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Shara Winesburg & Lucas Gosselin

Not Pictured:  
Valerie Farr & Zachary Kohler  
Freshmen



**Going for a touchdown!**



**Kyle Benedict looks for an opening; CSD linemen create a hole for him.**



**CSD – CSDR linemen ready for a showdown!**



## CSD Rocks! The Big Game & Homecoming

On October 21, **CSD** visited our sister school in Riverside for the annual Big Game. I want to share with you my great pride in the **CSD** family who participated in those activities at Riverside.

First, a BIG handwave to our parents and fans who showed up at the games in their **ORANGE** and **BLACK**. What a boistrous group of loyal fans!!!

Our cheerleaders did a super job of leading all of us in chanting and waving for our girls and boys.

Our volleyball team played their hearts out. Although they did not win, they won our hearts and love.

Our football team came out ready to play and from the opening salvo until the final buzz of the scoreboard showed us the quality of their character and their determination to bring the trophy back to Fremont.

Our spirit at all of the activities was outstanding. The noise coming from our side was fantastic. Above all was the sportsmanship and the desire of our kids to keep everything positive and enjoyable. All in all, we can be very proud and pleased with our **CSD** family.

Mal Grossinger, Interim Superintendent at **CSDR** and a long time **CSD** family member, went out of his way to showcase **CSDR**. We are proud of him as he works so hard to bring what he learned at **CSD** to **CSDR**. He really worked hard at making this event one that showed true friendship and respect between the two schools. **CSD** appreciates his hard work and commitment to quality in all that he does.

*Dr. Hank Klopping, CSD Superintendent*

Staff, Parents, Alumni and Friends,

I'd like to take a moment to show my appreciation for your great support of our athletes, coaches and the Spirit Week events. I saw many of you at the Homecoming game. Your involvement with booths, admission, and field duties was truly visible! I know our athletes and coaches were inspired by your presence at the game.

The attendance was slightly over 1,000. The color of clothes at the game was almost filled with **ORANGE** and **BLACK**. The most surprising news was that almost all of the booths that sold food – **SOLD OUT!** They informed me that they literally went home without any surplus of food. That was great news.

I also want to thank you for attending the Pep Rally and rooting for our athletes, especially the young kids from early childhood education and elementary. The middle school athletes received a warm spotlight as well! The gym rocked for a full hour!

Kukos to all fall sports teams for maintaining **CSD's** high standards!

Go **ORANGE** and **BLACK!**

Cheers,

*Len Gonzales, Athletic Director*





Volleyball players are ready to “bash” the banner created by the cheerleaders.



Shara Winesburg, a senior, receives the ball.



Randi Medugno competes in the volleyball contest.



How adorable CSD's young fans are! Juliet Lee and Talia Boren carry a "Go Eagles" flag.



CSD 'tunnel' for volleyball players.



Stacy Caruso, a senior, is ready for an attack.



Dr. Klopping introduces the sophomore girls nominees.

**Khrys Amable and Christopher Joseph serve their guests BBQ chicken kebabs.**



## New this year... a cooking club

**Leslie Hanaumi:** Sheila Korolev and I are working together as co-leaders of a brand new cooking club on campus. The club is designed for students who are non-athletes. It meets on Mondays and Tuesdays, from 3:30-5:30 p.m.

We encourage the students who participate in the club by empowering them to decide what food, dessert, and drinks they want to prepare. Through researching on the Internet, they discover recipes for the dishes they plan to make.

The students especially enjoy shopping for the groceries they need for their dishes. We give each of them a specific food item to shop for. Then they must decide on which brand to buy and compare the cost with the other brands.

Starting up the new club was hard—especially in Cottage #3 with such a small kitchen. We manage it by dividing the kids into two groups: One group cooks and bakes a hot dish in the kitchen, while the other group makes something that doesn't require as much actual cooking, such as fruit smoothies, homemade ice cream, flan, or cheese with tortillas.

Handwaves to the kids for how hard they have worked! Their efforts really proved successful when they invited a few staff members to join them for a dinner of BBQ chicken kebab, salad, and cupcakes which the students themselves prepared and served. It was truly an honor for the students, and very exciting for them.

**Christopher Joseph:** It was the first time that our club cooked for staff. It was fun! I was glad that Sam Reynolds came to eat with us, since he has helped us a lot.

**Khrys Amable:** On Mondays we decide what to make. Our club gets together and talks about what kinds of dishes our families have made. Then, we make a list and vote on it. We get the recipe from the computer, buy the food, and cook it. I like making desserts!

On Tuesdays, we go to the store, buy the ingredients, and cook the dinner. We have made crepes with bananas and chocolate, smoothies, and flan (which is a Mexican dessert).

My dad used to be a cook in a restaurant. Since he is Mexican, and

cooked professionally, I especially love Mexican cooking.

I'm grateful to the club since we can all help each other. We taste the food to make sure it comes out just right!

**Lakel Morgan:** I'm happy that I joined the cooking club because my mom eats junk food. Now I can help her to eat healthier with what I am learning from the club.

**Angel Bender:** My parents always did the cooking at home and fed me, so I didn't get any experience with cooking. I was a little bit nervous about learning how to cook.

**Erika Pacheco:** Through the cooking club, I've learned that it's okay to make mistakes. We learn from each other and work as a team.

**Chrishana Stevenson:** I want to thank Carlene Pederson for having the idea to establish our club. I never learned how to cook at home, and I am finally learning how to prepare a real meal.



**Front Row (kneeling):** Angel Bender & Christopher Joseph

**Middle Row:** Amy Lin, Belen Zarate, Erika Pacheco, Sheila Korolev

**Back Row:** Leslie Hanaumi, Amanda Campos, Khristyna Amable, Alejandra Espinoza, Janette Delson-Velasco, Chrishana Stevenson, Lakel Morgan

**Not Pictured:** Jose Soriano-Reyes & Dima Korolev

## CSD-Fremont students make a bang in the community

In order to ensure that all of the points that teachers Ron Rhodes (construction) and Daryl Wetzal (landscaping) had been teaching in the classroom, it helped to have their students do projects at an actual work site.

For two consecutive days, students from the California School for the Deaf's high school and career center programs made full-day round trips to the hillside home of Igor and Elizabeth Kolombatov in El Cerrito. The purpose of the fieldtrip was to gain work experience for the students in the area of construction and landscaping, while helping senior citizens in the deaf community.

The students gained valuable hands-on experience by re-building the new gazebo on the Kolombatovic's back yard deck; installing sheetrock in their garage; moving heavy furniture; removing and reconnecting doors; and doing some landscaping as well.

The CSD construction and landscaping students made their first fieldtrip to the Kolombatovic home last spring. In order to complete all of the work needed at the Kolombatovic site, the project was divided into a total of three fieldtrips. The final fieldtrip was on October 19.

This work experience project proved to be quite a success! The students loved it; the Kolombatovics loved it; and the teachers love it as well. It is a win/win situation for everyone involved.

The students learned a valuable lesson about construction and landscaping work when an actual City of El Cerrito inspector visited their work site. The students were fascinated by the visit and it helped them to learn the importance of getting city approval and acquiring a permit before doing any major work on a house.

The fieldtrip also helped the students learn how important it is to keep a good relationship with the people in their community, especially with the seniors, who have so much information to share.

The construction and landscaping students are especially interested in helping members of the community who are in a fragile position and are unable to maintain their property by themselves. The students also do field work for non profit organizations that help the community.

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**Nicholas Hickman, Dalian Sanchez & Julio Pacheco proudly present their putty materials used to cover wall holes and openings.**



**Eric Taylor carefully cuts planks to perfection.**



**Ron Rhodes and student workers take a measurement on the sheetrock.**

Open House at CSD  
Friday, November 10, 2006  
8:30 am to 1:45 pm



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