



Lower the Boom Raffle winners take turns demolishing the stadium restrooms



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Three fall sports teams advance to state finals



Congratulations to our fall sports teams, three of which competed in their respective state finals recently. The Volleyball team advanced to the IHSAA State Finals for the fifth year in a row, earning its second state runner-up title and its first since 2012. The Cheer team placed third in the IASP Indiana Cheer Championships 2016 State Finals. The Boys Soccer team ended its season at the state finals last weekend, earning the 1A IHSAA State Runner-up title, while the Football team ended its season in the 2A sectional semifinal. [Read more.](#)

Sophomores receive class rings at Unity Ceremony

The sophomore class participated in the annual Unity Ceremony today. The ceremony includes a class liturgy followed by the

presentation of House pins and class rings. Prior to the presentation, **Fr. Adam Ahern** blessed the class rings or other tokens. Parents of sophomores were in attendance.



Koding Klub explores technology in varied ways



By freshman Amanda Pasierbowicz

The Koding Klub, led by founder and science teacher **Mrs. Laura Swessel**, has recently started to gain some major experience points. Members have been actively participating in the community, starting off the

year by participating in the Clark County 4-H Tech Day. In addition, they also toured two companies, meeting the CEOs of both as well as other knowledgeable, experienced professionals. Currently, the group is participating in an app challenge that will put participants up against other students across the nation who are also working on concepts for an app to help their school or community. [Read more.](#)

Two theatre productions offered this month



The Performing Arts Department offers two opportunities to enjoy

Providence Players theatre this month - plus one community performance.

Children's show presented this weekend

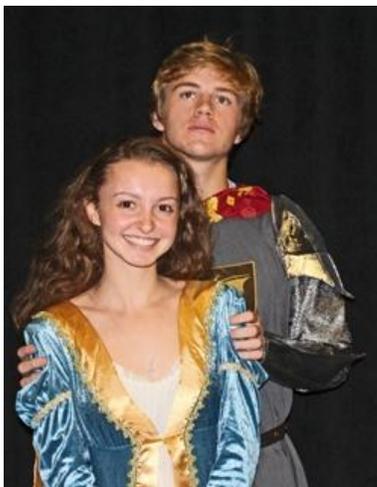
The freshman and sophomore Providence Players will present the children's show *Cinderella: Or How Pipsqueak the Mouse Became a Stallion* this weekend. Director Mrs. Krissy (Beyl) Van Lann '05 said that Deanery children and their families will enjoy this funny, quirky twist on the fairy tale.

"The show is a laugh-out-loud spin on the classic tale of Cinderella," she said. "Audience members are sure to enjoy this exciting show told from the perspective of the mice."

Mrs. Van Laan also is proud of how the cast has come together. "The cast members have been working really well together," she said. "For many of them, this is their first experience performing in the auditorium. It's been exciting watching them develop their characters and grow in their love of theatre."

Show times are Saturday, Nov. 12, at 5 p.m. (note the new time) and Sunday, Nov. 13, at 2 p.m. in the Robinson Auditorium. Tickets are \$5 for adults and students (kindergarten to grade 12) and can be purchased at the door; free admission for children under 5. For a cast list, [click here](#).

First winter musical hits the stage next weekend



The other theatre production will debut next weekend when students in the Musical Theatre Production class present *Once Upon a Mattress* in the Ray Day Little Theatre. The school's first winter musical --and the first full-scale musical to be produced by students in a Providence course -- is a hilarious twist on the classic tale "The Princess and the Pea."

Director Mrs. Ellen Holifield said she and music director Mrs. Debbie Hill believe the class has been a success and they hope to offer it again next fall.

"It's been a really great experience being able to work with the kids during the school day," Mrs. Holifield said. "It's going to be a great show. We have a super talented group of kids."

Show times are Nov. 17-19 at 7:00 p.m. and Nov. 20 at 2:00 p.m. Tickets are \$10 and can be purchased [online](#) or at the door. Seating is limited to 100 per show. For a cast list, [click here](#).

Will in the 'Ville performance

In other theatre news, several students in Advanced Theatre are volunteering to perform in a joint performance with several area high schools in connection with Shakespeare's First Folio national tour in honor of the 400th anniversary of Shakespeare's death, known locally as "Will in the 'Ville." On Monday, Nov. 14, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at the Carnegie Center for Arts and History in New Albany, PHS students will perform excerpts from Shakespeare's works under the theme of villains.

Students work to help those in need

The *House of Courage* is sponsoring an all-school canned food drive this week. Students can drop their donations into the boxes at the Student Entrance in the box labeled for their House. Houses will earn points based on the number of canned goods collected. The collection goes through Friday and will benefit The Center for Lay Ministries' food pantry. The final day of the collection will coincide with the annual Soup Day sponsored by the cafeteria staff. Students will be offered a variety of soups, with proceeds from the lunch going to In Heaven's Eyes ministry. The snack line will be closed Friday.

Save the date: Empty Bowls event

This year marks the ninth [Empty Bowls Event](#) at Providence. The event, scheduled for Sunday, Dec. 4, is intended to raise awareness of and donations for those in our area who may not have enough food to eat. Attendees will receive a ceramic bowl crafted by Intro to 3D Art and Ceramics students plus a simple meal of bread and soup. Over the past eight years, the event has raised more than \$15,000 to donate to local nonprofits that feed the hungry. This year, the goal is to take that total to \$20,000. The event is sponsored and run by the Art Club and *House of Humility*.

Junior high hosts Grandparents' Day Mass



Thank you to all the grandparents and special guests who attended the Grandparents' Day Mass with our seventh and eighth graders. We enjoyed hosting you!

STUDENT PROFILE

Visiting German students perform in Little Theatre

By junior *Ethan Furnish*

Providence students are always up for new experiences, including hosting German exchange students. Last week, a troupe of 20 theatre students from Germany stayed Sunday through Thursday with 11 host families. During their visit to the United States, which included stops in Chicago, Cincinnati and Columbus, Ohio, the troupe performed *One Flew over the Cuckoo's Nest* in the Ray Day Little Theater. [Read more.](#)



PIONEER SPORTS NEWS

Outstanding student-athletes receive various honors

Congratulations to the following students on the honors and awards they have received based on their athletic performance:



Boys Soccer player wins Mental Attitude Award

Senior **Nick Berry** received the IHSAA 1A Boys Soccer Mental Attitude Award at the conclusion of last weekend's Boys Soccer state finals. Nick is a four-year soccer player who also competes in Swimming and Boys Track. He is a National Science Bowl team

member and a member of the National Honor Society. He hopes to attend Purdue University next fall and major in chemical engineering. Nick said he was quite surprised at receiving the award. "I wasn't expecting it at all," he said. "It was a huge honor."

Wendy's Heisman School Winners announced

Nick Berry and fellow senior **Claire Rauck**, Girls Basketball player, have been named Wendy's High School Heisman School Winners. This award recognizes their hard work, passion and leading by example in the classroom, on the field and within the community. They will receive a School Winner certificate and a Wendy's High School Heisman Patch.

Girls Basketball player breaks scoring record

During the Girls Basketball season opener vs. Lanesville last night, Claire Rauck set a new school record for single-game points with 35. The JV team won 60-18 and varsity won 56-27.

Volleyball All-State Team announced

Several Volleyball players were named to the Indiana Girls Sports Association all-state teams. Receiving first team All-State honors were senior **Lexie Libs**, junior **Marissa Hornung** and freshman **Courtney Glotzbach**. Seniors **Mia Fougerousse** and **Cheyenne Brooks** both earned second team All-State honors. Additionally, Mia also was selected to the ICGSA Academic All-State Honorable Mention team and Marissa has been nominated for the Gatorade Player of the Year in Indiana, an award generally given to senior players.

News & Tribune names All-Area Teams

Girls Golf senior **Alexa Wilson** was named to the News & Tribune Girls Golf All-Area Team, and junior **Shea Caylor** received honorable mention.

Junior **Nick Boesing** was named a finalist for the News and Tribune Boys Tennis Player of the Year award and was named to the All-Area First Team, singles. Seniors **Ben Arnson**, **Zach Rowe**, and **James Solis** received honorable mention.

Libs named Player of the Week

Senior Lexie Libs was voted as the *Courier-Journal* Athlete of the Week for the week of Oct. 31. It was her second nomination for the award in two weeks, this time for her 73 total assists in the two semi-state games.

Preview the basketball teams on Saturday

The Boys and Girls Basketball teams are hosting their annual [Blue Pride Madness](#) on Saturday in the Larkin Center from 7:00-9:00 p.m. This fun, exciting event features music, a light show,



games and prizes as it showcases the 2016-2017 teams. The event is free for Providence and Deanery students and \$2 for adults.

PARENT CONNECTION

Parent Notes: Progress Reports, Senior Portraits

Progress Reports

Second Quarter Progress Reports will be posted in Skyward on Friday, Nov. 11.

Senior portraits and Baby Ads deadlines

All seniors are required to have their yearbook portrait taken by Nov. 15 either at Whyland's or Lifetouch studios. If you have not already set an appointment, senior parents should do so immediately in order to meet the deadline.

Senior parents also may purchase Baby Ads and Display Ads in the yearbook. Please [click here](#) for an order form. Deadline for ads is Dec. 16.

Save the Date: Placement Exam

Thank you to everyone who attended the annual Providence High School Open House! It was a fun day filled with energy, enthusiasm and eagerness as Deanery families toured the building. The next event for current eighth graders is the High School Placement Exam on Saturday, Dec. 10, from 8:45 a.m. to noon. Students should arrive by 8:45 a.m. at the Robinson Performing Arts Center. Bring two No. 2 pencils and a check for \$15 made payable to Providence High School.

For more information, please contact the Providence Admissions Office at 812-945-3350 or e-mail dsmith@providencehigh.net.



Save the Date: Breakfast with Santa



Mark your calendars for Saturday, Dec. 3, 9:00-10:30 a.m., for the annual Breakfast with Santa, sponsored by the Girls Soccer team and featuring the Popcorn Players. Breakfast with Santa will be located in the cafeteria (former Activity Center) and will feature crafts, a continental breakfast, performances by

the Popcorn Players and a free photo with Santa. Admission is free, but donations to offset the cost of food are accepted.

Senior retreat next week

The next senior retreat is Nov. 15-18. Please keep the retreatants and leaders in prayer. For more information contact **Steve Beyl '99** at sbeyl@providencehigh.net.

Construction begins on stadium entrance

Construction on the next phase of the football/soccer/baseball fields project began yesterday with the demolition of the concession stand and restrooms at the entrance to Murphy Stadium. Four

winner winners from the Lower the Boom Raffle had the chance to operate the machinery to knock down the aged building: **Mrs. Sherri (Goodin) McHugh '64** (retired campus store manager), **Mr. Brian**



Jacobi '84, OLPH seventh grader **Cade Carver** and freshman **Zoe Libs**. Others having a chance to operate the equipment included retired president Mrs. Joan Hurley, Board of Trustees member Ann (Kaiser) Day '80, and coaches Scott Hornung '80 and Larry Denison '86. For more photos, check out the Our Lady of Providence High Alumni Association [Facebook page](#).

Construction of a new field house entrance for Murphy Stadium and the baseball field will continue through March, with completion planned in time for the Pioneer Baseball season. Construction is being coordinated by The Koetter Group. More donations are needed to complete the project. If you would like to contribute, [click here](#).

#GivingTuesday is coming soon

Black Friday. Cyber Monday.

#GI  ING TUESDAY™

November 29, 2016

For several years now, the Tuesday after Thanksgiving has been marked as a day for giving back. Providence is participating along with thousands of organizations worldwide in #GivingTuesday to encourage charitable giving, so please consider Providence on Nov. 29 as a recipient of your giving.

We'll be tracking gifts made to PHS through our website that day and will have a drawing for up to three PHS sweatshirts for those who contribute a minimum of \$25.

Spread the word!

Deanery-wide planned giving seminar next Friday

The Catholic Community Foundation and St. Elizabeth Catholic Charities invite you to a [free educational session](#) for the New Albany Deanery: Helpful Ideas for Planning for Yourself and Loved Ones, and Leaving a Legacy - The Basics of Estate Planning. The seminar is Friday, Nov. 18, at St. Mary's of New Albany (415 E. Eighth Street, New Albany). The event starts with a light lunch at 11:15 a.m. with the program beginning at 11:30 a.m. and concluding at 12:45 p.m. Please bring friends and family who have an interest in this learning opportunity.

The featured speaker is **Tim Naville '72**. He will cover topics such as the basics of estate planning, changes to IRA charitable gift roll-overs, and how the Catholic Community Foundation Inc. can help you leave a legacy. To register, contact **Dawn Bennett** at dbennett@stcharities.org or 812-949-7305 or **Joanna Feltz** at jfeltz@archindy.org or 317-236-1588.

Reunion dates for 2016, planning for 2017

It's not too early to start planning for reunions for classes ending in 2 and 7. The Class of 1967 already has a head start! To start your reunion planning, contact **Ronda (Miller) Stumler '83** at rstumler@providencehigh.net.

Reunions scheduled for this year:

- **1996** - Rescheduled date to be determined.

Planning has begun for the Class of 2011.



BLUE PRIDE ON DISPLAY

Girls Soccer '13 grad sets records at Ball State

Leah Mattingly '13 has had a stellar soccer career, starting with her contribution to the 2011 Providence Girls Soccer 1A State Championship. At Ball State, she had a record-breaking performance as a defender on the women's soccer team. At the conclusion of the regular season, Mattingly had set a program record for minutes played in a career (7,678) and games started (82). In fact, Mattingly played every game on the schedule throughout her career -- even with ankle injuries. She also helped the team post 36 shutouts during her career and has ranked among the national leaders in goals-against average. She has also recorded 11 goals and 10 assists to rank seventh in school history with 32 career points.



This season, the team won its second consecutive Mid-American Conference regular season championship and is hoping for an at-large berth in the NCAA finals after losing by one in penalty kicks in the MAC Tournament quarterfinals.

Mattingly, who is team captain, was selected as one of 30 candidates nationwide for the 2016 Senior CLASS Award in women's soccer. The award is presented annually to a senior who

demonstrates notable achievements in the areas of community, classroom, character and competition. She did not make the finalist ballot, however.

In addition to her prowess on the field, she holds a 3.902 GPA as an interior design major and has been named to the Dean's List in every one of her college semesters. She was selected to the Academic All-Mid-American Conference Team and earned a spot on the MAC Distinguished Scholar Athlete list in each of the past two seasons.



COMING EVENTS

Nov. 11: Second Quarter Progress Reports posted

Nov. 12: Blue Pride Madness, 7 p.m. in Larkin Center

Nov. 12-13: Children's show in Robinson Auditorium (Saturday 5 p.m.,

Sunday 2 p.m.)

Nov. 15-18: Senior Retreat

Nov. 17-20: Once Upon a Mattress, Little Theatre

LET US PRAY

Autumn Prayer

God of all seasons, we thank you for Autumn.

We thank you

for the touch of coolness in the air that gives us a new burst of energy,

for the coloring of trees that shows the creativity of the Divine Artist,

for the falling leaves that reveal the strength of the branches,
for the hues of fields that bring peace to our souls,
for the smiles on pumpkins that bring joy to children,
for the fall harvest that brings us gratitude for the bounty of our land,
for this change of seasons that reveals the circle of life.

God of all seasons, as you transform the earth,
transform us by your Spirit.

Amen

- Doug Leonhardt, S.J.

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