



Around the Circle

Castilleja School Newsletter

July/August 2008

From the Head of School

What an amazing year we have experienced together as a community! Now that the Centennial's commencement-to-commencement year of celebration is officially over, we are re-focusing quickly on the year ahead. Summer is hardly considered downtime at Castilleja!

Along with 215 young girls who started camp this week and a new cohort of rising fifth graders who started at the Peninsula Bridge program, twenty-two teachers and technology staff are on campus in the computer lab from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. every day. A number of faculty members in teams and individually have received Castilleja summer grants to study, develop new coursework, re-design existing courses, begin mapping the curriculum by departments, plan and prep for Global Week 2009, and launch the Long Range Plan initiatives. The new Upper School and Middle School deans are spending five days together in intensive planning sessions for the year ahead with MS Head Anne Cameron and US Head Chris Blair.

The administration started its summer work in retreat with Peter Cobb, educational consultant. Our work together focused on Long Range Plan implementation and school culture and climate as we return to a more 'normal' school year, emphasizing our core values and further developing our strengths in the classroom. Peter will be returning to campus in August to conduct a two-day workshop with faculty and staff before the start of school.

Everyone is reading this summer! The US and MS reading lists for students can be found on our website by selecting the "Academics" tab. Thanks to the generosity of CSA, the faculty have a choice of the following books to inform our teaching of girls:

The Sexual Paradox: Men, Women and the Real Gender Gap by Susan Pinker

Why Women Should Rule the World by Dee Dee Myers

The Female Brain by Louann Brizendine, M.D.

The Lolita Effect: The Media Sexualization of Young Girls and What We Can Do About It by M. Gigi Durham

I want to thank you for filling out the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC) parent questionnaire. We have had a 90% return! The results will be of great value to us in our planning and assessment of various aspects of school life. Several of you have added notes to me about the past year and the environment in which your daughters are learning and I wanted to share one with you:

Dear Ms. Lonergan,

As I was filling out the end-of year questionnaire, it occurred to me that I never sent you my feedback about Francesca's first year at Castilleja. In a few words, this has been one of Frankie's most interesting years since she has been in school! Castilleja has proven to be much more than what we were hoping for in terms of both the academic curriculum as well as life preparation for our daughter.

The School is not only full of intelligent individuals and vibrant with intellectual initiatives, but it also allows its students to become so aware of what's going on in the outside world that our dinner conversations have become passionate debates about a new perspective that Frankie had learned in school on a particular day.

Global Week, the Centennial View360, Ms. McKee's class and Mr. Capron's encouragement opened our daughter's eyes and imagination to what is achievable in life. As much as she feels primed to take advantage of opportunities life will provide to her, she also feels empowered to face challenges and overcome hurdles...because everything is possible.

Thank you for helping us shape her mind and character...you have found a way to convert the 5 Cs in the everyday reality of our girl. We are lucky to have Frankie at Castilleja!

*Best wishes for a great summer,
Patrizia and Manlio Allegra*

Although we strive to have every student's experience be like Frankie's first year at Castilleja, we know that is not possible. It is, however, always our goal and the motivation for our work this summer with your support.



Faculty members learn how to use the SMART Board

Casti Kudos

Ida Hempel '10 and **Sammy Rao '10** (team Green S.L.I.D.E) and **Sam Hsieh '10** and **Mari Koba '10** (team Global Power) won first and second place respectively in the Best Overall Score category in the 2008 International Global Challenge. In addition, team Green S.L.I.D.E placed first in the Best Global Business Plan and Best STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) Explorations categories, and team Global Power placed second in the Business Plan category. In the challenge, students were asked to create solutions to address global climate change and the future of energy in collaboration with international teammates. Business plan awards were based on a detailed rubric and overall quality and completeness. STEM Explorations awards were based on the number and quality of science, technology, engineering and mathematics team explorations completed. Best Overall Score combined all scores, documentation, surveys, and the submission of a "Patent Application." More information at www.globalchallengeaward.org.

Junior **Libby Cooper's** original movie *Lost* was a winner of KCSM-TV's Annual High School Film Making Festival and will be featured on the new KCSM television series *Spotlight!*, slated to air on public television in September of this year. The series includes interviews with both professional and aspiring student film-makers. Libby and her movie will be part of a program featuring **Brad Lewis**, producer of *Ratatouille*. For more information visit www.kcsm.org/spotlight.

Math matters at Castilleja! Ten members of the class of 2014 were awarded a Silver Pin for scoring in the top ten percent of all participants in the 2008 Math Olympiad including: **Ayesha Bajwa**, **Eva Borgwardt**, **Libby Burnette**, **Sarah Gadre**, **Erica Johnston**, **Campbell Field**, **Sanah Imran**, **Jamie Kotcher**, **Teresa St Goar**, and **Paulette Wolak**. Additionally, the Castilleja MathCounts team of **Katie Blunt**, **Helena Caswell**, **Anna Harris**, and **Sydney Molano**, all members of the class of 2013, were awarded the Best New Team Award in 2008.

Sedona Speedy '11 (below) won the First Place Congressional Art Award for the 14th District, the third first place win for a Castilleja student. Her artwork will hang in the Capitol Building for one year and she and her family were flown to Washington, D.C.



CAPA Kicks Off

On May 29 over 30 Class of 2008 parents attended College 101: Perspectives on the First Year of College, sponsored by the newly formed Castilleja Alumnae Parents Association (CAPA). Assistant Head of School and Senior Class Advisor **Nanci Kauffman** moderated panels of alumnae parents and recent alumnae who shared their experiences during the year after graduation, addressing how parents can help smooth their daughters' transition and how their relationships changed. Alum parents, **Don Bogue P'07**, **Sandi Martignetti P'07**, **Michele Ono P'06**, and **George Schurle P'07**, gave candid and practical advice on everything from how to handle minor crises ("I spilled juice on my laptop!") to best ways to communicate (learn to "text") and tips on finances (choose a bank with ATMs on campus). Alums, **Malin Bogue '07**, **Liz Johnson '07**, **Kate Powell '06**, and **Kelly Schryver '07** encouraged parents to be flexible and open-minded, trust their daughters to make responsible decisions, accept their independence, and understand the pressures and new challenges they face. College 101 was the inaugural event for CAPA, which was organized to maintain the close ties that parents feel with the school and each other, while supporting the school community, programs, and students. Every parent will be welcomed as a member upon their daughter's graduation. Anticipated future activities include speakers, social events, job/internship banks, and community service projects. For more information, contact Sue Kim, Director of Annual Giving at sue_kim@castilleja.org.



for the opening celebrations! **Ally Libby '08** won third place in the competition; **Crystal Ghosh '10** and **Sonja Swenson '08** won Honorable Mentions.

Sonali Jasuja '10 won an Honorable Mention in the Youth Division of the 17th Annual Palo Alto Weekly Photo Contest.

Welcome

Castilleja welcomes **Martin Korman P'14**, **Mike Rantz P'13**, **Jennifer Sandell**, and **Martha Seaver P'11** (CSA President), to its Board of Trustees beginning July 1, 2008. Learn more about the new trustees in the next issue of Full Circle.

2008 Class Day Award Winners

Distinguished Teaching Awards: **Rebecca Sherouse, Louise Madrid**

Distinguished Staff Awards: **Maggie Pringle, Dan Chapman**

Visual and Performing Arts Awards:

Drama Award: **Emily Shenfield '08**

Musical Theater Award: **Elisabeth Dillon '08**

Vocal Music Award: **Sylvia Rodriguez '08**

Arts Award: **Ally Libby '08**

Dance Award: **Mandy Brown '08**

Elyce Melmon Creative Writing Award: **Hana Littleford '08**

Janet Lewis Poetry Award: **Rachel Baden '08**

English Award: **Eunice Chan '08, Sonja Swenson '08**

French Award: **Zoe Kornberg '08**

Latin Award: **Shibani Mehta '08**

Spanish Award: **Lauren Buchanan '08**

History Award: **Meredith Ragno '08, Sonja Swenson '08, Bonnie Wong '08**

Math Award: **Melissa Wong '08**

Science Award: **Rachel Vassar '08**

Women Learning Award: **Xanthia Tucker '09**

Women Leading Award: **Julia Bard '09, Dani Ryu '09**

Alice Lynn Armstrong-Winkel '52 Middle School Athlete of the Year: **Emily Mosbacher '12**

Cecilia Burchfeld Krogstad '64 Upper School Athlete of the Year: **Lindsay Taylor '08**

John H. Roberts III Memorial Sportsmanship Award: **Nicole Cox '08**

Scholar Athlete of the Year: **Sonja Swenson '08**

Alumnae Association Leadership Award: **Rebecca Mazonson '08, Anne Warner '08**

Middle School Citizenship Awards:

Sixth Grade: **Lauren Johnston '14**

Seventh Grade: **Sara Dawes '13**

Eighth Grade: **Aurora Real de Asua '12**

Peggy Booth Award: **Grace Chen '11**

Margarita Espinosa Award: **Simone Polanen '10**

Spirit of '76 Award: **Angie Moore '09**

Middle School Community Service Award: **Jennifer Chang '12**

Frances Cook Arrillaga Upper School Community Service Award: **Lauren Augustine '08, Allison Hoffman '08**

Salutatorian: **Bonnie Wong '08**

Valedictorian: **Sonja Swenson '08**

Castilleja Award: **Sonja Swenson '08**



Cum Laude Lunch

Twelve members of the senior class were inducted into Castilleja's *Cum Laude* society on May 1, in recognition of their academic achievement. Members of the faculty, including **Dave Lowell, Jeannine Marston,** and **Peggy McKee,** joined **Joan Lonergan** and **Cissy Lewis** to honor the girls at a luncheon. *Cum laude* members from the Class of 2008 are: **Rachel Baden, Eunice Chan, Rebecca Cox, Rachel Lew, Alexandra Libby, Rebecca Mazonson, Rachel Moncton, Meredith Ragno, Sonja Swenson, Rachel Vassar, Bonnie Wong,** and **Melissa Wong.**



ASB Officers Fall 2008

Student Body President
Dani Ryu '09

Social Activities Coordinator
Ileana Castillo '09

President of Judicial
Kayla Bien '09

Athletics Coordinator
Taylor Docter '09

Secretary/Treasurer
Stephanie Leung '09

Fine Arts Coordinator
Molly Bolten '10

National Spanish, Latin, and Mythology Exam Awards

National Spanish Exam 2008 Recognition

Oro (gold medal):

Fiona Maloney McCrystle '13 (Spanish 1B)

Plata (silver medal):

Maia Adar '14 (Spanish 1)
Lauren Barbaran '12 (Spanish 2)
Petra Carlos-Arzate '13 (Spanish 1B)
Gabriela Castro '13 (Spanish 1B)
Jennifer Chang '12 (Spanish 2)
Claire Fraisl '11 (Spanish 2)
Maya Khatri '11 (Spanish 1B)
Ines Lizaur '12 (Spanish 2)
Camila McHugh '11 (Spanish 5)
Alejandra Ortiz '13 (Spanish 1B)
Norma Rodriguez '14 (Spanish 1)
Pauline Ryan '12 (Spanish 2)
Brianna Seals '13 (Spanish 1B)
Aryana Yee '12 (Spanish 2)

Bronce (bronze medal):

Julia Bard '09 (Spanish 5)
Charlotte Biffar '13 (Spanish 1B)
Hanna Burch '09 (Spanish 5)
Annajane Dake '10 (Spanish 2)
Shannon Doherty '12 (Spanish 2)
Hannah Fields '12 (Spanish 2)
Anna Harris '13 (Spanish 1B)
Sara Holston '13 (Spanish 1B)
Jamie Kotcher '14 (Spanish 1)
Mika Munch '13 (Spanish 1B)
Sarah Rosston '12 (Spanish 2)
Laura Scharff '09 (Spanish 5)
Maysa Torabi '12 (Spanish 2)
Kirsten Urrutia '10 (Spanish 2)
Nina Vaswani '13 (Spanish 1B)

Premio de excelencia (Award of Excellence):

Mira Ahmad '12 (Spanish 2)
Samantha Albanese '10 (Spanish 2)
Ayesha Bajwa '14 (Spanish 1)
Analuna Brambila '12 (Spanish 2)
Simran Ghumman '14 (Spanish 1)
Hannah Gropper '13 (Spanish 1B)
Laura Hagenah '14 (Spanish 1)
Laura Hansen '08 (Spanish 5)
Meredith Harding '09 (Spanish 5)
Sarah Hinstorff '14 (Spanish 1)
Katherine Hobbs '13 (Spanish 1B)
Suparna Jasuja '12 (Spanish 2)
Lauren Johnston '14 (Spanish 1)
Charlotte Jones '13 (Spanish 1B)
Saloni Kalkat '13 (Spanish 1B)
Kristina Kolpakova '13 (Spanish 1B)
Audrey Kuan '08 (Spanish 5)
Edina Lee '13 (Spanish 1B)
Yvonna Leung '11 (Spanish 1B)
Audrey Loke '09 (Spanish 5)
Roshan Malekmadani '13 (Spanish 1B)
Laura Martinez '09 (Spanish 5)
Jessica Matthys '13 (Spanish 1B)
Kyra McCarty '10 (Spanish 2)
Anna Mirabella '12 (Spanish 2)
Isabella Norvig '12 (Spanish 2)
Paula Orrego '12 (Spanish 2)
Samantha Rhodes '12 (Spanish 2)
Sylvia Rodríguez '08 (Spanish 5)
Sarah Shen '13 (Spanish 1B)
Natalie Sherer '13 (Spanish 1B)
Sammy Solomon '13 (Spanish 1B)
Elizabeth Souter '12 (Spanish 2)
Parisa Zamanian '09 (Spanish 5)

National Latin Exam 2008 Recognition

Carter Stubbs Drake Goad Book Award: (five consecutive gold medals)

Xanthia Tucker '09 (Latin V)

Gold Medal:

Charlotte Geaghan-Breiner '11
(Latin II)

Silver Medal:

Caroline Abbott '10 (Latin IV)
Helena Abbott '13 (Latin I)
Kayla Bien '09 (Latin II)
Kate Champion '11 (Latin I)
Amy Klivans '09 (Latin IV)
Shibani Mehta '08 (Latin VI)
Sydney Molano '13 (Latin I)
Catherine Rosch '12 (Latin II)
Anna Winham '10 (Latin II)

Magna Cum Laude:

Teresa Krause '13 (Latin I)
Sonali Mehta '11 (Latin III)
Jacqueline Summers '11 (Latin I)

Cum Laude:

Samantha Cecil '11 (Latin III)
Allison May '10 (Latin II)
Amy Rosch '12 (Latin II)

Outstanding Achievement Ribbon:

Juliana Diaz '14 (Latin Intro)
Cassidy Jensen '14 (Latin Intro)

Achievement Certificate:

Haley Korman '14 (Latin Intro)
Katey Laubscher '14 (Latin Intro)



Class Day Spirit of '76 winner Angie Moore '09
and presenter Rebecca Mazonson '08



Class Day Margarita Espinosa winner Simone
Polanen '10 and presenter Taisa Goodnature '10



Valedictorian and Castilleja Award winner Sonja
Swenson '08 with presenters Joan Lonergan and
Cissy Lewis

Learning Beyond the Circle

National Mythology Exam 2008 Recognition

Sixth Grade Latin Students The Athena Gold Award (perfect paper):

Elizabeth Burnette '14
Cassidy Jensen '14

Silver Medal:

Ayesha Bajwa '14
Julia Chang '14
Katherine Plummer '14

Bronze Medal:

Eva Borgwardt '14
Sarah Gadre '14
Madeline Huber '14
Erica Johnston '14
Lauren Johnston '14
Mackenzie Kay '14
Jamie Kotcher '14
Katey Laubscher '14
Jacqueline Maloney '14
Emily Pedersen '14
Norma Rodriguez '14
Teresa St Goar '14
Caroline Wheeler '14
Paulette Wolak '14

Latin Students (Grades 7-11):

Silver Medal:

Madison Brown-Moffitt '10
(Latin IV)
Kendall Levison '13 (Latin
IB)
Catherine Rosch '12 (Latin
II)

Bronze Medal:

Kayla Bien '09 (Latin II)
Samantha Cecil '11 (Latin III)
Kate Champion '11 (Latin IB)
Charlotte Geaghan-Breiner '11
(Latin II)
Julia McGee '13 (Latin IB)
Simone Polanen '10 (Latin IV)
Eleanor Ritchie '10 (Latin IV)
Mattie Wheeler '09 (Latin V AP)

The French Connection

By Anna Powell '09 and Xanthia Tucker '09

This past spring, the eight junior and senior class members of Mlle. Christiane Repellin's Advanced French Seminar class, launched a French-American project in collaboration with Lycée Champollion near Grenoble. Each Castilleja student forged a connection with a small group of students roughly their same age. The groups of four or so French students sent warm bon jours via a group blog they set up expressly to communicate with their new pen pals. Eager to respond, the girls wrote messages to their groups, and thus began a delightful back-and-forth between the two schools. Soon after, the Castilleja students proposed topics for discussion with their blog-pals on subjects ranging from animal rights to doping at the Olympics. After exchanging a flurry of insights, each student in the seminar class wrote two articles summarizing the myriad opinions expressed in the blog exchanges—one in French and one in English and published a bilingual newsletter. The students hope to remain in contact with their new French acquaintances in the future.



Italy Spring Break Trip

By: Elise Fabbro '08 and Darcy Wilson '08

Over spring break Italian teacher **Constance Richardson** and Latin teacher **John Klopacz** took fourteen Castilleja students on a ten day trip to Italy. The first stop was a homestay in the small Adriatic town of Fano. Next up was five days touring Rome. Here's what some of the students had to say about their trip:

Sam Cecil '10: "The homestay in Fano was definitely the best part of the trip. Italy is such a beautiful country and I only wish we could have stayed there longer! I can't wait to go back!"

Megan McClain '10: "My favorite part about Italy was the homestay in Fano. School was so much fun and it was great to see that teenagers all over the world have so much in common! Everyone was so nice, especially my homestay family..."

Darcy Wilson '08: "While the sites we were able to see in Rome were incredible, the homestay was by far my favorite part of the trip. I learned so much about the language and culture of Italy, and made some amazing friends with whom I still keep in contact."

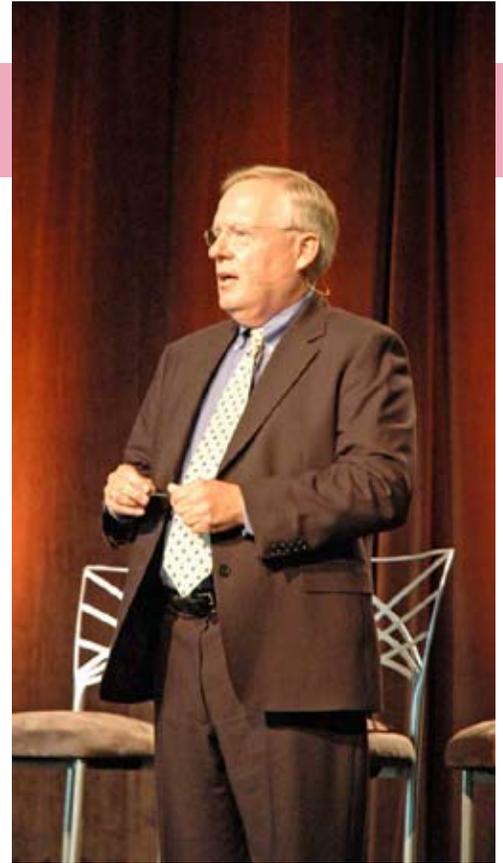
Amy Klivans '09: "My homestay's dog started growling when I left his house, which made my departure that much harder!"

Natalie Morin '10: "I loved the horse-drawn carriage ride with Cassandra and Megan around the Spanish Steps. It was surreal. I also loved hanging out at school and bonding with students over TV shows and books I wouldn't have thought they had read."



The POWER Symposium

On Saturday, May 3, more than 700 students, alumnae, parents and others gathered in the Joan Z. Lonergan Center for View360, Castilleja's Centennial Symposium - Power: Challenges for the 21st Century. Ten panelists explored the concept of power within the context of global governance, the environment, technology, and ethics and discussed what it means to be a leader. The panelists represented a diverse group of leaders from education, business, and government including: Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice in conversation with former CNN host Carlos Watson, Dean of the Woodrow Wilson School Anne-Marie Slaughter, former Chair of the President's Council of Economic Advisors Laura Tyson, Wikipedia founder Jimmy Wales, Vice President of Google Marissa Mayer, and Founder of the Institute for Global Ethics Rush Kidder. The thoughtful and wide-ranging discussions on stage led to many more interesting discussions offstage. People are already talking about the next View360, scheduled for 2009.





Festival of Antiquities

On May 23, parents and friends came to campus to join Castilleja sixth graders for the annual Festival of Antiquities. The festival is a culminating event that allows the girls to reflect back on what they have learned about ancient civilizations throughout the year. In conjunction with the Visual and Performing Arts faculty, students worked to turn their classroom learning into different aspects of the festival.

Students were sorted into small groups by cultures—ancient Egypt, India, Greece, China, and the Hebrews—they dressed in costumes and completed projects to represent their assigned culture. This included making wreaths out of flowers and greenery (Greece), creating accordion books with calligraphy (China), Hindi writing, tattooing with henna (India), and beading jewelry (Hebrews). After marching in the procession, each group returned to the classrooms to experience a different culture. When the activities were completed, students and their guests moved into the Chapel Theater for an arts performance, highlighting songs, dances, and tableaux vivants from all the cultures.

Many thanks to the entire sixth grade faculty, Bear Capron, Iris Fraser, Mary Hurlbut, Georgi Shea and the many parents who volunteered to make the day so much fun for the girls.



MS Science Expo

Middle School students showed off their science skills at the Annual Middle School Science Expo. The sixth grade projects on soil erosion and the seventh grade projects on solar water distillers were part of their classroom work this spring. The eighth grade worked in small groups on a variety of projects involving sea monkeys, worms, hamsters, fish, birds, and even a few humans!



Jane Larkins '12 and Katherine Price '12 present "A Vitamin a Day Keeps the Worms at Play"



Kara Rosenberg '12 explains her hamster project to onlookers



Alice Winham '13 and Jessica Matthys '13 present their water distillation project



Jennifer Chang '12 and Lindsey Wang '12 present "Fear Response in Female Humans"



Meredith Shell '14 and Lexie Kirsch '14 present "Glacier Erosion"

Hooray for Hollywood!

Casti alums are finding career success amid the bright lights of Hollywood. Four returned to campus to share their experiences with the girls during a special assembly. Leaving a successful corporate merchandising career in San Francisco, **Rebecca Adamson '96** moved to Los Angeles to pursue a career in entertainment, which had always been a passion. She has shot over 20 commercials and print campaigns, including one for *Match.com* with Dr. Phil, and starred in the independent horror film *Trapped*. **Chanelle Desautels '93** is an actress, commercial casting director, and jewelry designer. She has cast more than a thousand commercials and print campaigns, and can currently be seen starring in a few of her own. In addition she co-wrote, co-produced and starred in *Hitman's Handbook* (2000) and starred as Mary in the comedy short *Breakdown* (2006). **Polly Cusumano Cole '94** is an accomplished actress, photographer, and writer. She has guest starred on numerous shows including *ER*, *Cold Case*, *7th Heaven*, *In the Line of Fire*, and *Strong Medicine*, and starred in the independent film *Cook County*. Her work has appeared in *RealTalk LA*, *JPG*, *F-Stop* and *Me*. **Josie Maran's '96** successful modeling career has included work for Maybelline, Guess, three consecutive appearances in the *Sports Illustrated* swimsuit issue, and appearances in magazines including *Vogue*, *Glamour*, and *Marie Claire*. She transitioned to acting, landing roles in movies such as *The Aviator*, *Little Black Book* and *Van Helsing* and, in 2007, launched Josie Maran Cosmetics, a make-up line that is organic and eco-friendly.



Dr. Alma Flor Ada Visits Castilleja



Cuban-born author, poet, and educator **Alma Flor Ada** visited **Carolina Moroder's** Spanish classes in May. The grandmother of **Camille Zubizarreta '12**, Dr. Flor is the author of hundreds of books of fiction and poetry, most written for children in both English and Spanish. From 1976 to 2004 she was a Professor of Education at the University of San Francisco where she is currently Professor Emeritus. She was the Director of the Center for Multicultural Literature for Children and Young Adults, the first Editor in Chief of *NABE*, Journal of the National Association for Bilingual Education, a frequent contributor to journals and anthologies and, early in her career, was awarded a Fulbright Research Grant. She is the recipient of numerous literary awards including the 2006 Literary Guild Medal for *Cuentas que Contaban Nuestros Abuelas (Tales our Abuelitas Told)* which was also selected as one of the Best Books of the Year by Kirkus Reviews. Students presented Dr. Flor with hand-made cards and she returned their generosity with books which she signed for each of the students.

Celebrating a Year of Community Service

Service has been part of Castilleja for 100 years and the centennial year was no different. Students came together as a school and in classes, clubs, advisories, and other groups to contribute tens of thousands of hours and dollars to local, national, and international organizations.

Centennial Projects

- 3200+ hours of service contributed during all-school Community Service Day with East Palo Alto Charter School (EPACS)
- 10,000 new and gently-used books collected for EPACS, YES Reading Program, and KIPP Academy
- \$30,000+ raised for Room to Read (RTR) girls' scholarships program through Arts with a Heart program proceeds and a grant proposal written by students—the largest single donation to RTR from a California school and enough for 125 one-year scholarships for young women in developing nations

Class Projects

- Sixth: Entertained residents at Lytton Gardens through song, drama, instrumental music, dance, and a Valentine's party
- Seventh: Volunteered at Ecumenical Hunger Program in East Palo Alto
- Eighth: Served as teachers' aides at Ravenswood Development Center, East Palo Alto
- Ninth: Worked at Saint Anthony's in San Francisco, serving food and sorting clothing for the homeless and low-income population in the Tenderloin District; participated in service projects related to health, education, basic needs, and the environment during Global Week
- Tenth: Organized and helped with Rebuilding Together's annual National Rebuilding Day
- Eleventh: Participated in a Habitat for Humanity project in Redwood City
- Twelfth: Sponsored a blood drive netting 25 pints of blood, enough to save up to 75 lives

Philanthropy and Donations

Middle School

- \$1539 to Empower African Children, an organization working with AIDS orphans, from money raised through "Penny Wars"
- \$282 to the American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (ASPCA) through sponsorship of the ASPCA's "Orange Day."
- \$1087 to CAMFED through sale of Mother's Day fair trade gift bags created by sixth graders, enough to keep 5 African girls in high school for one year

Upper School

- 30 baskets filled with toiletries for local women's shelters
- \$1500 to Lucile Packard Children's Hospital, proceeds from senior-sponsored March dance

All School

- \$470 to Leukemia and Lymphoma Society through "Pennies for Patients"
- Hundreds of gifts for children during the holiday season through the Family Giving Tree program
- 1,568 pounds of food for Second Harvest Food Bank

Advisory-Sponsored Projects

- Ms. Marston's and Senora Richardson's Advisories helped women with micro-loans via the KIVA program
- Mr. Minnis's Advisory raised money for Beechwood School's physical education program through a faculty-student basketball game and raffle

Service Clubs

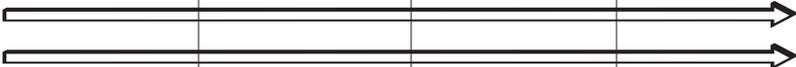
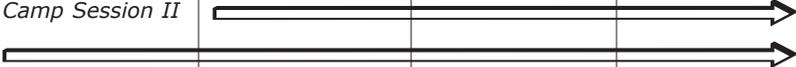
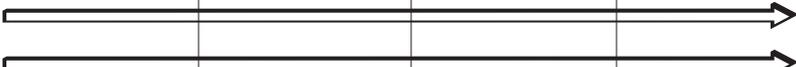
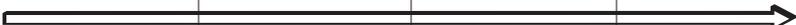
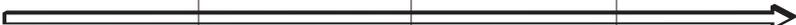
- AIDS Awareness Club - sponsored AIDS Awareness Day (November 30), "Wear Red" day, and raised funds for FACEAIDS through bakesales
- Elizabeth Seton and Beechwood Tutoring Clubs tutored after-school homework programs, EPACS Club helped with the organic garden and after-school homework programs at East Palo Alto Charter School
- EPAGE Club mentored fifth and sixth grade girls at Edison McNair School in East Palo Alto
- Knitting Club donated hand-knit scarves to the homeless
- Puppet Club performed original fairy tales with hand-made puppets at local elementary and preschool programs, including Ravenswood Development Center
- STAND raised awareness and funds to help stop genocide in Darfur



For the most up-to-date events including all athletic events,
go to <http://www.castilleja.org/public/calendar/calendar.html>

July/August 2008

Dates are subject to change; please check with Dianne Zack x7754 for updates

<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>
29	30 <i>Camp Session I Bridge Program</i>	July 1 	2	3	4 <i>Independence Day School Closed</i>	5
6	7 <i>Camp Session I Bridge Program</i>	8 	9	10	11	12
13	14 <i>Camp Session II Bridge Program</i>	15 <i>Camp Session II</i> 	16	17	18	19
20	21 <i>Camp Session II Bridge Program</i>	22 	23	24	25	26
27	28 <i>Camp Session II</i>	29 	30	31	August 1	2
3	4 <i>Camp Session II</i>	5 	6	7	8	9
10	11 <i>Athletics Begins</i>	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 <i>MS Gov't Leadership Trng US Fast Start 9:00am 9th Gr. Parents Morning Tea-Pool Patio 9th Gr. Back to School Party</i>	26 <i>6th and 9th Gr. Orientation Senior College Kickoff</i>	27 <i>First Day of School</i>	28 <i>7th Grade Retreat</i> 	29	30

Used Book Sale @ CUBUS

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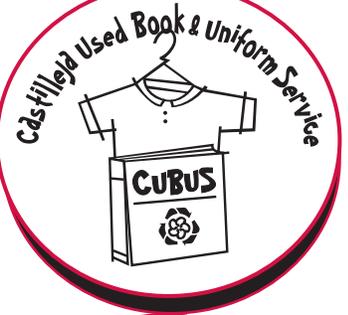
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