

REACH OUT RAPID RIVER

Rapid River Public Schools' Newsletter

October/November 2015

ATHLETIC EVENTS

Varsity Football

October

9 Stephenson Home 7:00
Homecoming

23 Ewen Creek Away 7:00

Junior Varsity Football

October

9 Stephenson Home 4:00

16 N Central Home 7:00

Girls' Volleyball

October

3 NMU JV/V Away 9:00 am
Tournament

8 S. Central Home 5:00
Carney Tri

10 Men. Cnty Away 9:00 am
Invitational

13 Sup Central Away 5:00
Carney Tri

15 CFFP Away 5:00*

16 North Central Home 4:00

20 N. Dickinson Home 6:00

26 Gladstone Home 6:00

27 Mid Pen/ Home 5:00
Big Bay Tri

29 N. Central Home 6:00

Girls' Junior High Basketball

October

5 Big Bay Away 6:00

6 Gladstone Away 6:00

12 Manistique Home 6:00

19 Sup Central Away 6:00

20 Mid Pen Away 6:00

Boys Junior High Basketball

October

29 Mid Pen Away 6:00

November

2 Manistique Home 6:00

5 Munising Away 6:00

9 Big Bay Home 6:00

10 Gladstone Home 6:00

12 Sup Central Away 6:00

18 Mid Pen Home 6:00

19 Gladstone Away 6:00

*Central Time

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 5– PTC mtg., 5:30 p.m.

elementary teacher's lounge.

October 12 – School Board mtg.,

6:30 p.m. in the library.

October 31 – Trick or Treat, 4:00 –

6:00 p.m.; Halloween Carnival, 6:00

– 8:00 p.m. in the H.S. cafeteria.

November 2 – PTC mtg., 5:30 p.m.

elementary teacher's lounge

November 4 – Fan Club mtg., 4:30

p.m. in the library.

November 9 – School Board mtg.,

6:30 p.m. in the library.

November 12 – Noon Dismissal –

Parent/Teacher Conferences

November 16 – No School – Deer

Day

November 25, 26, 27 –Thanksgiving

Break

LIONS CLUB FUNDRAISER CANCELLED

Due to scheduling conflicts with Homecoming and other school activities the Lions Club Fundraiser dinner has been cancelled for this fall. The Lions Club members were ready to go, but unfortunately finding a perfect date was not possible. This has been an excellent fundraiser for student groups and we would like to thank the Lions' Club members for their willingness to give their time and talents. Hopefully this fundraiser can happen at a later date or next fall. Once again, thank you Lions Club!

SPORTS BOOSTERS

The Rapid River Sports Boosters are looking for volunteers. Please contact Toni Miller at 241-2470 or the high school office at 474-3506 if you are interested.

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

From 8:00 – 10:00 p.m. we will be having a dance for 6th - 8th grade students. More details will follow, so watch for flyers!

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

LIBRARY

Our library is still looking for magazines about hunting, sports, dirt bike racing and horses. These are always appreciated and welcomed.

Please make sure your child brings library books back on a weekly basis. We will simply renew them if they are not finished. Already many of our younger students are telling us they forgot their book at home, so please help them with this responsibility.

If you have any questions or concerns with overdue notices, please call the library at 474-3512. Thank you.

INDIAN ED

Mr. Pilon has been very busy helping students from the start of the school year. Mr. Keller is working on a new display for our showcase as well as new ideas for cultural presentations. The cultural and partial academic factions of our program are funded through the Sault Tribe of Chippewa's 2% grants. We are very grateful for their monetary assistance allowing us to have a well-rounded Indian Education program!

HOMECOMING

Homecoming 2015 will be Friday, October 9th and Saturday, October 10th. The Homecoming Game is Friday at 7:00 p.m. against the Stephenson Eagles. 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 "Life is Sweet".

Homecoming week activities for grades 6 – 12 include:
Monday – 'Merica Monday
Tuesday – Dynamic Duo
Wednesday – Disney Day
Thursday – Candyland
Friday – Purple and Gold Day

The Homecoming Court consists of: Freshman – Taylor Guinn and Sammy Orth; Sophomores – Shelby LaCosse and David Johnson; Juniors – Madison Bagwell and Jared Anderson; Seniors – Shannon Gould, Hannah Kanyuh, Taylor Paulin, Ericka Schwartz, Michael Larson, Patrick Malchow, Brody Schroeder and John Stropich.

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

FILL THE BUS

During the Rapid River Rockets homecoming football game on Friday, October 9th we will be "filling the bus". Donate school supplies and win a prize during the FREE tailgate party and first quarter of the game.

Supplies that are needed include school supplies, games or toys for indoor and outdoor recess, books for both our library and classrooms and cash or loose change for our good behavior program.

Sponsored by the Rapid River teachers and the MEA. Come out & show your support!

ELEMENTARY NEWS

The Rapid River Staff would like to thank everyone involved in cleaning this summer. The school looked beautiful for the start of school. Our school staff greatly appreciates your extra effort.

Our hallways and classrooms have been buzzing with everyone practicing our motto: Rapid River Students Rock It! Be Ready, Be Respectful, Be Safe, and Be Responsible.

We had a terrific turn out for our "Meet and Greet" night! Many families came to visit the classrooms, talk with teachers, learn about our Title I program, and eat some pizza. Involvement in your child's school life is the best way to help them succeed.

Another way to stay involved is to attend School Board meetings (6:30 p.m. on the second Monday of every month). If you are interested in joining our School Improvement Team, it is always nice to have parent representatives with new ideas. Please contact Mr. Warning or Dr. Kulbertis if you would like more information.

We would like to remind parents how important consistent attendance is for your child. Absent students miss so much more than just homework. Letting your children know that you put their education as a positive experience in their lives, and as a priority, helps them to think likewise.

Just a reminder, our recess weather has been terrific, but students still need to have a jacket for the morning.

PARENT-TEACHER CONFERENCES

Conferences will be Thursday, November 12 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.

SCHOOL BOARD

HIGHLIGHTS

Regular Meeting, August 10, 2015

Motion made and approved:

- to increase breakfast and lunch prices by \$.25; and milk to \$.50.
- to accept letter of resignation from Amanda Spreitzer.
- to approve administrator's contract.
- to approve 2015 tax levy request.

Regular Meeting, September 14, 2015

Elementary parents discussed and questioned breakfast changes and procedures.

Flo Anderson informed the audience on the "Fill the Bus" fundraiser scheduled before the homecoming game on October 9th.

Motion made and approved:

- to approve Julie Pilon and Beth Larson as new hires for National Honor Society Advisors.

For complete minutes go to our website at www.rapidriver.k12.mi.us.

OCTOBER FUNDRAISERS

Freshman Class –

Homemade Rye Bread Sale –
Taking orders now through November 10 - cost is \$5.00 a loaf.

Contact any freshman student or Paula Schwartz at 280-4781 to place an order.

Sophomore Class –

Christmas Wreath Sale –
Taking orders October 16 – 29 -
24" decorated wreaths, cost is \$24.

Contact any sophomore student to place an order.

