

**UNITY CHRISTIAN
HIGH SCHOOL**

**SPECIAL POINTS
OF INTEREST:**

Sports Schedule

Exam Schedule

Pippi Longstocking-
The Family Musical

**IMPORTANT
DATES IN
NOVEMBER:**

Exams	Jan. 25 - Jan 31
*Marking and Prep Days	Feb. 1 and Feb. 2
First day of Semester II	Feb. 3
* Project Day	Feb. 17
*Family Day	Feb. 20
Redeemer College and University Choir Con- cert	Feb. 22
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The Inner Loop

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

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Heron River
a novel

An Evening with
Mystery Writer
Hugh Cook

Award winning Christian author Hugh Cook will be giving a book reading and book signing on Friday, January 20, 2012, at 7:30 p.m., in the Unity Christian High School Performing Arts Centre, 25 Barton Ave., Barrie.
Mr. Cook will be reading from his recently published book, *Heron River* is a deeply moving exploration of human error and redemption, tragedy and triumph, set in the supposed safety of a small Ontario town.
Mr. Cook is a recently retired English professor formerly at Redeemer University College.
Coffee, tea and dessert will be available.
Free will donations for Unity will be accepted.

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A Message from the Principal, Mr. Peter Bulthuis



STANDING STONES

4 So Joshua called together the twelve men he had appointed from the Israelites, one from each tribe, 5 and said to them, "Go over before the ark of the LORD your God into the middle of the Jordan. Each of you is to take up a stone on his shoulder, according to the number of the tribes of the Israelites, 6 to serve as a sign among you. In the future, when your children ask you, 'What do these stones mean?' 7 tell them that the flow of the Jordan was cut off before the ark of the covenant of the LORD.

When it crossed the Jordan, the waters of the Jordan were cut off. These stones are to be a memorial to the people of Israel forever." (Joshua 4)

We don't actively do much with "standing stones" anymore. We don't intentionally set up stone markers as reminders of important events. The Hebrews did: 12 stones as a reminder of God's greatness. I was reminded of this in the grade 12 Faith and Culture course which we are currently working through. These stones were put up here and there across the Prom-

ised Land as pillars of remembrance. Questions were asked about them, and the Hebrews took the opportunity to tell of God's might.

Though we don't set up these columns, we do have a great many "standing stones" bearing silent witness to God's power. As you read this, look around yourself, and see; look at His witnesses in your life. As I write this in our building, it seems to me that this building is itself a standing stone. "So, what actually happened

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here with the old King Edward School?" "Well, let me tell you! God worked a miracle through His people!"

Not only does this standing stone tell of His direction in establishing this school, but it tells a bigger story. God gives us "sanctified glasses" so we can see this truth: He is at work in the world; He is building His kingdom, here, there and everywhere. Things don't occur by happenstance, good fortune or even our own hard work. What we see around us, are glorious examples of His majesty. Just look at and count the standing stones in your life, and share the good news.

Looking for a tasty treat? This year's senior French class will be raising funds for their Québec trip by making and selling apple pies for Easter. Ordering will begin in March. Mmmmm... apple pie!

Guidance Department

From the Guidance Office

Grade 9 students have been prepped about exam time and given tips about studying and working on final projects. As this is a new experience for them, I know many of them are anxious and feeling stressed! I've encouraged all of them to make guidance appointments if they need help making a study plan or tips on how to study, etc. Teachers will be giving out review sheets and students are encouraged to use them, and talk with their teachers about questions. If you, as parents, have any questions about your child(ren) or exams, please do not hesitate to contact me at any point (kfurtney@unitychristianhigh.ca - Kim Furtney, Guidance Counsellor for Grade 9 and 10 students.)

Semester 1 exams are January 25 – 31. Students should be diligent in their study and preparation for each exam as well as practice good eating habits, and get sufficient rest each night.

February 1, 2012 is an important deadline for students applying to Ontario community colleges. If a student wants to have equal consideration for a program the application must be in by Feb. 1. Assistance can be arranged with the guidance office. The website www.ontariocolleges.ca offers many links to programs, schools, and contact information.

Students in grade 12 who have filed applications to colleges and universities should watch the mail and their emails for information being sent to them about conditional acceptances, requests for additional information (which often come with deadlines), mandatory attendance at information sessions, and scholarship opportunities. Each school has a website with information about scholarships and they also indicate deadlines for these applications.

Students in grade 12 applying to Christian colleges and universities should check the website for each school for scholarship application information and especially check the deadlines for these applications.

Students are always welcome to request guidance appointments to discuss education plans, post-secondary school plans and/or personal matters. Maria Bulthuis, Guidance Counsellor for Grade 11 and 12 students mbulthuis@unitychristianhigh.ca

Notes and Needs

Unity school cancellation due to inclement weather conditions will be broadcast on Life 100.3, B101 and KICX 105.9, Barrie stations. They will specifically mention Unity and/or all buses.

Unity is selling 17 computer desks for \$10.00 each. If you are interested in purchasing one (see photo), please call the school asap. The desks are no longer required by the school, so they have already been listed on Kijiji, and will be sold on a first-come, first-serve basis.



The music department is looking for a couple of portable music stands that you might have kicking around but aren't using - we would put them to great use! Please contact Kim Furtney if you are able to help with this! Thanks so much!

Unity Christian High School Presents: *Pippi Longstocking– The Family Musical*

SAVE THE DATE - Show dates are:

Friday, April 13	Thursday, April 19
Saturday, April 14	Friday, April 20
	Saturday, April 21

Pippi Longstocking Cast List

*In alphabetical order...

Kristen Borgdorff	Thunder Karlson (thief), Pirate
Melissa Borgdorff	Circus Entertainer, Constable Clang
Rebekah Clark	School child, Landlubber
Zab Cope	Ringmaster, Pirate
Keaton de Lange	Pippi's Horse
Erica Eisses	Child at circus, Mrs. Settergreen, Pirate
Vanessa Eisses	Constable Cling
Calvin Fletcher	Mighty Adolf, Captain Longstocking
Alicia Forrester	*School mistress, Lady at tea party, Landlubber
Chad Geall	Circus Entertainer, Pirate
Glory-Anne Groen	Circus Horse, Landlubber, Maid
Emma Hilborn	Child at circus, Landlubber
Amelia Hiscock	Miss Carmencita, Mrs. Granberg
Thomas Huitema	Circus Entertainer
Kelsey Kapteyn	Mr. Nelson (monkey)
Jessica Kiss	School child, Pirate
Samantha Selkirk	Bloom (thief), Pirate
Deanna Stephens	Mrs. Prysselius
Jordyn Tisi	Pippi Longstocking
Lauren Triemstra	Tommy
Leanna Van Loenen	Annika



Attention Seamstresses:
The costume masters of Pippi Longstocking are looking for any seamstresses out there who might be interested in sewing costumes for this year's production.

We may be looking for specific props and costumes in the coming months please check the Inner Loop for items that you may be able to lend or donate.

Attention Students:
Pippi Longstocking! Rehearsal schedules are going out today and we are getting started! We are so pumped about this year's production. A letter to all parents of students in the cast has also gone home today; please let me know if you have any questions or concerns.

We're all going to catch the Pippi fever!!



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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 prepare well for their exams and that they make an honest account of their work to finish the semester strong.
- Our Staff: That they prepare well for the beginning of Semester II.
- Our Community: That each member of the community may be kept safe and healthy, and continue to grow in the Lord.
- Our Churches: That they may preach boldly, fellowship heartily, and share God's goodness.

The greatest thing anyone can do for God or man is pray. S. D. Gordon



Girls Volleyball teams are on a two game winning streak!!

Tuesday, January 17, the Girls volleyball team won vs. Nottawasaga Pines High School in Angus.

Wednesday, January 18, the Jr. Girls volleyball team won vs. Nouvelle Alliance High School in Barrie.

Well done, girls!!

Girls Volleyball Tournament in Belleville -

February 3rd and 4th.

Sr. Boys Basketball Tournament in Hamilton -

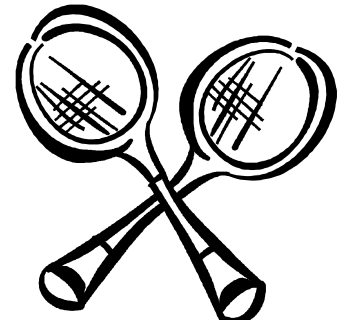
February 3rd and 4th

Jr. Boys Basketball Tournament in Hamilton -

February 10th and 11th

Go Lions! Go Lions!

Badminton tryouts begin in early February!!



Reminder:

If there are bus cancellations (ie. snow day!) during the exam days or the two days after the exam week (that is, January 25, 26, 27, 30, 31, February 1, or 2), the entire exam schedule and the beginning of Semester II will be pushed ahead. *ie. There is a snow day on January 30. Those exams will be written on the 31st, the exams scheduled for the 31st will be written Feb. 1st, and Semester II will begin Monday, February 5th.*