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Kristi Krueger Visits MCS

MCS Senior, Brandon Rodriguez, completed a unique service project in conjunction with his nomination for a Silver Knight Award. He wrote a book, recounting the history of Sunil's Home, an orphanage in India, and the relationship of Miami Christian students to the Home. For a number of years now, MCS has been involved in the support of this ministry and it has enriched the lives of children on both sides of the globe.

A handful of individuals in Coral Gables became aware of the work of Sunil, and his wife, Kittu, and decided to support the work. One of these individuals, Lynn Bauer, president of Bauer Financial Services, was nominated for a prestigious service award sponsored by the Coral Gables Community Foundation, and MCS,

Associate School Head, was the chair and emcee for the event. After meeting Lynn, she knew that the students at MCS would be very interested in the work at the orphanage and would enjoy supporting a growing ministry there.

Lynn, known to the orphans as "Mom Lynn," presented the work to our elementary students in a chapel, and the partnership was formed. The elementary students began to write letters to their friends each time Lynn would travel to India, and began to raise money for the orphanage through the organic garden and lemonade stand. The high school's National Beta Club also raised funds for several years. Students have been able to provide extras for the orphanage, such as school uniforms

and a computer lab for their friends. They also provided seeds so that the orphanage could begin their own vegetable garden.

Kristi's segment on Brandon aired on Channel 10 News on May 11th.



If you missed the Channel 10 spot, you may view it by going to our website www.miamichristian.org and clicking on, "Channel 10 with Kristi Krueger at MCS".



PTF Sponsors Fundraising BBQ

The PTF wants to thank everyone who participated in the Fundraising BBQ. The event raised roughly \$2400 for the playground renovation which is being completed in two phases.

Phase 1 was the restoration of the items in the play ground area (swings, picnic tables, toys, etc) and is complete. Phase 1 also included donations of play cars and the creation of the "street theme" in the pre-kinder play area. The

cost of this restoration was about \$1500 and was paid for by the bar-b-que sales and personal donations. Phase 2 of the playground restoration includes placing a new play set in both the (continued on page 2)...

Seussical Jr. — A Big Hit!!!



What do you get when you put together 23 elementary students, 9 chorus students, and 40 drama students? Well, you get a jungle good enough for Dr. Seuss!! Miami Christian's production of, "Seussical Jr. the Musical," highlighted some great performances by Michael Santiago as Horton the Elephant, David Tamayo as the Cat in the Hat, John Ramirez as Jojo, Rebecca Naranjo as Gertrude Mc Fuzz, Alex Rios as Mayzie LaBird, Melissa Gonzalez as the Sour Kangaroo and Nina Beam as the scene stealing Young

Kangaroo. There were brilliant performances from the monkeys led by David Quintero and the bird girls led by Victoria Gonzalez, Hanna Sielk, and Sarah Betancourt. This was a great show to bring out the talent of many of MCS students both on stage and off. The one character who stole the show was Michael Mata as the Elephant Bird which proves "There are no small parts only small actors". These students fulfilled the Thespian motto--"Act well; your part there all honor lies".



PTF Raises Money for Playground



elementary and pre-kinder playgrounds, along with the addition of new mulch. The play sets are worth \$6,000 together and are being donated by two sets of parents.

ling new projects with the newly reinvigorated PTF.

Congratulations to the classes in the elementary and middle school who won the competition for most ticket sales, and received a day off school:

The PTF is grateful for all who helped organize, sell tickets, donate and participate in the event, and looks forward to tack-

Elementary: 1st Grade

Middle School: 6th Grade

Middle School Celebrates Earth Day



During our Earth Day celebration, Middle School Students prepared themselves to present a more Earth friendly environment promoting the 3R's: Reuse, Reduce, and Recycle.

Students presented their pro-

jects and taught the basics and principles of saving the earth resources through plays, hands on activities, music, and games for elementary students.

The importance of this yearly event is to develop awareness and appreciation of the value of resources given to us by God to keep and care faithfully throughout our lives.

The Middle School utilizes the Green Schools Program as part of an academic project where students become engaged in the different activities across the curriculum. Students are actively involved in being creative and motivated to use their critical thinking skills to accomplish their goals.

Fifth Graders Attend Achievement Breakfast

Fifth grade students from Miami Christian School took part in the Coral Gables Friends of Education Elementary Achievement Breakfast. Students were treated to remarks by Coral Gables Chamber CEO and President, Mark Trowbridge and a musical presentation of "The Emperor's New Clothes".

Students, Katelyn Arista, Nathaniel Barahona, Allison Bean, Andre Caputo, Javier Fernandez, Henry Gon-

zalez, Jaqueline Gonzalez, Sophia Granado, Anna Kuwano, Seth Lambert, Nicole Martinez, Christine Rosillo, Muhammad Salem, Gisselle Villanueva, and Hannah Zaldivar, were the fifth graders who were nominated to receive certificates and medals acknowledging their achievements in elementary school.

Allison Bean gave the invocation at the event.



MCS Enjoys Successful Athletic Year



MCS capped off its successful athletic year with its end of the year Sports Banquet. Many athletes received awards and a few received scholarships at the event for their participation in volleyball, basketball, cross-country, soccer, baseball, golf, softball, tennis and football.

Congratulations to all our coaches, players and teams, as our overall win-loss record for the 2010-2011 Victor athletics' school year

was 143 wins and 66 losses.

Our championship teams this year were:

District Champions: Girls' Volleyball, Girls' Basketball, Boys' Basketball, and Boys' Baseball.

Regional Runners-Up: Girls' Volleyball and Girls' Basketball.

Regional Semi-Finalist: Boys' Baseball

Regional Quarter-Finalist: Boys'

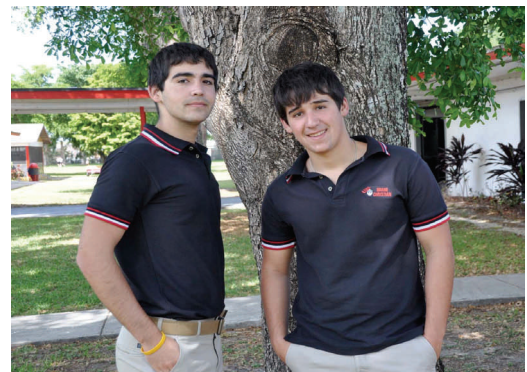
Seniors Accepted to Prestigious QBIC Program

Marcus and Marlon Bello, brothers who are both seniors at MCS, were accepted into the prestigious QBIC program at the Florida International University.

QBIC is an intensive science/pre-med program designed to provide research and scholarship opportunities to students who

meet the stringent qualifications. The program is limited to only a small number of applicants.

Both Marcus and Marlon expect to continue medical studies after completing their Bachelor's degrees at Florida International University.



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Fiorella Roversi Celli (2008) has accepted a position to teach English abroad for 6 weeks this summer in Italy.

Christiane Stachl (2009) has been accepted to the Summer Training in Academic Research and Scholarship at Harvard Medical School, followed by a year abroad at the University of Edinburgh on her Gates Millenium Scholarship.

Nery Martinez (2000) was just hired as a legislative assistant for Associated Builders and Contractors in the government affairs division in Washington, D.C.

Anais Perez (2009) was selected for a 10 week paid Summer Internship with Marathon Oil, in Houston, Texas, as an Accounting Intern in the Controller's Department.



Class of 2011 Impresses with Scholarships

Once again, the graduating class of Miami Christian impresses with university acceptances and scholarship offers.

At the time of printing of this newsletter, the 30 seniors (one of whom will be entering the US Marine Corps this summer) had been accepted to 30 different colleges and universities and had been offered more than \$1.47 million dollars in scholarship offers over their four year university tenure. This number will rise as not all offers and acceptances have yet been received. Stay tuned for a scholarship amount update in

our Fall newsletter. The schools to which the class has been accepted thus far are:

Alderson-Broaddus College

Barry University

Campbell University

Concordia University – Chicago

Concordia University – Irvine

Concordia University – Seward

Drexel University

Florida Christian College

Florida International University

Florida State University

Liberty University

Loyola University

Miami Dade College

Miami Dade Honors College

Miami Inter'l Uni.of Art & Design

North Carolina Wesleyan

Northwood University

Notre Dame University

Nova Southeastern University

Ohio State University

Post University

Salem University

Robert Morris University

St. Thomas University

Santa Fe College

University of Central Florida

University of Chicago

University of Florida

University of Miami

University of the Cumberland