



HOUND HIGHLIGHTS

A Weekly PTSA E-Newsletter for Pope High School Parents and Students

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Send submissions to houndhighlights@popeptsa.org ♦ Deadline: Wed 12 NOON

IMPORTANT DATES

December 3

SAT Test

December 9

A Showcase of the Arts at KSU

FROM the ADMINISTRATION

ADAP

Tuesday, Dec. 20th 12:15 PM in the POPE Theater. One Time Only!!

SCHOOL CLINIC NEEDS

Clinic is in need of dixie cups, bandaids, saltines, peanut butter crackers, gingerale, coke, lysol wipes, and small ziploc bags. All donations are greatly appreciated.

EOCT DECEMBER TESTING

This window is primarily for students enrolled in Accel Math 2, all fall Econ classes, and those students who have completed an EOCT course through NovaNET, Cobb Virtual Academy, or dual enrollment.

Monday, Dec 12th

**English: 9th Literature and American Literature
(NovaNET, etc; 10)**

**Afternoon testing 5th period start 12:25 in Media Center
Those students who have 5th or 6th lunch will eat lunch
at 11:45**

Thursday, Dec 15th

**Economics (207 students); Green and Kemper
All other NovaNET, Cobb Virtual, Dual Enrollment, etc (5)
Morning testing 1st period start 8:20 in Media Center
continuing through AO into 2nd - no lunch disruption**

Tuesday, Dec 13th

**Science: Biology and Physical Science (NovaNET, etc; 15)
Afternoon testing 5th period start 12:45 in Media Center
Those students who have 5th or 6th lunch will eat lunch
at 12:15**

Friday, Dec 16th

**MAKEUPS - final day of testing window
Morning testing 1st period start 8:20 in Media Center**

Wednesday, Dec 14th

**Accelerated Math 2 (109 students); Fuston and Robinson;
All other NovaNET, Cobb Virtual, Alg or Geom students,
etc (5)
Morning testing 1st period start 8:20 in Media Center
Those students who have 3rd lunch will eat lunch from
10:45 - 11:15**

POPE GREYHOUND GALA

All Booster club presidents for sports and clubs are invited to attend the kick-off meeting for 4th Annual Greyhound Gala. The meeting will be held at 6:30 pm on Monday, December 5 in the Pope cafeteria. Come learn about how your booster club can earn 100% of the proceeds from your silent auction items donations! Any questions, please contact Beth Wortham at <mailto:ehwortham@bellsouth.net>.

FALL 2011 EXAM SCHEDULE

Please see the Fall Exam Schedule below. For more details please download the attached information here:

[Fall 2011 Exam Schedule.docx](#)

Monday – Dec 19	Tuesday – Dec 20	Wednesday - Dec 21	Thursday – Dec 22
Zero Exam 1st 8:20- 9:15 No AO 2nd 9:20-10:10 3rd 10:15-11:05 4th 11:10-12:00 5th 12:05-12:55 6th 1:00- 1:50 7th Exam 1:55-3:30	No Zero 5th Exam 8:20-9:50 No AO 6th Exam 9:55-11:30 Teachers available for help from 12:15-1:20 • Correction in red	No Zero 1st Exam 8:20-9:50 No AO 3rd Exam 9:55-11:30	No Zero 2nd Exam 8:20-9:50 No AO 4th Exam 9:55-11:30

FROM the COUNSELING OFFICE

PSAT RESULTS INFORMATION MEETING

PSAT Results usually arrive sometime the first or second week of December. They will be returned to 9th, 10th, and 11th grade students via AO teachers. 9th and 11th grade students who did not pay the \$15.00 fee but tested will be given information on how to self-score their tests. There will be a PSAT Results Info Meeting for parents and students on **Monday, Dec. 12th at 7:00pm in the Theater**. **BRING YOUR PSAT SCORE REPORT WITH YOU TO THIS MEETING**

PRINCETON REVIEW SAT PREP COURSES

Do you want help raising your SAT score?? Pope will, once again, be hosting SAT prep courses taught by The Princeton Review during the Spring Semester leading to the May 5 SAT. The cost is at a greatly reduced price of \$375, which pays for 12 classes and 3 full-length diagnostic tests. The diagnostic tests will be on Saturdays and are scheduled for Feb. 4, March 17, and April 28 from 9:00am - 1:15pm. The classes will be held on Wednesday afternoons from 2:15pm - 4:15pm and will run from Feb. 8 - May 2 (excluding Spring Break).

Enrollment will end on January 20.

To register for the discounted class, visit: www.princetonreview.com, use the "Course Finder" to search for SAT prep programs using your zip code, click on the tab "Find Courses Near Me," and scroll to Pope. The full price is \$599, so to receive the discount, please use promo code: ATLHSPSHIP3. Enrollment for each class is 24 students and is open to all interested students, however, it is typically geared toward juniors and advanced sophomores who are looking to get an early start on the college process. More information, including the course schedule of classes and diagnostic test dates, is posted on the Pope School Counseling blog <http://popehs.typepad.com/guidancedepartment/>. If you have any questions, please contact jamie.hamrick@cobbk12.org.

PTSA NEWS

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We need four PTSA members to serve on the Nominating Committee. The committee will recommend nominees for the PTSA Executive Committee for the 2012-2013 school year. If you are interested, please contact Joyce Bahorich at joycepta@comcast.net

PTSA GRANTS COMMITTEE

The PTSA Grants Committee is in need of the following donations: TWO rocking chairs and TWO bag less vacuum cleaners. Please contact Ann Sands at annsands@bellsouth.net for more information.

DO YOU KNOW THE LAWS THAT AFFECT YOUR TEENAGER??? GET THIS BOOK TODAY!

J. Tom Morgan, a highly respected former prosecutor and author spoke to students and interested parents November 28th at Pope High School. J. Tom Morgan is a nationally recognized expert on the prosecution of crimes against and committed by children. This was a very informational assembly for both students and parents sponsored by the Pope PTSA. J. Tom Morgans' book "*Ignorance is No Defense, A Teenagers Guide to Georgia Law*" is for sale for only \$10. If interested please contact Karin Welte, karin.welte@gmail.com.

2011 REFLECTIONS CONTEST WINNERS

It is with great pleasure that we announce the winners of the East Cobb County Council 2011 Reflections contest. These winners were chosen by outside judges on how well the student used his or her artistic vision to portray the theme, Diversity means... The winning entries will move forward to Georgia PTA to be considered for award at the state level. We wish them the best!

<p>FILM PRODUCTION 12th Grade - Grace Ferzely</p> <p>LITERATURE 12th Grade - Timothy Weber Jr.</p> <p>MUSIC COMPOSITION 11th Grade - Mary Keilhauer</p> <p>PHOTOGRAPHY 9th Grade - Alex Swartz 12th Grade - Chloe Koehne-Flick</p> <p>VISUAL ARTS 12th Grade - Angela Andrew</p>

COMMUNITY OUTREACH CLUB – DONATIONS and VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

MUST Ministries Holiday Toy Shop

Just a few more volunteers are needed this **Saturday, December 3** from 9-12:30pm to serve as elves helping pre-approved Cobb families select toys and other items during a special holiday shopping experience at 809 Roswell Street, Marietta (located directly across from Roswell Street Baptist Church). Responsibilities will include greeting clients at the front desk; helping the families select their allotted number of items per child; sorting items and keeping shelves filled; and assisting families (with a partner) to the client's car. Minimum volunteer age is 14. If interested, please contact Cassie Rogers at cassie.n.rogers@lmco.com.

Gift Drive & Holiday Visitation for Second Wind Dreams

Second Wind Dreams is an organization that focuses on changing the perception of aging and fulfilling dreams for those living in eldercare communities. We will be providing and delivering gift bags to seniors living at Golden Living Center (5470 Meridian Mark across from Northside Hospital) and Unihealth Post-Acute Care – Broohaven (3535 Ashton Woods Drive) who will not have family visitors or support during the holidays, specifically on Hanukkah and Christmas Eve/Day. Volunteers are needed to donate gifts, wrap and deliver gifts to the elders.

Specific items needed to fill gift bags include cotton or knit gloves, knitted caps, gripper socks, sugar free candy, large-print crossword puzzles, stuffed animals, hand lotion, CDs (gospel, jazz, country), DVDs (old westerns, musicals), decks of cards and lap robes.

Toy Drive

This holiday season the Community Outreach Club will make goody bags and sponsor a gift drive to support the children staying at the Peachtree Dunwoody Ronald McDonald House during the holidays. We will be accepting new toy donations for all ages, as well as items and gift baskets for their parents. **Suggested items for children include sports balls, action figures, hot wheel cars, socks, gloves/mittens, small toys/games, coloring books, playing cards, books, puzzles, disposable cameras, pencils, crayons and gift cards (iTunes, WalMart, Target).**

With the exception of gift cards, please place gift donations in the white bin located near PPO before December 16.

Coats for Cobb Drive

Coats for Cobb is an initiative designed to collect coats and distribute them to those in need – right in our own backyard. All donations will be given to residents of Cobb County through MUST Ministries. The coat drive will run from now until **December 20**. Please look through your closets and donate extra coats that you no longer need, and drop off coats in the COATS FOR COBB bin located near PPO. All sizes welcome! Please share this information with your friends, family, neighbors, and coworkers to maximize the benefits of this worthy cause and make a very measurable and MUCH-NEEDED impact in our community. Just a little of your time can go a long way. This holiday season, let's keep Cobb warm!

Please contact Cassie Rogers at <mailto:cassie.n.rogers@lmco.com> if you wish to donate, wrap and deliver gifts to the seniors at the Second Wind Dreams homes, or if you wish to donate gift cards to the RMH

families. *Happy Holidays!*

CLUB AND COMMUNITY NEWS

POPE ALUMNI TO START IN UPCOMING NFL GAME

Pope Alum, T.J. Yates, is starting for the Texans, Dec. 4th, in Houston vs. the Falcons!!

15th ANNUAL SHOWCASE OF THE ARTS

Pope High School Fine Arts Department Presents: *A Showcase of the Fine Arts*, on **Friday, December 9**, at the Bailey Performance Center at Kennesaw State University. Come enjoy the combined performances of the Pope Advanced Orchestra, Chorus, and Symphonic I Band and Visual Arts. There will be two performances this year:

6:00pm and 8:30pm. Tickets will be on sale outside the cafeteria during lunch **December 7-9**, \$ 8.00 for all tickets. Checks should be made payable to PCB. Tickets will not be available at the door.

POPE BAND RETURNS FROM HAWAII

Just Sit Right Back and You'll Hear a Tale...A Tale of a Fateful Trip...

The Pope Band had a fantastic week in Hawaii. It is difficult to describe many of the emotionally charged moments with our survivor, the surroundings, and the events. Our kids did a great job performing and represented our school well. The trip was filled with many, many amazing moments. The sights were absolutely spectacular, the sun and the ocean breezes were exhilarating, the activities were fun, and the Pearl Harbor connections were inspiring. You just can't get the same experiences on a family vacation. To hear more about this trip download the summary document here: <http://popepts.org/documents/HawaiiTripSummary.pdf>

CONGRATULATIONS GOVERNORS HONORS PROGRAM

Congratulations to these Pope students who will interview at the State level for the Governor's Honors Program:

SPANISH	TECHNOLOGY
Pooja Mayur	Josh Stanton
Yvette Kim	MUSIC (WOODWINDS)/BASSOON
FRENCH	Jessica Bowen
Wendi Bao	MUSIC (STRINGS)/CELLO
MATHEMATICS	En-Hsuan Lu
Mary Keilhauer	VISUAL ARTS
COMMUNICATIVE ARTS	Anna Marie Posey
Imran Khan	Alyssa Wehrell
Samantha Piper	BIOLOGY
EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT	Ian Van Buskirk
Anh Nguyen	Sa Parastoo Majd
THEATRE PERFORMANCE	MUSIC (VOICE)/SOPRANO
Joanna Steine	Ilene Issacson

GOOD LUCK GREYHOUNDS!!

POPE TO HOST COLLEGE SHOWCASE SOCCER TOURNAMENT GAMES

Pope has been selected this year as a host site for the Atlanta Final Four College Showcase Tournament and will welcome in the most talented soccer players from around the country on Sunday, December 4. The Atlanta Final Four College Showcase is an elite-level club soccer tournament hosted by the Atlanta Beat and North Atlanta Soccer Association that will be held in the Atlanta area. This is the only event that is held in conjunction with the NCAA Division 1 College Cup, the Final Four of women's college soccer. The tournament brings together the very best club soccer players and teams to locations surrounding Kennesaw State College so that players can showcase their abilities to the hundreds of college coaches that will be attending. For more information, go to <http://atlantafinalsoccer.com>.

Games will take place at Pope on Sunday on both the game and practice fields beginning at 7:30am and continuing until 2:30pm. This is a great opportunity to see some of the best club soccer teams in all of

America battle it out in our backyard with hopes of impressing coaches from the nations' top women's soccer programs. So come on out and watch these talented athletes play some exceptional soccer.

There are volunteer opportunities available for Pope students, staff and parents. If you are interested in volunteering please go to www.signupgenius.com/go/girls231 or you can contact Margie Powell at bmjgpow@aol.com.

POPE BAND - RECYCLE

The Pope Band will once again recycle - **Save the date: Saturday January 21st**. This year we will recycle metal, electronics and paint – plus paper shredding. If you have any metal, unused electronics, old cans of paint in your basement or garage, or papers that should be shredded (like old tax returns, financial statements, incriminating photos) this is a great opportunity to "slim down"!

HOLIDAY GIFT SALE TO BENEFIT SHALLOWFORD FALLS FOUNDATION

Holiday Gift Sale: Lost Forrest Clubhouse (off Post Oak Tritt), **Friday December 2nd 8AM-6PM and Saturday December 3rd 8AM-2PM**. Toys, stationary, candy, home/garden gifts, jewelry and more! All items are new and some are pre-wrapped for Holiday gift-giving with many at or below wholesale prices. Cash, check and credit cards accepted. All proceeds to benefit the Foundation of Shallowford Falls (elementary school). Download flyer here: <http://popeptsa.org/flyers/ShallowfordFallsHolidayGiftSale.pdf>

POPE GREYHOUND GALA

The 4th Annual Greyhound Gala and Silent Auction is scheduled for Saturday, March 3rd at the Renaissance Waverly Hotel.

As in the years past, Pope High School Foundation puts on this event to help each and every club or organization raise money respectively via the silent auction. There is a mandatory Greyhound Gala meeting on Monday, December 5th at 6:30 PM in the Pope café to review the procedures for this event. Each club president should attend as well as your organization's selected Gala representative. Important material will be emailed to you soon to print and bring to the meeting. If you have any questions, or are interested in helping with the Gala, please contact the co-chairs Julie Pederson barefootedone@aol.com, or Dania Tarquinio Daniatarquinio@comcast.net.

FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR...

VARSITY FOOTBALL

The Football Team finished 10-2 on the season and made the 2nd round of the state play-offs.

Congratulations to the coaches and players on a terrific season.

WINTER SPORTS

Winter sports have begun Please check their websites for upcoming events.

GO HOUNDS!

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