

# PROVIDENCE



The Providence Cheer team shows off their GMCE championship rings.



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## Two juniors earn top spots in speech contest



Congratulations to juniors **Shane Hesse** and **Cody Gibbs**, who received first and second place, respectively, in the annual Right to Life Southern Indiana Oratory Competition for eighth through 12th grade students. Each received a cash prize.

## Humility offers space to record resolutions

The *House of Humility* has created a large cross and placed it in the student entrance as

a Lenten resolution space on which all students, faculty, and staff may write their sacrifices for the season. The white cross also serves as a daily reminder of those resolutions throughout Lent in order to prepare our minds and hearts this Lent and into the Easter season.



### ***House of Integrity* creating baskets for needy**

The *House of Integrity* members are donating items to create several Easter baskets to be given to needy children at Eastertime. Students will donate candy and toys to fill eight baskets.

### **National Science Bowl team takes part in regional**

The National Science Bowl team competed in the Indiana Regional High School Science Bowl competition in Indianapolis over the weekend. The event featured a fast-paced quiz-bowl type format on questions about various fields of science and math. The team faced a tough field after drawing teams from Carmel and Park Tudor high schools. The team had fun and improved its score over last year, said team sponsor **Mrs. Laura Swessel**.

### **STEM Club gives Deanery students enrichment fun**



The Deanery STEM Club is in its first year at Providence, and the students are enjoying themselves while learning about science, technology, engineering and math. The club is broken down into age groups and meets once a week for five weeks after school. The primary

grades group has completed its session, and the junior high school group is in the middle of its session.

Each week, the students take part in a lab activity based on a

letter in the acronym STEM. Last week, the students attempted to see who could build the tallest free-standing structure with plastic cups following a discussion of different engineering principles.

St. Anthony seventh grader **Jake Miller** said he enjoys the club and finds the activities creative.

"It's not everyday things," Jake said. "It gets my brain going."

**Brooklyn Stocksdale**, an eighth grader at Holy Family, said she enjoys the camaraderie.

"It's fun because I'm with people who enjoy doing the same things I do," she said.

## Performing Arts awards presented

Each year, the Performing Arts Department presents the Ray Day Award to an individual committed to promoting the performing arts at Providence. This year's recipient is **Mrs. Kelly Gettelfinger**, mother of **Wynne Gettelfinger '15** and senior **Noah Gettelfinger**. Mrs. Gettelfinger is a member of the theatre booster group the BACKSTAGE Crew and has organized the memorabilia sales table for several spring musicals.

Also receiving an award during the run of the spring musical was St. Anthony eighth grader **Kieran Kelly**, recipient of the Dale Durham Performing Arts Scholarship, a \$1,000 award given to an incoming freshman with a strong commitment to the performing arts.



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## STUDENT PROFILE

### Senior wins prestigious U of L scholarship

Congratulations to senior **Abby Posey**, who has been selected as one of 10 Martin Luther King Scholars at the University of Louisville based on her excellent academic and outstanding leadership records. Additionally, Abby previously received the Woodford R. Porter Scholarship, valued at



\$11,000, awarded to African-American students in the metropolitan area who have an outstanding academic record. Together, the two awards equal a full-tuition scholarship plus an \$8,000 education stipend. She also has been accepted into the Honors Program. [Read more.](#)



## PIONEER SPORTS NEWS

### Cheerleaders win a national title



*By Coach Christie Evanczyk '09*

The Providence Cheer team wrapped up its season with a national title at Greater Midwest Cheer Expo's Spring Fling Cheer & Dance DII Exclusive

Open Nationals in Dayton, Ohio. The girls placed first in the intermediate varsity category, and each received a championship ring.

The team had a great time cheering on our Pioneer basketball teams and are so proud of their accomplishments. The cheerleaders ended their season as third in the state (IASP) and with four first place finishes in other competitions. The team will miss our senior Megan Johnson and wish her the best of luck after high school.

Tryouts for the 2017-2018 season, which begins in June, will be held the last week of April. Click on the links for information on [open](#)

[tumble sessions](#) and [tryouts](#).

## Boys Basketball wraps up record-setting season

*By Coach Andrew Grantz '07*

The Boys Basketball team recently finished one of the best seasons in school history. Led by seven seniors - **Juston Betz, Eli Coker, Sam Conrad, Trevor Heldman, Alex Judd, Dawson Mitchell** and **Sean Morris** - the Pioneers won a school record 20 regular season games. Finishing the season with 22 total wins ties the most in the history of the program. The team advanced to the sectional final, losing in an upset by one point to Crawford County, host of the sectional.

For only the second time in program history, the team was ranked No. 1 in the state in the Associated Press poll. The boys accomplished this ranking again just a few weeks later, finishing No. 1 in the final regular season poll. The accomplishments do not stop there. Here are some of the highlights of the season, accomplished all while playing the eighth toughest schedule in class 2A:

- Undefeated home record (first time in 12 years)
- Silver Creek Holiday Tournament Champions
- Beat Jeffersonville for only the fifth time since 1987 and the first since 2008
- Beat 3A No. 1 ranked Brownstown
- Beat six ranked teams
- Finished in the top 10 in scoring defense
- Won its game played at the historic Hoosier Gym
- City Champions

## Winter sports athletes receive recognition

Congratulations to the following student-athletes who have been recognized in the postseason for their accomplishments during the winter sports season:

- Wrestling: Freshman **Chase Aldridge** and sophomore **Noah Liter** will be competing in the Battle of the Bridge All-Star meet on March 16 at Jeffersonville High School.
- Girls Basketball: Senior **Claire Rauck** received an honorable mention to the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association All-State team, and junior **Hannah Wolford** received an underclassman All-State honorable mention. Claire also was named to the IBCA Academic All State First Team. Seniors **Olivia Jenkins** and **Brooke Hayden** were named Academic All State Honorable Mention. Claire also was named to the Hoosier Basketball Coaches Association First Team All State; Hannah was named to the Second Team.

## Spring sports season starts soon

The spring sports season starts this week for some teams, with others starting over the next few weeks. The Track team will participate in the Clarksville Early Bird tomorrow, and Softball opens its regular season at home on Monday. Baseball, which starts the season ranked No. 1, plays its home opener on March 27. Boys Golf starts April 1, and Girls Tennis will start its season April 6. [Click here](#) for schedules.

If you're in town over the break, here are some opportunities to catch your Pioneers in action:

- Softball hosts North Bullitt on March 20, Assumption on March 22, and Fishers on March 31 - all at 5:30 p.m.
- Baseball hosts Wheeling (Ill.) March 27 at 5:00
- Boys Golf will be at Covered Bridge for the Fuzzy Zoeller Invitational on April 1 starting at 8:30 a.m.

## Support your Pioneers

There are a variety of ways you can support your Pioneer sports teams, including helping with their fundraising efforts.

- The Football team is offering its annual mulch sale, and [orders](#) are due March 30.
- The Track team is selling [tumblers](#) for \$20 each as well as coupon peelers with discounts to local Subway and other Kentucky and Southern Indiana restaurants. The peelers are on sale through April 7 for \$10 each. They can be purchased from any Track team member or by contacting **Coach Jeanne Luther '82** at [jluther@alumni.nd.edu](mailto:jluther@alumni.nd.edu) or 502-262-3231.

## PARENT CONNECTION

### Parent Notes: ISTEP, FAFSA deadline and more

#### Buy school uniforms online

River City WorkWear is the official vendor for Providence school uniforms, and now River City has [online ordering](#). Watch for spirit wear coming soon!

#### Senior/Mother's Luncheon RSVPs due Friday

All seniors and their mothers are invited to attend the Senior/Mother Luncheon on April 9, 1-3 p.m., at Huber's Orchard & Winery Plantation Hall. Reservations and payment of \$19 per person are due Friday, March 17. [Click here](#) for an online

registration link.

### Senior Mass on April 3

Seniors will celebrate their annual Senior Mass in the chapel on the morning of April 3, the first day back from Spring Break.

### Spring Break begins Friday after school

Spring Break begins after school on Friday, and classes will resume on April 3, with a BLUE Day schedule. We hope everyone has a safe, relaxing, fun break.

### College Search Workshop for juniors/parents

It's not too early for juniors and their parents to get prepared for the college search and application process. On Monday, April 10, representatives from Hanover College will be holding an evening workshop especially for juniors and their parents, but students and parents of any grade are welcome to attend.

The workshop will begin at 6:30 pm. in the Robinson Auditorium. Topics to be covered include Writing the College Essay, Financial Aid Process and Navigating the College Search.



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## 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](mailto:rstumler@providencehigh.net).

Reunions scheduled for this year:

- 1955 - 60th reunion, Aug. 26, 2017, Covered Bridge. More info to come.
- 1957 - Quarterly gathering, April 14, 11:30 a.m., dining room at

Clarion Hotel in Clarksville.

- **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](mailto:norkath65@twc.com) with questions.
- **1967** - Fifty-year reunion: Oct. 27-28, 2017, at Covered Bridge.

## Booster Club raffle supports PHS Athletics



The Booster Club recently sent out its annual mailing, with updates from the Athletic Department and raffle tickets for the monthly drawing. Proceeds from the raffle go toward the salary of the athletic trainer for all Providence sports. Your support of this raffle is vital to Providence

offering this service, so return your chances today!

The photo above shows our long-time Booster Club members hard at work stuffing those envelopes! If you would like to be part of the Booster Club and support Providence Athletics, please email [alumni@providencehigh.net](mailto:alumni@providencehigh.net).

## Save the Date: Easter Egg Hunt in mid-April



Alumni and New Albany Deanery families with young children are invited to the annual Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 15, at 9:30 a.m. The free event includes photos with the Easter Bunny and other activities in the new cafeteria/former Activity Center beginning at 9:30

a.m. with the Easter egg hunt on the front field at 10:15 a.m. In case of steady rain, the event will be canceled.

The event is sponsored by the Providence Girls Soccer team.

## Former *Les Mis* cast returns for mini-reunion



Thank you to all members of the 2003 cast of *Les Miserables* who returned for a mini-reunion to see the 2017 production of the show. The cast members were able to sit together during the show and had a group photo taken afterward.

The 2017 production wrapped up this past Sunday. We congratulate the cast, crew, orchestra and directors on a moving production!

### **Class of 1967 gathers for Golden Diploma Dinner**



On March 4, the Class of 1967 participated in the first event of its 50th reunion year. Those who attended enjoyed a special tour of the school and a catered meal before receiving a replica of their diploma. Many also attended the spring musical.



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***BLUE PRIDE ON DISPLAY***

## Class of 2000 supports classmate in need



The members of the Class of 2000 have rallied around classmate **Sara (Higdon) Bell '00** as she undergoes aggressive chemotherapy in her second fight with breast cancer. Bell's classmate and lifelong friend **Rachel Hall '00** is leading a campaign to raise money for Bell's and her family's expenses, starting with a fundraiser and hair-shaving benefit last week. So far, Bell's classmates and friends as well as Hall's

customers at her restaurant, Orange Clover Kitchen & More, have raised more than \$10,000. [Read more.](#)

## BLUE NEWS OF OLD

### Gil Campbell leaves lasting mark on Providence

By Ray Day '57

Mr. Gilbert Campbell, architect, passed away peacefully on March 7, 2017. He was the husband of Alma Jean, father of Lisa (Campbell) Flood '70, Paula (Campbell) McCartin '77 (Richard '77), and Lynn (Campbell) Franz '80 (Thomas '80). Additionally he was the grandfather of Jennifer (Long) Cantrell '97, Andrea (Long) Thomas '98, Eric Long '01, Meredith (Long) Sons '02, Alexandra (Franz) Schmidt '08, Christopher McCartin '05 and Andrew McCartin '09. These and numerous others throughout the community will miss this gentle, creative man. But here at Providence, there is more to the Gilbert Campbell story. [Read more.](#)

*\*\*Note, Blue News of Old returns for this issue and on occasion, as Ray Day warrants.\*\**



## COMING EVENTS

**March 20-31:** Spring Break

**April 3:** Senior Mass

**April 9:** Senior/Mother Luncheon, Huber's Orchard & Winery

**April 10:** College workshop for juniors and parents, Robinson Auditorium

**April 14:** Good Friday, 2:15 dismissal

## LET US PRAY

### *The Lorica of St. Patrick*

Christ with me,  
Christ before me,  
Christ behind me,  
Christ in me,  
Christ beneath me,  
Christ above me,  
Christ on my right,  
Christ on my left,  
Christ when I lie down,  
Christ when I sit down,  
Christ when I arise,  
Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,  
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,  
Christ in every eye that sees me,  
Christ in every ear that hears me.

I arise today

Through a mighty strength, the invocation of the Trinity,  
Through belief in the Threeness,  
Through confession of the Oneness  
of the Creator of creation.

Amen

Excerpt from [Our Catholic Prayers](#)





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