



# Coast Union High School *WINTER* Newsletter

2011 /2012 School Year

Wade Lawrence, *Interim Principal*



## **Administrative Changes at Coast Union High School.**

For the past six years Mr. Dearie has served as the principal at CUHS. During the past two years he has also served as the Assistant Superintendent for Personnel for the District. In July, "Cookie" Sharon Henslin, the District Business manager will be retiring. Mr. Dearie has been asked to move to the District office full time as the Assistant Superintendent for both Personnel and Business Services. In an effort to glean as much of Cookie's thirty years of experience and knowledge, Mr. Dearie will be moving full time to the District office February 1. In the interim, Wade Lawrence will be moving from the classroom to the high school office serving as the Interim Principal.

### **Message from the Interim Principal:**

As the interim principal at Coast Union I am excited to lead the students and staff during the second part of the school year. We are pleased to welcome Larry Frost, our new band instructor and sad to say good bye to Dan O'Neal and Moises Jimenez. The winter sports season is off to a great start; Bronco Basketball and Soccer have already been triumphant. Drama students are rehearsing diligently for the upcoming play "The Wizard of Oz." I hope that I will see you in the audience or on the sidelines. It is the tremendous support of our parents and community that makes Coast Union a great school.



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## ***COUNSELOR'S CORNER***

### **LOCAL SCHOLARSHIP INFORMATION**

Seniors have received local scholarship information. **Local scholarship applications are due January 27<sup>th</sup> by 3:15 pm. *NO late applications will be accepted!*** Local Scholarship interviews will be March 22.

### **FAFSA: FREE APPLICATION FOR FEDERAL STUDENT AID**

Information and forms were passed out at the FAFSA Workshop on January 12th. Parent/students should be submitting the FAFSA application on-line starting January 1, 2012. The deadline is March 2, 2012.

### **CASH FOR COLLEGE NIGHTS**

SENIOR PARENTS who want assistance filling out the FAFSA application need to attend the **CASH FOR COLLEGE NIGHT**. Financial aid advisors will be on hand to assist you. Ms. Seay passed out information to all seniors and a complete list of dates/times and locations.

**Two possible dates: Wednesday, Feb. 1, 2012** from 3:00–8:00 pm at Paso Robles High School Computer Lab/Library.

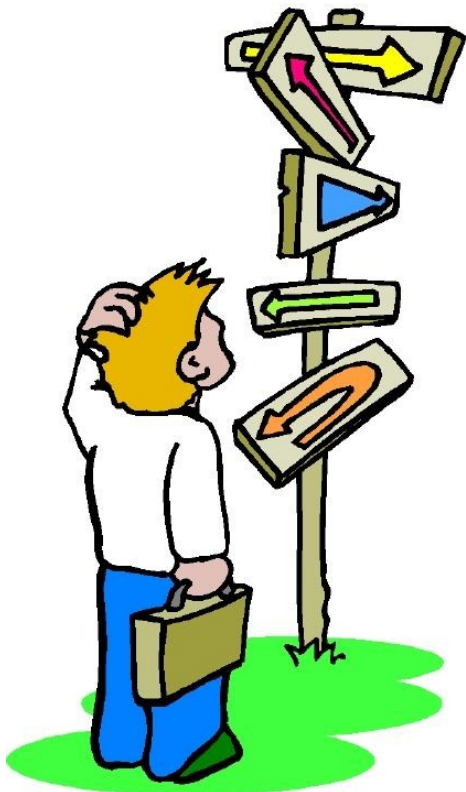
**Tuesday, February 7, 2012** from 5:00-8:00 pm at Cuesta College SLO, High Tech Center, Building #3400

### **CAL GRANT FORMS**

Cal Grant forms have been distributed to all seniors in their Government or Economics classes before winter break. These forms must be turned into Ms. Seay so that student GPA information can be released to the CA Student Aid Commission for use in the Cal Grant awards. **Cal Grant forms are due February 10<sup>th</sup>**. Remember, to qualify for a Cal Grant parents must submit the FAFSA and GPA verification forms no later than March 2, 2012.

### **SOPHOMORE COLLEGE SEARCH & CAREER EXPLORATION:**

Ms. Seay worked with Ms. Paul to begin career exploration activities in English classes, it's a great time to have a conversation with your student about what they may like to do after high school.



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## PSAT TEST RESULTS

Students received their PSAT results and their original test booklet before leaving for Winter Break. Please have students review the answers they missed as well as the answers they got correct. This is a good study guide for the “real” SAT Test.

## SAT TEST DATES:

**SAT TESTS will be given at CUHS:** May 5 & June 2, 2012

Go to [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com) to sign up and for test dates and deadlines

Juniors need to sign up to take the test this academic year if they are planning on attending a four year college after high school.

*Pay attention to registration deadlines!*

## CAHSEE EXAMS

will be given to all 10<sup>th</sup> grade students February 7 & 8<sup>th</sup> Students must pass the English and math test in order to receive a high school diploma.

## Incoming Freshman Parent Orientation:

Feb. 6 @ 6:30 pm @ Cayucos Elementary School

Feb. 8 @ 6:00 pm @ CUHS Library

## Students will begin class enrollment for 2012-2013

Parent signature is requested on enrollment forms

Contact Ms. Seay if you have any questions



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## Hey all Bronco Fans!

So far things have been going great! This semester has been off to an excellent start. Soccer and basketball have been doing exceptional, so come out and watch them play. There are a lot of events coming up soon. Wintertainment is right around the corner; it is our annual talent show, everyone should

come to see what talented students there are at Coast Union. It is on February 9<sup>th</sup> in Coast Union's gym at 6:30 pm. Senior night is also coming up. All parents of seniors should try to attend. It is at 6 o'clock in the library on February 16<sup>th</sup>. There will be a discussion about the rules and regulations for graduation as well as itinerary information about grad night. Grad night is on May 24<sup>th</sup> and will be at Disneyland again this year. Coast Union's Winter Formal dance is also coming up. It is on February 17<sup>th</sup> at the Cambria Pines Lodge from 7:30 to 10:00. On that note, the Junior and Senior prom is in progress and we are looking forward to it. Hope everyone's 2012 is off to a great start!

Katelyn Lorenz, President ASB



## Wintertainment "Coast Got talent"

Feb. 9<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm Coast Union Gym  
\$5 for adults / \$3 for 18 and under

## Winter Formal

Feb 17<sup>th</sup> @ Cambria Pines Lodge (Peacock Room)

Dress Formal Please

\$10 w/ ASB Card / \$15 w/o ASB Card

### ASB Executive Officers:

#### President:

*Katelyn Lorenz*

#### Vice-President:

*Ian Cocroft*

#### Secretary:

*Nicky Ortiz*

#### Treasurer:

*Maxx Rivera*

### Commissioners:

**Historian:** Anika Linder

**Athletic:** Roxy Mertens & Alex De Alba

**Public Relations:** Andy Gordon

**Spirit:** Alex Zaragoza & Bennett McManus

**Special Events:** Kylie Castle & Brittany Powell

**Technology:** Brian Loreda & Pablo Favilia

**Advisor:** Darcy Dobrec

### Senior Class Officers:

President: Luis Gonzalez

Vice President: Sophie Flemon

Secretary-Treasurer:

Steven Arvizu

### Junior Class Officers:

President: T'Ellyn Jones

Vice President: Miles Trevelyan

Secretary/Treas: John McElgun

### Sophomore Class Officers:

President: Ali Brunschwiler

Vice President: Devon Streeer

Secretary-Treasurer:

Quentin Raethke

### Freshman Class Representatives:

Courtney Castle

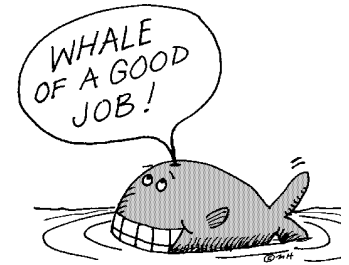
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## ***Special Recognition***

**Girls Varsity Volleyball Team** --- Division V CIF Champions! Way to Go! The Girl's Varsity Volleyball team made school history by clinching the CIF Division V Championship at Cuesta against league competitor Coastal Christian. The gym was packed with fan that came to cheer the Lady Broncos to victory. Of course - we are very proud of them!!!

Congratulations to **Suzette Morrow**, she has been selected as a finalist for Region 8 Educator of the year by the California League of High Schools. Just another example of how spectacular our teachers are!!



## **ORNAMENTAL HORTICULTURE PROGRAM**

Coast Union High School is in the process of reclaiming the garden classroom and Ornamental Horticulture program. Our garden has been somewhat dormant over the past few years and we are currently working to rebuild one of the programs that gives students the chance to learn by doing.

Ornamental Horticulture is a hands-on science class where students learn various skills such as; use of horticulture industry tools, greenhouse management, plant propagation, landscape design, record keeping, and irrigation technology.

This class is designed to provide students with real world experience that can be applied within the horticulture industry. Part of this experience involves the students learning to work in an industry type environment with the proper equipment and technologies. The Horticulture program dovetails with classroom instruction by providing students the opportunity to plant, observe, and harvest crops that connect to the curriculum. Students are active in decision-making, planting, maintaining, and learning outside in the garden classroom. It supports our philosophy of differentiated, meaningful instruction by giving students responsibility and teaching them life-long critical thinking skills.

In order to rebuild this program and allow it to be successful we are currently seeking your help and support in the form of knowledge, time, equipment, supplies and donations. We would very much appreciate any donation of product or discount you are able to give to the school. We would also like to form a garden advisory committee that can meet quarterly to guide, give advice and help us achieve our goals so please let me know if you would be interested in being a part of that committee.

If you are interested in supporting our program please contact Darcy Dobrec @ (805) 927-3889 or email at [ddobrec@coastusd.org](mailto:ddobrec@coastusd.org).





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### SENIOR PARENTS

Graduation Day is coming fast...

Time to prepare your senior's photo collage for our Graduation "memory banner."

This is a unique gift to our seniors that will be stored and reused at the 10 year CUHS reunion, so we want ALL SENIORS included in the display!

To make your senior's collage:

Tape two pieces of 8.5 x 11 computer paper together, forming a surface area of 17 inches long (horizontal) by 11 inches tall (vertical). This is the only shape that will work. Come visit the CUHS Library to see an example!

Cover the paper with photos of your child, from infancy to present day, or perhaps photos of them with friends or involved in activities.

### CUHS Drama Presents...



**Performance dates:**

**March 23, 24, 30, 31 –  
7:00pm**

**March 25 & April 1 –  
5:00pm**

*Stay tuned for more details!*

### *Interact*

Interact is a student club that promotes meaningful service projects while developing leadership skills. Interact will soon have their two biggest fundraisers of the year. In conjunction with the Rotary Club of Cambria, students will bake a variety of Valentine desserts and auctioned them at a Friday meeting. Interact will also host a barbecue at the Art and Wine Festival. This year Interact members have helped with "Seeds of Hope," providing bio sand filters to purify water in underdeveloped regions, the Best Buddies program, and hosted a fundraiser for Maxine Lewis Homeless Shelter. The students also participate in campus and highway cleanups and other community service projects. They do make a difference!

### CPR Training

**The freshman class was recently trained in CPR, AED & some first aid through their PE class. Ask your student what they learned today.**





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**Save the Date**



**Saturday, March 10, 2012**

**Coast Union Bronco Booster Club**

**Reverse Drawing**



The Reverse Drawing draws a huge crowd- all hoping to win the grand prize of \$5,000. We sell 200 tickets to the event; each ticket costs \$100 and comes with 2 dinners and a chance to win. Winning tickets receive great prizes including wine, gift certificates, or cash. The last 10 ticket number holders are invited onstage for the final drawing for \$5,000. Will they all agree to split... or gamble on???

**Tickets are available now.**

**Many volunteers lighten the load.** Chairperson Toni Mertens is recruiting solicitors, ticket sellers, and crews for set-up, serving, and clean up. **If you would like to volunteer (instead of being drafted!) or have a connection/suggestion for an exciting donation for our raffle, please give Toni a call at 924-1808.**

**It's a fun night. Plan on being there as a lucky**

## Annual American Field Service Visit to Coast Union High School

On February 17, SLO County American Field Service students (foreign exchange) will be speaking in classes at Coast High School and then attending the Winter Formal that evening. Local families are needed to host 1-2 students for the two nights they will be visiting Cambria (Feb. 16 and 17). Please contact Sharon Bisso immediately at 995-1432 if you can help out. This is a wonderful event and a chance for you and your family to learn about another culture.



Math Tutoring:

Mr DiMundo will be on campus for math tutoring this semester, the last semester before he is put out to pasture for good. Once again he will be in Room 407 or in the library. I will be on campus from 8:30 until 2:30 on "A" days and from 9:30 until 2:30 on "B" days. (If there are students who need assistance I will stay until school gets out at 3:10.) Contact Mr. DiMundo at [gdimundo@coastusd.org](mailto:gdimundo@coastusd.org) if you have questions .



**Tutoring:**

Contact Sharon Bisso if students need tutoring/assistance in classes:  
[sbisso@coastusd.org](mailto:sbisso@coastusd.org)