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Word of Walden

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MESSAGE FROM BOB.....

The day after the Green Bay Packers won Superbowl SLV, I spoke to Walden students.

Dear students regarding the Green Bay Packers:

I'm sure many of you, if not most of you, have watched or at least heard about the Packer's win in the Superbowl yesterday. Whether you are a Packer fan or not, their performance this year can be a great message for all of us. Think about it - a team that had promise, suffered adversity, worked hard to overcome disappointments and injuries, got help from other who stepped in to help, and finally, through perseverance, beat the odds to reach their goal - they didn't give up, they experienced losses they kept their eyes on the possibilities and stayed positive and continued to try, and in the end, it worked out. It seems too simple.....

How does this apply to you? Only you can really know. Have you, or are you experiencing difficulty that makes your goal(s) seem like an exercise in futility? Be like the 2011 Green Bay Packers - continue on through, work hard, don't give up - you can reach your goals personally or academically - put in extra effort; find a way to get help when you need it and remember what Winston Churchill said "Never, never, never ever... give up," which could have been the guiding motto of this year's Green Bay Packer team.

WALDEN MIDDLE SCHOOL SPORTS.....

Girls Basketball - Feb 28 - Mar. 17 - M - Th
Must be picked up by 4pm. No bus

Floor hockey

Mar. 21 - April 7 - M - Th

Must be picked up by 4pm. - Activity Bus

CALENDAR 2010 - 2011

MARCH

- 8 Park Jazz Festival
- 9 Theater Guild Field Trip
- 10 Talent Show 6:00-9:00
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- 12 Solo/Ensemble
- 15 PTSA Meeting 6:30-8:00pm
- 18 Early Release - dismissal at 12:31
- 22 Market Day Pick-up
- 24 Conference Day - dismissal at 11:28
- 25 Conference Day - no classes

APRIL

- 19 Market Day Pick-up
- 19 PTSA Meeting 6:30-8:00pm
- 22-May 1 Spring Recess (school resumes May 2)

WALDEN MUSIC DEPARTMENT.....

PERFORMANCE ANNOUNCEMENT

Park Jazz Festival...Saturday, March 8th

The Jazz Band and 4th hour HHB will be performing at the Park Jazz Festival at Park High School in the evening hours. More information will be available as the time gets closer. The 6th grade band may play as well.

Solo/Ensemble.....Saturday, March 12th

Solo/Ensemble will be held at Case High School on March 12th. Participants must sign up with Vanessa by January 30th. Both high school and middle school orchestras will participate - this is a required performance. Other students who plan to participate should be working on their piece by now. If you would like to participate but do not yet have your music selected see Vanessa immediately. Registration will take place toward the end of January.

COUNSELOR NEWS...Katie McCauley

COLLEGE/SCHOLARSHIP WEBSITES

There are many websites to search for information about colleges and scholarships. Go online to Fastweb.com, collegeboard.com or anycollege.net. For financial aid information, try finaid.org, ed.gov, or fafsa.ed.gov.

HONORS INFORMATION

RUSD Central Office sends honors information to the Racine Journal Times, using the following criteria:

High honors = GPA of 3.5 and above
Honors = GPA of 3.25 – 3.49

ACT Registration Dates for 2010-2011

Test Date	Registration Date	Late Date (Fee Req.)
4/9/2011	3/4/2011	3/5-18/2011
6/11/2011	5/6/2011	5/7-20/2011

SAT Registration Dates for 2010-2011

Test Date	Registration Date	Late Date
5/7/2011	4/8/2011	4/22/2011
6/4/2011	5/6/2011	5/20/2011

Register online to take the ACT test at www.actstudent.org or at www.collegeboard.com for the SAT. The code for Walden is **501-919**.

SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE TO SENIORS

A variety of scholarships are available to seniors. They should stop and see Katie McCauley for more info and deadlines in room 319.

COLLEGE GOAL WISCONSIN is a free event held annually at Gateway Technical College and other colleges in the area. The program is designed to help families complete the **Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA)** form, which is required to apply for federal assistance for college fees. The event takes place Saturday, February 19, 2011 & Sunday, February 20, 2011. Go online at www.wicollegegoalsunday.org for more info.

Selective Service: All 18-year old men must register for Selective Service. If you fail to register, you cannot qualify for federal student grants or loans for college. Registration is easy and can be completed in less than two minutes via the Internet at www.sss.gov. Register today!

RACINE PTA COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP

All seniors enrolled to attend an accredited college or university in the fall of 2011 are eligible to apply for a \$1,000.00 scholarship from the Racine PTA council. Applications must be completed by the student and postmarked no later than March 6, 2011. The scholarship recipients and two guests will be invited to attend the Annual PTA Council Banquet at the Racine Marriott. See Katie in room 319 for an application.

FEDERAL STUDENT AID APPLICATION

Seniors can apply online at www.fafsa.gov for the Free Application for Federal Student Aid. This is the form needed to apply for government aid and may be required by your college. Seniors & their families can apply after Jan. 1, 2011. See Katie in room 319 or call 664-6262 for more information.

YEARBOOK INFORMATION...

Wonderful Yearbooks
Get them in Room 304
\$43

Or, order online
Go to the Jostens website
(Yearbook Avenue)