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

March 5	Deadline to register for AP Exams
March 8	8th Grade Parent Curriculum Night, 7:00 PM
March 10	Early Release, 1:25 PM
March 15	9th-11th Grade Registration Sent Home
March 22	9th-11th Grade Registration Forms Due
March 22-26	GHSHT Subject Tests
March 25	No X Block – School begins at 8:25 AM

FROM THE ADMINISTRATION...

2010 – 2011 REGISTRATION INFORMATION

On **Monday, March 15**, 9th-11th grade registration information for the 2010-2011 school year will be sent home with students. Please check the Pope website for all registration information and course descriptions. On **Monday, March 22**, 9th-11th grade registration forms are due back with a parent signature to AO teachers.

PARKING REMINDER

Please remember that the concrete pad near the flag pole outside the front entrance doors of the school must be available for handicapped access, delivery trucks, and emergency vehicles. Be sure not to block the handicapped access ramp to the concrete pad. Thanks for your support.

AP EXAM REGISTRATION –REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS FRIDAY, MARCH 5.

AP students are to register online at www.popehs.TotalRegistration.net, print 2 copies of their confirmation page, and bring one confirmation page with their payment to any AP teacher.

GIMME 5 FOR EDUCATION

On Monday, March 1, each student received a Gimme 5 for Education envelope via their AO. This annual fundraiser by the Cobb Foundation provides scholarships for our students, grants for teachers, and much, much more! Please join us by donating just \$5 by **Friday, March 5**. You can either return your envelope with your child to the front office bin or bring it in yourself. Pope has the opportunity to receive 20% of your donations collected or if 75% staff & students participate, we will receive 50% of your donations collected! Thank you in advance.

ACADEMIC OPPORTUNITY PASSES FOR MEDIA CENTER

Starting **Friday, February 26**, Media Center Academic Opportunity passes will not be given out until 8:00 AM. This will allow all students equal opportunity to check out passes. Also, due to increased demand, students will only be able to check out a pass for the Media Center once per week.

GEORGIA HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION TESTS (GHSGT)

Please check out the Pope website for all information regarding the upcoming GHSGT for juniors the week of **March 22 – 26**. Please contact Lorelee Hill (Lorelee.Hill@cobbk12.org) with any questions or concerns regarding GHSGT preparations or the administration of the test.

MENTORSHIP & WEB DESIGN

If you are a student who qualifies for mentorship next fall and are interested in website design, please see the application link on the main page of Pope's website or see Mrs. Allegood in the media center ASAP.

COBB SCHOOLS FOUNDATION ARTS PERFORMANCES

The Cobb Schools Foundation has once again worked to secure \$15 tickets to outstanding arts performances for our students, teachers and families!

Ticket order forms can be found at www.cobbschoolsfoundation.org . Spring offerings include:

African Children's Choir - Monday, March 8 at 7:00 PM in the Cobb Energy Performing Arts Centre
Carousel, presented by the Cobb Symphony Orchestra & Chorus – Saturday, March 13 at 8:00 PM &
Sunday March 14 at 3:00 PM in the Murray Arts Center

PTSA NEWS

DIVERSITY & INCLUSION FACT

International Women's Day is March 8, which coincides with Women's History Month, which is now celebrated annually in the United States during the entire month of March. It began as a weeklong celebration of women's contributions to culture, history and society organized by the school district of Sonoma, California, in 1979. In 1981, the U.S. Congress made it official, passing a resolution establishing Women's History Week. In 1987, the event was expanded into the entire month of March. Many countries celebrate every March 8 with demonstrations, educational initiatives and customs such as offering gifts and flowers. The United Nations has sponsored the holiday since 1975. Learn more about International Women's Day and Women's History Month at <http://www.history.com/topics/womens-history-month>.

PTSA LOOKING FOR OFFICERS FOR 2010-2011

It is that time of year again...time to find individuals to lead our wonderful Pope PTSA! The 2010-2011 Nominating Committee is currently looking for candidates for officer positions for the 2010-2011 school year. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone you know, please contact the POPE PTSA Nominating Committee chair, Kim V. Smith at kvsmith@bellsouth.net. She can also be contacted at 404-316-2209. Thanks!

FOUNDATION NEWS

GREYHOUND GALA 2010

The Pope community celebrated in style on Saturday evening at the 2nd annual Greyhound Gala. The evening included a complementary cocktail hour sponsored by Brown-Forman, delicious food, a lively Silent Auction, and dancing. The Foundation sincerely thanks our Presenting Sponsor, G. Taylor Roofing and our VIP Sponsors, DEPCO Accounting Services, Georgia Natural Gas, and Leader. A special thank you to Gala attendees who supported the Pope booster clubs and organizations through purchases at the Silent & Live Auctions. A preliminary review of the auction results show almost \$32,000 earned by 22 clubs and organizations.

ONLINE AUCTION FOR THE GREYHOUND GALA

It is not too late to show your support for the booster clubs and organizations! If you were unable to attend the Gala or missed a great find, we will be conducting an online sale of items and services that were not purchased at the Gala. Please check out the Pope Foundation website, www.popehighschoolfoundation.com, for a listing of the items. Bidding instructions will be on the website. <http://www.popehighschoolfoundation.com>.

SCHOOL COUNSELING

PARENT CURRICULUM MEETING FOR THE CLASS OF 2014

If you have a student in 8th grade this year, please mark your calendars for **Monday, March 8** at 7:00 PM in the Pope Theater. This is a perfect opportunity to get answers to your questions for your 8th grader's course registration and other important information for next year. If you have friends in our district who have an 8th grader in private school this year and are considering enrolling their child at Pope next year, please encourage them to attend.

SENIOR NEWS

POPE PTSA COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIPS

Attention College Bound Seniors! Pope PTSA sponsors 6 community service scholarships of \$500. Selection for the scholarships is based on an essay describing your role in a community service project. Applications are available in guidance and submissions are **DUE Friday, March 26**. You must be a PTA member to join, but it is not too late! Contact Susan Hinck at mhinck@comcast.net about joining today! Winners will be announced at the Honors Night Ceremony on May 12. If you have questions, please call Lisa Joyner at 404-641-7831.

CLUB & COMMUNITY NEWS

NIKE REUSE-A-SHOE COLLECTION

The Interact Club is once again collecting old sneakers so that they don't go into landfills. During March only, bring your worn out sneakers and place them in designated bins near PPO. Any athletic brand of shoe is accepted. No cleats, no sandals, nothing containing metal. Since 1990, Nike has recycled over 21 million pairs of shoes and used the foam, fabric and rubber to make sport surfaces for kids worldwide.

INTERACT MEMBERS

Please plan to attend both the March 10 and March 24 meetings. We still have a few last projects and we need to plan for our next Parent's Night Out fundraiser on March 26. We will also be discussing our summer leadership program and pick two representatives to attend (for free). Don't forget to collect change for Polio as we will turn that in during an April meeting when we will have our officer elections!

POPE BAND ELECTRONICS, RECYCLING AND PAPER SHREDDING FUND RAISER

The Pope High School Band Electronics Recycling and Paper Shredding Fund Raiser has been re-scheduled for **Saturday, March 13** from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM. Donations are \$10.00 (minimum), plus \$5 per TV, and \$5 per box of paper. The recycling event provides a valuable community service, is good for the environment, and provides much needed funds for this worthy high school band program. We can accept Electronic parts, working & non-working computers, monitors, flat panels, network equipment, computer parts, hard drives, CD-ROM/DVD drives, loose PC boards, cables, telephone equipment, test equipment, home electronics - stereo systems, game systems & tape players. We are also offering pickup service! For businesses, it is a \$25 donation plus \$5 per device (CRT, fax machine, computer, printer etc.). This is a great tax deduction and enables a business to shed unused or

obsolescent electronic equipment. Tell your IT department! For residences, pickup is \$25 for any and all electronics, plus \$5 per TV. Sorry - we cannot accept electronics in wood cabinets; kitchen/bathroom electronics, or small appliances. Join us Saturday, February 13 at Pope High School. For more information, contact Brad Roberts at (phone: 770-565-1194, email: nilesrob@gmail.com).

FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR...

Congratulations to the Pope Boys Varsity Tennis Team for winning the Wildcat Invitational this weekend. They beat Marist, South Forsyth, & Hillgrove to take home the Championship trophy! Also, congratulations to the Pope Girls Varsity Tennis Team for bringing home the 2nd place trophy at the Wildcat. They beat Woodstock & South Forsyth but lost to Kennesaw Mountain in the final round.

The JV Girls Tennis team has started their season. They braved the cold on February 17 but lost to Roswell 0-5. On February 22, at the home opener, they fell to Walton, 1-4. February 24 was another bitter cold match. Unfortunately, the girls lost to North Cobb 2-3. Their next match will be at home against Alpharetta on March 10. Go JV Girls!

The Pope track and field teams started the season strong, with the boys winning 1st place overall and the girls placing 4th in this past weekend's first invitational Creekview Relays in Cherokee County. Pope boy's teams finished first in the 4x100, 4x800, and pole vault, and second in shot put, discus, high jump, and distance medley. The girl's teams had first place finishes in the shot put, 4x800, and distance medley, and Monica Phillips set a stadium record and new Pope school record in the shot put with a throw of 38' 1"! Congratulations Greyhounds!

Congratulations to the baseball team. They defeated Walker and Norcross to start their season. They will be traveling to Lowndes to compete in their tournament this weekend. Good luck!

Congratulations to the lacrosse and soccer teams on their great starts this season.

This **Saturday, March 6**, Pope crew athletes will be competing in the AJRA/CCR/SARC Tri-Meet at Lake Lanier. Events start at 12:30 PM. For more information, please visit ajracrew.com

Please continue to check the school's website for dates and times of competitions. These athletes enjoy and deserve our support.

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