

# Rice High School Newsletter

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October 2009

- **October 2nd—  
Abigail Disney –  
Presentation**
- **October 9th Grades  
Due**
- **October 10th SAT @  
RICE**
- **October 12 Colum-  
bus Day No  
Classes**
- **October 13th—  
Senior College  
Day**
- **October 14th—  
Testing Day  
9th,10th & 11th**
- **October 16th Pro-  
gress Reports  
Distributed**
- **October 18th Open  
House @ Rice  
1:00 PM to 4:00 PM**
- **October 20th Par-  
ent Teacher Meet-  
ing  
3-5:00 & 6-7:30PM**
- **October 30th Fac-**



## Message from Head of School.....

Dear Rice Family Members,

After conducting the annual "Meet the Teachers" evening on Wednesday, September 23, we have for the most part completed the lengthy list of back to school items which now allows us to concentrate on studies and the collaborative development of your most precious commodities, your sons whom you have entrusted to us for their secondary education.

As was emphasized at the orientation evenings and "Meet the Teachers" evening, school begins at **8 AM** each morning at Rice High School with prayer, pledge (of allegiance) and announcements. Students then proceed to their first class for the day. A number of Rice students are already developing bad habits of lateness and tardiness.

Frequently being late will result in accumulating a number of detentions which ultimately could lead to detention, suspension and expulsion. Students must be on time for school and within school for class! You are paying tuition to have your sons in class, not waiting to procure a late slip for being tardy or preoccupied with visits to the rest room during the day.

I am hoping to suspend mailing this newsletter home other than to those who specifically request that Rice do so. An e-mail address will allow us to communicate it to you that way or each month's newsletter will be available on-line at [www.Ricehighschool.com](http://www.Ricehighschool.com).

Also, please keep Rice High School informed of your most "current" information. Please include any changes to phone numbers, addresses, e-mail

addresses, etc.

If you are pleased with Rice High School and would like to see others enjoy our Catholic secondary, all boys' atmosphere, would you please encourage prospective candidates and their caretakers to attend our **Open House on Sunday, October 18** from 1-4 PM.

Please note that Progress Reports will be distributed on Friday, October 16<sup>th</sup>.

A fond farewell to the Pastor of St. Mark The Evangelist, Father Thomas Tunney who will be moving to Virginia on October 3rd. He was a big supporter of Rice High School.

We've celebrated our first School Mass on Friday, September 18th. We would like to thank Father Phil Kelly, of St. Joseph's Church for allowing us to gather there.

We would also like to thank Father Eric Cruz, Pastor of Christ the King in the Bronx for being our celebrant and homilist.

"One of the greatest discoveries a man makes, one of his greatest surprises, is to find he can do what he was afraid he couldn't do."

—Henry Ford

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**Welcome to our New Faculty Members:**

Mary Ellen Cronly—Math

Christopher Kuczewski-  
Religion

Guillermo Fermin—Spanish

Luzvimind Prado-Morales—  
Chemistry/Physics

**Please share with  
Family & Friends  
Rice High School  
Open House is on  
Sunday, October  
18th from 1:00 PM  
to 4:00 PM**

**If you wish to purchase  
additional uniform items,  
please see Ms. Baldwin on  
the second floor.**

**Price List 2009-/2010:**

**Sweater \$35.00**

**Vest \$30.00**

**Polo Shirt \$25.00**

**Gym Tee Shirt \$10.00**

**Gym Shorts \$15.00**

**Rice Bag \$10.00**

## Message from Guidance

**New outside club is ACE** which is made up of companies in the design and construction industry.

Mentors provide career guidance through mentoring in these vocations. Hands on activities, office tours, designing your own projects, and field trips are included. Architecture, construction and engineering are the key words to this program. **See Ms. Rial** for an application.

**READ** –Students are hired to tutor younger students 2X a week for 15 weeks, on Mondays and Wednesdays after school. See Ms. Rial for an application.

**HAI**-Hope & Inspiration through ARTS-This program takes place at RICE. Will meet 2x a week, on Mondays & Wednesdays after school. Program offers, photography, theatre productions, leadership workshop, tutoring, Christian service and trips. Program starts the first week in October.

**FAST TRACK**-The Wall Street Finance and Scholastic Training (FAST) offers a program that exposes talented minority students to the financial services industry. Beginning in October students meet with Wall Street Executives 2x a month and develop skills in financial literary and career development in the world of finance. Students receive a large stipend for college and a paid summer in the Wall Street area. Please see Ms. Rial for an application. Please respond quickly to reserve a space. **See Ms. Rial for application.**

**The Scholastic Art & Writing Awards** - Please scroll down and list the categories for Art and Writing. Cash awards, scholarships, exhibitions and publishing are some of the rewards students may receive. Please see Ms. Rial for an applications . **Art awards are provided in the following categories:**

Animation, art portfolio, ceramics and glass computer art, design digital imagery, drawing mixed media, painting, photography, photography portfolio, printmaking, sculpture, and video and film.

**Writing awards are provided in the following categories:** Dramatic script, general writing portfolio, humor, journalism, nonfiction portfolio, novel, personal essay/ memoir



## Campus Ministry Team

At Rice we have begun **“Morning Convocation.”** As the African drum calls us to order the entire RHS Family gathers to give thanks and praise to our Lord and God. Next all rise for the Pledge of Allegiance. This occurrence sets the tone for the day and also gives our students the opportunity to focus on one of the important element of a Catholic Education. Morning announcement are made and students along with faculty begin their day. This is our way of invigorate our community of faith at Rice.

**FREE SAT REVIEW :Kaplan SAT Skills Fall 2009** courses meet on **October 17th, 24th, 31st and November 7th, 14th, and 21st.** Students may enroll in one or two courses a semester. All courses are available at two times: Session I runs from 9:00 am to 10:20 am; Session II runs from 10:30 am to 11:50 am. Students who complete all course requirements and a semester evaluation will receive a Certificate of Achievement at the celebration held at the Museum on November 21st from 12:00 pm to 1:00 pm.

**Mail the completed application to:** Joanna Steinberg, Saturday Academy Coordinator, Museum of the City of New York, 1220 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10029. Applications submitted by fax or email will not be accepted.

<http://www.mcnyc.org/images/content/1/1/11781.pdf>

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## After School Programs & Clubs

Basketball -9th - Coach Reid

10th– Coach. Crawford

11th& 12th –Coach Hicks

Baseball– Coach Br. Sherlog

Bowling– Coach. Shea

Culinary - Ms. Rial

Newspaper - Mr. Riccardi

Robotics - Mrs. Berenguer

Soccer - Coach Hall

Track - Coach Salomon

**Baseball, Cross-Country, Bowling, Soccer and Basketball** are all underway.

Schedules will be posted on our website in the near future. Please come out and support our teams.

**ACTION WORKSHOP** -Sr. Joan, Billy Dixon, Cole Francis and Terrell Henderson attended "Action", a leadership week-end, in Plymouth, Michigan, from September 24th to 27th. Students representing Florida, California, Chicago, Boston, Rhode Island, Bronx and Vancouver, Canada were present. Good ideas on leadership were learned.

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