



## eLINK Newsletter – April 2013

### President's Message

I would like to begin this month's message with a thank you to our very dedicated student representatives, Kate Steffy and Brynne Ichiuji. These students do a great job of communicating with me every month, and come prepared to our meetings with a thorough report about leadership activities. We have really appreciated their attendance and involvement in PTSA this year!

We held our election of officers for the 2013-14 school year at our meeting this month, and I would like to welcome Julia Felipe as PTSA Executive Vice President. Julia has a wealth of PTA experience and I am looking forward to working with her next year. We still have a few openings for committee chair positions, including Ski Swap Co-Chair, Ski Swap Treasurer, Reflections Chair (National PTA arts program), Hospitality, and a coordinator for Library Volunteers. If any of these positions are of interest to you, please contact me at [schumann4@comcast.net](mailto:schumann4@comcast.net).

We are anticipating the Every 15 Minutes program coming up this month, and know that it will have a huge impact on our entire school community. PTSA will be supporting this event by hosting a lunch for all the emergency personnel following their involvement and services provided during the crash scene. We will have representatives from a variety of emergency services who are coordinating with our school for this portion of the program.

Please join us for our next PTSA meeting on May 2 at 9:00 am in the Career Center.

[Karen Schumann](#)

SRVHS PTSA President

### Principal's Message

Dear SRVHS Community,

Welcome back to everyone! I hope you all had a restful and relaxing Spring Break.

Somehow the pace of things always seems to take off as we enter the last quarter and at this point we only have nine weeks left until graduation...less than 50 school days!

There has been a lot going on – we are getting ready for Every 15 Minutes on April 16th and 17th, AP placement testing is going on at the moment and STAR testing is coming up.

I just attended my first "Mr. GQ" and have not laughed so much in one evening since I can remember - Congratulations Jet Reed!

Meanwhile, we are busy planning for next school year. We are in the process of completing a technology lease to replace all the computers at the school; we are starting to build the class schedule; and we will be sending out a survey to get feedback on adjusting the bell schedules for finals this year and late start Tuesday's for next year. Everyone will be asked for their opinions so that we can make a decision that works for as many people as possible.

Finally, I know that the adjusted traffic flow in the parking lot caused some problems for the first few days, but it seems as if things have settled down now - thank you to everyone for your patience!

Sincerely,

Ruth Steele  
Principal

## PTA News and Information

### **SRVHS PTSA BOARD 2013-14**

The SRVHS PTSA Board for 2013-14 was elected at the General Membership Meeting on April 4. Next year's officers are: Karen Schumann, President; Julia Felipe, Executive V.P.; Mary Lindner, 1st V.P. – Priorities; Molly Brazeale, 2nd V.P. - Ways and Means; Carrie Paulus, 3rd V.P. - Parent Education; Jean Maguire, 4th V.P. – Legislation; Judy Brennan, Recording Secretary; Lisa Parker, Treasurer; Adriana Chong, Financial Secretary; Julie Langill, Auditor; and Linda Danis, Historian. Thank you to these volunteers and to all of those who have stepped up to volunteer for a committee position next year!

### **SKI & SNOWBOARD SWAP**

Spring is here, ski season is winding down quickly, and spring cleaning underway. You may be wondering what to do with your old but usable ski and snowboard equipment. You can now donate it our PTSA's biggest fundraiser of the year, the SRVHS Ski and Snowboard Swap 2013. We are accepting donations of any used (but usable!) ski and snowboard equipment and clothing. Just email us at [srvswap@aol.com](mailto:srvswap@aol.com) or call Molly at 925-998-2901. We can arrange a drop off for you or we can pick up your equipment.

Would you like to get more involved in the SRVHS Ski and Snowboard Swap or just find out what this event is all about? Send us an email at [srvswap@aol.com](mailto:srvswap@aol.com) and we will answer any questions you may

have. Our organizing committee does have a few open spots this year, and this is a great way to get involved at San Ramon Valley High School.

## SRVHS PRIORITIES COMMITTEE

The SRVHS Priorities Committee is comprised of parents who represent every parent organization on campus, as well as all four classes, and our principal Ruth Steele. Any parent or student with a question, concern or comment regarding our school – school climate, student events, on-going campus initiatives or student concerns, etc. – is encouraged to submit their question/comment to the Priorities board. You may submit feedback in two ways: write your question/comment/concerns in the notebook passed at the PTSA monthly meetings, or you may email [SRVHSPrioritiescommittee@gmail.com](mailto:SRVHSPrioritiescommittee@gmail.com). Please be aware however, this is not a vehicle to ask questions of your individual student to Ms. Steele. All questions, comments and concerns are submitted to Ms. Steele and answered during the monthly Priorities meeting. The questions with answers are read at the PTSA meeting, shared with the parent organization at their individual meetings and published in the eLINK Newsletter.

Questions, Comments, and Concerns from March 2013:

**Question:** I just wanted to let you know that someone from Instrumental Music asked me if teachers had any training regarding mental health issues. In light of all the horrible things that have gone on, she feels we concentrate a lot on security but not mental health. Her son was in a class and a classmate made a joking remark about mental health and the teacher did not say anything. I told this mom that I would ask at our Priorities Meeting.

**Response:** There is a focus on mental health education in the district. In light of the recent events, the district has planned training in the spring.

Questions about specific situations however should be handled directly with the teacher and elevated to administration if needed or no response is given.

**Question:** Is it possible to schedule the finals a bit later than the current 7:30 am and 8:00 am? All studies of teenagers seem to indicate that they are not at their best performance that early in the morning.

**Response:** It is possible to move finals back a bit later and we are looking at alternative finals schedules for next year. In fact all bell schedules are being reviewed and we will be sending out proposed changes for next year towards the end of this year.

**Question:** I had a question regarding smart phone policies. My daughter does not have a smart phone because we don't see the need to pay for a data plan on her cell phone quite yet. She has a computer with internet at home and we don't feel she needs it on her cell phone as well. She is finding that in two of her classes the teacher has the students use their smart phone to do research in class and on one occasion the class took a quiz using their cell phones. It does not bother her that she does not have a smartphone with a data plan except when it is required to complete her school work in class. We can get her a new phone

with a data plan if she will need it for school, but I wanted to check in with the school first to see if this is the route the teachers are going now.

**Response:** The future vision is to get mobile devices in the hands of each student over the next 4 years. The devices are used as an instructional tool through a variety of apps, and more and more apps are becoming available that support the learning process. If families are able to get mobile devices on their own, that would be appreciated.

**Question:** Is it possible to have the Daily Bulletin (for a week or two?) available on the website (in addition to getting it in their email box as they sometimes want to read previous ones again).

**Response:** We keep a binder in the office with every bulletin. If one must review a previous bulletin, it can be accessed through Roxann in the Administration office.

**Question:** I have heard that Administration is looking at a "cheaper" version of the planner, a stapled version. Many students use this planner and it needs to last the whole school year. Having a planner with the preprinted school event dates in the calendar is a very useful tool for students who are working on their organizational skills and plan to attend higher education or move into the world of work from high school. If the cost is an issue, I am sure the parents would pay the cost to have a quality planner for their student, similar to the version that was ordered for Freshman and Sophomores this year. Please let Administration know that the planner is a very important part of the education/organization process and the student body should be given the option to have a planner or pay for a planner and there should be plenty for all at the start of the school year.

**Response:** We agree that a planner is a very important part of the organizational learning needed in high school. We are going back to providing one for every student. It will be a spiral bound planner.

**Question:** We need to work on the crosswalks as kids just walk without looking, etc. Concerned that kids might get hit by a car or accidents may occur due to having to stop short. Also, there are a good number of kids driving that tear out of the parking lot.

**Response:** We are aware of the situation and currently there is greater police presence on SRV Blvd. We all need to raise awareness – parents and students - that we need to slow down, stay off our phones and be courteous to the neighborhood.

## Parent/Teen Education and EPIC/Healthy Choices

April is upon us, moving us closer to the final months of this school year!! Where does the time go?? As parents we often feel the same way when we look at our kids and teens and wonder how they grew up so fast! With that thought in mind, our parent education opportunities for May focus on change and transition.

For those of you wanting to do something different on your lunch break, join us for our **Brown Bag Lunches** which take place on selected Wednesdays from 12-1 PM. Our next **Brown Bag Lunch** will take place on May 8th with our principal, Ruth Steele, speaking on the “State of the School”. With a lot of changes having taken place this year, and more upcoming, you will find this to be a very informative hour! Put the date on your calendar! These are well attended, friendly and casual gatherings. Bring your lunch!

**Mom’s Night** is coming up on Tuesday, May 21st with speaker and author Risa Nye. She has authored a book about “empty nesting” and life transitions. This is an annual presentation for SRVHS Moms as change in our lives is constant. Many of us prepare to send our kids off to college in the fall or have done so with an older child. Some of us may have younger children who are leaving elementary school to move onto middle school or middle school to high school. The dynamics of our families is affected by these changes. Come learn coping strategies and share your concerns, stories and experiences with other SRVHS Moms! These are relaxing and friendly gatherings. Refreshments will be served.

**“Dads on Campus”** has their next evening event on Thursday, May 2nd from 7-9PM. Then we will wrap up the school year and welcome incoming Freshman Dads, at the end of year coffee, which will take place on May 31st at 8AM. Stay tuned for details on both events. Any questions about Dad’s events can be directed to Breck Lutz at [blutz@ccareynkf.com](mailto:blutz@ccareynkf.com).

We look forward to meeting all of you at our upcoming events.

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Coordinator – “Dad’s on Campus”

### **Dates to Remember:**

Dad’s Night – Tuesday, May 2nd, 7-9PM

Brown Bag Lunch – Wednesday, May 8th, 12-1PM, New Staff Lounge

Mom’s Night – Tuesday, May 21st, 7-9PM

Dad’s End of Year Coffee with feeder school Dads – May 31st, 8AM

### **Tips for the Month**

*Life is pleasant. Death is peaceful. It's the transition that's troublesome.”*

*~ Isaac Asimov quotes (Russian born American science-fiction Writer and Biochemist. 1920-1992)*

*“There is not any present moment that is unconnected with some future one. The life of every man is a continued chain of incidents, each link of which hangs upon the former. The transition from cause to effect, from event to event, is often carried on by secret steps, which our foresight cannot divine, and our sagacity is*

*unable to trace. Evil may at some future period bring forth good; and good may bring forth evil, both equally unexpected."*

*~ Joseph Addison quotes (English Essayist, Poet, Dramatist and Statesman, 1672-1719)*

## Academic Boosters

Our spring donation drive is underway for the 2013-2014 school year. Thank you to everyone who has donated! Just click on the Academic Boosters tab, located under Academics at the top of the school website, and you will find the DONATE button and you may pay with your credit card via PayPal, as well as a link to download the donation form and pay by mail.

Because of your generosity, I am pleased to announce that at our last meeting of the academic year in March we were able to vote to continue funding the services that enrich your student's academic experience at SRVHS, such as class size reduction, tutoring, the College and Career Center, as well as support Ms. Steele's technology vision by funding the additional time for the on-site technology coordinator.

We are winding down our test prep year and only have two remaining opportunities. The SAT Bootcamp will be offered on April 27th and 28th from 9:00 to 1:00 each day for a cost of \$165. For sophomores, your first chance to take the Mock Combo SAT/ACT will be on May 4th from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Sign up through the SRVHS website to assure your spot in one of these classes as they fill up quickly.

We are pleased to sponsor two scholarships again this year for graduating Seniors. The Academic Merit Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 and the Academic Growth Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000. Applications and details are available in the Career Center and the deadline is April 19th. These will be awarded at Senior Awards night in May.

If you have any questions, please contact me at [sticca@pacbell.net](mailto:sticca@pacbell.net).

Susan Tricca

Academic Boosters President 2012-2013

## Performing Arts

### VOCAL MUSIC

Spring is here, and things are hopping in Vocal Music:

The SRVHS Spring Musical, "Pippin" will take place on Thursday, April 11th and Friday, April 12th and Wednesday, April 17th through Saturday, April 20th in the Performing Arts Center. All shows are at 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale now.



On Wednesday, May 1st, Concert Choir will be presenting a Dessert Show fundraiser here at SRVHS at 7 p.m. The funds raised will go to our Baltic States summer tour.

From Thursday, May 2nd through Sunday, May 5th, Concert Choir will be taking their spring tour to Reno.

For information on the Vocal Music Program, please contact Ken Abrams, Choral Director, at [kabrams@srvhs.org](mailto:kabrams@srvhs.org) or Wendi Ganschow, Vocal Music Parent Coordinator, at [sanramonvoices@gmail.com](mailto:sanramonvoices@gmail.com).

## DRAMA

The much anticipated SRVHS Spring Musical is finally here!

This year's show will be "Pippin" - book by Roger O. Hirson, music and lyrics by Stephen Schwartz (genius of other hit musicals Godspell and Wicked). The play follows the story of Pippin, the son of Charlemagne, as he journeys to find his "Corner of the Sky", set against the backdrop of our own SRVHS. This unique event will feature the combined talents of our Performing Arts, Choral Music, Instrumental Music, and Dance Departments. Mark your calendars for this "must see" production of "Pippin":

- Thursday, April 11th
- Friday, April 12th
- Wednesday, April 17th
- Thursday, April 18th
- Friday, April 19th
- Saturday, April 20th

All performances are at 7:00pm. For additional information please go to [www.srvtheatre.com](http://www.srvtheatre.com).

Every Tuesday night, our local and very generous Mountain Mike's throws a fundraiser for San Ramon Valley High School. On Tuesday, April 16th, 30% of all proceeds (from 4pm to closing), will go to SRVHS Theatre Arts!

As an added bonus, the cast of "Pippin" will be at Mountain Mike's that evening at 6pm for a "meet & greet"! Don't miss this entertaining evening! Mountain Mike's is located at 130 Hartz Avenue in Danville; 925-552-7071.

We appreciate your continued support!

## INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC

The **SRVHS Winter Drumline** concluded their season with their final competition on April 6th. This has been a very exciting and rewarding first season for the members and director. Looking forward to next year and more trophies!

The **Jazz Band, Combo & Ensemble** had a great time at the Santa Cruz Jazz Festival at Cabrillo College in Aptos. The Combo & Ensemble received top marks and the Band received positive feedback. Some of the members of these jazz groups will be appearing in SRVHS Musical “Pippin” as the pit band. Make sure you get your tickets to see this production.

Don’t miss the upcoming CMEA (California Music Educators Association) event at SRVHS where our Concert, Symphonic and Orchestra bands will perform, along with bands from around the Bay Area. This event will run Friday, April 26 through Saturday, April 27 at our Performing Arts Center.

### **Upcoming SRVHS Instrumental Music Events:**

April 11, 12, 17, 18, 19 & 20: Musical “Pippin” at PAC - Pit Band; Buy your tickets now!

April 26-27: CMEA at SRVHS - Concert, Symphonic, and Orchestra (with JE & JB help)

April 30: Mountain Mike’s Fundraiser for Instrumental Music. Please support!

May 14: Spring Concert for Concert, Symphonic & Orchestra

May 15: Spring Jazz Concert for Jazz Band & Ensemble

May 22: District String Festival (Orchestra)

June 6: Instrumental Music Banquet

July 4: Danville 4th of July Parade

### **SRVHS Instrumental Music Program Events for Summer 2013 and Beyond:**

- Wolf Pack Days – Sign up to join Wolf-Tones and get the latest info about our music programs
- Marching Band Camp Week – tentatively scheduled for week of August 18
- SRVHS Instrumental Music Welcome BBQ – tentatively scheduled for Wednesday 21 August. This event is open to all students and families enrolled in SRVHS Instrumental Music programs (Concert, Symphonic, Orchestra, Jazz Band, Jazz Ensemble, Marching Band and Winter Drumline)
- Summer 2014 Instrumental Music Tour - Spain

## **Counseling Corner**

### **Seniors:**

Return your “Intent to Register” form to the college of your choice, if applicable. Be sure to let the Career Center and your counselor know your good news! Also, remember to apply for housing and don’t forget to inform other colleges about your decline.

### **Juniors:**

Your final chances to take the SAT Reasoning and Subject tests this academic year is May 4th & June 1st.

A note about Subject Tests: While SAT Subject Tests are not required for admission to University of California, some UC campuses recommend that students vying for slots in competitive majors take the tests to demonstrate subject proficiency. Submission of subject test scores may positively add to the



review of a student's application. Several private universities require SAT Subject Tests. Check their websites for requirements.

Register for the SAT or the SAT Subject Tests at [www.collegeboard.com/reg](http://www.collegeboard.com/reg).

Your final chance to take the ACT this academic year is June 8th. Register at [www.actstudent.org](http://www.actstudent.org). Please visit our Career Center for more information.

### **Freshmen, Sophomores, and Juniors:**

The **Saint Mary's College Fair** will be held on May 11th. Visit with college representatives from across the country and attend workshops relevant to the college search and application process. For more information please go to [www.stmarys-ca.edu/ebcc](http://www.stmarys-ca.edu/ebcc).

**Summer school** applications will be available Friday April 5th for all students who need to remediate coursework. (For students needing to repeat a course already taken for which a student received a grade of D or F, or for students behind in graduation credits). Students must apply early as space is expected to be very limited. Priority placement will be based on remediation of F grades and credit deficiency. Students desiring to remediate a D grade will be admitted on a space available basis. Summer school will be held this year at San Ramon Valley High School. Session A will meet June 24-July 12. Session B will meet July 15- August 1. Both sessions will meet from 8:00-12:40 p.m. Students interested in remediating courses in summer school should pick up a packet from the counseling office.

*The summer school program does NOT offer opportunities for students who want to take a course in order to accelerate their academic program.*

Students interested in attending **Venture** summer school should see their counselor regarding this possible option. (Limited space available.)

Students interested in attending **Diablo Valley College** this summer must complete the application for DVC online at [www.dvc.edu](http://www.dvc.edu).

For to-be 11th and 12th graders: Students may register in person at DVC with their signed special admission form.

For to-be 10th graders and below: Students must have their special admission form signed and must obtain the instructor's signature on the first day of class before they can enroll.

## **Class News and Information**

### **SENIORS – CLASS OF 2013**

President ~ Molly McKenna

Vice President ~ Katelyn Looney

Secretary ~ Lindsay Portman

Treasurer ~ Emma Glass

**Senior Timeline:** <https://docs.google.com/document/d/1eJG9BSsx8WwjFP2B-2VnCB2hYZDERBzQppWp56jFtvE/edit>

**Senior Ball is May 18, 7:30-11:30PM at AT&T Park**

You will receive an invitation in the mail in the next week!

Tickets will go on sale on April 15th online through the SRVHS Web Store. Students must bring their webpage receipt to the Kiosk at lunch the week of May 6th-10th. Tickets can also be bought at the Kiosk on one of those days with cash or check. Tickets are \$75 for San Ramon seniors and \$100 for any guest. Make checks out to SRVHS Class of 2013. The **LAST** day to buy a ball ticket is **May 10th**. There are no refunds!

There will be a slideshow of senior year playing on the jumbo-tron at AT&T during ball. If you want pictures of you and your friends to be in it then upload your pictures to photobucket! Please upload **ONLY** pictures from **senior year**!

[www.photobucket.com](http://www.photobucket.com)

Username: SRVSeniorball13

Password: seniors13

Make sure you upload your pictures by **Friday, May 3rd**!

**Senior trip to Six Flags Discovery Kingdom** will be on Wednesday May 29th. Tickets will be \$25 and will be sold at the Kiosk by cash or check on May 13th, 14th, or 15th. Lunch is not included, so please send your child with lunch money.

**Baccalaureate** will be on June 9th at East Bay Fellowship starting at 3pm.

**Graduation ribbon leis and flower leis** will soon be available to order! Look for them in the web store. Ribbon leis will start being sold mid-April, and flower leis will be sold starting in mid-May.

**Grad Night 2013:**

Grad Night Tickets are still available for \$160. You will not want to miss out on this all-class, fun-filled night on Friday, June 14, immediately following the graduation ceremony.

Contact: Marybeth Turner, [jmmmat@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jmmmat@sbcglobal.net)

See below for more details about **Grad Night 2013**.

**Stadium Chair Fundraiser**

The Class of 2013 (thanks to MaryBeth Turner) continues to fund raise through stadium chairs. These stadium chairs are heavy-duty with a steel frame and canvas back. They are green and gold and have

been screen-printed with the "SRVHS Wolves" logo. They look really sharp and are very comfortable back-savers! Stadium chairs are now also for sale at Just Fun in Danville!

It will help pay for future Class of 2013 events like Senior Ball, and Grad Night. These chairs are for sale for all of SRVHS so please don't hesitate to order if you're in another class!

If you would like to purchase one, please email Marybeth Turner at [jmmmat@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jmmmat@sbcglobal.net). We can have it delivered to your house or to the home game of your choice. Make checks payable to 'SRVHS Class of 2013'.

If you have any questions, please contact us at any time.

Tonya Colton, [tonyacolton@msn.com](mailto:tonyacolton@msn.com)

Shawna Friedler [friedler6@gmail.com](mailto:friedler6@gmail.com)

Class of 2013 Parent Reps

## GRAD NIGHT 2013

Grad Night moving and building is underway! Thanks to the numerous volunteers who have already helped with two moves and panel painting. We have many more opportunities for all to get involved even if you are not associated with a specific area of Grad Night.

**Volunteers** – Calling all “worker bees”! If you want to help, now is the time! We welcome you with open arms and a paintbrush and will find you a job you like. There will be a designer head at the worksite to help guide you. We will gladly take any time that you are willing to contribute – just an hour will make a difference! Bring your spouse or a friend and come to the worksite during the day, at night or on the weekend.

Worksite hours:

Monday 6pm-9pm

Tuesday AM 10am-2pm

Tuesday PM 6pm-9pm

Thursday 10am-2pm

Saturday 9am-4pm

Sunday 9am-4pm

Remember the worksite location is a secret. Text Lisa San Vincente at (925) 594-1994 to get the address or if you have any questions.

Click on the following link for specific worksite dates and times, and sign up to volunteer:

[www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0E4CACA629AB9-panel/315767](http://www.SignUpGenius.com/go/10C0E4CACA629AB9-panel/315767). Feel free to show up even if you have not signed up! Come have some fun!

**Memory Room Mailer** – The instructions for the Senior Memory Room collages have been mailed to the homes of all seniors. The deadline for completion is April 26th, so start getting your pictures together! If

you have any questions, please contact Sue Schultz, [sks1957@aol.com](mailto:sks1957@aol.com) or Susie Kevorkian, [ksta@comcast.net](mailto:ksta@comcast.net). As you sort through your photos, be sure to set aside any 'high school' photos to be used for the Grad Night slide show. We need pictures from a variety of events (sports activities, homecoming, class of 2013 events, performing arts presentations, etc.) from freshman thorough senior year. We will let you know who to submit these photos to in an upcoming email.

**Design Donations** - Now that we are beginning to design and build, we have compiled a Wish List of items that we need. If you or someone you know has a connection and can donate any of the following items, please contact Laurel Portman or MaryBeth Turner (emails and phone numbers below).

Fencing

Dumpster

Landscaper (plants, sod, shrubbery, etc.)

Building supplies/lumber

Fabric

Rope Lights

White X-mas lights

CO2 tanks

New Year Eve supplies – hats, poppers, blowers, etc. They do not have to be 2013 specific and they do not have to match.

**Prize Committee** - Raffle prize donation are needed. If you can help with these donations or have any business connections that can, we would appreciate it.

Suggested donations:

- \$25 gift cards to Target, Bed Bath and Beyond, Gas Stations, etc.
- \$10, \$15 or \$20 gift cards to fast food, coffee, juice retailers, etc.
- Movie, iTunes, and Theme Park tickets from Costco
- Cash donations (checks should be made payable to SRVHS-PTSA Grad Night 2013) to purchase raffle prizes

Feel free to mail your donations to SRVHS Grad Night 2013, PO Box 671, Danville, 94526. If you have any questions please contact Angela Ciccone at [angela@cicconefamily.com](mailto:angela@cicconefamily.com). For a sponsorship donation form click the following link:

[http://www.srvhs.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=70498&type=d&pREC\\_ID=425222](http://www.srvhs.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=70498&type=d&pREC_ID=425222) and scroll to the bottom of the page for the form.

**Ink Cartridge Recycling** – We continue to recycle empty ink cartridges (from printers, copy machines, etc, any size will do) to raise funds for Grad Night. Drop them off in the old staff lounge in the Grad Night Ink Cartridge bin. Please ask your companies to help as well. We can arrange pickup from any local business. Please email Judy Koart with any questions at [judykoart@yahoo.com](mailto:judykoart@yahoo.com).

**Senior Portrait Vendor** – Custom Moments Photography (started over a decade ago by a mom of a current SRVHS senior) will donate 10% of each session to the SRVHS 2013 Grad Night fund for any

session completed this spring. The session includes photographing at a location of mutual choice and dozens of images on an unrestricted, printable CD (print any size – wallets to canvases, announcements, etc.) for a flat fee of \$250. CD will be ready within two weeks of the session. For more information contact Karen Henrich by cell (925) 984-9454 or visit [www.custommoments.com](http://www.custommoments.com).

**Registration** - If you are not sure if your student is registered, please click on the following link: [http://www.srvhs.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC\\_ID=70498&type=d&pREC\\_ID=425222](http://www.srvhs.net/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=70498&type=d&pREC_ID=425222). At the bottom of the page, there is a document “Paid Reservations for Grad night 2013”. This document lists students who have paid reservations. If your student is not listed on the reservation list, follow the directions for registering your student.

Remember to look for emails and check the school website regularly for Grad Night updates. If you have any ideas to share, questions, or comments feel free to contact us.

We encourage all of you to join us in making Grad Night 2013 one that our children will remember! Thank you all for your supporting the great Class of 2013!

Grad Night 2013 CoChairs

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## **JUNIORS – CLASS OF 2014**

President ~ Elliot Benson  
Vice President ~ Ali Bard  
Secretary ~ Hunter Deuel  
Treasurer ~ Gabby Franklin

### **Junior Prom**

Junior Prom will take place this Saturday, April 13th. Men's Wearhouse will give discounts for tux rental – please mention SRVHS.

Once Prom is over, pictures from the event can be accessed at:  
[http://www.prepaysystems.com/mview/2902/san-ramon-valley-hs-junior-prom?utm\\_campaign=san-ramon-valley-hs-junior-prom&utm\\_medium=direct\\_link&utm\\_source=studio\\_link](http://www.prepaysystems.com/mview/2902/san-ramon-valley-hs-junior-prom?utm_campaign=san-ramon-valley-hs-junior-prom&utm_medium=direct_link&utm_source=studio_link).

## **Class of 2014 Grad Night**

We are in the process of pulling together our "Class of 2014 Grad Night Team". If you are interested in being a part of the planning of Grad Night, please contact Alyson Colton. There is a lot to do, and we need many parents to help make this a special evening for our kids!

## **Junior Class Fundraiser**

In conjunction with Mountain Mike's Pizza, the Class of 2014 will be having a fundraiser on Tuesday, April 9th. A percentage of the proceeds from lunch and dinner will go towards our class. VERY IMPORTANT: Please mention Class of 2014 when purchasing food.

Alyson Colton, [alyson@coltonfamily4.org](mailto:alyson@coltonfamily4.org)

Debbie Blumhardt, [dblumhardt@comcast.net](mailto:dblumhardt@comcast.net)

Class of 2014 Parent Reps

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## **SOPHOMORES – CLASS OF 2015**

President ~ Colette Smith

Vice President ~ Lauren Kadesh

Secretary ~ Trevor Alexander

Treasurer ~ Nate Becker

**Pasta Pomodoro Fundraiser** on Wednesday, April 10th ALL DAY at 146 Sunset Drive in San Ramon (Near Target and Whole Foods). A flyer will be available or tell them you are with San Ramon Valley High School and our class will get 20% of the day's proceeds!

**Sophomore Cruise** on Saturday, April 27, 2013 – BUY YOUR TICKETS ASAP

Our Sophomore Cruise will be held on Saturday, April 27th. This is a very popular class event for the sophomores and will sell out. The students will board Hornblower Cruises departing from Pier 3 in San Francisco and tour around the San Francisco Bay.

We will have coach buses to transport the kids to/from SRVHS and San Francisco. The students need to be at the school at 4:30pm for check in with the buses departing at 5:00. The Cruise departs at 7:00pm and returns at 10:00pm. We will return to the school at approximately 11:00-11:30pm.

There are many fun things planned for the kids while on the cruise. There will be a full buffet dinner of finger foods and dessert bar with unlimited soda and water. There will be a D.J. playing music for the entire three hours along with a dance floor on board, black jack and poker tables with dealers, and there will be a free photo booth with unlimited photos. The students are welcome to dance, socialize, play, eat, pose or just view the amazing city lights and Golden Gate Bridge. Recommended dress is casual, but WARM.



Ticket price is \$100 which covers bus transportation, cruise and dinner. You can go online to the SRVHS Web Store to purchase your tickets NOW.

NOTE: SOPHOMORE CRUISE TICKETS WERE NOT AVAILABLE FOR SALE AT REGISTRATION

Any general questions regarding the cruise, contact Melissa Blumenfeld at [cecil60s@aol.com](mailto:cecil60s@aol.com). Questions about ticket sales, contact Helga Glasson at [glasson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:glasson@sbcglobal.net).

### **Thank you Junior Prom Volunteers**

Thanks to those who have volunteered to chaperone the Junior Prom and Bus Check In at the High School for Saturday, April 13, 2013 at the Scottish Rite Center in Oakland on Lake Merritt from 6:00pm-11:30pm. Please check for updates at SignUpGenius at <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090F4BAAAB229-junior>.

Please email Helga Glasson at [glasson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:glasson@sbcglobal.net) with questions.

### **Friendly Reminders:**

#### **Class of 2015 Parent Email List**

We have lots of activities and news to share with the Sophomore Parents. If you are interested in putting your name on the Class of 2015 email list which sends out requests for volunteers and donations and updates on Sophomore activities, please email Helga Glasson at [Glasson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:Glasson@sbcglobal.net) to get on the list.

#### **Class of 2015 Texting Service**

You and your Sophomore should sign up for the school-wide texting service. You and your student can easily stay updated with Sophomore and school functions and news. To sign up, text WOLVES15 to 41411, and you will immediately receive a confirmation message.

#### **Class of 2015 Facebook Page**

Please have your kids join the Sophomore Facebook Page for updates and information on Sophomore and SRV activities. Have them search the SRV Class of 2015 page for the request to join.

#### **Class of 2015 Twitter**

Follow the Class of 2015 on Twitter - @whatsupSRV15

Please contact us at any time with any questions, comments or suggestions.

Helga Glasson, [glasson@sbcglobal.net](mailto:glasson@sbcglobal.net), 925-212-0986

Melissa Blumenfeld, [cecil60s@aol.com](mailto:cecil60s@aol.com), 914-391-5898

Class of 2015 Parent Reps

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## **FRESHMEN – CLASS OF 2016**

There is a fundraiser for the Classes of 2015 and 2016 at Pasta Pomodoro on Wednesday, April 10th. Please invite friends and family to eat there that night because Pasta Pomodoro will donate 20% of your bill to the Freshmen and Sophomore class! This will work for dine in and take out. The flyer for this fundraiser will be put on the website very soon. Also, if you have a twitter please follow @WERSR for info on dress up days, sports game times, etc.

### **Leadership**

#### **Every 15 Minutes**

On Tuesday April 16th and Wednesday April 17th, our school will be participating in the Every 15 Minutes program. This is a mock death simulation portraying the dangers of being under the influence of alcohol and drugs along with the reoccurring problem of texting while driving. Attached is a schedule of the Every 15 Minutes program. Tuesday is when the simulated Crash Scene takes place along with the total of 24 mock deaths. On Wednesday the Assembly takes place in the Large Gym. Parking is a problem on campus daily and these two days will draw in an even larger crowd so try to plan accordingly and carpool. We do not have extra parking at St. Isadore's. Also note that on Wednesday the assembly starts first period so please get students to school early if possible. Additionally, any student who would like to opt out of the Every 15 Minutes event is allowed to do so and may go to the Library. Any student who feels uncomfortable or emotionally distraught can see the counselors in the counseling office for support.

Tuesday April 16th: "Crash/Living Dead" Schedule

7:30-8:30 – Staff Collaboration

8:30-9:05 – 1st Period

9:10-9:45 – 2nd Period

9:45-9:55 – Brunch

10:00-10:35 – 3rd Period

10:40-11:15 – 4th Period

11:15-11:20 – Show DVD/911 call in 4th

11:20-11:35 – Walk to field

11:35-12:10 – Crash

12:10-12:25 – Walk back/debrief

12:25-1:00 – Lunch

1:05-1:40 – 5th Period

1:45-2:20 – 6th Period

2:25-3:00 – A Period

### Wednesday April 17th: Assembly Schedule

7:30-8:25 – A Period

1A Assembly (8:30-9:45):

8:30-8:40 – Walk to Assembly

8:40-9:35 – Assembly A

1B Assembly (9:45-11:10):

9:45-10:05 – Walk to Assembly

10:05-11:00 – Assembly B

11:10-11:20 – Break

11:25-12:00 - 2nd Period

12:05-12:40 - 3rd Period

12:40-1:10 – Lunch

1:15-1:50 – 4th Period

1:55-2:30 - 5th Period

2:35-3:10 - 6th Period

## eCommunication

Welcome to the SRVHS eLINK Newsletter. Our goal is to provide information to the SRVHS community in a timely manner. We have three publications that we send electronically.

**eLINK Newsletter:** Sent monthly by the SRVHS PTSA. It contains a mix of information from school groups, parent organizations and the community.

**Daily eBulletin:** Sent daily during the school year by SRVHS staff. It contains day-to-day school information.

**Principal's Letters / Informational Updates:** Sent throughout the school year on an as-needed basis.

### Changing Your Email Subscriptions

If you'd like to sign up for additional publications or change your subscription information, you can do so by clicking on the words "Update Profile/Email Address" at the bottom of this email. If you have any questions, please email the eLink editor, [Christy Christoffersen](#).

### How to Submit an Article to the eLINK

The SRVHS PTSA publishes the eLINK once a month during the school year. The deadline for each eLINK issue is the first Thursday of each month. To contribute an article to the eLINK newsletter, [please email it to Christy Christoffersen](#). The deadline for the May eLINK is: Thursday, May 2nd, 2013.

## Calendar

- 4/11 & 4/12 – **Pippin**, 7pm, PAC  
4/12 – **PTSA Senior Scholarship Deadline**  
4/12 – **PTSA Honorary Service Award Nominations Deadline**  
4/13 – **Junior Prom**, Scottish Rite Center, Oakland  
4/16 & 4/17 – **Every 15 Minutes Program**  
4/17-4/20 – **Pippin**, 7pm, PAC  
4/26 & 4/27 – **CMEA at SRVHS with Concert Band, Symphonic Band & Orchestra**  
4/27 – **Sophomore Cruise**
- 5/1 - **Concert Choir Dessert Show Fundraiser**, 7pm  
5/2 – **PTSA Meeting**, 9am, Career Center  
5/2 – **Dad's Night**, 7-9pm, TBA  
5/6 – **Athletic Boosters Meeting**, 7pm, Career Center  
5/8 – **Brown Bag Lunch**, 12-1pm, New Staff Lounge  
5/14 – **Spring Symphonic Concert**  
5/15 – **Spring Jazz Concert**  
5/18 – **Senior Ball**  
5/21 - **Mom's Night**, 7-9pm  
5/29 – **Senior Trip to Discovery Kingdom**  
5/31 – **Dad's End of Year Coffee**, 8am
- 6/3 – **Athletic Boosters Meeting**, 7pm, Cafeteria  
6/9 – **Baccalaureate**, 3pm, East Bay Fellowship  
6/14 – **Grad Night**