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ALUMNI NOTABLES

- The following students were named to the Shippensburg University Dean's List for the Spring 2025 semester: **Kendra Bard** (Class of 2022, Marketing); **Regan Bard** (Class of 2022, Exercise Science); **Emmalyn Hott** (Class of 2023, Early Childhood Education); **Josephine Hughes** (Class of 2021, Biology); **Adam Snyder** (Class of 2022, Mechanical Engineering); and **Lili Wenger** (Class of 2024, Political Science). To be selected to the Dean's List, a student must carry a 3.5 GPA for the semester.
- **Dhriti Rathod** (Class of 2023) was named to the Spring 2025 Presidential Honor List at New York Institute of Technology. Dhriti is majoring in Chemistry.
- **Niki Schussler** (Class of 2021) graduated from Wilson College with a double major in finance and business management. She was also on the Dean's List.
- CVCS 2025 graduates who started college this fall: **Gage Brookens** (Florida Tech, Aerospace Engineering); **Elias Hott** (Kutztown, Biology); **Jacob Hughes** (Penn State Mont Alto, Nursing); **Landon Kellogg** (Shippensburg, Finance); **Twinkle Khatiwala** (Drexel, Biological Sciences); **Nathan Minnier** (Shippensburg, Business); **Allison Rowe** (Geneva, Physical Therapy); **Avery Royer** (Shippensburg, Computer Science); **Morgan Ward** (Millersville, Secondary Education); and **Nelly Wu** (Santa Monica, CA, College, Economics).

Have an accomplishment you want to announce? Dean's List, College Graduation, Marriage, New Job, Job Promotion, Something Notable? We want to know. If you have an accomplishment you'd like to announce, send it to tmiller@cvcslazers.com, and we will include it in our Alumni Corner.



GOLF CLASSIC 2025

Cumberland Valley Christian School hosted our 18th Annual Golf Classic on Friday, September 5th, at Eagles Crossing Golf Club. All proceeds benefited the Carl G. McKee Scholarship Fund. This fund was created in 2017 in honor of our longstanding principal, Carl G. McKee, who served in that role for 43 years. Through this event, we were able to raise \$20,000 and provide financial support to the families in our school community.

We were blessed with a beautiful day, and the course was filled with golfers participating for a great cause. Shively Motors was our major sponsor and offered many prizes to anyone who could achieve a hole-in-one at any of the par 3s. Our breakfast sponsor, Hope Worth Having, provided donuts and coffee in the morning, and our lunch sponsor, News Talk 103.7, provided a steak dinner to our participants. Excitement filled the golf course when news spread that one of our participants achieved a hole-in-one on hole 7! CVCS would like to extend a huge "Thank You" to all who participated and volunteered. Your generosity and willingness to participate made this a successful event and helped us continue to fulfill our mission of providing a quality education with a spiritual foundation.

HOME COURT'

A D V A N T A G E

We're excited to share a major update on our Home Court Advantage Capital Campaign, our effort to transform the gym into a safer, more functional, and updated space for our students and community!

Over the past several weeks, significant progress has been made:

- **Old Floor Removed** – The outdated floor has been taken out, making way for a brand-new playing surface.
- **Concrete Subfloor Prepped** – Our team has worked hard grinding and leveling the concrete subfloor to ensure a strong foundation that is suitable for the updated wood floor.
- **Overhead Upgrades Underway** – We're in the process of installing a new HVAC system, improving air circulation, and climate control for athletes and spectators alike.
- **Ceiling & Wall Refresh** – The ceiling and walls are being freshly painted to brighten and modernize the space.



What's Next: New Floor & Wall Padding

Coming soon, a new wood gym floor and impact-absorbing wall padding will be installed—adding safety, durability, and beauty to the gym.



We still need your help to reach the finish line. Check out our website at cvcshlazers.com to find out how you can support Home Court Advantage.



SPIRITUAL EMPHASIS WEEK

Each year, CVCS holds Spiritual Emphasis Week to give students the opportunity to renew their commitment to Jesus Christ or, in some cases, to give their life to Christ.

Spiritual Emphasis Week was held Sept. 15-19 with chapels held each day for two groups: one for grades K through 6 and the other for grades 7 through 12.

Kent Lundy, high school math teacher and local pastor, spoke Monday through Thursday to the elementary group and on Wednesday to the high school group.

"I thoroughly enjoyed the week!" he said. "The elementary students were attentive and fun, and when I spoke in high school chapel the one day, they were attentive and fun too. This is a group of students K-12 who are eager to hear and live the Word of God."

Aaron Clark, a local pastor who served as interim principal at CVCS over the summer, spoke to the high school group on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. Clark, a 1998 graduate of CVCS, challenged students by stressing ways in which they can defend their faith.

On Friday, the week wrapped up as students were asked to write answers to three thought-provoking questions about their faith.



SPORTS UPDATE

CVCS sports teams have had some struggles during the fall season, but the key theme mentioned by coaches has been growth.

“This season has been about growth,” soccer coach Stan Hott said. “With so many new players, it’s been encouraging to see our returning leaders — seniors Titus Hott, A.J. Sloan and Quinten Cooper — set the tone and show the younger guys what it means to lead both on and off the pitch. We’re building something strong together.”

The Blazers were 3-6-1 at the time of publication, but most of the games in which they were involved were close. Three of the six losses were one-goal differences.

In volleyball, the Blazers were winless at the time of publication. However, first-year coach Lexy Luntz said she was proud of the growth the predominantly young team has shown.

The middle school soccer and volleyball teams are hoping to make some noise in the Mason Dixon Christian Conference tournament at the end of the year.