



A group of juniors presents a donation to the Crusade for Children.



Our Lady of Providence inspires Faith, empowers Hope, strengthens Love and the Formation of the whole person through exemplary Catholic Education

February 15, 2017 - eVision News

Serving Parents, Alumni and Friends of Providence

Students set new donation record

For the second year in a row, the Penny War has resulted in donations that surpassed all previous years. This year's donation to the Crusade for Children totaled \$3,021.21, about \$1,000 more than last year. Our students, faculty and staff donated nearly \$2,000 of that on the final day of competition during Catholic Schools Week. The juniors, who took the lead early, prevailed despite stiff competition from the seniors. The junior class will receive a special prize later in the school year.

The Crusade for Children saw the school's posts about the Penny War competition on social media and set up a special presentation, which was aired on [WHAS 11](#) on Monday afternoon. Thank you to all who donated!

Students also support Hearts for Haiti

Since 2010 when the country of Haiti was devastated by a massive earthquake, Providence has held an annual collection to help the impoverished nation. In recent years, the collection has gone to help the Catholic church and schools in the community of Bayeux-Novion, the location of the sister parish of St. John Paul II Parish. Yesterday, students, faculty and staff donated nearly \$950.

House of Loyalty collecting shoes for WaterStep



The *House of Loyalty* is leading a shoe drive for shoes in any condition to donate to the nonprofit organization WaterStep, which uses the shoes to provide access to safe drinking water to those in need throughout the world. Boxes are set up in the student entrance area, allowing contributions to be sorted by House and points

earned for a House challenge.

New or gently used shoes are sold by WaterStep to an exporter, and the proceeds are used to fund the organization's projects. The organization can even use old shoes, pieces of which can be used to help make the water filtering machines. The donation drive continues through Feb. 24.

Providence hosts Deanery Academic Olympics



Earlier today, the Quick Recall team hosted the Deanery Academic Olympics, in which teams representing Deanery sixth, seventh and eighth grades participated in a quiz bowl type format. All three teams from St. Anthony advanced to the finals as did two

teams from Our Lady of Perpetual Help. The championship matches were hotly contested, with the sixth graders going into double overtime. The winning teams were St. Anthony sixth and eighth grades and Holy Family seventh grade.

Three students place in Rotary speech competition



Congratulations to juniors **Emily Geldermann**, **Ethan Furnish** and **Jack Wagner**, who recently participated in the Clarksville Rotary Club speech competition. Ethan earned second place for his speech on service and leadership, Emily received third place for her speech on how taking theatre allows you to live the values of the Four-Way Test (a required element of the contest), and Jack received honorable mention for his speech and what he has learned playing football.

Juniors learn about leadership through NEXGEN

Juniors **Emma Dayvault**, **Hannah Wolford**, and **Katherine Baker** (pictured at right, in order) are taking part in Leadership Southern Indiana's NEXGEN, a program designed to develop leadership skills among high school juniors in Clark and Floyd counties. The students will attend a total of five sessions to develop leadership skills through personality assessments to understand self and others, interpersonal communication, relationship-building, financial literacy and philanthropy.



Emma shares her experience taking part in the program:

"It was an honor to be chosen from 90-plus applicants who applied to be a part of this year's NEXGEN class. I have been given the opportunity to make connections with my peers, local business leaders, and numerous nonprofit organizations. [Last week], I was

given the opportunity to intermingle with numerous professionals and Leadership SI program participants from the southern Indiana area, including my mother. Afterwards, our group toured local businesses such as ARC, the Clark County Airport, and SAMTEC, where my father is employed. All of these opportunities have made me more aware of our local community, and I strongly encourage the present sophomore class to apply when they get the chance.

Next for Emma: Washington Youth Summit on the Environment

Emma also has been chosen to represent Sellersburg as a National Youth Delegate to the 2017 Washington Youth Summit on the Environment at George Mason University in Washington, D.C., June 25 to June 30, 2017. She will join a select group of 250 students from across the country to participate in an intensive week-long program focusing on leadership in environmental science and conservation. Emma was selected based on academic accomplishments and a demonstrated interest and excellence in leadership in the sciences and conservation studies.

Cast finds *Les Mis* challenging but meaningful



Les Misérables is a challenging show for even seasoned actors, not only for its redemptive theme but also because there is no dialogue. Every line is sung. The Providence Players are embracing the challenge and preparing to embody their characters with song and dance as the show prepares to debut in just a few weeks. [Read more.](#)

The musical will debut with the premiere *Les Misérables: A City of Lights* on Friday, March 3. The premiere includes a pre-show reception at 6:30 p.m. with heavy hors d'oeuvres plus dessert at intermission. Tickets are \$40 and must be ordered in advance.

All other show tickets are \$15 and can be ordered by phone (812-945-2538 x 301) or [online](#). Those show dates are March 4 at 7:00

p.m., March 5 at 2:00 p.m., March 10 at 7:00 p.m., March 11 at 7:00 p.m. and March 12 at 2:00 p.m.

Alumni from the 2003 production are invited to attend the show on Saturday, March 4, for a special recognition. All theatre alumni are encouraged to attend March 10.

Pinterest Club brings together love of crafting



The Pinterest Club met recently to make a project found on the social media site Pinterest. The group made bath bombs, a fizzy bubble bath project.



STUDENT PROFILE

Setting the bar high: Rauck holds 14 school records

Senior **Claire Rauck** ended her Providence basketball career in a heartbreaking loss in the 2A sectional final last week, but she has made a lasting mark. She has been a standout on the team since her freshman year and is the school's all-time leading scorer in both girls' and boys' programs with more than 1,600 points. She also holds 14 other program records. [Read more.](#)



PIONEER SPORTS NEWS

Girls Swim finishes season strong



Under the leadership of Coach Jim Pfeiffer, the Girls and Boys Swim program continues to grow and improve. The girls wrapped up their season at sectional - a two-day meet that sends the top eight in each event to the state finals. No girls advanced, but they did improve their performance overall.

The team doubled its point total from last year and moved up three spots in the overall results. The girls were just two points shy of moving ahead of Madison and Salem, who tied for 11th place.

Freshman **Meg LaMaster** qualified for the finals in the 100 yard breaststroke, and sophomore **Abby Glotzbach** qualified in the 100 yard backstroke. Also qualifying were the relay teams of Abby, freshman **Lauren Stapp** and seniors **Ally Tandy** and **Elizabeth Scharre** in the 200 yard medley relay; Lauren Stapp, senior **Courtney Heselschwerdt**, and sophomores **Anna Thomas** and **Lauren Tomlin** in the 200 yard freestyle relay; and Elizabeth, Anna, Meg and Courtney in the 400 yard freestyle relay. The 200 free relay team set a season record time in the prelims and dropped more time in the finals. The 400 free relay team dropped nearly 7 seconds off its best time in the finals.

The Boys Swim team competes in sectionals at Highland Hills tomorrow at 6 p.m., with the finals Saturday at 9 a.m.

Girls Basketball ends season as sectional runner up

By Coach Brad Burden

The Girls Basketball team had another outstanding season. The team went 20-6, marking the third time in a row they won 20-plus games. The girls won the Holiday Tournament for the first time since 2000 and advanced to the sectional final before falling short to Eastern Pekin.

The Girls Basketball program will say goodbye to seven incredible seniors who all left their mark on the program. **Claire Rauck** graduates as the school's all-time leading scorer, boy or girl. Her 1,618 points ranks her fifth all-time in Clark County Girls Basketball history in scoring.

Cheyenne Brooks is the all-time steals leader in school history with 293. She also holds the records for most steals in a game (13 vs. Floyd Central in the 2014-2015 season) and in a season (105 this season). **Olivia Jenkins** holds records for assists in a game (12 set this year in the Jan. 6 game vs. Clarksville) and season (105, set this season). **Mia Fougousse** tied a school record for two-point field goal percentage scored in a game (7-7 vs. Rock Creek this season or 100 percent).

Tryouts for Girls Basketball academy tomorrow

Deanery Girls Basketball players are encouraged to take part in the Providence Girls Basketball Academy for grades five through eight. Tryouts and registrations are tomorrow from 6:30-8:00 p.m. For more information, [click here](#).

Two Volleyball players named All Americans

Congratulations to junior **Marissa Hornung** and senior **Lexie Libs** for being awarded 2016 Prep Volleyball All Americans. There are only 150 All Americans in the country, and from only five players from Indiana, two are from Providence.

Freshman Boys Basketball wins tournament



The Freshman Boys Basketball team won its end-of-season tournament by defeating Rock Creek and Charlestown. The team finished the season with a 9-11 record.

Football team to do Polar Plunge

The Providence Football team will be participating in the Polar Plunge to benefit Special Olympics Indiana on Saturday at Deam Lake in

Borden. The team is asking for donations to sponsor its community service project, and all proceeds go to help Special Olympics of Southern Indiana. To donate, [click here](#), then click on the Providence Football team link and select the player you would like to sponsor.



Steve & Angie
(Grantz '83) Koopman



PARENT CONNECTION

Parent Notes: ISTEP testing

ISTEP testing for grades seven through 10 begins next week with practice testing on Monday and Tuesday. Grade nine will take the biology exam, and grade 10 will take English and math. Testing will take place Feb. 27-March 8. Students will be notified of their testing time(s) and locations. Students should be sure to get a good night's rest and a healthy breakfast before their testing dates.

Scholarships available for incoming freshmen

Students in the freshman class of 2017-2018 may apply for the *Providence Alumni Association Scholarship*, which will award a free iPad to at least three incoming freshmen, and for the *Dale Durham Performing Arts Scholarship*, which will award \$1,000 to an incoming freshman interested in the performing arts program. [Click here](#) to download the applications.



Dr. Toni Sarlini
845 Main Street NE
Palmyra, IN 47164
812.364.4183 / 800.856.3462
www.smileartistry2000.com

ALUMNI NOTES

Reunion planning for 2017

It's time to start planning for reunions for classes ending in 2 and 7. To start your reunion planning, contact **Ronda (Miller) Stumler '83** at rstumler@providencehigh.net.

Reunions scheduled for this year:

- **1965** - 70th Birthday Party, Sept. 30, 2017, party barn at the home of Paula Sellers Robinson. Additional info to come. Contact **Kathy Howell Kruer** at norkath65@twc.com with questions.
- **1967** - Golden Reunion Dinner at Providence March 4, 2017. Fifty-year reunion: Oct. 27-28, 2017, at Covered Bridge. Formal invitations to the Golden Reunion Dinner have been mailed.

Alumni Night on Saturday

Join us for Alumni Night on Saturday, Feb. 18, during the Boys Basketball game vs. Brownstown. All alumni are invited to a reception from 6:30- 7:30 p.m. in the Alumni Suite (off the home-side balcony). Several teams will be honored at halftime for the anniversaries of their post-season accomplishments. Teams to be honored include 1957 and 2007 Boys Basketball; 1977, 1982, 2002 and 2007 Girls Tennis; 1977 and 1992 Boys Golf; 1982 Gymnastics; 1987, 1992, 1997 and 2002 Wrestling (SIWC Champs); 2002 Girls Track; and 2007 Baseball.

Theatre Alumni Night at spring musical

Alumni from the 2003 production of *Les Mis* are invited to attend a special Alumni Night during this year's run of *Les Mis* on Saturday, March 4, for a special recognition. All theatre alumni are encouraged to attend Spring Musical Alumni Night on March 10. Showtime both nights is 7:00 p.m. [Click here](#) for more information.



Don Forsee, D.D.S.

Southern Indiana Oral
and Maxillofacial Surgery, PSC

207 Sparks Avenue, Suite 002
Jeffersonville, IN 47130
812-282-8467

BLUE PRIDE ON DISPLAY

Welcome, Mrs. Sammons



We welcome **Mrs. Jill Sammons** to the English faculty while she is filling in for **Mrs. Krissy (Beyl) Van Laan '05** during her maternity leave. Mrs. Sammons is here on A Days, and **Mrs. Elizabeth Bentley, Mrs. Kathryn Jacobi and Mrs. Nancy Miller** have each picked up one of Mrs. Beyl's B Day classes.

Mrs. Sammons is a member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, where several of her children have attended. She was most recently a stay-at-home mom and said she saw this temporary position as a way to return to teaching. She previously taught English after receiving her college degree before moving into a career in banking. After her third child was born, she became a stay-at-home mom for a few years before returning to the workforce as manager of a hospice agency. She then chose to stay home again with her fourth child, who is now 5. Mrs. Sammons will teach Mrs. Van Laan's A Day classes through about mid-April.



COMING EVENTS

Feb. 15: Deanery Academic Olympics

Feb. 18: Alumni Night at Boys Basketball vs. Brownstown game

Feb. 27-Mar 8: ISTEP Testing

March 1: Ash Wednesday
March 3: End of Third Quarter
March 3: Spring Musical premiere

LET US PRAY

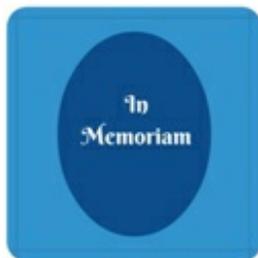
The feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes was Feb. 11.

Prayer to Our Lady of Lourdes

Oh ever immaculate Virgin, Mother of Mercy,
Health of the Sick, Refuge of Sinners,
Comfortess of the Afflicted,
you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings.
Look upon me with mercy.
When you appeared in the grotto of Lourdes,
you made it a privileged sanctuary where you dispense your
favors,
and where many sufferers have obtained the cure of their
infirmities, both spiritual and corporal.
I come, therefore, with unbounded confidence
to implore your maternal intercession.
My loving Mother, obtain my request.
I will try to imitate your virtues
so that I may one day
share your company and bless you in eternity.
Amen.



[From Catholic Online](#)



Christa (Payne) Hoyland '84
Director of Communications
eVision reporter/writer
choyland@providencehigh.net

Our Lady of Providence Jr-Sr High School
707 Providence Way, Clarksville, IN 47129
812-945-2538 | [E-mail](mailto:choyland@providencehigh.net) | www.providencehigh.net



Copyright © 2016. All Rights Reserved.