

# Chariho High School Parent/Teacher Organization Newsletter

## March/April 2011

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### Upcoming Events

- 3/11- NHS Induction Ceremony
- 3/12 - SAT
- 3/16 - College Planning Night
- 3/16 -Evening Guidance
- 3/17- Early Release Day 12:45
- 4/1- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Ends
- 4/1-4/2 - Artessy
- 4/12- Evening Guidance
- 4/18-4/22 Spring Recess-NO SCHOOL
- 4/27-Evening Guidance
- 4/28-Early Release Day 12:45

### PTO News

**Gift Card Fundraiser** - As a result of the positive feedback on our recent SCRIPTS Gift Card Fundraiser, we will be holding another one this spring (May 1 thru May 13). Please mark your calendars and save your shopping for graduation gifts and summer birthdays! Keep in mind that these gift cards can also be used for your regular shopping as well; the gift cards include those for food stores, restaurants, gas purchases, clothing and book stores, airline and hotel accommodations, online purchasing and more. Funds raised by the PTO are used to support our Grants Programs, student activities and Post-Grad events.

**Teacher Grants**-The Teacher Grant committee awarded two grants during the fall semester, one to provide the Student Support Program with a scanner for Senior Portfolios and the other for informational mouse pads for the new library. Teacher Grant applications are again being accepted for the spring semester; additional awards will be made in March.

**Artessy**- Look for us at Artessy on April 2. The PTO will be selling hot dogs, popcorn, snacks and beverages and will also be holding a raffle fundraiser. Spirit Clothing will be available to purchase and/or order.

**Post-Grad**-The Post- Grad Committee has been working hard on what promises to be a very exciting post- grad celebration for our seniors this year. The first annual "Chariho Post- Grad Community Festival" will be held on May 14. The committee will also be holding a "Sponsor a Senior" fundraiser at Artessy. For more information on Post- Grad activities, please contact Jane Durning at CharihoPostGrad@hotmail.com.

**Website**- Order forms for the yearbook and spirit clothing, as well as information on gift cards, newsletters and PTO meetings can be found on the district website at <http://www.chariho.k12.ri.us/chspto>. PTO meetings are held in the library on the first Monday of every month. Please join us!

### Upcoming PTO Meetings:

March 7   April 4   May 2   June 6

Seniors attending post- secondary institutions should have completed the FAFSA, as well as any school- specific financial aid forms. Please remember to make corrections to your information after completing your tax forms. Most four-year colleges will release financial aid packages in mid-March and you will have until May 1<sup>st</sup> to compare packages and place a deposit at your chosen school. Unfortunately, with the coming of spring senioritis will set in (worse than it may already have) so please remind your children to adhere to the attendance policy. In addition, colleges can rescind acceptances if there is a significant drop in performance and most do request final transcripts. The scholarship list online is updated weekly this time of year so check it on a regular basis. Most scholarship opportunities will only be available until mid-April so encourage your child not to procrastinate. Every year, parents call in May inquiring about scholarships and it disappoints me to tell them the window has closed.

Counselors will be making a presentation to juniors regarding college planning during the second week of March. We will complete a college search with them a few weeks later to start them thinking about the process. By the end of April, all juniors looking at four- year schools should register for the SAT at [www.collegeboard.com](http://www.collegeboard.com). We encourage students to take the test once in May or June and then a second time in the fall (generally October or November). The ACT is an alternate that focuses on a broader range of knowledge and is suggested for students who do not score as high as desired on the SAT. Registration for that test is at [www.act.org](http://www.act.org) with similar test dates as the SAT. College visits are encouraged in the spring (before college campuses switch to summer sessions in May) and are exempt absences if approved by guidance two days in advance. A parent meeting with a representative from the college planning center will be held on March 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30. At the moment the plan is for the meeting to be held in the library media center but please look for the invitation that comes home with your child in case a change in location needs to be made.

In examining our curriculum last summer, the guidance department decided to start having students think about what interests them after high school earlier than our college planning talk junior year. As a result, we will also meet with sophomores in late March and early April to share what students should think about in planning for post -secondary opportunities. We are also looking at ideas to emphasize career exploration.

All students should have schedule requests input by March 25<sup>th</sup> , which you should be able to view on PowerSchool. Actual schedules will not be available until mid-August. Please contact your child's counselor should you have questions about the courses your child has chosen. Evening guidance hours will continue through May if you would like to schedule a face-to-face appointment.

Looking ahead to spring,  
*Stacy Haines-Mayne, Guidance Dept. Head*



## Chariho Post-Grad Community Festival

The Chariho Post-Grad Event, held immediately following the graduation ceremony, takes place in a safe and controlled environment free of drugs and alcohol, at no cost to the students. No funding for the event is received from the school district; therefore, we rely entirely on volunteers, fundraising and the generous donations from Chariho neighbors.

To raise funds, we are hosting the first annual "Chariho Post-Grad Community Festival" on May 14, 2011. A community and family-oriented event, the festival will be similar to a farmers market/craft fair and will include a family fun walk, family games, craft vendors, arts and crafts for the kids, and several other activities still in the works! Funds raised at the festival will benefit the 2011 & 2012 Post-Grad events.

We are seeking small business to be vendors at the festival. If you would like to promote your business, please consider participating at the Chariho Post-Grad Community Festival. For further information, please send an email to:  
[CharihoPostGrad@hotmail.com](mailto:CharihoPostGrad@hotmail.com).

**Seniors : This year's Post-Grad event is NOT at any YMCA in all of New England!! You don't want to miss it!!**

### T-Shirt Design Contest

We are seeking designs from seniors for the post grad t-shirt! Please submit a design to represent the Class of 2011. Watch for further information to be distributed in senior advisory!

*Jane Durning  
Chair, Chariho Post- Grad Committee 2011*



*Charlho Regional High School's  
Administration, Faculty  
and the  
Class of 2011  
request the honor  
of your presence  
at the  
Commencement Exercises  
Monday, the thirteenth of June  
two thousand and eleven  
at  
7:00 o'clock in the evening  
Ryan Center  
University of Rhode Island  
Kingston, Rhode Island*



*Unlimited Seating Available*

*Parental Information ~ Graduation at The Ryan Center*

*In order to make this a memorable occasion for all, your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Thank you!  
Per URI Policy, no helium balloons, silly string, beach balls, and noisemakers—air horns, whistles.  
No one allowed behind stage area for seating. No one allowed on the floor for any reason.  
Plan to have your graduate meet you in the foyer or outside the front entrance.  
Please allow extra time for travel as Route 138 traffic can become congested.*

## A TASTE of CHARIHO

March 16, 2011 4:30-6:30  
High School Cafeteria

Come vote for your favorite PIZZA made by local businesses.  
Meal includes: Pizza, salad, dessert, drink

Tickets: \$10/adults \$5/ students-children  
Proceeds to benefit Travel Club

This year's group is heading to Paris, Lucerne, and Munich.

Our 2012 Trip will be to

**Ireland, Wales, Scotland, England**

**Sign up now and Save \$150!**

To find out how, e-mail Travel Club Group Leader: Sue Allen at -  
Susan.Allen@chariho.k12.ri.us



### *Itinerary:*

Day 1 Fly overnight to Ireland  
Day 2 Shannon • County Kerry  
Day 3 Killarney • County Kerry  
Day 4 County Kerry • Dublin  
Day 5 Dublin  
Day 6 Dublin • North Wales  
Day 7 Lake District • Edinburgh  
Day 8 Edinburgh  
Day 9 London  
Day 10 London  
Day 11 Depart for home

**Travel Dates: April 15-22, 2012**  
**Includes: Airfare, Transportation, Hotels, Meals**

# Chariho Art Center

*A Community Clay Building Workshop*



This two-day workshop will explore various hand-building and glazing techniques to create an original work of art.

\*Each participant will create two bowls: one to keep and one to donate to “**I Scream for Art,**” an ice cream social benefiting the RIAEA Art Scholarship program.

No experience is necessary, so come and explore your inner talent for two relaxing afternoons with fellow teachers and friends.

Dates: March 7<sup>th</sup> and March 14<sup>th</sup>

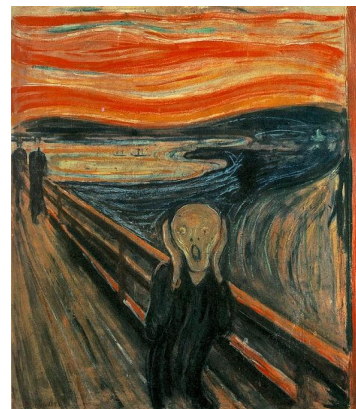
Time: 3:30-5:30 pm

Place: Chariho Middle School Art Room 2

Instructor: Debbie Engel

The cost is \$10.00 for materials, payable the day of the workshop.

For more information and to RSVP please contact:  
Debbie Engel  
Chariho Middle School  
daeng@chariho.K12.ri.us  
401-315-2191



*RIAEA members will receive RIDE Professional Development credit*

**“I scream, you scream, we all scream for ice cream.”**

**Join the fun!!!**

## Spirit Clothing Order Form

Student's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #s: \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_

For Hooded Sweatshirts, Quarter Zip Pullover Fleece, & Full Zip Fleece, circle preferred logo style



**\*\*NAME AND OR GRADUATION YEAR CAN BE ADDED ON SLEEVE OF ANY ITEM FOR ADDITIONAL 5.00\*\***

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### Hooded Sweatshirts

Color (check one): Ash (lt.gray)\_\_\_ Green \_\_\_\_\_ Size S\_\_\_ M\_\_\_ L\_\_\_ XL\_\_\_ 2X\_\_\_3X\_\_\_

Price: \$35 2X and 3X \$40.00

Year of Graduation if desired \_\_\_\_\_ (check one) 2010\_\_\_ 2011\_\_\_ 2012\_\_\_ 2013\_\_\_ Etc

Name if desired, please print clearly: \_\_\_\_\_

### Quarter zip Pullover Fleece Jacket

Green Only Size S\_\_\_ M\_\_\_ L\_\_\_ XL\_\_\_ \*2X\_\_\_\*3X\_\_\_ Price: \$35 (\*2X, 3X = \$40)

Year of Graduation if desired \_\_\_\_\_ Please indicate \_\_\_\_\_

Name if desired, please print clearly: \_\_\_\_\_

### Full zip Fleece Jacket

Green Only Size S\_\_\_ M\_\_\_ L\_\_\_ XL\_\_\_ \*2X\_\_\_\*3X\_\_\_ Price: \$37 (\*2X, 3X = \$40)

Year of Graduation if desired \_\_\_\_\_ Please indicate \_\_\_\_\_

Name if desired, please print clearly: \_\_\_\_\_

### T Shirts "CHARIHO" in arch across front

Long Sleeve = \$20.00 2X and 3X 23.00: Gray \_\_\_\_\_ Green \_\_\_\_\_ size S\_\_\_ M\_\_\_ L\_\_\_ XL\_\_\_ 2X\_\_\_ 3X\_\_\_

Short Sleeve = \$15.00 2X and 3X 18.00: Gray \_\_\_\_\_ Green \_\_\_\_\_ size S\_\_\_ M\_\_\_ L\_\_\_ XL\_\_\_ 2X\_\_\_ 3X\_\_\_

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**New Item** Girls white tank top w/ CHARIHO across front. S\_\_\_M\_\_\_L\_\_\_XL\_\_\_ Price \$20.00 \_\_\_\_\_

**New Item** Men's green nylon "v" neck pullover w/CHARIHO logo S\_\_\_M\_\_\_L\_\_\_XL\_\_\_2XL\_\_\_ Price \$42.00 \_\_\_\_\_

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**Make checks payable to Chariho High School Parent Organization and send with your order to the main office or mail to: CHS Parent Organization ATTN. Spirit Clothing Order Chariho High School, 453 Switch Road, Wood River Junction, RI 02894 E-mail Little5ri@cox.net with any questions.**



## CHARIHO CHARGER 2011 YEARBOOK Order Form



Checks Payable to:

**Chariho SAF #399H**

**Mail to:** Chariho High School Attention:  
Yearbook Order  
453 Switch Road  
Wood River Jct., RI 02894

**2011 Yearbook Pricing Schedule**

Personalized Book (Name on Cover) Preorder 9/1/10 through 12/1/10	\$65
Regular Book Preorder 9/1/10 through 4/1/11	\$60
Regular Book Preorder after 4/1/11	\$70

Please be sure to fill out form entirely.

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**Student Name**

**Grade**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (circle one) Cash or Check Check # \_\_\_\_\_

(Cancelled checks serve as receipt of purchase. If paid in cash, the student will be given a receipt as proof of purchase. Please retain all documents.)

**Please visit [www.chariho.k12.ri.us/yearbook](http://www.chariho.k12.ri.us/yearbook) for more information!**