

# Mustang Messenger

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## Presidents' Message

Dear RHS Families,

Many of you attended the recent budget meeting at Redmond High (or one at a neighborhood school), and/or completed the district's online survey prioritizing budget items. Thank you for that input and support of public education. It is indeed a time of difficult choices for our district. Be assured that PTSA will continue to be a strong partner with the district in providing the very best education possible for all of our kids.

Speaking of providing.....at the April 15 General Meeting, PTSA voted on the funds requests received during our annual "Needs Assessment". This is when teachers supply a "wish list" of things they need, and PTSA has the fun of granting these wishes! This year, we approved the following requests: \$1500 for ten monitors for the computer lab (the old ones were so outdated that kids couldn't tell what their self-designed websites looked like), \$300 for three high-weight balances for biology, chemistry and physics classes, \$255 for flip charts and telescoping easels for DECA classes, \$500 for a library of books for a new science class on Sustainability and Design, \$544 for timing bars for the Knowledge Bowl Team, \$200 for printing supplies for the library so that kids can use the printer there, and \$52 for printing supplies for the special ed dept. This year we were able to fully fund every request received, except for the computer lab, which received a partial request (their original request was for up to 18 monitors and we funded 10).

Also at our General Meeting, elections were held to vote on incoming executive committee members for the 2009-2010 school year. Officers next year will be: Lois Hiskey and Inez Mobley (Co-Presidents), Mary Dougherty (VP of Programs), Barb Nappen (VP of Services), Sally Whitaker (Secretary) and Kathy Dennis (Treasurer). Thank you to the Nominating Committee (Inez Mobley, Cindy Swanson and Melinda Wilson) for their work in recruiting these volunteers! We are now in the process of forming committees for next year. If you are interested in learning more about being on a committee, please contact Lois Hiskey ([dhiskey@aol.com](mailto:dhiskey@aol.com)) or Inez Mobley ([bmobley@att.net](mailto:bmobley@att.net)) for more information.

PTSA is hosting a parent education program on "Teen Stress" on Monday, May 18 at 7 pm in the Library. This is sure to be a worthwhile evening. Thanks to Parent Ed Coordinator Joanne

Hall for organizing this event!

Our next General Meeting will be on Wednesday, May 20 at 7pm in the Library. At this meeting, we will award two \$1000 student scholarships and present PTSA awards to deserving volunteers. We will also approve the budget for next year. All PTSA members are invited to attend!

Many of you have inquired about sophomore student Jessie Follett, who was seriously injured in a car accident on March 24. RHS Cheer is organizing a spaghetti dinner and auction benefit on Sat. May 2 from 4-6 pm to help the Folletts with medical expenses. Look for details in the newsletter. If you are interested in helping the Follett family, a fund has been set up at US Bank. Contact Deena Polk ([deenapolk@hotmail.com](mailto:deenapolk@hotmail.com)) for details. As a school community, we hold Jessie in our thoughts and wish her a speedy recovery!

Go Stangs!  
Lois Hiskey and Deena Polk  
PTSA Co-Presidents

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**Mustang Messenger**

The Mustang Messenger is the newsletter of Redmond High School PTSA. It is published once a month throughout the school year. The purpose of the newsletter is to report information from the PTSA and RHS staff to the school community.

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**Next deadline is May 14th.**

**Jessica Follett Fundraiser****Spaghetti Feed and Silent Auction**

Take the night off from cooking on Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00pm to 6:00pm and join the community at Redmond High Italiano for a Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction. All proceeds will be donated to the Jessica Follett Fund. Redmond High student, Jessie Follett was in a serious car accident on March 24<sup>th</sup>. Since waking up from a coma on April 5<sup>th</sup>, Jessie is continuing to astound her family and friends with her brave efforts to recover. A fund has been established to help with the medical expenses that are mounting.

**Wanted ~ Prizes For Grad Night!**

The Senior Grad Night Celebration Committee is currently seeking donations from businesses, community leaders and parents for prizes for the seniors attending the Grad Night Celebration on June 11<sup>th</sup>. Gift cards, sport tickets, CD's, CD players, iPods, movie passes or ANYTHING a graduate would enjoy would be greatly appreciated! If you would like to provide a tax-deductible donation of an item, please contact: Deena Polk at 898-7070 or [deenapolk@hotmail.com](mailto:deenapolk@hotmail.com)

**PTSA Treasurer's Report - April 2009**

PTSA Checking Account Balance \$14,066.88

Grad Night Account Balance \$7,139.25

Baccalaureate Account Balance \$673.73

CD Account Balance \$10,000

*Peg Hunt Garing, Treasurer*

## Parent Education

*Date: Monday, May 18, 2009*

*Time: 7:00 – 9:00 PM*

*Location: Redmond High School Performing Arts Center*

### **Teen Stress**

Times have changed a great deal since you were a teenager. According to a recent survey, 43% of 13- to 14-year-olds say they feel stressed every single day; by ages 15 to 17, the number rises to 59%. The [day-to-day pressures teens experience](#), such as the pressure to fit in and to be successful, can lead to stress. This presentation will address:

- The many sources of stress in teens' lives
- How stress impacts teens; common outlets for stress (healthy and unhealthy)
- As a parent, how to recognize the signs of too much stress
- What are the risk factors for anxiety & depression; which factors can parents influence?

How can parents best support their teens to build the resiliency to carry into adulthood?

**Kelly Schloredt, Ph.D** and **Gretchen Gudmundsen, Ph.D**, psychologists on the medical, research and teaching staff at the Child & Adolescent Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine Department at Seattle Children's Hospital and the University of Washington School of Medicine will discuss this topic. Their research and patient care experiences have emphasized stress, coping and depression in youth, as well as behavioral treatment for adolescent mood disorder. Dr. Schloredt is currently a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Medicine at the University of Washington School of Medicine and is the Clinical Director of the Inpatient Psychiatry Unit at Seattle Children's Hospital. Dr. Gudmundsen is currently a postdoctoral fellow at the University of Washington & Seattle Children's Hospital and will be transitioning to an Acting Assistant Professor position in the fall.

Recommended for parents of students 12 and above

This program is sponsored by Redmond High & Redmond Junior High PTSAs

Questions? Contact Joanne Hall at [jjjahall@juno.com](mailto:jjjahall@juno.com)

- **Parents: Your Input Needed on Career and Technical Education, Resources, Information**

The LWSD is conducting research in an effort to better help students and parents navigate graduation requirements while planning for high school and beyond. Results of this survey will be used to develop tools that will be available for students and parents to use when planning course schedules, assessing career options and planning for post-secondary education. To take the survey, go to <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB228UCC62FYK>.

- **Annual District Parent Survey Now Open**

Every year, the Lake Washington School District asks parents for their input on how the district and schools are doing, in terms of educating students, communicating with parents, or providing the right environment for learning. This information helps the district and schools to focus on continuous improvement efforts. This year's survey will open on April 20, at <http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB228UAEAZA7N> <<https://mail.lwsd.org/exchweb/bin/redir.asp?URL=http://www.zoomerang.com/Survey/?p=WEB228UAEAZA7N>>. The survey will be available through May 8. Please take just a few minutes and let us know what you think.

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## RHS PTSA Meeting Minutes Summary

Sally Whitaker, PTSA Secretary

A General Membership meeting was held on April 15, 2009. The following slate of officers was accepted for the 2009-2010 school year: Co-Presidents - Lois Hiskey and Inez Mobley, VP Programs – Mary Dougherty, VP Services – Barb Nappen, Secretary – Sally Whitaker, Treasurer – Kathy Dennis. Jane Todd gave the Principal's Report. She discussed the situation with the upcoming LWSD budget cuts. Peg Hunt, Treasurer, distributed a report that showed we have \$14,066.88 in our checking account. A Resolution was passed to support any fundraising efforts for injured student Jessica Follett. The Treasurer's Report and more detailed minutes can be found on the PTSA website, [www.redmondhsptsa.org](http://www.redmondhsptsa.org).

## From the Principal—Jane Todd, Principal

Dear Parents:

It turns out I lied in my last letter. There will be one more cautionary tale: this one.

We recently received the results of the Healthy Youth Survey our district administers every year or so. We give it to our 10<sup>th</sup> graders and our 12<sup>th</sup> graders and when results are reported out, we receive their responses as well as how 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders across the state responded.

When parents new to high school ask me whether RHS has a drug or alcohol problem, my stock answer tends to be, “Of course. Do you know any small town of 1500 people anywhere that doesn’t have its share of people who struggle with drug and alcohol use?” I go on to say that we do not have unusually high percentages in comparison to other schools, but we are certainly not exempt. I often add that it is far better, in my opinion, for a school to acknowledge its struggles with this issue than to pretend the problem does not exist.

All of that remains true, and maybe the survey arrived when I was feeling particularly sensitive, but I have to say I was still shocked by the numbers. Please don’t misunderstand: I wasn’t surprised. I was shocked. I wasn’t surprised because my experience in listening to our students prepared me for what the results would show. But it still shocks me that even one student would drink five or six drinks in a row, or would drink and drive, given all the education we have thrown at them.

I don’t think I’m naïve. I understand adolescents pretty well. I know they think they’re immortal, but still . . .

It was shocking to see the differences between 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders as well. When I asked myself why that is, I have to say that the first thought that came to mind was “Cars.” That is most likely over-simplifying, but I still think it’s a major factor.

RHS’ numbers are fairly consistently a bit lower across the board than the state’s, except in a couple notable cases.

By the time you read this, you will be able to access on our website the spreadsheet I am preparing of selected items from the survey. The survey itself is very long and comes disaggregated by 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> graders, so, for presentation and comparison purposes, I re-aggregated and showed 10<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, local and state, side-by-side. I am leaving out sections that are not as obviously crucial, but which are still important nonetheless when we begin to look for solutions. If any of you are interested in looking at the entire survey, please let me know.

I want you to know how hard I had to wrestle with myself about posting this on our website. Part of my job is to present RHS in its best light. I am very aware of image and how important it is that all of us in the RHS community speak in positive terms about our school. However, you need to know what our students are saying. I can’t very well state that it is better for a school to acknowledge its struggles than pretend the problem

does not exist, and then pretend the problem does not exist by making no mention of it.

We will be sharing these results with our students during the month of May in preparation for an assembly on not drinking and driving, prepared by the Redmond Police Department for us. We scheduled that assembly, as we normally do, just before prom. We hope the visual images and the discussion will be enough to stop some who would otherwise make a potentially life-impacting decision.

But we know they think they’re immortal.

I can’t pretend to have a perfect solution to this, but I do know where I would start looking for one: I would make the messages young people get as consistent as is humanly possible. I think you’ll see what I mean when you look at the survey.

As usual, thanks for listening.

Sincerely,  
Jane

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*Lloyd Higgins, Associate Principal*

## Graduation Information for Parents/Guardians of Graduating Students

As we approach the last few weeks of your student’s high school experience, you may want to be aware of the following information concerning the Moving-Up Assembly, Graduation Ceremony, and the events that will occur on June 11<sup>th</sup>.

**MOVING-UP ASSEMBLY-** *Tuesday, June 9th at 8:30am* in the RHS Gym. This assembly is a celebration to honor seniors for academic, athletic and ASB awards.

**GRADUATION REHEARSAL-** *Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup>. Buses will leave RHS at 8:30am for rehearsal at Key Arena.* Please remind your seniors that the rehearsal is **mandatory** in order to participate in graduation.

**GRADUATION CEREMONY-** We are committed to presenting a first-class commencement program at Key Arena in Seattle *Thursday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 7:30pm.* In order to participate in the commencement program, students will need to follow these procedures:

- **Dress:** Boys must wear shirts with collars. Ties are recommended. Girls should wear a dress, skirt or nice slacks. Students will not be allowed to alter or add to the graduation caps or gowns. No leis are permitted to be worn.
- **Behavior:** Since the graduation exercises serve a serious purpose, students exhibiting inappropriate behavior at graduation or rehearsal will not be allowed to participate in the graduation ceremony.

- The event held at Key Arena is school sponsored. Therefore inappropriate behavior will lead to disciplinary action including ejection from the arena.
- Drug/Alcohol Possession, Use and Paraphernalia: Please be proactive with your students to avoid the temptation to use drugs or alcohol. The consequence for possession, use or being under the influence of drugs or alcohol on school grounds or during school sponsored events is a 45-day suspension from school.

#### AT KEY ARENA:

- Graduates are to report to the Thomas Street entrance at Key Arena by 6:00 pm. No guests are allowed in the Graduation Staging area.
- Doors will open for audience at 6:30pm. To enter, use the west or east doors.
- Tickets will be collected before entering the ceremony. In lieu of a ticket, guests may show an RHS Graduation Invitation. One ticket or invitation admits an entire family.
- Food concessions will be closed. Key Arena does not allow food or beverages to be brought in.

**BUSES TO KEY ARENA:** If you want to ride a school bus to Key Arena, you must purchase a round-trip ticket from the bookkeeper by *Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup>*. Buses will be available for parents and graduates leaving RHS at 5:00 pm at \$7.00 per person.

**PARKING AT KEY ARENA:** Off-site pay lots and street parking are available. Disabled parking is located at the First Avenue North garage Lot 3 directly south of Key Arena and the Second Avenue Lot 6 on Mercer Street.

These rules and guidelines are very simple. We desire to present a dignified and meaningful ceremony for the students. By working together we can be sure that our students will look back upon their graduation with pride.

**P.S. SENIOR FINES MUST BE PAID IN ORDER TO COMPLETE CHECKOUT PROCEDURES AND PARTICIPATE IN THE COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES. DIPLOMAS MAY BE PICKED UP AT RHS ON FRIDAY AND MONDAY 12 NOON TO 3:00 PM, AFTER THE GRADUATION CEREMONY.**



## Empowering Vs Enabling

Tena Youngberg, CDP, NCAC

Drug/Alcohol Intervention Specialist

As parents we all want the best for our kids. Sometimes thinking we are doing the right thing or by wanting to protect them from consequences, we allow them to continue with unhealthy behaviors. This interferes with the growth process that is so important for adolescents. It is also called enabling. The goal is to empower kids to make healthy choices.

### When we empower we:

- Encourage kids to be responsible for their choices
- Provide opportunities to practice life skills
- Allow learning experiences and personal growth
- Reinforce self-esteem and self-confidence
- Encourage kids to learn how to set limits for themselves

### When we enable we:

- Allow and encourage kids to be irresponsible
- Prevent opportunities to function effectively
- Protect from the consequences of their choices
- Accept excuses instead of enforcing consequences
- Allow unhealthy behavior to continue

## Counselors' Corner

Students are assigned counselors based on their last name.

<i>A-E</i>	<i>CHERYL DENNIS</i>
<i>F-Ld</i>	<i>JENNIFER MARTINSON</i>
<i>Le-Rh</i>	<i>ELLEN ZAMBROWSKY-HULS</i>
<i>Ri-Z</i>	<i>ANITA PAGE</i>

### Grades and Spring

As the days get warmer, many of our students find their thoughts turning to summer activities. Seniors especially often have a difficult time keeping themselves on track. Please remind your student that the school year is not quite over yet and they still have plenty of work to do! Use Webgrader to keep up with your student's progress, and if you have specific concerns do contact your student's teachers to see how they can improve before the end of the year. **Remember, seniors must have all graduation requirements completed (including all level 5 essays and Culminating Project) or they will not be allowed to walk at the graduation ceremony!** Also, colleges require a final high school transcript sent to check second semester grades and they do reserve the right to rescind acceptances if students show lack of progress.

Sophomores and juniors do have the option of taking missing credits through summer school. Please see below for more summer school information.

### Scholarship News

If your student has already been offered a scholarship to a college, **please inform the Counseling Center** by bringing a copy of the award letter to Mrs. LaBrie **no later than May 13th**. It doesn't matter if your student plans to attend that particular school; please tell us anyway. This is the only way your student will receive recognition in the graduation program.

Seniors are encouraged to pick up our Scholarship Bulletin either in the career center or online and look it over for possibilities. Sandy Davidson, our career specialist, updates the scholarship newsletter every few weeks, and she says there are still plenty of opportunities available! Applying for scholarships is self initiated; the counselors encourage your student to take the time and apply to those scholarships that appear to match his/her qualifications. Scholarship committees are not always looking for a 4.0 student. They could be looking for your student.

### Post High School Plans

Seniors are asked to stop by the Counseling Center and tell us their post high school plans - where they plan on going to college (including 4 year, community college or trade school), if they are going into the military, if they have big travel plans, or if they are going to work. We would like to add them to our "Going Places" map! Please make sure your student registers their post high school plans with the counseling office by May 20.

### Counseling Center Website

In order to provide more access to resources, we are adding more to our website. Currently our course catalogue, list of on-line resources for post-high school planning, pre-registration information and video, and planning hints for 10-12 grade are all available through the counseling section of Redmond High School's website, <http://schools.lwsd.org/rhs/>. We encourage you and your student to access these resources!

### Advanced Placement

Advanced Placement exams are scheduled for May 4 through May 22. Students have been preparing for their exams with their teachers. Of course, it goes without saying that students need to get a good night's sleep and eat a good breakfast the day of their tests. Being aware of the time and location, what materials to bring, and the testing procedures will help reduce test anxiety. Reading the registration materials passed out in March or referring to the College Board website will also help. Students are encouraged to leave early and allow plenty of time to drive to Lake Washington Technical College. Students are reminded that they CAN NOT leave any test early for any reason. The College Board has very strict rules regarding testing procedures, including no cell phones or other electronic devices. All students must bring their receipt of payment and photo identification (either a driver's license or student body card with a picture) in order to enter the testing room. Congratulations to each student who has stretched, struggled, and survived each of these demanding college level courses. Good luck to each of them!!!

### Summer School

Registration information for Lake Washington School District Summer School is now available on line through the Lake Washington

School District website! Registration dates are May 18-June 26. This is an excellent chance for your student to earn missing credits or increase skills for next year. Please refer to the district website or counseling office for more information.

### Summer Travel

As your family makes summer travel plans please keep in mind opportunities for your student to investigate post high school options. If your travels take you past technical schools, community colleges, or 4 year colleges or universities, maybe carve out some time to just walk through the campus. Even on informal tour like this can open your student's eyes to possibilities that they might not have considered before!

### Summer Enrichment Programs on College Campuses

Is your student interested in learning more about medical research or how to write the perfect novel? There are many summer programs for sophomores and juniors available through college and universities across the country. Many of these programs take place on college campuses allowing students a taste of what the college experience will be like. If your student is interested in summer programs, you can refer to university websites or see Mrs. Davidson in the Career Center for options and ideas.

#### TEST DATES FOR 2008-2009

#### OUR RHS CODE IS 480-978

	Test Date	Registration Deadline
<b>SAT</b>	June 6, 2009	May 15, 2009
<b>ACT</b>	June 13, 2009	May 8, 2009

Juniors – please note that the spring test dates for both the SAT and ACT tend to fill up early, so be sure to register for the date you want early or you may not get the site or date you prefer!

#### DATES TO REMEMBER

May 4 – May 20	Advanced Placement Exams
June 11	Graduation



The Lake Washington Schools Foundation  
Board of Trustees cordially invites you to the  
4<sup>th</sup> Annual "Legacy for Learning" Luncheon

Wednesday, May 13, 2009

Juanita High School

10601 N.E. 132<sup>nd</sup>, Kirkland, WA 98034

11:00 am Registration

Student Project Displays & Rose Hill Junior High Symphonic Band  
12:00 - 1:15 pm Lunch & Program

Featuring Hall of Fame Astronaut George "Pinky" Nelson

Current Director of the Science, Math and Technology Education program at Western Washington University

Come hear how the students in the Lake Washington School District have been impacted by the generosity of our community.

Since March 2005, we have raised over \$580,000 in support of:

New Teacher Grants • Classroom School Enrichment Grants • Science Enrichment  
Access Fund • LINKS Mentoring and Tutoring

Your lunch is complimentary.

A suggested donation of \$150 will be requested to support Foundation programs  
for the 24,000 students served in the Lake Washington School District.

RSVP's due **April 29<sup>th</sup>** to Lois Hiskey at [dhiskey@aol.com](mailto:dhiskey@aol.com)

To volunteer at the luncheon, get more information or attend, please contact  
(425) 702-3414 [luncheon@lwsf.org](mailto:luncheon@lwsf.org) or visit our Website [www.lwsf.org](http://www.lwsf.org)

*\*In recognition of your generosity, Table Captains and Corporate Sponsors will be invited to an exclusive event on  
Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at the home of Dr. Chip Kimball, Superintendent of the Lake Washington School District.*

# REDMOND HIGH SCHOOL

# Commemorative Bricks

Redmond High School is proud to offer the RHS community an opportunity to leave their lasting legacy with Redmond High School. *Ordering a commemorative brick makes a great senior graduation gift and cements students' time at RHS – right into stone.* Each brick will be placed in the courtyard to showcase the memories of members of the Mustang family and will become a permanent part of Redmond High School. These make great graduation gifts!

### Order your brick today. It's easy!

1. Fill out the form below
2. Remember that each brick may have a maximum of two lines with 16 characters per line – including spaces
3. Initials or acronyms – other than in names – will not be permitted
4. Make your check payable to RHS. The cost is \$45 per brick.

Send your payment and this form to:

Redmond High School DECA  
 Commemorative Bricks  
 17272 NE 104<sup>th</sup> Street  
 Redmond, WA 98052

If you have any questions regarding the bricks, call 425-498-7156 or e-mail [gbrady@lwsd.org](mailto:gbrady@lwsd.org) with “Bricks” as your subject line.

<p><b>NAME:</b> _____                  (please print clearly)</p> <p><b>ADDRESS:</b> _____                  _____</p> <p><b>PHONE #:</b> _____</p> <p><b>EMAIL:</b> _____</p> <p><b>LINE ONE:</b></p> <p><b>LINE TWO:</b></p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><b><u>FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY</u></b></p> <p style="text-align: center;">PAYMENT INFORMATION</p> <p>CHECK # _____</p> <p># OF BRICKS ORDERED: _____</p> <p>TOTAL AMOUNT OF ORDER:                  _____</p>
<p><b>*Redmond High reserves the right to refuse any inappropriate wording submissions.</b></p>	



### Senior "Grad Night" Celebration 2009



**PARENTS! DON'T LET YOUR STUDENT MISS THIS FUN EVENT!**  
**STUDENTS! DON'T MISS THE BEST SENIOR CELEBRATION YET!**

Graduation is right around the corner, do you have your senior signed up for the event of a lifetime? A Redmond High School tradition for over the years, the Senior Class Celebration gives the graduating class the opportunity to honor their achievement and celebrate one last time with their classmates. The evening has become a much planned and anticipated event, culminating in an "all-nighter" of secret destinations and non-stop fun with the opportunity for wonderful memories. The Grad Night Committee hopes each student wishing to attend will consider it one of the highlights of their high school years.

The evening begins with bus transportation to the venues on June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2009 following the graduation ceremony. Students will load buses starting at **10:00PM** in front of **Key Arena**. Students will be transported and entertained for the next eight hours and may be picked up between 6:00 -6:30am the morning of June 12<sup>th</sup>, 2009 at Redmond High School. Please make arrangements to pick up your student! We will not let any students drive themselves home after staying up all night! **They must have a ride home!**

Tickets are now available for the cost of \$140.00 until June 5<sup>th</sup>. **(Yes, it's expensive, but we keep them safe, sane and entertained all night long.)** Buy now before we sell out!

**The following rules will be strictly enforced:**

- Alcohol and drug products will not be used or brought in by students. Should a student be found in possession of, or under the influence of alcohol or drugs prior to boarding the bus or at anytime during the party, the student will be sent home immediately.
- Phone calls will not be allowed by any students during the evening. If there is an emergency, a grad night chaperone will make the call for you. Cell phones will not be allowed!
- No one will board the bus without a consent form on file.
- Students may not leave the celebration unless picked up by a parent/guardian.
- Purses, wallets, backpacks, duffel bags or any other type of bag will not be permitted on the bus.

**All Seniors will be searched before entering the busses!**

Tickets are available by sending your check payable to RHS Grad Night with the coupon below to: **Melinda Wilson at 22707 NE 142<sup>nd</sup> Place Woodinville, WA 98077**. Your receipt will be your ticket and mailed to you. Thank you.

**Questions:** Contact Deena Polk at (425) 898-7070 or [deenapolk@hotmail.com](mailto:deenapolk@hotmail.com)

Melinda Wilson at (425) 882-9432 or [jamwilson@msn.com](mailto:jamwilson@msn.com)

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Senior's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you interested in helping? \_\_\_\_\_

## More Senior Grad Night Info

### Grad Night Bus Sign-Up Dates

Your senior must have purchased a **“ticket”** and together you must have completed and signed the **Permission to Attend Form** to sign up for a bus with their friends. Buses fill up fast and will be done on a first come, first serve bases. Volunteers will be checking to see if all necessary paper work has been filled out before signing any seniors to buses.

**Wednesday, May 6th at 12:00pm**  
**Friday, May 15th at lunch 10:30-12:00pm**  
**Wednesday, May 20th at 12:00pm**  
**Thursday, May 28th at lunch 10:30-12:00pm**



*It's not too late to get involved with the Senior Celebration!!*

*We Need Chaperones!!!*

*Chaperones are needed and you don't need to be a senior parent!*

- You'll be kept busy and it really is fun watching the students have such a blast for one last time as a class!
- There's a lot to eat and coffee too!
- You are on an active rotation schedule so you have fun and don't get bored!
- ***Believe It or Not, the Seniors Want You There!***

If you would like to become involve in anyway, please contact, Deena Polk

## Student Activities

### Entrepreneurship Class

"Every year, the Entrepreneurship class at Redmond High School organize a for profit company, with the help of a Junior Achievement volunteer. The students learn the process of starting and operating a business while applying skills and knowledge learned in the class . This years volunteer is Lance Rummell, from Smith-Barney in Bellevue. Our class is selling a discount card valid within select Redmond businesses. The goal of our company, East Side Edge. is to learn business and entrepreneural concepts by creating a profitable company offering the highest level of customer service and useful discounts. Our class would greatly appreciate your support, for more information please contact Kim Kruse at 425-891-8237 or at [s-kikruse@lwsd.org](mailto:s-kikruse@lwsd.org).

### Math Highlights

Redmond High School had the highest team score in the state for the American Mathematics Competition 12A Test. The team score is the combination of scores from the three highest scoring individuals in the school. Those Redmond students were Sam Keller, Stefan Mellem, and Jonathan Shi. Sixty-five high schools in the state participated in this competition. Sam Keller's score was the highest individual score in the state. Eleven RHS math students were invited to take the American Invitational Math Exam. Sam Keller's score on the AIME was also the highest in the state. Five RJH math students also were invited to take this exam. 486 students in the United States and Canada have now qualified to take the United States of America Math Olympiad exam (USAMO). Sam Keller will be participating for the 4<sup>th</sup> year in a row and RJH 7<sup>th</sup> grader Koyla Malkin has also qualified. The USAMO is a six question, nine hour exam spread over 2 days.

## Student Activities and Theatre

### *Redmond High School DECA Auction*

Where: Redmond High School Cafeteria      When: Wednesday, May 27, 2009

6:00 pm- Viewing of auction items, music, dancing and the silent auction.

7:00pm - Live auction Tickets: \$10 per person

Grab your family and friends for a fun-filled night and step into a scene straight out of the Roaring Twenties! Experience the upbeat atmosphere, as flapper girls and live entertainment surrounds you. You'll also be able to participate in a silent as well as a live auction all while enjoying delectable refreshments! An assortment of items of all sizes and value are available to bid on, so you're bound to find unique items, events and adventures! All proceeds benefit Redmond High School's DECA Chapter.

To purchase tickets and for more information, please contact Grace Brady at [gbrady@lwsd.org](mailto:gbrady@lwsd.org) or 425-498-7156

You can also purchase tickets from any Marketing Management student at Redmond High School.

## Robotics Club

On March 14 the Redmond High School Robotics Club participated in the third VEX Robotics tournament of the season, this one located at Redmond High School. The RHS club swept the tournament winning the following awards: Programming Skills Challenge, Robot Skills Challenge, Amaze Award, Support Award and First Place. After this latest VEX tournament all of the RHS club teams qualified for the VEX Worlds Tournament in Dallas Texas at the end of the month. The club participated in two different types of robotics this year: VEX and FTC. VEX is a brand new robotics competition, but it uses robotics parts from last years FTC robotics competition. The FTC competition is a competition which has been going on for multiple years now, but this year switched over to a brand new type of robot for the tournament. The RHS club ended up as regional finalists at both FTC tournaments. This has been a very successful season and we hope through the continual support of our school we can win the worlds tournament too.

-Micah Zeitz, President of Redmond High School Robotics Club, RHS Junior

## RHS Theatre Arts

The end of the school year brings lots of drama--and some of it will be on stage in the PAC!

**Drama Fest 2009** May 12, 13, 14 and 15 in the PAC, at 7:00pm

Thirteen original works written by RHS students, directed and performed by students, in a "Green Bill" and "Gold Bill" on alternate nights. Tickets are \$5.

*Please be advised that the subject matter is hard PG-13, including suicide, teen sexual activity, drug abuse, and mild language. Contact Misty Doty, [mcarson@lwsd.org](mailto:mcarson@lwsd.org), for more information.*

**Mama Tomcat's Flying School** May 20 in the PAC, at 2:30pm and 6:30pm

Presented by Central Washington University Youth Theatre, this show features 2007 RHS graduate Lauren Pearsall and is fun for all ages. Tickets are only \$2.

**Drama Banquet** June 1

Mark your calendars for a celebration of the year's highlights and farewell to seniors. Parents are welcome to attend this event, produced by the RHS Thespian Troupe.

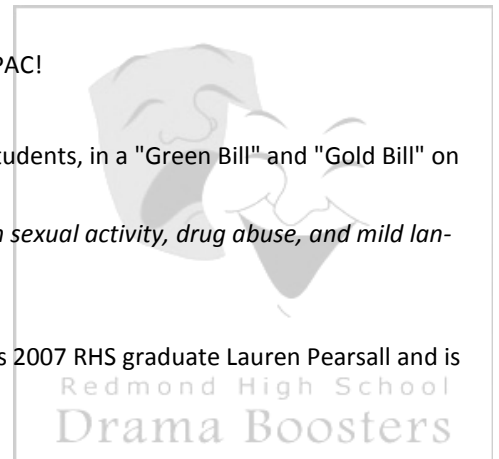
### **RHS Drama Boosters Scholarships**

Drama Boosters awards scholarships to seniors who have made an outstanding contribution to Theatre Arts at Redmond High School, and who will attend a college or technical training program after graduation. Application forms are available on our website. Applications must be received by May 8, 2009.

**Boosters General Meeting** May 27th in the RHS Library, 7:00pm

Vote for executive board members and help plan for next year. Remember, parents have a role to play, too!

*Please check our website, [www.RedmondDrama.org](http://www.RedmondDrama.org), for dramatic news and information.*



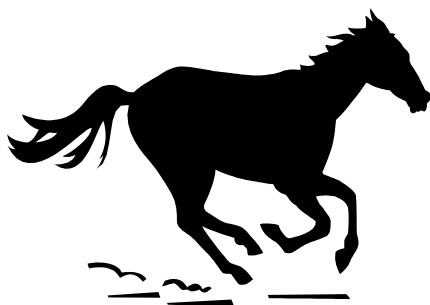
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## RHS Calendar of Upcoming Events

*(Dates subject to change, please be sure to check the PTSA website at [redmondhsptsa.org](http://redmondhsptsa.org) or  
the school website at [lwsd.org/school/rhs](http://lwsd.org/school/rhs))*

Saturday	May 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Spaghetti Feed Fundraiser	RHS Cafeteria	4 -6pm
Wednesday	May 13 <sup>th</sup>	LWSF Annual Luncheon	Juanita High	11:00am
Monday	May 18 <sup>th</sup>	Teen Stress Parent Night	RHS-PAC	7:00pm
Wednesday	May 20 <sup>th</sup>	PTSA General Meeting and Awards	Library	7:00pm
Friday	May 22 <sup>nd</sup>	No School      Leap Day		
Monday	May 25 <sup>th</sup>	No School      Memorial Day		
Tuesday	June 9 <sup>th</sup>	Moving Up Assembly	RHS Gym	TBA
Tuesday	June 9 <sup>th</sup>	Baccalaureate	City Church Kirkland	7:00pm
Thursday	June 11 <sup>th</sup>	Graduation	Key Arena	7:30pm
Thursday	June 11 <sup>th</sup>	PTSA Senior Celebration	Key Arena	10:00pm