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From the Principal's Desk

Dear North County Parents and Community,

The holidays are upon us! I hope that you had a wonderful Thanksgiving. We begin our three week Winter Break following our last day of Term 2 on Wednesday, December 20th. School will resume on Wednesday, January 10th with the start of Term 3. All students will report to Homeroom upon return to pick up their Term 3 schedule. Students will have brand new classes to start the new year!

Term 2 Final Exams will be administered from December 18th through December 20th and the term ends on December 20th. Semester finals and all work must be completed by that date. Please make sure your holiday trips take place after December 20th! Grades will certainly be affected by missed school days.

It is important to remember that Term 2 grades are permanent semester grades. Encourage your son or daughter to study hard and complete all standards for all of their classes.

Some school highlights for this month include Dance Company and Dance 2's fall show on December 7, 8, and 9 in the Forum. The holiday season will be jump-started with the Holiday Arts Faire on the evening of Tuesday, December 12th in the Forum when the Visual and Performing Arts Department will showcase the students' talents.

On behalf of North Monterey County High School's 120 staff members, I wish you all a safe, happy, and beautiful holiday season. Bless you all!

Sincerely,

Steve Hirt

Principal

Career Center Event Calendar

Contact Mrs. Yezek,
Career Coordinator at
eyezek@nmchs.org or
633-5221 x210

12/2/06

SAT administration

12/5/06

Marines Presentation, lower library,
11:00-11:30

12/7/06

Heald College Presentation, lower
library, 11:00-11:30

12/9/06

ACT administration

12/12/06

Navy Presentation, lower library,
11:00-11:30

12/20/06

SAT registration deadline for
1/27/07 test date

Scholarships Available Now:

- Asian Pacific Youth Leadership
- California Automotive Service
- Dell Scholars Program
- Don and Roy Splawn Foundation
- Gates Millennium
- Matsui Foundation
- Sons of Italy
- Spirit of Community Service
- SWE Women Engineers
- California Association of Collectors
- 3M Scholarship Essay Contest

The North Monterey County
Athletic Boosters Organization's
8th Annual Gala

Vegas Nights

"What happens in San Juan,
stays in San Juan"

Friday, March 9, 2007

6:00 pm-12:00 am

San Juan Oaks Golf Club
3825 Union Rd, Hollister,

No host bar

Along with a gourmet dinner,

Silent and live auction

Professional photos by Pep

Stand up comedy

Combined with music and
dancing

Featuring **Energizer!**

Mark your calendars!

Any special requests, donations,
or questions, please call

Valerie Bigham at 663-1960

Free Fresh Fruit and Vegetables!

As part of the California Fresh Start Pilot Program we are able to offer free fruit or vegetables to our students. The offering will be available in the school cafeteria between the hours of 8-10am. One selection will be offered daily as a supplement to the breakfast program.

The fruit or vegetable will be placed in a basket in the school cafeteria; students may help themselves. Please take a few moments to let the students know about this great program. If you have any questions, please contact the school cafeteria or 663-4290.

NMCHS students deserve a pool! A second gym! A state- of-the-art performing arts center!

Staff and district representatives are working on a plan for a modern high school facility. If you would like to participate, please call Mike Deckelmann at 633-5221 x294.

Holiday Arts Faire

The annual Holiday Arts Faire will take place on Tuesday, December 12th, beginning at 6:45pm in the NMCHS Forum. This year's show, "Home for the Holidays," will feature performances by the NMCHS Wind Ensemble, Symphonic Band, Jazz Band, Dance Company, and a short improv by our Encore! players. Music performed by the bands will include music of the Christmas season, including the Leroy Anderson arrangement of "A Christmas Festival" and the Mannheim Steamroller arrangement of "Joy to the World."

Along with the performing arts portion of the show, our ceramics, drawing, and painting classes will display recently completed student work. This should be a wonderful evening for the entire family. The entire show is free to the general public this year but seating is on a first-come, first-serve basis so come early! Doors open at 6:15pm. For more information, contact DL Johnson at 633-5221 x225.

Yearbook News

Senior Dedication pages are available now! The deadline for all photos, messages, and payments is December 20th. Dedications are a great way to recognize all that your special graduate has achieved, and they are a memory that will last forever. Prices are as follows: \$150 for a ¼ page, \$225 for a ½ page, \$325 for 1 page. All Senior Portraits have been chosen. If you did not select your picture, the yearbook committee has selected it for you.

Remember that it is the last chance to buy your yearbook before the price goes up! It is currently \$65 with ASB, and \$70 without, so make sure to buy your yearbook before December 20th!

Wishful Thinking

The North Monterey County High School Dance Company presents an exciting evening of fun-filled entertainment as they present their newest production, "Wishful Thinking." The cast consists of the lovely Dance Company Dancers, Dance 2, the ever-so-dashing Partners, and the one and only "Pops." The students and teachers will dazzle the audience as they dance to many old favorites as well as current chart-toppers. Come and see what happens when the cast gets transported to the days of Arabian Nights where they come across a lamp with the promise of three wishes.

Show dates are December 7th, 8th, and 9th at 7pm in the high school forum. Tickets may be purchased at the door at a price range of \$6-8. A delicious dessert will be provided with the price of admission. Don't miss out: let all your wishes come true!

This Month's Events

Tuesday, December 5
6:00pm, DeMarco home
Sober Grad Meeting

All are welcome to help plan the big event. Call 663-2601 for more information.

Wednesday, December 6
3:45 pm, Room 1
School Site Council

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month. All are welcome to attend.

Tuesday, December 12
Holiday Arts Faire

Join the NMCHS Visual and Performing Arts Department as they celebrate the holidays.

Wednesday, December 20
Yearbook Deadline

The last day to buy a 2007 yearbook at a reduced price.

Wednesday, December 20
Term Two ends

Permanent semester grades close..

**Thursday, December 21-
 January 9**
Winter Break

No school. Return January 10.

ParentConnect Online Grades:

North Monterey County High School is in the process of giving all teachers the technology needed to post student grades on the web. If you are interested in participating in this pilot project as a parent, please go to <https://parentconnect.nmcusd.org/> and click on "register." Populate all fields on the parent information screen, enter your child's name in the student information field, and then click on "submit." After registration, please visit the coordinator's office at school with your id to be given your username and password.

You can contact your child's teachers to see if they have the capability to post grades online yet, or you can register and then check online.

Condor Fall Sports Recap...

The North County Girls' Cross Country team made history this season. The team captured the first (in any sport!) girls' Central Coast Section Championship in the school's history. **Jovita Trujillo** was the top Condor finisher at the CCS Championships at Toro Park on November 10th as North County defeated Saratoga High by 20 points. The Varsity Girls moved on to the CIF State Cross Country Championships in Fresno. Coach **Kim O'Malley** also led the NC Girls' Cross Country team to the Monterey Bay League Championship earlier in November.

The North County Boys' Cross Country team captured the MBL Championship in dominating fashion again this year, paced by league champion **Michael Machado**. Coach **Gus Ibarra**'s team finished a strong 3rd place in the very competitive Division III race at the CCS meet and

competed at the state meet with the Condor girls.

The North County Girls' Volleyball team had a very strong year. The Condor girls finished a strong second in the MBL with an 8-2 record. The Condors then defeated Prospect High in the CCS Playoffs for our school's first volleyball CCS win in 24 years. The though the Condors fell to Sacred Heart Cathedral Prep in the next round, they finished the season with an excellent record of 17-11. Coach **Tiffany Cotter** cited the contributions of seniors **Kelsey Bugary, Kelsey Delgado, Kim Thomas, Chelsea Henderson, and Andrea Rodriguez** as major factors in her team's success.

The Condor Varsity Football team finished the season at 5-5 after dropping their final three games. The team's season was highlighted by a strong defense and the outstanding performance of Running Back **Reggie Topps**. North County's Junior Varsity football team finished with a strong 8-2 record.

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