Senior Awards Ceremony

This year’s Senior Awards will be held on Tuesday, June 2, 2015 at 6:00pm in the gym. Seniors will be honored with scholarships and achievement awards.

Graduation is Friday, June 5, 2015 at 7:00pm in the Mountaineer Gym. Doors open at 6:00pm.
Valedictorian Jordan Chatman is the son of Tim and Bridget Chatman. Jordan plans to attend Washington State University, with plans of becoming a Crime Scene Investigator. When asked what he liked best about RHS, Jordan replied, the sense of community and everyone knows everyone.

Words for under classmen: “There will be a time when your social life and school life will start to conflict and when this time comes, you will know what the right thing to do is.”

Salutatorian Elyssa Penner-Champlin is the daughter of Victor and Marcy Penner-Champlin. Elyssa did not state her future plans. She did feel the best part about RHS is the closeness of the students and the staff and the “family feel”.

Words for under classmen: “Stay organized and everything you do impacts the future, but remember to have fun because high school is only a short time.”

Lily Wilkinson is the daughter of Robert and Jill Wilkinson. In the fall Lily plans to attend the University of Washington to major in Civil Engineering. The best part of RHS for Lily is how supportive the teachers and administration are.

Words for under classmen: “Stay focused and do your best!”

Cheyenne Bell is the daughter of Danette Bell and Sidney Bell. Cheyenne plans to attend Central Washington University in the fall and major in Business Management. Cheyenne stated the best part of RHS is the small community and knowing peers and teachers on a more personal level.

Words for under classmen: “Staying organized will make your life a lot easier. Stay on top of your work and don’t get behind, playing catch is not fun.”

Not pictured: Kamelia Marchand. Kamelia unfortunately was not available for comment.

Congratulations to the High School Knowledge Bowl Team for qualifying for the state competition.

Team members: Aaron Russell, Avery Houtz, Jordan Chatman, Augustine Maddox, Jerry Buell and Elijah Maddox.
Rainier High School's theme of “Take Me Out to the Ballpark” was a “grand slam.” Cheney Stadium, the location of this year's prom, was all decked out in red, white and blue, along with other baseball style decorations. In addition, this year’s DJ totally rocked the stadium! According to Victor Camacho, “The difference in the quality and classiness of this year’s prom was FANTASTIC!”

Students, staff and parents who attended prom were able to watch the crowning of King Victor Camacho and Queen Samantha Potts from the balcony, while the actual crowning ceremony was taking place on the baseball field. It was also shown on the Jumbotron!


The committee (Elyssa Champlin, Morgan Spivey, Lily Wilkinson, Becca Reichel, Cheyenne Castanon and others) worked for over a year to secure the location and the cost. Keeping the ticket price the same as it has been for the last seven years. They also secured a bus for those that did not want to drive! Mrs. Rossmaier stated, this committee went above and beyond to make it happen.

Many thanks to all the chaperons and staff for an awesome evening. A big thank you to Superintendent Garchow and Principal Bahr for allowing the committee to dream big, work hard and achieve success!
**Future Business Leaders of America**

The Rainier Chapter of FBLA (Future Business Leaders of America) took their annual field trip to local businesses. This trip was paid for by the FBLA ASB account. These students earned money throughout the year by running concessions at athletic events.

The field trip started with a tour of Batdorf and Bronson (coffee roasters). The purpose was to learn how a small business competes with larger ones in the same type of market.

Students then traveled to Puget Sound Auto Body (a small family owned business). This stop gave the students insight as to how a family owned business is ran in a competitive market.

The next stop was a business lunch at Five Guys Burgers.

They rounded out the afternoon at Lion’s Regional Eyeglass Center. This stop taught them how a “non profit” business functions.

Many thanks to Jill Wilkinson for her help with the day’s activities. Thanks to Andrew and Josh at Batdorf and Bronson, Bob and Lane Clark at Puget Sound Auto Body and Don Schmidt at Lion’s Regional Eyeglass Center for educating RHS students about the REAL WORLD!

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**Lion’s Eyeglass Challenge**

Hello! My name is Gabi Wilkinson and I am chairing an old eyeglasses drive for the Lion’s Recycled Eyeglass Center from May 6th through June 3rd. The plan is to have a competition among the three Rainier Schools and the winning school would earn a treat on the last day of school June 12th (sponsored by the Lions).

There will be a collection box in the main office of the elementary, middle and high school. Please ask your neighbors and friends if they have old eyeglasses or sunglasses you could take to give in the drive. The recycled eyeglasses are then used for people who don’t have them. Come on, let’s see how many pairs of glasses we can get!

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**Rainier FFA takes Center Stage at State Convention**

A record number of 15 FFA students made their way to Pullman for the annual State Leadership Conference. The conference was held May 13th-17th on the WSU campus. There were numerous events, competitions, workshops and sessions that the students attend. Some students spent their “off” time visiting the bear facility, Ferdinand’s (WSU Creamery) and other cultural attractions.

Rainier’s first year Green-Hand team made it to the final round of 16 teams, this was a first for Rainier’s FFA. The Food Science team placed 13th out of 46 teams. They did an outstanding job on their presentation. The FARM team placed 7th in the state. It was based on how the high school students taught Kindergarten to 5th grade students about agriculture. The Scrapbook team took 1st at state. The book was filled with photos and stories from past years. The National Chapter team placed 3rd in state.

It was a very busy few day with lots of leadership opportunities, meeting new friends and being entertained by world famous inspirational speakers.

A big thank you to the chaperones for helping judge competitions and driving students around to different events.
The Award Ceremony will be held June 11, 2015 at 6:00pm in the Mountaineer Gym.

Leah Arnold
Jeffrey Ashby
Wyatt Blankenship
Destiny Bracero
Dalton Brewington
Michael Buter
Crislynn Cardey
Wesley Carlisle
Oliva Carpenter
Wyatt Coleman
Andrew Critchett
Ricky Cruse
Jordyn Davis
Annika Demint
Irie Dencklau
Alexis Diamond
Aurora Edmondson
Joseph Ellis
Sierra Erickson
Travis Eygabroad
KC Foote
Daniel Frost
Trenton Galbraith
Corbin Garner
Isabella Gee
Zachary Gilpin
Karmyn Gonzales
Casey Grey
Nina Guizzetti
Sophia Guizzetti
Theresa Gutierrez
Kamren Hall
Elaina Hansen
Sakari Hill
Cayden Hollemon
Easton Holmes
Travis Honaker
Hazel Hopper
Shannen Isenburg
Arianna Johnson
Jessica Kraft
Cody Lenz
Ted Lester
Zachary Lofgren
Ethan MacFarland
Jacob Martin
Shantel Maxin
Sandra Miles
Alexander Moe
Hailey Murray
Robert Nace
Alexander Newcomb
Kenneth Newkirk
Mary Paarlberg
Kylie Paladin
Hakan Phillips
Mikayla Pugsley
Luci Rearden
Sarah Redle
Elizabeth Reeves
Cole Reise
Ira Reynolds
Tyler Rudisill
Caleb Santella
Kassandra Simpson
Jesse St. Louis
Alexa Stewart
Angel Ticknor
Jack Welch
Kristina Willis
Brock Young
Mrs. Anderson’s 7th grade English students recently finished a holocaust unit that focused on the novel, The Devil’s Arithmetic. They welcomed a guest speaker from the Holocaust Center for Humanity, Mr. Matthew Erlich. Mr. Erlich’s mother was a prisoner at two concentration camps during WWII: Auschwitz and Bergen-Belsen. His story about her survival and what it was like growing up with parents who lived through such a terrible time in our history was informational and very moving. He said he was very impressed with our students, especially the depth of their questions after his speech.

This was something that I’ll remember as an adult. ~ Clara Wagner
It’s hard to imagine that people lived through that. ~ Destiny McCombs
I found it very interesting. ~ Lukas Gibson
I like how he showed us what happened; he just didn’t just tell us. ~ Sierra Hudson
I never knew how much stuff was going on at that time. ~ Tyler Barlass

Congratulations to the following 7th and 8th grade students for being selected to present at this year’s science fair.

Elizabeth Wilkinson
Travis Eygabroad
Erika DeMint
Elizabeth Reeves
Scout Lees
James Santino
Tyler Barlass
Isabella Gee
Michael Buter
Alexa Dunn
Elaina Hansen
Brody Klein
Gavin Smith
Elise Cancil
Alexis Diamond
Sami Stang
Ayelen Maddox
Sandra Miles
Annika DeMint
Jeffrey Ashby

Congratulations!
Thank you to all the students that participated in this years Jump Rope for Heart. All of your jumping really paid off. You raised $4,816.00. That is over a thousand dollars more that last year! The Top Fundraising Student was Buggy Borman. He raised $400.00. Mrs. Charaba’s Kindergarten class was the Top Fundraising Class with a total of $610.00. WAY TO GO!!!!

Spring Bookfair

Thank you to the Rainier Community for your support of our library, by purchasing books at our Spring Bookfair. With the increase in this years sales we have $1035.96 to purchase new library books. Scholastic gave us an additional $621.57 A huge thank you to our wonderful volunteers: Hester Cook, Phyllis Roach, Gail Whalen and the 5th grade helpers.

Young American Poetry Digest 2015

The selection panel members for the Young American Poetry Digest are educators who select only the best poems from those submitted and are those they feel are especially well written for the age level of the student. This is the twenty-first year of the National Schools Project which is designed to share our youth’s talents with others and provide publishing opportunities for young poets.

Rainier Elementary 5th grade students wrote poems in hopes of having them published in the Young American Poetry Digest.

Congratulations to the following students for succeeding in doing just that: Dylan Davis, Mikayla Porter, Madison Edminster, Elayna Schultz, Dylan Ramsdale, Emma Van Ness, Anna Champlin, Angela Villa, Selena Niemi, Ashley Hudgins, Charlotte Shepherd, Kaeley Schultz, Carrie Johnson, Ethan Gonzales, Sean Mahaffey, Jeremiah Nubbe, Mia Guizzetti and Shawnee Milholland. Not pictured Faith Boesch, and David Cano.

Rainier Elementary School will receive a complimentary copy of the Young American Poetry Digest 2015.
Nurse’s Notes

All medications need to be picked up on June 12th. If the medication is not picked up by June 15th the medication will be destroyed at the end of the day. Please do not ask to have your child bring home their medication. Legally we cannot do this.

Immunizations: Students entering 6th grade must have at least one dose of Varicella (chicken pox) vaccine. Students in 8th-12th grade are required to have two doses of the Varicella vaccine if not done in previous years. All students in grades 6th-12th must have a booster vaccine of Tdap, if they are 11 years old and it has been 5 or more years since the last dose. For more information, please contact us at the elementary school 360-446-4020 or the middle school 360-446-2206. Nurse Kelly Williams

Food Service

There will be no negative balances allowed after May 25th.

All accounts must be current. Students must have cash or money in their account to eat meals for the remainder of the school year.

Thank you for a wonderful school year!

Enjoy your summer vacation!

Out of District Students

Students living out of the Rainier School District borders must complete an Inter-District Transfer EVERY YEAR. Please contact the school district you live in to start the paperwork for the 2015-2016 school year. Returning out of district students will not be assigned classes until this paperwork is completed. Thank you for your cooperation.

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District Office: 446-2207
Transportation: 446-2209
Elementary School: 446-4020
Middle School: 446-2206
High School: 446-2205
Food Service: 446-9133
Special Education: 446-7406

Nondiscrimination Policy Statement

Rainier School District provides equal opportunity in programs and employment and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, national origin/language, creed/religion, sex, sexual orientation—including gender identity, disability, or the use of a service animal by a person with a disability, age, marital status, honorably discharged veteran or military status and HIV/Hepatitis C status. The district also prohibits discrimination of a mother breastfeeding her child at events that are open to the public. Rainier School District will also take steps to assure that national origin persons who lack English language skills can participate in all education programs, services, and activities. For information regarding translation services or bilingual education, contact the following:

Title IX Coordinator: Bryon Bahr  P.O. Box 98, Rainier, WA 98576  360-446-2205 bahrb@rainier.wednet.edu
Section 504/ADA Coordinator: John Beckman  P.O. Box 98, Rainier, WA 98576  360-446-2205 beckmanj@rainier.wednet.edu
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Asbestos Management

Rainier School District is required to inform the public about asbestos in the schools annually. Rainier has an asbestos management plan that is kept at the District Office and can be viewed Monday through Friday, 8:00am to 4:00pm. The district designated person is Rick McCarty. He can be contacted at the Rainier Maintenance Office at (360)446-7403.