

RHS Weekly View

A TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

12/20/2013



Students in Monika Richardson's class learn computer coding, the language of technology and the modern world, during Ridgewood High School's Hour of Code, on December 11.



The Ridgewood High School Orchestra performs for their annual winter concert on December 18. The RHS Choir and Orchestra both had their annual seasonal concerts this past week. The RHS Band concert took place last week.

FAST FACTS...

AHLISA , American History, Literature, and Integrated Study of the Arts, is a selective two-year program of the Arts, English, and Social Studies.

An Hour of Code, a Lifetime Skill

Over three hundred Ridgewood High School students and faculty participated in the Hour of Code for Computer Science Education Week. Together each student wrote over ten thousand lines of code.

"It's a cool way to make stuff that you can actually play," said student Matthew M., who completed seventy-nine lines of code.

Information, commerce, communication, and entertainment all rely on computers, but only a tiny fraction of people learn computer science, the basics of how computers work, or how to create software, apps, or web sites. The Hour of Code is an opportunity for students to try computer science for one hour.

"It's not as hard to understand as you think," said Sophia F., who wrote eighty-four lines.

For more information on computer science and the Hour of Code, check out their website, www.code.org.



Students pose after their Hour of Code. Combined RHS students wrote more than ten thousand lines of code.

Upcoming

December 20:
Mini-New Players;
3:30 pm; Little Theater

December 20:
Hoops Varsity Double
Header; 5:30 pm;
Gym 1

December 23:
Minimum Day

Dec 24 to Jan 2:
School Closed

December 25:
CHRISTMAS

January 1:
NEW YEARS

January 4:
Regional Band/Choir/
Orchestra Concert;
9:00 AM, Paramus HS

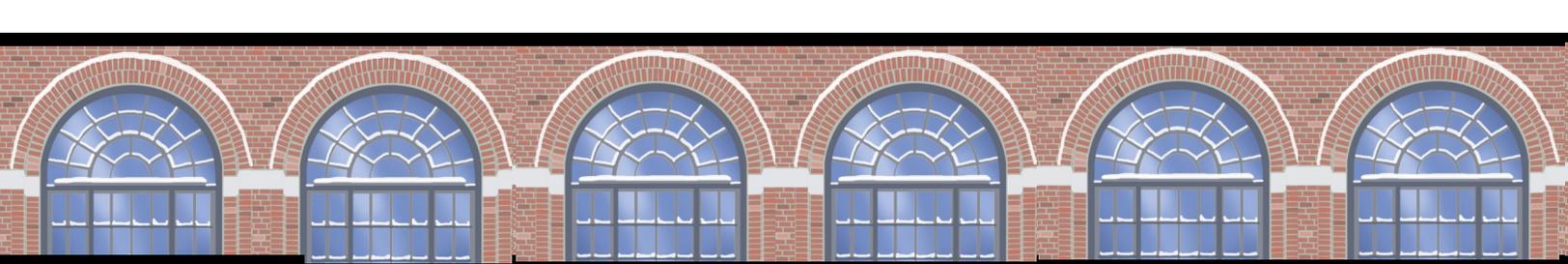
January 6 to 7:
Juniors and Seniors
Meet with Counselors

January 8 to 13:
Freshmen meet with
Counselors.

January 7:
DECA Regional
Competition, Ramapo

HAVE A GREAT BREAK

On behalf of Ridgewood High School we would like to wish all the students, staff, and families out there a happy and healthy winter break and a great New Year.



Sukeo Ros talks with students via Skype about his experiences as a dancer, his visits to Cambodia, and growing up as a refugee.

Dancing for a Cause

On December 20, Sukeo Ros spoke to the Cambodia Club about his experiences in Cambodia. Ros is a dancer and has volunteered in his home country with organizations such as Tiny Toons, which uses dance to help less fortunate children get an education with a basis in dance.

Ros spoke with the club and answered student questions. A professional dancer, he often volunteers to use his craft to help out those in need.



Four Ridgewood High School seniors perform at the AM Rotary in Ridgewood on December 19. Mark Perfect and Keiko Nagami on the violin, Michael Lai on the viola, and Michael Baek on the cello entertained the crowd with classic seasonal favorites.

Course Highlight: Us History II Honors



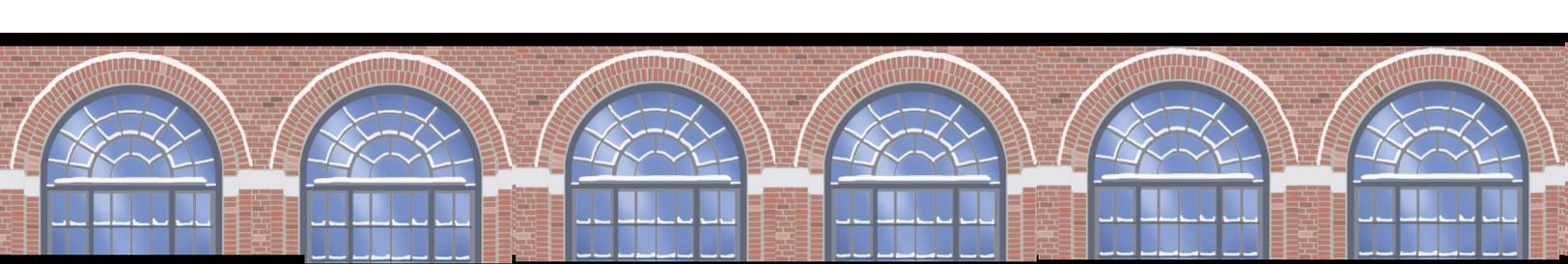
Finalists, Justin Frasche and David Barden, congratulate each other in Patrick Bernardo's US History II Honors class, where the students participated in the Greatest American Debate. A culminating assignment, students are assigned one person from the Progressive Era. The debates took the form of a single-elimination round-robin tournament. Civil rights activist Ida Wells and former business owner and mayor 'Golden Rule' Jones both took home the titles.

US History II Honors is the second half of a two-year sequence. Continuing the survey of American History begun in the sophomore year, the class deals with the major events, which have shaped and molded our nation in the twentieth and twenty-first centuries. As in the case of United States History I, the course is intended to meet the requirements established by the State of New Jersey, and the district-wide curriculum frameworks, and examines the ever-changing political scene, as well as social and economic developments. The class pays particular attention to world affairs, major wars, and contemporary problems and conflicts both internal and external, an understanding of which is a prerequisite to their solution.

RPS POLICY CORNER: Fire and Safety Drills

State regulations mandate one fire drill and one safety drill per month which are held to accustom students and staff to proper procedure in case of an emergency. Order and absolute silence should be maintained. Students are expected to follow all directions and remain with their classroom teacher.

Quiet discussion is permitted once the classes have reached their assigned positions. Failure to behave appropriately during a fire drill will result in referral to the Grade Advisor.



A Window Into Ridgewood High School



Students in Dr. Karen Walter's forensic class build a structure that will help them in the study of blood splatter patterns.



Christina Gieselmann and Shoko Nagami test their balloon rockets during Christopher Mitchell's Honors Physics class, as part of an assignment to investigate Newton's Laws of Motion, most specifically his third law.



Students in English 9 use their smart phones to research allusions in Romeo and Juliet.

No-Shave November Comes to Clean Shaven End



Faculty and staff of Ridgewood High School took part in No-Shave November by daring the male staff members to go one month without shaving. Students were then asked to vote on who had the best beard, with funds going to benefit the GI Go Fund for returning veterans, by helping them find employment, housing, and education.

The winner was RHS social studies teacher and beard enthusiast John Domville. Thank you to everyone who helped out.



Ridgewood High School under a blanket of falling snow. Winter is here, and it promises to be a white wintery break.



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