



House of Loyalty members organize a school-wide shoe drive for WaterStep.



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First STEM Career Fair a success



Last week, about 100 students took advantage of our first STEM Career Fair, which featured representatives from a dozen local businesses and colleges. Science teacher **Mrs. Laura Swessel**, who organized the event, chose to add the career fair to her STEM Careers Unit, which includes having her ACP Physics students shadow a professional working in a

science, technology, engineering or math field and her Honors Physics students conducting interviews of professionals in a STEM field.

"The STEM Career Fair was an attempt to expose the entire student body to a variety of STEM Careers," she said, adding that Guidance Counselor **Mrs. Emily Losey** suggested inviting college representatives as well. "I got a lot of positive feedback from both the reps and the students who attended."

Mrs. Swessel plans to offer the career fair event next year and already has interest from several companies who were unable to attend this year.

Several seniors said the event was helpful, providing them information as well as networking opportunities. Seniors **Jordan Sellmer** and **Alex Rogers** are interested in pursuing a career in physical therapy, so they spoke with a physical therapist representing Baptist Health and were excited to hear about opportunities for combining physical therapy and sports medicine. They also found a potential contact for job shadowing. Senior **Elizabeth Scharre**, who plans to attend Purdue University and major in electrical engineering, said she was excited to talk to the electrical engineers about their careers.

Student giving continues to break records



Last month, our students set a new record for fundraising by donating more than \$3,100 to the Crusade for Children. The students continued that commitment to helping others with three events over the last few weeks. The Football team won an award for its fundraising efforts in the Polar Plunge, the *House of Loyalty* nearly doubled its goal for shoes collected in a school-wide drive for WaterStep, and the *House of Justice* raised money for St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities with a raffle. [Read more.](#)

Visiting artist shares love of fiber arts

Fiber artist "**Sunshine**" **Joe Mallard** of Louisville spoke to students last week about his 40-plus-year art career. He shared how he was inspired by his great grandmother, a former

slave, to use fabric and fiber as his media. Students were able to see some of his artwork up close and ask questions. [Read more.](#)



Spring musical debuts this weekend



Be sure to get your tickets to the spring musical, *Les Miserables*, which debuts Friday at the premiere, *Les Miserables: City of Lights*, with a reception at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$40.

Other show times 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. Tickets are \$15 and can be ordered by phone (812-945-2538 x 301) or online.

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 the March 10 show.

Plan to see the total solar eclipse in August

Certain locations in North America will be prime viewing spots for the total solar eclipse on Aug. 21, 2017. Science teacher Mrs. Laura Swessel is planning a trip for Providence students to view the event in Gallatin, Tenn., and participate in the Eclipse Festival. An informational meeting for those wanting to attend is scheduled for March 15, 3:15-3:45 p.m. in the Administrative Corridor.

Auditions for Disney's *Alice in Wonderland Jr.*

Deanery students grades five through eight are invited to audition for this year's Deanery musical, Disney's *Alice in Wonderland Jr.* Auditions are Saturday, March 11, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Robinson Auditorium. [Click here](#) for audition preparation and other information. Show dates will be May 12-13.



STUDENT PROFILE

Senior digitizes art talent at Prosser



Senior **Ashley Miles** was featured in the Prosser school [newsletter](#) for her participation in Interactive Media class, which helps her combine her creativity and art talents with digital skills. In her Prosser classes, she has earned certification in Microsoft Word and is working toward an IC3 (digital literacy) certification.

At Providence, she is a member of the Art Club, Literary Magazine Club and National Art Honor Society. At Prosser, she is a member of the National Technical Honor Society and a Prosser Ambassador, serving as a tour guide for the school when students from other schools take field trips to Prosser. Outside of school, she is an intern at the Arts Council of Southern Indiana and works part time at Baptist Health Floyd Hospital as a food ambassador.

Prosser offers a variety of vocational skills classes to local high school students, who split their time between their high school and Prosser. Ashley said she enjoys what she is learning at Prosser.

"My favorite part about Prosser is learning about a career field that I am interested in," she said. "I have the opportunity to learn all the ins and outs of interactive media for two hours a day!"



Boys Swim has good showing at sectional finals



By Coach Jim Pfeiffer

Our 2016-2017 swim season was the most successful this decade, with the swimmers scoring more points and beating more teams than ever before. Last year's team really did a great job to recruit more swimmers, so for the first time in a long time, we had numbers to compete against schools our size.

Immediately, it paid dividends, with the Boys Swim team winning a tri-meet against South Ripley and Switzerland County in November and the girls coming oh-so-close. The guys continued their dominating ways, getting to 4-0, and the girls coming so close in so many meets. Then in December, we went to University of Louisville to compete against Male, Atherton and several other Louisville area schools and just barely missed having the boys and girls winning the entire meet by coming in second overall. We came together strong at sectionals by posting the highest scores for both the guys and gals in this decade.

At the Boys Swim Sectional, the three relay teams earned a spot in the finals along with junior **Nick Katchur** in the individual medley and 500 freestyle and senior **Keith Bremmer** in the 100 breaststroke. In the finals, the team placed 12th with Keith placing 13th, the 200 medley relay team of Keith, fellow senior **Nick Berry**, junior **Nick Katchur** and sophomore **Bryce Drury**, and the 400 freestyle relay team of Nick Berry, Nick Katchur and sophomores **Sam LaMaster** and **Harrison Green** each placed 10th.

We cannot thank the seniors enough, the parents enough for staying when we didn't have an assistant coach and then **Mr. Ted Scharre** stepping up to help assist as the season progressed.

And now we look forward to building upon our successes with several swimmers aiming for a couple of the school records next year that have been on the books far too long.

Boys Basketball advances to sectional semi-final

The No. 1-ranked Boys Basketball team beat No. 9 Henryville 49-40 last night to advance to the sectional semi-final at Crawford County and will face Paoli on Friday at 6 p.m. The championship game, in which they could face Clarksville or Crawford County, will be held Saturday at 7:00 p.m. All-session tickets are \$10, and individual game tickets are \$6.

Claire Rauck invited to Top 60 Workout

Senior **Claire Rauck** has another opportunity to play the sport she loves. She has been selected to participate in the Hoosier Basketball Magazine's Top 60 Senior Workout for the top 60 seniors in the state, from which the Indiana All Stars will be selected. The workout will be held March 5 at Heritage Christian High School in Indianapolis 1:00-3:00 p.m. Admission is \$8 for adults, \$5 for students. **Coach Brad Burden** has been selected to be one of five IBCA coaches for the workout.

More student-athletes recognized

Freshman **Courtney Glotzbach** has been named to PrepVolleyball's Frosh 59 as one of the top 59 freshman volleyballers in the country.

Senior **Juston Betz** has been named Boys' Player of the Week by the *News & Tribune* for his efforts in leading the Boys Basketball team to a come-from-behind win in the final minute of the game vs. New Washington last Friday.

PARENT CONNECTION

Parent Notes: ISTEP, FAFSA deadline and more

ISTEP testing continues

ISTEP testing for grades seven through nine continues through March 8. Grade 10 will complete their testing Friday, grade nine will take the biology exam March 7-8, and junior high students will test through March 6. 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. We ask parents not to schedule appointments during these times.

Coffee with the Counselors: Bullying prevention

Coffee with the Counselors will be March 7 at 7:30 a.m. The Center for Women and Families will present the topics of bullying prevention and building healthy relationships.

Scholarship applications available

When students pay \$1 to wear spirit wear, they are contributing to a scholarship fund that is available to students interested in attending a leadership conference, mission trip, service experience, or summer camp. Applications for these scholarship funds are now available in the Campus Ministry Office in the Fr. Mike Counseling Office. Students should see **Mrs. Leah (Cissell) Kelly '05** for an application.

Senior parents: FAFSA deadline, IUS Next Steps, Senior/Mom's Lunch

- Remember that the FAFSA deadline to apply is March 10. Every graduating senior student should complete the [FAFSA](#).
- Indiana University Southeast will be presenting a Next Steps Workshop for senior students and parents in the Robinson Auditorium on Monday, March 13, at 6:30 p.m. This presentation will outline all the next important steps for students enrolling at IUS.
- Invitations for the annual Senior/Moms' Luncheon have been mailed. The event is scheduled for April 9 at Huber's Orchard & Winery Plantation Hall, 1:00-3:00 p.m. Cost is \$19 per person. If you did not receive an invitation, please email choyland@providencehigh.net.

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. Deadline is March 10. [Click here](#) to download the application.



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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.

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 Diploma Dinner at Providence March 4, 2017.
Fifty-year reunion: Oct. 27-28, 2017, at Covered Bridge.

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.



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BLUE PRIDE ON DISPLAY

Former Pioneer accomplishes marathon goal

Reed Gabhart ex-'79 has accomplished a feat few people have: complete all of the six races in the Abbot World Marathon Majors series. Last weekend, he traveled to Tokyo, Japan, to run in the last of the six races in the series, the Tokyo Marathon. He ran his first marathon in 2000 in Anchorage, Alaska, and his first majors race in 2002 in Boston. [Read more](#)





COMING EVENTS

March 3: End of Third Quarter

March 3: Spring Musical premiere, Koetter Gym & Robinson Auditorium

March 4-5: Spring Musical, Robinson Auditorium

March 7: Coffee with the Counselors, Fr. Mike Counseling Center

March 10: Third Quarter grades posted

March 10-12: Spring Musical, Robinson Auditorium

March 13: IUS Next Steps Workshop, Robinson Auditorium

March 14-17: Senior Retreat

LET US PRAY

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A Prayer for Ash Wednesday

Gracious God, today begins a period of inner reflection and examination. The days stretch before me and invite me inward to that silent, holy space that holds your Spirit. This special time beckons me to see my life through Christ's eyes and the truth and reality of your love incarnate.

Give me the grace to enter the space of these days with anticipation of our meeting.

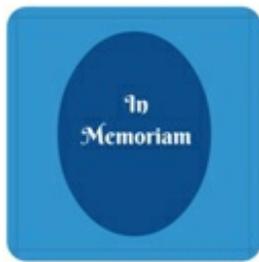
And, when I open my soul to your presence, let your loving kindness flow over me and seep into the pockets of my heart.

I ask this for the sake of your love.

Amen.

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