CISD Snapshots



Congratulations to the 2009 Celeste Junior High Football Team!

Record: 6 Wins - 1 Loss



Celeste High School's Senior Class of 2010 gathered for a group picture at the last home football game of the season.



CES welcomed author, David M. Sargent, Jr. for a presentation including the characters of his books, his dogs.



CISD students and community of all ages enjoyed the annual Fall Festival, which once again, was a success!



CJHS Student Council hosted the annual Veteran's Day program. United States Army Sergeant Major Joseph Joie spoke to the crowd about his experiences in Iraq, and he stressed how important American support was for soldiers.



Thanks to the hard work of the Booster Club, football players, cheerleaders and the community, the 2009 Celeste Blue Devils make a bold entrance on the field with the new Blue Devil tunnel.



The Grand Masons' Lodge conducted the Cornerstone Dedication Ceremony this fall.

Flash Drives for Sale in the Celeste Community Learning Center

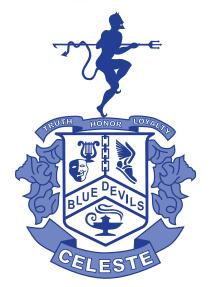
The CCLC will begin selling 2 GB flash drives in November. The flash drives will be blue with the running devil and Celeste Blue Devils engraved in white on side 1. Side 2 will have "Go Big Blue!" and a Flash Drive # engraved on it. There will also be an option to purchase a custom prepaid card which will allow customers to choose the style, color and 2 lines of personalized text to be engraved on the 2 GB flash drive. The flash drive will then ship directly to the customer. Lanyards can also be purchased.

4 Blue Devil Link

Blue Devil Link

Linking Education and Community

Issue 1 November 2009 Volume 5



IN THIS ISSUE:

CISD Offers New
Ways to Stay
Informed
Celebrating Seniors

FFA at the State Fair ..3

Upcoming Events

Spanish Classes at CCLC	
Snapshots	•

Flashdrive Sale4

CHS building dedication TBA Beta Club Book Fair Family Night

Nov. 30-Dec. 4

Nov. 30 - 5-7 PM (Pictures with Clifford)

Community Tech Night Nov. 23 6-7 PM- Join us to see the latest CISD technology such as online databases, cloud computing, netbooks, and more!

> Registration required. Call 903-568-4721 ext. 1004 to sign-up.

CISD Offers New Ways for Parents to Stay Informed

The CISD webpage has recently become an even more valuable resource to parents and students. Visitors to the website will notice there is now a link for the Parent Portal and CISD Cloud Technology.

The Parent Portal allows parents to log in to view their child's grades and attendance in each class. Parents can simply click the Parent Portal button and log in to view their child's up-to-date grades and attendance. Login information was sent home with the first grading period report card. Teachers will ...2 now have the ability to post comments next to grades and assign-CJHS Robotics2 ments as needed. This new tool will improve parent/teacher communica-Media Center & CCLC tion and make it easier for parents Hours2 to stay informed about their child's grades. If you need your child's login information, please contact your child's campus office.

Another technology addition is CISD's Cloud Technology tools. The learning process for a student should not stop just because the last class bell rings or the student has left the confines of a school building. With the newly implemented CISD Cloud Computing abilities, students with Internet access will be able to log in to the CISD Cloud site, and access programs and files once only available to them at school.

Please visit www.celesteisd. org to access these new tools.



Celebrating Our Senior Citizens

A special banquet was held Friday, September 11th honoring the senior citizens of our community. Over eighty were served a lasagna dinner, complete with salad, breadsticks and dessert by members of the Celeste FFA and Celeste High School staff. Celeste High School Principal Ricky Beadles stated, "We really enjoyed sharing the good things going on at CHS, and it's also important for our students to give back to those who have done so much." The 2nd annual event began with performances by the CHS Varsity Cheerleaders, Drum Corps and Dance Team. The special guests received an all sport home game pass and athletic cap as a token of appreciation for their years of encouragement and support to our school and most importantly, our students.

CJHS Robotics Competition

CJHS competed in the BEST robotic competition at Wylie East High School on Saturday October 24. The team was comprised of mostly 8th-graders who had been working on designing and building the robot since the kick-off at Princeton High School on September 12. The junior high students were in competition with both high schools and middle schools. The team had a problem with their robot at the beginning of the day, but they were able to keep improving as the rounds went by, and worked their way up the standings. The team finished the day ahead of a couple of the high school teams and won an award for their hard work and diligence. The award is called the "Blood, Sweat, and Duct-Tape Award". The team did a great job for their first entry into the competition.



(Top L-R) Austin Shatto, Casey Genson, Mr. Jordan, Austin Moore, Richard Horton, Chris Moore, Colton Smith (Bottom L-R) Cade Smith, Alyson Burke, Reid Myers



Members of the Celeste senior citizen community gather in the new CHS dining hall.

District Announces CHS Media Center & CCLC Hours

The CHS Media Center is now open for students to utilize. Encourage your children to use the CHS media center to finish class projects, work on homework, or meet for study groups!

CHS Media Center Student Hours:

Monday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Tuesday 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Wednesday 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Thursday 8:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Friday 7:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Celeste Community Learning Center Evening Hours

Monday 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Tuesday Closed
Wednesday 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Thursday 5:00 p.m.-7:00 p.m.
Friday Closed

Celeste FFA Students Achieve Top Awards at the State Fair of Texas!

Celeste Junior FFA member, Jaxson Dillard, competed with over 70 pens of market broilers. He won Reserve Grand Champion Market Broilers of the State Fair of Texas. Jaxson sold his pen of three market birds in the premium junior livestock auction.



Celeste FFA member, Tyler LaFavers, exhibited his hydraulic hay loader in the agricultural mechanics division. He won 1st place in the hay handling class and Reserve Champion in the Ag Machinery Division. Tyler received numerous prizes including a MIG welder, cutting torch setup, auto-darkening welding helmet and several other shop related items.



CCLC Beginning Spanish Class for Students Grades 3rd-6th is a great success!

Celeste ISD is very fortunate to have Mavanin Smart, the Celeste High School Spanish teacher, teaching a Beginning Spanish Class for students in grades 3-6. The overall registration for the class was over 65 students in grades 5-8. As enrollment grew, the need for adding extra classes arose. Presently, there are approximately 40 students in grades 3-6 taking the Spanish class this fall. Mrs. Smart has agreed to teach classes for the 7th and 8th grades in January. The class meets every Thursday night at the Celeste Community Learning Center for six weeks, excluding holidays. Students are learning the Spanish alphabet, colors, days of the week and basic conversation and writing.

Mayanin Smart is a native of Panama. Her husband was in the military when they met in Panama. She is currently residing in Campbell with her husband and daughter, Sarah. Mrs. Smart is a fun, enthusiastic and energetic Spanish teacher. We are so very grateful that Mrs. Smart is willing to give up Thursday nights for our youth of Celeste. She is also looking forward to working with our junior high students in January. There are plans to offer an adult beginning Spanish class in the spring. More details on the adult Spanish class will be coming soon.



The high school Spanish students are getting involved with the beginning Spanish classes by volunteering to assist Mrs. Smart with the children.