

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Parent Visitation: This semester's Parents' Open House is Saturday, 05 November 2005, from 1300 to 1600. Please check with the commandant's assistant for details: **Mrs. Jaime Coon**—601.437.4291 or jaimecoon@chamberlain-hunt.com.

Veterans' Day Service: On Friday, 11 November 2005, the Corps of Cadets honors veterans and active duty military personnel with a special service in Port Gibson's Presbyterian Church at 11 AM. The guest speaker for the event is **Mr. Dan McCullen** of Jackson. When Mr. McCullen graduated from Central High School in the early 1940s, he volunteered for service in the army but was turned down for physical reasons. He enrolled at Millsaps College and was then drafted for a limited service unit. Before long, his unit was turned into regular infantry, which saw heavy combat in Europe. The Germans captured his unit, and he was imprisoned until the Russian army invaded Germany. After his release, Mr. McCullen returned to college, went to law school and became a partner in the *ButlerSnow* law firm. He and his wife, Beth, are members of First Presbyterian Church in Jackson and have three daughters.

Peru Trip: Deposits for the 05-12 January 2006 Peru Trip with **MAJ Harris** are due by Friday, 18 November 2005. If you have questions about the trip, please contact the principal's assistant: **Mrs. Denise Pamudji**—601.437.4291 or denisepamudji@chamberlain-hunt.com.

January Admission: Chamberlain-Hunt is currently accepting applications for the spring semester, which begins 10 January 2006. Applications, along with current enrollment fee schedules, are available from the office of admissions (601.437.8855), or they can be downloaded from the Academy's Web site: www.chamberlain-hunt.com. ■

CADET CHORUS FORMS

An exciting new Cadet activity this fall is the Chamberlain-Hunt Academy Chorus. On Monday, Wednesday and Friday afternoons, Cadets enjoy the chance to study music with a talented new faculty member, MAJ Bray Wilkins.

MAJ Wilkins comes to the Academy with an impressive range of experience and training. Wilkins studied at the University of Idaho, where he received a BA in vocal performance. During his undergraduate years, he performed in school operas and musicals and gave several solo recitals. He was a member of numerous concert groups including a jazz choir.

He has performed professionally in operas and musical theatre in Massachusetts and California. He received additional musical

training in opera and classical singing at the Music Academy of the West in Santa Barbara, California.

While in college, Bray met and married his wife, Kajsa Wilkins. She also studied at the University of Idaho, earning her BA in piano performance. She is the accompanist for the Chamberlain-Hunt Academy Chorus.

The Cadets are beginning their vocal training with hymns and psalms so that they can lead singing in chapel worship. MAJ Wilkins is teaching them how to sing traditional four-part compositions, which sets the basic foundation of sight singing and ear training needed to progress into a wider spectrum of different musical styles. Cadets are encountering—some for the first time—vocal techniques, sight-singing exercises and rhythm exercises that will increase both their understanding and enjoyment of music.

In the future, the chorus will sing for school, church and civic functions, give concerts and, eventually, compete in choral competitions. The members of the chorus include J. Atkinson (NY), D. Bogenreif (CA), R. Garcia (LA), D. Garrett (MS), C. Hill (MS), R. Johnson (FL), A. Mineo (NY), K. Neher (LA), M. Roach (MS), W. Schaffner (AR), C. Thompson (MS), F. Torries (MS) and M. Trono (OR). ■





MAJ Dave Granville and SGT Shane Edwards

announce the rosters for the varsity and the junior varsity basketball squads:

Varsity:

- J. Chalmers (TN)
- Z. Daly (LA)
- G. Godley (TN)
- S. Hacker (IL)
- R. Malcolm (NY)
- J. Mims (MS)
- M. Reed (TX)
- J. Riggs (MS)
- K. Scott (MS)
- M. Suazo (LA)

Junior Varsity:

- P. Broadway (TN)
- C. Deculus (LA)
- Z. Filion (MS)
- A. Gammage (LA)
- J. Goodwin (TX)
- J. Harrison (MS)
- D. Hungerford (WA)
- J. McNair (MS)
- J. Ozbirn (LA)
- E. Paige (TN)
- M. Roach (MS)
- K. Reed (TX)



Above: Sonny Peaster, MAJ Chris Blackwell, Cadet C. Kalos, Crusader K. Clingan, LTC Jack West, Elizabeth Remington and Hank Remington at the Lions Club in Yazoo City, MS.

CADETS SPEAK OUT

Earlier this month, seniors Crusader K. Clingan (MS) and Cadet C. Kalos (AZ) accompanied LTC Jack West and MAJ Chris Blackwell to speak to the Lions Club of Yazoo City. Lion Hank Remington, father of Cadet J. Remington, invited the group to tell the Club about Chamberlain-Hunt. Such opportunities provide excellent training in public speaking for Cadets as they tell about Cadet life at Chamberlain-Hunt and respond to unrehearsed questions from the audience. Crusader Clingan is the Cadet Battalion Commander and Cadet Kalos is the Executive Officer. Special guests at the Lions Club that day were Mrs. Remington and alumnus Sonny Peaster.

If you would like to help us by providing opportunities for Cadets to speak to your civic or church group, please contact LTC West at 601.437.8855 or e-mail him at jackwest@chamberlain-hunt.com to arrange a date. ■



MAJ HARRIS VISITS CUBA

“On August 13, 2005, Fidel Castro celebrated his 79th birthday. Over the last 46 years since he came to power, Castro solidified his rule. Because of his advancing age, however, many Americans are hopeful for change. Interestingly, Cubans are not so hopeful. How can that be? Would you not expect that they would be ripe for change, and eager?”

“Over the autumn break, I had the opportunity to travel to Cuba. Not many Americans have had that opportunity over the last forty-six years. The United States closed-off Cuba to American tourists and businesses because of the Cuban administration’s policies and its having seized American property during the Revolution of 1959. I was able to obtain a Humanitarian Visa to travel to Cuba. Though I went down to meet pastors and provide support for their families and work, it was not a ‘mission trip.’ I went down to practice my Spanish and study a different culture. The trip helped answer some of the questions posed above, but raised many more.

“How could the Cuban people not be eager and excited about change? I started to think about the scenario. Forty-six years is a long time to be under communist rule. I am 26 years old. My parents are 53 years old. My grandparents are 75 years old. If my family lived in Cuba, all of my life, most of my parents’ lives and a majority of my grandparents’ lives would be under communist rule. Most people in Cuba are painfully aware of the failure of the communist experiment. Especially since the fall of the U.S.S.R., the people of Cuba have seen that the state is unable to provide for all their needs. However, they know no other existence.

“The people of Cuba live in a corrupt state, saturated with suspicion. In Cuba, when you talk about ‘Uncle Fidel,’ you usually do not mention his name and never are critical of him. If you do talk about the government, it is common to look over your shoulder. After breathing that air, it becomes clear why they are

suspicious about change: Fear permeates the society. However, it is not as though hope is completely absent. I saw great joy in the Cuban people, especially expressed in their music; it is a joy that looks beyond their current circumstance. When I talked with pastors, they were not devoid of hope though they lacked confidence about the future of their nation. One pastor commented that his hope was not in the government, but in the nation whose architect and builder is God.” ■

MAJ Harris, in his third year of teaching Bible at Chamberlain-Hunt, is leading a team of Cadets to Peru in January.



MAJ Julien Jones and SGT Jeremy Roberts

announce the roster for the varsity soccer squad:

- B. Appleton (WV)
- X. Audhya (CA)
- S. Clayton (SC)
- A. Clark (MS)
- K. Clingan (MS)
- C. Dalgo (LA)
- D. Edwards (MS)
- R. Garcia (LA)
- C. Kodiak (LA)
- K. Kwarteng (GA)
- J. Lightsey (MS)
- B. Newberry (MS)
- J. Ochoa (GA)
- N. Walker (MS)
- A. Smith (GA)
- J. Smith (MS)
- K. Sullivan (MS)
- B. Weiss (NE)

Practice squad:

- O. Aitzhanov (KZ/TX)
- A. Bly (MS)
- J. Freeman (AL)
- T. Giordano (GA)
- C. Kalos (AZ)
- W. Smith (IL)
- J. Propst (AL)