



Parent News

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Table Talk

Bob Ippel, Executive Director

When we think of coaching, we think of athletics. As I write this, 100 educational coaches from around North America are being trained to be coaches. These are people who have a passion to see teachers be the best they can be in having students learn. But these coaches are not content with students just learning something in their heads. They desire that students' hearts and hands are engaged as a result of their learning. They want to see students involved in being transformed and in turn transforming the world around them. Rehoboth's mission statement states that we want to challenge students to know the Triune God and equip them to love, serve and transform the world in His name. I am thankful for a staff that is committed to that goal. I am thankful for coaches who wish to encourage our staff in their calling as Christian educators. I am thankful for parents who have decided that transformation is an important part of their childrens' schooling.

Bob Ippel

Rehoboth Christian School Executive Director

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Upcoming Events

- **Saturday, December 2** - Pyramid Trail Run Fundraiser 9:00am (See attached flier)
- **Monday, December 4** - MS/HS Christmas Band Concert - 7:00pm - SFC
- **Thursday, December 7** - Christmas Program for grades 1-3, 6:30pm Rehoboth Church
- **Wednesday, December 13** - HS Christmas Choir Concert 7:00pm Sacred Heart Cathedral
- **Friday, December 15 - Tuesday, January 2, 2024** - NO SCHOOL Christmas Break
- **Wednesday, January 3, 2024** - Classes resume (2nd semester)

All School Announcements

MS/HS Christmas Band Concert

The Rehoboth Bands would like to invite you to their Christmas Concert. The Concert will take place at 7pm on December 4 in the gym of the Sports and Fitness Center. Come enjoy an evening of music and fun!

HS Christmas Choir Concert

Come and enjoy the annual HS Christmas Choir Concert at Sacred Heart Cathedral on Wednesday, December 13 at 7:00pm.

Enrollment for Semester Two

Please note the application for semester 2 enrollment is now open. We have limited seats available in the following grades: 2nd, 3rd, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th. Please refer people to the Rehoboth website for the online application. We are available to give tours and answer questions. Please have them give us a call at 505-726-9609 or email admissions@rcsnm.org.

Spreading the Word about Rehoboth

There are so many events happening in the next months to which you can invite friends and family. This is a great way to share the word about the opportunities that Rehoboth offers. Now is the time for families to also be thinking about the 2024-25 school year. Bring them to one of our musical or athletic events. Invite them to the Middle School Mall to see how students apply academic learning to real life situations. Encourage them to set up a tour for their family or even to have their children shadow a Rehoboth student for a day! We are already excited about the 2024-25 school year. Online applications for NEW students for the 2024-25 school year will open on January 29.

High School Principal

Because Mr. Meester will be moving into the role of Executive Director in the 2024-25 school year, Rehoboth is looking for a High School principal for next year. Please spread the word! The job description and application can be found [HERE](#). Please pray for this process. If you have any questions, please contact Bob Ippel or Dan Meester.

Business Office

Monthly statements for December will be sent out through Renweb next week, please check your email. Reminder that one half of the tuition should be paid by the start of the second semester. We are thankful for your support by paying your tuition promptly and for communicating with us concerning your situation. If you have any changing circumstances which would cause a delay of your monthly payment, please contact adminsec@rcsnm.org or call our office at 505-726-9635.

Lynx Gift Shop

We are having a special Christmas Sale in our gift shop until Friday, December 8th!

15% off regular priced merchandise and an EXTRA 25% off Clearance and sale items!

Now is the perfect time to stock up on your gear and to get some Christmas gifts! We have sweatshirts, long sleeve shirts, new campfire mugs and so much more!

You can stop by during our Administration Hours from 8 am-4 pm.



Elementary News

4th Grade Chocolate Sales

The 4th grade class is raising money for their trip to Santa Fe later this spring! At school, they are allowed to sell chocolate before and after school, but not during the school day. Thanks for your support!

Christmas Program. Grades 1-3

Our lower elementary classes are busy learning songs and preparing for a short Christmas program! This program will be Dec. 7, 6:30 to about 7pm.

Toolbox Thursday

Thank you to the families who participated in the Gratitude activity paper. **Patience** is the next tool and we will all use it as we enter the full, fun, Christmas season. The class that turns in the greatest number of Toolbox Activity pages by next Thursday, December 7, will have the opportunity to choose a prize from my Prize Box.

Leanne Gillson

Transportation Changes

If transportation changes are necessary, please contact Val Peywa before 2:15 so that she has time to communicate with classroom teachers and students.

Middle School Matters

Perfume & Cologne

We have several people in our middle school community who have been experiencing allergic reactions to perfume and cologne sprayed in classrooms and restrooms. Please encourage your students to use their good smelling things at home before they get to school. Thank you!

Band Concert

The middle school band students will be performing with the high school band on Monday, December 4 at 7pm. Let's gather to hear and watch our students perform, admire the hard work and growth they've accomplished, and praise God!

Christmas Baskets

Students will be shopping for Christmas baskets on Wednesday, December 6. All money toward these baskets should be turned in by Monday, December 4. Thanks for supporting our community!

High School Highlights

New Mexico All-State Band Selection

Congratulations to the following students who auditioned for, and were selected to the New Mexico All-State band.

1. Lawrence Andrade - Flute
2. Molly Arsenault - French Horn
3. Chloe Frederiksen - Clarinet
4. Chase Lynch - Bass Clarinet
5. Meg Zwiers - Trombone

MS/HS Christmas Band Concert

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Senior Presentations

Senior presentations will be held Monday, December 4 and Tuesday, December 5. For complete information see the High School Counselor's Corner.

Treating our Facilities with Care

We are incredibly blessed to have a beautiful school building for our students, thanks to donations from all kinds of supporters around the country and a lot of hard work—much of it donated for us. One of the ways we can show our appreciation for our facilities is by taking good care of them. We've had a few incidents of bathroom vandalism recently, and I would appreciate your help in communicating to your children at home the reinforced message that we are proud of our school and should treat it with great care and respect. Also, if your children ever mention seeing any acts of vandalism around the school, please encourage them to report them to Mr. Meester right away.

One Week until Final Exams

We have one full week of class before final exams. Students please continue turning in your missing assignments.

Dan Meester, RCHS Principal

High School Counselor's Corner

ASVAB Testing

Will be held for those seniors who signed up on Thursday, December 7, 2023. If you did not sign up and are interested in taking the test, please stop by my office by Tuesday, November 21, 2023.

Senior Presentation Night Schedule

Parents, family, and friends you're invited to attend our senior presentation night happening on Monday, December 4 and Tuesday December 5, 2023. We look forward to seeing you!

Monday, December 4, 2023

Room 118 from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

- Garrett Balok
- Jayna Becenti
- Nathanael Bell
- Liam Bia
- Elysia Choudhrie
- Emily Garcia

Room 118 from 6:30 to 7:30 PM

- Justice Begay
- Garrett Cayaditto
- Atarah Damon
- Nehemiah Hardy
- Hendrick Ippel
- Raeden West

Room 208 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

- Maegan Odom
- Lily Philips
- Alieda Zylstra
- Kalev Isaacson
- Brandon Patrick
- Deondre Joe

Room 208 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM

- Caleb Clauschee
- Juliana Meester
- Xavier Nelson
- Cheyenne Seciwa
- Matthew Toledo
- Kaleb Vail

Tuesday, December 5, 2023

Room 118 from 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

- Kaylee Becenti
- Shandiin Benson
- Elizabeth Brochey
- Nicolas Endito
- McKenzie Gilmore
- Fabian Heredia

Room 118 From 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM

- Piper Tsosie
- Garrett VanSlooten
- Alexander Leggett
- Haiden Schanefelt
- Frank Tah
- Evin Toddy

Room 208 5:30 PM to 6:30 PM

- Chloe Harvey
- Jordyn Holtsoi-Henry
- Cayleen Hurley
- Jayme Ide
- Abrianna Joe

Camilla Lynch, Guidance Counselor

Inside Scoop

Community Life & Admissions

District code in Family Portal is: **RE-NM**
Family Portal: <https://re-nm.client.renweb.com/pwr/>

Fall Donor Scholarship: Thank you for your submissions. The recipients will be notified by email very soon.

Spring ODY Scholarship: Applications are available at the high school and at the administration building. Please return your completed application to either Mrs. Lynch at the high school or at the administration building. This is open to **high school students** who are enrolled with the Navajo Nation and have a GPA of 3.3 or higher.

Students are considered first time if they were not awarded for the Fall 2023 but are applying for the Spring. First time applicants will need to submit an essay and two teacher recommendations along with the application. The admissions office will be bringing the completed applications to Window Rock on Tuesday, January 9. Please turn them in before then as our business office needs to do the financial paperwork for the application.

Tuition payments & Scholarships: A reminder that every month, a tuition payment needs to be paid. You can make your payments by phone through credit (505-863-4412), at our administration building, mail in payment, or use our free service of [FACTS](#). Every credit card payment has a fee.

If there are circumstances that are making it difficult for you to pay your tuition, you can apply for the [LYNX SCHOLARSHIPS](#).

Verlena J. Livingston | Dir. of Community Life | vlivingston@rcsnm.org

Parent Volunteer Program (PVP)

[CLICK HERE TO RECORD YOUR VOLUNTEER HOURS](#)

Here are opportunities:

1. Our winter sports season will begin this week. Please sign up to help with the admission gate. Sign up below.
[+ 2023 Winter Sports Admission gate](#)
2. Serve lunch in the Fellowship Hall from 11:15 am-1:00 pm each day. Any day Monday through Friday.
3. Anyone interested in providing a meal for a board meeting this school year. This would count for all 10 hours that you would need for the school year.



Please be sure to fill out the parent volunteer link to log your hours.

If hours are not reported through the link above, we cannot record the hours to your Family Portal for you to track. If you have any questions about volunteering please don't hesitate to contact me.

Deanna Benson | Volunteer Coordinator | dbenson@rcsnm.org | (505) 726-9603

Food Service Line

We would like to welcome Byron Dodson to our team in the kitchen. He comes with a lot of cooking experience and is a great addition to our staff. We also wanted to say a big THANK YOU to Jamie Ide and her friends that did an awesome job with their art work on our windows for the fall season .

Thank you staff and volunteers for the amazing job you all do here at the lunch line. Blessings from the Kitchen . If you have any questions, concerns, or any ideas, please don't hesitate to contact me at danderson@rcsnm.org.

Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding, in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths STRAIGHT . Proverb 3: 5,6

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 Now down to business.

We are in need of servers more than ever, please contact Deanna Benson at dbenson@rcsnm.org, if you can do your volunteer hours by serving lunch. It is the BEST job on campus, kids LOVE to be fed! This volunteer time can be put towards your Parent Volunteer Hours needed for the school year.

We are encouraging kids to drink their milk, and eat the food on their plates. Please encourage your kids to eat what is on their plate, remembering they can speak up & turn down a food item, as long as they have 3 items on their tray, one being a fruit or vegetable!

ALL kids eat FREE! Take advantage! 😊



Happy Holidays

Menu Week of December 4 to December 8 2023

Monday Dec 04	Tuesday Dec 05	Wednesday Dec 06	Thursday Dec 07	Friday Dec. 08
Waffles, Syrup, fruit , Juice, Milk	Donut, Fruits , Milk Ass't	Chicken Biscuit, Fruit, P Milk	Breakfast Pizza, Fruit Milk	Fruit filled Churro, Fruit, Milk
Chicken Chow Mein , Imperial Blend, Fruits, Fortune Cookie, milk	Hot Dog, with chili beans, Tater Tots Veggie Dippers, Fruit , Milk	Pulled pork sliders, Baked beans, Cornbread stars, Oven Fries, Salad, Fruit, Milk	Salisbury steak, Mashed Potato, Gravy, Roll, California Blend, Fruit, milk	Tomato Soup, Grilled Cheese, Sandwich, Veggie Dippers, Choc, chip cookie, fruit , milk

RCS is an equal opportunity provider. Menu subject to change due to product availability.

In Gear : Transportation

Deuteronomy 31:8

The LORD himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged.”

Parents/Guardians,

Please read over the [Snow Delay/Cancellation Policy](#) in regards to weather conditions.

Please make sure all phone numbers are current in the RENWEB system.

See link below for 2023-2024 Bus Route Times:

[Current 2023-2024 Bus Routes](#)

[Current 2023-2024 Bus Routes \(Thursday Early Dismissal\)](#)

For day of transportation changes, please contact the school before 2:15pm.

- Val Peywa at 505-726-9675 for Elementary/Middle school
- Shawna Begay 505-726-9632 for High School

For permanent transportation changes, please contact Darius Yazzie at dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org or 505-726-9622



Darius Yazzie | Transportation Manager

(505)726-9622 | dariusyazzie@rcsnm.org



I Believe: Athletics

For the Athlete: I do not trust in myself. I do not boast in my abilities or believe in my own strength. I rely solely on the power of God. I compete for the pleasure of my heavenly father, the honor of Christ, and the reputation of the Holy Spirit.

Devotionals: Here is a link for your son or daughter that pertains to student-athletes and their journey that comes with challenges and joys. If Devotions are new to you and your child, please see Mr. Pete, to assist and start that process and some easy steps in studying God's Word to grow and build a solid foundation.

[RCS Student-Athletes Devotionals](#)

Prayer Request: Please see attached a Prayer Card to pray for our athletes and coaches every day. Reminder: "MORE PRAYER, MORE POWER, LESS PRAYER, LESS POWER." [fcaprayercard.pdf](#)



Basketball Season: Basketball is coming soon, If your child is interested please make sure they have their RCS Sports Packets completed. For middle school, please have them register with Mr. Arendsen during the exploratory sign ups. For High School, please see Coach Zwiers for HS Boys Basketball and Coach Pete for HS Girls Basketball.

DATE	HS SPORTS	MS SPORTS
Friday, December 1	5:00 pm - Girls Basketball AWAY vs. Wingate (JV,V)	
Saturday, December 2	12:00 N - Boys Basketball HOME vs. Window Rock (JV,V)	
Tuesday, December 5	5:00 pm - Boys Basketball HOME vs. Tohatchi (JV,V)	
Wednesday, December 6	5:00 pm - Girls Basketball HOME vs. Ramah (JV,V)	4:00 pm - MS Basketball AWAY vs. Chooshgai 4 pm Girls B team 5 pm Boys B team 6 pm Girls A team 7 pm Boys A team
Thursday, December 7	4:30 pm RCS Boys Basketball Tournament (JV,V) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:30 pm Rehoboth vs. Thoreau (JV) KK gym 6:00 pm Rehoboth vs. Ramah (V) SFC See attached brackets	

Community Action

We like to support our community, so if you have any events that you would like to add to Parent News please email the information to adminsec@rcsnm.org by Wednesday so it can be added to the Thursday edition of the parent news.

REHOBOTH
CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

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Fundraiser for
RCS Track Team

PYRAMID ROCK 2023 TRAIL RUN

DECEMBER 2 @ 9AM

EARLY REGISTRATION UNTIL NOV. 24TH: \$30
LATE REGISTRATION: \$40

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PACKET PICKUP @ 8AM
ONSITE REGISTRATION 7:00-8:30 AM

LOCATION
RED ROCK STATE PARK

REGISTER ONLINE
<https://ultrasignup.com/register.aspx?did=97497>



2023 Rehoboth Christian School JV Boys Basketball Tournament (KK Gym)

			Rehoboth JV Thur 4:30		
			Thoreau JV		
		Fri. 4:30	Bloomfield JV	Fri 6:00	
			Thur 7:30		
			Newcomb JV		
	Sat. 11:30a				Sat. 2:30p
5th Place			Shiprock JV Thur 3:00		Champion
			Zuni JV		
		Fri. 3:00	Tohatchi JV	Fri. 7:30	
			Thur 6:00		
			Hozho JV		
	Sat. 10:00a				Sat. 1:00p
7th Place					3rd Place
December 7-9, 2023					
Top team - HOME					
Bottom team - VISITOR					
\$5.00 PER PERSON (Adults/Seniors and Students)					

2023 Rehoboth Christian High School Boys Basketball Tournament					
			Rehoboth Christian		
			Thur 6:00		
			Ramah		
		Fri. 4:30	Thoreau	Fri 7:30	
			Thur 3:00		
			Ganado (AZ)		
	Sat. 1:00p				Sat. 4:00p
5th Place			Tularosa		Champion
			Thur 7:30		
			Zuni		
		Fri. 3:00	Red Mesa (AZ)	Fri 6:00	
			Thur 4:30		
			Tohatchi		
	Sat. 11:30a				Sat. 2:30p
7th Place			Top Team - HOME		3rd Place
			Bottom Team - AWAY		
December 7-9, 2023					
\$5.00 PER PERSON (Adults/Seniors and Students)					



GIFT SHOP

Christmas Sale

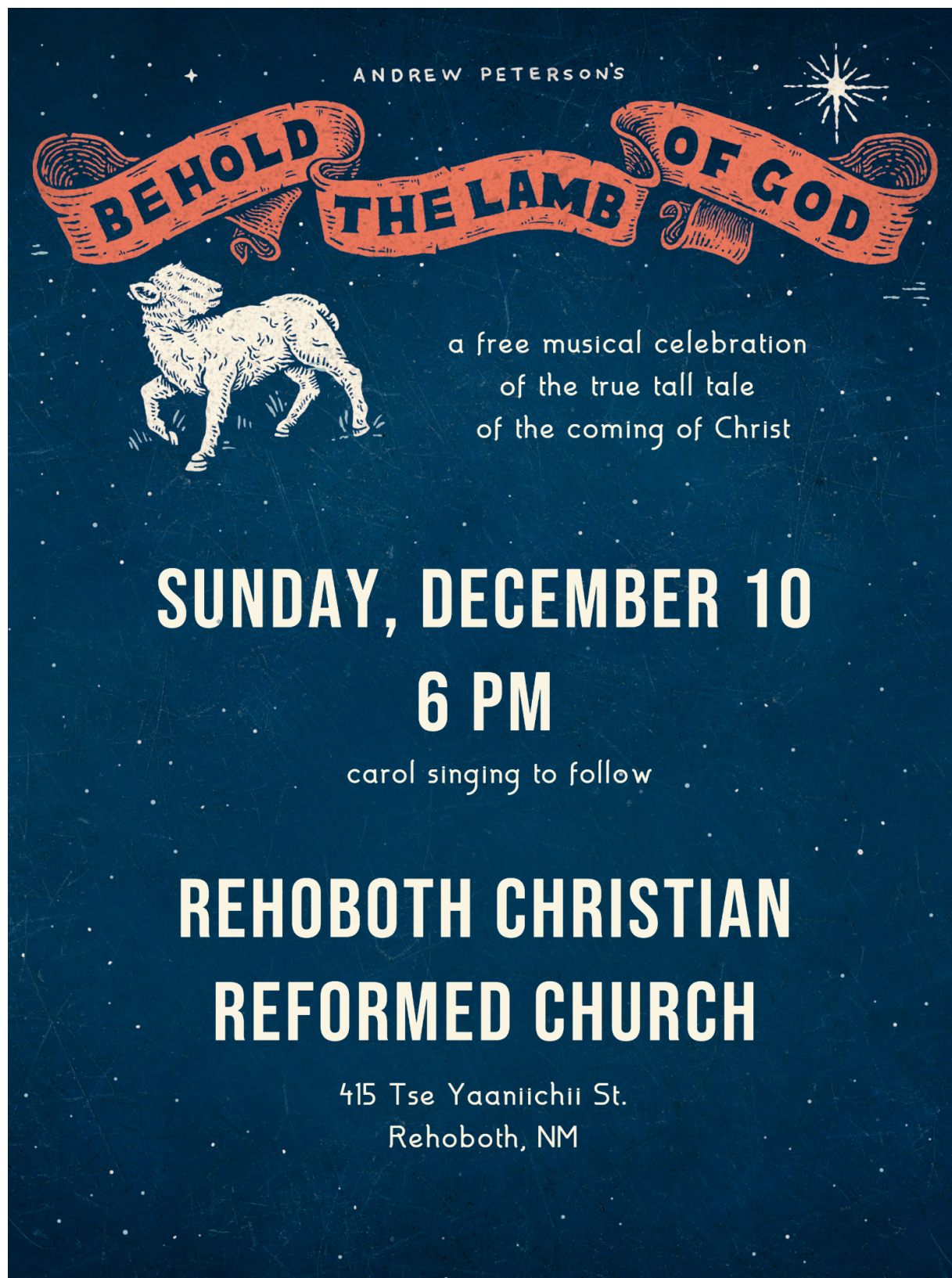
Now Until December 8th!

15 % off Regular Priced Items

**EXTRA 25% OFF SALE OR
CLEARANCE ITEMS!**

On Sunday, December 10 at 6 PM, Rehoboth Christian Reformed Church is having an evening of Christmas music.

We have a group that will be playing through the set of songs "Behold the Lamb of God" by Andrew Peterson, which draws the thread of the Christmas story through the Old Testament up through Jesus's birth. After that, we will sing Christmas carols. The whole thing will probably be about an hour and a half. All Rehoboth families who are interested are welcomed to attend. A flier image is attached.





NATIONAL WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA DAY DECEMBER 16, 2023

Wreaths Across America is a program which began in 1992 with the placing of wreaths on seldom visited veterans' graves in a remote section of Arlington National Cemetery. It has since grown to be simultaneous ceremonies which take place all across America and on certain foreign shores in order to **Remember** and **Honor** all those who have served in the military of this great country as well as to **Teach** our youth about the importance and cost of the individual freedoms which we hold dear. Each December on National Wreaths Across America Day, our mission to **Remember, Honor** and **Teach** is carried out by coordinating wreath laying ceremonies at Arlington National cemetery, as well as at more than 1,600 additional locations in all 50 U.S. states, at sea and abroad.

Our goal is to remember and honor approximately 120 veterans whose final resting place is in the Rehoboth cemetery. The wreath laying ceremony will take place December 16, 2023 at 10:00 am, at the Gallup Courthouse Plaza after which families and volunteers will disburse to cemeteries in Gallup and at Rehoboth to place wreaths on Veteran's graves.

Wreath sponsors and Volunteers are essential in order for the Wreaths Across America program to succeed. Sponsors can pay for as many wreaths as they choose at a cost of \$17.00 each. Volunteers can serve by placing wreaths, after the ceremony, on the grave sites of veterans who do not have family available to place them. If you would like to serve by sponsoring and/or volunteering, please contact Angela Barker @ (575)779-4444 or Melvina Musket @ (505)879-0077.

Corporate Sponsors are also needed to sponsor additional wreaths for graves of veterans. If you would like to serve as a Corporate sponsor, please contact Janice Bradley at janiceb43@me.com.

The deadline to sponsor wreaths is November 28, 2023.

Wreaths Across America is a 501 (c) (3) non profit organization founded to continue and expand the annual wreath laying ceremony begun at Arlington National Cemetery, Arlington, VA.