



EAGLE NEWS – February 19, 2016

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulation to our January Students of the Month!!

Fine Arts– Alexia Benson, Business ED – Sarah Cabello, Applied Technology – Nick Meyer, Guidance – Craig Abbott, Mathematics- Kimberly Bergholz, World Language-Sreeram Mandava, Health/PE – Marzotto White, Science-Kyra D’Costa, English- Thomas Cairns, Social Studies – Jon Carr Administration – Elizabeth Smith



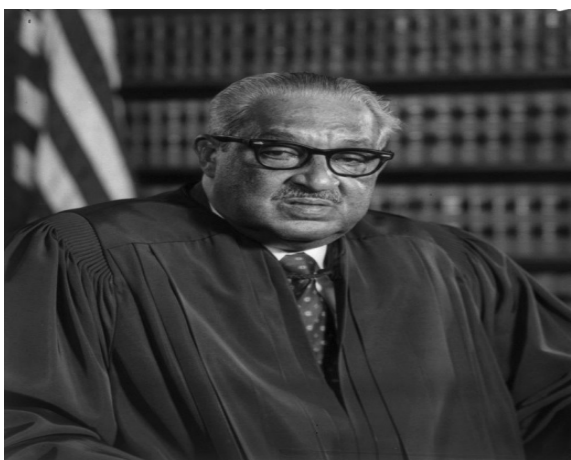
GUIDANCE NEWS:

- Students in 9th, 10th, and 11th grades will be receiving information next week about the course selection process for the 2016 – 17 school year. This information will also be available on the high school homepage under the Guidance tab.
- Students will be scheduled with individual appointments with their guidance counselors during late February and March to discuss the courses they wish to take. Students can review the Curriculum Guide for 2016 – 17 on the high school website under the Curriculum tab and learn more about course offerings, pre-requisites, and course descriptions. Each student’s course selections will be sent home for their parent / guardian’s review and signature and should be returned to the guidance department ASAP so as to not delay the development of the student’s schedule.
- RCGC will host an Open House on March 22nd in the Physical Education Center from 5:30 – 8:00pm. This event will give prospective students in 11th and 12th grades and their parents a chance to tour the campus and become familiar with the college’s academic divisions, athletics and student services. Visitors will also have a chance to meet the RCGC faculty and staff during the event who will be available to answer questions and provide valuable program and financial aid information.
- Students are encouraged to consider applying to any of the hundreds of summer enrichment programs that are available throughout the country, many of which offer scholarships as well as college credit. The guidance office has compiled a thorough listing of these programs which can be found on the high school homepage under the Guidance tab. Applications for many of these programs are due in the next month so don’t delay!

ATHLETIC NEWS:

- **ATTENTION SPRING STUDENT-ATHLETES!** March 4th is the start of the spring season. Be sure to complete all necessary paperwork ASAP!
- **SPRING SPORTS MEETING** will be held on Monday, March 21st at 6:30pm in the auditorium. Student-Athletes and at least one parent are required to attend. **BEST OF LUCK** to the WDHS Eagle Wrestling Team who will compete in the District 29 Tournament at Gloucester County College this weekend.
- **BASKETBALL PLAYOFFS ARE APPROACHING!** The WDHS Girls BBall Team has earned the #10 seed and will travel to the #7 seed Cedar Creek Pirates at 6pm on March 1st while the Boys BBall Team has earned the #9 seed and will travel to the #8 seeded Pleasantville Greyhounds on the same date at 6pm. Best of luck to both teams!
- **CONGRATULATIONS** to our most recent student-athletes who have made college commitments: Alexa Petracci - Salisbury University (Track & Field), Emma Blades - Moravian College (Women's Soccer) **CONGRATULATIONS** to Christina Petito who has decided to play Women's Lacrosse at Rutgers University next season!

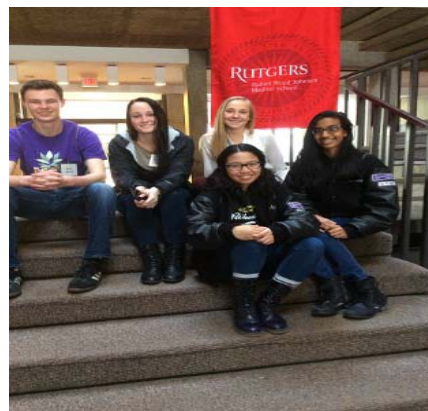
Pride and Awareness of All Cultures (PAAC) CLUB NEWS:



In celebration of Black History Month, our PAAC club has been monumental in sharing “Influential Moments in Black History”. Our next influential person for this week’s Eagle News is Thurgood Marshall. Thurgood Marshall was an Associate Justice of the Supreme Court of the United States, serving from October 1967 until October 1991. Marshall was the Court's first African-American justice. Before becoming a judge, Marshall was a lawyer who was best known for his high success rate in arguing before the Supreme Court and for the victory in *Brown v. Board of Education*, a decision that desegregated public schools. President Johnson nominated him to the United States Supreme Court in 1967.

SCIENCE NEWS:

On Saturday, February 6, five WDHS students traveled to the Robert Wood Johnson Medical School in Piscataway to compete in the 2016 Central New Jersey Regional Brain Bee competition. The Regional Brain Bee is the first round in an international competition for high school students in grades 9 - 12 testing their knowledge in the field of neuroscience. All questions are derived from the book "Brain Facts" published by the Society of Neuroscience. During lunch, the medical school faculty gave hands on human brain neuroscience demonstrations. Additionally, neuroscience researchers and medical school students had lunch with our students. A researcher was so impressed with one of our students that she was invited to visit the researcher's laboratory this summer. Our students enjoyed the experience and we plan on competing again next year.



KEY CLUB NEWS:

On Thursday, February 18th, the WDHS Key Club hosted a Sweethearts Dance for the residents at Brightview Assisted Living in Woodbury. There were flowers, music from Frank Sinatra, Johnny Mathis and Elvis, a photo booth, delicious refreshments, as well as lots of dancing and laughter. Students put in much time preparing for this fun event – making corsages for their “dates,” surveying Brightview residents for their favorite songs, creating photo booth props, and coordinating volunteers. It was a beautiful event that the students and the residents of Brightview will remember for a long time.



Thank you to the WDEA and Ms. Saia for donating the use of a photo printer so that we could print the beautiful memories of our dance and share them with our Brightview friends. Thank you to Mrs. Richardson and the members of the National Art Honor Society for making delicious chocolates to be enjoyed by all.



Thanks to all the Key Club members that helped prepare for the event. The following students danced the afternoon away at the Sweethearts Dance: Camryn Arseneau, Grace Arseneau, Sarah Cabello, Heather Ward, Mia Wilson, Alexis Gulisano, Olivia DiSimone, Giana Soli, Carol Garrett, Casie Haubois, Christina Petito, Sara Khalil, Alexia Benson, Tyler Meitzler, Emma Kelly, Hunter Marple, Juliana Stauffer, Rasha Aboulesaadate, Lindsay Barney, Alexandra Meitzler, Avery Bailey, Jamie Cesaro, Emily Gilligan, Mia Forbes, Jade Freeberg, Kelly Van Fossen, Lindsey Harris, Sydney Cargill, Samantha Souder, Shane Moore, Bobbiann Gubbei, Andrew Weikel, Tyler Barna, and Dance Chairperson Nicholas Paterna.

DECA NEWS

Congratulations to our DECA members who competed and won in the 2016 Gloucester County Consumer Bowl! The Gloucester County Office of Consumer Protection and the State Office of Consumer Affairs hosted its 15th Annual Consumer Bowl to test students' knowledge of consumer information and rights in the marketplace in a quiz bowl type setting. West Deptford DECA team members included David Munyan, Christian Lindabury, Tyler Barna, Jason Minnite, and Captain Matt West. They will advance to the State level of competition in April.

Pictured from the left: Jason Minnite, Tyler Barna, Matthew West David Munyan, and Christian Lindabury



MUSICAL NEWS:

This year's spring musical is **GREASE!**

Now it's time to dust off your leather jackets, pull on your bobby-socks and take a trip to a simpler time as 'bad boy' Danny and 'the girl next door' Sandy fall in love all over again.

It's the original high school musical, featuring all the unforgettable songs from the hit movie including *You're The One That I Want*, *Grease Is The Word*, *Summer Nights*, *Hopelessly Devoted To You*, *Sandy*, *Greased Lightnin'* and many more.

So throw your mittens around your kittens and hand-jive the night away with the show that'll make you want to stand up and shout, 'A-wop-bop-a-loo-bop A-wop-bam-boom!'



IT'S THE MOST ELECTRIFYIN' EXTRAVAGANZA on stage!!... Be there or be square!

Performance Dates:

Thursday, March 17 - 7:30pm

Friday, March 18 - 7:30pm

Saturday March 19 - 7:30pm

Tickets are \$10 in advance/\$15 at the door

Tickets are on sale now

DECA NEWS:

Invitation to Judge at the State Leadership Conference

This letter serves as an invitation to act as a judge at the New Jersey DECA State Leadership Conference (SLC). The SLC is divided into two conferences. The first (**Gold**) will be held **February 21-23** and the second, (**Blue**) **February 24-26**. The actual day that we will need your services is **February 22** for the Gold Conference and/or **February 25** for the Blue Conference. WDHS DECA serves in the Blue Conference.



This year's state conferences will be held in Cherry Hill, NJ. We will be using three hotels. They include the Crowne Plaza, The Holiday Inn, and the ML Hotel. The hotel you are assigned to will depend on which competitive event you will be judging. We will be providing a breakfast and lunch at each hotel. We would ask you to arrive for check-in between 8-8:15 AM and you should be finished by approximately 3PM that afternoon. If at that time you are willing to stay and judge the finalist rounds, they will be taking place later that day.

If you are willing to participate in the State Leadership Conference, please click on the following link to register online: [fill it out in Google Forms](#).

You soon be contacted in the near future with more detailed information. However, if you have questions in the meantime, please reach out to the respective conference coordinator:

- Blue State Leadership Conference (February 25): Liz LaPalomato elapalomento@monroetwp.k12.nj.us
- Gold State Leadership Conference (February 22): Evelyn Minutolo EMinutolo@chclc.org