Rainier Education Foundation (REF)
“Helping more Rainier students turn college dreams into college degrees”

In the last year, the Rainer Education Foundation (REF) is proud to announce that we have awarded a total of $14,046.13 in teacher and school supply grants, in addition to $24,450 in new scholarships and $10,850 in renewal scholarships, all of this was made possible by our 2013 REF Auction, sponsors and volunteers.

Our 2014 Auction will be held on Saturday, March 22, 2014, at Rainier High School. The silent auction and dinner will begin at 3:30pm and the live auction fun starts at 7:00pm.

We are in need of sponsors for our 2014 Auction! For only $150.00, you or your business will be named in all auction flyers, the auction program and also on our auction sponsor table the day of the event.

As members of the REF, we are seeking parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, friends etc. of Rainier School District students to consider volunteering to become members of our team. We desperately need new volunteers and new officers. The majority of our officers have been volunteering for many years and are ready to pass the torch in order to keep this great fundraiser going strong!

Our upcoming meetings are on the following dates: March 3rd, 10th and 17th. The meetings begin at 6:30pm and are open to anyone who would like to volunteer before the day of the event or even just the day of the auction! Our meetings are held at Rainier Middle School in the REF portable. Please call 360-446-2205 or email rainiereducationfoundation@gmail.com for more information.

Thank you for considering volunteering for this very worthy cause.

Rainier Elementary Playground Update

We are very excited about the progress that is being made towards the fundraising for the addition to the elementary playground. As of this publication $15,542.46 has been raised. We are inching our way closer to the $22,000.

A huge THANK YOU to Ida Boesch for taking on this project. The elementary staff and students would like to thank the Lions Club, Nisqually Indian Tribe, Nisqually Baptist Church, Fairpoint Communications, Rainier School District and the Rainier Community for all their donations!
Father Daughter Dance
March 1, 2014

Fathers and daughters will enjoy an exciting evening of fun and memories at the Father Daughter Dance, sponsored by the Rainier High School Senior Class. This event is open to daughters in kindergarten through eighth grade and their dads. It will be held in the high school commons from 6pm to 8pm. Admission is $20.00 for father and daughter and $5.00 for each additional daughter in the family. There will be free nail painting and a tiara for each daughter. Tickets can be purchased at Rainier High School office or at the door. For more information, please call 360-446-2205.

Veteran’s Resource Fair
Sponsored by
American Legion Post #264, Rainier, WA
and
Rainier Public Schools

Saturday, March 1, 2014
Rainier High School Multipurpose Room
308 2nd Street West, Rainier, WA
10:00am to 3:00pm

Need information or assistance with claims, Veterans benefits, employment opportunities, housing assistance, what the government offers to Veterans, support from the community, school and other agencies.
Need emergency services or where to find them? Need support or help while spouse is deployed and feeling overwhelmed?

Open to all currently serving, Active Duty, Reserves, National Guard, Veterans of all Eras, Family and the Public at large.

Preschool Registration

Rainier Preschool registration will begin in March for the 2014-2015 school year. Your child needs to be three years old by August 31, 2014. Packets will be available at the elementary. If you have any questions about the program, please contact Chris Rearden at 360-446-4020.
Rainier School District #307
Superintendent: Tim Garchow
Board of Directors:
Chairperson Jerry Sprouffske, Rebecca Stillings,
Kathi Jo Moore, Kim Sanders and Dana Spivey

Important Phone Numbers
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

Nurse’s Corner
If your child is not feeling well:
Your child may be getting sick if they can’t keep their eyes open even after having a good nights sleep. Add in an achy feeling and/or loss of appetite, its likely the flu/cold is on its way. If you think your child may be starting to get sick, please let their teacher and office staff know. Please make sure all phone numbers are up-to-date incase your child needs to go home.

Children that are feverish, nauseated, or bone-tired can not learn well and can spread their illness to other students and staff. Please keep them home. Before returning to school your child needs to have gone at least 24 hours without a fever or vomiting.

Talk to your child’s teacher, a child not well enough to be in school can complete missing assignments at home. This will make the workload a lot easier when he or she is able to come back to school.

For more information and the latest updates on the flu season visit Flu.gov

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/Bilingual Programs: Paullette Johnson  P.O. Box 98, Rainier, WA 98576  360-446-4020
johnsonp@ramier.wednet.edu
If you know of a child that will be 5 years of age on or before August 31, 2014, they are eligible to start school in the fall of 2014. Incoming Kindergartners will need a birth certificate and proof of immunization.

Starting March 24th, Kindergarten registration packets will be available in the Elementary office for parents. During conference week, office personnel will be available in the afternoons to help parents with questions regarding registration.

Registration packets can be turned in anytime during the school day. Immunization requirements do not have to be completed at this point, but immunizations must be complete by the beginning of the school year. If you have any questions, please call Rainier Elementary at 446-4020.

The Amazing Brussel Sprout Taste Challenge

One day Mr. Garchow popped into Mrs. Swanson’s third grade class. Her students were writing an opinion paper on why “Brussel Sprouts are the Worst Vegetable Ever”. Mr. Garchow saw this as a challenge. He promised the students that they would change their minds about brussel sprouts if he cooked them his special way. On the day of the challenge the students made brussel sprout hats to commemorate the day. After testing the specially prepared brussel sprouts, several of them indeed changed their minds.
Dr. Seuss Day

Rainier Elementary will be celebrating Dr. Seuss’ birthday on Monday, March 3rd. This will be a fun filled day for all RES students. Those students reading books by Dr. Seuss will be able to enter a drawing for cool prizes. All children are welcome to come dressed as their favorite Dr. Seuss character.

Jump Rope for Heart

Rainier Elementary students will once again be participating in the American Heart Association’s Jump Rope for Heart. Rainier students have been participating in this event since 1989. This year’s event will be held on Tuesday, March 25th from 11:45 am to 1:15 pm in the Elementary school gym.

Parents need to pick up their child/children by 1:15 pm. This is an early release day during conference week. There will be no school transportation for this event. All participating students will need to turn in a permission slip.

Jump Rope for Heart is an excellent way for students to learn about the value of physical exercise while helping their community fight heart disease, “America’s number one killer”.

100th Day of School Collections

Please visit our website at www.rainier.wednet.edu to view more collections and the 100th Day Fashion Show!

Spring Scholastic Book Fair

The spring book fair will be a Buy One Get One Free. It will be held March 24th through 28th, during conference week, in the Elementary library.

Hours are as follows:
8:00 am to 3:00 pm Monday through Thursday
4:30 pm to 7:30 pm Thursday evening only
8:00 am to 11:30 am Friday
Rainier Middle School
Mountain Lions

Principal  Bryon Bahr
Assistant Principal John Beckman

(360) 446-2206
(360) 446-2227

Mountian Lion

Wrestling Team

BASKETBALL
Practice begins March 10, 2014

March 26th at Rainier
April 9th at Toutle Lake
April 16th at Rainier
April 23rd at Napavine
April 30th at Onalaska
League Championship May 7th at Rainier

All schedules are subject to change.
RHS Welding Class

Students in Mr. Lybecker's welding class demonstrated their talent at the annual SKILLS USA contest. This year the regional welding contest for individual students was held at North Thurston High School. The Metal Fabrication contest for teams was held at Elma High School. Each team of three had to design and construct a grinder stand with predetermined materials. The traveling team for this year's welding contest consisted of Alex North, Baron Delio, Eric Staats, Clayton Cady, Alex Miller and Travis Kirby.

Blood Drive

Rainier High School will be sponsoring a blood drive for Thurston County on March 3, 2014. It will be held in the High School’s old gym from 8:30am to 1:30pm. The chairpersons are Morgan Spivey and Elyssa Champion.

GIVE BLOOD—GIVE LIFE!!

Rainier Dental Day

On January 25th, Yelm Dental and Dr. Smith offered a free dental day to Rainier High School students. Three students took advantage of this wonderful opportunity.

Many thanks to: Jaime Reichel, Ian Allen and Anthony Hill for all their work in preparing this event for others. Amy Johnson and Val Larson from Yelm Dental were also instrumental in making this happen. Good things start with a GREAT SMILE!!

CTE Advisory Committee Dinner

On February 5th, Mrs. Baker's culinary students prepared and served a delicious “Thank You” meal to Rainier’s Advisory Committee. These community members are the sounding board and advice consultants for our Career and Technical Education Programs.

Agriculture Program members: Geraldine Maxfield, Megan Fitzgerald, Debbie Nimocks, Lynn Lins, Jeannine Pia and Instructor Angie Karnes. Business Education Program members: Dana Spivey, Glenda Guerra, Julie Meyers, Melissa Marion, Belinda Hayner and Instructor Sandy Rossmaier. Family and Consumer Science Program members: Jamie Nichols, Stacey Koher, Caryle Parascand, Lisa Spitzer, Chris Rearden and Instructor Michele Baker. The Industrial Technology Program members: David Earl, John Coffee, Mike Hyink, Randy Mastey, John Schock and Instructor John Lybecker. Each member was presented with a certificate of appreciation and our thanks for their continued service to our district.
Seniors
4.0 GPA
Emily Houtz
Brandy Walter

3.99-3.50 GPA
Eric Staats
Antonia White
Zachary Froembling
Justin Champion
Ashley Honaker
Aryn Thomas
Samantha Haley
Austin Dragt
Mackenzie Hall Anderson
Katelynn Ivy
Jennamarie Buell
Jessica Diamond
Shashanin Quackenbush
Tarna Allen
Alexandra Gilpin
Mariah Holmes
Lacey Day
Parker Tabler
Kenneth Christman

3.49-3.00 GPA
Ian Allen
Antonio Rodriguez
Baron Delio
Deshae Duerr Nedrow
James Willis
Gunnar Delio
Shelbi Boyd
Alexander North
Erik Richter
Aaron De La Torre
Stephanie Justice
Steven Miller
Daysha Gilman
Brittany Schaff
Chayce Kowalski
Brandy Rhodes
Jamie Reichel

Juniors
4.0 GPA
Cheyenne Bell
Lily Wilkinson

3.99-3.50 GPA
Jordan Chatman
Tyler Suter
Kamelia Marchand-Vaudrin
Elyssa Champlin
Trevor Shaw
Melodie Jackson
Jerry Buell
Tobia Scalvenzi
Samantha Potts
Morgan Spivey
Avery Houtz
Drewen Garner
Erica Jones

3.49-3.00 GPA
Conor Mills
Pin-Syuann Fu
Nicolas Henry
Rebecca Baker
Ashlynn Padilla
Thomas Davidson
Cody Harder

Sophomores
3.99-3.50 GPA
Ellyanna Barnes
Augustine Maddox
Kayla Gumeson Hudson
Keanna Vermillion
Kera Anderson
Sidney Sills Knight
Mackenzie Gilpin
Timothy Clifford
Owen Wooten
Nichole Holmes
Matthew Firmin
Annmarie Martin
Samantha Suter
Michael Jackson
Alec Miller

Autumn Ellenberger
Shayla Rathbun
Riley Whitney

3.49-3.00 GPA
Allison Gehrke
Dillon DuCharme
Angelica Matthews
Zachary Miller
Brandon Young
Mckoy Bichler
Ariana VanDusen
Tiffany Card
Dalton Rush

Freshmen
4.00 GPA
Taylor Holmes
Elijah Maddox

3.99-3.50 GPA
Devyn Daivs
Logan Dugas
Nicole Francis
Jordan Golphenee
Jesse Nubbe
Robert Phillips
Cassandra Yeagley
Hunter Coleman
James Brown

3.49-3.00 GPA
Adam Trissel
Christopher Pugsley Stevens
Lacee Largen
Brandin Porter
James White
Cole Meyers
Kyle Gunderson
Ashley Burnham
Jasmine Eggleston
Curtis Lenz
Johnathon Lofgren
Meghan Sullivan
Shouridama Beadle
Kori Schouweiler
Rainier High School Floral Class

Want to send flowers or balloons to your student for their birthday or another special occasion?

The Rainier High School Floral Class has just what you are looking for. We have a large selection of balloons and flowers for every occasion. Give us a call for your special event.

Student* and district staff deliveries are available during regular school hours.

Outside of school orders are pick-up only and available during regular school hours.

Wedding, special occasion balloon and floral orders by appointment.

Make someone smile by calling 360-446-2205 and asking for the Floral Department!

*Students can not take flowers/balloons home on the bus, please make alternate arrangement.

Floral Prices
Varies by season and flowers needs. Call for pricing.

Balloon Prices
Mylar Balloons—Printed $3.00 Solid $2.00
Latex Balloons—$1.00 Geo Donuts—$2.00
Fish—$4.00 Confetti—$4.00
Standard Bouquet—$5.00 Giant Bouquet—$8.00

We also make arches, columns, table topiaries etc. Please check out our website at www.rainier.wednet.edu The Floral Departments site is under Departments.