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Hugle's Happenings

What Parents Need to Know about College

In order to ensure that as many of our students as possible continue on with their education — whether at a 4-year college, a community college or a trade school — parents need information. We do a pretty good job with our seniors preparing them for the transition but could do better with our younger students and families.

Paying for College — 80% of financial help is need-based, meaning it's based on how much you can afford to pay and how much your chosen college will cost. Most NVHS families will be eligible, depending on college choice. The other 20% is through scholarships, most of which are much like essay contests.

Community Colleges — Oregon community colleges will accept Oregon residents with a high school diploma. They do however do entrance testing and students with low math, reading or writing skills will pay for extra classes to improve skills. RCC has many terrific programs including the Oregon Transfer Degree that after 2 years, qualifies you to earn your Bachelors in 2 more years at a 4-year college.

Oregon Public Colleges — There are 7 of these including SOU in Ashland. Each has a minimum GPA requirement, requires the SAT or ACT tests be taken in high school and requires particular classes including math through Algebra II and 2 years of foreign language.

Private Colleges — There are several of these, many in the Portland area. Costs are higher but so are opportunities for financial assistance. Each has strong programs and students should choose based on desired major, college atmosphere and financial help available. They will also require the SAT or ACT and other requirements.

We encourage parents and students as early as the freshman year to visit colleges periodically, getting a flavor for each campus. Call the office to arrange for a school-related absence.

View our athletic & school schedule
at

www.highschoolsports.net

Upcoming Dates

Dec. 5—Christmas Bazaar
Dec. 21-Jan 1— Winter Break



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Seniors - 2010

A View of Senioritis...

As the senior year progresses, more and more seniors succumb to Senioritis. The affliction may be contagious though that remains unproven. Some of the symptoms are a dazy, dreamlike stare, waning interest in high school activities and courses, sudden avoidance of the "F" word (*"future" for those who were wondering*) and the capacity to nod absent-mindedly at the adults in one's life without totally hearing what's being said. Sufferers also sense that days are growing longer (*even when the meteorologists tell us the opposite*). Sufferers also tend to find the River more appealing than English or Math for some as yet undetermined reason.

Nearly all seniors contract the disease sooner or later, the luckiest not until around April or so. It abates quickly after graduation. Researchers at North Valley suspect that Senioritis may in fact be a healthy affliction. If not for the behaviors associated with Senioritis, would we as educators or you as parents ever let our seniors go? In fact, they are doing us a favor, making the eventual goodbyes a little shorter and helping us to usher them onto their next adventure.

Unfortunately neither vitamins nor aspirin will help. Neither will our propensity for retelling our own (*to them ancient*) personal experiences. If a particular senior's case seems overly painful, consider it like a teen giving birth to a soon-to-be adult.

SAT Prep Workshops

FREE! Tuesday and Thursday mornings at 7:30. Sign up with Ms. Baldwin in Student Services. Workshops have already begun and include 4 Reading Sessions; 4 Math Sessions and 2 Writing Sessions. Offered by teachers Tiffany Converse and Martin Connelly.

Senior Projects

Students in Ms. Prince's English classes have already begun their Senior Projects. These students will present their projects to a committee in December and January. Parents and Community members are wanted to join the committee and get a heart-warming look at the good work our Knights are doing!

Seniors Class of 2010

Parent Meetings STUDENTS ARE WELCOME

**Nov. -5th, 19th, 30th
6:00PM
IN THE N.V. LIBRARY**

Juniors - 2011

ACT Test Dates and Registration

February 6, 2010**	January 5, 2010	January 6 – 15, 2010
April 10, 2010	March 5, 2010	March 6 – 19, 2010
June 12, 2010	May 7, 2010	May 8 – 21, 2010

SAT Test Dates and Registration

U.S. Registration Deadlines		
2009-10 Test Dates	Test	Regular Registration Deadline (postmark/submit by)
January 23, 2010	SAT & Subject Tests	December 15, 2009
March 13, 2010	SAT only	February 4, 2010
May 1, 2010	SAT & Subject Tests	March 25, 2010
June 5, 2010	SAT & Subject Tests	April 29, 2010

Register online for the SAT at www.collegeboard.com. The basic SAT tests are \$45. Add \$20 plus \$9 per test for additional subject tests. (Required by highly competitive colleges.)

Register online for the ACT at www.actstudent.org. The ACT test is \$47 with Writing.

Notice for Juniors and Parents of Juniors —

You will be filing your FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Assistance) in January of 2011 for your freshman year of college. Be aware that any income you (the student) earn between January and December of 2010 will be regarded as money you have available to help pay for your college. Your parents' income is understood to come replete with expenses and obligations. Yours however is considered fair game and should be saved for college.

If you will work during the 2010 calendar year, you must report all of your earnings when you file your FAFSA in January 2011. FAFSAs are frequently audited; disclose all income. Put your earnings in a savings account so you will have them available to help with college expenses.

If you do not work during the 2010 calendar year, you will have no earnings to report and will be eligible for more financial aid. If you don't have to work, consider participating in sports or other activities, volunteering at the hospital or elsewhere or taking more challenging classes with (gasp) more homework.

I have yet to meet the high school student who actually saved all of his or her earnings but that is the assumption of the financial aid world.

Sophomores - 2012

Update: Oregon Assessment of Knowledge and Skills (OAKS)

We completed the first round of OAKS testing this trimester and are on our way to meeting our targets in at least two of the subject areas. We tested about 2/3 of our sophomore class, based on whether or not the student was currently enrolled in English, Math or Science. Students have two more opportunities to meet the standards.

So far:

Reading:	68% of those tested Met or Exceeded standards
Math:	41% of those tested Met or Exceeded standards
Science:	69% of those tested Met or Exceeded standards
Writing:	testing has not yet occurred

As you can see, we're well on our way to our goals in Reading and Science but have a long way to go in Math. Teachers are working hard to help students get there, including reviewing old math concepts along with teaching the new ones.

- ♦ Reading Target: 74% Meeting or Exceeding Standards
- ♦ Math Target: 62% Meeting or Exceeding Standards
- ♦ Science Target: 70% Meeting or Exceeding Standards
- ♦ Writing Target: 66% Meeting or Exceeding Standards

Targets are based on the highest percentages reading standards in any Josephine County High School in the past 4 years. NVHS holds the Science record; HVHS holds the Writing record; GPHS holds the Math and Reading records. Good luck, Sophomores!

Freshmen- 2013

What happens if you fail a class in high school?

Freshmen are sometimes unaware that high school is different from middle school in how we treat F's. Any student who receives an F is now 1/2 credit behind in his/her quest for graduation. Students must earn 27 credits to graduate including several specific core classes. Failing a core class also means the student must retake the class, losing an elective s/he might have chosen.

Another consequence is that a student loses the right to take more advanced courses if s/he fails the prerequisite course (e.g. failing Intro to Art means you cannot take Art I).

If your student earned an F first trimester, you may require him/her to bring home a weekly progress report every Friday. These can be picked up before school in Student Services.

New Graduation Requirements for the Class of 2013!

In order to graduate in 2013, you will need to earn 27 credits including all of the required courses and electives of your choosing. You will also complete a Senior Project and must Meet or Exceed the state standards in Reading and Writing.

TUTORING

Tutoring

Tuesdays and Thursdays

3:30 – 4:50

Contact Ms. Dorn for more info!

541.479.3388

ACTIVITIES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

North Valley Forensics will be sponsoring a Saturday, Dec. 12 matinee performance of Barnstormers' "It's a Wonderful Life", with student performances and a silent auction as part of the package. Quality silent auction donations are being accepted and tickets will be on sale soon.

- ♦ *Doors open @ 1:00*
- ♦ *Lori Patch is the contact for silent auction items and questions:
lori@patchrealestate.com*
- ♦ *Tickets will be \$20*
- ♦ *NV Forensics competes at over 20 tournaments around the state, from Portland to Ashland, culminating in a National tournament (Kansas City, MO)*

CANNED FOOD DRIVE—

Please bring your canned food donations to the north valley high school office. All donated food will be distributed by our north valley advocate to local needy north valley families and students. Please support this important cause.

TOYS FOR TOTS—

Please bring your unwrapped new toys to the north valley high school office to benefit TOYS FOR TOTS.



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Do you want to be a part of the future? Then **ASPIRE** is for you!



We are looking for adult volunteers. To learn more about Financial Aid, Scholarships and College Admissions please call 479-3388 and leave a message for Lisa Willis, ASPIRE Coordinator.

Sharing this information with students is a wonderful experience and gives them the encouragement that will be the building blocks of their future success!



NOVUS SUPPORTS NORTH VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL

North Valley High School employees and students who use our local Novus dealer to repair their rock chips, cracks and windshield replacements will earn a \$5-\$10 donation to North Valley High School. Repairs are free to most insured drivers regardless of deductible amount.. Just call 541-474-5646 to schedule your repair.

E-MAIL MESSAGE LIST

If we have your e-mail, you may have received e-mails from us regarding events coming up at NVHS. We are trying to become a bit greener by sending general announcements by email instead of by reams of paper. If you have not been receiving any e-mails from us (such as this newsletter) and would like to, please e-mail stephanie.phillips@threerivers.k12.or.us to request to be placed on the list. Thank you for helping us save paper.

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2009/2010

ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS

Straight Line Routes For:

North Valley, Fleming, Manzanita, Fort Vannoy and Wolf Creek

In the event of adverse weather conditions parents are advised to tune in to Radio Stations KRWQ, KAJQ, KLDR, KBOY and TV Stations KOB1 (5), KDRV (12), KTVL (10) or the 3 Rivers School District Web Page for information on school bus schedules.

Sometimes weather conditions leave some roads blocked or unsafe to travel but school is still being held. Under these circumstances "straight line routes" will be run. This is the information you will get on the web page or radio/TV stations.

When straight line routes are run the roads affected are listed below.

If you live on one of the roads the buses cannot travel, you may bring your student to the nearest intersection of the main road traveled. This will also be the stop for the afternoon drop off.

ROUTE #	STREET NAME
A-01	Speaker Road, Past Millers Gulch on Coyote Creek, Railroad Avenue, Bridge Lane
A-02	Sunny Valley Loop, Old Stage Road, Sunny Glen, Mobile Way
A-03	Winona Road
A-04	All roads will be traveled
A-05	Boyer Road, Grange, Williamson Loop, Red Mountain
A-06	Saratoga, Harris Road, Denver Ave.
A-07	Horseshoe, Colonial Drive, Palomino
A-08	Crow Road
A-09	April Drive, Becklin Drive
A-10	Crow Road
A-11	Abegg Road, Peco, Cienaga
A-12	Pinecrest, Plumtree
A-13	Stewart
A-14	All roads will be traveled
A-15	Sunview, Native Run Loop, Fall Run
A-16	All roads will be traveled
A-17	All roads will be traveled
A-18	West Jones Creek (Past E. Jones Creek Intersection)
A-19	Sunny Valley Loop, Old Stage Road, Sunny Glen, Mobile Way
A-20	Speaker Road, Past Millers Gulch on Coyote Creek, Railroad Avenue, Bridge Lane

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North Valley Country Christmas Bazaar

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2009

9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

North Valley High School

6741 Monument Drive

Directions: I-5 to Merlin Exit follow sign to intersection of
Merlin-Galice Road & Monument Drive

FREE ADMISSION

The “MOST TALKED” about craft bazaar in the area,
Featuring some of Southern Oregon’s finest handicrafts

Holiday Raffles throughout the day

Serving: OUR FAMOUS TACO SOUP, sandwiches
and yummy desserts!

**ALL PROCEEDS GO TOWARD THE CLASS OF 2010
DRUG AND ALCOHOL FREE GRAD NIGHT**

Questions – please call Jeaneen @474-1431

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ALL STATE CHOIR MEMBER

Senior Katherine Rose has been accepted into the all-state choir. This choir is by audition only and VERY difficult to get into. Congratulations Katherine Rose.



Eat your fruits and veggies!!

As a teacher at NVHS who actually does eat school lunch quite often, I have some concerns to share with parents. Day after day, I see students get their “main dish” items and go right past the salad/fruit/vegetable bar and right to the check-out. The majority of students I see getting their burgers, chicken sandwiches, pasta plates, enchiladas, teriyaki plate, etc., are not putting any fresh fruits or veggies or salad on their plates. Our salad/fruit/vegetable bar is really pretty nice. The salad greens are fresh, and there are always fresh raw carrots and sliced cucumbers, as well as a variety of fresh or processed fruit, like orange slices, fresh berries, bananas, apples, pears, and so on, depending on the day.

Sometimes I wonder how our young, growing students can feel satisfied or full with what I see them getting. If they are still feeling hungry, there are plenty of good, filling things that they are not taking advantage of. And keep in mind, if they’ve paid for their lunch, they’ve paid for those fruits and vegetables. They are part of their complete lunch, and they are allowed to come back to the salad/fruit bar as much as they want.

Personally, I worry about our students’ health, now and in the future. With these nasty flu viruses around (predicted to be worse this winter), our youngsters need as much of the “good stuff” as they can get...good food, vitamins, exercise, sleep, and water. And this is the age for them to start good eating habits that will carry over into their older age. For a woman in her forties, I think I’m doing pretty well. My health and fitness are good, and I never get sick. I give most of the credit to “the good stuff.”

So, let’s see some color on those plates, eh? Don’t like the taste (hard for me to imagine...but okay)? Plug your nose and chew....but whatever you do, get’r done!!!

Your resident lunch-line cutter- Mrs. Durboraw

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FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP



**ALL SENIORS WHO PLAN TO ATTEND COLLEGE, RCC, OR A
TRADE/TECHNICAL SCHOOL ARE INVITED TO BRING THEIR
PARENTS TO A FINANCIAL AID WORKSHOP**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2009
6:30 - 7:30 P.M.**

NORTH VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL COMMONS

**THE FOCUS OF THE MEETING WILL BE THE STEP-BY-STEP
PROCESS OF COMPLETING THE FAFSA**

The local scholarship packet will also be distributed

**SPECIAL GUESTS: FINANCIAL AID COUNSELOR, ANNA MANLEY
FROM
ROGUE COMMUNITY COLLEGE WILL BE PRESENT TO HELP**

***If you cannot attend December 16th , you may attend pro-
grams offered at other high schools:***

**November 19th – Grants Pass High School Performing Arts Center – 6 - 7 p.m.
December 15TH - Hidden Valley High School Library – 6 :00 – 7:00 p.m.**

QUESTIONS? Contact James Platt at 479-3388

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Yearbook Dates to Remember

- **December 18th**—Yearbooks will cost \$55 until December 18th. After that time, the cost will go up to \$58. The books make a great Christmas present, and gift certificates are available.
- **February 26th**—Senior and baby pictures are due. All baby pictures will be returned (the office still has all of last year's pics if you didn't get yours back). The pictures **MUST** be turned in by this date in order to be included.
- **March 5th**—Deadline for placing a business ad or senior recognition page in the book. Get great advertising for your business or show your child how much you care with an ad in the yearbook!

Any questions or need more info? Contact Miss Converse at tiffany.converse@threerivers.k12.or.us

CLOTHES NEEDED

The family Advocate could still use larger size 12 and up clothes and household items. We **COULD ALSO USE WARM SWEATERS AND COATS**, household items including dishes, pans, bake ware would be appreciated, also bedding including sheets and blankets. Please bring your donations to the high school office. Thank you.

LIBRARY CHANGES

If you owe money to the library for overdue fees there needs to be a payment towards the balance to continue to check out books. I will work with you on what you can afford to pay.

There will be a "Wish List" on the counter in the Library. Please put the title of the book(s) you wish we had on this list. If you have a favorite author and we don't have their work, list them. This will help me choose books that you will enjoy reading and need for current study. Thank you, Kim Black.

December Puzzler

A grocer displays her grapefruit by making a pyramid that is 9 grapefruit square at the base. The next row is 8 by 8, and so on to the single grapefruit on top. Answer both of the following questions:

How many grapefruit are in the display?
Think of the grapefruit in the exact center of the bottom level. How many other grapefruits weight (partly or wholly) does this one bear?

Good luck! Answer
In January issue.



Answer to the November Puzzler

The pilot could drop the man off anywhere on her way because she planned to circumnavigate the earth and could fly in any direction!



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MUSIC NOTES.....

Please join us for the North Valley High School Annual Winter Concert that will be held December 17th at 7:00 in the North Valley commons, admission \$2

Free Design is in need of a piano player. Please contact Misha Mayers if you are interested... michelle.mayers@threerivers.k12.or.us or 479-3388.

Free Design is taking requests to sing happy birthday to your special someone during lunch. See Breeze (the bookkeeper) to sign up. The cost is just \$5.

GREAT JOB TO OUR STUDENT HOSPITAL VOLUNTEERS

Rebecca Patch, Jessica Dabich, Kelly Riley, Chelsea Gregory, Ashley Herzog and Taylor Farris have been donating their time at the hospital through the youth volunteer program.

Happy Birthday to You...♪

Wish your favorite student a
Happy Birthday
or send a brief Congrats for a
job well done!

\$5.00 for 2 days on the Knight
Reader Board!
Please get the message to us a
week in advance.



KNIGHT ATHLETICS

North Valley HOME Games

Football

11/6– JV/V vs. Hidden Valley 4:00/7:00



Women's Basketball

11/30– JV/V vs. Cascade Christian 5:15/7:00

12/2– JV/V vs. Gold Beach 5:15/7:00

12/8– JV/V vs. Rogue River 5:15/7:00

12/15– JV/V vs. Eagle Point 5:15/7:00

12/16– JV/V vs. So. Umpqua 5:15/7:00

1/21– JV/V vs. Henley 5:15/7:00

1/22– JV/V vs. Phoenix 5:15/7:00

1/26– JV/V vs. Hidden Valley 5:15/7:00

2/2– JV/V vs. Illinois Valley 5:15/7:00

2/23– JV/V vs. Henley 5:15/7:00

Men's Basketball

12/2– JV/V vs. Gold Beach 5:15/7:00

12/3– F/JV/V vs. St. Mary's 5:15/7:00

12/10– F/JV/V vs. Mazama 5:15/7:00

1/5– F/JV/V vs. Phoenix 5:15/7:00

1/8– F/JV/V vs. Hidden Valley 5:15/7:00

1/15– F/JV/V vs. Illinois Valley 5:15/7:00

2/5– F/JV/V vs. Henley 5:15/7:00

2/9– F/JV/V vs. Phoenix 5:15/7:00

2/12– F/JV/V vs. Hidden Valley 5:15/7:00

2/19– F/JV/V vs. Illinois Valley 5:15/7:00

Wrestling

12/18– JV/V Tournament 9 am

1/20– JV/V vs. South Medford 5:15/7:00

1/27– JV/V vs. Henley 5:15/7:00

Swimming—All Away

12/5— JV/V at YMCA

1/2– JV/V at K. Falls

1/9– JV/V at Rogue Valley

1/23– JV/V at Skyline

KNIGHT ATHLETICS

FALL SPORT REVIEW

We had over 150 students participate in Fall sports with many of them receiving honors in football, volleyball, men's soccer, women's soccer and cross country. We are especially happy for Brady Beagley taking 2nd in the 4A state cross country race and our Women's soccer team advancing to the quarter-final game in their state playoffs.

Jeff Weiss

Our fall sports banquet will be held on Wednesday, December 9th in the commons at 6:30.



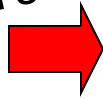
NORTH VALLEY KNIGHTS BOOSTER CLUB

We are off to a great start! Your North Valley Booster Club has helped to fund several clubs and projects already this year.

- ★ Men's Basketball Uniforms ★
- ★ Wrestling Singlets ★
- ★ Band Performance Polos ★
- ★ Banner for front entrance ★
- ★ Outdoor Exercise Equipment ★

This was made possible by the wonderful people who help in the concessions stands during home games. We have had a great crew this year and I want to personally thank all of you for your support and efforts. We cannot provide these things for North Valley without your help.

The New
Dragon's
Lair



Thank you
River Valley
Community
Church!

We hope you have had a chance to check out the new Dragon's Lair. This incredible update has been made possible by the generosity of Dana Goens and others at River Valley Community Church.

Special thanks to: Dana (Organizer),
Jennifer Hamilton (Dragon Artist) Jim Maue with Jim Maue Construction, Jeremy Kirkland with Calvary Construction and Mike Bresnan with Rock and Stone Works.

Booster Meetings are held on the **third** Wednesday of each month
at 6:00 p.m. in the NVHS Commons.

The dates are: 12/16, 1/20, 2/17, 3/17, 4/21, 5/19

Please remember to renew your membership at the bookkeeping window or mail your form to North Valley.

Your membership entitles you to 50% off all home games and 20% off merchandise. Check out this year's new merchandise at home games, at the bookkeeping window or other school events.

Concessions are the way we make most of our money to give back to North Valley Athletics, Clubs and Knights Pride Projects. We will be asking for help during all home games so please watch the schedules, attend the games and help in the concession stands when you can.

Thank you for your support!

nvboosters@live.com

KNIGHTS PRIDE ~ Ian Kassab, NV Knights Booster Club President



North Valley High School Booster Club Membership Form

2009/2010

Membership is \$25.00 per family

Make checks payable to "NVHS Boosters"

100% of your donation goes directly back into N.V.H.S.



Name _____

Address _____

Phone #'s _____

E-mail _____

The NVHS Booster Club is a non profit organization, consisting of involved parents, students and NVHS staff members who assist the school in many ways, from beautification of the school grounds, running concession stands for sporting events, as well as helping athletic groups, all non funded clubs, extracurricular activities and many other school wide projects.

- ◆ With your NV Knights Booster Membership you get ◆
20% off all booster merchandise
50% off entrance fees to all home sporting events

If you would like to help support your child's school
in any way, please fill out this form and return it to
North Valley High School.

I would like to help with:

_____ Food Concessions @ Football, _____ Food Concessions @ Basketball,
_____ Banquets, _____ Membership drive, _____ Apparel Sales, _____ Misc. Activities

Mail or hand deliver to:
North Valley High School Booster Club
6741 Monument Drive
Grants Pass, Or. 97526

Student's Name/s _____

Grade/s _____ Activities _____

Grade/s _____ Activities _____

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INFORMATION FOR
KNIGHTLINE NEWS

Please send information
for the newsletter
via e-mail or disk by the 20th of each
month to Stephanie at
stephanie_phillips@threerivers.k12.or.us



Dates to Mark on Your Calendar:

Dec 5— NV Christmas Bazaar

Dec. 21-Jan 1— Winter Break