisiting the Bear Branch planetarium on a monthly basis.

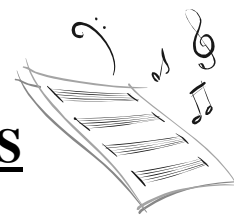
All club activities are open to members, non-members, and the public. The club owns 5 telescopes and 3 pairs of binoculars. Members are also invited to bring their own telescopes or binoculars if they like.

The club hopes to launch a club calendar in the near future.

Orders for newly created Century Nights t-shirts will be taken through October 15 with delivery by Nov. 1.

Anyone interested in joining or learning more should contact one of the club's officers or Mr. Fuhrman at [grfuhrm@k12.carr.org](mailto:grfuhrm@k12.carr.org).

Century Nights – CHS Astronomy Club



## **CENTURY HIGH SCHOOL MUSIC BOOSTERS**

[www.knightsmusic.org](http://www.knightsmusic.org)

### **Shout Outs!**

Welcome to Melissa Adelman, the new Chorus teacher at Century! She has been very busy fundraising and organizing a trip to NYC on November 4<sup>th</sup>. Chorus members will have the opportunity to attend a vocal, drama and dance class taught by professional performers and will see “Wicked” on Broadway!

Welcome to Lt. Col. Lee Mitchell, the new Assistant Marching Band Director.

The Marching Band is off to a busy season, having already competed in a USSBA show in Westminster on September 12 and in our Home Show at Century on September 26<sup>th</sup>. The show’s theme this year is “Paradise Lost”. Please come to at Westminster High school on Saturday October 3<sup>rd</sup> to cheer them on in their next competition!

Congratulations to Kristine Sung who is a finalist in the Maryland Distinguished Scholar for the Arts. Kudos also goes out to Kurtis Fedde and Paige Lewis who both earned Honorable Mention in the competition.

### **Mark Your Calendar:**

The Music Boosters will meet on Thursday, October 1st at 7:30 in the Chorus Room. Please join us and feel free to bring new people interested in helping support the students involved with the Music Programs at Century! The turnout was great at the September meeting so let’s keep the attendance up. We need everyone’s help for this year to be successful for ALL of our talented music students!!! Please thoughtfully consider taking on a leadership position as many of our officers will be completing their terms in March 2010. An Executive Board is mandatory if the Music Boosters are to continue supporting our children in their efforts.

### **Current Fundraiser**

The Yankee Candle fundraiser is currently underway. Orders will be taken until October 19<sup>th</sup> but no later to ensure holiday delivery. Profits will benefit all Music programs. Please see any music student for information.

### **Shopwithscrip.com**

Please visit the above website to participate in a fundraising program while you shop. It’s easy because it involves *no selling* and the Boosters receive a regular source of revenue to fund all of the Music programs at Century. **Check it out today☺!** Or contact Scrip Program Coordinator Mary Laulis at [mlaulis@verizon.net](mailto:mlaulis@verizon.net) with any questions you may have.

### **Century High School Spirit Apparel**

Purchase your fall clothing now and show your team spirit! The following items are available: sweat shirts, sweat pants, long sleeve shirts, t-shirts, gym bags, lanyards, hats, a variety of jackets and cotton blankets (throws), 48” x 68”. Please visit the Music Boosters table at the next home football game, visit or our website: [www.knightsmusic.org](http://www.knightsmusic.org)

# Century High Athletic Boosters

Thank you for a great beginning! Your support of our organization, meetings, and events has been wonderful to see. Athletic Booster meetings are held the second Monday of each month, in the Media Center at 7:00.

**President: Andrea Brandt**  
**Vice Presidents: Judy Jones, Theresa Kasper**  
**Treasurer: Wayne Straitz**  
**Secretary: Amy Hunter**  
**Concession Manager: Joan Spindler**  
**Apparel: Shelley Sweeney**  
**Athletic Director: Randy Pentz**

**Website address:** [www.chsathleticboosters.com](http://www.chsathleticboosters.com)  
**Athletic Schedules on line:** [www.highschoolsports.net](http://www.highschoolsports.net)  
**Questions:** [anbrandt@comcast.net](mailto:anbrandt@comcast.net)

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## CHS Booster events and opportunities...

- **Run of the Century – October 25th**  
5K and 1 mile run sponsored by Eldersburg Rogue Runners to benefit Century Athletics. On line registration and info available at [www.errun.org](http://www.errun.org)
- **Apparel Sales** – Have been GREAT so far. Tables will be set up at most home games – new merchandise is here. For more info: [mnsweeney@verizon.net](mailto:mnsweeney@verizon.net)
- **Concessions** – Fall season is well underway. Thank you to all who have and continue to help at games. We most definitely appreciate your help! For more info: [wjspindler@aol.com](mailto:wjspindler@aol.com)
- **Stadium Patio Project** – This is an ongoing project. Order a brick with your child's name, number, or graduating year. Order forms and information available on the website, at home games, and CHS Booster events. For more info contact Tom Howes at: [howessports2@comcast.net](mailto:howessports2@comcast.net)

The next Athletic Booster meeting will be **Mon, Oct. 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm**. See you there!

# Student Government Association

The SGA has been very busy this school year starting with the Leadership Conference that was held at the Maryland State Police Training Center on September 14. During the conference, the SGA worked on Homecoming preparations (Social Strand), fundraising, service projects (Service Strand), CCSGA (Legislative Strand), and special events for later in the school year. The major fundraiser this year is Butterbraids. Alex's Lemonade Stand and the Century Peace Corps are the two service projects that SGA will be focusing on. The SGA has planned an Earth Day in the spring which will feature local vendors and stands from the various clubs at CHS. The class officers from the 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, and 12<sup>th</sup> grades worked on their fundraising to help plan events such as the senior cruise and prom. The Climate Committee Strand of SGA stressed the importance of supporting other club's achievements and hard work. They want to create buddy bags and encouraging notes for club officers to show that SGA appreciates their commitment to the school. Overall, the SGA Leadership Conference was a huge success with a lot of great participation.

The SGA has a lot of fun events planned for the week of Homecoming. The theme of Homecoming is "A Night in Tinsel Town". The Homecoming Parade is scheduled for October 7<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm in down town Sykesville. We ask for more convertibles and flat bed trucks to be used as floats. The week of the 5<sup>th</sup>- 9<sup>th</sup> will be Spirit Week. Monday is Black & White Day, Tuesday is Decades Day, Wednesday is Movie Character Day, Thursday is Football Jersey Day, and Friday is Class Color Day. For Class Color Day, freshmen wear gold/yellow, sophomores wear white, juniors wear green, and seniors wear black. Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> is the Pep Rally and the Homecoming game. The Pep Rally will be a very audio-visual presentation this year with videos and music that will showcase the different sports teams. This year we will also crown a faculty Homecoming king and queen! The Homecoming Game is also on Friday the 9<sup>th</sup> at 7 pm versus Winters Mill. We hope to see a lot of Century fans at the game. Last but not least, is the Homecoming Dance on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup> from 8 to 11 pm. Tickets are \$18 and NOT sold at the door. We hope to see all the students there. We thank you for your support!

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# CULTURE CORNER

## OCTOBER IS GERMAN AMERICAN MONTH

Individual German settlers are documented already in Jamestown, VA (1608), the birthplace of America. However, it was on October 6, 1683, when a group of 13 Mennonite families from Krefeld, Germany, disembarked from the “Concord” (the German Mayflower) in Germantown, PA, constituting the first group immigration of Germans to America. Through hard work, innovation, and dedication, they have influenced our national and strengthened our country. Over 7 million would follow them over the next 300 years making German-American the largest ethnic group in the United States. In the 1990 census, 1 out of 4 Americans reported German ancestry.

In 1983, President Reagan proclaimed October 6<sup>th</sup> as German-American Day, honoring the contributions of German immigrants to the life and culture of the United States. German-American Day is a time of celebration, of raising awareness, strengthening a sense of identity, and pride in the contributions of German-speaking immigrants and their descendants to the building of this nation. The designation “German” is used in a cultural, not in a political sense, thus including the German speaking Swiss, Alsatians, Austrians, Germans from Eastern Europe, and German Jews. Each year we celebrate German-American Day, which offers us the chance to reflect on the proud and important contributions that German Americans have made to the United States.

This year we also celebrate the 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Federal Republic of Germany and the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall. In October of 1989 the mass exodus from the German Democratic Republic (East Germany) began. With the help of Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Austria, and the Federal Republic of Germany, many people held under communist rule were granted asylum. November 9, 1989 was the official destruction of the Berlin Wall, and the fall of the communist regime. Let’s join in the celebration this year!

There will be some contests in school for students to win prizes for knowing things about Germans, German-Americans and German-speaking countries. For example: What German invention helped Jesse Owens win gold at the 1936 Berlin Olympics? Jesse Owens wore running shoes made by the Dassler Company. **Adi Dassler** was the first to market spiked athletic shoes and develop a reputation for quality among the world’s top athletes. Does the name Adidas sound familiar to you? Did you know that Sandra Bullock and Leonardo DiCaprio are both German and can speak German fluently? And the Beatles first concert was held in Hamburg, Germany. They could sing in German, too! There’s a lot to learn and celebrate during German-American month! Enjoy!

# Service Projects

Powder Puff Football Game – National Honor Society, October 5th

The annual Powder Puff game organized by Century's National Honor Society will be on Monday October 5, 2009 at 6:00 PM in the stadium. Show your school spirit by supporting Century's students as girls play football and guys cheerlead.

Admission is only \$2.00 and food and drinks will be sold as well. All of the money goes to a local CHS family in need.

The Student Environmental Team of Carroll County needs **you!**

Do you need service hours? Do you care about the environment? Do you want to be more involved? Join the SET today! The SET is a student-run community service organization for youth aged 14 to 18. We work to increase community awareness about conservation through reducing, reusing, and recycling waste - as well as preserving our natural environment. We are looking for **new team members** – so visit the website below or e-mail [elizabethwelliver@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:elizabethwelliver@yahoo.co.uk) for more information!

## **We are collecting your old shoes!**

During the month of **October**, we will be holding a **Nike Reuse A Shoe Drive**. We need old and worn athletic shoes that we can send to Nike to be recycled! The shoes are recycled into Nike Grind, a material used to create community playgrounds and blacktop surfaces. You can donate your shoes by calling (410)-458-4572 or e-mailing [elizabethwelliver@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:elizabethwelliver@yahoo.co.uk). There also will be community drop-off bins at **Westminster High School, Winters Mill High School, and Gold's Gym** of Westminster. So send us those shoes!  
[www.studentenvironmentalteam.com](http://www.studentenvironmentalteam.com)