“REMEMBERING”

As the young children—some marching, some ambling—moved down the aisle waving Palm branches last Sunday, I was immediately reminded of the Biblical description of Jesus’ entry on the same day several thousand years before. As God delivered the Jewish nation from the Egyptians, He emphatically commanded His people to never forget, to remember all that He was doing to rescue them. This “remembering” was not to be passive, nonchalant, or haphazard, but as Ray Vander Laan states in That the World May Know this recollection was meant “to recall with such intense focus that the reflecting would forever shape their future behavior.” What then were the Jewish people directed to recall? They needed to remember the four distinct promises that God had originally articulated during their initial deliverance: I will bring you out from under the yoke of the Egyptians; I will set you free from being slaves to them; I will redeem you with an out-stretched arm; and, I will take you to be my own people, and I will be your God.

Thus, in this context the descendants of Abraham honored the Passover, a celebration that was a tremendous memorial marker in the annual calendar of God’s chosen people commemorating the divinely led exodus from the Pharaoh’s slavery. This week began on Sunday (modern day’s Palm Sunday) with the faithful selecting the “perfect” sacrifice to offer later in the week and culminated with the Passover meal, the night of watching, and joyful worship on the Sabbath.

All of these important activities were in play as Jesus lived through His last week on earth before the crucifixion. But this Passover week would be completely different; this was the week where God’s incredible plan of redemption would come to fulfillment as Jesus, God’s perfect lamb, would intentionally and willingly walk the road to the cross while being falsely accused, openly ridiculed, and gruesomely tortured. But even though all seemed lost, sin and death would not win; Christ would arise, conquer death, and pay the atonement for the sins of those who believe and call upon His name for salvation.

Which begs the question, are we “remembering” the incredible events of the passion of our Lord and Savior as the Jews recalled their own historical deliverance? Do we intentionally appoint time to reflect on the magnitude of Jesus’ sacrifice, meditate on God’s boundless mercy and grace, and then gather with the church body to “remember” how God through Christ Jesus has delivered us from our sinfulness and alienation from God? May our answer be a resounding “yes,” not by mere lip service but by the manner in which we prioritize our time and commitment to the matters of the Kingdom of our Triune God. May God be gracious to you and bless you and make His face shine upon you.

In Christ Jesus,
Dean Wagenaar
Staff News

When we think of Sunnyside Christian, we think of distinctly Christian and quality education, successful extra-curricular programs, and Mrs. S. Karen has faithfully served our school for 33 years, and SCS would not be what it is today without her. Her title is “bookkeeper,” but the list of things she does for the school far exceeds Excel and spreadsheets. You may have seen her keeping book at basketball games, singing the National Anthem, working at the annual Booster auction, sitting on the finance committee, presenting the budget at society meetings, taking care of details behind the scenes, making change for kids, or greeting visitors. Her countless hours of committed work and prayer will be missed as she plans to retire this year. Karen and her husband, Andy, have been involved at SCS in more ways than can be described. After sending their three children through SCS, they continued serving our school community, students, and families. To say she will be missed is truly an understatement. We, as a school, are so blessed by her obedience to God’s calling to serve at SCS, and we pray continued blessings for her as she retires. Thank you, Mrs. Schilperoort, for all you have done.

THANK YOU,
DAVE CHARVET

Even though Mr. Charvet has been working at SCHS for only a short period of time, he has made a huge impact on our students, parents, and school community and for that we are grateful. Not only has Mr. Charvet taught Ag classes, wood working and drafting/life skills, he has also served on several different committees helping to improve our buildings, grounds and clean up the campuses and classrooms. You have worn many hats and Sunnyside Christian will miss you! We pray God’s blessings over you as you continue the new journey that God has called you to travel. Thank you, Mr. Charvet.

We all know a person who puts the group before themselves. They seem to tie up loose ends we have overlooked. They are involved in more groups and committees than we know about. For Sunnyside Christian School that person is Laura Eisenga. Laura has had many jobs: taking families on tours and helping them through the process of applying to the school, taking care of our social media pages, bus duty, offering a helping hand in classrooms, explaining what the SCS Foundation is all about, and of course, serving cookies at school functions. Laura’s shoes are not going to be easy to fill and we won’t understand all she did until she leaves, but we are happy for the new chapter she is starting and can’t wait to see how God uses her. Thank you for all you have done, Laura.

In her short time at Sunnyside Christian School, Mrs. Haley Broersma has blessed many lives in her roles as teacher, coach and colleague. SCS was first introduced to Mrs. Broersma last spring when she student-taught in grades 5-8. Some of the 8th graders she taught later played on the high school JV Volleyball team that she coached in the fall. This past year she has been teaching and working with the 4th graders. Together they have studied the regions of the US, worked through multiplication, long division, and fractions, learned about salmon first-hand, and so much more. Mrs. Broersma and her husband, Steven, are expecting their first child in August, so she will be not returning to SCS in the fall. We wish them God’s richest blessings as they begin this new chapter in their lives. Thank you, Mrs. Broersma, for the blessing you have been to SCS!
Sunnyside Christian Thrift Store

While reflecting on God’s provisions for Sunnyside Christian Thrift Shop, we decided to ask our customers what they enjoyed about our store. Primarily the answer was “we love the atmosphere, Christian music, and people who work at SC Thrift Shop.” One of our regular customers likes to help us “clean up” the store. She goes through the clothing racks and picks up empty hangers and replaces any garments and items that have been misplaced. She enjoys shopping in the store and “I love the employees; they are like family” she explains. Another customer comments, “I love to find new items, and the music, I love the music; you know you are in the right place. I just love everything about the store.” “The store smells good!” quips another customer. “The craft area is so organized, it is a pleasure to shop.” “I enjoy the cleanliness of the store,” acknowledges a customer. “I like everything about the store: prices, displays, and cleanliness.” Some customers are at the store for practical reasons, purchasing clothing for themselves or their children. Maybe a customer saw a project on Pinterest and is looking for pieces to make that item. How about a “new” purse? A customer enjoys purchasing our reasonably priced purses.

Varying reasons bring a customer into our store. Some come out of necessity and some come to browse. Some may be looking for encouragement or a listening ear. Trying to bear one another’s burdens and encourage one another, we minister to our shoppers. We rejoice when a customer has an item of praise.

We thank God for His blessings throughout this year: fantastic donations, wonderful volunteers, and delightful customers. We are grateful to be able to give $40,000.00 to Sunnyside Christian School for the 2019-2020 school year.

TO GOD BE THE GLORY!

SUNNYSIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL BOOSTER CLUB AUCTION

A sincere thank you to everyone who so generously gave of their time, talents, and resources to make the Annual Sunnyside Christian School Booster Club Auction a success. We are so grateful for your contributions!

Thank you to the many businesses and individuals who have donated items and services to the Booster Club Auction. We encourage all SCS supporters to patronize these businesses who have so willingly donated. Also, thank you to the procurement team for making donor contacts and picking up the donated items.

Thank you to the classroom project coordinators and families who donated the classroom projects. A lot of planning and work goes into creating a classroom project. We are grateful for those willing to take on this task. Thank you to everyone who helped to prepare for the auction this week. Thank you to all of the teachers and students who helped haul items, set up and wrap tables, plant flowers, run errands and complete all of the other tasks that were asked of them. The students are a huge part of getting everything ready.

Thank you to Close-Up 2020 for planning, preparing and serving dinner, as well as for helping clean up after the auction.

Thank you to the cheerleaders for planning and running the kids’ activities.

Thank you to everyone who came to the auction to support Sunnyside Christian School. We are thankful for your dedication and generosity to our school.
On April 18, we celebrated our 7th Annual Grandparents and Grandfriends Day! We started with a PreK-8th grade Chapel featuring performances by our Jr High band, our PreK-4 choir and our 5-8 choir. For the rest of the morning, our students and their Grandparents and Grandfriends visited classrooms, participating in various activities such as coloring, completing puzzles, playing with water, building with blocks and much more. We ended our morning together with a lasagna lunch in the gym provided by our Mom’s Hot Lunch.

8th Grade Graduation


Graduation Ceremony
Elementary Gym
Thursday, May 30, 2019
7:00 P.M.

Track & Field Day

Our annual Track and Field Day will be held on May 30. Each student will participate in events from 9:00 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. All are welcome to come and help us celebrate our last day of school. The 7th graders will be hosting a concession stand serving refreshments and snacks.
Spring Drama Production

That’ll Learn Ya’

On May 20-22, the 5-8 Choir is going on tour to western Washington! Mr. Smeenk is taking advantage of the large, boisterous group and taking them on the road. They will make stops at Shoreline, Everett, Lynden, and Mt Vernon Christian Schools. “The six songs we will be singing all have their own challenges and special message,” says Mr. Smeenk. During “All God’s Creatures Got a Place in the Choir,” some of the girls leave the stage to perform a small line dance, and later a few boys perform a short dance sitting down. “We will leave each school with the song ‘The Lord Bless You and Keep You.’ It promises to be a fun-filled two day tour,” Mr. Smeenk says.

Memorials

We gratefully acknowledge memorial gifts. Thank you to all who remember loved ones in this way!
Junior High Basketball

**Back Row:** Victoria Velazquez, Kierstin Thomas, Breya Faber, Kylie Tolman, Taylor Andringa, Brianna Roskamp, Violet Bosma, Tayler Bonzi and Sylvia Gawlik.

**Front Row:** Jentry Simpson, Piper Clapp, Sadie Alseth, Jenna Jech and Zoe Prins.

Junior High Softball

**Back:** Kylie Tolman, Cora Werkhoven, Taylor Andringa, Brianna Roskamp and Breya Faber.

**Front:** Piper Clapp, Jenna Jech, Isabella Zecchino, Madelinn Fultz, Zoe Prins and Sadie Alseth.

Geography Bee State Finalist!

On January 18, eighth grader, Noah Cussins, won the SCS Geography Bee. When he scored high on his follow-up test, he qualified for the Washington State Geography Bee! On March 29, he traveled to Des Moines, Washington, to compete against other state finalists. The winner of at the state level earned a $1,000 reward and a trip to Washington DC. He did a great job competing at the state level, but did not make it into the top 10. We’re proud of you, Noah! Only a handful of students from SCS have competed at the state level, so this was an honor!

Junior High Baseball

**Back Row:** Sawyer Jansen, Daunte Ramos, Cade Kinter, Dash Bosma, Carson Duim, James Householder and Isaac De Boer.

**Front Row:** Ethan Rocha, Buddy Smeenk, Luke Kinter, Blake Riel and Jace Thomas.
SCS Foundation Features
Beckman Bluegrass Band

Thank you to all who attended the 24th Annual Foundation Dinner on March 14! We were honored to have the Beckman Family Bluegrass Band entertain our dinner guests.

For the 2018-2019 school year, the SCS Foundation has made the following donations to SCS:

- Cash Gift to the General Fund, $84,425
- Scholarship Funds for Tuition Aid, $32,412
- Bathroom Remodel in Fall 2018, $42,776

The total donations amount to $159,613! We are thankful for supporters like you who continue to grow this endowment. Praise be to God for His faithfulness!

Please consider giving to the SCS Foundation today. Your donations may be made by check mailed to our address and by secure online donations at www.scsfoundation.com.

There are also other ways to give including donating farm commodities, appreciated stock, donating the minimum required distribution from your IRA, by including the SCS Foundation in your will, and in many other ways. If you have questions about these types of donations, please call the Foundation office at 509-837-2050.

The SCS Foundation gratefully acknowledges memorial gifts given in memory of Henry Bouma and Kathy Rae (Lester) Gough. Thank you to all who remember loved ones in this way.

Golf Tournament
June 1, 2019

Come join the SCS Foundation on June 1 for their 25th Annual Golf Tournament. The Tournament will be held at Sunnyside’s Black Rock Creek Golf Course.

We’re looking forward to a great tournament, so register your team today! Download your registration form at www.scsfoundation.com.

You don’t need to be a great golfer to win prizes. Prizes will be awarded for Longest Drive, KPs and Longest Putt. Everyone who participates will be included in an additional drawing for prizes!

Teams from each of the following categories will also be eligible for prizes: Men’s Teams, Women’s Teams, Couple’s Teams, and Senior Teams (55+).

Contact the Foundation office at 837-2050 or visit www.sunnysidechristianschool.org/golftournament.cfm for more information.

Thank You, Legacy Group Members

The SCS Foundation started the Legacy Group in September 2015 in order to give supporters an opportunity to be a part of an annual addition to the SCS Foundation’s endowment fund. Many of you come from a long history of Christian education and are following the legacy that preceded you. Some of you are just beginning the legacy for your family. You are now part of a greater group of people creating a legacy for our community.

If you would like to join the Legacy Group, please contact the Foundation office at 837-2050. Thank you to our growing number of Legacy Group members!

Joe & Janice Albrecht
Ben & Charlotte Anderson
Andy & Grace Andringa
Mark & Beth Apol
Raleigh & Chris Apol
Kyler & Laura Bachofner
Hank & Henrietta Bosma
Henry & Stacy Bosma
Jeff & Tina Bosma
John & Donna Bosma
Marten Bron
Chris & Melinda Brown
Paul & Doris Burma
David & Kelley Charvet
Ted & Sue Clapp
Larry & Marilyn Cleveringa
David De Boer
Dan & Carolyn De Groot
Robert & Kristi De Torres
John & Ellen Dekker
Andy & Robin den Hoed
Archie & Mari den Hoed
Art & Ruth den Hoed
Alvin & Peggy Driesen
Henry & Deanna Driesen
Marti Duim
Ben & Laura Eisenga
James & Sandra Elengaas
George & Jo Faber
Rob & Sonya Faber
Duane & Cheryl Friend
John & Karen Friend
Joyce Friend
Levi & Lauren Gassaway
William & Colia Goble
Betty Gernz
Bob & Hester Groeneweg
Paul & Eileen Groeneweg
Henry & Karen Haak
Jordan & Lissa Haak
Matt & Michelle Haak
Melinda Haak
Rosie Haak
Tony & Sandy Harris
John & Diana Helfron
Gary & Marlene Hughes
Jim & Marcia Jansen
Dennis & Brenda Karpstein
Pete & Marjean Liverman
Judy Martini (Roy)
Arnold Martini
Brian & Suzanne Moore
Dan & Sylvia Murray
John Perez & Melislam Zuniga
Howard & Belle Lou Pickel
Arthur & Laura Pittillo
Ron & Judy Polinder
Jason Raines
Pty Reitma
Jim & Judy Rip
Jesse & Danielle Rocha
Yuridia Romero
Ron & Sue Schauer
Andy & Karen Schlipperort
Jessica Schrotenboer
Thecla Schrotenboer
Beverly Sevigny
Paul & Jane Slager
Al & Betty Smeenk
Louis & Ilene Sparre
Wayne & Trudy Sylling
Karen Tade
Herm & Sharon te Velde
Steve & Kathy Thonney
Alan & Norma Van Beek
Brad & Ruth Van Beek
Chris & Sheryl Van Belle
Henry & Marilyn Van Oostrom
Bill & Remi Van Slageren
Dirk & Carol Van Slageren
Dave & Janje Van Wieringen
Arie & Agnes Van Wingerden
Martin & Fernanda Velazquez
Harry Visser
Jennie Visser
Linda Visser
Jerry & Maj Vrielings
William & Laurie Wavrin
Chad & Linda Werkhoven
Ed & Mary Werkhoven
Larry & Phyllis Wheeler
Lenore Wierenga
Surgery in First Grade

Our first grade students, under the leadership of Head Surgeon, Mrs. Gassaway, performed contraction surgery on several words this spring. Decked out in surgical masks, caps, gloves and Band-Aids marked with apostrophes, the students set to work. They were given word patients like “DO NOT” and had to cut the word apart and glue it back together with a Band-Aid apostrophe. We love seeing this kind of imaginative learning in our classrooms!

SUMMER PLANS INCLUDE DAY CAMPS AND TUTORING

Starting to make plans about what to do with your kids all summer? The SCCC is ready to play, educate and have fun!

We recently had a parent leave the following review on our Facebook page, “My son loves this daycare and the ladies that work there! He is so excited to go play that he walks into the room, and I’m left chasing him for a kiss goodbye.”

This summer, tutoring will be available to help keep those brain cells active! We are also excited to offer day camps throughout the summer. These are excellent ways to keep your child engaged and busy.

So stay tuned for summer day camp dates, and check out the SCCC Facebook page (facebook.com/scchildcarecenter) and website to learn more about their flexible childcare plans! Call (509) 831-1509 and talk to our Director, Melissa Stamschror, today!
CHANGES

Every year brings new changes to Sunnyside Christian High School. The student body changes with one class graduating and another class joining. Almost every day after school a different club is meeting. Chromebooks are now available for student use, and the internet connection has been upgraded. Some of these changes are expected, but other changes take time to develop. One change that is occurring is connected to the math classes that are offered.

The goal is to get students into classes that will appropriately challenge them. Students wanting to take an extra course load are encouraged to take Algebra II independent study their sophomore year. By taking two math classes their sophomore year, the students are then able to take Pre-Calculus as juniors and Calculus as seniors. In order for the course changes to work, the students will need to take some classes as independent study and other classes with either the grade above or below.

Second, students now have the option of earning college credits without leaving campus. The high school has partnered with Central Washington University (CWU), so that students get a head start on their college credits. The program is for junior and senior students who are taking Pre-Calculus. The students take the class like normal, but must also complete an exam that is issued by CWU. The high school is also working with CWU to get Calculus approved as a dual credit course. Currently, two students are taking Calculus before school on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and they will have the option of taking the AP test in order to pass out of Calculus at their respective colleges.

Recognition must be given to all those who have made these changes possible. Thank you to all the teachers who are willing to make sure that individual students are learning the required material. Thank you to the parents who are willing to sign up their kids for these experimental course paths. Thank you to the students who are willing to take extra classes and exams.

Mr. Van Dam
SCHS Math Teacher

2018-2019 Basketball Cheerleaders

Alicia Gibbons, Kayla Van Wieringen, Annalies Roskamp, Mackenzie Evans, Brea Rip

SCS Pep Band

What is better than a high school basketball game? A great pep band at the high school basketball game. But not just any pep band, a community pep band. This was the inspiration of Lindsey Candanoza to bring additional energy and entertainment to our high school games as well as a way to show support for the athletes on the floor. She recruited me to direct the band and was the band administrator. Our philosophy was to accept anyone willing to play. Therefore, we invited all comers from 5th grade band members to parents to teachers. Our typical rehearsal time was 7 AM most Friday mornings beginning in September and continuing through basketball season. The band members have played with enthusiasm and have seemed to enjoy the experience. As a reward the band has been able to travel to play-off games and played at state the past two years. Two highlights have both been at the state tournament. The first is that we played the National Anthem before the boy’s state championship games the past two years. The second is that during this year’s state basketball tournament the band was highlighted on a Spokane television station, Channel 6, in which the band played on LIVE TV prior to a girls’ game this year. It has been a great experience. Thank you for everyone’s kind words and support. Go Knights!
Steve Martin
Pep Band Director
¡A comer! This Spring, all Spanish classes took in culture at the local Tacos Apatzingan and Pepe’s Bakery. Yes, they were able to practice a little Spanish. More importantly, they broke down their own barriers by trying new things. Hopefully now they will be more comfortable venturing into our valley’s culturally-rich restaurants.

Prior to going, the students studied many traditional and local Mexican foods. They previewed the menus, then set out to order from them. Although most ordered carne asada and breakfast burritos, many tried lengua (tongue) and found it wasn’t as odd as they had previously thought. The overwhelming response was it wasn’t as difficult as they had thought to enter these places and use their Spanish to order food. Goal accomplished.

Mrs. De Boer
Spanish Teacher
SUNNYSIDE CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS

SCHS 2019 SPRING SPORTS

SOFTBALL

L to R

BACK ROW
Coach Alseth, Marty Fultz, Brennan Rip, Eric Villalobos, Tyler Groeneweg, Coach Sarmiento

FRONT ROW
Nate Moore, Matt Roedel, Anthony Mendoza, Kyler Marsh, Bode Jansen

BASEBALL

BACK ROW

FRONT ROW
Marika Van Slageren, Grace Van Belle, JoJo Van Slageren, Jenna Andringa, Krista Den Hoed, Sydney Banks, Alicia Gibbons

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MOYNIHAN SCHOOL OF BUSINESS

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Class of 2019

Top:
Jace Cruz, Abby Bravo

Middle:
Krista Den Hoed, Rachel Werkhoven, Emily Broersma

Front:
Manny Gonzalez, Nico Roskamp, Ross Faber, Lucas Dykstra, Kayla Van Wieringen, Jimena Hilario, Brennan Rip, Kyler Marsh, John Prins, Eric Villalobos

Graduation Ceremony: Grandview Church of the Nazarene
Friday, May 31, 2019, 7:00 P.M.