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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: Tuesdays 5pm

IMPORTANT DATES

September 9	Varsity Football@ Villa Rica 7 :30 PM
September 10	East Cobber Parade
September 10	ACT

FROM THE ADMINISTRATION

Wednesday, October 12th will be a full school day, due to PSAT testing.

**Friday, October 14th will be a late in morning,
due to the Thursday night home football game.**

School will start at 9:30 AM

Please Note: If you are dropping off your student, please do so in the back of the school near the gym. The buses will run at the normal time on both days for those students who need to ride the bus. If your student arrives early, they need to report directly to the media center or cafeteria.

POPE SCHOOL COUNCIL

The School Council will meet in Mr. Beaulieu's office on **Monday, September 12** from 5:00 PM-6:00 PM. All interested parties are welcome to attend.

FROM the COUNSELING OFFICE

SAT PREP – PRINCETON REVIEW

Prepare for the SAT with The Princeton Review at Pope High School!

During the SAT course The Princeton Review administers three full-length diagnostic SATs, each with a detailed analysis pinpointing individual strengths and weaknesses. The individual attention The Princeton Review gives each student is only one reason for the success of this program. Equally important is the focus of the classes. The Princeton Review approach includes a thorough review of all math, reading and writing skills tested on the SAT - including the student-written essay. However, they go beyond that - they teach test-taking techniques that make students feel in control of, rather than controlled by, the SAT.

The tuition covers all the work they do, including 18 hours of classroom instruction, three diagnostic tests, 24/7 access to online student resources, and all course materials. To learn more about The Princeton Review, please visit www.princetonreview.com

To learn more or to register, visit: www.princetonreview.com and look under SAT Classroom Course and your zip code. \$375 per student. Seats are limited! To receive the discount, please use promo code: ATLPOPEHS

Deadline to enroll is: 9/14 . Questions? Email jennifers@review.com

Schedule: Classes from 2:15 PM-4:15 PM - Tests from 9 AM-1:15 PM

9/24 - test	10/19 - class	11/9 - class
9/28 - class	10/22 - test	11/12 - test
10/5 - class	10/26 - class	11/16 - class
10/13 - class * Thursday class from 4-6pm	11/2 - class	11/30 - class

COUNSELOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

PROBE COLLEGE FAIRS

North Point Mall

Tuesday, September 13, 2011

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Town Center Mall

Thursday, September 15, 2011

6:00 PM - 9:00 PM

Over 150 colleges will be represented and available for questions!!

Opportunities for Dual Enrollment for 10th & 11th graders to pursue next year!

Dual Enrollment gives an 11th or 12th grader the opportunity to earn both high school and college credits by attending a local university for part or all of the school day. Pope Counselor, Kathryn Sax, will hold an information meeting for interested students and parents on Tues October 18th at 7:00pm in the Career Center, room 104. Kennesaw State University is holding information sessions very soon, on Sept 6 and Oct 3 at 7:00pm. KSU starts accepting application for 2012-13 dual enrollment beginning Nov 1st and will only accept the first 150 students who meet their admissions criteria. See the counseling office in room 102 for a flier about KSU's Honorview sessions or go to <http://www.kennesaw.edu/admissions/dehp/index.html> to register for one of the info sessions. Other colleges that offer Dual Enrollment locally are Southern Polytechnic, Georgia Perimeter and Chattahoochee Tech which have later deadlines than KSU.

ENGINEERING SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY - Mercer University

Any senior interested in the Mercer University School of Engineering should see Ms. Sabo in the counseling office for a scholarship opportunity. Scholarships available are for engineering or technical communication.

The George Washington University On the Road Information Session for Students and Parents

Sunday, October 16 at 2:00 PM
Hilton Garden Inn
1501 Lake Hearn Drive
Atlanta, GA

Atlanta Interview Weekend
November 19-20

To RSVP for events go to the GW Admissions Activity Center

www.gwapplication.gwu.edu

Questions? Email Carol Conchar, Regional Director of Admissions at cconchar@gwu.edu

PTSA NEWS

MEMBERSHIP HAS ITS PRIVILEGES

To date, 1738 Pope Staff, students and family have become members of our award winning PTSA. Your membership, while allowing us to benefit the students and staff, has some amazing benefits for you. The Georgia PTA works hard to ensure that PTSA members benefit from a variety of local businesses and our fabulous partners in education. A complete list of member benefits is available on the Georgia PTA website at www.georgiapta.org and the Pope PTSA website. Every dollar you donate to PTSA is spent to benefit our children in the classroom and to help the teachers enrich their learning experience.

If you haven't joined PTSA, there is still time for you to do so. It's never too late to become a member. With your donation of a mere \$5.00 you will receive several coupons from local businesses. For an additional \$5.00, you will receive the, always helpful, Pope School Calendar. Add an additional \$5.00 and stay in touch with Pope families and friends by receiving our Directory. To join, please click here to download the PTA Membership Form. [Hound Highlights\PTSA Membership Form.jpg](#). Have your student give the completed form and payment to their AO teacher.

Seniors at POPE, membership is especially beneficial to you. Your donation entitles you to apply for PTSA scholarships granted at year's end and to claim membership of your PTSA on your college application. Be sure to join today to avail yourself of these opportunities as the timing for joining to apply for the scholarships is limited.

COMMUNITY OUTREACH CLUB – VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

FOSTER CARE SUPPORT FOUNDATION

Community Outreach needs 12 volunteers (minimum age 15) to staff Foster Care's Thrift Store this **Saturday, September 10** from **10 AM-5PM** (or a portion thereof.) The Thrift Store is located at 1425 Market Blvd in Roswell. Go North on GA 400 to Holcomb Bridge Rd; take first right over GA 400 into shopping center. Thrift Store is located behind the Burger King and next door to UPS Store. Foster Care Support Foundation, Inc. is a 501c3 non-profit organization that provides free clothing, infant equipment and developmental toys to thousands of foster children throughout Georgia. Please visit their website www.fostercares.org for needed

items that can be donated Tuesday-Saturday 10am-1pm at the distribution center located at 115 Mansell Place in Roswell.

MOSTLY MUTTS PET ADOPTIONS

Help Mostly Mutts facilitate their pet adoptions at the Kennesaw PetSmart located at 860 Cobb Place Blvd (near Sports Authority) on **Saturday, September 17**. Shift times are 10:15 AM-2:15 PM and 2 PM-6 PM. Minimum age 16. Volunteers will be asked to purchase a Mostly Mutts volunteer T-shirt for \$6. Release forms will be provided to all confirmed volunteers.

If you are interested in volunteering for any of these activities, please e-mail Cassie Rogers, Community Outreach Chair at cassie.n.rogers@lmco.com. Letters confirming community service hours will be provided to all students at the completion of an event.

ONGOING DRIVE

Please save soda can, soup can and all other aluminum can tabs for Atlanta's two Ronald McDonald Houses. A collection "house" is located on the bookshelf near PPO, or you may place large bags of tabs in the large white bin near PPO. The money earned from recycling the tabs helps offset the expenses for the families who stay at Atlanta's two Ronald McDonald houses each year.

COMMUNITY NEWS

The 2nd Annual Ryder's "Carve Out Cancer" 5K & Festival will be held Saturday, October 8th at Dodgen Middle School located at 1725 Bill Murdock Road. Registration and race number/T-shirt pickup begins at 7 AM. Race begins at 8 AM, and the Festival immediately follows the run. All race participants will receive a colorful 100% cotton "Carve Out Cancer" T-shirt and race bag filled with coupons. The post-race festival includes refreshments, inflatables, DJ, cake walk, pumpkin decorating, face painting, and lots of fun! The proceeds will benefit the Rally Foundation for Childhood Cancer Research. For every dollar Rally receives, 93 cents goes to support its mission.

Ryder is a 5th grader at Mt Bethel Elementary who was diagnosed at 18 months with a brain tumor. Ryder has battled through her cancer, receiving chemotherapy and surgery to remove the upper portion of her left lung due to the aftermath of the chemotherapy on her tiny body.

To register for Ryder's 2nd Annual Race, please visit: www.active.com/donate/Ryder5K. If you prefer not to race, but would like to receive a t-shirt, please register as a phantom runner. The effects of Ryder's cancer prevent her from doing things that other children take for granted such as running, so please join Ryder as she continues to "Carve Out Cancer" and be the voice and footsteps for those that follow. Questions, please contact Cassie Rogers at cassie.n.rogers@lmco.com.



CLUB AND COMMUNITY NEWS

INTERACT CLUB

The Interact Club will meet in the cafeteria on **Tuesday, Sept. 13th at 7:45 AM**. Don't worry if you missed the first meeting. All students are welcome. Interact is a service club with an International focus but we also do lots of local community projects. It is fun and there is a \$1000 scholarship opportunity. Join us on Facebook for announcements. Dues are only \$15 and they include a t-shirt. Feel free to stop by room 308 for a permission form. You can turn in dues to Ms. Ragland in room 308, before school, Monday through Thursday.

PRESIDENT'S ROUNDTABLE

The first President's Roundtable meeting will be held at **7:45 AM in the Media Center on Tuesday, Sept. 20th**. All clubs are encouraged to send an officer or a rep so that clubs can coordinate major events throughout the year and learn how clubs can interact to improve Pope HS and the community. This forum is open to all clubs no matter the size or purpose. Please see coach Craft, Mrs. Kelly or Ms. Kretzmer for any questions.

FENCING CLUB

Want to learn to fence? It's not too late! Join us **Wednesdays at 3:45 PM** in the cafeteria, and we'll show you how it's done. See www.popefencing.org for details. See you there! Woof!

CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY

Pope High School Chamber Music Society (CMS) is an organization designed to provide students an opportunity to experience the small ensemble setting while helping out the community. Any charitable organizations interested can email popechamber@gmail.com.

THE POPE HIGH SCHOOL BAND PINE STRAW SALE

As a part of our continued fundraising activities, we are having another pine straw sale. This sale, along with other fundraising events, helps sustain this internationally recognized band program. Your purchase helps ensure that students in the school district are provided with the opportunity to participate in an award-winning program, both now and in the future. Thank you for your support.

Please download the order form here: [Pine Straw Form 2011 Fall.doc](#)

POPE HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL TEAM & LEADERSHIP CLASS – CONSTRUCT A CURE

The Pope High School Football team & Leadership class would like you to join their crew to help Construct a Cure for Childhood Cancer.

Former Pope High School student and football player Matt Hobby requested that we rally to support 4 Quarters 4 Research to help eliminate childhood cancers. All Pope High students, teachers, parents, siblings, family, and friends can help this effort by buying a t-shirt to wear to the Pope vs. Kell game on Friday, September 30. T-shirt sales have begun during lunch periods in the Pope Café. Bring your \$10 and buy a t-shirt. Help us for the 6th year reach our overall goal of \$75,000!!!

DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION COMMITTEE - HELP VICTIMS OF HURRICANE IRENE

Many people across a number of states were recently in the path of Hurricane Irene. The Red Cross has launched one of the largest relief operations in recent memory. One way you can make an immediate and direct impact is by making a donation to the Red Cross disaster relief fund. Just go to the Red Cross website at <http://www.redcross.org> and click on "**Hurricane Irene - Your Help is Needed.**"

FROM THE ATHLETIC DIRECTOR...

CONGRATULATIONS to the Varsity Football Team who improved their record to 2-0 this past Friday night with a victory over Kennesaw Mountain by a score of 38-21. The Greyhounds will travel to Villa Rica on Friday night for their first region contest. **Please make the trip and support your Greyhounds!!**

CONGRATULATIONS to the Cross Country Teams for their top fifteen finishes in the Berry Invitational. There were a total of 60 schools represented and the girls team finished in the top ten!!

Volleyball lost a heart-breaker to Walton this past Thursday. The match went 5 sets and was an instant classic with some great volleyball. The girls will face Chattahoochee on Thursday at home in a re-match of the state finals from last year. **Please come out and support the Lady Greyhounds!!**

The **Softball Team** improved its overall record to 8-2 with a win over Osborne. They will travel to North Paulding on Thursday for a big region contest and a chance to move into sole possession of 1st place in the region.

Please continue to check the Pope athletic calendar for the game times for all of our Fall sports.

GO HOUNDS!

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