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Brad Kimbel '04 is the second graduate to be featured in our PIONEERS REACHING OUT series.

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JUNIOR HIGH BASEBALL PROGRAM FIELDS TWO TEAMS

Like the famous line from the movie "Field of Dreams" says, 'If you build it, they will come,' the new Deanery Baseball Program is off to a great first year with more than 30 boys grades seven and eight trying out for the team. Thanks to that turnout, there are two teams that will compete against teams from area public middle schools. About one-fourth of the players are students from Providence Junior High.

The teams will practice and host games on the Providence baseball field, playing about 20 games from mid-April through the end of May. The teams may also compete in separate tournaments over the summer.

The program was organized by **Mr. Chris Lewis**, the father of eighth grader **Jacob Lewis**, after hearing about the Southern Indiana middle school league last spring. The teams are coached by **Coach Chris Lorenz**, father of freshman **Jay Lorenz**, and **Coach Jonathan Lilly '05** and **Coach Derek Hickerson '05**.

Varsity Baseball Coach Scott Hornung '81 said he was surprised to have so many boys from the Deanery interested in playing on the team and is pleased so many boys will have a chance to develop their skills and prepare for the Providence Baseball Program. "What's going to be beneficial about the Deanery Program is the kids can play together," he said. "They also can learn our system here and not have such a learning curve as freshmen."

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Providence Junior High students also have the opportunity to compete in several other Deanery sports programs, including the Deanery Softball team. The Deanery Softball team has 13 sixth- through eighth-grade girls. The team also competes against local public middle schools, playing in 25 to 30 games on their respective high school fields from mid-March through the end of May.

Providence **Varsity Softball Coach Sean Payne '03** said plans for a fourth- and fifth-grade team are in the works, with that team to play in the Catholic Schools League in Louisville. For more information on either team, contact Coach Payne at spayne@providencehigh.net.

Deanery Girls Tennis also is forming a team for the spring season. Registration forms can be found at www.nadyouth.org and are due by Friday, March 8. The first practice and a parent meeting will be at 6:00 p.m. Monday, March 11, at Community Park in New Albany. The team is coached by **John Boesing '87**.

Other spring Deanery sports include the Deanery Soccer League for grades three to eight and Deanery Track & Field for grades four to eight, with teams organized by the Deanery schools.

STUDENTS IN ACTION

FOOD DRIVE UNDERWAY

Students, faculty and staff are asked to bring in canned goods and staple food items such as rice and beans each morning this week. Items can be dropped off in the white Dare to Care collection box in the student entrance lobby. Most needed items include peanut butter, canned soup, canned fruit, beans and rice. The food drive is sponsored by the Alumni Association in conjunction with the House Leadership Program.

High school students also are invited to take part in an alumni vs. student sorting event at the Dare to Care Food Bank in Louisville on March 13 from 5-7 p.m. Students will carpool over to 5803 Fern Valley Road, Louisville, from Providence. Interested students should let their House Executive Delegate or Faculty Sponsor know by tomorrow. The goal is to have at least four students per House take part.

WELCOME, NEW PIONEERS

Last week, a group of enthusiastic future Pioneers registered for Providence Junior High. The students will enter as seventh graders on July 31 for the 2013-2014 school year.

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BOYS BASKETBALL HAS SUCCESSFUL SEASON

By **Head Coach Lou Lefevre**

The Providence Boys Basketball team recently concluded another winning season, finishing its regular-season ranked No. 3 in the state in the final Associated Press poll. Providence finished the regular season with a 17-3 record, which ties for the second-best regular-season mark in school history. Providence teams from 2012, 2007 and 1965 also finished 17-3, bested only by the 2005 team, which went 19-1.

Providence also won the Silver Creek Holiday Tournament for the sixth time in the last nine years. Prior to 2005, Providence had only won the Silver Creek Holiday Tournament one time in the previous 21 years.

In the post-season, Providence was defeated 39-35 in the sectional by No. 8-ranked Clarksville, whom the Pioneers had previously defeated twice -- first in the Holiday Tournament Championship Game and also in the Town Championship game earlier in the season.

The Pioneers graduate five seniors: **George Knott, Dalton Duley, Ryan Pickerrell, Nano Grantz and Cory Cahalan**. These five seniors during their years on the varsity team helped the team amass an impressive 57-13 record, which included last year's run to the Final Four at semi-state.

The JV Boys Basketball record was 9-11.

MESSAGE FROM BOYS BASKETBALL PARENTS

The five senior Boys Basketball players are our youngest or only one of our family here at Providence. Our sons are the last members of our family to experience BLUE PRIDE first hand and at its finest. We want to express our deepest gratitude for your appreciation of these young men. Their success now and in the future is due to your encouragement, to your cheers and to the OUTSTANDING members of the basketball coaching staff we have here at Providence.





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We speak for these players and for ourselves . . . Thank you. We have enjoyed these four years and will forever share this BLUE PRIDE with all of those gone before us and all those who will follow after us.

2013 Senior Boys Basketball Parents

FRESHMAN BOYS BASKETBALL HAS WINNING SEASON

The Providence Freshman Boys Basketball team finished its season with a 12-4 record, including winning the Freshman Invitational Tournament by defeating Charlestown 41-31 in the finals. Another significant win was the final regular season game vs. Floyd Central at Floyd Central, when the team came back from a 14-point deficit at halftime. Two of the team's losses were by only one point.

Coach Patrick Sweets '06 said he was proud of what the team accomplished, especially in the Floyd Central game. "Floyd had so many good basketball players that came out and really just overwhelmed us in the first half," he said. "But just as our team had done all year, they came out ready to play in the second half."



Team members include **Harry Massey, Aaron Flanagan, Lucas Gettelfinger, Brad Haas, Max Leist, Landon Carrico, Austin Dickey, Zach Sisson, Griffin Libs,** and **Johnny Zoeller**. The team also was led by **Assistant Coach JJ McDonald '06**.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION

Last night, 58 juniors and seniors were inducted in the National Honor Society.



New members include **Nathan Banet, Olivia Bass, Drew Brock, Nolan**

Carrico, Ashley Carroll, Ashton Cash, Kathleen Chrisco, Melinda Cochran, Sierra Collett, Courtney Collins, Evan Conder, Caroline Conroy, Dane Cople, Anthony Corrao, Sera Craig, Morgan Daniel, Erich Day, Erin Denis, Autumn Dome, William Embrey, Katie Farmer, Megan Gilland, Krystal Graf, Alex Grove, Austin Happel, Brock Hayden, Brent Hesse, Scott Hoyland, Brianna Jacobi, Conner Johnson, Karly Judd, Rachel King, Chase Koetter, Katelyn Koopman, Kendra Kramer, Gabriella LaPilusa, Owen Mattingly, Autumn Meyer, Mary Kate Meyer, Tanner Mobley, Joshua Murner, Justin Nacpil, Jonah Nicholson, Jessica Payne, Julie Payne, Nicholas Reas, Tyler Rhea, Peyton Schmidt, Daniel Schuler, Elizabeth Short, Kori Siebert, Charmaine Solis, Abigail Spitznagel, Carolyn Swartz, Amelia Voelker, Kasey Wallace, Rachel Wells and Charly Wolford.

HOUSE OF LOYALTY MAKES PROM SPECIAL



The *House of Loyalty* Prom Project collected more than 20 items, including a dozen dresses, to help girls in need have a nice prom.

The *House of Loyalty* thanks all who donated.

LENTEN SPEAKER VISITS PROVIDENCE

Mike Patin, a nationally renowned speaker, spoke to the students last week as part of a series that included Lenten missions to several Deanery parishes sponsored by the New Albany Deanery Catholic Youth Ministries. He shared insights on faith, prayer and relationship with God.



PARENT CONNECTION

SENIOR/MOMS LUNCH COMING SOON

Invitations for the Senior/Moms Farewell Luncheon, held Sunday, April 14, will be mailed next week. This is a special meal for seniors and their mothers or other significant female in their life.

The luncheon will include a video montage of photos of the seniors in attendance. Please watch for an email coming next week with instructions on how to upload photos for the video.

DONATIONS OF PLASTIC EASTER EGGS NEEDED - No Yolk!

On Saturday, March 30, the Girls Soccer team and Alumni Association will be sponsoring the second annual Easter Egg Hunt. To help keep this event free, the groups are seeking donations of gently used plastic Easter eggs. If you have plastic eggs to donate, please email alumni@providencehigh.net.



The Easter Egg Hunt is March 30, with photos with the Easter Bunny at 9:30 a.m. and Easter egg hunt at 10:30. The event is open to children ages 3-9.

PIONEER RAFFLE UNDERWAY

The deadline for turning in Pioneer Raffle tickets is coming soon. Eighth-grade students should turn in their tickets by Monday, March 11, and all other students by Friday, March 15. Students who turn in three ticket stubs and payment by then will receive a week of spirit wear April 8-15.

To help reach the school goal of \$25,000, students should sell at least five tickets by the deadline. Those who do will receive the following incentives in addition to the week of spirit wear:

- Individual free day (must be taken April 1-26. Exclusions: Freshmen may not take April 8 or the day of their retreat. Parents must call the hotline to report the free day.)
- Top three seller prizes -- \$125 for the top seller, \$75 second place, and \$25 third place.

Students should turn in the completed envelope, ticket stubs and payment to the Business Office now through 3 p.m. on March 15 (March 11 for eighth graders).

The drawing will be held July 13 at the JulyFest, and prizes include the top prize of \$10,000, second prize of \$3,000 or third prize of \$2,000. Indiana Gaming License Number: 127592.

SPRING MUSICAL TICKETS ON SALE



Online ticket sales to this year's spring musical, "The Wizard of Oz," went on sale today at noon. To order online, click on the Buy Tickets Now button on the Providence [website](#). Tickets for all shows except Premiere Night can be purchased online. To purchase tickets to the Premiere dinner and

performance, call (812) 945-2538 ext. 309. The box office number for all other show ticket sales is (812) 945-2538 ext. 328.

Spring musical show dates include April 21 at 2 p.m., April 25 at 7:30 p.m., April 26 at 7:30 p.m., April 27 at 7:30 p.m., and April 28 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for high school age and older, \$8 for children through grade eight.

ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE APPROACHING

The Alumni Association is offering a scholarship for a new iPad to be awarded to two incoming freshmen for the 2012-2013 school year.

Applications are available for download [here](#) or on the school website. The scholarship is open to all incoming freshmen.

The iPads to be awarded are 32 GB iPads with Retina display (iPad 3) with wifi only - or the equivalent amount (\$600) applied to tuition. For more information, email alumni@providencehigh.net. The deadline is March 15.



ALUMNI IN ACTION

ALUMNI GAME TONIGHT

The *House of Truth* will sponsor its third annual Alumni Basketball Game tonight at 7 p.m. in the Larkin Center. The girls' alumni vs. faculty game will kick off the night, followed by a student three-point shootout and the guys' game.

Admission is free for students and \$1 for adults, and tickets for the student shootout contest are two for \$1 or 12 for \$5.

REUNION UPDATES

Providence has received word of the following reunion plans:

- **1958** (55 years): Classmate Reunion Dinner, May 10, 6:00 p.m., Tucker's Restaurant party room, State Street at I-265, in New Albany
- **1963** (50 years): Golden Diploma Ceremony, April 25, 5:30 p.m., Providence. Invitations have been mailed. Reunion, Sept. 21, Covered Bridge
- **1978** (35 years): Sept. 28, Hidden Creek
- **1988** (25 years): July 21, Horseshoe Casino
- **2008** (5 years): June 8, Wicks

Planning underway: **1968, 1973, 1993, 2003**

Committee needed: **1983, 1998**

The **Class of 1974** has begun planning for its 40th reunion next year. The next planning meeting is March 14, 6-8 p.m. at Providence in **Dr. Mindy (Lankert '74) Ernstberger's** conference room. [See Agenda](#).

SENIOR RETREAT NEXT WEEK

The final Senior Retreat of the school year is next week, March 12-15. Please keep these seniors and the leaders in your prayers. For more information, contact Dale Durham at ddurham@providencehigh.net.

EIGHTH GRADE TRIP

We wish a safe, fun trip to our eighth grade students, who will be traveling to Washington, D.C. next week.

BLUE PRIDE ON DISPLAY

ALUMNI RETURN TO COACH

Coach Sweets

This year, several alumni have returned to coach or assist with various athletic teams, including **Ms. Whitney Thomas '08**, who was an assistant Girls Basketball coach, **Mr. Patrick Sweets '06**, who was the head Freshman Boys Basketball coach, and **Dr. Courtney Freiburger '05**, who is an assistant track coach. Here they share why they are giving their time to coach our Pioneers.

Coach Patrick Sweets '06:

*"Basketball has always been one of my true loves. There are so many aspects of the game that you just cannot find in other sports. So when Providence **Head Coach Lou Lefevre** asked me to head up the freshman team, I just could not*

say no. Over the years, I have been very lucky in the quality of the men who have coached me at Providence, and I saw this as my chance to give back to them for all their hard work and to pass on some of the wisdom and knowledge they shared with me.

"I had a GREAT time coaching this season. I really enjoyed getting to know the guys over the year and watching them develop as young players. As it was my first time coaching, I think I learned more from them than they did from me in many aspects. It was a great set of guys and a very supportive set of parents who gave me a lot of great feedback during the year, and for that I really want to thank every one of them.



"I also really enjoyed being a part of a Lou Lefevre coaching staff. I think he does a really great job of not only developing guys into great basketball players, but also developing boys into young men. So being able to watch how he does that from a coach's aspect was invaluable to me.

"If I do end up coaching next year, I will be looking forward to using the knowledge I gained this year to help me be a better coach. I really think that a good coach must change his perspective each year to custom fit his group of guys, but I learned so much this year that will definitely help me going forward."

Coach Sweets attends Indiana University Southeast and will graduate next year with a degree in business accounting.

ALUMNI RETURN TO COACH

Coach Freiberger

Assistant Coach Courtney Freiberger '05, DPT, on her first season as hurdles and long jump coach for Providence Track & Field:

"I had always planned on coaching after I completed graduate school and had more time. I also knew that I wanted to coach at Providence because this is home for me and it's where I started my track career. Last year, I was approached by **Coach Gary Rosenberger '59** and **Coach Jeanne Luther '82** to help out with their hurdlers before regionals and state. After that, I was asked to be the hurdle coach, and here I am.



*"When I look back on the various coaches I've had through my athletic career, I think about the positive influence they had on me during my time with them. My dad, Cross Country **Coach Chuck Crowley**, Girls Soccer **Coach Dave Smith**, (former) Track **Coach Fred Geswein '65**, and Indiana University Pole Vault and Multi-Event **Coach Jake Wiseman** all had passion for their respective sports, and as an athlete I couldn't help but soak up all their knowledge and enthusiasm for the sport. Now as a coach, I'm eager to pass on my experiences, knowledge and excitement to my athletes just as my coaches did for me.*

"This season, I'd like for my athletes to run/jump personal records in their respective events. We also have some sectional, regional, and state goals set in place for each athlete based on his/her skill level."

Coach Freiberger recently received her doctoral degree in physical therapy from Northwestern University and is a physical therapist at Frazier Rehab Institute in the outpatient Spinal Cord Medicine Department. As an undergraduate student at IU Bloomington, she and her twin sister, **Dr. Britney (Freiberger) Rorrer '05**, were members of the Women's Track & Field team. Coach Freiberger was a top-10 athlete in javelin, multi-event competitions and 200-meter races.

Of her time as a college athlete, she said, "At IU I enjoyed getting to run against very high level competition at top track and field facilities across the country. I got to train with Olympic gold medalists, USA champions, NCAA champions, and Big Ten champions on a daily basis, which allowed me to push myself to be better. After many long hours at the track, in the weight room, and on road trips, I developed lifelong friendships with my teammates and coaches that I'll always cherish."

PIONEERS REACHING OUT

'04 GRAD TEACHES 'GANGNAM STYLE'

*Each month, the e-VISION features alumni who continue to live out the values and commitment to service they learned at Providence. This month, we feature **Brad Kimbel '04**, who teaches English as a second language (ESL) to kindergartners in South Korea in a private school in the Gangnam District recently made famous by YouTube sensation Psv and his song and video*

"Gangnam Style."

Brad Kimbel decided to pursue teaching ESL in Asia as a career after graduating from Bellarmine University with his bachelor's degree in English in 2008 thanks to a backpacking trip across Europe. Bit by the travel bug, he "sought out different ways to continue to my adventure," he said. He focused on Asia as his region of choice because, he said, "I could not only have the thrilling experience of working in a very dynamic environment, but I would be able to travel to a wide variety of countries, some of which I previously had never dreamed of visiting."



After a lot of research, he narrowed his choices to Indonesia, Thailand, Japan and South Korea, and settled on the latter because it was a developed country with a variety in seasons. South Korea also appealed to him because he said he wanted to learn more about the country beyond what he knew of the Korean War and North Korea. Additionally, South Korean schools typically provided its ESL teachers with apartments and paid for the cost of the flight.

In his four years teaching in the country, Kimbel has come to have a deep appreciation for the South Korean culture, which is drastically different from American culture in the people's desire to be "largely homogenous," he said. The people there aim to follow the accepted standard for their dress, hospitality, respect for elders, and even the car they drive.

"Most Korean people are quite happy with this standard, and tend to adhere to it," he said. "While most Americans take pride in their individuality and being separate from a large, mass group, Koreans typically find mass collectivism to be a source of strength and identity. This aspect of Korean culture can be a source of frustration at times but is also one of their greatest pluses. As I foreigner, I can never hope to be a complete member of this mono-culture, nor do I necessarily want to be, but I do benefit a great deal from it."

Living in the Gangnam District, the business district of Seoul, varies from most regions because of the wealth of the people, he said. The cost of living is higher there - even than most American cities. And the streets are full of new cars and the sidewalks crowded with people in fashionable dress.

"When walking down the streets and narrow alleyways of Gangnam, you are greeted by fancy coffee shops, brand-name fashion shops, prestigious medical centers, high class restaurants, flickering neon-lit bars, and all sorts of *noraebanas* (karaoke rooms)." he said. "It is a place of class and decadence. of

caffeine and plastic surgery, and of long hours at both the office and at the bar. It is a place deserving of a music video as exciting as 'Gangnam Style.'"

As young as they are, Kimbel said, his students are well aware of the popularity of "Gangnam Style." "I cannot tell you how many times I have seen my kindergarten students randomly break out into 'Gangnam Style' dance sessions," he said. "Some of my fellow teachers have had to put an outright ban to 'Gangnam Style' in the classroom, as it can truly get out of hand sometimes!"

Kimbel has taken the opportunity to travel throughout Asia, even inviting along his parents, **Wayne and Tish (Filburn '73) Kimbel**. He also has taught in the cities of Daegu and elsewhere in Seoul. Through it all, he has come to love his new home.

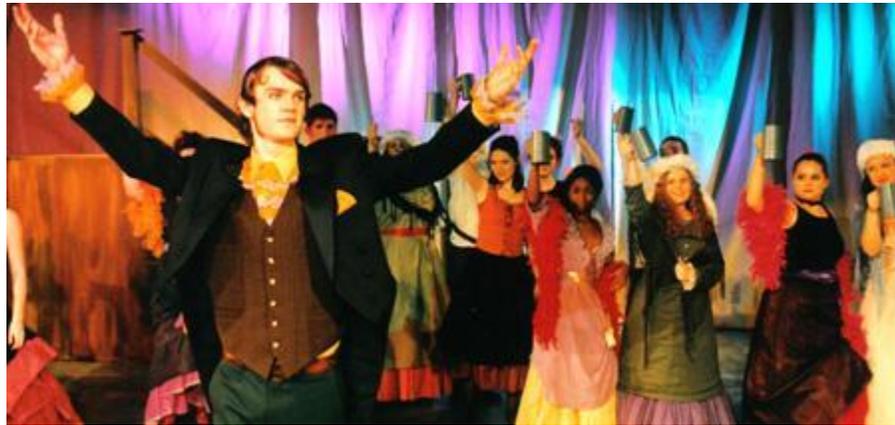
"All in all, life is very exciting as a foreigner here," he said. "There are many opportunities to experience and taste a lifestyle that most have only seen on television. Having lived here for about four years, I have become very familiar with the culture, people, and language to the point where it feels like a new home. While no place is perfect, I have learned to appreciate the things Korea does right. I enjoy being able to travel every day using one of the world's most efficient public transportation systems. I enjoy eating healthy food every day. I enjoy having everything I need within walking distance. I enjoy the fashion. I enjoy the oddball characters I bump into every day. But, most of all, I enjoy teaching the wonderful students here, and I am constantly reminded why I came out here every time I see their smiles in class."

The e-VISION staff is profiling alumni, students, faculty and staff who have provided service to the community, and we are looking for story ideas. If you or someone you know has completed a special service project or gives much of their time and talent to others in need, please contact us at alumni@providencehigh.net.

BLUE NEWS - OF OLD

By Ray Day '57

Preparations are well under way for the school's 51st annual spring musical - *The Wizard of Oz*. This time of year, a time of rehearsals, dance instruction, vocal training, set construction and anticipation of "opening night" in the limelight, gives this writer cause to pause and reflect on some of the spring musicals staged decades ago at Providence.



Ten years ago (2003) saw an enormous production of *Les Misérables*, directed by **Mr. Dale Durham (Hon. '06)**. Even today, with the leap from Broadway stage to Hollywood's screen, the Oscar-nominated film is a testament of the timelessness of this dramatic story.



Twenty years ago (1993), students were rehearsing *On The Town* - the story of three fun-loving sailors on a weekend pass in New York City, directed by **Mr. Durham**.



Thirty years ago (1983), audiences enjoyed the sassy, razzmatazz musical of the flapper era, *Anything Goes*, directed by **Ms. Rebecca Reisert**.

Forty years ago (1973), the dramatic year of near closure for Providence, the entire community was bolstered by the hauntingly beautiful "Impossible Dream" sung by Don Quixote in *The Man of La Mancha*, directed by this current writer.





Fifty years ago (1963), the musical theatre program was "launched," in quite a literal sense, with the staging of the school's first spring musical, *Showboat*, also directed by this writer.

It has been an awesome run - a Providence tradition, a Blue Pride legacy. Ask any graduate who was involved with a spring musical at Providence - watch their Blue Pride burst forth in song and dance. And even today, you can see their children and grandchildren doing the same. Plan now to see the 2013 spring musical at Providence - *The Wizard of Oz*.

COMING EVENTS

Mar. 8 - Deanery Academic Olympics

Mar. 8 - End of Third Quarter

Mar. 12-15 - Fourth Senior Retreat

Mar. 13 - Alumni Dare To Care project

Mar. 15 - Pioneer Raffle Deadline (8th graders - Mar. 11)

Mar. 15 - Deadline for Alumni-Sponsored iPad Scholarship Applications

Mar. 18-25 - Spring Break

Mar. 30 - Easter Egg Hunt

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And lastly...

Alumni majoring in graphic design or communications should consider a part-time summer internship at Providence.

This internship is unpaid but is rich in opportunity to apply real-world skills. The reward will be offering your alma mater the gift of your expertise and the chance to add a detailed project or published material to your resume. For more information, email

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