

**Thursday, February 1, 2024**

**Good Morning Ketcham Nation!**

**Today is Day 1**

***Today's Motivation: Every great dream begins with a dreamer. Always remember, you have within you the strength, the patience, and the passion to reach for the stars to change the world.***

***— Harriet Tubman was an American abolitionist and social activist who helped others gain their freedom as a "conductor" of the Underground Railroad. Tubman also served as a scout, spy, guerrilla soldier, and nurse for the Union Army during the Civil War.***

#### SPORTS TALK CLUB

Our first meeting will be Tuesday, Feb. 6 after school in Room 101. Class code is - n6m2omg

#### OMG CHRISTIAN CLUB

The OMG Christian Club will meet on Thursday, Feb 1.

#### LAX FUNDRAISER

Support the Wappingers Titans Boys Lacrosse Team by joining us at freshBURGER-Fresh, Hopewell Junction! Just come in on Friday, February 2nd from 4-7pm and 20% of your meal will be donated to the team. Online Ordering will be included at [www.freshburger-ny.com](http://www.freshburger-ny.com)

#### COOKIE SALE

Sociedad, RCK's Spanish Honor Society, is doing a Halbsies Cookies fundraiser! One dozen locally made cookies for \$20, ready for your Superbowl party, Valentine's Day, or just to treat yourself! To order use this link: <https://forms.gle/3bM6uPrt2MnS9QSJ7> See Sra. Flanagan or an officer if you have any questions! LAST DAY TO ORDER IS FEB. 2!

#### INHS

National Italian Honor Society will be meeting on Wednesday 2/7. Please make every effort to attend, as we will be discussing and planning for the upcoming induction ceremony followed by the Buon Appetito cooking competition. Reach out to Signor Parlapiano with any questions!

#### FRENCH HONOR SOCIETY

The French Honor Society will be having a crêpe party after school on Friday, February 2nd to celebrate Chandeleur! All members are encouraged to attend.

#### DRESS DOWN FOR SPARROW'S NEST

Join Ketcham in support of Sparrow's Nest, a charity that provides meals for families battling cancer, by participating in the WCSD Sparrow's Nest Dress Down Day on March 15th. Order your gear by February 14th. <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSc32dhztkNw8cE5p5icBA-EkiA0Jq8YBGVS31R4eAbe1fN6vQ/viewform>

#### WINNERS CIRCLE

Mandatory meeting date 2/5

Anyone that may want to be in the Winner's Circle class next year please contact Mr. Bliss (room 223). This is the class where we build a 1965 Shelby Cobra race car, go on multiple field trips and generally do awesome things. There will be an informational meeting on February 5th at 11:30 in the LGI, to attend the meeting students need to come to Mr. Bliss (or Mr. Yahn or Mr. Musch) to get on the list to attend the meeting. You must come in person. If you do not attend this meeting you will not be eligible for the class.

#### MILITARY VISITS

Our Military representatives are tabling in the cafeteria during each lunch period on the dates listed below. Please stop by their table if you would like to learn more about what they have to offer.

- Wednesday, February 7: US Marines
- Thursday, February 8: US Army
- Wednesday, February 14: US Navy

## YEARBOOK

YEARBOOKS ARE ALMOST SOLD OUT. ORDER YOURS NOW at <https://buytheyearbook.pictavo.com/login> School Code 715765 Don't miss out!

## COLLEGE FAIR

The inaugural Southern Dutchess College Fair will take place on Wednesday, March 6th from 6 pm - 8 pm in the Beacon High School gymnasium. Please see flier for more information! [https://drive.google.com/file/d/1lddTE-qR1tgdllX37\\_KroSsFITyRhvP9/view?usp=sharing](https://drive.google.com/file/d/1lddTE-qR1tgdllX37_KroSsFITyRhvP9/view?usp=sharing)

## DCC INSTANT DECISION DAY

Dutchess Community College will be visiting on Monday, February 12th from 9:20-11:40 am (periods 3, 4, & 5) in the computer lab for Instant Decision Day. Stop by to work through your application with an admissions representative and be given an instant decision on your acceptance. Pre-registration for the event is available through SCOIR.

## SCHOLARSHIPS

The Community Foundation Scholarship Program application portal is currently open. Students can register and apply for several local scholarships by submitting one application. Follow the link for more details or see your counselor. <https://communityfoundationshv.org/scholarships/>

Scholarship information is consistently updated on the Senior Google Classroom and on the scholarship link on the School Counseling webpage:

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/e/2PACX-1vSQI9lpLdXiG-2I5hjP5FpW-tJ\\_sMFJH5yqUo8y4r5LVW90Xzey5VnacRgcDd98BFmkceCyCKbo00Rh/pubhtml](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/e/2PACX-1vSQI9lpLdXiG-2I5hjP5FpW-tJ_sMFJH5yqUo8y4r5LVW90Xzey5VnacRgcDd98BFmkceCyCKbo00Rh/pubhtml)

## Community Foundation Scholarship Workshops:

Monthly virtual scholarship workshops are offered monthly via Zoom. Attendees are led through the online scholarship process and questions are answered throughout the workshop. This event is open to high school students and/or their parent/guardians, undergraduate college students, high school teachers, guidance counselors, and any high school staff or administration. Registration is required <https://communityfoundationshv.org/scholarships/> and click on any of the dates below to register. The Workshop Zoom link will be emailed to all registrants on the morning of each session.

Thursday, February 1 @ 6:00 pm

Tuesday, March 5, @ 6:00 pm

Wednesday, April 3 @ 6:00 pm

## SENIOR TRIBUTE ADS

Celebrate your Senior with a tribute ad in the yearbook. The deadline to order is 2/23/24, but don't wait! Take care of it now before the rush of graduation sets in. <https://www.tributeads.com/>

## RCK ATHLETICS

Good luck to the Ketcham teams competing today! Varsity Boys Bowling vs Mahopac, Varsity Girls Bowling vs Mahopac, Freshman Boys Basketball vs Yorktown, Gymnastics at Mahopac. Let's go RCK!

## ACTIVITY PASS

Reminder: any student who stays after school for any reason (clubs, athletics, etc) must obtain a pass from their teacher, coach or advisor. You must have a pass in order to take the late bus.

Make this a great day RCK and remember to go #All In All Ways.

Your principal,  
Dave Seipp