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Carbon Valley Academy's Online Newsletter

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From Elementary Principal Dr. Murphy's Desk



I am very excited to be the new principal at CVA. I have had the opportunity to work as the assistant principal for the last few months. During this time I have learned a great deal and have come to feel very passionate about CVA and the success of the students and families associated with it. I firmly believe that CVA is an incredible place for children to gain an education and that is why I have brought my own children here.

As the new principal, I will continue the growth and pursuit of academic excellence that is central to CVA. We will continue to focus on the mission and the vision of the founding families. As professional educators, we are committed to providing a nurturing and supportive environment that will encourage and enable academic achievement and personal development. At CVA we have a great appreciation for the diversity of students. Each student enters the classroom with a unique set of talents and abilities as well as a unique set challenges. Each student is appreciated for their individuality and the contributions only they can make.

CVA has some exciting things planned for the near future. We have several summer camps going on throughout the

entire summer. Some of the camps include: technology, art, American Sign Language, and community service project opportunities. Camps are open to all students within the community. The camps are taught by certified instructors and give students an opportunity to sharpen skills and learn new things.

Students will be sharing some of the projects completed at summer camps during the community barbeque scheduled for August 1st at CVA. Families are invited to join us for the barbeque that will include face painting, music, jugglers, a bouncy castle, and plenty of food! Come meet the faculty and families that are part of the CVA community.

Dr. Rachel Murphy
Principal – Carbon Valley Academy

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Meet a New Member of the CVA Board of Directors

In June, we introduced you to the newest CVA Board of Directors, however, we did not have a biography of Sharon Jarrett at the time. This month, we introduce you to Sharon.

Sharon Jarrett

Sharon Jarrett is a 7-year resident of Firestone. Her career over the past 25 years has been focused primarily in education and other non-profit settings. She has worked for private, for profit, and state universities as well as several charter schools, private schools and school districts. Sharon is passionately committed to making a difference in education in whatever way she can. She is currently the Business Manager at a private K-12 school in Boulder. Before accepting that position, she had her own consulting business working with schools (K-12) and small non-profits in the areas of board relations, fundraising, software implementations and trainings, and process analysis and re-engineering.

Sharon is pursuing a Master of Non Profit Management degree and holds a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration. She is also a published writer and poet. Her personal interests include running, weight training, Pilates, holistic nutrition, reading and jewelry making.

Important Dates

July 4th – 4th at Firestone

August 1st – CVA Community BBQ from 6:00 pm until 9:00 pm
find additional information below

August 9th – Dacono Centennial Celebration

August 15th – CVA Charter Schools Open House 12:00 pm until 6:00 pm

August 18th – First Day of School!



You're Invited to Join Us For A

Community BBQ

hosted by Carbon Valley Academy Charter Schools

Meet your Neighbors

Entertainment and Games for the entire family

\$1.00 Hot Dogs

Great food provided by Petes Place

August 1, 2008
6:00 – 9:00 pm @
Carbon Valley Academy
4040 Coriolis Way
Frederick, CO

meet CVA Charter Schools administrators, teachers, & families

From Secondary Principal Trautwein's Desk

Dear Parents, Students and CVA Community Members,

The summer is passing slowly for me because I'm missing my students. I often sit in my office and dream about the beginning of the year, anticipating seeing all my students again. I'm excited about next year. I know there are many challenges ahead of us but that is what excites me the most. Our students and teachers are the best, and with a little pep talk we can accomplish anything we set our minds to. Just the thought of that makes me so glad that I was chosen to come and be a part of Carbon Valley Academy.

During the summer I've been doing some reading and reflecting so as to prepare for CVSA's future. I've been reading Ken Robinson's *"Out of Our Minds - Learning to be Creative."* It's about creativity and how we need to nurture our students so they will continue to lead the world in commerce. This is a book that is challenging my reading and comprehension skills. I've also read Randy Pausch's *"The Last Lecture,"* a book based on his last lecture at Carnegie Mellon University earlier this year. Randy is dying of pancreatic cancer and his lecture and book are his thoughts about life that he is leaving for his young children. Randy's lecture has become a phenomenon, celebrating the dreams we all strive to make realities. You can also find the lecture on Youtube – it is very inspiring.

I hope that this letter finds you enjoying the summer. Take time for yourself and take time for your family and community. If you are getting bored with the usual, change it up and do the unusual: build a rocket; read a book that you wouldn't normally read; catch up with your kids by learning how to text; make something you've always wanted to have; talk with your kid and listen and learn; share when you were a kid with your kid and go do something great together.

I'll see you soon.

Paul Trautwein

Principal - Carbon Valley Secondary Academy



Where in the World . . .

. . . will we find you wearing CVA gear this summer? Send us a photo of you (student, parent, staff, anyone) wearing CVA gear and we'll post it to our website. Tell us where the photo was taken and the name(s) of the person(s) featured in the photo. Email everything to brandi.cva@gmail.com and then look for your photo on our website at www.carbonvalleyacademy.org/whereinworld.html.

You can stock up on CVA gear at www.cafepress.com/cva_store. Let's see **YOUR** school spirit!



4th Annual Carbon Valley Academy Golf Tournament a Success!

The 4th Annual Carbon Valley Academy Golf Tournament held at Saddleback Golf Course was a success! The school raised over \$2,000 for the Dell Mobile Computer Lab at the Secondary Academy.

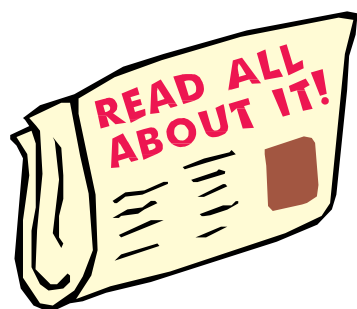
The first place team of Bart Skidmore, "Beeds", "Strubes", and "Stokes" shot an impressive 11 under par. The second place team of Paul Nichols, Peter Stengel, John Gaudino, and Brad Barnett shot 8 under par. The third place team of Brad Lanning, Kelly Lanning, Jon Wiley, and Dustan Flanagan also shot an 8 under par.

The golf ball drop winner was Bob Richards from Timberline Construction.

A special thank you is due to our sponsors:

- Wally Grant (Grant Real Estate)
- Foster's Wine Estates
- Timberline Construction
- Goodwin Chiropractic
- Medical Systems of Denver, Inc.

Thank you again for supporting Carbon Valley Academy!



Student Council Newspaper Available Online

The CVA Student Council published a very fun and informative newspaper. To read the newspaper online, visit the CVA website: www.carbonvalleyacademy.org/newsletters.html.

Did you know . . .

Carbon Valley Academy Charter Schools are growing so fast that we now have 3 websites:

- Carbon Valley Academy Charter Schools main website and CVA grades Kindergarten through 5th grade: www.carbonvalleyacademy.org
- Carbon Valley Secondary Academy website grades 6th – 12th: www.carbonvalleysecondaryacademy.org
- Carbon Valley Academy Preschool website: www.cvapreschool.org

CVA Needs Your Input about How Best to Communicate with You!

In an effort to continually improve Carbon Valley Academy Charter Schools' communication with you, we have a very brief survey available online. It will take you just a couple of minutes to complete the survey and your input will help us greatly improve our communications with you. To complete this survey, please visit the CVA website home page and click on the link listed at the top of the CVA News section or visit: www.carbonvalleyacademy.org/surveys.html.

Carbon Valley Academy Honor Roll – Fourth Quarter 2007/2008

GOLD CLUB Honor Roll (all A's):

Sierra Burke	7 th Grade
Dominique Connolly	6 th Grade
Acacia Stephen	6 th Grade
Jesse Hill	4 th Grade

Honor Roll:

Joseph Rener	8 th Grade
Makaria Judson	7 th Grade
Cole Lewis	7 th Grade
Daniel Sher	7 th Grade
Theron Friss	6 th Grade
Sophia Frohardt	6 th Grade
Patrice Garrigues	6 th Grade
McKina Jewell	6 th Grade
Mercedes Schultz	6 th Grade
Angel Silva	6 th Grade

Honor Roll (continued):

Dalton Bellmore	4 th Grade
James Martindale	4 th Grade
Tawny Montoya	4 th Grade
Dessa Pastore	4 th Grade
Zoe Quaintance	4 th Grade
Shiloh Riley	4 th Grade
Madelyn Roberson	4 th Grade
Logan Schoenherr	4 th Grade
Corbin Springer	4 th Grade
Noah Steinbrecher	4 th Grade
Clinton Stengel	4 th Grade
BriAnna Wilson	4 th Grade

Citizenship Awards:

BriAnna Wilson	4 th Grade
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Carbon Valley Secondary Academy Honor Roll – Full Year 2007/2008

GOLD CLUB Honor Roll (all A's):

Sierra Burke	7 th Grade
Acacia Stephen	6 th Grade

Honor Roll:

Joseph Rener	8 th Grade
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Honor Roll (continued):

Daniel Sher	7 th Grade
Dominique Connolly	6 th Grade
Sophia Frohardt	6 th Grade
McKina Jewell	6 th Grade

Carbon Valley Academy Spanish Honor Roll 2007/2008

Silver Honor Roll:

Samantha Garcia	5 th Grade
Jessica Johnson	5 th Grade
Isaiah Jackson	5 th Grade
Jonna Lende	5 th Grade
Rory Loveridge	5 th Grade
Braydon Wilson	5 th Grade
Becky Berdiales	4 th Grade

Silver Honor Roll (continued):

Noah Steinbrecher	4 th Grade
Derrick Allen	3 rd Grade
Katelyn Huff	3 rd Grade
Angel Macias	3 rd Grade
Audrey Ryan	3 rd Grade
Connor Zsidisin	3 rd Grade