



Remembering Robert King

It is with deep sadness that we at CCS heard about the passing of Robert (Bob) King. Mr. King passed away on May 14th, 2019 in his home. He was blessed to be the father of 4 children, Jonathan, Kimberley ('88), Nathanael ('91) and Michael ('95), and to see all



17 of his grandchildren.

Mr. King was an influential and well-loved staff member of CCS for many years. Bob graduated from Houghton College and then taught at several schools and worked for Campus Crusade before coming to Conestoga Christian. He served as Administrator from 1984 to 1991 and then as the Middle School Math and Science teacher from 1993-1997. Bob was first and foremost a follower of Christ. He was also strong advocate for Christian Education, and these two qualities could be seen in all he did and

by everyone he came in contact with.

Mr. King loved connecting with people building relationships and had a generous nature. He enjoyed setting up train layouts, hunting, gardening, teaching mathematics, and leading Bible studies.

Don Boyer shared some of the memories that he had of the time they spent working together and as close friends. Bob loved trains and the two families spent many hours going to train shows and auctions. Bob had a train track that ran around the top of the Elementary Office and also offered a unique elective to students on model trains while he was at CCS. Don and Bob also spent many hours out deer hunting. They may not have seen many deer on their outings but the time together is what made the days enjoyable. Bob also loved his time at Hopewell Church and enjoyed singing in the

church choir. Mr. Boyer also remembers him as a peacemaker who was not easily ruffled, which made him a strong administrator for the school.

Mr. King left CCS to move to New Jersey to be closer to his father. He and his wife Karen moved to Massachusetts in 2017 to be near family. He was diagnosed for a second time with Non-Hodgkin's Lymphoma in 2018 after having been cancer free for many years following an initial battle with Lymphoma.

A parting statement in his obituary reads: "By the mercy and grace of God 'A good man (a man made righteous by the blood of Christ) leaves an inheritance to his children's children' Proverbs 13:22." Mr. King did this not only for his own children and grandchildren but also for the children that attended CCS during his tenure.



Robert King working as CCS's Administrator in 1987

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Mission

- Educating the whole student—body, mind and spirit—for God.

Vision

- Conestoga Christian School, in harmony with the home and church, provides a quality educational program for Preschool to 12th grade students in an environment which develops critical thinking, nurtures Christ-like character, and equips students for a life of discipleship and service.

Alumni Spotlight: Taehee Um (18'), Serving on Logos Hope

Taehee Um ('18) served for 3 months with a mission organization called OM (Operation Mobilization) on Logos Hope. After that initial experience, Tae prayerful decided to sign on for a full two years of ministry with this group. The goal of the mission is to motivate, develop, and equip people for world evangelization and to strengthen and help plant churches, especially among the least reached. What's so special about this ministry is that Logos Hope is a ship. Here is how Tae describes what he has been doing:

"This ship is well known for being the biggest floating library in the world that has sailed to more than 155 ports around the world by far, providing knowledge, help, and hope to the people who visit. Also the ship has more than 400 people from 60 different nationalities living as one family, working 5 days a week in their own departments, completely unpaid.

"Therefore, it is no wonder why locals get very interested whenever this massive



Taehee Um (18') (right) and his brother Taemin (left), Senior at CCS, during his visit with Taehee and Logos

vessel arrives in their port and open its heavy doors towards them. Throughout the three months on board, I'm pretty sure I've witnessed more than several hundred thousands of people waiting by the gangway to see what's going on in this multicultural community.

"And that's where we come in with the Gospel shown through our actions, especially through the loving and encouraging lifestyle we have with one another as a big diverse family. We are not afraid to use this unique environment to attract people, and eventually point them to-

wards to the One who makes this extraordinary life possible through ordinary people.

"Everyone on board works in either the main 5 departments (Library, Catering, Deck, Engine, and Cleaning) or office jobs (Business Center, Events, People Development, etc.) They are focused, serious, and happy in their workplace because they know all of what they do will be used to expand the kingdom of Heaven. Currently I am serving as a Creative Ministries Coordinator, motivating missionaries to use their gifts and talents as a mean of worship, and being involved in different creative events and ministries!

"Furthermore, the ship focuses on mobilizing and providing help to the communities it visits. It is everyone's responsibility to be a part of a mission team every week, that goes out to the local villages to give them practical helps. Also, the teams challenge the churches in that community to be a part of the ministry of spreading the good news and bringing hope."

Founders Dinner Planned: Dr Teague, President of LBC

Conestoga Christian School is hosting our 6th Annual Founders Fundraiser Dinner on March 27, 2020 at Shady Maple Smorgasbord. Doors will open at 5:30.

Peter W Teague, EdD, President Emeritus of Lancaster Bible College and LBC Ambassador will be our presenter and will speak on "The Impact Christian Education has on our Communities."

Dr. Teague, a native of Iowa, was appointed President of Lancaster Bible College/Capital Seminary & Graduate School in 1999. He was named President Emeritus, LBC Ambassador, and Distinguished Faculty as of February 1, 2020. Prior to his presidency, Dr. Teague served on the LBC/Capital Board of Trustees for nine years and for one year as Dean of Undergraduate Education. Dr. Teague also spent 23 years at Christian School of York as Director of Development (1975-1979) and as Superin-

tendent (1979-1998).

Dr. Teague is a frequent speaker at the Association of Biblical Higher Education Convention, Christian education conventions, and churches and community events and serves on accreditation team visits for both secondary and post-secondary institutions. He and his wife Paulette reside in Lancaster, Pennsylvania and have four children and ten grandchildren.

Please consider joining us for this event to celebrate the founding values and vision of Conestoga Christian School - in harmony with the home and church, providing a quality educational program for Preschool-



Dr. Teague—Speaker for the upcoming Founders Dinner

12th grade students in an environment which develops critical thinking, nurtures Christ-like character, and equips students for a life of discipleship and service.

A new feature for our Founders event is an Alumni Award. Conestoga Christian School will confer its first Alumni Award to Hannah (Kurtz) Sletta ('08). The Alumni Award will be given each year at the Founders Event in recognition of an alumnus who has implemented a Christian biblical worldview in their role in the community and has embodied the Mission and Vision of CCS in his/her life.

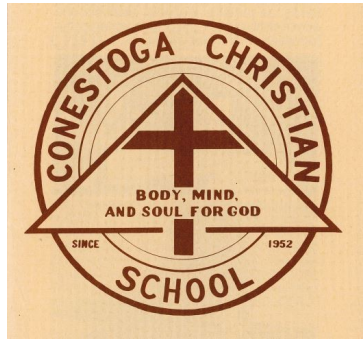
For information on ticket purchases, please visit: <https://www.conestogachristian.net/founders-dinner-2020>.

Historical Highlight: How Did CCS Define Its Mission?

Conestoga Christian School was started in 1952 by a group of parents from Conestoga Mennonite Church, and our history may be familiar to you if you have been a part of CCS for any length of time. Our mission over these years has remained strong as we serve the communities of Lancaster, Berks, and Chester Counties. The following is the history of our mission statement as shared by Harvey Beiler in a paper titled "The Making of an Emblem and Motto for Conestoga Christian School."

In his paper, Mr. Beiler, a former board member, explains that a challenge was given to board members in 1966 and a prize of three dollars was offered for the winning motto and another three dollar prize for the emblem. Mr. Beiler was the winner of both, and the following is his explanation for the reasoning behind the mission statement of Conestoga Christian School.

He first explained that the first source of learning for our children is the home. Secondly, the corporate spiritual learning is accomplished through the church, and finally he stated the following: "In the middle of the twentieth century, there



First Logo as it was envisioned by Harvey Beiler

was an awakening among church people, especially Mennonites, for the need of schools that supported and harmonized with Christian principles." This provided him the idea for the emblem which he

explained by saying, "Now with this triangle idea for Family, Church and School we need the emblem of these three institutions as being under the Lordship of our risen Christ, which is the empty Cross." Since they recognized three branches of learning, he went on to reason that: "For the wording of our motto we needed three words to represent the complete make-up of a child. The child of course has a body. It also has a mind. For the third word I wanted something that was profound and Biblical, yet short as possible, and rather rhythmic. I thought of the creation account of man in Genesis 2:7, where 'man became a living soul'... So now we had the three words, just what we wanted, - short simple words with no clutter: body, mind, soul."

And thus the mission of Conestoga Christian School was formalized. While the logo of the school has been updated, the mission itself remains a foundation of all that is done at CCS.

Members of the Class of 1999 Celebrated 20 Years

In August of 2019, the CCS class of 1999 reunited for its 20 year reunion. Although only 6 of us could make it, we had such a great time and we wondered why we didn't have more gatherings over the years! Our families met up on the King's farm and enjoyed swimming, outdoor games, a campfire, and of course food. Our kids hit it off immediately and made new friends! We missed those who couldn't join us but hope to have more of these times in the future.

Thank you Maria King for letting us know about your time together!



Front left to right:
Front: Rachel (Petersheim) White,
Missy (Hoover) Weaver, Bryan Willoughby,
Matthew Willoughby
Back: Maria (Stoltzfus) King, Dawn (Kraybill) Yoder



The Younger Generation had a great time too!

If you are interested in having a class reunion, we would love to help. Contact Jack Greenly or Heather Schreier at the school office. Classes of 1990–30 year, 2000–20 year, 2010 - 10 year.

Sports Roundup: Winter Basketball

When the basketball schedule first comes out, some people see it and think, “this season will never end.”

For others, they get that feeling mid season, and there are a few, believe it or not, that feel like it flies by. Often, one’s perspective is influenced by how “their” team is doing. For

me, winter is basketball. I enjoy time in the gym watching our athletes push themselves to improve at practice. I anticipate opening weekend and hosting the Cougar Classic for our high school teams. When the season concludes for the middle school teams, hosting the Conestoga Hoops Shootout is always rewarding as the improvement shown in these athletes from the start of the season to the end is so evident.

At the completion of the regular season and CCAC Playoffs, the five CCS basketball teams, comprised of 60 athletes, have completed 102 games. Each athlete and team will look back and remember vari-

ous highlights either on or off the court with teammates and coaches. On the

court some will remember; the varsity boys’ team winning the Cougar Classic, hitting game winning foul shots at Covenant for the girls’ varsity team, making a three point shot at the buzzer to put the JV boys into the fourth overtime period vs. Lancaster

County Christian, getting a steal at the end of the middle school girls’ game vs. Hinkletown to preserve the one point win, making the game winning three pointer at the buzzer in the varsity boys’ game vs. Lancaster Country Day, pulling down a big rebound at the end of the middle school boys’ game to seal the win vs. Linville Hill, making the game winning assist for the comeback win over Hinkletown in the middle school boys B game, or Dylan Greenly becoming the fifth basketball player in CCS history to score 1,000 career points.

The high school boys solidified a spot in

the CCAC playoffs for the second consecutive season with a two-point win over Linville Hill in the final contest of the regular season. The Cougars traveled to West Shore Christian and won the quarterfinal matchup 65-52. Conestoga would then face the CCAC east number one seed, Lancaster County Christian, and win 59-51, placing the Cougars in the



HS Boys Varsity gearing up for a win



HS Girls Varsity bringing the ball down the court

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onship for the first time since 2006. The Cougars faced off against the CCAC west number one seed, Mt. Calvary, at Lancaster Bible College and put up a great fight but came out short, losing 52-64.

Keep up with CCS Athletics by following conestogachristianathletics on Instagram.

Written by Phil Yoder

Creation in the Classroom

The High School Science room has been up to more than just book learning this year. Two fun events have brought the out-of-doors into the classroom.

East Penn Manufacturing generously supported our Tower Garden Project with the purchase of a Tower Garden for our science room. The Tower Garden is a freestanding, vertical, aeroponic indoor/outdoor garden that uses technology to enhance the learning experience in the classroom by providing hands-on interactions for our students to learn about plant



Tower Garden full of leafy greens.

life, wellness, healthy eating, ecology, and more. The Tower Garden Project also opens the door for our students to grow and donate fresh produce to the Twin Valley Food Pantry or use it for cooking electives in the future.

Mr. Kolb also had eight Monarch butterflies that the students were able to follow through their life cycle and then help release so they could start their migration south.



The Butterfly Release—Mr. Kolb and Ellie Hill, Junior

We're on the Web!

ALUMNI FACEBOOK

[CCS Alumni](#)



ALUMNI INSTAGRAM



Check out the Alumni section of the school website

www.conestogachristian.net/alumni

Upcoming Events

- **Elementary Musical & Showcase**—March 13
- **Founders Event**— Dr. Teague, President of LBC—March 27
- **Grandparents Day**—April 3
- **Evening Open House** —May 7th
- **Spring Musical**—May 14-16—Once Upon a Mattress.
- **MS/HS Evening of the Arts and Sciences** — May 29
- **Graduation** — June 5 at Brick Lane Community Church
- **Spring Athletics**—The schedule can be found at www.conestogachristian.net/athletics

MORE INFORMATION ABOUT EVENTS CAN BE FOUND ON THE WEBSITE AT

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Alumni News

Marie Esther White was born on February 4th to Nate and Rachel (Petersheim) White ('99).



Nate, Rachel and Marie

Kaelyn Joy Fisher was born on February 13th to Ben and Bethany (Weiler) Fisher ('06)

Eric Gardner ('11) married Jessica Hayes in Shawnees Oklahoma during the summer of 2018. They are both obtaining their Doctor of Philosophy in Organic Chemistry at Oklahoma University, focusing on creating life-improving and life-saving medicines.

Summer (Stoltzfus) Houck ('15) married Clay Houck in the Fall of 2019 and will be starting as a long term sub here at CCS.

Aaron Carter ('15) is moving to New York and starting a position with Lockheed Martin and was recently engaged to Katleyn McMillin.

Kevin Gable ('16) married Emily Witman in October 2019.

Madison Pacana ('17) and **Jesse Zook ('16)** are engaged to be married.

Chris Beck ('17) is currently studying abroad in Israel.

Anna DeHart ('17) is engaged to Kyle King.

Dylan Patton ('17) is engaged to **J-anna Turley ('18)**.

You can see **Michael Myers ('19)** at Cavod Theater in the current production of *Cinderella* and the upcoming performance of *The Diary of Anne Frank*.

Open House and Story Times Planned



COME GROW WITH US

OPEN HOUSE SCHEDULE

MORNING Open Houses
8:15-9:30am
February 26
March 25

EVENING Open House
5:30-7:30pm
May 7

PRESCHOOL Story Time Open House
9:45-10:30am
February 27
March 26

KINDERGARTEN Sneak Peek Open House
9:30am
February 21

Become a student at Conestoga Christian School and belong to a family that encourages growth of the whole student—**BODY, MIND** and **SPIRIT**—for God.



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MARCH 27, 2020
Friday, 5:30pm

Dinner and Presentation at Shady Maple Banquets, East Earl, PA
Tickets \$50 | Table Sponsorships Available | Tickets Available Online
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