CHA CHALLENGE

by LTC Quentin Johnston, Principal

s we come to the close of the first semester, it is instructive to consider the challenges we have faced and the way we have been able to meet them. Each year as Cadets come to us from a variety of schooling experiences (public, alternative, private, Christian, home), they bring with them academic records showing their successes and failures in their middle and high school careers. Many Cadets come having failed a semester, a whole year or particular classes, and each core curriculum class must be made up in order for that Cadet to graduate with the requisite number of Carnegie Units.

As members of the Mississippi Association of Independent Schools (MAIS), we require a minimum of 22 units, which must include the following: four units of English, math, science, and social studies; 4 units of electives of which 0.5 unit must be in computer. In addition we require each graduate to have one unit of a foreign language, and one unit of Bible for each year he is enrolled at Chamberlain-Hunt. We also try to ensure that Cadets have one unit of fine arts, and we encourage them to take two or three years of foreign language as this is preferred by many colleges.

All this presents a significant scheduling challenge. To illustrate, this year's senior class of 12 Cadets required the following 21 class subjects to ensure that they could all graduate on time: advanced math, algebra II, art, business math, chemistry, computer, earth science, economics, English IV, geometry, government, high school Focus, Mississippi history, music II, physical science, physics, Spanish I, U.S. history, world geography, world history, and worldview. And that's just the seniors' load!

Our teachers are busy, but where they have free hour in the day, they serve as tutors to the local girls of Brashear Hall. This has proven to be both helpful to the girls and beneficial for the teachers who enjoy the more relaxed atmosphere of the girls' program. We have also been able to provide all of our own substitutes, and I have been pleased with the inter-collegiality that has been strengthened as teachers audit other classes.

We often speak of the challenges Cadets face at Chamberlain-Hunt. Chamberlain-Hunt itself is a challenge. What is a challenge but an invitation to compete, to

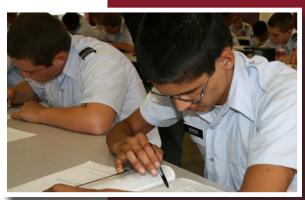
demonstrate superiority in the face of circumstances that might suggest otherwise. We in the cadre have to meet our own challenges, just as we expect the Cadets to meet theirs. I am pleased to report that while there is much yet to accomplish this year, and many obstacles yet to be overcome, I believe we—Cadets and cadre alike are facing the challenges we have with both fortitude and ingenuity. The outcome may be seen in terms of Cadet achievement, with 64% earning a GPA of 3.0 or greater and with 22% gaining 3.7 GPA or above by the end of the first quarter!



Fall 2010

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS Winter/Spring 2011

Dec 12		Phone Calls
Dec 14-16	5	Term Testing
Dec 17	Cad	lets Leave for Christmas Break
Jan 4		New Cadets Report
Jan 7		Returning Cadets Report
Jan 15		Saturday School
Jan 31-Fe	b 4	Crusader Challenge
Feb 6		Phone Calls
Feb 11		Cadets Leave for Winter Break
Feb 21		Cadets Report
Mar 9-11		Term Testing
Mar 26		Alumni Day
Mar 27		Phone Calls
Apr 1		Cadets Leave for Spring Break
Apr 11		Cadets Report
Apr 16		Expert Cadet Badge
Apr 22		Open Weekend for Easter
Apr 25		Cadets Report
May 8		Phone Calls
May 17-19	9	Term Testing
May 20		Baccalaureate
		Sports Banquet
		Awards Ceremony Senior Speeches
		Seniors' Reception
May 21		Final Pass-In-Review





FOUNDERS DAY ADDRESS

1 October 2010 Oakland Chapel Mr. Hank Remington

adets, cadre, parents, friends, alumni: Good morning and thank you for having me. Allow me first just a minute or two to tell you about myself, my connections to Chamberlain-Hunt, and my perspective as I ask you to hear me this morning.

Preparing for this has been more difficult, more emotional, and more rewarding than I ever imagined it would be – and not just because COL West gave me only two weeks notice!



I know you. I've had a son sit where you Cadets sit, a nephew with you TAC officers, and a niece as part-time staff while her husband was a teacher. I've sat through our own first interview, and a second with a friend, a single mom dealing with her son by herself. I've had the same difficult decisions to make as you parents in both starting and ending the journey at Chamberlain-Hunt, with regret that lingers to this day. I've experienced a sense of personal failure others have felt, while sharing the same hopes for a son's future. I've known at times both the thanklessness and unspeakable joy that comes with being a parent or a teacher.

I know what breaks are like and I know that long, quiet trip back. My wife and I never missed a pass-in-review, but will never forget that first year's final pass-in review, an almost overwhelming experience. I can't say we were a Chamberlain-Hunt success story ourselves, but we had a lot of phone time and emotion and prayer invested in other families. I've prayed over the phone with another father from Virginia I didn't know and will never meet, but could still taste his tears because they were mine.... I could never give Chamberlain-Hunt more than I've taken from it....

What's in a name? Chamberlain-Hunt Academy: Christian. Military. Boarding.



I don't imagine it took you Cadets very long after first stepping out of the car, to become acquainted with the "military" portion of the name. And by the time your head hit the pillow that first night, you were acquainted with the "boarding" part. But what about "Christian"? Christ, Jesus Christ – there's another name. Are you acquainted with Him yet?

As I considered Founders Day, I wondered what Jeremiah Chamberlain would have to say. He was an 1817 graduate of Princeton Theological Seminary and founder of Oakland College in 1830, CHA's predecessor school. I hope above all, just as I would charge the





present administration and cadre today, that he would make Jesus Christ known....

Why in the world would a nobody banker from Yazoo City, Mississippi come and address a distinguished group with the message, "The Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost"?

It is because I believe to the very core of my being that there is nothing more important....

Each Cadet is here for a reason and, for some, those reasons may include a terrible school situation, failing grades, a lack of effort, direction and self-discipline, learning difficulties, unhealthy distractions and relationships, or unmanageable disobedience and disrespect towards your parents.

My daughter has a very vocal soccer coach who is very audible with his directions during games. When a ball is kicked high and long or is bouncing too out of control to handle properly, you'll hear his exhortation, "settle, settle, settle." The girls know that means to get the ball under control first before attempting to redirect it any

further. CHA can help settle you and redirect you in these areas of need. You may dramatically turn around your grades, vastly improve your outward manner and demeanor, display respect for authority and exhibit teachable submission to it. I hope you will remain here to see all of these benefits permanently imbedded in your life, but you can gain all of these things, leave here with your life humming along in military precision, possess self-discipline as tight as the top sheet of a properly made bed... and still be, in the Bible terms, *lost*....

You may not yet see CHA as a place of God's mercy, nor your time here as a season of grace, but you may never have what you have here again....

To listen to Mr. Remington's Founders Day Address, or to read the full text, please visit October 13, 2010 entry on the News page on our website (http://www.chamberlain-hunt.com/index.php?page=news).

Oakland Memorial Chapel: "Seven Wonders of the HBCU World"

ounders Day is held at Oakland Memorial Chapel, the building in which Dr. Chamberlain preached. His home

stands next to the Chapel. Oakland College's property was sold to the State of Mississippi and became the campus of Alcorn State University, the first African-American land-grant college in the United States. Thus the Chapel became the site where the first white Mississippian received his college diploma in Mississippi and the place where the first black Mississippian received his diploma in Mississippi.

In August, Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) students, alumni and supporters took part in an international vote to identify the most iconic and historic emblems of HBCU culture throughout the United States. Alcorn State University's Oakland Memorial Chapel finished in second place and has been selected among the seven colleges to be featured in a multi-media documentary profiling seven iconic buildings, statues and structures serving as lasting symbols of HBCU culture.

This project will not only create a new and exciting perspective on the tradition of the selected schools, but will provide an unprecedented opportunity for exposure and insight into the college's new and exciting developments. Congratulations ASU!



































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Extra-Curricular Activities...

Each school day Cadets exit their Geometry, French, English Literature and other classes and head quickly to the last class of the day. There is often a greater excitement about this class hour than the others they attend earlier in the day. "Excited about a class?" "Why?" you ask. Because these classes are not classes at all—but clubs! Having made their choice from basketball or soccer skills, bridge, guitar, computer, choir, piano, drum corps, art, cooking, foreign language, war games, Decurion, fiction crafters, chess, film or handwriting club, Cadets are eager to be involved with activities that teach them new skills, explore



new ideas, develop their talents, or indulge an interest. You can see more photos of Cadets enjoying the clubs in the photo gallery on the website.





COLLEGE Cross-Country wins State Title

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