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Happy Thanksgiving

“Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good; His love endures forever.”
Psalm 107:1

“Now thank we all our God with heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done, in whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mothers’ arms has blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.”
-Martin Rinkart

NICSTO
This school year 40% of our families received money from the Northwest Iowa Christian Schools Tuition Organization (NICSTO). We are beginning to collect money again to help our families. In exchange for your donation you will receive a 65% tax credit on your Iowa income tax. It can also be claimed as a deduction on your federal income tax. Corporations may also participate in the program. A Contribution Memo that must accompany your donation and explanation of corporate giving is attached to this Knightly News. If you have any questions please call Randy Ten Pas (439-2273).

Celebrating Veterans Day
Hull Christian would like to show our appreciation by inviting all veterans to join their grandchild(ren) or child(ren) for lunch on Veterans Day (November 11) at 11:30. The sacrifice you made for our freedoms should not be forgotten. Please call school by Tuesday, November 9 if you are able to join us. Hope to see you then!

Board Notes
October 2010
1. Rob Westra opened with devotions.
2. Principal’s Report was received.
3. Committee Reports
   ♦ Building Committee: Reviewed all substitute positions.
   ♦ Finance Committee: A food procurement policy will be implemented pending state approval.
3. New Business
   ♦ Present and future costs and donations for CLC expenses were discussed.
   ♦ An ad-hoc committee is being formed to create a job description and find candidates for a new Development Director position.
   ♦ Christmas gifts for the faculty and staff were discussed.
4. Stephanie Baccam closed with prayer.

The mission of Hull Christian School is to educate covenant children in the light of God’s Word, preparing them for a life of Christian discipleship, responsible stewardship and humble service in His kingdom.
Meet our PE Student Teacher, Kyle Van Wyk

My name is Kyle Van Wyk, and I am a senior at Dordt College. I am from Grinnell, IA and a graduate of Pella Christian High School. An interesting fact about me is that I am a trip-let. I enjoy sports, reading, exercising, and cheering on the Iowa Hawkeyes. I am completing my student teaching under the guidance of Mr. Ten Pas, and I hope to be a physical education and health teacher in a middle school or high school.

Interscholastic Piano and Speech

The Interscholastic Piano and Speech activities were held at Rock Valley Christian School on Monday, October 18. Hull Christian School entered 33 students in the speech category and eight students in piano. Students in speech chose a poem or story early in October to be performed in class and before a judge. The judges evaluated the students’ expression, clarity, gestures, and eye contact. Students received encouraging and helpful comments intended to improve their speaking abilities. Piano participants were required to memorize and perform a musical selection. We are proud of all the students who participated and represented Hull Christian School in a positive manner. We hope that this experience prepared them for future responsibilities.

Participating in the piano division:

- 8th Grade - MaKinzie Vande Hoef
- 7th Grade - Payton Harmsen, Maria Heynen, Mariah Nielsen
- DaNae Van’t Hul
- 6th Grade - Hannah Van Otterloo

Participating in the speech division:

- 8th Grade - Lexi Eekhoff, Carly Horstman, Yuritxy Fernandez, Mariah Jansma, Alex De Weerd, Joel Driessen, Payton Harmsen, Kiana Haveman, Thomas Heitritter, Maria Heynen
- 7th Graders - Mariah Bonestroo, Alex Vander Stoep, Josie Stiensma, Courtney Te Slaa, Jacie Van Schepen, DiNaee Van’t Hul
- 6th Graders - Christopher Baccam, Skyler Bonestroo, Cade Broek, Destiny Collins, Erika Feenstra, Justin GreveGoed

Our thanks to Mrs. Kroese, Ms. Beimers, and Mrs. Van Maanen for the extra time and effort in preparing the students!

Northwest Iowa Honor Band

On October 16, six students auditioned for Northwest Iowa Honor Band in Storm Lake. The students that auditioned were Alex Vander Stoep, Jacie Van Schepen, Jacob Westra, Maria Heynen, Kiana Haveman, and Mariah Nielsen. Each of these students worked hard on preparing eight scales and two etudes for the audition.

Congratulations to Alex, Jacie, Jacob, Kiana and Mariah for making the Northwest Iowa Honor Band! These students will rehearse and perform a concert on November 6, in Storm Lake. A special congratulations goes to Alex Vander Stoep! Alex had an excellent audition, and he placed 1st chair, 1st trombone in the NW Iowa Honor Band. This is a high honor. Because he earned this spot he will play in the All Iowa 8th Grade Honor Band this spring in Des Moines. This band is made up of the top 8th grade instrumentalists across the state of Iowa. Congratulations!

Grandparents’ Day

Grandparents’ Day at HCS was held on Friday, October 1. Numerous grandparents were able to attend the school to celebrate this special day. Grandparents were able to enjoy a sing-a-long with all the students, then visit the classrooms of their grandchildren and even help them complete their homework and assignments! They also enjoyed a delicious hot lunch with their grandchildren provided by Gwen and Mindy. Thanks for coming, Grandparents!!

Library News

Hull Christian School is giving students, parents and supporters of the school an opportunity to improve our library. Anyone who wishes to donate a book in honor of a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, etc.) will be able to do so. Just bring in $10 to Mrs. Van Den Bosch and you will be able to pick out a book. It will be put into circulation with a special note inside the cover telling the readers who donated the book and in honor of what occasion. An acknowledgement will also be made in the KNIGHTLY NEWS.
Candy Sales
We had a profitable candy sale by the 6th, 7th & 8th graders again this year. The 6th grade had the highest average sales per student ($245). The top salesperson in the 8th grade was Kerrigan Kats, in the 7th grade was Mariah Bonestroo, and in the 6th grade was Christopher Baccam. The top overall salesperson was Mariah Bonestroo. We thank all who purchased candy bars from our persuasive salespersons. Profits fund our athletic program, drama, music and Interscholastic fees.

Join us at Winterfest
Hull Christian School Circle will have a booth at Winterfest on December 4, 2010 at the Hull Community Building. We will have cookies, HCS t-shirts, snack mix tins, and more!! Come sample and buy JUNGLE BEAN coffee. New item: Glittery Headbands are on their way to HCS and will be sold at the Winterfest just in time for Christmas! Colors available are: maroon, silver, white, black, light blue, pink, and zebra print. $8 for 1; $15 for 2; $20 for 3. These will make great stocking stuffers for your girls!! Come buy some goodies and get Christmas shopping complete while supporting our Circle.

Preschoolers Take a Trip to the Fire Station
The preschoolers at Hull Christian feel safer about fire safety after our recent trip to the fire station. Volunteer firefighters, also preschool dads, Eric, Evan and Matt, did an excellent job talking to us about fire safety. We were able to see all of the different gear that firefighters wear to protect them when they are fighting a fire. We learned that even though they may look a little scary, they are there to help us if we should ever need their help. Some very brave preschoolers also had the chance to try on the firefighter’s coat and hat. While touring the fire station, we were able to see the many different tools they use and all the different trucks that are available if they need them. We also had the chance to spray water out of a fire hose. It took lots of teamwork to hold that heavy hose! We concluded our trip to the fire station with a ride in the fire truck back to school; sirens, horns and all. We would like to thank the firefighters for taking the time to show us around the fire station and also for the fire hats.

Third Graders Receive Dictionaries
Each year the Hull Kiwanis Club is generous in giving our 3rd grade students a brand new dictionary for each student to keep. We thank the Kiwanis for this gift. Pictured above is Ken Draayer, representing the Hull Kiwanis, with the HCS 3rd grade class.

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- Chairpersons Tami Zevenbergen and Nancy Driesen

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6th Graders excited about their prize for being the class with the highest average sales per student—a 5 lb bar of the World’s Finest Chocolate.
Altena, Alden & Bev
Anema, Paul & Trudy
Baccam, Sean & Stephanie
Bakker, Dwight & Jan
Bakker, Gys & Donna
Bakker, Nathan & Chanda
Bakker, Nathan & Chanda
Barkel, Daniel & Ann
Bleeker, Eric & Marianne
Boer, Don & Lyn
Boer, Jerry & Lavonne
Bolkema, John L. & Betty
Boogerd, Jan
Boon, Arlyn & Twila
Bosma, Matt & Bethany
Bouma, Loren & Gaylene
Bovende, Mike & Angie
Brummel, Arlin & Val
Brunstof, Dennis & Linda
Brunstof, Nelle
Byl, John & Carol
Bylsma, Jan
Calkhoven, Dennis & Jean
Christoffels, Ben & Jill
Covey, Marlo & Viv
Covey, Mike & Jacky
De Groot, Jonathan
De Groot, Sally
De Jager, Brent & Amy
De Jager, Noah & Susan
De Jong, Fred & Jan
De Kruyf, Roger & Fran
De Weerd, Todd & Paulette
De Wild, Eldon & LuAnn
De Wild, Jarvis & Shari
De Wild, Wilma
De Wit, Cory
De Wit, Dan & Kathy
De Wit, Harold & Theresa
De Wit, Jay & Donna
De Yager, Peter & Betsy
Draayer, Ken & Belle
Driesen, Brad & Nancy
Driesen, Gene & Nella
Dykstra, Dick & Ann
Dykstra, Leroy
Dykstra, Wes & Diana
Eekhoff, David & Melinda
Eekhoff, Jim & Sylvia
Fedders, Dan & Dana
Feenstra, Lee & Eleanor
Feenstra, Randy & Lynette
Fencl, Mark & Dar
Gesink, Junior & Elinor
Gott, Cliff & Esther
Grevengoed, Howard & Marilyn
Grevengoed, John & Wilma
Grevengoed, Mike & Connie
Haveman, Ed & Noella
Haveman, Eric & Alysa
Haveman, John & Pat
Haveman, Steve & Kim
Heynen, Bruce & Kim
Heynen, William & Wilma
Hoekema, Cal & Ruth
Hoekstra, Brian & Deanne
Hoekstra, Dave & Donna
Hoekstra, Eldon & Joan
Hoekstra, Larry & Marcia
Hofman, Brad & Marlys
Hulsper, Gene & Nancy
Hulstein, Glenn & Marj
Jansma, Terry & Dee
Jongtjes, LeRoy & Audrey
Kats, Gary & Lavonne
Kats, Shad & Missy
Keizer, Jim & Vell
Keizer, Kevin & Lynda
Klay, Harold & Freda
Klompen, Carl & Ellen
Koel, Norwin & Bonnie
Koele, Cliff & Marlys
Kooi, Todd & April
Kooiker, Albert & Harriet
Kooiker, John & Sherry
Kooima, John & Clarice
Kroese, Florence
Kroese, David & Kay
Kroese, Gerald & Harriet
Kroese, Hilmore & LaVonne
Kroese, Jane
Kroese, John & Joyce
Kroese, Sandy
Kroese, Dan & Linda
Krommendyk, Bud & Luella
Krommendyk, Don & Mary
Mars, Gary & Hendrene
Meendering, Harry & Dee
Mouw, Hilda
Mulder, Tom & Bernice
Netjes, Les & Bonnie
Nielsen, Martin & Sandy
Nyenhuis, Bill & Nelva
Oostenink, Heath & Paula
Oostenink, Jim & Lee
Pluim, David & Laura
Pollema, Doug & Sandy
Pollema, Pete & Nelva
Pollema, Tena
Pollema, Waylon & Melissa
Pollema, Wilmar & Betty
Raman, Elmer & Phyllis
Rens, Shirley
Rodenburg, Siemon
Roelofs, Jim & Jan
Rozeboom, David & Carol
Scholten, Ed & Eunice
Scholten, Glen & Tami
Scholten, John & Agnes
Smit, Anthony & Ellen
Snoed, Dave & Lee
Soodsma, Bob & Sharon
Soodsma, Pete & Helen
Stiensma, Craig & Kristi
Stroeh, Alan & Kristi
Te Krony, Rodney & Connie
Talsma, LeRoy & Wanda
Ten Pas, Randy & Kristi
Te Slaa, Dave & Vanessa
Te Slaa, Gerben & Therissa
Te Slaa, John
Vande Burgt, Wilfred & Ella Mae
Vande Griend, Benji & Mindy
Vande Griend, David & Betty
Vande Griend, Dennis & Jackie
Vande Griend, Joyce
Vanden Bosch, Greg & Teresa
Vanden Bosch, Marv
Van Den Bosch, Tom & Carol
Vander Griend, Howard & Marilyn
Vander Stoop, Stewart & Cindy
Vander Well, Joyce
Vander Wit, Marvin & Albertha
Van Grouwe, Lee & Donna
Van Maanen, Dennis & Audrey
Van Otterloo, Art & Margaret
Van Otterloo, Dave & Lisa
Van Otterloo, Joyce
Van Otterloo, Loren & Shelly
Van Otterloo, Melvin
Van Otterloo, Mike & Maredith
Van Roek, Gene & Carol
Van Schepen, Arlene
Van Schepen, Cliff & Judy
Van Schepen, Eldon & Lisa
Van Schepen, Jeff & Julie
Van Soelen, Marion & Jan
Van Surksum, Jo
Van’t Hul, Darren & Darla
Van’t Hul, David & Sherry
Van’t Hul, Orville & Arlene
Van Voorst, Jamie & Gwen
Van Wyhe, Daryl & Marvella
Ver Steeg, Bernard & Theresa
Westra, Don & Jo
Westra, Gary A.
Westra, Rob & Amy
Westra, Jo
Wielenga, Larry & Mary Lou
Wilson, Carol
Zevenbergen, Kent & Tami
Zonnefeld, Ryan & Valorie
Northwest Iowa Christian School Tuition Organization

CONTRIBUTION MEMO

This completed memo must accompany your contribution.
A formal Iowa Tax Credit Certificate will be sent to you in early January 2011.

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Taxpayer Name           Date of Contribution

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Address           Amount of Contribution

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City           State     Zip Code

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Social Security Number or Taxpayer I.D. Number

Name of the school you wish to be the beneficiary of the donation

Your contribution may be mailed or delivered to either of the following addresses.

Northwest Iowa Christian Schools Tuition Organization
204 Kentucky Ave NW
Orange City, Iowa  51041

OR

Hull Christian School
1301 5th Street
P.O. Box 550
Hull, Iowa 51239

The mission of Hull Christian School is to educate covenant children in the light of God’s word,
preparing them for a life of Christian discipleship, responsible stewardship and humble service in His Kingdom.
Circle News
The Parents Circle has been very busy already this school year working hard to keep HCS running smoothly. I would like to thank all the parents for their dedication to Hull Christian School and for all the hard work they do to make these projects work! We have great parents who do a wonderful job organizing and implementing tried and true projects as well as being creative in bringing up new ideas! Thanks again and keep praying and striving to make HCS a success and a blessing to its constituents!!
Gwen Van Voorst, Circle President

CIRCLE MEETING
The next circle meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 24, 2011. All circle members are welcome to attend this meeting.

COOKIES
Tis the season for holiday parties, and what better way to prepare than by having some of the best sweet treats baked for you! The cookie committee is getting prepared for the holiday season by baking cookies on Wednesday, December 1. We will be baking the following cookies: Star, Melt in your Mouth, St. Nick, Holiday Sugar, and Peanut Butter BonBons. What a delightful tray of goodies you can share with your family and friends. The committee is also making the popular and tasty homemade snack mixes. They will be sold on a cash and carry basis first come, first served. Each snack mix will be packaged in a gallon or quart size attractive holiday wrapped tin. They will sell for $12 for the larger or $7.50 for the smaller size. These make wonderful gifts for your teachers, Sunday School teachers, bus drivers, and any of those special people you know who deserve a treat for the holiday! The cookie committee will be asking for moms willing to make these delicious snack mixes again this year. Find your favorite recipe and share it with everyone! They really appreciate the extra “hands” and help at this busy time of year. The committee will be giving us all more details as baking time gets closer. Also, congratulations to Evelyn Dykstra who won the drawing for the free cookie order in October!

BOX TOPS AND SUNNY DELIGHT
The second graders won the first round of the Box Tops competition! They earned extra recess time for all their hard work! Congratulations, second graders! Let’s see what grade can be the winners next month. Don’t forget to save those Sunny D labels through November. We want to get lots of interesting and exciting books for our students! Keep up the great work of saving Box Tops and Sunny D labels students, moms, dads, grandpas, grandmas, and all supporters of HCS! You’re doing a great job!

TOUR OF HOMES
Just a reminder to keep your eyes open for more info on the tour of homes coming soon! We are excited for the opportunity to view new and remodeled homes with the tour of homes scheduled for December 4! What better way to get in the holiday spirit than to see all types of lights and decorations of homes in our area!

HCS SHIRTS FOR SALE
Need a gift idea for Christmas? How about an HCS t-shirt from the Hull Christian School Circle? We have the brown short or long sleeve t-shirts with Hull Christian printed vertically on the side available in youth and adult sizes. If you are interested in ordering, please contact Shelly Van Otterloo by calling 439-2231 or e-mail Isotter@premieronline.net. The cost is $13 for short sleeve and $16 for long sleeve. Give a gift and support the HCS Circle.

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**SCRIP**
Christmas is right around the corner, and you don’t have to spend a lot to delight your friends and family. Check out our SCRIP selections that are under $15:

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**SCRIP Business Gifts**
It’s the time of year to say “thank you” to employees, customers, and business associates. Gift cards are welcome holiday gifts! Our SCRIP program offers something to delight even the most finicky customer or employee.

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**BONUS SPECIALS**
Applebees percentage increase from 8% to 10% until Dec 3. Available in $25, $50
Build a Bear percentage increase from 8% to 10% until Dec 3. Available in $25.
Home Depot percentage increase from 4% to 6% until Dec 3. Available in $25, $100, $500.
Bath & Body percentage increase from 13% to 18% until Dec 3. Available in $10, $25.
Red Robin percentage increase from 9% to 11% until Dec 31. Available in $25.

We will not be ordering the week of Thanksgiving, Christmas or the week of December 29, so please plan ahead!

**ORDER DATES**
| Monday, November 8 | Thursday, November 11 |
| Monday, November 15 | Friday, November 19 |
| Monday, November 22 | NO ORDER THIS WEEK |
| Monday, December 6 | Friday, December 10 |
| Monday, December 13 | Friday, December 17 |
| Monday, December 20 | NO ORDER THIS WEEK |
| Monday, December 27 | NO ORDER THIS WEEK |
| Monday, January 3 | Friday, January 7 |

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**Tuition Policy Reminder**
Board Policy #3171 states:
“Thirty percent of annual tuition must be paid by the 1st day of the 2nd semester or parents will not continue to have their children enrolled second semester.”