



RACINE LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

Let your light shine. Matthew 5:16

Weekly News – January 4, 2023

The RLHS Building Expansion Project is progressing nicely!
We are blessed to work with an array of dedicated contractors and top-notch businesses. With our supporters' generosity, they are BUILDING THE FUTURE for our amazing students, and we are grateful for their hard work!



***Reporting Student Absences** – Parents/guardians must report a student's absence. This can be done through calling 262.637.6538, emailing office@RacineLutheran.org, or through JMC. We appreciate your cooperation.

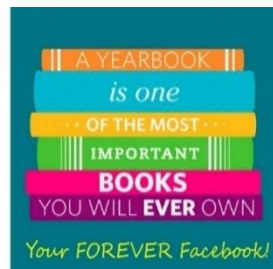
***The RLHS Hall of Fame** induction ceremony is **Friday, January 20**. A reception begins at 6 p.m., followed by the ceremony at 6:30 p.m. and the varsity basketball game at 7:15 p.m. The Hall of Fame Class of 2023 inductees are Julie Meissner Porter '67, Marty Hartwig '75, and Eric Oertel '10.

***RLHS** is hosting its 25th annual **Grand Gala** on **Saturday, February 11**, at Roma Lodge. This vital fundraiser is a wonderful evening to support the school's students. Guests are welcomed with complimentary beverages, and they enjoy auctions, dinner, and dancing. Chicago's High Society Orchestra performs until midnight. Visit RacineLutheran.org and click on Grand Gala to learn more.



2023 RLHS Yearbook Alert

Have you ordered
your **2023 RLHS**
YEARBOOK?
NOW is the time
to order.



Students and parents agree: Racine Lutheran has a great yearbook. **Every student really would like to have a yearbook, and it is something they will treasure for a lifetime.** This is a one-of-a-kind full-color publication filled with over 2,000 pictures. The *Citadel* contains 160 pages of photo memories of all students, teachers, friends, teams, activities, classes, and special events -- all put together with care through hundreds of hours of work by the publications staff. Almost every student orders a yearbook, so don't be left out. This is really A YEAR TO REMEMBER, and the yearbook records all the school year's memories for you.

If you want a 2023 RLHS YEARBOOK, you must order one. There usually are no extra copies available, since we can only order the number of books that are prepaid.

Please send your order and payment to the school office,
OR

You can order securely ONLINE on our school website.

- Go to your **JMC Parent portal**.
- Select **Tuition/Fees** on the left, then **Purchase Items** in the blue box at the top.
- You can then **choose Yearbook** to place your order. You are not able to make purchases from a phone, so you must login using a computer.

The cost of the yearbook is **\$60**. Please order soon. Yearbooks arrive at the end of the school year, but we need to give the publisher our final number of books.

Request a yearbook gift certificate if you would like to make this a gift!

If you have questions, please email Mrs. Porter at jporter@RacineLutheran.org.
Hopefully, you will enjoy your yearbook, the 2023 *Citadel*, for many years to come.

2023 Yearbook Order

Please enclose your payment in an envelope and mail it to the school office (251 Luedtke Ave., Racine, 53405).

Either include this slip or a note with your name and "Yearbook Order" on it.

To order by credit card online, follow instructions above.

The yearbooks will be available for pick up at the end of the school year.

Please order ___ copy(copies) of the 2023 Racine Lutheran HS **YEARBOOK** for:

Name _____

Enclosed is my payment of \$60 for each yearbook. Thank you!

(Optional) Text me at this number when the yearbooks arrive for pick-up: _____

***RLHS Thrift Shop** – Every school year, **each RLHS family is expected to serve at least six hours** (two complete shifts) of their total service hours (minimum 20 total) at the Thrift Shop. Currently, the **Thrift Shop is open Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays and is looking for help during morning shifts (10 a.m. – 1 p.m.) and afternoon shifts (1 p.m. – 4 p.m.)**. Students, parents, grandparents, and friends of RLHS are needed to sort, clean, price and display merchandise and work in the store. One adult and one student, or two adults, are needed for each shift. **SATURDAY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED!!!**

To schedule your Thrift Shop hours, please call the store schedulers listed below. Please make sure you log your hours after your shift. You can log them through the JMC Parent Portal (click link on the home page) or by visiting our website (click on SUPPORT US/THRIFT SHOP). If you have any questions, please contact Krista Long at RLHS: 262.637.6538 or klong@RacineLutheran.org.

The Thrift Shop – 1222 Lathrop Avenue

Schedulers:

To sort, clean, price and/or help with incoming donations – call Pat Hellenberg 262.498.8851

To help with checkout/cashier – call Barb Tertel 262.632.1070

MORE Thrift Shop – 1228 Lathrop Avenue

Schedulers: Peggy Groth 262.498.2161 or Judy Lamers 262.321.4095

News from the Guidance Office

***Counselors' Corner:**

***Juniors** – It's time to start planning for Senior year:

- Save The Date for "**Junior Night**" to be held on **Thursday, January 19**.
- **Gateway Technical College's High School Academies** offer opportunities for high school students to earn college credit, save thousands of dollars, explore career paths, and turn their big dreams into big futures. Here's a sneak peek at more information: gtc.edu/HSAcademies

***ALL Students – UW-Madison’s Badger Precollege and Summer Scholar** programs offer a suite of residential, commuter and online programs designed to inspire high school students in various subjects and interests. More information at: [Badger Precollege](#).

News from the Athletic Office

***Trapshooting:** Parent meeting and sign-up for the RLHS Trapshooting team. The meeting and sign-up will be at **6 p.m. on Thursday, January 26**, in room 123. Information about the program and paperwork for signing up will be provided at the meeting. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Gene Roeder at groeder6@aol.com or 262.939.0127.

***St. Catherine, Martin Luther, and St. Thomas More high schools** have changed their ticket policy to online ticketing. Each school will be using Ticket Spicket. You can search each school at this link <https://events.ticketspicket.com/home> Here are some of the guidelines for this Friday’s boys basketball game at St. Catherine:

1. All tickets must be purchased ahead of time at <http://spicket.events/schsangels>.
2. Ticket sales will open 1 week prior to each event.
3. Ticket sales close at 2:00 p.m. the day of the event. Any individual(s) not purchasing tickets by 2:00 p.m. will not be allowed into the game.
4. Tickets can be printed at home to be scanned at the event or shown in the Ticket Spicket app on cellular devices to be scanned. **NO SCREENSHOTS ACCEPTED.**
5. Gates/entrance close 30 minutes after the scheduled start time of the varsity event. .Anyone not in the game at this time will not be allowed in.
6. Refunds will only be issued for ticket purchases if the event is canceled.
7. No re-entry to the event.
8. All middle/elementary school students must be with an adult.
9. Conference passes are still allowed at the gate, no digital ticket required.
10. 6 and under are free, no digital ticket required.

***We need lots of parental help during basketball season!** Please check out the new link (below) to sign up to volunteer. More than 35 spots are still available for this winter’s events!

We’re using SignUp.com (the leading online SignUp and reminder tool) to organize our upcoming SignUps.

Here’s how it works in 3 easy steps:

1) Click this link to see our SignUp on SignUp.com: <https://signup.com/go/dnpxcQM>

2) Review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you like.

3) Sign up! It’s Easy – you will NOT need to register an account or keep a password on SignUp.com. Note: SignUp.com does not share your email address with anyone. If you prefer not to use your email address, please contact me and I can sign you up manually.

***Racine Lutheran High School is on the NFHS Network!** All home basketball games will now be livestreamed for anyone to view. Many of our away games are webcast on this platform as well. If you can’t make it to the game, or if you have out of town relatives who want to watch, go to <https://www.nfhsnetwork.com/> and search Racine Lutheran High School. A subscription is required.

***Please be aware of the following WIAA/Local Covid quarantine rules.**

If a student/athlete has a confirmed positive case of Covid, he/she will quarantine for 5 days from the onset of symptoms. They may leave isolation after they have been fever free for 24 hours or longer and symptoms are generally improving.

If a student/athlete is determined to be a close contact with a confirmed positive case of Covid, he/she will: monitor for symptoms. If symptoms start, he/she should isolate and get tested. Quarantining is no longer required.

***Game schedules** are on the online school calendar which can be found [here](#). Or click on the “Calendar” link on the school website. You may also sign up for notifications from the calendar site which will alert you to upcoming contests and schedule changes. Coaches’ contact information is available on the calendar site.

*A **user guide** for the school calendar website can be found [here](#). There is also a free mobile app to access the school calendar. Search “Activity Scheduler” in your app store. The app has been recently upgraded so check it out!

*Our **spirit wear** page is on the school website. Look for the spirit wear link on the top of the homepage. Get **23% off** orders of \$100 or more through January 7 using promo code **NY23**.

		Order Your RLHS Crusaders ... TEAM PICTURES ...			
TEAM	Varsity	JV	8" x 10" -- \$7.00		5" x 7" -- \$4.00
GOLF					
TRACK & FIELD					
Girls SOCCER					
SOFTBALL					
BASEBALL					
TRAPSHOOTING					
CHEERLEADERS					
TENNIS					
WRESTLING					
Girls BASKETBALL					
Boys BASKETBALL					
VOLLEYBALL		JV1	JV2		
Boys SOCCER					
Varsity/JV FOOTBALL (Order in 8x10 or 11x14)	(Varsity & JV are together in one photo)				(5x7 is not recommended - large team, faces too small)
Other Teams (back order) Specify team and year.					<i>Recommended: 11x14 extra-large size for \$10.00</i>
Name _____ Total \$ _____					
<i>Please include payment with order. Pictures will not be ordered unless pre-paid. Send your order to the school office. Photo will be ready one week after order is received. No deadline; order anytime. Make checks payable to Racine Lutheran HS.</i>					

Other Opportunities

*Job opportunity:

- **New Year – New Job! Racine Lutheran High School has an open maintenance position.** This full-time position includes building maintenance and a nightly cleaning routine. Hours are 2 until 10 p.m. with the possibility of moving to a day position in the future. For more information, email ryddner@RacineLutheran.org.



IMPORTANT SENIOR PICTURE INFO

TO: **SENIORS** and PARENTS of the **Class of 2023**

Senior year is one of the most memorable years in a person's life and one involving many important decisions. One lasting memory of this year is the senior class portrait. **Now is the time to make arrangements for senior pictures if you have not already done so.** Traditionally, these photos are taken early in senior year, so that by January 1 everyone has chosen proofs and has the pictures back to exchange with friends and put in the yearbook.

For our yearbook, one **color** wallet-size print or digital file (approximately 2" wide x 3" high or larger) is needed **by MARCH 1**. Your photographer should send these to RLHS at no charge, or you can bring the photo in yourself. **OR...** You (or the photographer) also may submit a digital picture on a flash drive, or email it (as an attachment not an inline photo) to jporter@racinelutheran.org or dmenk@racinelutheran.org. Make sure digital pictures are high-resolution, at least 300 dpi.



You have many options. You may choose a professional photography studio or a family photographer, whatever you like best. There is a wide range of prices, picture quality, number of poses, changes of outfits, different settings, and other services. The cost will vary greatly for the senior-special packages, so compare, look at the samples on display and online, and ask a lot of questions.

Look at past yearbooks and write down the ideas you like best, otherwise you'll forget what you liked! *Consider:* indoors/outdoors, what to wear, which backgrounds, clear or shadowy or fuzzy focus, different poses, casual with your dog or more formal with a tie? **(No sideways, no horizontal pictures or full body standing head-to-foot shots can be used in the yearbook. No very low-cut, revealing tops for the ladies.)** You might want props like a pet, car, or soccer ball. Beware of wearing clothes too trendy or loud, because this picture may hang on the wall in your home for many years, and some fashions look pretty silly after they go out of style. These are just a few points to consider. The photographer will have lots more tips for you. It is a really good idea to have at least one pose taken in which you are a little more dressed-up; more formal looks are back in, and when seniors are asked to submit photos for applications or announcements, it's good to have a more sophisticated look to submit. It's up to you. Casual is fine, too.

The choices are yours, and the responsibility of having your picture taken is yours, too. If you have questions, please call or text Julie Porter at 262-498-5919 or email jporter@racinelutheran.org.

If you are not going to have a senior portrait done, please let us know, and we will make other arrangements or use the school ID picture taken this fall so that every senior is included in the 2023 yearbook. Thanks for your cooperation.

Also needed for the 2023 Yearbook...

By **February 1**, every senior needs to submit **baby, childhood, and casual** pictures for his/her page in the senior section.

- You may submit from 3 to 8 pictures (any size – we can resize).
- **We would like at least one baby/toddler picture, at least one childhood picture, and at least one candid picture. (The candid could be you with friends, family, pet, in a sport, on vacation, etc.)**
- These pictures will be scanned, and the original photos will be returned to you quickly (usually within a week) and unharmed.

- You may also choose to scan your own pictures and submit the digital JPEG files on a flash drive or email them to dmenk@RacineLutheran.org or jporter@RacineLutheran.org or text to Mrs. Porter at 262-498-5919. If you scan your own, set the resolution to 300 dpi. If you send photos by email, **please send them as ATTACHMENTS**. First open your email, click the attachment icon, then select your photo files and send them as attachments. If you email through your phone, choose the largest file size (highest resolution).
- Please do not turn in computer printouts of pictures or photocopies-- they will be blurry when scanned and reprinted. Send the original digital file rather than a print unless it is a VERY high-quality print.
- Please label your pictures on the back (use permanent marker or pencil, **no ballpoint ink** since it smudges permanently onto your pictures). Turn them in to the school office in an envelope or plastic bag, also labeled with your name.
- You will have an opportunity to make changes before the final pages are sent to the publisher -- ***if*** you turn in your photos on time.

If you have questions about the pictures, we will be glad to help. Contact either Mrs. Menk or Mrs. Porter.



*Be sure to “like” us on **Facebook** – available pages are:

Racine Lutheran High School
Racine Lutheran High School Admissions
Racine Lutheran High School Athletics
Racine Lutheran Alumni

Follow us on **Twitter**:

@RLHScrusader
@RLHSathletics

Follow us on **Instagram**: **@racinelutheran**

Subscribe to our **YouTube Channel – RLHS YouTube**

Link: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCyS_GiNrW2eDjPM2jpYmJMg

