

**UNITY CHRISTIAN
HIGH SCHOOL**

The Inner Loop

The Bi-Weekly Newsletter for Unity Families designed to keep you, "In the Loop!"

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**SPECIAL POINTS
OF INTEREST:**

- Christmas Marketplace
- Unity Day in Barrie
- Athletic Wear
- Pancake Breakfast
- Poinsettia Sales
- Open House

**IMPORTANT
DATES IN
NOVEMBER:**

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| Pancake Breakfast | Nov. 12 |
| Grad Picture Day | Nov. 17 |
| *Project Day | Nov. 18 |
| Career Day | Nov. 22 |
| Fall Membership Meeting | Nov. 24 |
| Open House for parents of Grade 8 students | Nov. 30 a.m. & p.m. |
| Christmas Concert | Dec. 21 |

* Denotes School closed



The Unity Pancake Breakfast
Saturday Nov. 12
at Timothy Christian School
from 8:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m.
(free will donation)
and all proceeds go directly to help support school sports and other school activities.

Join us for flavoured pancakes, crepes, sausages, and more at this fun family event!

A Message from the Principal, Mr. Peter Bulthuis



Yesterday, Unity hosted over 100 grades 7 and 8 students from various partner schools: Timothy, OCS, ACCS, Holland Marsh District Christian School, and other guests as well. The school treated them to music, drama, games, food and teacher presentations. Our grades 9 and 10 Ambassadors guided our visitors through the school, and helped them to feel at home. That was the purpose of the day: for our visitors to feel at home in our school; to have a sense they belong here after they graduate from elementary school. We shared with them the joys of this Christian high school: its teachers, its spirit, its students, its size. All of these are supremely positive for student success. Unity's community was re-

markable in sharing the delight that they experience in this school: the Student council (whose president lead in a devotional), the Praise Team, the choir and band, the harmonica club, the Athletic Council, the Hospitality Com-

mittee, the teachers, the Ambassadors. Even Ty, our mascot, showed up. Each person and each group demonstrated to our visitors that Unity is the place to be for high school in Simcoe County and beyond.



(The photos illustrate the president of our Athletic Council with Ty, the mascot, and a portion of our student visitor group in the PAC.)

Principals Message continued

We are blessed have a passionate community which cares deeply about the school, and wants to see it continue to flourish. I thank God for each and every one of them.

Student pick up after sporting and other such events:

As a staff, we have committed for at least one of us to be at the school every day until 4:30: this is something every family can count on. If students wish to stay at school that long for help, to work in our computer lab, or to meet with other students for group work, we'll be here.

However, we cannot commit to staying longer.

This is especially true of sports activities: we cannot commit to staying long after the students have returned to the school from sporting events. To have a teacher to remain at school for more than an hour after the students have returned, is unfortunate. Kindly ensure that you are at school expeditiously after games, to pick up your student.

GIFTS update: Four new stores have joined the gift card fundraiser Future Shop, Dominos Pizza, Best Buy and Toys R

Us. You will find them listed on the updated order form as well as the many other stores that offer gift cards at a discount. Sales have been going well this fall. So well in fact that our supplier is having a hard time keeping up with us. Way to go Unity!!

Orders received on Mondays are usually sent home on Fridays. This may get delayed until Mondays especially as the busy Christmas season approaches. Please remember that orders must be received on Mondays to get your gift cards delivered by the following Monday. Deposits are done on Tuesdays.

If you have any questions please ask Kim B. or Marlene Reinders. Thank you for using gift cards. Enjoy shopping!!

Guidance

Schedule of University and Community College visits:

St. Clair Community College @ Unity on Monday, Nov. 14 at 2 pm.

Trent University @ Unity on Wednesday, Nov. 17 at 2 pm.

Wilfred Laurier University @ Unity on Thursday, Nov. 24 at 2 pm.

All Ontario universities and community colleges are having "Open House" sessions this fall and again in the spring. Plan to attend a prospective school.

Grade 12 students applying to Ontario universities, will attend a presentation on Wednesday, Nov. 17 about the Ontario University Application process. Grade 12 students applying to Ontario community colleges will attend a presentation on Thursday, Nov. 18 about the Ontario Colleges Application process.

Career Day at Unity will be November 22.

Students have made their selections of which sessions they would like to attend that day and many presenters have volunteered to meet with our students that day. We are thankful for all the volunteer presenters and anticipate a great day learning from them.

Morning sessions:

Grade 9 students will work through an "Interest Test"

Grade 10, 11, 12 will attend "Life Beyond High school"

Students choose one of the following sessions:

The Apprenticeship Program

I'm Not Sure Where God is Calling Me

Canadian Armed Forces

How To Choose the Right University or College

How to be a Christian at University, College, or the Workplace

Planning a Year Away - Before Resuming Formal Schooling

Afternoon sessions: students have chosen three of the following careers: IT, Social Work, Finance, Engineering, Carpentry, Food Industry, Teacher, Radio, Music, Therapeutic Recreation, Electrician, Nursing, Graphic Design, Lawyer, Clinical Social Work.

Unity Day in Barrie– Nov. 9



Unity's Christmas Marketplace Craft and Gift Sale



Come and stroll through the lanes of our Christmas marketplace, find some unique Christmas gift ideas, visit with friends, and soak in the atmosphere.

Friday, Dec. 2, 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm.

in the Unity Christian High School Performing Arts Center (old gym)
25 Burton Ave.,
Barrie, ON
705-792-6915

(Tables can be rented for \$50.00
please call the school office if you are
interested in renting a table. Space is limited.)



Poinsettias

Order your Christmas Poinsettias from Unity Christian High
Red, White, Pink or Burgundy
6" - \$7.50
8" \$18.00
10" - \$25.00

Orders must be placed on or before November 14, 2011
Poinsettias can be picked up Friday, Dec 2 at the Unity Christmas Marketplace or call to make arrangements for pick up.

Call Kim Borgdorff at 705-792-6915 to place an order, or drop off order forms at the school, Forms can be found on the school website.
All proceeds will go to Unity Christian High School



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"He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together" Colossians 1:17



UNITY'S PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for:

- Our Students: that they may grow in character and in love for Christ and others.
- Our Staff: that they may rely on the Lord as they plan, teach and interact with students.
- Our Board: that they may boldly make wise and discerning decisions for our school.
- Our Community: that they may prayerfully support our board, staff and students
- Our Churches: that they may teach and lead our community in truth and grace.
- Our Grade 12 students: that they receive God's grace as they plan for next year.
- For career day: that it may go well and be well received by students.

Notes and Needs

Unity's Christmas Marketplace and Gift Sale: Last year the bake table at the Christmas Marketplace and Gift Sale raised over \$400, through the generous donations of Unity students, parents, grandparents and supporters. The table was very popular with those attending the sale as well as the other vendors. Be a part of the action this year by dropping off your favourite sweet treats on the day of the event Friday, Dec. 2. Sale will be held from 7:00– 10:00

Thank you to all who made the **Indonesian Dinner** a success. There was a great crowd who enjoyed fine food, fellowship and entertainment, and reaped the rewards of hard work by the Dinner Committee. Special thanks to all- the Veenstra family who decorated the room so gezellige; our chief chef Phyllis Alberts-Meijers who had everything fine-tuned to the second; our fabulous crew who amazingly planned, shopped, cooked, cleaned and more Marg Eisses, Bernice Huitema, Joyce Mulder, Donna Veenstra, Alisa deLange, Cheryl Jones, Jessica Antonides, and Kim Kloosterman; and our other helpers, Jeff Alberts (for being first in line at No Frills), Enno Meijers, Thalia Triemstra, Wilfreda Eisses, Val Clark, Kim Borgdorff and Tina Beuving. Special thanks goes out to Henk Meijers who did a wonderful job on our posters and menu cards! Our student entertainment was splendid - thanks Keaton and Leanna. And a huge thanks goes to those wonderful ambassadors who smiled, chatted up the guests and were just so "Unity" (out there making a difference!) - our servers - Sam, Kayla, Kelsey, Noira, Erica, Madeline, and Jordyn. You guys were awesome! Thank you so much to all for making this a success and so much fun to be a part of. You certainly made my job easier! Kim Selkirk

Wanted: Assistant Coach for Unity Boy's 9-12 Basketball Team. Commitment: mid-November—end of February. No basketball knowledge needed, but could come in handy. Please contact Jeff Weening at jweening@unitychristianhigh.ca ASAP for more information or to volunteer.



Unity Athletic News

See attached for Unity Athletic Wear Order form
Orders due: Dec. 5 for guaranteed Christmas delivery.
Congratulations to the junior and senior boys' volleyball teams on a good season together.
All those interested in girls' volleyball and boys' basketball should be prepared to begin next week.