

"This is my command--be strong and courageous! Do not be afraid or discouraged. For the LORD your God is with you wherever you go." -Joshua 1:9



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec 9 NHS Parents' Night Out | 5-9:30pm | Gym
- Dec 12 Instrumental Music Concert | Grades 5-12 | 7pm | Gym
- Dec 12 HS Midterm and Final Exams Start (See Schedule in HS Section)
- Dec 13 Koinonia Breakfast | 8am
- Dec 13 All-School Christmas Chapel | 9am
- Dec 14 Elementary Christmas Production Shows | TK-2, 5pm | 3-4, 7pm
- Dec 15 Early Dismissal TK-8
- Dec 15 Junior High Brunch
- Dec 18- Jan2 Christmas Break | No School TK-12

**2017 DIV V STATE CIF CHAMPIONS
CONGRATULATIONS!**

HISTORY HAS BEEN MADE

CLICK ON THE VIDEO BELOW TO EXPERIENCE GAME DAY!





Sophomore Riley Burns Wins CIF - Blazes Trail to State V Championship

**RILEY BURNS 2017 CIF CHAMPION
CROSS COUNTRY**



On Saturday, November 18, sophomore sensation Riley Burns ran an astounding race to win the Division V Championship at Morley Field. The win qualified Burns for the State V Championships (5.000 meters) which was held Saturday, November 25 in Fresno. As the sole runner carrying the torch for Maranatha, Riley finished an impressive 38th place out of 207 runners. We're incredibly proud of Riley and his remarkable accomplishment!

ALL IN FOR THE EAGLE FUND!



REACH the EAGLE FUND goal By 12/31
and we'll dye our hair blue
for one week after Christmas Break!

It's EAGLE FUND time!

Looking for that UNIQUE GIFT, look no further. Dedicate a brick to a loved one or give the gift of a brick. You can put your favorite verse or create a personal quote. Bless our teachers and give to the Eagle Fund. Donating and ordering is easy! Click on the links below.



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	EAGLE FUND – SALARY MATRIX (\$800k remaining of \$1m)	
	Year 1 – 2015-2016 \$90k	Year 4 – 2018-2019 \$180k
	Year 2 – 2016-2017 \$110k	Year 5 – 2019-2020 \$220k
	Year 3 – 2017-2018 \$150k	Year 6 – 2020-2021 \$250k
<p>• 2017-18 GOAL \$150k – 600 families x \$250 (\$35 for 7 months)</p>		

Within 4 years, the EAGLE FUND could be completely funded if every family gives just \$333 per year/\$28 per month: Approx 600 MCS Families x \$333 = \$200k x 4 years = \$800k



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ALL SCHOOL NEWS

JH VICTORIAN CAROLERS TO BRIGHTEN ESCONDIDO CHRISTMAS PARADE!

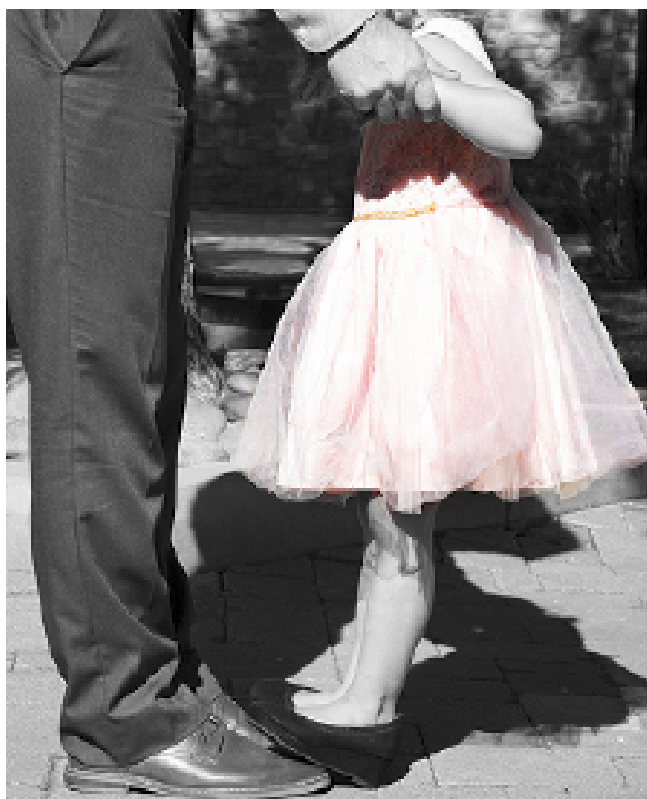


Saturday, December 9 | Escondido

The talented JH Victorian Carolers will delight parade goers at the Escondido Christmas Parade on Saturday, December 9. The parade begins at 9:30am, and the parade route starts at Escondido High School and proceeds south on Broadway down to Grape Day Park.



ATTENTION DADS AND PRINCESSES...



SAVE THE DATE!

Father Daughter Social coming up, January 27, 2018. Watch for more information coming soon!

This is an opportunity for Fathers to show how special their daughters are to them, but more importantly, how a gentleman should treat them.

Take your daughter out for a night she won't forget and have that first dance.... if you haven't already.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND! PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9 | 5-9PM | Gym



Parents, here's another chance to have the night off while your kids have a blast enjoying G-rated movies, pizza, games, Christmas cookie decorating and crafts in their PJ's! The National Honors Society and the 25/40 Club will donate a portion of the proceeds to needy families!

Sign Up [Here](#)

WHEN? December 9, 5-9pm

WHERE? MCS Multi-Purpose Room

WHO? All MCS and Maranatha Chapel students age 3+ (toilet trained)

PRICE? One child \$25, two \$40, three+ \$50

*At the door additional cost of \$5 (Plan ahead!)

DON'T FORGET YOUR BOX TOP\$

Deadline to win a Free Dress Day: Friday, December 15 at 12 Noon!



Check out the "Snow Scene" Box Top Thermometers outside of HR and Accounting!

Let's have an avalanche of "Box Tops" turned in for this 2nd Quarter!!

Give them to the front desk, Mrs. Turner, or put them in Mrs. Turner's mail slot.

Joining me in ripping, clipping, and snipping "Box Tops,"

Mrs. Cheri Turner

Box Top Lady, Librarian, and TA

DECEMBER HOT LUNCH ORDERING OPEN ONLINE

PLEASE PLACE YOUR ORDERS BY WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28



CLICK HERE TO ORDER: [HTTP://thecateringgroup.orderlunches.com](http://thecateringgroup.orderlunches.com)
(please bookmark this page)

REGISTRATION NEW PARENTS

- Click Register to Create an Account
- School Password is: mcs1

Questions? Please feel free to call MCS at 858-759-9737 and ask for Roxy or Kelly.

PAC'S POST

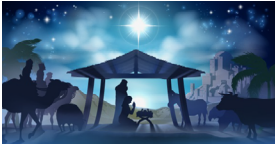

CHRISTMAS CHAPEL AND KOINONIA

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13 | Koinonia Breakfast at 8am | Chapel at 8:45am

Families, join us for a special Christmas chapel Wednesday, December 13. Enjoy spirited Christmas performances from students in all divisions. Music, laughter and merriment will abound!



Before chapel, join us for a special tradition at 8am for fellowship and free breakfast burritos. If you would like to volunteer for this event sign up [here](#).







Koinonia Breakfast will be held December 13th at 8:00am
located in the MCS courtyard

We hope you will join us!

PAC will provide breakfast burritos and coffee
before the school chapel.
Hope you will join us!
Food will be shut down by 8:40

We are also looking for helping hands for this event.
Click here to volunteer: [Koinonia](#)





HIGH SCHOOL NEWS

MIDTERM AND FINAL EXAM SCHEDULES

	Tuesday* (12/12)	Wednesday* (12/13)	Thursday* (12/14)	Friday* (12/15)
8:15 – 9:50	2		1	0
9:50 – 10:05	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	
10:05 – 11:40	4	5	3	6

	Monday* (5/21)	Tuesday* (5/22)	Wednesday** (5/23)	Thursday* (5/24)
8:15 – 9:50	1	2	0	5
9:50 – 10:05	BREAK	BREAK	BREAK	
10:05 – 11:40	3	4	6	

*Regular classes will not convene during these testing days

**Wednesday, 5/23 will not be a late start for HS, but JH and Elementary will adhere to late start and chapel

STEAM MAKER WAS A BLAST!

CLICK ON THE VIDEO BELOW TO VIEW THE EVENT!



STEAM MAKER FESTIVAL

The San Diego Youth Space Program students made MCS shine while representing our school at the STEAM Maker Festival last weekend. This exciting program provides the opportunity for our high school students to design and build a palm-sized science experiment that will be sent to the International Space Station this spring. Students shared details about the project with curious onlookers throughout the day-long event. Looking sharp, gentlemen!

Watch for their experiment to be launched on SpaceX 16 on the Falcon 9 rocket this spring. We are grateful to our sponsors who make this program possible!



JUNIOR HIGH NEWS

STUDENTS USE CODE TO SINK BATTLESHIPS IN 'HOUR OF CODE'

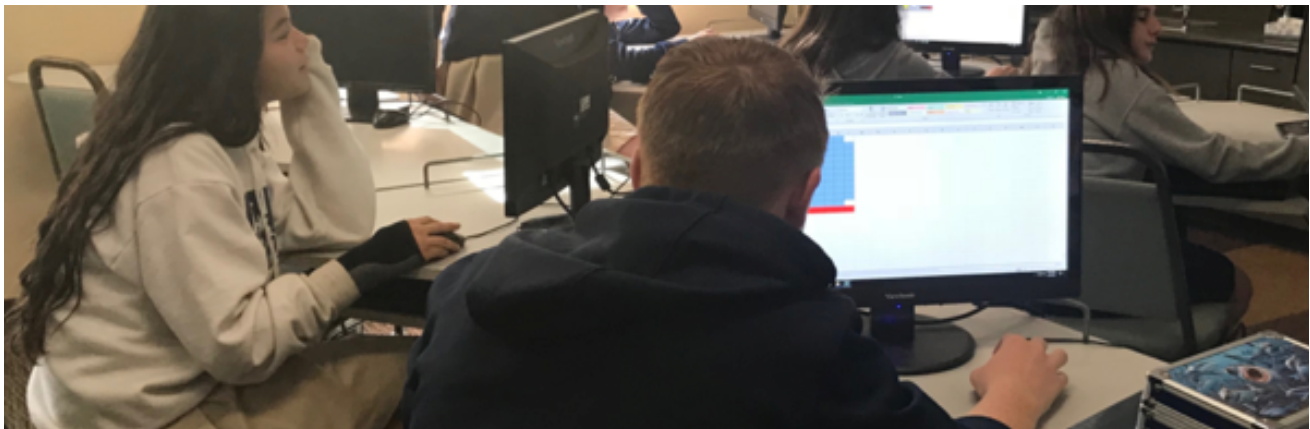
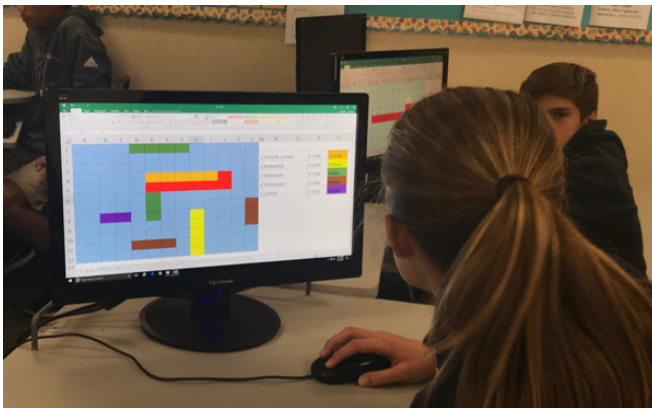


“The skills you learn today will let you shape tomorrow’s future.”

JH students joined over 100 million students worldwide this week for the 'Hour of Code,' event. Using boxes representing battleships, students wrote a simple code to try and sink their opponent's ships. A ship was sunk when all of the boxes for that ship had been hit. Just as in the classic Battleship game, the object was to sink all of their opponent's ships before their own.

Coding a battleship game is a great example of a creative way to engage students in computer programming. Computing jobs are the #1 source of wages in the US, and there are currently 500,000 job openings waiting in the wings for future future programmers. There is no better time to start than now!

Check it out at <http://hourofcode.com/us>



ATOMS ARE EVERYTHING

8th grade works on atom models to create different isotopes of the elements.



CLASS PET



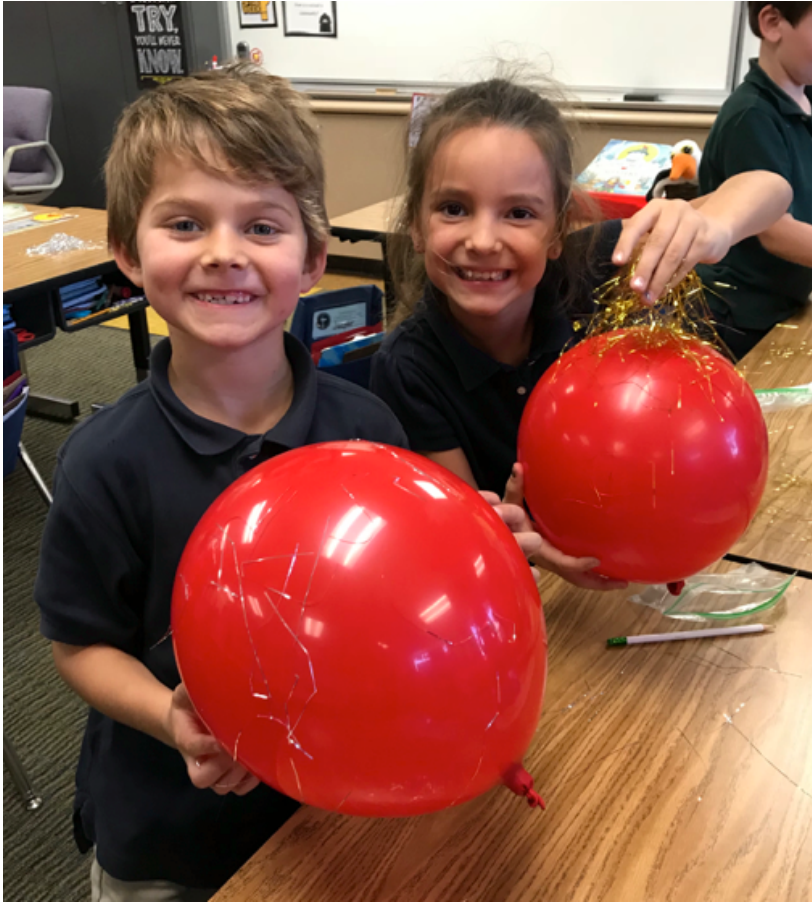
Meet the 7/8 grade's new pet, a female leopard gecko. This ground dwelling lizard is found in the highlands of Asia and throughout Afghanistan as well as in India. Leopard geckos are not only beautiful due to the seemingly 'painted' leopard spot patterns on their skin, they are very easy to handle and become even gentler the more they are handled. A perfect pet for a busy classroom!



ELEMENTARY NEWS

STEAMING TO CHRISTMAS

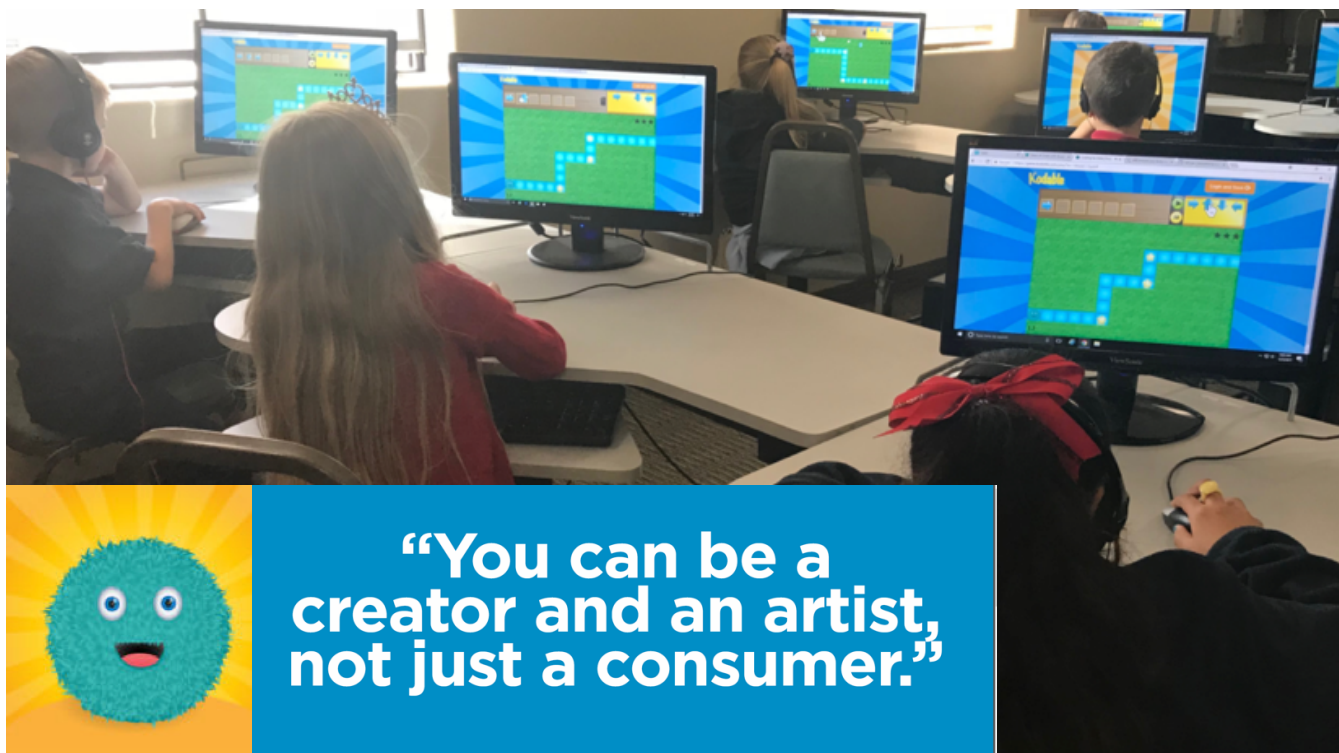
21st century learning happens here! First grade students enjoy conducting hands-on STEAM experiments during the '12 days of STEAM' projects leading up to Christmas.





CREATING A PROGRAM IS FUZZY FUN

Hour of Code proved to be an exciting time for Elementary students in the computer lab this week. Students dove into the creative work of programming, and used code to move a fuzzy little character along a path. One example of the programming techniques in this lesson is called 'loops,' where students repeated a portion of code a set number of times until the process was complete – in this case the students helped design a path for the fuzzy character to make his way out of a maze.



**“You can be a
creator and an artist,
not just a consumer.”**

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Critical Thinking

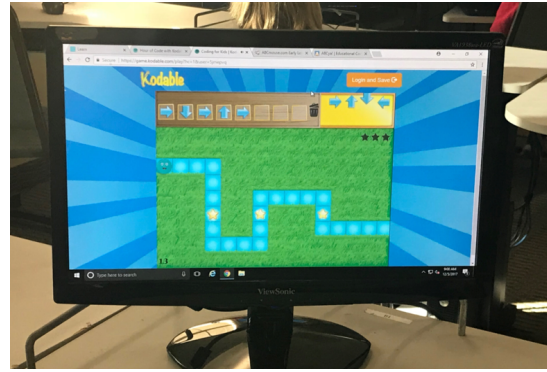
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PRESCHOOL NEWS

PRESCHOOL STUDENTS TAKE THE STAGE

Our 2017 Christmas Pageant was a complete success! Our Pre-Kindergarten students retold the story of Jesus' birth. It was a blessing to hear their sweet voices sing His praises.



A BOUNTY OF BLESSING BOXES FROM OUR GENEROUS FAMILIES



Thank you to all the families who donated a blessing box. This year we collected 56 boxes! This Christmas, Maranatha Chapel's 'Hope in the Streets' outreach program will distribute the blessing boxes to local families in Escondido

OPEN ENROLLMENT FOR KINDERGARTEN IS NOW!

Students entering Kindergarten must be 5 on or before September 1. For more information click [here](#).



ATHLETICS

NATIONAL WRESTLING HALL OF FAMER GETS REAL ABOUT JESUS WITH MCS STUDENTS



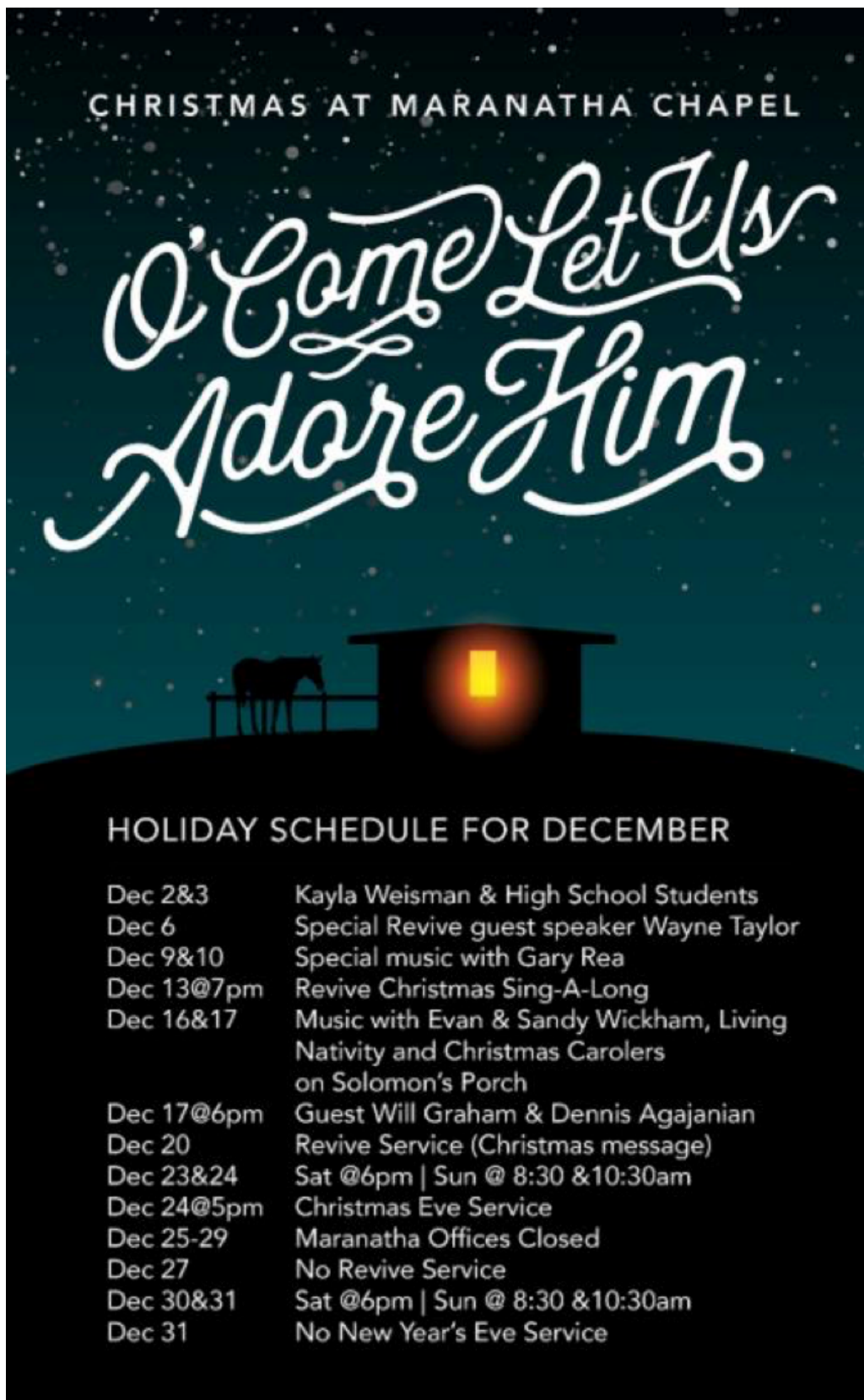
Maranatha welcomed Hall of Fame Wrestling Coach Jose Campo last Tuesday for their bi-monthly Huddle meeting. Huddle Leaders JD Stout and Mary Wood provided pizza and 42 students in all were blessed to hear Coach's testimony.

Coach Campo talked about the dangers of 'taking short-cuts' in academics, sports, and life in general. As a West Point cadet he was part of the Class of '77 EE304 cheating scandal in which 152 Cadets were eventually separated from the Academy. Coach Campo described his upbringing, his determination to make his father proud, and his conversion to Christianity in 1985. He explained how he had cheated and rebelled in high school, and how being separated from the Academy affected him personally, as well as the rift it created between him and his father. Finally, he talked about his faith, which helped him move past the cheating scandal and other personal demons, and enabled him to repair his relationship with his dad.

After nearly 40 years, Coach Campo finally came to terms with his past, returning to West Point in September, 2016 to speak to Cadets about the critical importance of living honorably and through his faith in Jesus Christ.



NEWS FROM THE CHAPEL

A poster for Christmas at Maranatha Chapel. The background is a dark teal night sky with white stars. In the center, there is a silhouette of a building with a glowing yellow light in its window. To the left of the building, there is a silhouette of a horse standing on a small platform. The text "CHRISTMAS AT MARANATHA CHAPEL" is at the top in white, all-caps, sans-serif font. Below it, the phrase "O' Come Let Us Adore Him" is written in a large, white, cursive script. At the bottom, the text "HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER" is in white, all-caps, sans-serif font. Below this, there is a list of dates and activities in two columns.

CHRISTMAS AT MARANATHA CHAPEL

O' Come Let Us Adore Him

HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR DECEMBER

Dec 2&3	Kayla Weisman & High School Students
Dec 6	Special Revive guest speaker Wayne Taylor
Dec 9&10	Special music with Gary Rea
Dec 13@7pm	Revive Christmas Sing-A-Long
Dec 16&17	Music with Evan & Sandy Wickham, Living Nativity and Christmas Carolers on Solomon's Porch
Dec 17@6pm	Guest Will Graham & Dennis Agajanian
Dec 20	Revive Service (Christmas message)
Dec 23&24	Sat @6pm Sun @ 8:30 &10:30am
Dec 24@5pm	Christmas Eve Service
Dec 25-29	Maranatha Offices Closed
Dec 27	No Revive Service
Dec 30&31	Sat @6pm Sun @ 8:30 &10:30am
Dec 31	No New Year's Eve Service

P.S. DON'T FORGET

This section accommodates MCS information that isn't necessarily 'new' but convenient to have handy weekly!

MOMS IN PRAYER

Moms In Prayer International - Join the worldwide community of moms praying for children & schools. We meet Monday mornings 8:20-9:20am in the After School Care Room (ASCP). Every Monday except half-days and holidays.

2017 - 2018 MCS STUDENT HOLIDAY/NON-STUDENT DAYS CALENDAR

[CLICK HERE](#) to view it for your planning purposes.

PARENT VOLUNTEERS

Mrs. Dorsey is the contact person in the Admissions department for processing volunteer applications. Please contact her directly for more information | cherie.dorsey@maranathachristianschools.org

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