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Hitting the Mark

By Mrs. Susan Goff

Masha Bocsha was chosen for the lower grades for Press Towards the Mark. She is seven years old and in the first grade. Her class is studying plants in science and each student has their own plant. Unfortunately, a classmate's plant broke and he was quite upset about it. Masha decided to give him her plant. She said it was hard,



but she knew it was the right thing to do. Thank you for being a good friend and generous, Masha. Masha's favorite subject is math and at recess she likes to play with her friends. At home she enjoys playing with her dogs, Misha and Biddy, as well as being

with her parents. Masha takes karate lessons after school. Her favorite memories are playing with her cousins in a lake in Russia.



just likes to lounge. Suneel is busy with Tai Kwan Do and playing the guitar. His favorite activity with his family is cross country skiing at Tahoe.

Honorable Mentions:
K-Julia Jasper-She was

For upper grades, **Suneel Freimuth** was chosen because he sets a great example and encourages his classmates to line up outside. Suneel lives with his parents, sister Anika, and their cat, Glory. Suneel is ten years old and in the fifth grade. He likes history, especially "learning about when people did things and who they were." At recess he enjoys playing tag and at home he

the star student for the Thanksgiving Feast where she helped and led the students in good behavior. 2nd Grade: Adam Stothard -Worked diligently in class 3rd Grade: Kevin Torres-Helped a friend in class 4th Grade: Peter Varney-Helped a friend solve a problem



DATES TO REMEMBER:

Dec 16	Christmas Chapel MINIMUM DAY
Dec 19-Jan 2	Christmas & New Year's Holiday NO SCHOOL
Jan 9-13	Middle School Finals
Jan 10-31	2012-2013 Returning Student Registration
Jan 13	Middle School End of Third Quarter
Jan 16	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day NO SCHOOL
Jan 19	Elementary Progress Reports
Jan 26	Middle School Report Cards
Feb 1	2012-2013 Open Registration Begins

Where Are They Now?

Arthur Woolpert graduated from LACS in 2008. He came to LACS in the middle of second grade and was in the Learning Assistant Department. He mainstreamed in fifth grade and went on to be in our first graduat-

ing class. He is now a senior at St. Francis High School and on their varsity football team. His position is fullback or nose guard. Arthur is hoping to attend Menlo College or University of Nevada at Reno on a foot-

ball scholarship. He would like to major in business or sports management.



The staff of LACS would like to thank the preschool and the parents of the middle school students for the beautiful and bountiful luncheon on Friday, December 2. We are so grateful for all the wonderful ways that you take care of us. Have a wonderful and blessed holiday season!



Thank you! For Wonderful Los Altos Festival of Lights



We would like to thank all of those who helped with the magnificent float in the Los Altos Festival of Lights parade this year. Thank you to Daniel and Jessica Kang, John and Wendy Cadeddu, Mark and Sandi Plenge, Amy Horning, Bridges community Church; the cast on the float: Jacob Klarke, Jeffery Monroe, Drake Cadeddu as wise men and Em-

ma Franklin and Patrick McEntee as Mary and Joseph. Special thanks to Steve Grimes of Grimes Natural Landscaping for donating the tow for our LACS parade float for a second year in a row. If anyone needs landscaping services or design, Steve is a great guy. He can be reached at 650-280-5000.

5th Grade 50 States Club

What is the 50 States Club?

This club consists of 5th graders who can identify the states and capitals of our great United States.

What are the different levels of this club?

There are 5 levels to The 50 States Club.

****The Red Club-** members correctly label the states and capitals in the Pacific and Rocky Mountain States.

****The White Club-** members correctly label

the states and capitals in the New England and Middle Atlantic States.

****The Blue Club-** members correctly label the states and capitals in the Midwest/Great Plains States.

****The American Eagle Club-** members correctly label the states and capitals in the Southern and Southwestern States.

****The 50 States Club-** correctly label all the states and capitals of the United States on a map.

Reward: The rewards for being able to accomplish this are (1) personal satisfaction for a job well done; (2) your name will be published in the school newsletter upon completion of each level in The 50 States Club.

The Members of the Red Club are:

- Sarah Coffey
- Ryah Durand
- Kerry Hines
- Kelly Mahoney
- Jasmine Ray
- Yana Rolland



- Brandon Chuang
- Suneel Freimuth
- Faith Helgesen
- Leanne James
- Kiva Joseph
- Stephanie Jue
- Rebecca Philip
- Dima Rolland
- Sarah Singh
- Alan Tan

Annual Los Altos Christian Schools Christmas Chapel Performances

Friday, December 16th

Elementary and Middle School Performances

9:00–10:00 am

Preschool Christmas Pageant

11:00–12:00 pm

Main Church Sanctuary

Bring your family and friends!



BCC Family Upcoming Events



Bridges Community Church

Regular Service Times:

9:00 AM

Praise Service

choir led hymns and praise songs

10:45 AM

Modern Service

guitar and drum-driven worship

This Sunday Morning

Teaching:

Special Holiday Service

Sunday, December 25, 2011

11:00 AM

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Bridges Community Church

(Formerly *The First Baptist Church of Los Altos*)

Welcome to Rene & Ginny Gonzalez

We're excited to officially welcome our new Director of Middle School Ministries, Rene Gonzalez, and his wife Ginny to BCC. Join us at the Fellowship Break in between worship services (10:15-10:45) this Sunday morning to welcome and meet these great folks!

Holiday Family Service Opportunity

You still have a few days left to sign up and join other BCC families at the Family Giving Tree service project (in San Jose). We're still looking for "Holiday Warehouse Elves" to help receive, sort, wrap, quality check, and distribute gifts to low-income children. We have space for 18 more volunteers on **Sun., Dec. 18** from 6-8 p.m. and space for 10 volunteers on **Wed., Dec. 21** from 9-11 a.m. (Volunteers must be 5 years or older, and must be able to bend and lift.) See <http://www.familygivingtree.org/index.html> for more info. **RSVP to Marcy Bates at marcy@babybates.com**

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Club Dust

BCC is headed to Mexico again this holiday season on a short-term family mission trip to build houses. People of all ages can participate! Contact eddie@huanginsurance.com for more information.

Holiday schedule

We will only have one service (starting at 11 a.m.) on Sun., Dec. 25 and on Sun., Jan. 1. There will be no HSM/MSM/Elementary/Preschool/Nursery Sunday School on either of those mornings.

Be sure to make plans to join us for our Christmas Eve service at 5 p.m. on Dec. 24.

Respite Event - Fri., Jan. 13

BCC will be providing a respite event for families of children with special needs on Fri., Jan. 13th from 6:30-9:30 p.m. This is open to the community and is free of charge. Contact Chris Beals at christinabeals@gmail.com for information.

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Mark Your Calendars: Other Upcoming Events for Students & Families:

Dec. 18-22 - HSM Service Trip to L.A.

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve service (5 p.m.)

Jan. 15 - Parent Bible Study & Fellowship (5:45-7:15 p.m.)

Jan. 27-29, 2012 - Couples' Weekend

Feb. 11, 2012 - Family Night @ Winter Lodge (ice skating, broom hockey, and more; 5:30-7:30 p.m.)

Feb. 17-19 - HSM Winter Retreat

Mar. 18 - Child Dedication in morning services

Apr. 1 - Family Picnic & Easter Egg Hunt (after morning services)



A Ministry of Bridges Community Church

Los Altos Christian School is dedicated to fostering the love of Christ and the love of learning in children of the Bay Area. LACS received the highest accreditation rating from both the Association of Christian Schools International (ACSI) and the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC).



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