

# WINNING WOLVES

The Chandler Cross Country Team ran in the All-City Meet last Thursday, with outstanding performances by Alexis Nichols, Casey Filler and Pablo Hernandez. Alexis took a commanding lead early on in the 3.2 mile race, remaining in first place from start to finish. She was named the female All-City Champion, finishing well ahead of the 2nd place runner. Click here for more info. Casey Filler, a senior on the team, also earned accolades in the race, finishing in 11th place to make the All-City Team. Pablo Hernandez pushed hard for a great time during the boys race, finishing first for Chandler in 20th place. The Chandler boys team did an excellent job of running as a pack and supporting each other throughout the race, coming in close together for an awesome team finish.

Congratulations to the CHS Varsity Football Team for their 49-7 win over the Basha Bears. This win capped off a perfect 3-0 record against other Chandler high schools. Great job, Wolves!

## CHS HOME ATHLETIC EVENTS- 10/28- 11/1

- FR, JV and V Volleyball vs. Mt. Pointe at 4:00, 5:30 and 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup>
- CHS Unified Flag Football vs. Hamilton at 6:00 on Tuesday, October 29<sup>th</sup> Admission is free

### STUDENTS HONOR "MR. L" WITH BALLOON RELEASE





Chandler High para-educator Eugene Lakatos ("Mr. L" to students) died October 20. "Mr. L" touched many students' lives, and as a tribute, Student Council released 300 balloons at last Friday's football game.

Mr. Lakatos worked for the district for 22 years, starting as a substitute in 1991 at Erie Elementary. Gene, 88, had been a success in all areas of his life, yet was one of the most humble men you ever met.

At age 16 he graduated early from high school and enlisted in the Army. He served in WWII African, European, and Pacific theaters. He was in the 82nd Airborne, went to jump schools, and had ranger training. He made jumps in Sicily, Normandy and in the Philippines. He served in the Special Forces in Korea and Vietnam. Gene received more than 65 medals including the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart.

Eugene held a bachelor's degree from Arizona and was hired by the university as a soils scientist with his own lab at their experimental farm in Yuma and later in Maricopa. While in Yuma, he was active with the FFA and 4H. He also taught a class at Arizona Western Community College. Gene received his masters from NAU in 1987 at the age of 63, and in 2000, earned his teaching certificate and began substituting.

Soon after, he found the joy of being a para-educator in special education and was so exceptional as a volunteer that he was hired on full-time. At the Chandler High class of 2011 graduation ceremony, he was the first recipient of the school's new "Tradition of Excellence" award. "Mr. L" was truly a hero in the classroom, because with his background and experiences he could be doing anything, at age 88 he could even be retired, but he chose to be there for the kids.

### CHS'S BLUE ANGELS WALK FOR A CAUSE

On October 26<sup>th</sup>, ten CHS staff members participated in the American Cancer Society's "Making Strides against Breast Cancer" 3-mile walk. The "Blue Angels" sported their pink duds and walked together to support each other, friends and family members who have been touched by cancer.





Mrs. Kandaris, Mrs. Martin, Mrs. Barthelme, Mrs. Wilson, Mrs. Bender, Mrs. Pippins, Mrs. Scheeland, Mrs. Graffeo, Mrs. Shaw, and Mrs. Nelson sporting their pink "C-Wolf" shirts

## **CHOIR CONCERT**

On Thursday, October 24<sup>th</sup>, our CHS choirs (Treble Makers, Men's Chamber and Chorale) performed in the "Scottsdale Chorus Go for The Gold" Show. This is the barbershop chorus of adult women (and a few CHS students and alums!) that will be competing for the world championships in November. The evening featured both of the competition sets Scottsdale will present at the competition, plus a quartet going to international, and our terrific choir students! Congratulations to Lori Lyford, CHS Choir Conductor, for an amazing concert!

### FFA PRESENTS PUMPKIN LESSONS

Mr. Rother joined our FFA students to read and present pumpkin lessons at CTA Goodman on October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Over the course of five days last week, FFA students presented pumpkin lessons to 45 classes, 1125 students, and 5 feeder elementary schools. Great job, FFA!





#### **CALLING ALL CHS BAND ALUMNI**

This year is the CHS Band's 75th Anniversary and we're hosting a banquet to celebrate this important milestone. The banquet will be held December 6th on the one and only Austin Field! Were you a member of the CHS Band, or do you know someone who is an alumnus of the program? Please help the band spread the word! For more info and to rsvp, click <a href="hete">here</a>.



### **CHS TURKEY DRIVE**

Chandler High School is participating in the Chandler CARE Center's annual turkey and non-perishables drive to support Family Assistance Day on November 23<sup>rd</sup>. CHS's goal is to collect 100 of each item on the CARE Center's needs list. Why 100? The "Chandler 100's" goals are in recognition of our school's 100<sup>th</sup> year and upcoming centennial celebration. Click here to view a flyer promoting the drive. Please note that all collections must be complete by November 15<sup>th</sup>. Contact the CHS Activities Office at 480-812-7735 with inquiries, and thank you for supporting our efforts!

## **COLLEGE VISITS**

CHS students interested in attending the following presentations by visiting college reps may sign up in the Career Center:

- Embry Riddle- Wednesday, October 30 @ 8:30 a.m.
- Grand Canyon University- GET ON THE BUS- Thursday, October 31- See Mrs. Thoren in the Career Center for more info
- Northern Arizona University (NAU)- Wednesday, November 6 @ 8:30 a.m.
- The University of Arizona- Wednesday, November 6 @ 9:45 a.m.
- FIDM- Thursday, November 7@ 8:30 a.m.

- ASU Pre-Health/Pre-Law- Thursday, November 7 @ 9:30 a.m.
- Santa Fe Art School- Tuesday, November 19 @ 10:00 a.m.
- Mesa Community College- Tuesday, November 26 @ 9:30 a.m.
- Grand Canyon University (GCU)- Thursday, December 5 @ 8 a.m.