

# What's Up...

March 13, 2015

Weekly CRHS PTSO Newsletter

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## Upcoming Important Dates:

**March 14:** SAT at CRHS

**March 23:** Herff Jones delivery of Senior products

**March 26:** Evening of Entertainment

**March 30 - April 3:** Spring Break

**April 10:** Blood Drive

**April 18:** Band Mattress Sale

**April 18:** PROM

## This Week at CRHS Athletic Events Calendar:

**March 16:** Golf @ Chapel Ridge, hosted by Northwd  
JV & Varsity Women's Soccer @ home vs.  
S. Alamance

Men's Tennis @ Northwood

**March 17:** JV Baseball away @ Riverside  
JV Softball away @ Riverside  
Varsity Softball @ home vs. Riverside  
Varsity Baseball @ home vs. Riverside  
Varsity Lacrosse @ home vs. Carrboro

**March 18:** Men's Tennis @ home vs. Webb  
Varsity Baseball @ S. Durham  
Varsity Softball @ S. Durham  
JV & Varsity Women's Soccer @  
Northwood

**March 19:** Track @ home vs. S. Durham  
Men's Tennis @ home vs. Card. Gibbons  
JV & Varsity Lacrosse @ E. Alamance

**March 20:** Varsity Baseball @ home vs. S. Durham  
Varsity Softball @ home vs. S. Durham  
Varsity Lacrosse @ home vs. Orange  
Varsity Soccer away vs. Brittany Showcase

**March 21:** Track away @ Elon  
JV & Varsity Softball @ E. Alamance  
JV & Varsity Baseball @ E. Alamance  
Cheerleading Awards Banquet  
Varsity Soccer away v.s Brittany Showcase

## Happening at the Ridge

### Pillows for Prom

The CRHS Prom Committee is in need of old pillows for use in decorating for this year's Prom. If you have gently used pillows that you would like to donate, please drop them off in the CRHS Office.

## From the Guidance Department:

### ACT Test Dates

Registration Deadline	Test Date
March 13, 2015	April 18, 2015
May 8, 2015	June 13, 2015

### SAT Test Dates

Registration Deadline	Test Date
April 6, 2015	May 2, 2015
May 8, 2015	June 6, 2015

### Kaplan's Free, Live, Online Events for Test Prep

Kaplan's events help you prep for the PSAT, SAT or ACT, and the college admissions process. You can join these sessions live online. Visit <http://www.kaptest.com/college-prep>

### For those who missed the PLAN Interpretation Meeting

--[PLAN Interpretation Presentation](#)

--[Using PLAN to Identify Student Readiness for Rigorous Coursework \(AP\) Indicato](#)

### IB Interest Meetings for 2014-15--

Come learn more about the IB Diploma Program of Orange County. Sessions begin at 6 pm and include information about course selection and program expectations.

**Tuesday, March 17, 6-7pm, Room B102**

### From the Career Center:

#### NCSU College of Engineering Open House

Saturday, March 21, 2015 - 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.  
For more information, visit:

[www.engr.ncsu.edu/openhouse/](http://www.engr.ncsu.edu/openhouse/)

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### **Donate Your Old Shoes for Safe Passage**

It's time to clean out your closet!!! The Cedar Ridge High School students going to Guatemala to serve with Safe Passage are collecting new and used shoes until March 27, 2015. Our second hand shoes will be used by people in impoverished countries like Haiti and Ghana where they can repurpose and sell them. In addition to helping those in need, it also helps raise funding for the trip to Guatemala this summer. It's a Win Win!!!! Please drop off your used shoes at Cedar Ridge High School or send them in with your son or daughter. The 2<sup>nd</sup> block class with the most shoes will win a dessert party. If you don't have any used shoes but still want to help these students, go to this link <http://www.gofundme.com/crhssp14>

### **Evening of Entertainment - Thursday, March 26**

The CRHS Chorus Program presents this year's third Evening of Entertainment on March 26. You'll be astonished by the talent on display at this student showcase! The show starts at 7:00pm at the [Union Grove United Methodist Church](#). Admission is \$5 at the door, snacks and drinks will be available, and all proceeds support the Chorus program.

### **Choirs Receive Superior Ratings**

The CRHS Chamber Ensemble and Sotto Voce choirs earned Superior ratings at the Choral Music Performance Adjudication in Raleigh on March 9. This is the highest rating awarded at MPA. Congratulations to our talented and dedicated students and to Choral Director Angie Phillips!

### **CRHS Band Fundraiser**

If you or someone you know is in the market for a new mattress set, you are in luck. Come out to CRHS on **April 18th** from 10am -5pm, buy a mattress and support your CRHS Band. Brand name mattresses with factory warranties are available, in all sizes (custom sizes available). Proceeds will go towards new instruments for our Band. For additional information, contact [Cstovallcfs@gmail.com](mailto:Cstovallcfs@gmail.com).

### **Benefit for the Choirs -- Rescheduled because of weather concerns, new date TBD**

As soon as this benefit concert is rescheduled, we will let you know.

### **NCSU Summer Opportunities for High School Students**

There are lots of opportunities at NC State this summer for middle & high school aged students. Events like 4H Camp, Ag Discovery, Design Camp, Vet Camp, Summer College in BioTech and Life Sciences, Textiles Teen Writers Workshop and lots more.

For more information, visit:

<http://emas.ncsu.edu/precollege/programs/high-school-students/>

### **Summer 2015 Piedmont Electric Internship Informational Meeting - March 25th at 11:45 am in the Career Center**

Piedmont Electric Membership Corporation, located on Hwy 86 in Hillsborough, will be offering a 6-week internship to two high school juniors this summer beginning June 23rd. Near relatives of current PEMC employees or Board Members are not eligible.

Applicant requirements:

- current high school junior
- at least 16 years old by June 23rd, 2015
- minimum unweighted GPA of 2.5
- good attendance
- strong work ethic
- physically fit
- US citizen or permanent resident

If you want to learn more about a career in the electric power industry, or this internship, please plan to attend the meeting.

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### **Run at the Ridge 5K**

Cedar Ridge's Athletic Programs are proud to announce the 4th annual "Run at the Ridge" 5K, and one mile fun run. The event will be held on May 16th, at 9:00 am starting at Cedar Ridge. All of the net proceeds for this event go to benefit all CRHS athletic programs. Entry forms and fee information are already available in our front office. For more info, please contact Brenda Byrd or Andy Simmons.

**Appalachian's Walker College of Business is** accepting applications for the [Martha Guy Summer Institute](#). The Martha Guy Summer Institute (MGSI) is a unique 3-week summer program for high-achieving NC Juniors interested in business careers. The institute provides two weeks of on-campus instruction and fun activities. Students also travel to Washington, DC and New York City. Participants will develop their leadership skills, explore careers in business, and meet business leaders.

- Program Dates: July 12 - August 1, 2015
- Application Deadline: February 27, 2015
- Tuition: \$1,500 + meal plan (scholarships are available)

For more information you may call the MGSI office at 1-877-277-6474. The application and more information can be found [on their website](#).

### **Support Needed for CRHS VEI**

Please help support CRHS Virtual Enterprise International (VEI). VEI is a CTE Honors course that provides students with the opportunity to own and operate a virtual business. In order to participate in field trips and trade fairs that help students gain real-life, real-world experience our VEI program is in need of monetary donations. If you would like to assist our program please go to:

<http://www.gofundme.com/bq0ej8>.

### **Career & College Promise Information Session**

Thursday, March 19th in the CRHS Media Center beginning at 6:30 until 8:00 p.m. This is the official information required to parents and students to attend who are considering Durham Tech's College & Career Promise--high school students taking College Course on the Durham Tech campus--tuition free.

Students must meet entrance requirements and complete an online application through [www.cfnc.org](http://www.cfnc.org) prior to enrollment.

**North Carolina State University College of Veterinary Medicine** invites you behind the scenes for an Open House from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, March 28. Tour the Randolph B. Terry, Jr. Companion Animal Veterinary Medical Center and the classrooms and laboratories in the College of Veterinary Medicine. There are attractions in the Teaching Animal Unit, the Center for Comparative Medicine and Translational Research within the CVM Research Building. The day includes interesting demos, fun and informative displays explaining advances in the science of veterinary medicine, presentations on pet health, an opportunity to talk with faculty and students, and a chance to get up close with animals large and small.

Location: 1060 William Moore Dr., Raleigh

For more information:

<http://www.cvm.ncsu.edu/news/openhouse/>

### **Did you know that you can take classes at the community college while you are a high school junior or senior?**

The Career & College Promise (CCP) program gives high school students the opportunity to take college transfer courses and/or career pathway courses. College transfer courses will transfer to all 4-year NC universities and beginning next fall these courses will be given the same weight as AP & IB courses. Career pathway courses will give you a jump-start on earning certificates and diplomas in many areas, such as computer programming, nursing, welding, machining, EMS, auto mechanics & many more!

Click here to learn more about the programs that are available and the eligibility requirements:

<http://www.durhamtech.edu/ccp/index.htm>

### **Career Representatives Needed**

Career Representatives give students real-world knowledge about careers they are considering. If you are interested in sharing your experience with students, contact Stephanie Smith at [stephanie.smith@orange.k12.nc.us](mailto:stephanie.smith@orange.k12.nc.us) or 919-245-4000 x21603.

## Summer Job Opportunities!

Open Hands Teen Internship Program is a paid internship program at Anathoth Community Garden & Farm in Cedar Grove, from April 18th thru August 1st. Teens will learn gardening, culinary and community building skills. Contact Julia Sendor at [anathothgarden@gmail.com](mailto:anathothgarden@gmail.com) or visit [www.anathothgarden.org](http://www.anathothgarden.org) for more information.

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If you are interested in working as a **Lifeguard** this summer, you are in luck!

Pool Professionals is offering summer employment with great pay and flexible hours. They offer certification courses from October thru May. Email [Lvanorsouw@poolprofessionals.com](mailto:Lvanorsouw@poolprofessionals.com) or call 919-787-7878 for more information on job opportunities.

Aquatic Management Group is hiring **Lifeguards** and **Pool Managers** for Summer, 2015. They offer job certification and guarantee placement if you complete the course with them. Visit [www.aquaticmanagementgroup.com](http://www.aquaticmanagementgroup.com) for details.

## Scholarship Season is Here

There are numerous scholarship opportunities for Seniors who are planning to continue their education after high school. Take a look at the link below to view deadlines & other information.

[Scholarship Opportunities --- Class of 2015](#)

## Senior Corner:

### March Timeline:

- Delivery of Senior Graduation products will take place during LUNCH on March 23rd
- Graduation is scheduled for Thursday, **June 11th at 4:30pm** at the Dean E Smith Center
- Senior Awards Night is Monday, June 1 @ 6:30
- Federal Financial Aid opens for enrollment ([www.fafsa.gov](http://www.fafsa.gov) or [www.cfnc.org](http://www.cfnc.org))
- Mid-year transcripts available - February 1st
- Don't forget to order your Cap & Gown

## Cap & Gown Products

In case you missed ordering Cap & Gown products from NC Graduate Services of Herff Jones--order via online or mail--see packet for information.

## The Festival of Math & Art at NC State

Come experience the beauty of mathematics and discover the rich interactions taking place in the interdisciplinary area between mathematics and many other cultural domains, such as the visual arts, architecture, sculpture, origami, dance, music, etc. on **March 27th** (10am - 7:30pm) and **March 28th** (10am - 4:30pm).

The MoSAIC festival includes interactive workshops (group sculpture, dance composition with algebra, math & balloon twisting), mini-lectures, a mathematical art exhibit, short films and an area for informal exchange. The events are designed to be easily accessible to all audiences: grades 6-12, teachers, college students, faculty, and general public.

<http://www.mosaicmathart.org/events/ncsu/>

## Interested in how the world works?

The 2015 Exploring the Earth Summer Camp could be for you! NCSU, through the Dept of Marine, Earth, and Atmospheric Sciences and The Science House, is offering this **FREE** weeklong summer day camp. Students learn about various geoscience topics & participate in lab research techniques. This camp for rising high school juniors & seniors, will take place from June 22-26 @ NCSU. Students will be exposed to research in geology, marine science, & atmospheric science & will take part in research activities in each area. Faculty & counselors from the Marine, Earth and Atmospheric sciences department at NCSU will lead the presentations, activities, and lab tours. For more info, please visit the program web site: <http://www.thesciencehouse.org/k-12-students/exploring-the-earth.php>

## 2015 Environmental Exploration Day at NCSU

All high school juniors & sophomores interested in environmental fields are invited to apply. The College of Natural Resources Environmental Exploration Day, Saturday, March 28, 2015, 9:00 am -5:00 pm. Space is limited to 100 students so apply early!

[Additional Information & To Apply](#)

\*The cost to attend is \$20 and includes lunch, t-shirt, & supplies.

\*Need based scholarships are available on a limited basis.

\*You will be notified within (1) week of acceptance.

## Financial Aid & Scholarship Information

[Federal Financial Aid Info](#)

[Federal Student Aid Brochure--Dept. of Education](#)

[College Foundation of NC Info](#)

### CFNC link - Admissions Deadlines & Open House

<https://cfnc.app.box.com/Fall2015AdmissionsDeadlines>

### NCTAP Apprenticeship Program

NC Triangle Apprenticeship Program, is an apprenticeship program designed to develop experts needed in the modern workforce. The core training program utilizes a hands-on approach to develop skills across a wide range of disciplines. This program will host open houses at each of the 7 companies that offer apprenticeships. You must register in advance. After attending the open houses, student may apply to attend the Orientation in February. Learn about the companies involved here:

[www.nctap.org/nctap-partners.html](http://www.nctap.org/nctap-partners.html)

Space is limited, so register for the Open Houses right away! To register, visit this page:

<http://www.nctap.org/open-house-registration.html>

**Design Camp** is a pre-college design education summer program for middle school and high school students held at the College of Design at NCSU. Design Camp informs students about college study in design and raises awareness of the impact of design in all aspects of our everyday lives. There are (6) sessions from which to choose. Design Camp is an action-packed week of inspiration, challenges, fun, and life-changing discoveries. This program has provided thousands of design professionals with their first educational experience with design. If you are interested in being a designer someday, or are considering it, Design Camp is an experience not to miss! For more information on Design Camp, visit: [design.ncsu.edu/designcam](http://design.ncsu.edu/designcam)

## Interested in taking some fun classes at Duke?

Welcome to Duke Splash, an educational organization which allows 7th to 12th grade students to take fun, interactive, **free** classes on the Duke University campus. Duke Splash will take place on Saturday, March 21st from 10am-3pm. Available classes include *Magic for Muggles*, *EMS 101*, *Cool Chemistry* and *Physiology*. You must register at <http://dukesplash.learningu.org> by March 16. For questions, email [splash@duke.edu](mailto:splash@duke.edu).

### College and Career Readiness

Not sure what you want to study after high school? There are approximately 300 programs of study available at North Carolina's Community Colleges! Click [HERE](#) for more information!!

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### The Horticultural Science Summer Institute

will be July 5-10, 2015 and is sponsored by North Carolina State University and North Carolina Cooperative Extension 4-H Youth Program with the Department of Horticultural Science. Rising sophomores, juniors and seniors are invited to apply to a weeklong, residential horticultural experience on the campus of NC State University. The cost of the institute is \$600 with a \$150 deposit due upon application acceptance. All lodging, workshop materials, field trips and meals are provided. Scholarships may be available. Applications are due Friday, **April 1st**. Please contact Liz Driscoll at [liz\\_driscoll@ncsu.edu](mailto:liz_driscoll@ncsu.edu) or 919.513.7346/ 919.886.3424 with any questions or comments.

Youth should [apply here](#) by Wednesday, **April 1st**. For more information visit the [HSSI webpage](#).



## PTSO

### PARENT VOLUNTEER BACKGROUND CHECKS

If you intend to help with school activities this year, a completed volunteer background check is required. Parent volunteers must update annually at a computer kiosk available in the school Media Center during school hours. There is no longer a form to turn in; all sign up is via these computers.

### Grocery Store/Online Card Link Programs

*Ask other folks...neighbors, family... to link their cards for us! Anyone can help us generate funds.*

**HARRIS TEETER** requires you to link your VIC card at the beginning of each school year. When you check out, give the cashier our number, 5131, or go online and enter your number there. You only have to link once a school year.

**WEAVER STREET** donates a portion of purchased gift card amounts. You must purchase a gift card and charge the card with an amount. Then, use the card as you would cash, and the school receives a percentage. The school's number is 224, which has to be given when you first purchase your gift card amount.

**KROGER** Rewards cards must be relinked annually. Kroger will donate a percentage of your total purchase to the PTSO. Register online with our school's number - 92353 - at <https://www.kroger.com/communityrewards>

**LOWES FOODS** With Cart to Class, schools are rewarded based on how much their participants spend on private brand products. There is no school code, just click on this link to sign up. <https://rewards.lowesfoods.com/>

### CRHS PTSO Membership - Time to Renew

Our PTSO has NO general meetings, NO mandatory fundraisers, and NO HASSLE to join! Annual membership is just \$5/person. Download a membership form from the [PTSO Website](#). Our next board meeting is **Monday, March 16th at 6:30** in the Media Center. All meetings are "open" for observation by any member. Our meeting schedule is as follow:

March 16, 2015      May 18, 2015  
April 30, 2015

### CRHS PTSO Board Openings for 2015-2016

If you are interested in being a part of the CRHS PTSO Board for the upcoming school year, please let us know! Our Board positions are filled on a year to year basis, with a consecutive, 2-term limit for each position. We have several positions which will become vacant after this school year, so please consider joining our Board. We meet once a month (in the evening) during the school year, so your time commitment is minimal. There is no better way to get to know the CRHS Administration, Teachers and Staff, than to be a part of this organization. For more information, contact Michelle McJunkin at [crhsptso@gmail.com](mailto:crhsptso@gmail.com).

## 2014-2015 Executive Board

**President:** Michelle McJunkin  
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