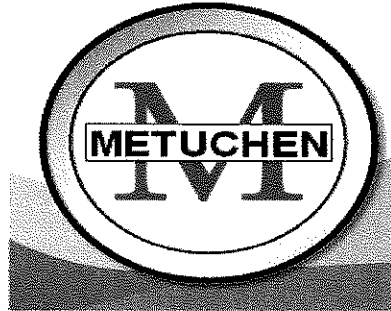


METUCHEN HIGH SCHOOL

October/November 2011



TO: All Parents/Guardians

**From: Bruce J. Peragallo
The Office of the Principal**

MHS Booster Club – Attention all Parents of Student Athletes

The next meeting of the MHS Booster Club will be on **Tuesday, October 18, 2011**, at 7:00pm in the MHS Library. If you have not yet become a member, please join us for the meeting and find out what we are all about. Please see the attached membership form.

Project Graduation (Class of 2012) – An Evening On The Town

Our biggest fundraiser for Project Graduation will be held on **Saturday, November 19, 2011**. There will be a dinner dance and a silent auction held at the Pines Manor in Edison, NJ. Flyer is attached with additional information and to reserve tickets for the dance. Also, there will be a 50/50 raffle drawing on the night of the dinner dance. Winner need not be present at the drawing. Information pertaining to the purchase of raffle tickets can be found in the attached flyer. **Deadline for ordering raffle tickets as well as reserving tickets for the dinner dance is November 1st.**

Guidance

****Financial Aid 101 – Tuesday, November 29**

Students and families are invited to Financial Aid 101 on **Tuesday, November 29, 2011** at 7 pm in the high school cafeteria. This workshop provides a complete overview of the financial aid process and what students should expect when applying for financial aid for college. It describes the types and sources of student aid, how to apply for a pin number and financial aid using a FAFSA. The workshop also covers college costs and provides a detailed description of NJ aid programs. Last, it promotes HESAA services and web sites in order to conduct private scholarship searches.

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****Financial Aid 101 – Tuesday, November 29 (Continued)**

Our guest speaker, Ms. Danette Edwards, is the Assistant Director of Public Outreach – NJ Higher Education Student Assistance Authority.

Seniors are strongly encouraged to attend, but students at any level who are interested in learning about the financial aid process are invited.

ACT – Saturday, December 10, 2011 and April 14, 2012

Metuchen High School has been designated as an ACT testing site. The ACT assesses high school students' general education development, as well as their ability to complete college-level work. The test is comprised of four sections: English, Mathematics, Reading and Science, as well as an optional Writing section that should be taken. The ACT is accepted by all colleges and universities and is used in addition to, or in lieu of the SAT exam for college admission. MHS will be offering the test on **December 10th, 2011** (registration deadline: **November 4th**), and **April 14th, 2012** (registration deadline: **March 9, 2012**). Registration for the exam can be found at www.actstudent.org. Please contact your child's guidance counselor with any additional questions.

National Honor Society Induction Ceremony – Sunday, October 23, 2011

The Metuchen Chapter of the National Honor Society will hold its annual Induction Ceremony for juniors and seniors on Sunday, October 23, at 2:00 p.m. in the auditorium. All family members and friends of the new inductees are invited to attend. Following the ceremony, a reception will be held in the cafeteria.

In addition, please be aware that members of the National Honor Society provide tutoring services for all students. Individual tutoring is accessed by filling out a request form in the Guidance Office. Any questions should be directed to the NHS faculty advisor, Marie Seidel, at (732) 321-8744.

American Education Week – Monday-Friday, November 14-18

Please note that American Education Week is scheduled in all the schools from Monday-Friday, November 14-18. Parents who would like to visit will need to register in guidance or the main office in advance.

Parent-Teacher Conferences – Tuesday and Thursday, November 15 and 17, 2011

For your information, Parent-Teacher Conferences will be held on Tuesday and Thursday, November 15 and 17. The Tuesday conferences will be scheduled in the afternoon and the Thursday conferences will be scheduled in the evening. An information memo, a request form, a teacher room list, and an updated schedule will be given to out to all students during English class on October 19. Due to Parent-Teacher Conferences, there will be a 1:00pm early dismissal on both Tuesday, November 15 and Thursday, November 17.

National Merit Semi-Finalists and Nine Commended Scholars

We would like to congratulate our two 2012 National Merit Semi-Finalists (Jonathan Rice and Revan Sopher) and one 2012 commended student (Rachel Philbin) in the National Merit Scholarship Program. We are very proud to recognize our students for their outstanding academic achievements.

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Students Driving To School With A Graduated Drivers License (GDL)

This is a reminder to all Parents of students who have a Graduated Drivers License (GDL) - New Jersey State law mandates that only **one additional passenger** is allowed to be in the car unless accompanied by a parent or guardian. If a student is found to be in violation of this law, administration reserves the right to revoke student's parking privileges. Additionally, all student drivers under the age of 18, need to have the reflectorized decal (red) on each license plate.

Metuchen PT Council Presents Comedy Night – Friday, February 24, 2012

Save the date!!! Comedy Night will be held on Friday, February 24, 2012 at 8:00pm. Please see flyer attached for additional information.

Save The Date!!!

A celebration of leadership to honor Superintendent, Mrs. Terri Sinatra, will be held on Sunday, December 4, 2011. Please see flyer for additional information.

Yearbook

All students will be receiving mail from Jostens, the yearbook company, with instructions on ordering the yearbook. A payment plan will be available through Jostens.

Seniors - Please help the Blue Letter staff create this year's yearbook with your photos. Please see the attached sheet for additional information and school passcode.

Reminder # 1 – The PTO will hold its next meeting on Monday, November 7. The meeting will take place in the Library/Media Center and start at 7:30pm.

Reminder # 2 – Homecoming Dance – Saturday, October 22, 2011 in the high school gymnasium from 7:30 – 10:30pm.

Reminder # 3 –Reminder # 4 – The first marking cycle will end on Friday, November 4.

Reminder #4 – SAT I and II Testing will be held at Metuchen High School on Saturday, November 5 at 8:00am.

Reminder #5 – All schools in the Metuchen School District will be closed on Tuesday, November 8 for Election Day. School will also be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 10 and 11 for the NJEA Convention.



10th Annual
Metuchen High School



PROJECT
GRADUATION
Class of 2012

An Evening On The Town

Pines Manor ~ Edison, NJ

*Proceeds from the evening will help fund a drug-free,
alcohol-free graduation night activity.*

Saturday, November 19, 2011

7:00 - 11:00 pm

- * Gourmet Dining*
- * Music*
- * Dancing*
- * Door Prizes*
- * 50/50 Raffle*

Only \$75 per person

For tickets, sponsorships and 50/50 raffle information, please contact
mhsprojgrad2012@yahoo.com or call Ila Wernik-Fortuna 732-767-0621.

Paid Reservations due by November 1, 2011. Tickets are limited.

Sponsored by The YMCA of Metuchen-Edison-Woodbridge-South Amboy



Event Supporters

All sponsorships are 100% tax deductible.
Your generous support will be publicized
in the event program.

- Diamond \$5,000
- Ruby \$3,000
- Platinum \$1,000
- Gold \$ 500
- Silver \$ 250
- Bronze \$ 100
- Other \$ _____

In the program my sponsorship listing should read:

- I prefer to remain anonymous

Raffle Tickets

50/50 Cash Raffle

(\$12,500 in cash prizes, if all tickets are sold)

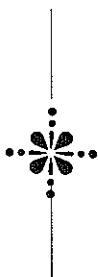
I would like to purchase _____ raffle
tickets at \$10 each. Winner need not to
be present at drawing. Drawing will take
place on the night of the event. Tickets
will be mailed to you.

Name & Address:

Metuchen High School Project Graduation
400 Grove Ave.
Metuchen, NJ 08840

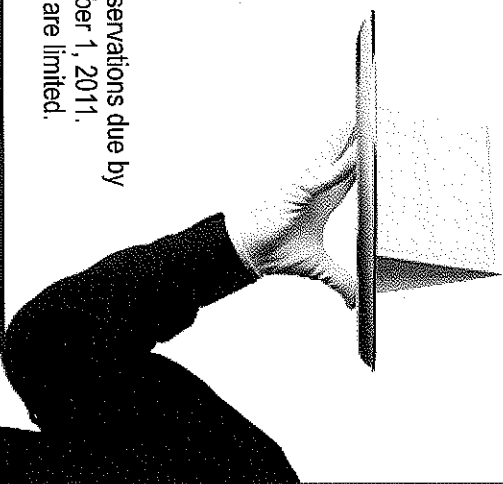
Tenth Annual
Metuchen High School
Project Graduation

*An Evening
On The Town*
at The Pines Manor



*Saturday
November 19, 2011
7:00-11:00pm*

Sponsored by
The YMCA of
Metuchen-Edison-Woodbridge-South Amboy



Paid reservations due by
November 1, 2011.
Tickets are limited.

Please join us for an evening benefiting
the students of classes 2012,
2013, 2014 and 2015

Dear Friends,

Please join us at the 10th annual Metuchen High School Project Graduation Event sponsored by the YMCA of Metuchen-Edison-Woodbridge-South Amboy. The evening will take place at The Pines Manor in Edison, NJ. Your reservation includes gourmet dining, music, dancing and door prizes. A small silent auction will also be provided. The proceeds from the evening will help fund a drug and alcohol free graduation night activity for the class of 2012 and subsequent years.

Tickets are limited, so reserve early. Invite your friends, colleagues and family members for a memorable evening.

Most Sincerely,

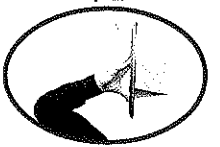
The Project Graduation Parent Committee 2012

- Ila Wernik-Fortuna - *Chairperson*
- Laurene Hartman - *Sponsor Chairperson*
- Suzanne Lagay-Kay - *Chaperone Chairperson*
- Lisa Lusser - *Raffle Chairperson*
- Ann Murphy - *Publicity Chairperson*
- Vivian Petrakakos - *Pines Manor Chairperson*
- Brenda Redshaw - *Treasurer*
- Pam Roberts - *Country Fair Chairperson*
- Kristine Walters & Chris Lascaskey - *Student Liaisons*

For more information contact:

mhsprojgrad2012@yahoo.com
Ila Wernik-Fortuna (732) 767-0621 or
Brenda Redshaw (732) 549-2227

Event Menu



Salad

Caesar, Greek, Assorted Greens

Pattens

Grilled Marinated Vegetables,
Seafood Salad, Fresh Mozzarella
Cheese with Tomato and Basil,
Assorted Cheese & Crackers

Pasta

Penne with Vodka Sauce

Copper Chafing Dishes

Roasted Breast of Chicken
Sliced Sirloin Steak
Grilled Medallions of Salmon
Eggplant Rollatini

Accompanied by
Fresh Seasonal Vegetables
Rosemary Gold Potatoes

Desert

Mini Assorted Pastries
Seasonal Fresh Fruit
Freshly Brewed Coffee & Tea
Unlimited Soda - Cash Bar

Please return this form and payment by
November 1, 2011

Make checks payable to: Project Graduation

Mail to: Project Graduation

Metuchen High School
400 Grove Avenue
Metuchen, NJ 08840

Reservations

Name: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

Phone (Day): _____

Email: _____

Reserve _____ seats at \$75 per person
(Open seating. I understand the tax-deductible
amount is \$25 per reservation)

Reserve a table for 10
If you are attending with a group and you would like
to guarantee seating together, you can reserve a
table for 10. Please provide your group name below: _____

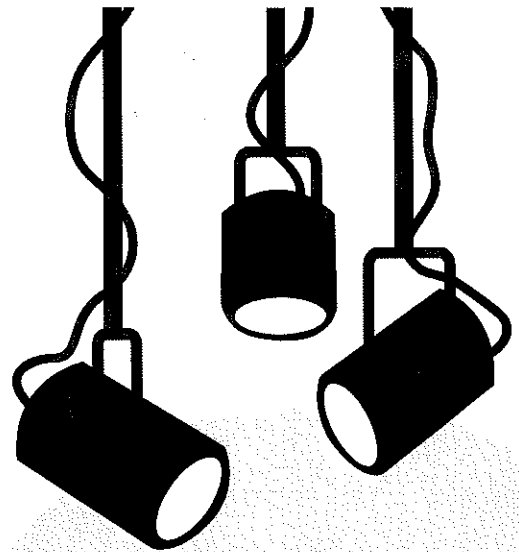
If You Cannot Attend

I regret that I can not attend, but enclosed
is a contribution of \$ _____ to support
Project Graduation.

Your contribution is 100% tax deductible.

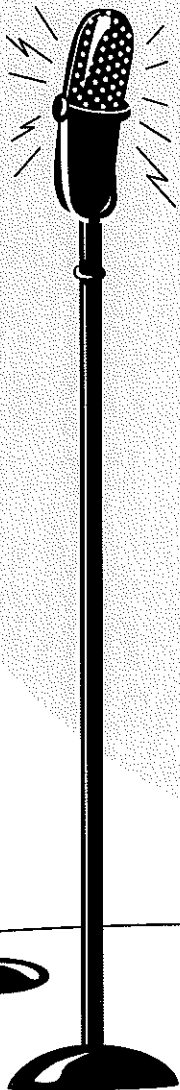
Metuchen PT Council
Presents

Comedy Night



**Friday,
February 24, 2012
8:00pm**

The Heldrich Hotel
New Brunswick



Enjoy
Headliner
Comedy Acts and
A Silent Auction

Cocktail Hour with
Cash Bar, Appetizers,
Desserts and Coffee

**Tickets Only
\$45 per person**

For information contact:
Teresa Zeng or Kelly Jaques at
ptocomedynight@yahoo.com

All proceeds to benefit Metuchen Schools
Adult only event. (Age 21 and over.)

Please help the Blue Letter staff create this
Year's yearbook with your photos.
- Nick Vosinas

Share the story
of your year.
Together.

ReplayIt.com is an interactive website that allows your school community to upload and share the most memorable photos from the year. See your school from all perspectives. It's your chance to have more of you and your friends in the yearbook.

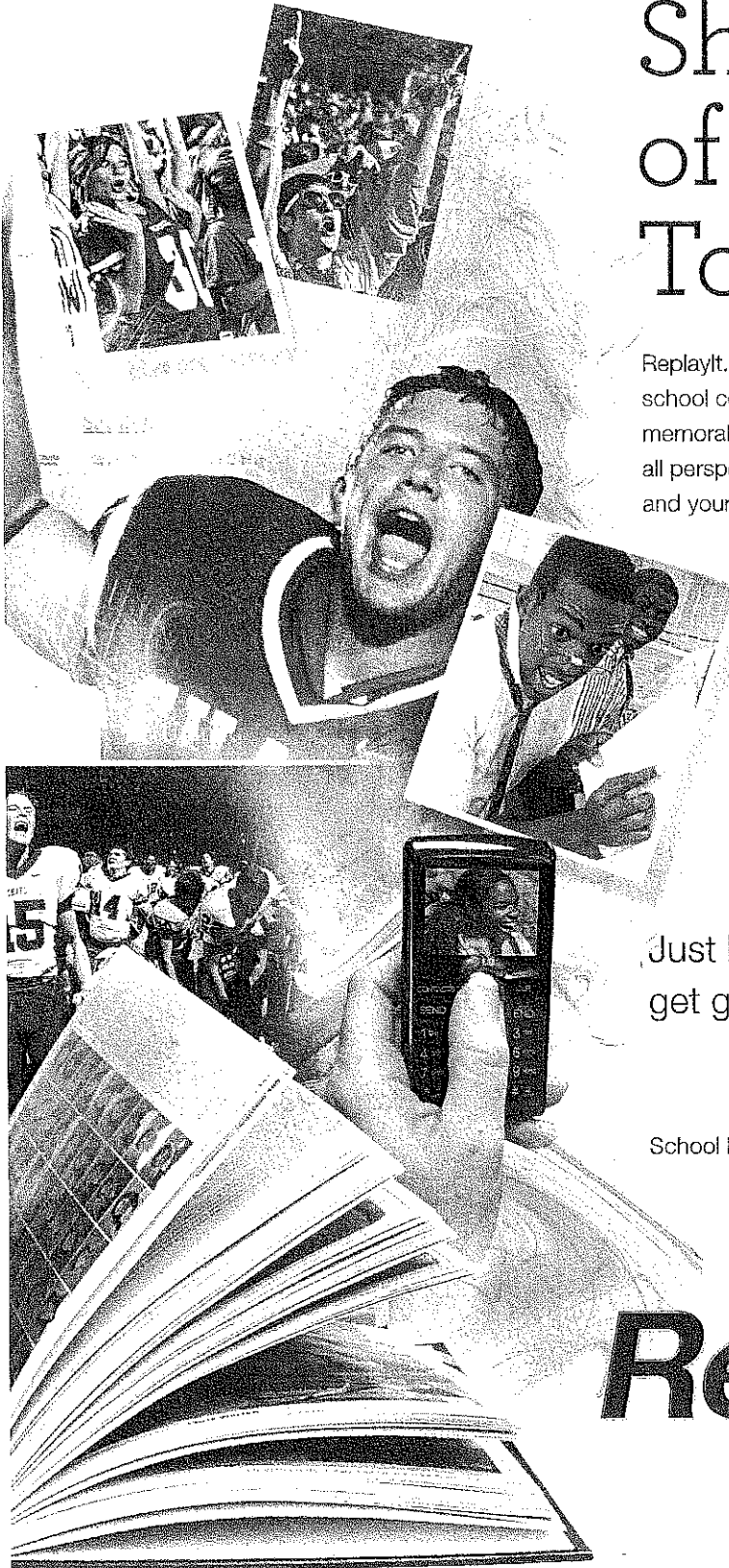
Share your
photos now!

Just log on to **ReplayIt.com** and
get going.

School Pass Code: Metuchen2012

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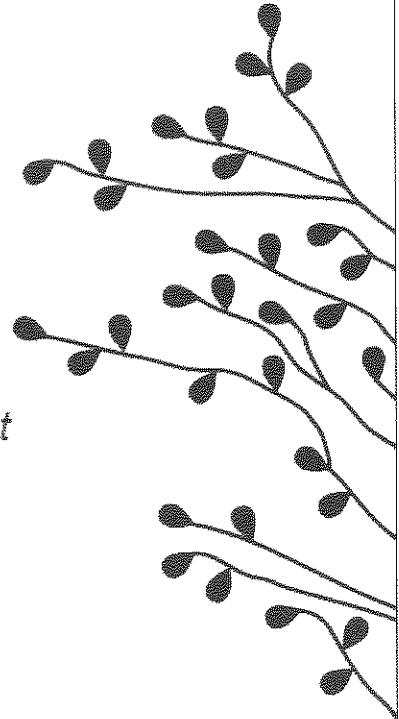


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Save the Date

A Celebration of Leadership to Honor Superintendent

Mrs. Terri Sinatra

12 to 4:00pm
The Woodbridge Hilton



All students, faculty and members of the Metuchen community are invited to attend