

MAY POST 2010

As we approach the last few weeks of the 2009-2010 school year, it seems only fitting to reflect on those things that have been memorable. Progress has been made in all aspects of school life; we continue to grow and to work toward our ultimate goal of the finest possible education for every student at Redwood. As W. Somerset Maugham wrote, "You will learn more quickly under the guidance of experienced teachers. You waste a lot of time going down blind alleys if you have no one to lead you." The students at Redwood have made our school an exciting and vibrant place under the guidance of a wonderful, dedicated staff.

Redwood students continue the tradition of excellent academic performance, participating in numerous athletic play-offs and championships, performing in award-winning drama productions, music performances, gaining national recognition in journalism and science fair projects, and exhibiting art work in local art shows. This list of accomplishments is far too great to name them all.

The list of seniors who have been accepted into colleges and /or are receiving scholarships continues to grow. Also, some of members of our school community have been recognized for their achievement. Science teacher Elise Rubio won a Golden Bell Award for excellence, Officer Patty Monge is being honored as a Community Partner and Ruth Dell is being honored as Marin County Trustee of the Year.

After piloting the double block schedule earlier this year and lengthy debates, the teaching staff decided not to implement the double block bell schedule for the 2010-2011 school year. This was not an easy decision but our exploration led to good discussions around teaching strategies, homework and student stress, which we will continue to examine. However, there has been a lot of interest by staff in incorporating the SMaRT period into our existing single block structure in place of office hours. We will make this decision by the end of April.

STAR testing concluded last week and students will be gearing up for AP testing in early May. The number of students taking AP exams continues to grow and we are grateful that we can offer so many AP exams here at Redwood. Thanks to all the parents who volunteer their time to proctor these exams.

Budget concerns are still foremost on our minds as we continue scheduling and planning for next school year. However at this point we don't have any new or additional information to share with you. We anticipate knowing by the middle of May more precisely how the decrease in revenue will affect Redwood.

I want to thank our parents for their generous donations of time and financial support. The PTSA has continued the Staff Appreciation program and our staff truly enjoys being

recognized and rewarded in this way. Benchwarmers continues to be a vital parent organization and supports all athletic teams by funding athletic transportation costs, the athletic trainer and tutoring for our scholar athletes. Just as important, our parents have spent countless hours volunteering in the areas of campus beautification, registration of new students, newsletter production, team parents, site leadership committees, PTSA projects, substitute nurses, parent education, campus tours, the student achievement banquet, library assistance and a myriad of other tasks.

As the school year winds down for our students, the class of 2014 eagerly anticipates the start of high school. To the parents of our incoming freshmen, I would like to welcome you to our school and share a few tips to help make the transition to high school a little easier for your students:

- ✓ Encourage attendance at high school orientation meetings. This is a fabulous way to become familiar with the school, meet new (and old) friends, and start the school year off on the right foot.
- ✓ Point out the positives about high school, such as choosing your own courses from a broad range of electives, meeting new people, and having more challenging classes.
- ✓ Work with your teen to find his or her strengths. This can lead your teen to join one of the many clubs and/or sports teams at Redwood that will bring new friends, build confidence, and develop skills.
- ✓ Think of the transition from middle school to high school as a process and allow your teen the time needed to make an adjustment.

In the final analysis, it is the student body that makes a school what it is and the students at Redwood have made ours an outstanding place. Redwood is a school we can be proud of. I sincerely believe that this school is as fine an institution of learning as you will find anywhere in our state or nation.

To conclude, I would like to give special recognition to the Class of 2010. They are an exceptional group of young men and women. I wish them well in their post-secondary experiences and look forward to being a part of their commencement exercises on Thursday, June 10, at 4:00 p.m.

Thank you again to the students, staff, and parents for their contributions that made this a successful school year. As the year draws to a close and summer approaches, I hope each and every one of you enjoys a summer filled with pleasant experiences and new adventures. We are meant to treasure each and every day and I hope your summer is filled with new opportunities and time for rest and relaxation.

Have a grand summer.... See you in August!

Susan's letter

Dear Redwood Parents,

On May 13th the PTSA will host a lunch for all Redwood faculty and staff members as a gesture of appreciation. I extend thanks to Joy Simmonds and Carin Sinrod for organizing this event for our valued teachers and staff.

Our grad night committee chairs are planning a “Safe and Sober” evening to be held at Mt. Tam Racquet Club for graduating seniors. Thank you Becky Hlebasko and Joann Tsang for overseeing this important and memorable event.

Please join us on Thursday, May 6th in the Kreps Conference Center at 8:30 am for a year-end PTSA breakfast and brief meeting. Parent PTSA volunteers whose last child is graduating this year will be honored. These parents include: Linda Alm, Tish Borden, Jody Coker, Mary Connelly, Laura Edwards, Nora Kovach, Marlene Foster, Rhonda Giannini, Ann Gordon, Becky Hlebasko, Sandra Huyser, Eladia Laines-Leddy, Nancy Nemecek, Jeannie Perry, Cynthia Peterson, Holly Strobel, Joann Tsang, Ginger McCormick Suman Vyas, and Ellen Whalen.

Redwood’s PTSA executive board members have logged in many hours of work over the course of the school year. My sincere appreciation extends to Judy Groesbeck, Executive Vice President; Anne Slater, VP of Education; Elyse Boyar, VP of Drug and Alcohol; Mikel Naso, Parliamentarian; Barb Redman, Secretary; Maria Clothier, Treasurer; Lisa Berling, Auditor and Principal Nancy Neu. Our PTSA committee chairs have done an outstanding job running various school-wide programs. Thank you all for your contributions this year, it has been a pleasure working with you.

Thank you Post editorial team, Bitsa Freeman and Ellisa Cameron, for publishing Redwood news, dates and events this year. Look for your next copy of the Post in the fall. Finally, I wish to thank the Redwood community of parents, faculty, staff and students for the fantastic opportunity to serve you this year. Enjoy your summer!

Sincerely,
Susan Livingston
PTSA President

May 2010

- 1 SAT
- 3 ASB Elections in Homeroom
- 3-14 AP Exams
- 5 Music - Symphonic Band -off campus - 7 p.m.
BenchWarmers, Rm. 112, 7 - 9 p.m.
- 6 PTSA Mtg., Kreps, 8:30 - 10 a.m.
- 7 Symphonic Concert, Amphitheatre, 6 - 8 p.m.
- 9 Mother's Day
- 10 Class Officer Elections in Homeroom
- 11 CAHSEE Make-up Tests
Board of Trustees, Kreps - 7 p.m.
- 12 CAHSEE Make-up Tests
Music - Jazz Concert, Rm. 513 - 7 p.m.
Pigskin Mtg., Rm. 120, 7 p.m.
Grad Night, Rm. 112, 7 p.m.
Parent to Parent, Kreps, 6 p.m.?
- 14 STAR Testing Window Ends
- 15 Junior/Senior Prom: 8 p.m.-12 midnight
- 17 Staff Development Day (no school)
- 20 Spring Rally (resched. from 3/25) - (rally schedule)
Senior Awards Luncheon, Kreps, 12 noon
- 22 NCS Track meet
- 24-28 Sustainability Week
- 25 Mock Senate, 8 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.
Board of Trustees, Kreps, 7:00 p.m.
- 26 Grad Night, Rm. 112, 7 p.m.
- 27 Climate Change Assembly (assembly schedule)
- 30 Drama - Senior Farewell
- 31 Memorial Day (no school)

June 2010

- 1 Performance Workshop Concert - LTH - 7 p.m.
- 2 Link Crew, Lemonade & Learn, 3:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Performance Workshop Concert - LTH - 7 p.m.
BenchWarmers, Rm. 112, 7 p.m.
- 3 Ginny Luncheon, Kreps
Music Awards BBQ - Piper Park - 6 p.m.
- 3-10 Finals (TBA)
- 5 SAT
- 8 Senior Clearance
Sequoian's Dinner
Board of Trustees, Kreps, 7 p.m.
- 9 Senior Frolic

- 10 Last Day of School
End of 2nd Semester (R6/S2)
Senior Breakfast: 9 a.m.
Graduation Rehearsal: 9:45 a.m.
Graduation: 4 p.m.
- 11 Teacher Work Day
- 12 ACT
- 16 Summer School Begins
- 22 Board of Trustees, Kreps, 7 p.m.

PTSA News

On April 1, the PTSA membership voted in a new board for the 2010-2011 year. They are: President Judy Groesbeck, Executive Vice President Jean Lin, Vice President of Parent Education Rebecca Paul-Chayra, Vice President of Drug/Alcohol Awareness Laurie Dubin, Secretary Barb Redman, Treasurer Maria Clothier, Auditor Lisa Berling and Parliamentarian Mikel Naso.

2010/11 Committee chairs

Back to School Coffee	Jane Thornton Tracy Blum
Campus Improvement	Lindy Flemming Maija Norstad
Directory	Nancy Lovelady Donna Broughan
Directory Ads	OPEN
Event Co-ordinator	OPEN
Freshman Orien. Lunch	Jeanette Thorson Joanie Costamagna
Grad Night	OPEN
Hospitality	Armelle Futterman
Membership	Paula Strand
Photo Day	Antoinette Snyder Cindy Charles
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Staff Apprec. Drawings	Carole Gray
	Kelly Hanley
Staff Apprec. Luncheon/ Spring	Joy Simmonds
Student Activities	Anne Doyle
Tour Guide	Danelle Leong
Tour Hospitality	Sue Chelini
Website Manager	Collette Wright
Assit Website Manager	Jeff Slavitz
Fresh. Parent Coord	Anna Gravley
	Jenn Pfeiffer
Soph. Parent Coord.	Randi Curhan
	Jane Thornton
Junior Parent Coord.	Tracy Blum
	Mikel Naso
Senior Parent Coord.	Danelle Leong
	Robin Breuner

The Committee Chair positions of Directory Ads Sales, Event Coordinator and Grad Night Coordinator are still open. Please give me a call if you are interested. Thank you to all the volunteers. It is going to be a great year.
Mikel Naso 461-3629

VOLUNTEER FOR THE 2010-2011 PTSA!!

The PTSA is already preparing for next year and we are looking for some great volunteers. Please look over the form and consider working on a committee or call the contact person for more information. Mail or email the form to Jean Lin. Thanks you from the PTSA.

**REDWOOD PTSA PARENT VOLUNTEER FORM
2010-2011**

() Returning Family or () New Family

YOUR NAME _____

STUDENT'S NAME _____ GRADE _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Previous Middle School _____

PROFESSION _____ TALENTS/INTERESTS _____

Return form to Volunteer Coordinator, Redwood HS, 395 Doughty Dr., Larkspur, CA 94939 or email: amldslater@comcast.net

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE: Contact Jean Leutwyler, 945-3620 or jleutwyler@tamdistrict.org

- Distribute schedules on the first day of school, August, 18th
- Distribute schedules on the first day of school, January, 5th
- Assist as needed throughout the year

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE: Contact David Sondheim, 945-3612 or dsondheim@redwood.org

- Advanced Placement Test Proctors (May, 2-12, 2011), 4 to 5 hrs/test

ADMINISTRATION OFFICE: Contact Karlene Caldwell at 924-6200 or kcaldwell@redwood.org

- organize Lost & Found; wash and donate unclaimed items to charity, 2-3 hrs, 3X a year, flexible schedule

COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER: Contact Paula Vantrease at 945-3641 or pvantrease@redwood.org

- Assist with sorting of materials, flexible schedule
- Scholarship volunteer, once a week initially, then every other week

COUNSELING DEPT: Contact Nancy Malcolm at 945-3600 x 3626 or nmalcolm@redwood.org

- Freshman Academic Plan Night, September, 2010
- Senior College Application Night, October, 2010
- College Night for Juniors, October, 2010
- Eighth Grade Night, March, 2011 (answer parents' questions)
- Ninth Grade Enrollment (3/11) **Indicate** either 12:20pm – 3:30pm shift **or** 3:30pm – 6:30pm shift
- Sophomore Counselor Pot Luck Night , February 2011

SERVICE CENTER: 945-3621

- Volunteer the first three weeks of school to barcode textbooks
- Volunteer as needed for bulk, 45-60 minutes/shift mailing

STUDENT ACTIVITIES: Contact Sally Robert at 945-3622 or sally@redwood.org

- “RIGHT STUFF” sales & distribution, Friday, August 13th 7:45am-11am **OR** 11am–2pm
- Continue RIGHT STUFF sales and distribution, Monday August 16 from 11:30-2:30
- Blood drives Verify athletic participation forms

NURSE’S OFFICE: Contact Wanda Milford at 945-3618 or wmilford@redwood.org

- Filing and office work, 2 hrs/week (plus more hrs. at beginning of school year), health professional preferred because of confidentiality issues.

LIBRARY: Contact Tom Kaun at 945-3662 or tkaun@tamdistrict.org

Minimum Commitment is two hours weekly or biweekly

- Filing Shelving Book Processing & Repair Data Entry Typing Checking in Periodicals Clipping Newspaper Articles Writing/Editing Articles for Redwood Post
- Library Displays

ART: Contact Liz Lauter at 945-3600x 3653 or llauter@redwood.org

- Field Trip Drivers/chaperones, 9am – 2:45pm on weekdays Help with Art Show
- Guest Artist in ceramics or sculpture classes

PTSA COMMITTEES:

CAMPUS IMPROVEMENT: Contact Lindy Flemming, lflemming@sbcglobal.net or 924-9739

- Gardening; once a month Saturday mornings, 9am to noon Construction as needed.

CAMPUS TOURS: Contact Sue Chelini, sue@redwood.org, Friday mornings, every three weeks in the fall and once/month in the spring.

- Tour guides for parents of prospective students
- Assist tour guides with parental point of views and bring up rear of the large groups

DIRECTORY: Contact Nancy Lovelady, nlovelady@comcast.net or 925-0520

- Help with ad sales, marketing, distribution or production of the directory, summer or fall of 2010

FRESHMAN ORIENTATION LUNCH : Contact Jeanette Thorson, thorsonjp@yahoo.com or 924-5651.

- () Serve lunch for Freshman and new Upperclassmen Orientation : August 13, 2010.

PHOTO DAY: Contact Antoinette Snyder, snydera@solgar.com or 722-6567

- August 10, 2010, time to be determined
- August 16, 2010 , 11:30-2:30

HOSPITALITY: Contact Armelle Futterman, vanfutt@comcast.net or 927-4134

- Help with Staff Holiday Party in December.
- Help with Staff Appreciation Luncheon in May.
- Set up/clean up/ assist with refreshments for Parent Ed evening events throughout the year

FOUNDATION EVENT CO-ORDINATOR: Contact Catherine Way, redwoodhsf@hotmail.com or 924-6793 regarding specific job description.

- VOLUNTEER TO CHAIR REUSABLE/RECYCLABLE FUNDRAISER:** Through local businesses in Marin County. Contact Judy Groesbeck, grsbck@comcast.net or 789-5022

.PTSA MAILINGS: Contact Judy Groesbeck at grsbck@comcast.net or 789-5022

- Summer mailing () as needed

GENERAL HELP: Contact Anne Slater, amldstater@comcast.net or 435-7478

- Volunteer on an as-needed basis

Redwood PTSA Event Co-Coordinator

Purpose

The purpose of the Event Committee is to assist the RHS Foundation Event Coordinator with fundraising events sponsored by the Foundation.

Events Co-Coordinator Responsibilities

- ◆ Attend PTSA Board Meetings and Foundation General Meetings consistently or ensure representation by requesting another volunteer to attend.
- ◆ Submit a summary of current committee plans and/or progress to the President and other attendees at PTSA general meetings whether in person, via an Event Coordinator, or written.

- ◆ Ensure events are carried out by utilizing lists and other related documents, referencing previous event files, and contacting past Event Coordinators as needed.
Tasks to “carry out” an event include:
 - Coordinate with other chairs
 - Plan events
 - Set up and decorate
 - Clean up
 - Assist Foundation Representatives in Requesting and organizing volunteers
- ◆ Support Foundation Event Coordinator (i.e. meet, assist, research, volunteer)
- ◆ Request volunteers via the PTSA Volunteer Coordinator at the beginning of the school year as well as throughout the school year as needed per event in coordination with the Foundation Event Coordinator.
- ◆ Utilize, or provide as appropriate, Expense Vouchers for reimbursement of funds spent.
- ◆ Adhere to proposed budget. Inquire with Foundation President and Treasurer to request any changes to budget.

May 6, 2010

Parents please join us at the final PTSA meeting of the year in Kreps Conference Center at 8:30am. Our presentation includes an “Every 15 Minutes” video and speaker panel who will offer a Q&A surrounding your questions about the junior/senior prom. Celebrate and honor our “graduating” senior parents who have their last child at Redwood this year.

A Big Thank You!

Our Staff Appreciation Luncheon is quickly approaching on May 13th and we would like to say a big thank you before the event to those who have donated to our Staff Appreciation lunch raffle. We apologize if we have missed any names (please let us know) and we acknowledge that some donations were anonymous, but we know it takes many generous people to really show our wonderful RHS teachers and staff just how much they mean to us.

Thanks go to: Laura Anderson, Marti Andrews, Pamela Aparicio, Ann Hunt Archer, Jeannie Bar, Tish Borden, Kathy Carver, Anne Doyle, Dave Doyle, Judy Groesbeck, Beth Hoehn, Liz Krakow, Eladia Leddy, Susan Livingston, Mary Sue Murray, Marie Narlock, Jeannie Perry, Cynthia Peterson, Barb Redman, Kappy Reed, Marliss Riddle, Sally Rondio, Beth Runquist, Ann Slater, Jennifer Stevens, Paula Strand, Jean Suliteanu,

Andi Thompson, Alison von Lackur, Susan Wirta, Tracey Wirth, Chandra Zieff and Petra Zorn.

Thanks everyone!

Joy Simmonds and Carin Sinrod, Co-Chairs of the PTSA Staff Appreciation Luncheon 2010

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Every attempt is made to maintain accurate listings. Should there be an omission or error, please call the Foundation office 924-6793.

Final SENIOR transcripts! Seniors need to submit a request to have their 8th semester (final) transcript sent to the college they have chosen to attend. Requests can be submitted starting May 17th, and transcripts will be sent when final grades are posted in June.

**This is very important and a condition of acceptance
for all four year colleges.**

SUMMER SCHOOL: Summer School will be held this year at Redwood from Wednesday, June 16th to Friday, July 16th. Additional information can be found through the link on the Redwood.org home page or at <http://tamdistrict.org/summerschool/>

In planning, it is very important to remember that students will NOT receive credit for their Summer School work if they miss more than two days of Summer School FOR ANY REASON!

Summer School is an opportunity for students to meet the TECHNOLOGY OUTCOME (Intro to Computers), work on their Portfolio (for Outcomes 1 and 2), or take a course to make up for a D or F grade. Individual questions should be directed to your student's counselor.

SUMMER CLASSES at COLLEGE OF MARIN: Many Redwood students like to take classes at COM during the summer. It is a chance to try a college level class and to take a class which we don't offer. Often students get a head start on their college credit with a COM class. Students can take classes such as anthropology, geology, film studies, business, psychology, automotive repair and body work, welding, and many others. Summer School at COM is from June 14 to July 23. Classes are currently tuition-free to high school students and registration begins June 1st. However, with budget reductions, there may not be spaces available in all the classes students may be interested in taking. Additionally, students need to know that Summer School classes can be intense in terms of time and homework commitment and should be prepared to meet the course requirements if they enroll.

Students thinking of taking courses should see their counselor for the required high school permission form and should preregister on the COM site to obtain a college ID number. Information and the summer schedule for COM is available at <http://www.marin.edu>

COLLEGE & CAREER CENTER NEWS

May/June 2010

I will be meeting with all juniors through their US History classes to discuss Options after High School the first two weeks in May. Options discussed are: four year colleges, community college, vocational training, and military, work, and gap year programs. The College & Career Center is a resource room for all students and parents. Please feel free to stop by Monday through Friday from 7:30 to 4:00 to check out the resources available. If you would like to schedule an appointment, please contact Paula Vantrease at 945-3641.

All seniors will be surveyed as to their post high school plans after the May 1st National Decision Day. This year the survey will be completed online through Government/Econ classes using Prep HQ. The results of the survey will be on the College & Career Center web page by the end of the school year. If your senior misses the survey, please encourage them to come see me in the College & Career Center (room 111) before the end of May.

All materials, catalogs, test prep books and college guide books are due back in the College and Career Center by June 1st. Please return them so students next year will be able to use them. Thank you.

Remember – Do something special this summer. All colleges are interested in well-rounded students with a variety of interests and talents.

Do an Internship

Get a job

Develop a talent or interest to make you stand out among the others

Take a class

Travel

Visit colleges

SAT TEST DATES 2010-2011

(At this time the dates are tentative and subject to change.)

October 9, 2010

November 6, 2010

December 4, 2010

January 22, 2011

March 12, 2011 (SAT only, no subject tests)

May 7, 2011

June 4, 2011

ACT TEST DATES 2010-2011

(At this time the dates are tentative and subject to change.)

September 11, 2010

October 23, 2010

December 11, 2010

February 12, 2011

April 9, 2011

June 11, 2011

May 2010 Campus Improvement

Rose Garden ready for Dedication Ceremony

Redwood Campus Improvement volunteers finished work in the Quad's rose garden by mulching and weeding, securing stepping tiles, and assembling a garden bench. It's now ready for the dedication ceremony to the support staff in May.

Please join us at our next garden party Saturday, May 24 from 9am to noon to beautify the amphitheatre for graduation. Volunteering for a garden party is a great way to earn community service hours and students are credited for time worked by family members. No need to sign up, just show up. We have tools and gloves or you can bring your own. We hope to see you there!

Garden Party Schedule

Meeting times: 9:00 am - noon

Saturday, May 24: Amphitheatre

Saturday, June 5: Amphitheatre

Questions? Contact Lindy Flemming (924.9739)
Redwood Campus Improvement Committee co-chair

Safe Routes

Redwood Sustainability Week is the week of May 24th. In honor of it, the Environmental Action Club is organizing various programs, including a “Teens Go Green Challenge” to promote walking, biking and carpooling to school. Competing teams will enter a raffle to win prizes, including \$100 cash. To find people in your neighborhood to carpool with, sign up at: www.schoolpoolmarin.org The club is currently looking for donations of prizes for the raffle. If you are able to help, please contact: Tasmin Pessa at tpessa@pacbell.net or 924-5815

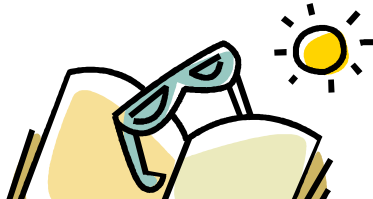
Thank you,
Tasmin Pessa
PTSA Safe Routes to Schools committee chair

Library Leafs

The Bessie Chin Library staff would like to congratulate those of you with graduating seniors, say good-bye to those whose last child is leaving Redwood and welcome the parents of incoming ninth graders. From their freshman year through graduation we like to think we play a crucial part in helping your children succeed as students and as young, maturing adults. We’ll miss the seniors who have spent a lot of time in the library over the years learning how to access and use information for many school and personal projects. Our goal in the library is to graduate young adults who can think for themselves, who love literature and who can find and use information creatively and ethically. We look forward to meeting the incoming ninth graders in the fall and introducing them to all the wonderful resources of the Bessie Chin Library.

As the school year comes to a close we’d also like to express a big thank you from the whole Redwood community to our library volunteers who have performed all sorts of tasks this year to make our terrific programs so successful. A big thank you goes to returning volunteers Richard Henerlau (a *Marin IJ* volunteer-of-the-week this year), Peter Martin and Amalia Molineaux. And thanks to our new volunteers this year, Chris Brent, Jessica Carroll, Anna Cico, Laura Collins, Fumiyo Noguchi, Lori Shearn, and Jennifer Stevens. No matter how many hours you were able to put in over the course of the year, your time was very much valued and appreciated. Think about joining them next fall if you’d like to provide a valuable and fun service to Redwood and your children.

We hope everyone has a happy and restful summer and remind everybody in the Redwood community that a great way to beat the heat is to READ! Summer reading lists are available online from the library’s website at



http://rhslibrary.org/summer_reading.htm. Book Passage will provide a small donation to the Redwood library for every book purchased when Redwood is mentioned. Encourage your children to read “just for fun,” reading something they’d never have time for during the regular school year. Now is the time to stretch and grow in weird and wonderful ways.

Remember that even though the physical library is closed during the summer, the Redwood Learning Commons is open 24/7 all year round at <<http://rhslibrary.org>>. You have access to a large assortment of online subscription databases from the library’s home page. You can see a list of user names (IDs) and passwords by clicking on the DATABASE PASSWORDS link and entering the word “giants” in the box.

This year has been an exciting one for the library with the addition of all sorts of new materials, a new library automation system, improvements to the library website, and the addition of new databases. Next year should prove just as fruitful and we look forward to seeing you all at Back-to-School night in the fall.

Tom Kaun, Teacher Librarian and Karen Barrett, Library specialist

Library Website
<http://rhslibrary.org>



All databases are linked from the main library website

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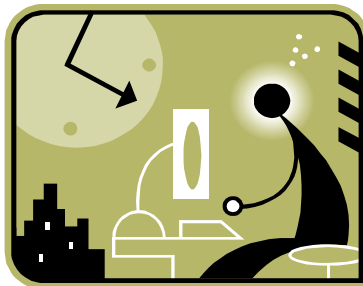
- EBSCO databases**
Britannica Online
CountryWatch
CQ Researcher
Oxford Reference Online
Questia



Worldbook Online has *redwoodhome* as the user name



InfoTrac uses *lark70400* as the password



GET READY for the GRAD NIGHT HOME STRETCH!

Redwood's amazing Safe, Sober and Sensational GRAD NIGHT is fast approaching, and your help is still needed! We especially need volunteers to help with set up the day before (June 9) and the day of Grad Night (June 10). We especially need parents who don't have seniors to volunteer for set up on June 10. Senior parents are unable to do setup right before the event because they are at graduation and also often have family in to entertain. This is a great way for parents of younger students to get a glimpse into what goes into this exceptional event, which does indeed take a village to make happen!

Volunteer by contacting Ann Jackson at annandjohnjax@sbcglobal.net

Also, we're still looking for connections to a grand prize: something big and exciting, like an X-Box, really good camera, I-Pad or anything else the kids would find exciting. Please contact Nancy Nemecek – nanemec@yahoo.com about gifts and prizes, and remember that it's not too late to send in a check with your phantom tea invitation!

Also, Senior parents be on the look out in your mailbox for information on the toddler photo contest and the memory collages, as well as invitations to the grad night party. Students can either send in a check or buy tickets at school on June 2 and June 4. Senior parents, be sure to take time to put together a collage (even if you kids say they don't want you to, they always want to see theirs up on grad night, so don't listen to them!) and they love the toddler photo contest too, in which students try to guess 'Who was Who' as a toddler.

Thanks to all for supporting this important event for our students and our school!