



## **PANTHER PRIDE Summer 2010**

### **Principal's Letter**

Dear Parents,

Here we are at the end of another successful school year. We will be saying good-bye to about 435 seniors at this year's graduation ceremony. It is such an exciting time in their lives! I want to thank them for all they have contributed to Chico High and wish them the best of luck as they leave. I know they will have fond memories of their days here.

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of our wonderful CHS parents who do so much for students and staff. We truly appreciate everything that you do. We could not be the great school we are without you!

As we head in to summer, I hope you will get to share some special times with family and friends. I look forward to the 2010-11 school year which begins on Wednesday, August 11<sup>th</sup>. You will be receiving more information regarding the beginning of school sometime in July.

Thanks again for a great year! Enjoy your summer!

Jim Hanlon  
Principal

## **Go Panthers!**

### **CHS Wrestlers Nahshon Garrett and Pang Lee are Going to Nationals**

Chico's **Nahshon Garrett**, fresh off of winning a California State Title in March, has qualified for the California National Wrestling Team in Freestyle and Greco-Roman wrestling, the styles of wrestling contested in the Olympic games. This team will travel to Fargo, North Dakota in late July to compete in the largest wrestling tournament in the world, the ASICS/Vaughan National Championships.

The cost for Nahshon to compete in this tournament will be \$1460 due to his competing in both styles as opposed to just one. He is a returning All-American in both styles, having placed 8<sup>th</sup> in Freestyle and 5<sup>th</sup> in Greco-Roman last summer. If your business or group would like to help support Nahshon in his goal to win two national championships this year, it would be greatly appreciated.

Chico High's **Pang Lee**, who has only been wrestling for three years (!), recently qualified to compete in the largest wrestling tournament in the world, this summer's ASICS/Vaughn National Wrestling Championships. Pang will compete in Freestyle wrestling, one of the styles of wrestling contested at the Olympic games. He will travel as a member of Team California to Fargo, North Dakota in late July to wrestle in this highly prestigious tournament, and we are excited to see him on wrestling's biggest stage!

The cost for Pang to compete in this event is \$1460. If your business or group would like to help support Pang in his quest to become an All-American, it will be greatly appreciated. We thank you tremendously for your support!

Any donation is tax deductible; the 501(c)(3)  
Tax ID # is 77-0320978.

Thank you so much for your help!

Keith Rollins, Head Wrestling Coach – Chico High  
Jordan Mathews, Assistant Wrestling Coach – Chico High

# Ag Department News

## Chico High Ag Boosters 2010/2011 Officers

**President - Debbie Mendonca**  
**Vice President - Cara Lamumba**  
**Secretary - Tanya Butterfield**  
**Treasurer - Michelle Cannon**

# Shop the Panther Post this Summer



The Chico High Ag Boosters consists of a dedicated group of FFA parents both past and present whose goal is to raise money to support the activities of the Chico FFA. The Boosters help in providing funding so that students may attend State and National leadership conferences along with various other activities. The Boosters also offer a \$500 scholarship in the memory of Press Powell, who was a businessman and strong supporter of the Booster Club.

The Boosters have many fun activities planned for the coming year, so please come join us! Our next meeting will be Wednesday, September 8 at 6:30 in the Ag Department.



## CHS Library

### Summer Priority!

Most people are not surprised to learn that reading for pleasure is strongly related to doing well in school. What is perhaps more surprising is that people that choose to read are more likely to exercise, play sports, create photographs and paintings, attend plays, and volunteer or do charity work than non-readers. Give your high school student a great advantage by having interesting reading available this summer. Visit the public library or a book store. And what about those students that "hate to read?" Try borrowing a book-on-tape/CD from the public library and playing it on a hot summer afternoon or long drive. It's hard to tune out a great story being read out-loud! There are also companies that sell downloadable books for iPods and mp3 players, and according to the latest Butte County Library newsletter, they now offer downloadable audio books online.

Back in school in August, we look forward to meeting 9<sup>th</sup> graders during CHS library orientations and having all students drop by the CHS library to check out a book and let us know what great books were read (or heard) over the summer.

To read more about reading and its relationship to other activities, see the National Endowment for the Arts study, "To Read or Not to Read" at [http://www.arts.gov/research/ToRead\\_ExecSum.pdf](http://www.arts.gov/research/ToRead_ExecSum.pdf)

And don't forget to read a good book yourself!

Shop the Panther Post on-line this summer at:  
[www.chicousd.org/dna/chicohigh](http://www.chicousd.org/dna/chicohigh)

You can purchase a variety of Chico High School t-shirts (short and long sleeve) sweatshirts, jackets, including letterman's jackets, hats, rally towels, lanyards, aprons, school supplies, Panther Bucks and more with your Visa or Master card on-line.

Show your school spirit and stop by the Panther Post when school resumes on August 11. The Panther Post's normal hours are from 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m. hours. Please call 891-3032 with any questions. Other items are also available for purchase.

**Go Panthers!**

## Chico High Over a Century of Excellence Shirt

### Front of Shirt



CHICO HIGH SCHOOL FOUNDED 1902 OVER 100 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE

### Back of Shirt





Another school year is now behind us and so is my term as PTA President. I would like to say thank you to the Chico High PTA Board for all of their hard work and dedication to Chico High School. I would also like to thank the members, because without them we would not have been able to fund many of the programs that are PTA sponsored. A new program this year was the Panther Pride Program. Students were given gift cards for going above and beyond for Chico High. I think the students really enjoyed them. As we look forward to a relaxing summer, we also need to prepare for the 2010/2011 school year. One of the bigger tasks that PTA helps with is the preparation of the beginning of the year packets for students to pick up in August. If you are interested in helping with this or any other event, you may contact the new PTA President, Connie Altman, at [altmangrooves@comcast.net](mailto:altmangrooves@comcast.net). She can also be reached by phone at 891-3444. I hope you have a great summer and I look forward to seeing you all next year.

Kathy Hill



## Notes from the Band!

Look for more information about upcoming band events in the September Newsletter. Meet Chico High's new band director!

The Chico High School choirs had a wonderful year last year. Between the six performing ensembles, we performed over 65 times in and around the community. The highlights of the 2009-2010 year were the Winter Concert, Music Festival, The Spring Concert, Aida and of our Musical Gala. I know the 2010-2011 choral students of Chico High School will rise to the occasion and have a fantastic year this year. We work hard in choir every day to make music and learn what it means to work together to perform in a vocal ensemble. Here's looking forward to another great year of making choral music at Chico High.

If you have questions about the choral ensembles at Chico High, be sure to contact Mrs. Delgado at [sdelgard@chicousd.org](mailto:sdelgard@chicousd.org).

## Work Experience

Juniors or seniors seeking work or currently employed are hoping to earn dollars for cars, cash, and college.

After school jobs give them experience in time management as well as income. The Work Experience Education Program is here to help prepare students for employment and to help them become better and more informed employees.

**General Work Experience** is an elective class that combines legally paid employment or job searching with classroom instruction. Students must either be employed or actively seeking employment and filling out the Job Search Form and attached reflections to earn credit. All students must attend mandatory class sessions one period per week, and complete assignments. Variable credit is offered for unem-ployed students based on the number of hours spent searching for employment and time in class. Units of instruction include employment preparation, job success, economic and career awareness. Students also learn about child labor laws, occupational safety issues, how to complete and file income taxes, how to interpret payroll deductions and pay stubs, and much more. Final projects include a job shadow in their career of interest and a personal portfolio ready to present to future employers.

*Student must be employed or actively seeking employment. Counselor recommendation and instructor's approval required.*

A very limited number of students who are seeking employment may be eligible for our new class "**Exploratory Work Experience**", which combines non-paid job observation and sampling with related instruction. Its purpose is to provide students the opportunity to observe and sample a variety of conditions of work for the purpose of ascertaining their interest and suitability for the occupations they are exploring. Related instruction is the same as for General Work Experience including the development of a personal portfolio. *Counselor recommendation and instructor's approval required. Enrollment is limited and based on possible placement opportunities.*

**If your son or daughter gets a paycheck at work or would like to increase the chances of obtaining part-time work, why not have him/her get credit at school? Work Experience Education can help students earn extra credits, work more hours, make more money, become better informed employees, and prepare themselves for future employment and career opportunities.**

**If this sounds interesting, contact Ms. Windsor in the WEE Office @ 891-3026 ext 223, Rm 124 or e-mail [mwindsor@chicousd.org](mailto:mwindsor@chicousd.org)**

# CHS SPORTS PAGE

## Wrestling Corner



### Off Season Training Program

- June 14 – 17      **UC Davis Wrestling Camp at EV Free Church, 10am – 3pm**  
The UC Davis Camp will be used as the team camp. The UC Davis staff and athletes will be coming to Chico for the camp.
- June – August      **Chico High School Mat Room, workouts 6:30pm – 8pm, Mondays and Wednesdays starting June 7**
- June – August      **Weight Room Open Monday– Friday, 8am – 11am**

## Sports Boosters

“We will be electing officers and new board members in June. We welcome new Freshmen parents. Sports Boosters’ objective is to raise enough money to support all athletics at Chico High—this is a huge undertaking with the drastic budget cuts that have occurred within our school district. We must raise a minimum of \$100,000 to keep ALL Sports at Chico High. We have 4 major fund raisers per year (the first is our Brew Fest in September).

Please join Sports Boosters and help us reach these ambitious goals. If you are interested in becoming a board member, please contact Lori Twisselman at 899-7233.

### Important Information for CHS Athletes!!!

In order to be eligible for athletic teams, athletes must pay all school fines.

**This includes the athletic transportation fee of \$65.00 per season.**

Prior to your next sport season, you must have a zero balance to participate in your sport.

## “Off Season” Sports Schedules



### Football

Summer Training: Begins June 15 (Tues. - Thurs.)  
Freshman Only Camp: June 7 - 11  
Big Red Camp: July 12 - 16  
Equipment Needed: Cleats, Black or Red Shorts

### Soccer

Summer Training: Begins July 13  
Equipment Needed: Cleats, Black or Red Shorts

### Swimming

Practice: First Day of School in Front of CJHS  
Equipment Needed: Swimsuit

### Cross Country

Practice: First Day of School; Behind Gym

### Field Hockey

Summer Training: Starts June 14  
Camp: June 14 - July 9  
Monday - Thursday 9 am - 11:15 am  
Equipment Needed: Cleats, Black or Red Shorts, Water

### Tennis

Practice: First Day of School at Tennis Courts  
Equipment Needed: Shoes, Shorts, Racquet

### Volleyball

Camps: Panther Team Camp (June 7 - 10)  
North Valley VB Skills Camp (July 26 - 30)  
Try Outs (August 2 - 6)  
Equipment Needed: Volleyball Shoes

## Summer/Start of School Dates

Tentative Dates: Schedules Distributed	Aug 5 & 6
Link Crew Training	Aug. 4-5
Freshmen Orientation Day	Aug. 5
"Link Crew for Incoming Freshmen Day"	Aug. 10
First Day of School	Aug. 11



### How To Reach Us At Chico High School

- To leave a message for teachers  
**891-3026**
- To call in an absence  
**891-3028 (A - L)**  
**891-3030 (M - Z)**
- To call a counselor  
**891-3033**
- To call the Principal,  
Jim Hanlon  
**891-3027**
- To call the Health Office  
**891-3031**
- To call Newsletter Editor,  
Dianne Regh  
**891-3026 X 616**

Check out Beginning  
of School Year  
Activities Calendar  
on the Chico High Website:  
[www.chs.chicousd.org](http://www.chs.chicousd.org)



**Have a Great Summer  
See You  
Wednesday, August 11!**