

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
by Nicholas Cadena**

We are practicing "Thwacked," our play in music. It is very fun and is a lot of work to memorize and some of us have double parts. It is all worth it! Our show will be in May during Grandparents' Day. Our music teacher is Ms. Hildebrand. She is lots of fun!

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
by David Cadena**

We have been studying about Egypt. We made masks of a Pharaoh. It was a lot of fun. Everybody's masks were cool! They were all different. We studied Egypt and how Egyptians needed the Nile River and the Sahara Desert for protection. We made an acoustic poem that was a lot of fun. We had to draw Tutankhamun. We had to write how we thought he died. I thought he got poisoned.

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
by Emily S. Postma**

In May of fifth grade we will go to Tamarack Valley Science Camp. It is a three day camp. We go on Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> and come back on Friday the 6<sup>th</sup>. At the camp we will learn about God's creation. There are many fun things that we'll do. Walk in a bog, pet a chinchilla, and you could get a peacock feather for answering a question right. We'll learn about trees, flowers, birds, mammals, etc. It'll be fun. We all will sleep in one big dorm room for boys and one for girls. Many of our parents are coming!

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
by Ashley Berg**

This year in school we have been memorizing the American Creed, the Preamble to the Constitution. And we will be memorizing the presidents from George Washington to Barak Obama who is still our president today.

I think that I liked to memorize the Preamble to the Constitution better because it was shorter and easier to memorize. I also think that it is going to be the most hard to memorize all of the 44 presidents first and last name. The reason that I like to memorize is because we get enough time to memorize it and it will help me memorize other things like birthdays and special events.

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
by Luke Anhalt**

This year we studied the ocean in science. One of our projects was to make sea creatures at home. I chose an angler fish. I made it out of chicken wire, pipe cleaners, and a baseball pinata. I spray painted the whole thing brown. You have to list four facts about your sea creature. In art, we made clay sea creatures. I decided to make an angler fish again. We made tri-aramas to go with them. I learned a lot about the angler fish.

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
by Emily Wesner**

Every day in fifth grade in the morning we have Bible class. In the beginning of the year we learned about creation. After we learned about how God created everything, we learned about the patriarchs, Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob. We also learned about the judges and then the kings. Each week, we memorize Bible verses. This week, our Bible verse is Hebrews 3:12-13a.

"See to it, brothers, that none of you has a sinful, unbelieving heart that turns away from the living God. But encourage one another daily, as long as it is called today."

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
by Emily Myers**

This year in September we went to White Pine Village for History in Action. My class and I got split into groups. We got to go into a bunch of cool buildings! My favorite place was the one-room school house where we learned all about what the schools were like back then. I had lots of time to look at everything while we were there. Then we ate some lunch in the grass. The general store had so many cool things in it! After we had finished looking around we got some ice cream. There was even a hay ride which was super fun! During the field trip we had to answer questions about the places that we went. It was so much fun!

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
by Ema Davis**

In January, we went to the Imax theater in Grand Rapids. The movie was 50 minutes long and in 3-D. The movie was about life under the sea. It showed cuddle fish and how they eat, watersnakes, garden eels, lion seals, stone fish, seahorses and dragon seahorses. It showed us how stone fish bury themselves in the sand and secretly attack the nearby prey. When the white shark jumped at the screen, we all jumped and some of us even screamed. The end of the movie showed cute little lion seals swimming. Some of us tried to pet them. I think the movie was a blast!

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
by Drew M. Andree**

In November, we went to the capital of Michigan, Lansing. We also went to a place called Impression 5 Museum, which was a fun science museum with a lot of fun things to do. There were different rooms with different things in them, like the water room, light room, bubble area and the marble area. It was tons of fun there and I would definitely go there again! After the museum we went to the capital building. We got a nice tour of the building as well, and for one thing, there was a lot of steps there! But my favorite part was seeing the 13 to 14 year old kids act like the judge and representatives. We had a lot of fun there, too. I would go to both again as soon as I can!

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
By David Osburn**

We went to the planetarium at MCC. We all had a great time watching stars and learning about the Christmas story. We had a fun time together watching stars. It was nice to learn about the Christmas story and watch a star explode. We all enjoyed watching the show there. It was a lot of fun. The planetarium was nice to lay back and watch a fun show together. I really enjoyed it. My favorite part was when the star exploded. It was a lot of fun to see it. I think it was kinda fun to learn about stars and space. I enjoyed going to the planetarium.

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
By Emily May**

The most exciting thing in fifth grade for me, by far, was basketball. Our team won champions at our tournament. We were the first fifth grade team at our school to ever win that tournament and it was very exciting. We got a standing ovation from the audience.

There are ten girls on our basketball team: Ashley Berg who plays block, Emily Postma who plays block, Emily Wesner who sets pics, Kyra Gorenflow who plays block, Emily Myers who plays block and sometimes she would set pics or dribble, Emily Rosema who plays block and throws the ball in, Kristina Warren who throws the ball in, Ema who sets pics, and I dribble and set pics. No one can forget Kelsey! Kelsey is in fourth grade but plays on the fifth grade team. She dribbles and sets pics. Our team is coached by my mom Mrs. Becky May and Mr. Brad Richards. Everyone on our team is important. We also owe it to the coaches who pushed us hard to win!

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
By Zachary Lee Zehr**

In December I had to read a biography on Brother Andrew. With it I had to make a puppet on him and make it like he was talking. It was really fun making the puppet because I made mine out of a paper bag. Brother Andrew is a missionary in Asia. He told people about Christ who did not know Him. He also was in the army for a little while but he got shot in the leg. I enjoyed learning about Brother Andrew and making the puppet.

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
By Emily Rosema**

In October, we went to Country Dairy because we were learning about mammals in science. We learned that a cow is called a bovine. A bovine is a cud chews. Part of the time we were there, we went to see cows. Our whole class got to have ice cream, cheese curds and chocolate milk. They were delicious! One of my favorite parts is when I found my favorite cow, #500. My other favorite part was when we saw how the milk was processed. I saw a cheese chunk in the cooler they aged from 2001! That was our trip to Country Dairy.

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
By Jake McFarren**

One thing fun we've done in 5th grade is we dissected sheep eyes. It was really fun, but some of the girls were grossed out. One of the Emilys in my class was sick and hasn't even dissected the eye yet. The first thing we did was cut the eye in half. Then we put all the stuff we found in the eye on a piece of paper. The paper had the names of things that we were finding. When we were done we threw everything away but it was really fun!

**5<sup>th</sup> grade at Calvary Christian School  
By Jeremiah Masvero**

We have been reading many books this year, but the one we're reading now is called "Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry." It's about an African American family in the south during the 1930s. By reading this book, I have learned how badly the blacks were treated and how much Martin Luther King, Jr. did for them and how happy they were when they got the rights that were long due to them. We can see the great change in our country since slavery all the way til now.



## Lady Eagles Make History!

By Sydni Clark, Senior  
March 4, 2012

For the first time ever in Calvary Christian School's entire athletic history, a Class D district championship title was won by our very own Lady Eagles!

It was a huge night for us girls, even though we had beaten Catholic earlier in the season, we knew it was going to be a tough battle, and that Catholic was going to play even harder the second time around. There were mistakes made, but in the end the final score on the score board is what mattered most.

This was a hard fought battle. The game didn't start out so well in the beginning, and we ended the first quarter with Catholic in the lead by only two points (10-12). Then the second quarter came around and we decided to "pack it in the paint" and "attack". Catholic started picking up fouls, and sure enough they kept bringing us to the line for free throws. We maintained a lead throughout the game and finally finished with an ending score of 55-62! Each girl on the team was focused and ready to play. One of the keys to winning the game, was to play tough defense. We were more in-shape than Catholic, so we were able to play hard and run up and down the floor without getting "winded". "The MCC girls were dragging down the floor at some points last night and our girls still had energy to run and play tough D" said Mrs. Watkins.

It was such an amazing feeling, to hold the District Championship trophy with the team, and all of our coaches that have put so much work into the team. We couldn't have pulled out the win, without the support of our incredible fans, coaches, and God! Each girl kept a good testimony on the court and maintained character as well.

"This was more than just a win for us," Coach Brad said, "It was for every athlete that has ever attended Calvary Christian Schools."

## Basketball Boy Seniors Lead in Victory Over Pentwater

March 4, 2012  
- Patrick Asdell, Senior

The Calvary Eagles boys' basketball team has the school record for the most wins in a season than any previous Boys Eagles basketball team. On Thursday night the boys wrapped up a 17-3 season with a 60-45 win against Pentwater.

The Pentwater game was a game that looked to be one of our toughest non-league games. They had shooters and quick, strong, and hustling post players. We pushed out to an early lead and were up by double digits at halftime. However in the third our offense stalled when we stopped getting post touches to Mike Warren and I. Our defense wasn't great but it wasn't bad and we got outscored by 21-9 in the third.

It was Eagle Fourth though. Eagle fourth is where we show that we have more discipline on the court than the other team. We stepped up our defense and made some clutch free throws. Our time-and-score offense worked perfectly. With 2 minutes left coach took me out to a standing ovation by the Eagle faithful. 15 seconds later he did the same with Gu3 and he got the same reaction as he went and kissed center court.

At that point we were allowed to start getting sentimental. It was our last home game. The last time we would be playing a real game on that court. It was an awesome game and afterwards we did something that we haven't done on the court yet this year; we sang, "It's great to be a Calvary eagle" (Go to <http://www.facebook.com/photo.php?v=3277064924377> to hear it) It was followed by hugs with the fans, and reliving memories of the year. In the locker room the seniors all got to say a few sentences about the team and words of advice. It was a great time. 17-3. I love my basketball team. They will always have a special place in my heart.