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MESSAGE FROM HEAD OF SCHOOL.....



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Dear Rice High School Family Members,

Please use the enclosed request sheet to update contact information for your family. We want to switch our entire contact program for monthly newsletters, etc., to e-mail and we are attempting to create a list to communicate all pertinent information by such means. We need to have current information, especially emergency contact numbers. Please take the time to fill out the information sheet, return it to us AND let us know when such information needs to be updated!

Mr. Paul Goldwater, who taught for a couple of years at Rice until last November, passed away in the middle of September. A number of Rice faculty/staff members and students participated in his memorial service in Eastchester. He was a very nice man, who came to Rice after a long career in the public schools and loved working with Rice High School students.

November is traditionally the month for the remembering of loved ones. If you have the names of any who you would like the Rice High School community and the Christian Brothers who reside here at Rice to pray for in particular, would you be so kind as to send me the names at brmsegvich@ricehighschool.com?

The National Catholic Educational Association is an organiza-

tion representing Catholic grammar and high schools throughout the United States and Canada. Rice High School is a member of the NCEA. Its publication, entitled **Momentum**, has a review of the book **The Street Stops Here**, in the September/October, 2009, edition. The book, researched about 10 years ago has received critical acclaim as a pro-Catholic educational document.

Open House on Sunday, October 18, was the busiest one at Rice in years. We are particularly grateful to the number of students who gave up their free time to help their school—they are our best salesmen!

Our local eyeglass franchise at 125th and Malcolm X (6th/Lenox) Avenue, Cohen's Fashion Optical, has been helpful to us in situations when glasses were needed in an emergency (such as student's breaking eye glasses in a game, etc.,). Totally unsolicited, I encourage you to give them a thought if you need something glasses related. The gentleman who has helped us on a couple of occasions is named **Clinton Squires**.

Rice **Students of the Month** for October were Senior **Terrell Henderson**; junior **Anthony Slade**; sophomore **Kerry McAllister**; freshman **Timothy Ojeda**.

Thanksgiving will take place on Thursday, November 26. We are grateful for you sending us your

sons to educate. We are also grateful when you send their tuition payments promptly. If there is a problem, please contact me at ext. 231 or Mr. Sebastian Bulfamante, school business manager at Ext. 218.

Respectfully,

Brother Michael Segvich, CFC
Head of School/Principal

Special points of interest:

- **Ms. Cronly one of our Math Teachers has decided to pursue other ventures. We all wish her well as we welcome back Mr. Telesford.**
- **FOOD DRIVE-Each year, the Student Council of Rice High School serve the Harlem Community, by doing several projects. The first of these projects, will be a Thanksgiving Turkey and Food Drive. This project begins next week. Please help us make this a success. We ask each of our Rice Families to support the Student Council.**
- **RICE HIGH SCHOOL GREEN & GOLD GAMES**
- **SAT @ RICE on Saturday November 7, 2009**

REGENTS- 10TH & 11TH and 12th Grade Students will be receiving letters advising them what regents they have to take in January 2010. Please save the letter because it mentions the regents and the date that it is given. If your son does not receive a letter that means he has passed all of his regents up till now. Please call Ms. Rial if you have any questions.

FIANANCIAL AID NIGHT –There will be a FINANCIAL AID NIGHT on Tuesday, November 24th at 6:00 pm in the Library at Rice High School. ALL SENIORS PARENTS are encouraged to attend. A Financial Aid specialist will be here to help you prepare for the FAFSA form.

LOCAL CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL INCENTIVE AWARDS AT THE COLLEGE OF MOUNT SAINT VINCENT -\$7,000-\$10,000 for resident students and \$6,000-\$8,000 for commuter students. Local Catholic High School Incentive Awards are intended for students who do not qualify for Academic Merit Scholarships. **To be eligible**, prospective students must submit their applications for admission and FAFSA by April 1, 2010.

REMINDER FOR ALL SENIORS FROM MS. PORZEL, SENIOR COUNSELOR/COLLEGE ADVISOR

All College Applications must be submitted to Ms. Porzelt before the Christmas Recess. This is for your own advantage (i.e., scholarships, financial aid etc). For more information please go to the Guidance Department webpage on the Rice High School website.

**Please support Rice High School's Fund Raising Efforts on
Friday, November 27th @
The Rice High School Green & Gold/Alumni Game
1:00 - Freshmen Inter-Squad
2:15 - JV vs. Varsity B
3:30 - Varsity A Inter-Squad
5:30 - Alumni Game
Food, Prizes, Music, Fun & Special Guest
Come out and see players from the past and present
@ The Gauchos Gym
478 Gerard Ave. Bx, NY
\$5 Adults, \$3 Kids, \$2 with your Rice ID**

Visitor at Rice– In September, Archbishops from Africa stopped by to meet and sit down with about 25 students here at Rice High School. Archbishop Edward Tamba Charles of Sierra Leone and Archbishop George Antonsamy. The meeting was originally schedule for an hour, but the students were so interested in Africa, the discussion went on another 45 minutes.

On Friday, October 2, 2009 Abigail Disney was a guest speaker at Rice High School. A group of students were selected to see her award winning documentary called **Pray the Devil Back to Hell**. The documentary was about a group of Liberian women both Christian and Muslin who helped to end the 20 year civil war in Liberia. If you are interested in viewing Ms. Disney's philanthropic, work you can log onto daphnefoundation.org

The following students have been accepted into the Fast Track Program. Good luck to them as they learn about the World of Finance:

Mohamed Basse, Darius Blue,,Chad Daniels,Abdou Diakite,,Rahmel George,Savon Jacobs,Gustavo Maximo, Ilijah McManus,,Tito Melvin, Walter Nivens, David Ogden, Timothy Ojeda, Osarumwense Pat-Osagie, Justin Rodriguez, Khari Shabazz, Anthoy Slade, Jabari White

On Thursday, October 22nd, the entire school listened to a presentation by Chad Hiu, the director of the Teen Out-bound Program, which is part of the YMCA. Three of our Rice Men went to Thailand this summer as part of this program. They helped to build a recreation center and made many friends in Thailand. We viewed a video showing them at work. If your son is interested in going abroad this summer please see Ms. Rial for an application. Partial scholarship money is available to students. The experience has been memorable for our students who have travelled to Chile, Mexico, China, France and Hong Kong.

2009-2010 Varsity "B" Schedule

Saturday	November 21st	University Neighborhood H.S. @ Rice	Scrimmage	5:00 PM Home
Monday	November 23 rd	Manhattan Villiage Academy @Rice	Scrimmage	6:00 PM Home
Friday	November 27 th	Green vs Gold @ Gauchos Gym		2:30 PM Away
Monday	November 30 th	Iona Prep at Rice		5:30 PM Home
Friday	December 4th	Rice @ Christ The King		7:30 PM Away
Saturday	December 5 th	Iona Prep Fathers Council Basketball Tournament	AWAY	TBA
Sunday	December 6 th	Iona Prep Fathers Council Basketball Tournament	AWAY	TBA
Friday	December 11 th	Bishop Loughlin @ Rice		6:00 PM Home
Monday	December 14 th	Molloy @ Rice		6:00 PM Home
Wednesday	December 16 th	Rice @ Xaverian		6:00 PM Away
Thursday	December 17 th	FDA @ Rice	Non-League	6:00 PM
Monday	December 21 st	Holly Cross vs Rice @Gaucho Gym		5:30 PM Away
Tuesday	December 29 th	School of Applied Communications @ Rice	Non-League	5:30 PM
Wednesday	January 6 th	Rice @ Iona Prep		5:00 PM Away
Thursday	January 7 th	Rice @ St. Raymond		5:30 PM Away
Wednesday	January 13 th	Xaverian @ Rice		6:00 PM Away
Monday	January 18 th	Christ The King @ Rice		6:00 PM Away
Monday	January 25 th	Rice @ Molloy		6:45 PM Away
Wednesday	January 27 th	Rice at Holly Cross		5:45PM Away
Thursday	January 28 th	St. Raymond @ Rice		6:00PM Away
Monday	February 1 st	Rice @ Bishop Loughlin		5:00 PM Away
		COACH: Skip Branch		