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PARENT ASSOCIATION

It's hard to believe that the school year is drawing to a close and that our seniors will be graduating in just a few days! I hope that your students have had a good year and that the summer will include some time to relax from the hectic schedules we all keep!

Concord voters - don't forget to vote on June 8th. If you will be out of town during voting hours or traveling you can obtain an absentee ballot at Town Hall. There are many items on the ballot and every vote counts!

The Nominating Committee has filled nearly all of the positions for next year at this time. Thank you to all who have volunteered to help out. We are always happy to have more volunteers participating and if you'd like to get involved in any of the PA committees or activities please contact any of the PA Executive Board members or the Committee Chairs.

Special thanks are due to Karen Sabatino who is stepping down from the position of Treasurer of the PA. Karen has done an outstanding job for several years and will continue to be involved in many activities at CCHS. We welcome Sandra Curran who has agreed to serve as our new Treasurer. I'd also like to thank Maureen Mara who volunteers her accounting skills to make sure that we file all necessary returns accurately and on time.

Thanks again to everyone who has contributed to the Direct Appeal Campaign. Because of your generosity we have received donations of more than \$26,000 and have been able to fund a wide variety of grants. Thanks again to Mary Jane Divino for organizing the campaign and to Paula von Kleydorff and the entire grants committee for their diligent work. If you haven't gotten around to sending a contribution it's not too late! Additional donations are always welcomed as the needs are great and these grants have a direct impact on our students and programs. Additional funds will be held in place ready for the Fall grant cycle when we usually have even more requests.

Senior Safari is ready to go for the evening of graduation (June 5th). Thanks to co-chairs Ainslee MacHaffie and Susan Sharp along with their entire committee for the countless hours they have put into organizing this event. They may still have room for additional helpers to decorate, serve food, chaperone or clean up so if you are interested and have not signed up please contact a committee member to offer your help.

We are concerned that some people may not be receiving their monthly newsletters electronically. Some e-mail services may have difficulties in delivering the lengthy newsletter. If you know of parents who have not received any of the regular communications (daily announcements, weekly Chit Chat or monthly newsletter) please tell them that they can go to the archives site

www.lists.ptg-concord.org/pipermail/cchs

to view prior messages. The messages for a particular class can be seen by visiting

www.lists.ptg-concord.org/pipermail/cchs-2007

(substitute appropriate class year).

Most messages are available for viewing.

If you would like to get information in the Friday update ("Chit Chat") please send it to Karen Sabatino at

KarenSab@comcast.net

by noon on Thursday. Thanks once again to Karen for getting this information out to parents on a timely basis. Next year the Chit Chat will be edited by Anne Wagner.

Don't forget the final Principal's coffee which will be held on June 7th at 8:30 a.m. in A-7. As always, please let me know if you have any questions or concerns that the PA can address. Have a great summer and we'll see you in September!

Diane Payne
PA President
978-287-5031

MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN THE WORLD! HOST AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT!

Enrich your community by welcoming a foreign student in your home. Learn a new language and culture as a volunteer host family! Each year, CIEE brings in almost 1,000 foreign exchange students from over 37 countries for an academic year or semester. If interested, please contact your local representative: HYPERLINK "mailto:ugyilmaz@hotmail.com" ugyilmaz@hotmail.com

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978.549.7933 (c)



NOTES FROM ART DULONG

Since I am completing my third year at CCHS it seems appropriate to reflect on the experience and comment on the future.

I have said and will continue to say that this is a terrific school populated by fabulous students who are taught by extraordinary teachers. Active parents who exert a positive influence generously support teachers and students. Not a day goes by when I am not thankful to someone who is doing something to benefit the school, the students, the teachers, or myself. If you have only experienced CCHS you do not know that this is not typical for a public high school. I am proud of what gets accomplished here and thankful that I can be a part of it. My professional life has been greatly enhanced by my association with CCHS.

Of course, there are many challenges, some small, some large. The larger challenges are well documented and primarily involve budget driven issues. Without doubt, I am weary of the ongoing need to promote increased funding in order to merely maintain quality programs. Regardless, I have been heartened by the consistently positive response of the community as a whole and look forward to continued support to maintain CCHS as an exceptional high school.

I anxiously await the day when we can reinstate enough library aids to have the library open during after school hours, and the day when we can rehire enough secretarial and custodial staff to keep up with the needs of an ever growing school. I hope for the day that we might actually improve program offerings to our students in more dramatic ways than we have. During the past few years we have revised curriculum in every area. We have added new math courses and a new English course. We have expanded language offerings. The band and chorus continues to grow almost uncontrollably, but healthily. The orchestra is better than ever. All of this was done without expanding staff and with minimal expenses related to supplies or texts. Much of it was done through the ingenuity of staff. Still, we should be expanding the art offerings, expanding computer offerings, including dance as an option, offering a school day drama program, instituting courses for business preparation, and offering more support for the small number of students for whom CCHS remains a serious challenge. We should continue to expand after school clubs and activities, and actually pay advisors for their time. We should be expanding the athletics program in response to the growing demand. Any one of these will improve the school experience for a number of students. Together, all of these would improve the school experience for virtually all students. Each requires expenditure of funds. I look forward to the opportunity.

In the meantime I more immediately look forward to a sunny graduation, a peaceful school closing, and a relaxing summer.



JUNE CALENDAR

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| 1. Graduation Rehearsal | 12. '05 Off Campus Social |
| Senior Week Begins | 13. '06 Social |
| Senior Prom | 14. Free |
| Cap and Gown Distribution | 15. Free |
| 2. Free | 16. Free |
| 3. CCPops Meeting | 17. Homeroom/Attendance Reports |
| 4. Homeroom/Attendance Reports | 18. Final Exams Begin (H and G Blocks) Dismissal at 11:15 a.m. |
| 5. SAT 1 & 2 | 19. Final Exams (F and E Blocks) Dismissal at 11:15 a.m. |
| GRADUATION/ SENIOR SAFARI | 20. Free |
| 6. Free | 21. Free |
| 7. Free | 22. Final Exams Continue (D and C Blocks) Dismissal at 11:15 a.m. |
| 8. Free | 23. Final Exams (B and A Block) Dismissal at 11:15 a.m. |
| 9. SAC Meeting | Last Day of School for '05, '06, and '07 |
| 10. Free | Joint School Committee Meeting 7:30 p.m. |
| 11. Homeroom/Attendance Reports | |
| Spring Play | |

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR STUDENTS AND PARENTS – PLEASE TAKE NOTE

The parking in front of the school including around the islands and at times on the islands themselves, has become a safety issue. The Concord Police Department and Concord Fire Department ask that motorists obey and respect the No Parking signs that are posted. Should an emergency occur, it is important that emergency vehicles have access and not be impeded by illegally parked vehicles. The fine for parking in a No Parking zone is \$15.00. Thank you for your cooperation.

Scott Camilleri, Concord Police Department

Thank You!

Thank you parents for the fantastic appreciation lunch on Friday, May 20th. The decorations and the food really made us feel like we were in Margueritaville. It was fun and very much appreciated. Thank you again for continuing this wonderful tradition.

Concord Carlisle Parent Initiative (CCPI) is a dynamic, hardworking committee. We focus on health issues related to youth; specifically, we work toward positive youth development, health promotion, and prevention of youth risk-taking behaviors.

Come find out more about us! Janet Lipkin and Jill Block, CCPI's co-chairs, will be hosting an informational coffee on June 11th at 9:30 am, at 145 Mattison Drive, Concord.

The meeting will be short, sweet, and well worth your while. For more info or answers to your questions, e-mail us at ccpigroup1@yahoo.com or visit our website at www.ccpi.info

CCHS SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL

Among the mandates contained in the educational reform legislation is a requirement that all schools have a council to serve in an advisory capacity to the principal. Each council is to assist the principal in adopting educational goals for the school; identifying the educational needs of students attending the school; reviewing the annual school budget; and formulating a school improvement plan.

At the Concord Public School and Concord-Carlisle Regional District each school advisory council will consist of at least nine members and should be broadly representative of the racial, ethnic, and role diversity of the school and the community. At CCHS Council members include: the school principal who serves as one of two co-chairs; four teachers at the school; five parents of students attending the school; one member of the junior class and one member of the senior class for the Concord-Carlisle High School; and other persons, not parents or teachers of students at the school, drawn from such groups or entities as municipal government, business and labor organizations, institutions of higher education, human services agencies, building support staff or other interested groups.

CURRENT PARENT MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL AND THEIR TERMS OF OFFICE ARE:

- Maureen Tarca '05
- Ray Ferrara '04**
- Jennifer Hart '05
- Robert E. Stone '04**
- Jane Turner Michael '04, Co-Chair**

We need to elect three parents to serve two-year terms. Please fill out the Nomination sheet below and send it to Louisa Coleman at CCHS – 500 Walden Street – Concord, MA 01742

I would like to nominate the following person for the CCHS School Advisory Council.

Name: _____

Address: _____ Telephone #: _____

I have spoken with the nominee and he/she has consented to the nomination.



Subscribing to the list serve:

Go to www.lists.ptg-concord.org/mailman/listinfo and click on the link to your child's class. If you have children in multiple classes, repeat the process for each child. **READ** and **FOLLOW** the **INSTRUCTIONS** provided. You will need to have your child's student I.D. handy when subscribing. When you subscribe, **you will receive an auto-generated response** which you **MUST REPLY** to in order **TO ACTIVATE** your **SUBSCRIPTION**. **IF YOU DO NOT REPLY, YOUR SUBSCRIPTION REQUEST WILL SIMPLY DISAPPEAR FROM THE SYSTEM. PLEASE PASS THIS INFORMATION ALONG TO ANYONE WHO HAS NOT SUBSCRIBED YET.**

FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE:

MONDAY, JUNE 14, TUESDAY, JUNE 15 AND WEDNESDAY, JUNE 16	FOLLOW THE REGULAR BLOCK SCHEDULE
THURSDAY, JUNE 17 – H AND G BLOCK EXAMS.....	DISMISSAL AT 11:15 A.M. THERE ARE NO LATE BUSES.
FRIDAY, JUNE 18 – F AND E BLOCK EXAMS.....	DISMISSAL AT 11:15 A.M. THERE ARE NO LATE BUSES.
MONDAY, JUNE 21 – D AND C BLOCK EXAMS.....	DISMISSAL AT 11:15 A.M. THERE ARE NO LATE BUSES.
TUESDAY, JUNE 22 – B AND A BLOCK EXAMS.....	DISMISSAL AT 11:15 A.M. THERE ARE NO LATE BUSES.

KAPLAN

Kaplan Test Prep and Admissions will offer P/SAT prep classes this summer/fall through Concord-Carlisle Adult and Community Education. There will be a daytime class starting in late June, and evening classes starting in July and September. For information or to enroll in a class, call 1-800-KAP-TEST.

The Kaplan course and private tutoring are designed to accommodate the needs of this year's rising juniors and seniors taking into account the upcoming changes to the SAT.

Kaplan Premier Private Tutoring offers students a one-on-one, instructional approach, tailored to the student's individual test prep needs and to accommodate their schedule. Kaplan Premier's tutor will meet with the student for in-home PSAT/SAT test preparation. Call (781) 216-9036 to arrange for a private tutor.

Kaplan SAT Classroom Course for the Class of 2005

For those students who will be seniors this fall, Kaplan offers a 12-session course to prepare for the October, November or December SAT. Students will attend 8, 2.5-hour lessons, where they will review all of the content tested on the SAT, and learn Kaplan's proven strategies for handling every

type of question on the exam. Students will also take 4 full-length practice SATs, under timed conditions, just like they will on test day. The Kaplan course includes a complete home study kit, including a Lesson Book, a Reference and Additional Practice Book, 300 vocabulary and math flashcards, a CD-ROM and unlimited access to online workshops.

Kaplan 3-In-1 SAT Course for the Class of 2006

The SAT and PSAT are changing, and students in the Class of 2006 will be the first ones affected by the changes. Kaplan offers students complete preparation for the new versions of these exams as part of our 3-In-1 SAT course. Students will attend 7 sessions in the fall to prepare for the new PSAT, and 12 sessions next spring to prepare for the new SAT. However, many colleges have stated that they will accept scores from both the current and new versions of the SAT. The Kaplan 3-In-1 SAT course also includes 6 bonus sessions, to prepare students completely to take the current SAT this fall. Kaplan offers the only course that fully prepares students for all three of these exams.

POSITION OPENING: EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHER/PARENT EDUCATION FACILITATOR

Concord-Carlisle School District Community Education Dep't. seeks an Early Childhood Teacher/Parent Education Facilitator for its 2 morning/week school-year Parent-Preschool Program in September 2004. An Early Childhood Education degree, familiarity with developmentally appropriate activities, and experience facilitating parent discussion and adult learning are desired. Compensation is \$70-\$75 per morning. Please send letter of application and resume to Court Booth, Director, Community Education, 120 Meriam Rd, Concord, MA 01742

Dear Parents,

You may have heard that there is now a skatepark at Concord-Carlisle Regional High School. This community project is due to the generosity of the Rotary Club of Concord, the Concord-Carlisle Community Chest Cornerstone Fund, and the donations of residents and businesses of Concord and Carlisle. The grand opening was on May 1st and the park has been busy ever since!

Students and adults that use the park must comply with the rules, which are as follows:

Hours 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM
Skateboards and in-line skates only. No bikes or scooters.
HELMETS REQUIRED. Other safety equipment recommended.
Keep the park clean, no littering, and no glass containers.
Please be respectful at all times
Skate at your own risk.
For emergency call 911 or use the call box.

We need parents to work in partnership with us in order to establish good safety practice from the outset, and we especially want to stress the absolute importance of wearing helmets. Please take a minute and discuss this with your child. Helmet wearing will be monitored routinely by adults and the police. We are asking the high school youth to be role models for the younger kids. Our goal is to maintain a positive "helmet culture" at the Concord-Carlisle Skatepark.

Remind your child to watch for cars in the parking lot.

There is an emergency call box at the park, with a direct dial to the police/fire department. Please review emergency protocol with your child.

Trash barrels are both on the outside of the park and by the picnic table inside the park. As the fundraising continues, we hope to purchase benches and picnic tables for spectators. Bike racks are on the wanted list too.

Thank you for supporting the safety of our youth! If you have any questions please call Barbara Howland (978-369-3113) or Kansas Wight (978-371-2478)

Skatepark Committee

THANK YOU

CCHS parents, please help us thank the local businesses that made a very generous contribution to the French trip taken by eighteen students in April. They are:

E and D Machining, Inc.,
 Ferns Country Store
 Louis Morin Co, Inc.
 Mi and Miya Hair Salon
 Pedro Diego's
 Rollins Insurance Agency
 Video Revolution.
 Open Market

They have allowed us to give financial help to some students before the trip and helped reduce the expenses incurred during the trip: for instance tips (\$420) to the bus driver and the tour guide we used when we were touring Normandy and Brittany, and some visits to museums. We are very grateful for the generosity from the community and hope that you will show your appreciation to the above businesses.

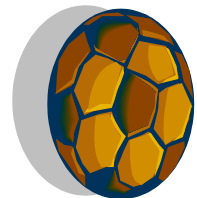
The Voyage en France participants.

EXCHANGE

The French teachers are planning an exchange with a French High School. The French students will come for two weeks - February 12 to 26, 2005, and the US students will be received in French families April 6 to 30. In both instances, the students will have one week of vacation and one week of school. The school is located in Versailles, 30 minutes from Paris, in a community similar to ours. Students will get more information from their respective teachers or from Madame Albeck.

**FALL SEASON STARTING DATES AND TIMES FOR CCHS ATHLETIC TEAMS.
SAVE THIS SHEET FOR REFERENCE**

VARSITY AND JV FOOTBALL	Monday, August 23 <u>9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon ... 3 days of conditioning practice.</u> Tuesday, August 24 Wednesday, August 25 Thursday, August 26, <u>Double sessions from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.</u>
FRESHMEN FOOTBALL	Monday, August 30 – Equipment and practice from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Tuesday, August 31 – 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon Wednesday, September 1 and Thursday, September 2 - 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. Friday, September 3 - 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon
VARSITY AND JV BOYS SOCCER	Thursday, August 26 at Emerson Playground 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
FRESHMEN BOYS SOCCER	Thursday, August 26 and Friday, August 27 Emerson Playground – 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.
VARSITY AND JV GIRLS SOCCER	Thursday, August 26 – Emerson Playground Track 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and afternoon, 2:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. CCHS.
FRESHMEN GIRLS SOCCER	Monday, August 30 – Emerson Playground – 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
VARSITY AND JV FIELD HOCKEY	Thursday, August 26 - 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at CCHS
FRESHMEN FIELD HOCKEY	Thursday, August 26 – 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. at CCHS
VARSITY GOLF	Friday, August 27 – 3:30 p.m. – Concord Country Club. <u>NO BLUE JEANS – COLLARED SHIRTS REQUIRED.</u>
VARSITY AND JV VOLLEYBALL	Thursday, August 26 – 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. – CCHS Upper Gym
VARSITY BOYS CROSS COUNTRY	Thursday, August 26 – 9:00 a.m. – Lower Gym Parking Lot at CCHS
VARSITY GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY	Friday, August 27 – 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. – Lower Gym Parking Lot at CCHS



Summer Reading List Concord-Carlisle High School

The following is a list of books suggested by the faculty as interesting and fun summer reading. Students are invited to talk with their current teacher or with next year's teacher concerning reading that would be helpful in the fall.

SUGGESTED BY STUDENTS OF THE ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

FAVORITE AUTHORS

J. K. Rowling
John Grisham
Tom Clancy
Toni Morrison
Orson Scott Card
Michael Crichton

FAVORITE TITLES

Manchild in the Promised Land
Dune
Memoirs of a Geisha
Divine Secrets of the YaYa Sisterhood
Martian Chronicles
This Boy's Life
The Westing Game
Gone with the Wind
The Chosen & My Name is Asher Lev
The Princess Bride
Watership Down
Ishmael
Go Ask Alice
Ahab's Wife
The Samuri's Garden
The Color of Water
Poisonwood Bible
In These Girls, Hope is a Muscle

FROM THE SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT

FAVORITE AUTHORS

William Manchester
David Halbestram
Barbara Tuchman
Joseph Ellis

FAVORITE TITLES

The Autobiography of Frederick Douglass
Cloud Splitter
When the Cheering Stopped
Autobiography of Malcolm X
The Right Stuff
Child of War, Woman of Peace
My Land, My People
Guns, Germs and Steel
Wild Swans
Long Walk to Freedom
Citizen Soldiers
Memoirs of Cleopatra
Mists of Avalon
And the Band Played On
No Equal Justice
Lee and Grant
FDR
Walden 2
Always Running
Fires of Jubilee
War and Peace
Common Ground
The Communist Manifesto

FAVORITE AUTHORS

Jack Kerouac
Julia Alvarez
Kurt Vonnegut
Edwidge Danticat
Amy Tan
J.R.R. Tolkien

Claude Brown
Frank Herbert
Arthur Golden
Rebeccas Wells
Ray Bradbury
Tobias Wolff
Ellen Raskin
Margaret Mitchell
Chaim Potok
William Goldman
Richard Adams
Daniel Quinn
Anonymous
Sena Jeter Naslund
Gail Tsukiyama
James McBride
Barbara Kingsolver
Madeleine Blais

FAVORITE AUTHORS

Bruce Catton
David McCollough
Michael Shaar

Russell Banks
Gene Smith
Alex Haley
Tom Wolfe
LeLy Hayslip
the Dalai Lama
Jared Diamond
Jung Chang
Nelson Mandela
Stephen Ambrose
Margaret George
Marion Z. Bradley
Randy Shilts
David Cole
Gene Smith
Ted Morgan
B.K. Skinner
Luis Rodriguez
Stephen Oates
Leo Tolstoy
Tony Lukas
Marx and Engels

Flawed Giant
1984
Brave New World
Breach of Faith
Flags of our Fathers
The Kennedy Imprisonment
Founding Sisters
The Red Tent
Abraham

**FROM THE FOREIGN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT
FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN CHINA**

D is for Doufu
Made in China
West to East

FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN FRANCE

Anything by Peter Mayle

FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN THE ANCIENT WORLD

Anything by Mary Renault
Anything by Lindsay Davis
Island of Ghosts
Emporor Series
Pompeii

FOR STUDENTS INTERESTED IN THE SPANISH SPEAKING WORLD

Anything by Julia Alvarez
The Conquest of the Incas
The Buried Mirror
When I was Puerto Rican

FROM THE GUIDANCE DEPARTMENT

FAVORITE AUTHORS

Phillip Pullman
Robert Louis Stevenson
Isaac Asimov

FAVORITE TITLES

The Water is Wide
A Day No Pigs Would Die
I am the Cheese
The Diary of Anne Frank
Light in the Forest
The Yearling
Waiting for the Rain
Forest Gump

FROM THE MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

FAVORITE TITLES

Flatland
Einstein's Dreams
Icy Sparks
Chaos
Fermat's Enigma
Newton's Clock
Uncle Petros & Golbach's Conjecture
The Volcano Lover
The Endurance
Isaac's Storm
100 Years of Solitude
Flu
Lost in Place

FROM THE HEALTH AND FITNESS DEPARTMENT

FAVORITE TITLES

Wide Awake: A Buddhist Guide for Teens
Our Kind of People

Robert Dallek
George Orwell
Aldous Huxley
Theodore White
James Bradley
Garry Wills

Anita Diamant

Maywan Shen Krach
Suzanne Williams
Qian Gao

Gillian Bradshaw
Conn Iggulden
Robert Harris

John Hemming
Carlos Fuentes
Esmeralda Santiago

Pat Conroy
Robert Peck
Robert Cormier

Conrad Richter
Majorie Rawlings
Shelia Gordon
Winston Groon

Edwin Abbott
Alan Lightman
Gwyn Hyman Rubio
James Gleick
Simon Singh
Ivar Peterson
Apostolos K. Doxiadis
Susan Sontag
Caroline Alexander
Erik Larson
Gabriel Garcia Marquez
Gina Bari Kolata
Mark Salzman

Kiana Windton
Lawrence Otis Graham

The Seven Spiritual Laws of Success
 Yoga and the Quest for the True Self
 Tuesday with Morrie
 Smart Exercise
 The Home Team
 In My Place
 The Perfect Storm
 Sports Illustrated and ESPN magazines

FROM THE SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

The Fabric of the Cosmos
 A Short History of Nearly Everything
 The Elegant Universe
 Guns, Germs, and Steel
 Krakatoa
 Red Sky at Morning
 The Diversity of Life
 The Last Days of St. Pierre
 A Brief History of Time
 Silent Spring
 The Naked Ape
 The Selfish Gene
 In the Heart of the Sea
 Annals of the Former World
 Endurance
 Six Not-So-Easy Pieces

FROM THE ARTS DEPARTMENT

A History of the Heroes of Imagination
 A Way of Seeing
 The Art Spirit
 The Letters of Vincent Van Gogh
 The Agony and the Ecstasy
 The Basketball Diaries
 The Enchanted Castle
 The Complete Sherlock Holmes
 Matisse On Art
 Art of the Western World

AND FROM THE LIBRARY

FAVORITE AUTHORS

Greg Maguire
 Edith Warton
 Willa Cather
 Alan Lightman
 Dave Pelzer
 Chris Bohjalian

TERRIFIC TITLES

Prodigal Summer
 The Secret Life of Bees
 The Swallows of Kabul
 Cross Creek
 1000 White Women
 The Amazind Adventures of Kavalier and Clay
 Reading Lolita in Tehran
 Plain Song
 The Snow Fox
 A Useful Woman (Jane Addams)

Deepak Chopra
 Stephen Cope
 Mitch Albom
 Covert Bailey
 Ruthann Lobo
 Charlayne Hunter-Gault
 Sebastian Junger

Brian Greene
 Bill Bryson
 Brian Greene
 Jared Diamond
 Simon Winchester
 James Gustave Speth
 Edward O. Wilson
 Ernest Zebrowski
 Stephen Hawking
 Rachel Carson
 Desmond Morris
 Richard Dawkins
 Nathaniel Philbrick
 John McPhee
 Alfred Lansing
 Richard Feynman

Daniel J. Boorstin
 Helen Levitt
 Robert Henri
 Ronald De Leeuw
 Irving Stone
 Jim Carroll
 Edith Nesbit
 Arthur Conan Doyle
 Jack Flam, ed.
 Michael Wood

GREAT MYSTERY WRITERS

Agatha Christie
 Jane Langton
 Robert Parker

TO MAKE YOU SHIVER

Dean Koontz

WESTERNS

Larry McMurtry

Dorothy Kinsolver
 Sue Monk Kidd
 Yasina Khadra
 Majorie Rawlings
 Jim Fergus
 Michael Chabon
 Azar Nafisi
 Kent Haruf
 Susan Schaeffer
 Giona Dilberto

**Time to Get Your Concord Carlisle High School
 School Planner/Student Assignment Notebooks
 For the 2004 – 2005 School Year**

Great for tracking school assignments AND full of information including the school calendar, class events, sporting events, dances, plays, meetings, school names and contact phone numbers – it is all here in an easy-to-use format. Get organized!! These planners are great for parents to have as well – helpful in keeping track of the kids and their schedules and activities.

**This is a fundraiser for the Class of 2007.
 Cost of Planners - \$8 each.**

Planners will be available to be picked up during freshman orientation and in the first days of school in the fall.

Name and year of graduation of student(s) who will pick up planner(s)

_____	2005	2006	2007	2008
_____	2005	2006	2007	2008
_____	2005	2006	2007	2008

Number of Planners _____ X \$8 + \$ _____ *paid*

Please make checks out to "CCHS Class of 2007"

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Mail to: Liz Haff, Ten Philip Farm Road, Concord, MA 01742

Orders taken until June 10, 2004

Thanks for your support!



Dear Class of 2004,

Well, this is it. Hard to believe our seniors will soon no longer be students at CCHS. I guess it is a very good thing that we have lots to keep us busy as the days fly by, but some quiet moments just to be together to enjoy this special time might be the most important thing we can give them.

We have such wonderful things planned for the class as the year comes to an end. By the time you receive this we will have probably already had the **Yearbook Dedication** on Tuesday, May 18 to which seniors and parents are invited, the **Senior Pancake Breakfast** on Wednesday, May 19 and the terrific **Senior Barbeque on May 28th**. Many thanks to all the wonderful volunteers who worked to put on these events.

At the Senior Barbeque there will be a **Class Photo** which will be taken from above as the students stand in the configuration of the numbers '2004'. It was done last year and was totally awesome. Sales of the pictures will only be done by preorders. Order forms have been emailed out, have been distributed to seniors at class meeting and are available from Mrs. Hammer in the front office. Deadline for ordering is June 1st.

Then we have the four days of **Senior Week**. The **Prom** is on Tuesday the 1st, and it promises to be, in the words of our esteemed president, Ryan Morris, "an excellent night to remember". It will be held at the Marriott Long Wharf in Boston, and lots of information concerning details will be given in handouts to the students and email to parents.

The students are also planning a class trip on Thursday or Friday of Senior Week. That info will be available soon.

Graduation is, of course on Saturday the 5th. Details concerning the schedule and student guidelines and responsibilities have been sent home. All students must be at school in the lower gym by 1:15!

And then it's time for **Senior Safari!!** Tickets must be purchased soon! There is a list in the library window of those who have their tickets. If your senior's name is not there, tell them to get their ticket now. Tickets will not be sold this year at the reception following the graduation ceremony. Your children will have a fabulous time that night and into the next morning, and you won't have to worry about their safety. But your **HELP** is needed. Call right away to be a volunteer for clean up Sunday morning. The more people we have, the less time it will take for everyone. We need more people. The two shifts are from 6:30 to 9 and from 8:00 to 10:30. Please call (369-5674) or email k.reticker@juno.com Jack Flynn now. And ask parents of underclassmen to volunteer to chaperone. Many more are needed.

And that's all folks! But before we go, the Class of 2004 Parent Advisors would like to send a special message to all seniors and their parents.

Top ten reasons why we loved serving as Class of 2004 Advisors for the last four years:

10. If we are ever starving, we know how to run a business selling Agenda Books/Planners.
9. We've built strong muscles lugging cases of water, urns full of coffee, buckets of carnations and hundreds of wreaths.
8. The underclass advisors think we know everything by now and ask for our advice.
7. We marveled at the expanding waistlines of no fewer than three pregnant Class of '04 faculty advisors!
6. Parent socials.
5. We got to know **Art Dulong**, Louisa Coleman, Martha Hammer, Betty O'Leary, Kathleen Merry, Audrey Rowlette, **Steve Wall**, and all the CCHS administrators, staff and custodians who have always been so helpful.
4. We enjoyed the camaraderie and appreciated the involvement of the '04 parents who baked, decorated, cleaned, served, organized, and otherwise generously contributed to our class and all the events.
3. The parents and students never failed to make us all feel extremely appreciated. Warm expressions of gratitude helped us to know our efforts truly made a difference to the families of 2004.
2. We worked with five dedicated CCCHS faculty members.

AND THE #1 REASON WE LOVED SERVING AS THE 2004 PARENT ADVISORS.....

We witnessed the phenomenal development and maturation of the wonderful students who made amazing contributions to their class and to their soon-to-be alma mater.

Fond Farewells and Best Wishes to Students AND Parents,
Barbara, Bunny, Kathy and Mary Jane



SENIOR SAFARI - Information for Senior Parents

SENIOR SAFARI IS HEADED THIS WAY!

Senior Safari, the all night party following graduation, is on track and almost everything is in place. The games and entertainers, the food and the decorations, it will all be there. The organizers have done their part. Now it's time for the rest of the school community to step in and be a part of the success of Senior Safari as well.

Chaperones are needed. Parents of Freshmen, Sophomores and Juniors, contact Lisa Philippou and Ann Bauer to sign up for one of the two chaperone shifts. It really is such a great time. The entertainment is terrific, and watching the kids enjoy things like the Mechanical Hippo (Bull), bungee racing, video race car driving, karaoke make this a truly wonderful experience. Plus you will know that you are part of a very cherished tradition that will be there for your student when they reach this time in their lives.

The Senior Safari begins at 9:30 Saturday night, the 5th of June and ends at 5 a.m. the next morning. The first chaperone shift will be from 9:30 to 1:30, and the second one is from 1:00 a.m. to 5:00. Don't worry about not knowing what to do. This is one of the most organized and well run events you will ever see. There will be someone there to show you exactly what to do. So call Lisa Philippou at 978-369-2878 or send an email to seniorsafari@yahoo.com and help to make this year's Senior Safari just as great as ever.

Senior Parents

The Safari needs your help. We need volunteers to help with clean up Sunday morning. Call Jack Flynn at 978-369-5674 or send him an email, kreticker@juno.com, to sign up to work either 6:30 – 9:00 or 8:00 – 10:30.



CLASS

NEWS

CLASS 2005 – JUNIORS

Graduation Reception – A reminder that the reception hosted by the Junior Class for graduates and their guests immediately following the Graduation Ceremony is on **June 5th**. See you there if you are one of the “day of” volunteers. More than 80 junior class parents, 20 plus students and 15 local businesses, have overwhelmingly supported the event. A very big thank you goes to the Steering Committee members who brought all the resources together.

Courtyard Clean Up – Our class has adopted the courtyard outside the CCHS cafeteria as their community service project. After school on Friday, **June 11th**, the courtyard will be cleaned, pruned and planted. Parents are encouraged to join in the effort and bring their rakes, brooms, shovels and wheelbarrows. Pam and Paul Ressler will be donating a bench to the courtyard in loving memory of their son Nick who would have been a 2005 graduate. We look forward to its place of honor at the school and we want to thank Pam and Paul for sharing this with us. It will mean a lot to all who knew Nick. Call Charity Tremblay at 371-0471 if you can help.

Round-Up –

Parent Prom Party! – All of us who attended the “After the Send Off” party on Prom night want to thank Margaret Coughlin and John Riley for a great time. We watched the prom goers’ procession to the buses that was video taped by John from a much better vantage point than most of us had in the crowd. We got an update from Margaret about the buses arrival at the hotel where she was stationed to make sure that all last minute arrangements were in place. She must have done a good job because every student I’ve talked to said it was a wonderful evening.

Annual Plant Sale – Our annual plant sale was held at CCHS on May 8th. Gunilla Gorman started this successful fundraiser three years ago and has been happy to stage the event every year. She appreciated all the volunteers who helped set-up and sell. The class wants to thank her for her initiative and hard work.

Car Wash Fund Raiser – The student fundraiser took place Saturday morning on May 22nd at Crosby’s market. Students happily washed car from 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM. They want everyone to know they appreciated those who made the effort to bring their cars.

Kathleen Munday (287-4690); kathleen@kmunday.com



CLASS NEWS

CLASS 2006 – SOPHOMORE

A sophomore parent social held on April 30th at the home of Kathy Hughes-Morris and Bob Morris was attended by 75 parents. Thanks to Kathy and Bob for providing their lovely home and to organizers Lisa Philippou and Margaret deJesus.

The car wash held on May 1st at Crosby's was a successful student fundraiser for a second year. Thanks to parent Donna Carter and student Melissa Judson for their efforts in organizing the event and to the numerous students who volunteered their time.

The refreshment sale at Concord's Town Meeting was also a successful fundraiser for the sophomore class. Thanks to Parent Advisor Jane Turner Michael for coordinating the event and to all the students who helped with the sale.

The Junior Prom reception, sponsored by the '06 class, was held in the CCHS library on May 7th. Thanks to Parent Advisors Lisa Philippou and Josephine Bottone and to Margaret deJesus for organizing the reception and to the parents who provided refreshments and helped with serving.

The Sophomore Semi Formal was held at CCHS on May 8th and owes a huge debt of gratitude to parent Brenda Delsener and her family for their tremendous efforts in overseeing the decorations for the dance. Thanks also to Parent Advisor Jane Turner Michael for coordinating the dance, to Patty Hecht for the great posters, to Hilda Parrott for heading the food committee, to Marie McGinley for the '06 banner, to teacher advisors Amy Spound and Jim Moriarty for their ongoing help, and to the many students who spent hours helping with decorations both at the Delsener home and at CCHS.

To those who are moving on: thanks to Gloria Gallington for serving as Parent Advisor for two years and to Caroline Lovick for taking care of the bulk mailing for the class. You'll both be missed.

"Special thanks to Anna Daigle who 'student chaired' the decorations committee (great job on the Hollywood sign Anna!) and Jessica Murphy who chaired ticket sales and publicity. Over 300 tickets were sold!!!!"

REMINDER: Six Flags Trip for sophomores is scheduled for June 12th.

HELP! HELP! We're looking for volunteers to help with various events and positions for next year. including:

- Co-chairs for the Annual Senior Citizen Thanksgiving Dinner
- Chaperones for student activities
- Offering your home for a morning coffee in September or March
- Offering your home for an evening parent social in January or May
- Newsletter Writer (what you're reading now!)

Interested? - Contact Parent Advisors Sandra Arena (287-4063); Josephine Bottone (287-5969); Jane Turner Michael (369-7626) or Lisa Philippou (369-2878).

CLASS 2007 – FRESHMEN

The class trip to Six Flags on May 8 was a huge success. Attendance was strong, with more than 90 students heading west, and a good time was had by all. Thanks to the six chaperones who joined the students for the day – Sherry Cabot, Ken Casey, Liz Haff, Paul McGinn, Nora O'Donnell, and Andy Ostrom.

Here are a few dates to remember:

- ❖ Sale of School Planners/Assignment Notebooks – Class of 2007 will have responsibility for selling school planners for students next year. Look for order forms in this newsletter issue. Please sign up to help with sales and distribution of planners – look for a separate parent email describing ways you can help.
- ❖ Friday, June 18, 2004: Freshman Spring Fling – End-of-Year Dance. Watch for information on the class bulletin board in the cafeteria. Tickets will be on sale later in June. Dress code is semi-casual – PLEASE leave your blue jeans and old t-shirts at home. Parents, if you are available to help out with this event, look for emails home describing tasks. If you're not on email system, please call Jan McGinn (978-371-1752) to offer your assistance – we still need chaperones, help with cleanup, and likely some offers to supply snack-type food.
- ❖ And as always a reminder: Don't leave yourself out of the information loop. . . **PLEASE** remember to sign up for our class email system. More than half of the families of Class of 2007 students have signed up, and they're now getting messages delivered directly to their email address. **This is the PRIMARY means of delivering messages to families about class activities and important school news.** Once you have signed up, you will also receive daily bulletin of announcements read at school and weekly reminder of upcoming school activities. Visit www.lists.ptg-concord.org/mailman/listinfo to add your name to the email list.

CLASS 2008 – 8TH GRADE

Have a wonderful summer and we will see you at Freshmen Orientation. Look for your August Back to School Packet in the mail around the 3rd week in August.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT... CONNECTIONS (THE CCHS STUDENT-FAMILY DIRECTORY)

The Concord-Carlisle High School Parents Association prepares a school directory each year called *Connections*. This booklet contains a listing of student and parent names, phone numbers, addresses, Parents' Association volunteers, administration, faculty, staff, and coaches with telephone extensions. The *Connections* Directory was developed to make it easier for parents and students to communicate with each other and school personnel. The *Connections* Directory is distributed at Back To School Night in September to all paid up members of the Parents' Association and extra copies are on sale throughout the year at the school office. Updates appear in the school newsletter as needed.

WHAT YOU NEED TO DO NOW...

- If you are **NEW to the school or have a student entering the Freshman Class**, please complete the form below and return it no later than **June 30**. The directory is sent to the printer in July.
- If the directory information for your **upperclassman** appears **CORRECT** in the current edition of *Connections* and you want it to remain in the *Connections* booklet, then no further action is necessary.
- If you want to **REMOVE** your family/student information from *Connections*, please initial here (), complete the form below and return this no later than **June 30**.
- If the directory information for your family **needs to be CORRECTED**, please complete the form below and return it no later than **June 30**.

CONNECTIONS FORM - PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Student's Full Name (as you wish it to appear) _____

Year of Graduation _____

Mother's Name _____

Father's Name _____

Street Address _____

Town _____ Zip _____

Family Telephone Number (____) _____

Student Telephone Number (____) _____

SECOND ADDRESS IF DIFFERENT

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Street Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone at Second Address (____) _____

COMMENTS _____

MAIL DIRECTLY TO – SHELLEY MOGIL – 357 CATERINA HEIGHTS - CONCORD, MA 01742

Guidance Department Publication

“Guidance Bulletin”

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Congratulations to the Class of 2004!

Final Report Card

Every year many students and families miss information on the **fourth quarter report card** that can have consequences if not responded to in a timely fashion. Students should check for credit reductions (*), incompletes (I), and F's. Getting an F in English or Health and Fitness might require a last minute decision to attend summer school.

Students must obtain **prior** approval from appropriate department chairs to get credit for summer school courses. After school is out approval may be obtained from the high school administration. Incompletes (I's) should be attended to in September as they change to F's if not completed by the end of the **first quarter**. Quarter four credit reductions should be cleared up **immediately** upon return in September by getting them signed off or by appealing them to the **Attendance Review Board**.

Summer School Facts

Minuteman Regional High School, Lexington, MA
781-861-7150 or 7151 www.Minuteman.org

Action-Boxborough High School, Acton, MA
978-264-4700 ext. 3497 www.ab.mec.edu

METCO, Inc., will mail registration information to Boston families.

Belmont Hill School, Belmont, MA
617-993-5215 Colleen Kramer

Middlesex Community College
1-800-818-3434 sessions starting early June, www.Middlesex.cc.ma.us

In order to receive CCHS credit, the summer school course must be approved by the chairperson of the appropriate academic department prior to the end of the current school year. To document this approval, students need to pick up a **Course Credit Application** form from Mary Tessari in the CCHS Records Office, have it signed by the appropriate department chair for each course, and return the form to the Principal's Office. Using this process, students may obtain credit for course work from any accredited summer program, but they must provide a written description of the course in addition to the number of hours the course meets for courses other than the summer programs listed above.



We wish all those in the graduating class of 2004 the best of health as they continue in their life's journey.

Research concludes that healthy students learn better. To make the next school year 2004 – 2005 as healthy as possible, school health plans are developed for students with allergies, asthma and other chronic conditions if the school nurse is notified by the parent/guardian. Contact the office regarding potential health needs for next year during regular school hours or leave a message at 978-318-1417 extension 121. Check the school website.

Participating in interscholastic sports is a great way to stay fit. All athletes **must** have a copy of their annual physical examination **on file** in the Health Office to be **eligible for try-outs**. Updated exams and vaccinations should be forwarded to the Health Office no later than **August 15, 2004**. Interim physicals are no longer accepted, as per Massachusetts Interscholastic Athletic Association (MIAA) rules.

Summer packets will include an emergency card which needs to be completed on both sides and returned to the Health Office. This is vital information for the care of an ill or injured student. Have a great summer!

Making the Most of Summer

Summer vacation can provide an opportunity for students to explore career and college options, shore up academic skills, and engage in various enrichment experiences.

Summer work or volunteer experience can be valuable activities. Many students use summer volunteer work to meet their community service requirement. The extra flexibility of summer schedule allows for a deeper level of involvement or for service in a more interesting setting than might be possible during the school year. Community service, internships, or summer jobs can provide a way to explore possible career interests.

For juniors, the summer provides the opportunity to research colleges through web-sites and to visit colleges in which they have an interest. Summer is also good time to identify scholarship information online. The Guidance section of the CCHS website provides an introduction to college research and links to many useful sites.

Summer also offers the opportunity for academic endeavors. Area summer schools provide programs for students needing to make up credits for high school course work, and several colleges offer summer enrichment programs which may include living on campus. Some students use the summer as an opportunity to prepare for the SAT or ACT.

Individual activities such a travel, summer reading, and various personal experiences can also broaden horizons and may provide learning opportunities not available during the school year.

Students who are interested in learning more about any of the options above should visit the Guidance Resource Center.

Have a Great Summer!!!!

See You
in
September