

Hardwork Pays off for RHS Scholars

by Mia Nazario

On Friday, February 8, 2019, the National Honor Society held their annual inductions in the auditorium.

During the ceremony, each of the officers gave a speech about one of the four pillars: character, scholar, leadership and service, that each member of NHS is expected to live by.

After giving their speech, the officer then lit a candle and tapped on an inductee.

Once the gown was placed on the new member they walked up on the stage and lit a candle.

All new members had to say an oath that would complete their induction.

Getting accepted into National

Honor Society is a challenge. It takes hard work and dedication.

An NHS member must maintain a 90 or above average all throughout high school, can't fail a course, must have a certain amount of community service hours and no discipline records. An essay had to be written about which of the four characteristics exemplifies them the most.

This year's officers all exemplify good character traits.

President, Justin Schulin, has been first in his class all four years of high school and has greatly represented the scholar characteristic.

Vice President, Elijah Abad, and secretary, Joanna DiMiero, represent

the service pillar and are always involved in school activities such as business club, drama club and sports night.

Treasurer Hannah Russell proudly exhibits the leadership characteristic through sports, serving as a captain of the girls varsity Soccer and basketball teams. She was also vice president of her class all four years.

Mrs. Jennifer Hunter is the National Honor Society advisor.

This year five students were inducted into the NHS. Amberlee Jack, Cole Cerchiaro, Paige Lewis, Larissa Combs and Emily Schmitt are the

newest members of the highly selective group.

Amberlee Jack is currently vice president of student council and the class of 2020.

Cole Cerchiaro is the former President of the class of 2020 and is number one in his class.

Paige Lewis is a senior who worked hard to earn her spot in the

National Honor Society.

Larissa Combs is most proud of being third in her class and being in a happy relationship with her girlfriend.

Emily Schmitt is a proud athlete and works hard on and off the field by getting involved in student council and being secretary of her class.



NHS Advisor, Mrs. Jennifer Hunter, with the Riverside High School 2019 NHS after inductions.



Tokyo Bleu

by Milena Calkowska

I arrived with my mother at Tokyo Bleu in Cinnaminson, NJ at around 6 pm and entered through the doors. We were instantly greeted by the chefs

and the server. Taking a seat at one of the corner tables, we made ourselves comfortable. The restaurant was very peaceful, which created an amazing environment to be in. By looking at the menu, it was simple to see that the small family-friendly place had a large selection of foods. Most of the menu held different types of sushi and you could decide how many rolls of sushi you wanted. My mother ordered the Tokyo Sushi as I took the more basic approach with the Salmon and Avocado Sushi Roll. We also decided to share the chicken in teriyaki sauce with a side of white rice and miso soup.

As we waited for the food to be served, our hostess ignited the fireplace because it got colder within the restaurant. The fire and the peaceful Japanese music that played really set a nice atmosphere. The food didn't take long to come out. After only 15-20 minutes of waiting, we were staring down at the brilliant looking dishes. All of the sushi was on one plate and the rest was on the other. As simple as the ingredients were, the plates were exquisite. The food had a more traditional Japanese taste to it and fit well into its surroundings. Overall, the experience was better than we had expected and we left an hour later, happy to have visited!

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Richie Stoer

by Brianna Fritz

1. What was your favorite high school memory?

My favorite memory was the home playoff match against New Egypt my sophomore year.

2. What do you plan on doing after high school?

After high school, I will be earning my degree or enlisting in the Navy.

3. Who is your favorite teacher and why?

My favorite teacher is Mr. Stellwag because he makes learning interesting and fun. He is also a great coach.

4. If you could do high school over again what would you change?

If I could do high school over again I would try harder on my grades, go on the New York City trip and start figuring college out sooner.

5. What's one piece of advice you would give incoming freshmen?

I would tell them to start college planning and searching at the very least, early Junior year and get involved in everything to make memories.



March Madness Mayhem

by Anthony Rudzinski



March Madness is almost upon us! This NCAA Men's Division 1 Basketball Tournament is one of the most awaited events in sports. The tournament consists of 68 games over a 19 day period, which isn't replicated anywhere else in the world. The tournament is single elimination so if a team loses once, they're out for good. Selection Sunday, where the 68 teams are announced, is on March 17th this year. The teams getting the best odds are Duke, Kentucky, Kansas, Villanova, North Carolina and Gonzaga. This years championship will be held in Minneapolis, MN. If you selected a bracket at random for this year's March Madness, your odds of winning would be one in 9.2 quintillion, so don't put your money on winning.

STAFF spotlight

by Erin Starke



Maintenance Staff: Karen McCloskey, Wayne Scott and Kathy Provenzano

Karen McCloskey

Karen McCloskey is a very important and hard working person at Riverside High School. She is a part of the maintenance department. Everyone working at the school has an important job and should be appreciated. Karen McCloskey has been working for the Riverside Township School District for fourteen and a half years. She is also a manager at the Maja Flava Vape Shop up town. She works at the school from 3-11 p.m. Monday through Friday. Everyday she cleans classrooms after all of the messes students make.

McCloskey is not only a hard worker, but a good person. Over the summer, students who are hired have the opportunity to work with Karen and Emilio Santiago, another member of the maintenance staff. When students work at the school they realize all of the people here have hard jobs and really need to be appreciated for all they do.

Every single one of the maintenance people working here is a great person. Think about all of the people who clean up the fields, set up the games and clean the classrooms. Karen is just one of the many people at RHS that deserves to be shouted out and thanked. None of their work goes unnoticed. To all the maintenance staff, thank you for all that you do!



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Glass

by Mariah Mendez

This 2019 thriller is about three men battling DID or Dissociative Identity Disorder. They believe they have a personality of a real life superhero. Kevin Wendell Crumb, played by James McAvoy, David Dunn, played by Bruce Willis, and Elijah Price, played by Samuel Jackson, are all sent to an asylum to be treated for their DID.

One night, Elijah escaped from his room and led Kevin and David out of the building to a comic event to show the whole world which one is stronger and more powerful.

Will they make it out in time without getting caught? Or will the three men be caught and taken back? Find out at a local movie theater.



Dates to Remember



Sports Night
April 5th and 6th



Senior Trip April 7th to 12th



RHS Prom May 10th



Editorial



by HannaLise Kerrigan



How Necessary is a College Education?

It has been ingrained into our brains, since the first day of kindergarten, that we should strive to succeed in our educational careers in order to get into a top-notch college and make it big in this crazy world. You hear about how important a secondary education is from adults around you, teachers and your high-school guidance counselors. However, my question is how necessary is a college education actually? Are rising tuition costs and decreasing employment rates really worth a piece of paper with your name on it? There are so many different arguments that people can make when talking about this topic. One may say that college is not for everyone, whereas somebody else may argue that it is crucial for someone to have a degree in order to achieve something in life. Personally, I agree with the first opinion.

Just because a person forgoes getting a college degree does not mean that they will have an unsuccessful life. In fact, many of the world's most famous entrepreneurs and celebrities do not have a college career. For example, Steve Jobs—the creator of Apple—actually dropped out of college a little after one semester. Jobs went on to change the technology world forever, all without a college degree. Honestly, college is not for everyone and that is okay. Some people may have difficulty focusing in large classes, which could affect their grades, while others find it easier to be in that position. If you want to attend college, good for you, but for some people it just is not the right thing for them. The student debt, on going stress from classes and not knowing if you're going to be able to prosper after school may not be worth it for some people. Doing what makes you happy in the world is most important, so if you feel that a college degree will benefit you, then go to school. You do not need a piece of paper determining whether or not you're able to succeed in life.



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interest Corner

by Caitlin McColgan

DIY SHAMROCK SHAKES

Ingredients:

- One cup milk
- Two cups vanilla ice cream
- Green food coloring
- Mint extract
- Whipped cream
- Airheads rainbow candy (optional)

Directions:

1. Place milk, ice cream, 5-7 drops of food coloring and half a teaspoon of mint extract into a blender.
2. Blend until desired consistency is acquired.
3. Pour contents into a glass, top with whipped cream and a few rainbow candies.
4. Enjoy!



LEPRECHAUN TOILET PAPER ROLLS

Supplies:

- One toilet paper roll
- Paint- light pink and a skin tone color
- Gold and green glitter paper
- Black foam paper/felt
- Small black buttons
- Small googly eyes
- Small and large orange pom poms

Directions:

1. Cut a piece of green glitter paper and wrap it around the bottom of the toilet paper roll.
2. Make the leprechaun's hat by wrapping green glitter paper around the top and adding a strip of black felt around it. Add a tiny square of gold felt paper to serve as a buckle.
3. Bottom of the hat: Cut out the circle from the green glitter paper. Glue the large green glitter circle on the bottom of the hat.
4. Paint the top of the paper roll a pale skin color.
5. Then glue the hat to the roll.
6. Add a smile with a black sharpie and then add the googly eyes and an orange pom pom for the nose.



Book Review : *In the Waning Age*

by Maddy Carucci

In the Waning Age you experience a whole new world while you're reading the novel. While reading, you learn emotions are a thing in the past. You see children are born with the ability to experience the full range of emotions, but by around the age of 10 they start to "wane", which means they lose their ability to feel natural emotions.

One of the main characters in the novel is Natalia Peña who completed the waning process years prior. She is caring for her brother, Calvin, who is still extremely emotional. In fact, he isn't showing any signs of waning at all. That's good until Realcorp, the corporation behind synthetic effects, and society takes notice. Realcorp decides to kidnap Calvin for testing.

To find out what happens on Calvin and Natalia's journey, go to your local bookstore and purchase the novel.





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Horoscopes: The month of March



by Dan Dalbey

Ah, the month of March. The beginning of spring is near, Sports Night is starting and March Madness is here. Not everyone has this in store though. What's in store for you this March?

Aries: March will bring you many responsibilities and possibly some frustration. By the start of spring, Aries will be able to push on and achieve a new reality.

Taurus: Career and big projects are a large factor for Tauruses this month. Amid this change, communications with family will change as well. It is essential for Tauruses to remain honest and remind themselves that they are a source of calmness.

Gemini: Financial struggles may have Geminis stressed during the month of March, but Geminis will have nice career opportunities due to a laid back and relatable style. Gemini's should stay level headed when stress of recent months dissipates and connect with others to see from a fresh and new perspective.

Cancer: Some long running challenges are coming to an end this month for Cancers, so it is important to finish strong. Cancers should drop all unimportant things that are not worth stressing over and "plant new seeds of creation".

Leo: For Leos, relationships will be fixed this month and taking charge is difficult because of hidden focuses. In March, Leos will be focused on said relationships, as well as work. Leos should look beneath the surface and talk heart to heart with others for some great understanding.

Virgo: This month, Virgos will experience people coming their way and asking for things. They can learn from communications with others. Taking on too many commitments is tempting, but Virgos should keep a level headed perspective and understand that although they may get caught up in many activities this month, they must keep a good balance.

Libra: Although Libras will be focused on many different things this month, they should be sure to focus on themselves and be prepared for positive changes involving work. Libras shouldn't be so hard on themselves and should follow dreams instilled by their heart, as well as recognize that honesty starts with their own selves.

Scorpio: This month is filled with creativity and realizing that holding grudges on people will not move Scorpions forward. Greater mental health is in sight for the month, leading to a clearer path and important communication in which honesty is important.

Sagittarius: This month is full of healing and hope for Sagittariuses. Taking time for themselves to heal will lead to a new ability to help and inspire others as the month unfolds, so don't fall back into old habits.

Capricorn: Capricorns should share their burdens with others and ask for help during the month. Taking breaks are necessary for every sign, but Capricorns should be aware that this may lead to a habit or taking a break from everything, so avoid negativity and focus on new insight that comes with coming back from a break.

Aquarius: This month, Aquarians are on the right track, so they should trust their gut feelings. Don't waste so much time saving others and rather focus on themselves, as well as learn to truly love themselves. This will be extremely beneficial for their own well being.

Pisces: March for Pisces is the month to finally be themselves and follow dreams and goals close to them. The month is the start of a new beginning for Pisces, so don't let the present get them down and look forward to a new, free future.



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College Preview: Rider University

by Hailey Russell



If you are planning to go to college, Rider University is a good option. Rider University is a private university located in Lawrenceville, NJ. The schools tuition to attend on a full time basis is \$59,700. The following majors are offered: Accounting, Actuarial Science, Allied Health Studies, American Studies, Psychology, Elementary Education Teaching, Finance, Marketing, Marketing Management, Business Administration, Voice and Opera, Radio and Television, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Liberal Studies Business Administration, Business Management, Public Relations, Biology, English Language and Literature, Fine and Studio Arts Management, History, Dance, Organizational Behavior Studies, Computer Science, Communications, Criminal Justice, Sociology, Political Science, Graphic Design and a few others.

Rider University offers D1 Sports such as men's and women's soccer, men's and women's basketball, men's and women's cross country, men's and women's swimming and diving, men's and women's track and field, men's and women's tennis, men's golf, women's volleyball, baseball, softball and wrestling.

This also may be a good choice if you are looking for a smaller school because there are only around 6,000 students. This small, private university may be the perfect school for you!

Spring Fashion Trends

by Joelle McElroy

Every year new trends appear. This year, some new trends are coming back from decades past.

This spring, many trends are hitting the streets once again including choker necklaces and round sunglasses.

The most popular trend coming back is scrunchies. Teens are bringing back scrunchies which were popular in the 80s.



The next most popular is trend coming back is denim. Denim of all kinds will be visible all around.

Another

Fanny packs are also coming back. More and more college students are seen walking around campuses with fanny packs.



As the temperature rises women will be wearing the favorite outfit of crop tops and shorts.

Don't forget about the rompers and sundresses you will also see many women wearing.



Teenagers are wearing similar items as their parents did when they were teenagers which makes for an interesting conversation.



Sports



Hooping Into the Playoffs

by Caiden Carucci

The River-side Girls Basketball season came to an end, but not before they headed into the playoffs with momentum.

The captains and the coaches worked very hard to bring the team to the playoffs.

This includes coaches Scott Atkinson, Crystal Wasco, and

Bill Kravitz, as well as captains Brianna Fritz, Kim DeFabis, Hailey Russell, Hannah Russell and Emily Wojciechowski.

The team's record was 18-7 overall and the conference division record was 5-3.

Freshman, Ally Mudrinic, stated that "The team has a lot of

chemistry and it is fun to play with them because we all are friends."

Senior Night was held on February 13 when they played Palmyra. On Senior Night, the seniors were escorted by family on to the court and received gifts from the team.

The Lady Rams went on to

win that night with a final score of 47-38.

The first playoff game was on February 26th against Manville. The girls won by two points after a greuling triple overtime.

Their second playoff game was against New Egypt where the girls fought hard,

but fell short of a win. This ended their season.

The team will be losing five key players at the end of the season, which means the 2019-2020 season will call for rebuilding.

Many underclassmen who had minimal varsity playing time will have a chance to prove themselves.



Rams Wrap Up Regular Season

by Isaiah Howard

The Rams ended the 2017-18 season winning just 11 games and losing 16. This year they have won 11 games and lost 15.

The captains for the team are seniors Alex Stockton and Ian Farrell.

With the help of the captains, it was apparent that the coaches were starting to put together the pieces to help their team to succeed.

The coach for Varsity is Mr.

Carmine Cesare and the JV Coach is William Jackamonis.

Riverside is currently leading the Central Division Group I as a top 10 basketball team.

Their star players also have a tendency to heat up during critical moments in the game.

Alex Stockton averaged 18 points, while Danny Devlin averaged 8.6 within their last 5 games.

On February 26th, they had a huge challenge against Academy Charter,

which at that time had 9 wins and 0 losses.

The opponents star player, Dyshere Richardson, averaged 19 points through his last 5 games, so the Rams had a tough threat to overcome. In the end, the Rams fell short of a win with a score of 54-44.

During the game, Alex Stockton lead in points with a total of 20, followed by Seth Hartnett with 7.

The team played their hearts out this season.

The underclassmen will have to step up their game and compete to take the reigns of the eight senior boys graduating.

With hard work and dedication, the team can improve over the next year in hope of a Division Championship.



Alex Stockton reaches for the ball to beat an opponent from Pitman.

Rams Wrestle their Hearts Out

by Hannah Russell

The Riverside Rams Wrestling team led by captains Richard Stoer, James Frith and Jenson Arias were not as successful as they wanted to be throughout the 2018-19 season, but they certainly gave it their all.

The Rams ended up with an overall record of 3-22 with three wins against Palmyra, Cumberland and Willingboro. They also placed fifth in their division out of six teams with a division win against the Palmyra Panthers.

One boy from each weight

class recently competed in districts, but failed to place. Senior, Jasmine Soto, also competed in the first ever girls regional championship.

When asked about this season sophomore, Ian Horn, stated "We didn't do too well this season. A large part of this is because we didn't have a full roster. Every time

we went up against a full team we were starting off 24 points down due to forfeits. I'm looking towards next year with the addition of incoming freshmen and hopefully and few new wrestlers."

Even with a small roster, the Rams gave it everything they had and are hoping to rebuild next season.



Wrestler James Frith gets a pep talk from coaches Kevin Landolt and Joe Frey.

Rampage Staff



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