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Logos' Cup Overflows at Auction

By Jackie Nance

Familiar faces glanced around, shining with excitement and, in some cases, drops of sweat. Bidding ratcheted up into the thousands as this year's professional auctioneer pulled off what he called the 'power of live auction.' The annual Friends of Logos Benefit Auction, hosted by the unstoppable Logos Moms, filled an evening in the Logos gym with dessert, donations, and unforgettable auctions.

High-spirited Logos seniors served the attendees amidst the buzz of the bidding — popular items featured in the silent auction ranged from monthly cookie/cheesecake deliveries, cooking lessons, fruit baskets to catered luncheons, and a pre-release copy of alum Nate Wilson's most recent work (*The Drowned Vault*). Fruity punch and dessert bites refreshed the guests throughout the excitement, all leading up to the live auction.

Dinner dates (complete with gift certificates and babysitting) and fresh bouquets countered some of the more adventurous items: a guided fishing trip and a wild turkey hunt. There was a special collection of Canon Press books, choice paintings by Dave Gressard and Tom Garfield which brought



A professional auctioneer kept the bids climbing during this year's Friends of Logos Benefit Auction.

Photo by David Johnson

the artistic touch, a fantastic one-of-a-kind golf trip getaway at the Coeur d'Alene Resort, and the finale — a personalized parking spot for the whole next school year, taken up for \$3700! All proceeds (a whopping total of over \$40,000) are headed toward covering the many tuition scholarships bestowed by the school every year.

With Kelly Driskill, Lauren McMurray, Rachel Jankovic, and others overseeing everything from the dessert to

the pavilions and balloons, this year's Friends of Logos Benefit event was the inspirational hit for future fundraisers.

"It's wonderful," several of the guests told me afterwards, "how so many people can compete with checkbooks and enjoy a great evening with each other at the same time." Several energetic spotters (Jim Nance, Josiah Nance, Ben Bowen, and Will Isenberg) pointed out every bold hand pushing up the bid. Anyone can imagine the excitement, especially for spectators, when the volunteered ties of the evening were bid for in the hundreds.

Nate Wilson closed off the evening with a talk beginning with his own memories of growing up at Logos School. With a son soon to be taught by one of his own elementary

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The Minefield of Teaching Students Modern US History

For about 25 years, it has been my privilege and challenge to teach our Logos sophomores about 'modern' United States history in their spring semester. More precisely, I have been teaching and adding to this course since Ronald Reagan was President of the United States. Three years ago we needed a history teacher to pick up the War Between the States (Civil War) class that the sophomores had in the fall semester. I took the plunge, so now I teach the entire year of tenth grade U.S. history, from about 1820 to the present time.

Consider this age from Winston Churchill's lifetime: When Churchill was born in 1874, rail was the newest and most innovative form of travel, medical practice and knowledge were virtually unchanged from the previous century, i.e. brutal and ineffective. Electricity was being treated as a clever trick and warfare was still conducted with cavalry, sabers and glorious charges. Mechanical flight was science fiction and life spans averaged about 45 years. Kings and other monarchs from ancient lines ruled most of Europe, the United States had recently torn itself apart in a states' war and it was at best a third rate upstart country full of immigrants, farmers, and cowboys.

When Churchill died in 1965, everything just noted had radically changed. Most people owned a car, vaccines and antibiotics were eliminating diseases, average life spans were now 75, every city and house had electric lights — some supplied by nuclear power, warfare was governed by a philosophy called M.A.D., because of the potential for the destruction of virtually all life as we know it, held in check by two "super-powers", the USSR and the US. Men were preparing to land on the moon, and almost every European royal dynasty had disappeared. Those that remained, including his own monarch, were essentially figure-heads. Oh yes, and the United States had won the two largest wars in the history of mankind and now was unparalleled in its standard of living in the world. All in the span of one man's lifetime.

Though we emphasize our classical, historical roots at Logos School, we want the students to also understand where we as Americans have come from and where we are now. All the technological and medical improvements we've enjoyed over the last century have been accompanied by radical shifts in our moral and spiritual foundations. To teach these high school students modern American history is to walk them through a veritable minefield of issues. Why are they "mines?" Because they are volatile issues that even Christians often part ways on when they come up. Why is that? One possible reason is that frequently these are issues that Americans, if they have been taught anything about them, have been taught only one

side. To even discuss any other side can incite a reaction or even condemnation.

A short list of these 'mines' (in chronological order) would include the following:

1. Was the "Civil War" just about slavery or about states' rights or what? Did the South have any legitimate arguments or was it an 'evil empire', lock, stock, and barrel?

2. What are we to make of Southern generals like Lee and Jackson whose Christian faith was evident to even their enemies?

3. Did the North treat former slaves with compassion and support, or was there widespread racism there, too?

4. Did the change in the federal system of government after the war, in assuming far more power and giving much less to the states, bring greater or less liberty to Americans? Did 'Reconstruction' really happen?

5. The late 1800s saw the beginnings of many 'isms': Darwinism, communism, feminism, humanism... how do we consider these in light of Scripture and the

downstream results today?

6. Both Prohibition and women's suffrage were put into law at about the same time. Why is the former considered a joke today, but the latter is seen as a great social step forward? For that matter, social darwinism teaches that mankind is basically good and only needs the right 'push' or enlightenment to become even better. Is that a biblical view of man?

7. Was the stock market crash just the result of greedy Wall Street bankers and investors, or could the blame be spread further?

8. How might we compare the way Americans largely responded to the Great Depression to the way the "Occupy... Whatever" Americans are seeking their "due"?

9. Was it right for FDR to intern Japanese-Americans after Pearl Harbor?

10. Many question the morality of using the A bombs on Japan. What biblical principles of warfare should we consider in forming an opinion on Truman's acts?

11. The Civil Rights movement of the 50s and 60s had a huge impact on our culture. Was it necessary and, if so, what was right and what was wrong about it, based on Scripture? Does private property justify prejudice? Does the Federal Government have the power and responsibility of changing moral behavior?

12. What went wrong in Vietnam, as judged from scriptural principles, vs. popular cultural thinking?

13. Is there a good comparison between the thinking and

Superintendent's Soliloquy

"I wonder whether any other generation has seen such astounding revolutions of data and values as those through which we have lived. Scarcely anything material or established which I was brought up to believe was permanent and vital, has lasted. Everything I was sure or taught to be sure was impossible, has happened."

Winston Churchill

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Three Logos Seniors Named National Merit Finalists



Will Isenberg



Ben Perley



Josiah Whitling

Logos seniors Will Isenberg, Ben Perley, and Josiah Whitling are among the approximately 15,000 finalists in the 57th annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

To become a finalist, a semifinalist must have an outstanding academic record throughout high school, be endorsed and recommended by the school principal, and earn SAT scores that confirm the student's earlier qualifying test performance. The semifinalist and a school official must submit a detailed scholarship application, which includes the student's self-descriptive essay and information about the semifinalist's participation and leadership in school and community activities.

Congratulations!

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results of Roe v. Wade and that of the Holocaust by the Nazis? Just because something is 'lawful' does that make it right?

14. What biblical monetary principles has the United States ignored? Should the rich be taxed more than the 'poor'? Is capitalism biblical or just an American tradition?

15. If enough states say it's legal for two people of the same sex to marry, does that change the nature of marriage and the family?

We could also toss in the environmental movement and population control theories, since they also have shaped how American Christians think these days.

All this begs the question: "Does the class consist of telling these students what to think on each incendiary issue?" Of course not. Not only would that be unfair to them, it would go against one of our primary purposes as a classical, Christian school, i.e. encouraging the students to think biblically, not blindly. However, by having the unchanging standard of the Scriptures, we can let them know God is not silent on ANY area of life. They are encouraged to 'examine all things, and hold fast to that which is good.' Our culture, especially today, tells our children there is no fixed standard or measure by which their lives may be led. We seek to show them that not only is there a measure, God's Word, there is a Person, Jesus Christ, who is the same, yesterday, today and forever.

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teachers, the Wilson family is one of the many blessed by this classical Christian education. It's amazing how — beneath the financial fights over ties, paintings, and pool parties — God expands this school and improves the training of young followers of Christ.

Logos Dads Present Operation: Piano Restoration

Mark your calendars for a memorable event on April 21, 2:00 pm, at the Moscow Church of the Nazarene. This will be the culmination of the Logos Dads project "Operation: Piano Restoration" led by Clint Hughes.

The concert will feature the two specially restored pianos, the Logos choir, an orchestra, and other talented musicians, all building up for the finale: Beethoven's Choral Fantasy. One piano is a hand built 5'7" Steinert Grand with a black satin finish; the other, a Starck upright with a burled walnut Victorian case. The two "golden era" concert level pianos will be auctioned off at the end of the evening, with proceeds directed towards the Logos Music Department.

In addition there is a pledge drive based on the final auction prices of the two pianos with all funds going directly to the future expansion of Logos School. For more information, please visit the website at logosbenefit.blogspot.com

From top: Lovely table settings await guests; Abby Holloway, Nancy and board president Mark Rust inspect the goods; and Nathan Wilson addresses the crowd.

Photos by David Johnson





Knights Sports News



Lady Knights Basketball Makes Progress

By Kira Langworthy

The Lady Knights varsity basketball team played their first full season after a five-year hiatus, playing in 14 Mountain Christian League games, the MCL tournament, as well as an invitational out-of-league tournament in Spokane.

Coach Matt Gray led the team through victory and defeat, constantly encouraging the girls to play their best but most importantly, to always have a good attitude. When pre-game jitters began to creep up on the players, he'd always remind them: "Don't take yourself too seriously. If you mess up... laugh!" So they learned to laugh a lot.

The team ended the season 6-8, seeded seventh in the MCL tournament. Their first competitor was NICS, who was seeded second. It was a close match all the way to the end.

With seven seconds left, junior Allison Gray stood at

the free-throw line. Displaying the poise and focus of a true athlete, she swished both shots, sealing the victory. The Lady Knights continued fighting through the tournament brackets, finishing in fifth place. Allison was later awarded honorable mention for the all-league team.

"It was well fought," said Naomi Gray, the lone senior player, when asked about the season, "We are a young team and this was our first year to have a full varsity season. We did well." The varsity team included: senior Naomi Gray; juniors Allison Gray, Kira Langworthy, Sarah Page, and Morgan Schlect; and freshmen Rebecca Kim and Naomi Miller.

The junior varsity girls also had an exciting season. Led by Joe Kline, who also assisted Coach Gray with the varsity, the girls fought the good fight through five games. It was a slow start at first, but the ladies continued to push through the season. Each player faithfully came to practice every morning before the crack of dawn, diligently working to improve their skills and unite as a team. Their big win finally came in a game versus Lake City Junior Academy in Coeur d'Alene. It was a great way to finish off their season. The JV included: juniors Kat Yager and Autumn Pratt; sophomores Alicia Jeong, Lydia Nadreau, and Kamilla Niska; and freshmen Rozy Gray, Elly Kline, Bella Minudri, Lizzie Schlect, Hannah Roberts, and Kristina Roberts.

The littlest Lady Knights, the junior high team, coached by Kim Minudri, had an incredible season. With only eight players, four of whom had never before played basketball, they managed to come out on top, triumphing in an undefeated season. The team included: Sofia Minudri, Sarah Miller, Maddie Wintz, Grace Belschner, Emma Story, Emily Hoyt, Emily Littlejohn, and Regan Meyer.



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Rebecca Kim dribbles past two Pullman Christian players.



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Photo by Gwen Spencer

Morgan Schlect, Abby Lundgren, Allison Gray, and Kira Langworthy execute an out-of-bounds play.

Knights Varsity Basketball Tops Them All

By Josiah Whitling

This year all of the Logos boys' basketball teams had great seasons. The varsity team had its best season in recent memory this year, posting a 24 and 1 regular season record. This included beating several White Pine League teams and winning the Logos Christmas Tournament.

The team suffered its only defeat in a nail-biter home game against the Oaks. The team and fans pulled together to beat them in Spokane and secure the regular season championship with a decisive 12 point victory.

At the Mountain Christian League Tournament the team showed up ready to win and took the championship with another victory against the Oaks, this time winning the MCL championship for the first time since 1999, by eight.

Coach Matt Whitling summed the season up nicely in the locker room after the game when he said "at the beginning of this season we had three goals: Win the regular season, win the tournament, and win the sportsmanship award. We got the gold ball, we got the trophy, and we got a technical in the championship, good job." (The technical was actually awarded for a pass to the referee gone awry, not for unsportsmanlike conduct.)



Photo by Donn Morse

Senior point guard Luke Shaw drives for two.

Three of the players made it onto the all-league teams. Jed Whitling made the all-league second team. In the championship game he went three for four from behind the arc and scored 15 points in the first half. Josiah Rosendahl made the first team and posted a season high of 22 rebounds in one game. He also threw down a decisive two handed jam against CCS. Luke Shaw also made the first team. He was a great leader and distributed the ball well, getting at least five

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Senior Josiah Rosendahl's (aka Rosy) leaping ability made him master of the boards.

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assists in the majority of the games.

The team had a great season and learned a lot about basketball and life. A focus of this season was Psalm 75:6-7 "For exaltation comes neither from the east, nor from the west, nor from the south. But God is the Judge: He puts down one, and exalts another."

Varsity team members were: seniors Luke Shaw, Cy Whitling, Josiah Rosendahl, Jake Kline, and Jeff Hui; juniors



Mountain Christian League Champions.

Photo by Doug Stanton

Jed Whitling, Jackson Spencer, Brian Stanton, and Marshall Sauter; sophomore Trevor Morse; and freshmen Paul Ryan and Jonny Handel (Sauter, Morse, Ryan and Handel were swingers; varsity players who also played in JV games).


The junior varsity boys also had a solid season finishing 7 and 3 under first-year-coach Derek Belschner. A huge highlight of the season was a game against PCS in which every player on the team scored, an impressive feat for a JV team. Sophomores Eric Jones and Jonathan Nance; and freshmen Levi Wintz, Joel Courtney, Sean Stanton, Smith Leithart, and Gaven Dooley made up the JV squad, along with the swingers. The guys learned and improved a lot this year.

Mr. Euhus led both junior high teams to undefeated seasons against Moscow and Pullman (6-0). The teams were composed of sixth, seventh, and eighth graders: Knox Merkle, Jon Morris, Jackson Dickison, Andrew Handel, Nate Sauter, Danny Bradley, Alec Engerbretson, Brian Vis, David Popoola, Duncan Carroll, Miles Whitling, Preston Evans, Josiah Anderson, and Cotton Whitling.



Junior Jed Whitling with one of his signature floater shots.

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Secondary Second Quarter Honor Roll

SUMMA CUM LAUDE 4.0

Seventh Grade

Preston Evans

Eighth Grade

Josiah Anderson
Sonya Isenberg
Emily Littlejohn

Ninth Grade

Jameson Evans
Sheridan Howell
Rebekah Kim

Tenth Grade

Sean "Stuart" Evans
Trevor Morse

Eleventh Grade

Abby Lundgren
Autumn Pratt
Morgan Schlect
Jackson Spencer

Twelfth Grade

Willem Isenberg
Gavin Meyer
Jacqueline Nance
Benjamin Perley
Madeline Schlect

MAGNA CUM LAUDE 3.70-3.99

Seventh Grade

Jackson Dickison
Abigail Euhus
Andrew Handel
Knox Merkle
Regan Meyer
Noel Saunders
Nathan Sauter

Eighth Grade

Kelsie Elmore
Sofia Minudri
Bronwyn Schumaker
Summer Stokes
Cotton Whitling
Annie Zasadny

Ninth Grade

Martha Bowman
Emilie Dye
Jonathan Handel
Elaine Kline
Smith Leithart
Naomi Miller
Isabella Minudri
Elizabeth Schlect
Brooklyn Schumaker

Tenth Grade

Heiland Michaels
Lydia Nadreau
Kamilla Niska
Shane Stokes

Eleventh Grade

Clara Bowman
Kyle Flack
Allison Gray
Peter Handel
Kira Langworthy
Madison Schumaker
Brian Stanton
Nicholas VanNuland
Natalie Williams

Twelfth Grade

McKenzie Evans
Matthew Miller
Brooke Polek
Lydia Ryan
Sierra Struble
Josiah Whitling
Heather Wilson

CUM LAUDE 3.5-3.69

Seventh Grade

Alexander Berglund
Cole Brusven
Moriah Struble

Eighth Grade

Daniel Bradley
Rachel Michaels
Sarah Miller
Emma Story

Ninth Grade

Lauren Flack
Roselyn Gray
Ayomipo Kayode-
Popoola
Hannah Roberts
Kristina Roberts
Paul Ryan
Ruth Saunders
Priscilla Urquidez

Tenth Grade

Eric Jones
Jonathan Nance
Sage Pratt
Claire Zasadny

Eleventh Grade

Sarah Page
Marshall Sauter

Twelfth Grade

Naomi Gray
Jacob Kline
Rachel Lawyer
Sarah Michaels

Poetry Out Loud Results

By Will Isenberg

"Each year I am stunned by the magic that can be created by one high school student alone on a stage, embodying complete understanding of a poem—meaning, metaphor and meter—and offering it to us, the audience," says Mimi Hermann, one of the Poetry Out Loud coordinators.



This is one of Logos' many reasons for doing programs such as Poetry Out Loud, an annual competition in which students all across the nation memorize, study, and recite poems. Not only do the teachers hope this exercise will increase the students' appreciation for great poets, such as King David or John Milton, they also want to give their pupils a chance to practice rhetorical skills they have honed over the years.

This year, students in grades 10th-12th each memorized two poems to recite. After studying and practicing for three weeks, they recited the longer of their poems during the in-class competition on Feb. 3, 2012.

Three students from each grade were selected to present the shorter of their poems in an all-school assembly that afternoon. After hearing presentations from Kamilla Niska, Ethan Rathbun, Shane Stokes, Kira Langworthy, Morgan Schlect, Brian Stanton, Will Isenberg, Jacqueline Nance, and Gavin Meyer, the judges decided to award Kira Langworthy second place, and Jacqueline Nance first place. These ladies performed in the Regional Moscow High School presentation, where Kira won third place. Congratulations to these girls for their hard work and fine job representing Logos!

First Semester Faculty Commendations

The standards for this award are exemplary conduct, academic achievement, and a positive attitude toward school and school programs. Students must be nominated by all of their teachers

Seventh Grade

Jackson Dickison
Abigail Euhus
Moriah Struble

Ninth Grade

Jonathan Handel
Smith Leithart
Elizabeth Schlect

Eleventh Grade

Kyle Flack
Sarah Page
Morgan Schlect
Jackson Spencer

Eighth Grade

Josiah Anderson
Kelsie Elmore
Sofia Minudri

Tenth Grade

Sean "Stuart" Evans
Trevor Morse

Twelfth Grade

Willem Isenberg
Gavin Meyer
Matthew Miller
Jacqueline Nance
Lydia Ryan
Madeline Schlect
Josiah Whitling

Elementary Events



The kindergartners dressed up for Cowboy Day.



The annual fire station field trip teaches second graders safety.



At right, the fifth grades paint their plaster reliefs of ocean creatures.



The second/third combo class takes a bow after performing "Elizabeth of Hungary."

Elementary Second Quarter Honor Roll

All A's

Second Grade

Clara Anderson
Jude Grieser
Alice Miller
Sydney Miller
Theo Sentz
Kaylee Vis
Jasper Whitling

Third Grade

Hope Belschner
Alex Blum
Kayte Casebolt
Jason Elmore
Isaiah Hewitt
Olivia Igielski
Madeline James
Emma McIntosh
Naomi Michaels
Josiah Rauch
Jared Stokes
Abigail Visger
Mary Visger

Fourth Grade

Isabella Breese
Jonah Grieser
Gabe Jones
Judah Rauch
Eleanor Story
Cameron Vis
Rory Wilson

Fifth Grade

Benjamin Euhus
Rosie Meyer
Nicolas Minudri
Bennett Schlect

Sixth Grade

Keidi Anderson
Grace Belschner
Sarah Corwin
Jennifer Hoyt
Luther Michaels
Karsten Schumaker
Bryan Vis
Madeline Wintz

A-B

(All A's with
no more than two B's)

Second Grade

William Griffith
Emmaline Handel
Evangeline Jankovic
Louisa Miller
Elena Stokes
Ameera Wilson

Third Grade

Ava Driskill
Aiden Elmore
Kailee Evans
Kaden Kiblen
Hero Merkle
Alexander Peterson
Gabe Ross
Mallory Struble
Julia Urquidez

Fourth Grade

David Handel
Jacob Hughes
Sarah Rosendahl
Eden Schumaker

Fifth Grade

Maggie Elmore
August Igielski
Nate Miller

Sixth Grade

Whitney Elmore
David Kayode-Popoola

Congratulations Students!

Spelling Bee Winners



Winners of Overall Elementary Spelling Bee, held February 2: Third Place Cameron Vis, First Place Keidi Anderson, and Second Place Isabelle Breese

Classroom Winners

First grade A

1. Ivan James
2. Bea McIntosh
3. Judah Merkle

Second grade

1. Kaylee Vis
2. River Sumpter
3. Jude Grieser

Third grade

1. Kailee Evans
2. Phoenix Berglund
3. Madeline James

Fourth grade

1. Isabelle Breese
2. Cameron Vis
3. Reilly Smith

Sixth grade

1. Keidi Anderson
2. Sarah Corwin
3. Isobel Niemeyer

First grade B

1. Angela Visger
2. Emilia Meyer
3. Nathaniel Plotner

Combo second grade

1. Sydney Miller
2. Soren Schumaker
3. Louisa Miller

Combo third grade

1. Isaiah Hewitt
2. Abigail Visger
3. Mary Visger

Fifth grade

1. Ben Euhus
2. Rosie Meyer
3. Nic Minudri



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High Protocol a Delight for All the Senses

By Jackie Nance

Beautiful gowns, beastlike appetites, and a Broadway production filled a memorable winter evening for the Logos juniors and seniors this year. High Protocol, a popular program in which the students are educated in manners, conversation, etiquette and dress, took place on January 27 and ended the anticipation.

"We knew this year was going to be fantastic," said senior Melanie Dubois. "Our final year of Protocol — we finally got over the awkwardness of test runs and were ready to completely enjoy the evening." The first two years of Protocol was a challenge to 'not make any mistakes,' especially with 'all the

adults watching everything.' But for the last two years, the annual event has been an adventure to 'look at as a whole, and realize how much we've grown up.'

This was in the minds of the parents as well; the formalities began at the mall with innumerable cameras snapping a year's worth of pictures. Mrs. Whitling then informed each gentleman of which lady he was to escort to dinner a few hours away in Spokane — a full three course meal and toasting at the Convention Center overlooking Riverside Park.

A roomful of waiting tables greeted the group after a round of well-practiced coat removal. Salad sprinkled with feta cheese and miniature tomatoes preceded an entrée of pork or chicken, glazed over with enough sauce and sided with vegetables and rice to leave a "satisfied stomach," as senior Jake Kline said. Homemade pizza is one of life's greatest pleasures, but that evening's meal was 'worthy of remembrance, even the mushrooms.'

Unlike the double drives and parking last year, students and chaperones enjoyed easy access to the evening's event. Escorts were switched, more pictures were taken, and everyone crossed a wind tunnel directly into the Performing Arts Center.

All were mixed into an audience of thousands to watch the outstanding "Smash Hit Broadway Musical" production of *Beauty and the Beast*. Stunning backdrops produced scenery from a library to a ravaged forest and a midnight castle in a thunderstorm. Enchanted objects — French candlesticks, talking tea cups and a motherly wardrobe — performed musical numbers with a full orchestra to be answered with vigorous bursts of applause. Mid-song scene changes (carried out by gargoyles so camouflaged as to be nearly invisible) produced a village and the Beast's castle, including the forbidden West Wing.

A story of sacrifice, treachery, counterfeit love and true love, *Beauty and the Beast* left the Logos students with an experience that wouldn't be forgotten. "That was unbelievable," several juniors kept saying. "Can't wait for next year."



Photo by Eric Engerbretson

A bevy of beauties: Rachel Lawyer, Sarah Michaels, Kayla Purnell, Amanda Rathbun, Melanie DuBois, Jackie Nance, Maddie Schlect, and Lydia Ryan.



Photo by Patricia Isenberg

Can we stop posing now?



Photo by Patricia Isenberg

Around the table from the left: Ben Roberts, Jed Whitling, Autumn Pratt, Matt Miller, Sierra Struble, Will Isenberg, Brooke Polek, and Nathanael Rosendahl.

New & Improved Knights' Fest a Hit

By Autumn Pratt

February can be a bit of a bummer. It's muddy, cold, and brown. Every day looks the same. Christmas is a fading memory, and Spring break is still a speck on the horizon. Our minds sail away to the tropics, to warm water and... (does it really still exist?); sunshine. Lectures and tests just seem so inapplicable.

Well, if you can't beat the season you learn to love it. So what do we do? We party! We take some time to try new things, help our neighbors, and remind ourselves why we're here. Knights' Fest was new and improved this year, with an extra day and a basketball tournament. Of course we still had the classics, such as the service projects, melee, and, most importantly, the feast. New look, same great taste.

Tuesday started out pretty sedately; classes as usual, but with a twist. We could choose between juggling lessons, engine mechanics, jewelry making, and much more. We then watched *Notes from a Tilt-a-Whirl* and headed upstairs to begin two days of sports, archery, and chess. Everyone felt relieved to shed their uniforms and change into shorts and T-shirts.

Thursday morning we broke into teams and got to work. Some groups sorted clothes at thrift stores, some helped save books, and a few girls played bingo with people in the nursing home. (Last year the residents asked to be sung to; I guess they learned their lesson.)

That afternoon we finished up with championships, the swordfight, and the melee. This year the winners of girls archery got into the fun with foam tipped arrows. There were some family wins; once again the Courtney brothers finished first in sword fighting, and Peter and Jonny Handel took the prizes for boys' archery. By the end of the day we were tired and ready for the feast on Friday.

First Mr. Foucachon gave us a speech to make sure we enjoyed feasting properly. We dolled ourselves up and paid our respects to our dignified Queen and very expressive King, Jackie Nance and Luke Shaw. Mrs. Whitling treated us to a



Pastor Toby Sumpter spoke to students on "Servant Leadership."

tasty lunch, and the delicacies from the baking contest were more than even a gym full of teenagers could polish off. Everything on our foam plates was delicious. Each grade brought entertainment for their dinner, including some funny skits and a hammered dulcimer solo. A quirky video from the sophomores earned them the prize for most

entertaining class.

Afterwards the much coveted fighting fish were raffled off. Sadly, not all made it home. The judges then took the stage to announce results for each contest. Some of the winners were surprising and some were pretty predictable, but we all got to try new things, spend time with different people, learn humility, or maybe earn bragging rights.

That evening the seniors put on a ball to end the week with a bang. Now the excitement's over and it's back to school. But hopefully we'll take what we've learned, and as we go back to life as usual we'll see it in a new way.



King Luke Shaw, Queen Jackie Nance and Principal Matt Whitling wrap up the festivities.

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Cilantro, lime and other wonderful smells filled the auditorium when students sliced and diced their way to salsa, under the watchful eye of Janna Shaw.

K N I G H T S '



Logos students spent one morning helping local organizations. Here, Daniel Postell cleans the Bridge Bible Fellowship refrigerator.

Each class provided entertainment during and after the Feast (at right Sonya Isenberg plays for guests and below, sophomores sing a hymn).



Loren Euhus takes a break from teaching math to instruct students in balloon animals.

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Ladies take aim in the lower division archery contest.



D'Art Carroll and Michael Kwon go at it under the watchful eye of Dale Courtney.



Fabulous student dessert creations from the baking contest filled four tables.

Knowledge Bowl Teams Undefeated in Regular Season

By Will Isenberg

Mr. Struble coached the varsity and junior varsity Knowledge Bowl teams to a perfect record in the 2011-2012 season, beating teams from Gar-Pal, Kendrick, Moscow, Potlatch, and Troy. The junior high team went undefeated as well.

This year was the first time that Logos Knowledge Bowl competed in the Inland Northwest Science Bowl. Usually, the Knowledge Bowl tournament takes place in Boise, Idaho, but teams in Northern Idaho (including Logos) were disallowed from the competition due to Idaho's financial issues. Despite their ignorance of Washington rules, the teams decided to compete in the Science Bowl in Spokane.

The Inland Northwest Science Bowl took place at Whitworth University on February 25. Hosting over 50 teams, the tournament consisted of six morning rounds and an afternoon championship. Accompanied by Melissa Dow and Patricia Isenberg, the varsity team earned 19th place out of 54 teams after winning four and losing two of their morning games. However, the junior varsity advanced to the afternoon tournament as the 5th place seed after winning five and tying one of their morning games. In the afternoon tournament, the junior varsity was eliminated after winning one round and losing two.

The varsity team consisted of Clara Bowman, Will Isenberg, Michael Kwon, Josiah Rosendahl, and Cy Whitling. D'Art Carroll, Russel Dailey, Stuart Evans, Alicia Jeong, Jonathan Nance, Sage Pratt, and Sam Skiles made up the junior varsity team.

The junior high team, coached by Melissa Dow, was Cole Brusven, Abby Euhus, Sonya Isenberg, Emily Littlejohn, Knox Merkle, Regan Meyer, Jon Morris, Everett Plotner, Catherine Rheingans, Jackson Ross, Emma Story, and Moriah Struble.

Logos Math Team Places Second at Pullman Competition

By Jim Nance

On February 11, the Logos Math Team, coached by Jim Nance, competed in the Winter Games Math Competition in Pullman. Logos put forward one 11th/12th grade team and two 9th/10th grade teams.

The 11th/12th grade team, with Michael Kwon, Jackie Nance, Ben Perley, and Will Isenberg, took second place out of five teams. One of the 9th/10th grade teams, with Stuart Evans, Jonathan Nance, Joonyoung Ahn, Seonghun Park took fourth place out of 18 teams. The second 9th/10th grade team consisted of Nellie Yager, Alicia Jeong, Hannah Lee, and Seongpil Heo.

The competition included four rounds of team mathematics problem solving: slalom (multiple choice problems), curling (short-answer problems), biathlon (short-answer problems, including target problems on probability), and speed-skating (rapid-fire oral problems). The teams competed well and had a lot of fun.

Logos School Alumni News

Alum Draws on Logos Experience Teaching in Iraq

By Jackie Nance

It was good to see her face at Logos again. Colleen McGarry '02 is taking what she learned to a new level and a new place — the Classical School of the Medes in the depths of Northern Iraq.

As a teacher, Colleen gladly puts into practice every bit of enthusiasm and love that she remembers from her own high school teachers. "My teachers were amazing," she says with a nostalgic smile.

"I keep going back to them for inspiration and encouragement. They influenced me more than they know — it's such a blessing to follow in their footsteps." Occasionally,



Colleen McGarry with two of her Iraqi students.

with a short pause and a smile, she will say something in her classroom that one of her own high school teachers said.

For five and a half years now, Colleen has been teaching a range of students. This year she lectures on fifth grade history, ninth and tenth grade logic, and eleventh grade music history. "I love my students," she says. "I love watching them grow, learn, ask questions, and find truth. It makes me giddily happy."

The students understand English, but occasionally Colleen will throw in translations of words in their language — Kurdish. She uses Kurdish every day for taxis, shopping, and conversations with the adults.

But life isn't easy. On a regular basis, Colleen has to deal with cheating, lying, and plagiarism from her students. "I wasn't aware of this before I started teaching, but these things are considered fairly normal in this culture. I've gotten better at catching people in the act, but, like every teacher, I know I just need practice."

As a Logos student, Colleen pushed herself toward perfect scores. Now she wishes she had spent more time actually enjoying her classmates, her teachers, and the tangents they took her on. "Mr. Harken always had stories, and he made history lessons fun. Writing for Mrs. Marston was something I found difficult," she adds, "but with every writing assignment I learned more and more about God's amazing and intricate story."

"Some students now may think school was easier on students in the past, but difficulty has a lot to do with your attitude and the dynamic nature of the classmates," she tells me. "The more you work with your classmates and enjoy each other's company, the more you'll benefit from school."

Her advice to students? "Pray and work that you may catch a glimpse of His vision, His drama, His glory, and His beauty," she says earnestly. "Look for the truth, goodness, and beauty. Pray that you may be a part of it and a tool as He speaks His salvation to the world."



Colleen McGarry leads a class brick project.



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Achievements

Andrew Hall '07, received his commissioning as a Second Lieutenant in the United States Army on December 9, 2011.

Weddings



Mr. & Mrs. Arden Skoglund

Mary Schultz '07 married Arden Skoglund in December 2011 at the Pullman Evangelical Free church.



Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Dickison

Samuel Dickison '07 married Rosalie Comer in Tennessee in December 2011.

Births



Clare Rose Riggs

Kevin Rigg '96 and wife Annie welcomed their nearly 10 pound turkey (Kevin's words)...er, baby girl, Clare Rose, on November 24, 2011, Thanksgiving day.



David Leidenfrost

Hans and Justine **Leidenfrost '04** welcomed David Leidenfrost at 12:46 p.m. on Friday December 2, 2011.



Colin Robert Wilson

Mark and **Carolyn (Garfield '97)** Wilson are extremely happy to announce the arrival of Colin Robert! He was delivered via c-section on December 31, 2011, weighing 9 lbs even. Both mom and baby are doing well.



Carli Anne Paul

Carli Anne Paul was born on January 18, 2012, to **Daniel** and **Julianne Paul '08**. Julie and I would like to announce the birth of our second daughter Carli Anne Paul. She was born Wednesday at 4:10 p.m. at 7lbs. 5oz and 20 inches.



Creed Dale Lucas

Newest addition to the Lucas family! Congrats to **Melissa (Pernsteiner '03)** and **Quin Lucas '99** on welcoming Creed Dale Lucas (7 lbs 11 oz, just like his brother) into the world at 4:24 on January 30, 2012!! Mommy and baby doing great.



Benjamin Isaac Grauke

Benjamin Isaac Grauke was born January 25, 2012, to **Katie (Gray '01)** and **Isaac Grauke '01**. He joins brothers Gus and Max and sister Evie.



Elaina Halcyon Blakey

We are so happy to announce the arrival of Elaina Halcyon Blakey. She was born on her due date, February 1, safely at home at 9:24 p.m. — 7 lbs 14 oz, and

19 3/4 inches long. Mama and Elaina are both doing great. We give thanks to God for his perfect plan and timing. **Bryan, Bess, Chloë and Elaina Blakey '01**



Doering Twins

Well, they are here!!! Samuel Elliot weighed in at 7 lbs 9 oz and Benjamin Elliot came close with 7 lbs 4 oz. They weighed a lot more than even mom **Angie (Jordan '94)** Doering expected. They were born on February 10, 2012, at 38 1/2 weeks!! Dad, Josh and the five older Doering brothers are delighted to welcome them to the family home in Oregon.

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