

REACH OUT RAPID RIVER

Rapid River Public Schools' Newsletter

October/November 2014

ATHLETIC EVENTS

Varsity Football

October

3	Cedarville	Home	7:00
11	Sup Central	Away	1:00
17	Mid Pen	Away	7:00
24	Bellaire	Home	7:00

(Homecoming)

Junior Varsity Football

October

3	Cedarville	Home	4:00
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Girls' Volleyball

October

2	Bark River	Away	6:00
4	NMU JV/V	Away	9:00 am
Tournament			
9	Sup Central	Away	5:00
11	NMU JV	NMU	9:00 am
Tournament			
14	Sup Central	Home	5:00
16	CFFP	Home	6:00
21	N. Dickinson	Away	5:30*
27	Gladstone	Away	6:00
28	Mid Pen/	Home	5:00
Big Bay Tri			
30	N. Central	Away	5:30*

Girls' Junior High Basketball

October

2	Munising	Away	6:00
6	Big Bay	Home	6:00
7	Gladstone	Home	6:00
13	Manistique	Away	6:00
20	Sup Central	Home	6:00
21	Mid Pen	Home	6:00

Boys Junior High Basketball

October

30	Mid Pen	Home	6:00
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November

3	Manistique	Home	6:00
6	Munising	Home	6:00
10	Big Bay	Away	6:00
11	Gladstone	Away	6:00
13	Sup Central	Home	6:00
17	Mid Pen	Away	6:00
20	Gladstone	Home	6:00

*Central Time

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 6 – PTC mtg., 5:30 p.m. elementary teacher's lounge.

October 13 – School Board mtg., 6:30 p.m. in the library.

October 18 – Rapid River Lions Club annual activities fundraising dinner, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

October 31 – Trick or Treat, 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.; Halloween Carnival/Haunted House 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. in the H.S. cafeteria.

November 3 – PTC mtg., 5:30 p.m. elementary teacher's lounge

November 3 – Fan Club mtg., 4:30 p.m. in the library.

November 6 – Noon Dismissal – Parent/Teacher Conferences

November 10 – School Board mtg., 6:30 p.m. in the library.

November 26, 27 & 28 – Thanksgiving Break

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Conferences will be Thursday, November 6 from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m. Notes will be sent home with scheduled times for K-5 students.

Grades 6-12 parents may pick up their student's report card in the high school office. No appointments will be made. If parents are unable to attend, the student will receive his/her report card the following day. Lunch will be served prior to a noon dismissal.

HALLOWEEN

Trick or Treating will be October 31 from 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. The Halloween Carnival will follow from 6:00 – 8:00 p.m. for children fifth grade and under. The haunted house will be open from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m. for all who dare to enter.

This year we will be doing a general admission to the carnival - \$5.00 per child to enter and play all carnival games, \$3.00 to enter the Haunted House. Food and a bake sale will be provided at a reasonable cost.

Please bring the family and help support the Rapid River Key Club and Rapid River Senior Class.

RAPID RIVER SCHOOLS/ LIONS CLUB FUNDRAISER

The school district, in conjunction with the Rapid River Lions Club, will be holding its annual activities fund raising dinner on **Saturday, October 18** at the Lions Club from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

We will be featuring Mr. Kevin Beaver's wonderful and famous charcoaled turkey and pork with all the fixings. Tickets will be sold by staff and student groups or call the high school office at 474-6411. Tickets will also be sold at the door the day of the event. Look for signs to be posted around the school and community for more information. All proceeds from the dinner will be used to support student activities in the Rapid River School. Thank you for your support.

LIBRARY

If anyone has stuffed animals they would like to donate to the library, we would greatly appreciate them as the little ones enjoy them.

Also subscriptions to or donations of magazines about hunting, sports, dirt bike racing, and ATV's along with horse magazines are greatly appreciated.

Parents, please do your best to make sure library books are put in school bags/backpacks to be returned on time.

HOMECOMING

Homecoming 2014 will be Friday, October 24th and Saturday, October 25th. The Homecoming Game is Friday at 7:00 p.m. against Bellaire. The Fan Club will be holding a tailgate party prior to the game starting at 5:30 p.m., everyone is invited to attend, a free-will donation is appreciated. The Homecoming Dance will be Saturday from 8:00 – 11:00 p.m. in the elementary gym. This year's theme is "Mardi Gras"

The Homecoming Court consists of: Freshman – Julia Breault and Nathan Dunlop; Sophomores – Ashlyn Pryal and Jared Anderson; Juniors – Lindsay Knuth and Alec Miller; Seniors – Emily Hickman, Kendyl Miller, Allie Williams, Lucas Bero, David Hough and Steven Johnson.

The King and Queen will be announced during the halftime program of the game.

SPORTS BOOSTERS FUNDRAISER

The Rapid River Sports Boosters are having a Halloween Candy Fundraiser starting October 6 and ending October 20. We are asking our student athletes to participate in fundraising. The proceeds will help pay for uniforms and sports equipment.

Forms and money need to be turned in to the High School office by October 20th. Checks should be made payable to Rapid River Sports Boosters. Candy can be picked up in the High School Cafeteria on October 28 from 3:00 – 5:30 p.m. Thank you for your support!

INDIAN ED

Please check out Indian Ed's show case by the library. Mr. Keller has done a well-researched display titled: Respectful Use of "Grandfather Tobacco" (Sehmaa).

The weekend of September 27 and 28, Indian Ed students in grades 9-12 were invited to a TEK Day Camp sponsored by NMU's Center for Native American Studies. TEK stands for Traditional Ecological Knowledge, with activities revolved around Anishinaabe culture, language and learning in the outdoors.

Mr. Pilon has been very busy helping students which makes us very happy! Please remember our tutoring program is here for ALL students.

ELEMENTARY NEWS

Rapid River Elementary is off to a great start with our new students being a wonderful addition to our school. Welcome!

After a couple of weeks of getting to know each other, the rules, and new schedules, we are getting into the swing of academics and positive behavior support.

Mrs. Viau's second grade is off to a "STINKY" start. We are studying decomposition. Each student has brought in an item from their dinner and we are watching it decompose.

We also have buried an item in the ground to see what will happen to it from the start of the school year to the end.

On Friday, September 26, we had the Masonville and Ensign volunteer fire fighters come and do a program on fire safety. We got to go through the "Smokehouse", spray the fire hose and look through the fire truck. The second graders would like to thank all the fire fighters that helped us learn what to do in case of a fire! You are AWESOME!

The elementary staff would like to thank the Calvary Lutheran and Congregational Churches for their generous donations of supplies for our students. It has really helped to fill in the gaps where there are needs. Our hard-working Parent-Teacher Club has also donated generously to each classroom so that teachers can plan for field trips and other educational experiences we wouldn't otherwise be

able to afford. Thank you, P.T.C.!

If you haven't checked out our newest updates yet, please do. The school looks great and the playground is amazing! It's nice to have some new equipment for the kids to use. Thanks to everyone that made this happen!

SCHOOL BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

Regular Meeting, August 11, 2014

Motion made and approved:

- to approve 2014 Tax Levy Request.
- to accept letter of resignation from Lollie Eskofski as National Honor Society Advisor.
- to accept letter of resignation from Paul Brunngraeber as Teacher, JV Football Coach, and Junior High Boy's Track Coach.
- to accept a \$20 library donation from Joanne Gillis-Schoenenberger, \$110 library donation from Rapid River Class of 1964.

Regular Meeting, September 8, 2014

Motion made and approved:

- to approve the hire of Jay Jurkovich for secondary math.
 - to approve the hire of Greg Rubick as Assistant Varsity Football Coach
 - to accept \$300 for our library, \$200 5th grade Clear Lake trip, \$100 Reading Buddies and a \$200 Science Olympiad donation from Rapid River Memorial Day Committee, and four bags of school supplies from Calvary Lutheran Church.
 - to approve the artist in residence grant program application.
 - to move the December board meeting to December 1.
- For complete minutes go to our website at www.rapidriver.k12.mi.us.

OCTOBER FUNDRAISERS

Rapid River Sports Boosters

Halloween Candy Sale –
October 6– 20

Senior Class

Haunted House – October 31

Freshman Class –

Pie Sale – October 17-27