

RHS HSA eNews – November 4, 2013

We had a great turnout for our first meeting HSA meeting and we are looking forward to a productive year.

HSA Meeting: Tuesday, November 12 at 7:30 pm, RHS Library

Topic: Getting Started with College Planning and New Tools on Naviance

Please join us at our last HSA meeting of 2013. Jeff Nyhuis, Assistant Principal, will lead a discussion on getting started with college planning at the different grade levels. He will also highlight the new tools available on Naviance. In addition to our special topic, we will hear what's going on at the high school from RHS Principal, Dr. Gorman and Assistant Principal Basil Pizzuto.

The RHS Directory is Ready!

Directories have been mailed. Special thanks go out to our directory volunteers, Erin Ades, Maureen Burke, Barbara Crowe, and Karen Feder, and to the many volunteers who assisted in proofreading.

Last Call for HSA Membership and Directory Orders

To those of you who have paid your RHS HSA membership dues – thank you for supporting the RHS HSA. To those of you who have not paid, there is still time to pay your dues and receive a student directory. Deadline to pay is December 1st. Please mail a check for \$25 payable to “RHS HSA” to Maureen Burke 240 Lotte Road, Ridgewood.

Project Graduation -14

A large warehouse-type of facility in or close to Ridgewood is needed to build the PG-14 sets starting in January and continuing through June. Last year's Project Graduation used a vacant facility in Allendale, but that site is no longer available. PG-14 will pay all utilities and insurance. If you know of a location that might be available, please email Nancy Scanlon at nscanlon@ggsfirm.com.

PG2014 Raffle

Please see the attached flyer for information about the PG2014 raffle that is open to the entire school!

Stop & Shop A+ School Rewards Program

RHS has been enrolled in this program for several years with very low participation. We can earn money each time our families and friends shop at any Stop & Shop store. Please encourage your family and friends to register their cards and designate Ridgewood High School to receive the points which convert to cash at the conclusion of the program. Just log on to www.stopandshop.com/aplus and chose “Register your Card” from the A+ menu found under “Our Stores” online or dial 1-877-275-2758 to register your card over the phone. Taking just a minute of your time to register can make a huge difference to our school and it doesn't cost you anything!

Swim Team Fundraiser for Thanksgiving

Put away that prepared pie crust this year and support the Ridgewood High School swim team. Swim team members are selling pies as a fundraiser to help raise money for swim equipment and college scholarships. The pies- apple, blueberry crumb, pecan and pumpkin - come fresh from a bakery and cost \$15 each. They were a hit last year with customers. Please call 201-421-7210 to place an order. Orders need to be in by Nov. 4th. Swimmers will deliver the pies to your home Monday, Nov. 25th, just in time for Thanksgiving.

“Maroon and White” Dinner and Auction

Join in the fun as the RHS Football Scholarship Committee hosts the second annual beefsteak dinner and auction on Saturday, November 16th at 7:00pm at The Ridgewood Women’s Club. The event serves as a key fundraiser to support the activities of the committee and is open to all who support the RHS Football Team. The evening will be an exciting one of raffles, auctions and prizes, but most of all a time to celebrate with our community and our fellow football families and fans.

You can purchase tickets for the dinner online at www.ridgewoodfootball.org, at the merchandising tent during at home games or mail checks made out to RHS FSC to P.O. Box 1338 Ridgewood, NJ 07451-1338. Any questions, please email Brian.Martin@adp.com.

Hospitality Committee

Many thanks to the families who generously donated items or baked goods for the October 14th Faculty Meeting: Beirne, Bolduc, Callaghan, Casale, Chang, Clark, Criqui, Delaney, Dreier, Fischer, Granski, Haas, Hall-Goldman, Hammer, Kearney, Kumar, Lowy, Marchini, Mazzo, McDade, Meyer, Miller, Mullen, Olson, Pillai. Powers, Ragulan, Reis, Ricciardi, Simpson, Sofka, Stier, Testa, Trattner & Weil.

The Hospitality committee will be providing breakfast for the faculty on Wednesday morning, November 6th. We would love to have some volunteers to help us set up at 7am in the Campus Center, clean up at 10:30am, and/or donate an item for the breakfast. It’s a great way to say thank you for all the teachers and staff at RHS do for our kids. If you would like contribute and are not already on our email list, please contact either Becky Simpson at simpsonorg@aol.com or Annette Testa at testa.family@verizon.net and we will include you in our email group. Specific details will be sent out one week prior to the event. Thanks for your help!

Learning Commons Update

No news from the State of New Jersey.

Freshman Parents: Mark Your Calendar for January 7, 2014

In time for 2014-15 course selections, the HSA meeting scheduled for January 7th will explore the various special academic programs available to sophomores at RHS, including: RAHP (Ridgewood Academy for Health Professions), American Studies and

AHLISA (American History and Literature with Integrated Study in the Arts.) Teachers and students involved in these programs will be on hand to explain what each program offers, the application process and what is expected of students. Department Heads will also be in attendance to discuss course placement and curriculum updates.

Panel Presentation: Mathematics in the Professional World Mathematics is the next curriculum up for review in the district's 5-year subject rotation. As a part of this review, this event will take place in the Education Center on Tuesday, December 3rd from 7:30-9:00pm.

Wizards Game – Save the date – January 31, 2014

The annual tradition pits Ridgewood staff against the Wizards basketball team for an evening of fun in support of the Federated Home and School Association. Ticket information will be forthcoming.

Enjoy the break!