



Senior honorees at the Clarksville Rotary Club breakfast meeting this morning

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SENIORS HONORED WITH END-OF-YEAR AWARDS

The Class of 2014 has a number of talented students who were recognized at various events in the last few weeks, including the Senior Awards Ceremony this past Sunday. [Click here](#) for a full listing.

STUDENTS IN ACTION

FRIEND'S SORROW MOVES FRESHMAN TO ACTION

By junior Ashlyn Edwards

Aristotle described a friend as a single soul in two separate bodies. Freshman **Justine Oppelt** made a friend this past year whom she could describe in the same words. Understandably, when this friend was unhappy, Justine tried to figure out why and help him. He informed her that his grandfather and closest confidant had been diagnosed with terminal cancer. This struck a chord in Justine, she said, not only because of her friend's suffering but because she knew what it felt like to have a close father-like relationship with someone other than a biological father.

Justine was moved to bold action. She is now collecting money to be donated to St. Jude Children's Cancer Research Hospital. But she is going above and beyond just collecting a few dollars. If her goal of collecting \$1,000 is met in six months, she will shave her head as an act of solidarity with those suffering from terminal illnesses. Already almost halfway to her goal, Justine is rapidly spreading the word trying to complete her goal. Among her efforts is an upcoming fundraiser at Orange Leaf in Clarksville. On May 23, anyone who purchases yogurt and puts his or her receipt in a jar at the store will also be donating a portion of that receipt to her fund. With her

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effort and the help of the local community, Justine will be making an impact not only on her life and the life of her friend but those suffering from cancer everywhere.

STUDENTS SHARE TALENTS TO CREATE MUSIC CD

By senior **Katie Chrisco**

Junior **Jordan Reger** has always loved singing and performing. She starred in this year's spring musical, *The Sound of Music*, and has won gold medals in state singing competitions. Earlier this year, Jordan used her talents to create her own album. With the help of senior **Erik BeMiller**, who has started his own music recording studio, Takeover Music Group (TMG), she recorded the 17 track album titled "Message to You."

The album was mixed and recorded by Erik and contains 13 original songs. The genre of music is pop and features covers such as "Royals" by Lorde and "Halo" by Beyoncé. The original song "Cloud 9" features the talents of senior **Noah Gallegos**. When the album was released, Erik gave out free CDs of the album. For more of TMG's music you can visit soundcloud.com/takeover music. Although the album was created recreationally, Jordan hopes to one day pursue a career in music.

PROVIDENCE SINGERS EARN CHOIR COMPETITION AWARDS

Congratulations to the Providence Singers, who competed in the Music in the Parks competition held at Kings Island in Cincinnati last weekend. The group took first place in their division (Show Choir) and first place over all choirs. Senior **Sabrina Anderson** received best vocal soloist overall.

The Providence Singers performed their songs at the PHS Talent Show last week before their competition. Following their performance, several students performed a variety of individual numbers.



Music teacher **Mr. Rick Rebilas** directed the Providence Singers, and **Ms. Amy Harpeneau** choreographed.

GIRLS TRACK TEAM HAS RECORD-BREAKING SEASON

By **Coach Jeanne Luther '82**

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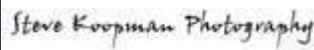
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Girls Track team members have broken three school records this season: 4 x 800-meter relay (senior **Charmaine Solis**, freshman **Bayley Wade**, and sophomores **Brooklin Grantz** and **Stefany Covarrubias**); sprint medley relay (Charmaine, sophomores **Anna Wingate** and **Alyson Bass**, and freshman **Sarah Welsh**); 4 x 200-meter relay (Anna, Alyson, Charmaine and Bayley).

Team accomplishments include second place in the Faulkner Relays, where the team set three meet records. With only one senior, we are a very young team; however, we are also very talented.

At the Corydon Central Sectional last night, the team finished third. Sectional champions are Charmaine in the 400 meter run, freshman **Morgan Day** in the 100 meter hurdles and Bayley in the 800 meter run. These girls qualify for the Bloomington North Regional next Tuesday (6 p.m.) as do the following: the 4 x 800 meter relay team of Brooklin, Stefany, Bayley and junior **Vanessa Covarrubias**, which placed fourth; the 4 x 400 meter relay team of Alyson, Bayley, Morgan and Charmaine, which placed third; Morgan in the 300 meter hurdles after a third place finish, Charmaine in the 200 meter run after a third place finish, and Sarah in the 100 meter run and high jump after third place finishes in each.

Also placing in the sectional were junior **Taylor Pace**, seventh in the 100 meter hurdles; Stefany, eighth in the 1,600 meter run; the 4 x 100 meter relay team, which placed fifth; Anna, sixth in the 400 meter run; Brooklin, eighth in the 800 meter run; and Vanessa, sixth in the 3,200 meter run.

Charmaine intends to continue her track career in college and will run Women's Track at the US Naval Academy Preparatory School in Newport, R.I.

HOUSE OF HUMILITY PROMOTES HAPPY DAY

The *House of Humility* designated last Friday as the official PHS Happy Day, inspired by the song "Happy," by Pharrell Williams. Members of the House filmed students in the halls before and after school and at lunch in order to create a video celebrating the end of the school year. The video will be shown at school Monday at the end of the school day.

BRAUN SIGNS TO PLAY COLLEGE FOOTBALL, TRACK

Senior **Garrett Braun** has signed with Lake Erie College to play football and run track next season at the NCAA Division II school located in Painesville, Ohio.



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Garrett was a two-year starter as punter for the Pioneers during his junior and senior years. He was voted the team's Special Teams MVP both years. He also was selected to the News & Tribune All-Area teams both seasons.

Garrett also was a four-year varsity member of the track team. He qualified for regional in the 200-meter dash his junior year. In his senior year, he was a part of a school record-breaking 4x100-meter relay team and broke the school record in the 100-meter dash with a time of 10.86 seconds, breaking a record first set in 1956 by **Jack Morris '56** and tied in 1977 by **Billy Block '77**.

GREEN DOT TRAINING TO CONTINUE

More than 100 students have received training in the Green Dot Program thanks to the Center for Women & Families. That training is able to continue - and grow to other schools - thanks to a grant of more than \$21,000 from Verizon Wireless.

The training gives students the tools they need to create and foster a culture of safe relationship behavior. Students are taught to recognize bullying as well as relationship violence and how to respond to deflect the violence, whether by distraction, deflection or delegation. The aim is to replace violence - or "red dots" - with the "green dots" of safe relationship behavior.

Mrs. Jaimie McRae, guidance counselor, co-sponsor of SADD and liaison to the Green Dot Training Program, said she has seen a difference in students' awareness and behavior since the Green Dot Training began two years ago. "I definitely feel students are more aware of issues or behaviors they might encounter and the many ways they can respond when faced with those situations," she said.

Junior **Logan Rauck** has participated in the Green Dot Program for two years. He shared at a news conference, at which the grant was announced, that he now responds differently if he sees classmates bullying or mistreating someone. "I have really grown through participating in Green Dot," he said.



The grant will allow the training to grow at Providence and be introduced to other schools in Southern Indiana and Louisville.

8TH GRADER TO PERFORM IN SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL

Eighth grader **Will DeVary** is eager for next year when he can take theatre classes as a freshman at Providence. But he already has a head start on many of his future classmates. He has been participating in the Walden Theatre Conservatory Program to learn how to act in classical theatre and has performed in three plays, including most recently in *Pericles, Prince of Tyre* by William Shakespeare. Will played Lysimachus, governor of Mytilene. The play was part of the Young American Shakespeare Festival and will have additional performances during Shakespeare in Central Park in Louisville Aug. 6, 8 and 10 at 8 p.m.

Will said he enjoys acting and hopes to have a career that involves acting as well as writing and directing. He also has participated in Walden's Young Playwright Festival and wrote a play that was produced by students in the class. He said he really enjoys taking part in the Walden theatre classes. "I love the atmosphere," he said. "I love the communal environment. It's almost like a family."

THANK YOU TO JOURNALISM CLUB

This year's e-VISION was enriched by the writing talents of members of the Journalism Club. About 20 students signed up to write stories for the school newsletter, and about 10 participated first semester. As the students got busier, three students remained committed to contributing to nearly every issue: juniors **Ashley Bittenbender** and **Ashlyn Edwards** and senior **Katie Chrisco**. We express our gratitude to these students for their dedication and contribution to the school's news. We especially wish Katie good luck next year as she majors in journalism at Indiana University Bloomington and congratulate her on her admittance to the Media Living Learning Center.

PARENT CONNECTION

HELP NEEDED: GALA 2015

We are in the process of forming the Committee for Gala 2015, which will be held on Jan. 24, 2015. If you are interested in serving on this committee, would like to

help in other capacities with this event, or would like more information about what is involved, please contact **Mrs. Debbie Marshall**, director of special events, at dmarshall@providencehigh.net or [812-945-3350 x224](tel:812-945-3350).

END-OF-YEAR SCHEDULE

Parents, please take note of the [special schedules](#) as the school year comes to a close. Most importantly, remember that school is in session on Monday, May 26, Memorial Day, due to the last snow make-up day of the year. Monday will be a special schedule with dismissal at 2:40 p.m. to give students time to clean out their lockers in preparation for the end of school.

Seniors begin their final exams on Monday blocks 3B and 4B. Tuesday continues senior exams and begins final exams for high school underclassmen, with dismissal at noon through Thursday. The office will remain open these days until 4 p.m.

Next Friday will be a full day for all high school students, with dismissal at 3 p.m. Underclassmen will have exams in the morning, while seniors have graduation practice. After lunch, at 1:30 p.m., the Senior Farewell ceremony will be held in the Larkin Center, and senior parents are welcome to attend.

CAMPUS STORE TO CLOSE UNTIL JULY 9

Over the summer, the Campus Store, Guidance Office and Chapel will exchange locations. As a result, the Campus Store will be closed May 25 through July 8. The [online campus store](#) will be functioning, although purchases made June 2-15 will be delayed until the week of June 16. The Campus Store will be located at the west end of the second floor where the Guidance Office now is. The Guidance Office will move to the middle of the second floor, where the Chapel now is. The Chapel will move to the first floor where the Campus Store now is.

The new Campus Store location will feature a glass wall visible from the main lobby to allow for the display of spirit wear. The new location is a more accessible location for parents and more secure for evening shopping sessions. Watch for information on the school website and Facebook page about the new opening.

The new Guidance Office location allows for more office space as well as a conference area where National Honor Society can offer peer tutoring to students. During the last few years, the tutoring has been held in the Alumni Suite, which is a small room down the hall from the Guidance Office, and having the tutoring within the Guidance Office is more preferable. Additionally, the Guidance Office will be directly across the hall from the Learning Support Center, allowing staff of the two offices to work in tandem more readily.

The new Chapel location will be located next to the Campus Ministry Office, which is more convenient to those staff members. Additionally, the new location will provide a quieter prayer and worship space since it is removed from locker areas.

THANK YOU TO OUR AFTER PROM DONORS

By **Mr. Scott Lutgring** and **Mr. Brendan Kelly**, co-chairs

We would like to thank everyone who donated money, gift cards, gifts-in-kind, and your valuable time to make Providence's 2014 After Prom such a smashing success. There was more than \$4,000 given away to students the night of, and that is not even including donations to pay for the inflatables, renting SISC, purchasing food, etc. We would like to thank **Mrs. Shima Gettelfinger** for her leadership this year on the After Prom committee. We cannot imagine After Prom being what it was without her. Thank you also to **Mrs. Karen Quinkert** and **Mrs. Jennifer Smith**. They headed up the food committee and helped us have great food and feed well over 200 mouths. Their service was invaluable. The students appreciated the Qdoba bar, as you can imagine. We also want to thank **Mrs. Susan Ostrader**, **Mr. Chuck** and **Mrs. Marilyn Shumate**, and **Mrs. Melissa Hayes**, who came to numerous After Prom meetings along with anyone else who helped prepare for the event. Thank you to all those who worked the night of, some of you staying 'til the bitter end (3-4 in the morning)!

We also wanted to especially recognize businesses and people who donated at least \$100 or more. Please click [here](#) for a list of donors. We are so sorry if we missed anyone on this list. Please know every donation helped!

ALUMNI IN ACTION

PROVIDENCE ALUMNI NIGHT AT THE BATS

The ticket registration deadline for the Alumni Night at The Bats is just one week away! Alumni, family and friends can enjoy a group outing at the Louisville Bats on Thursday, June 12. Tickets are \$11 and include premium seating in the lower level third base area, section 123. Game time is 7:05 p.m. vs. the Gwinnett Braves. Click [here](#) for information on that evening's promotional events.

To participate in this group outing at this discounted price, tickets must be purchased in advance from Providence. Download the [order form](#), and return the completed form with payment by May 27. Or [click here](#) to purchase by credit card. Seating is limited, so order your tickets today!

REUNION UPDATES

- **1960** (54 years): June 14 summer fun day. Information will be mailed and posted on the class website (www.olp1960.com) in early May.
- **1965** (50 years) The first planning meeting will be June 23 at 6:30 p.m. at Providence. Anyone interested in helping with the planning is welcome to attend. Please email **Kathy (Howell) Kruer '65** at norkath68@twc.com.
- **1969** (45 years): Sept. 20. Save the date information has been sent. If you did not receive it, email providenceclassof1969@gmail.com. To join the private Facebook group, friend **Kathy Shaughnessy**.

- 1974** (40 years): Sept. 12-13. Save the date information has been sent. Join the Our Lady of Providence Class of 1974 on Facebook for more information.
- 1979** (35 years): Planning has begun
- 1984** (30 years): Aug. 23. Activities include a Mystery Bus Tour and gathering at Sheraton Riverside, Jeffersonville. Invitations have been sent. For further information, email choyland@providencehigh.net or [click here](#) to register online.
- 1994** (20 years): Sept 20. More information to come. Join the Providence High School Class of 1994 on Facebook for more information.
- 2004** (10 years): June 14 at Wick's, 2927 Goose Creek Road, Louisville. Invitations have been sent. [Click here](#) to register online.
- 2009** (5 years): Nov. 29 at Wick's, New Albany. Save the date information has been sent.

SAVE THE DATE: PIONEER GOLF SCRAMBLE

Please mark your calendar to join us for our annual Pioneer Golf Scramble to benefit Our Lady of Providence Jr.-Sr. High School's Annual Student Assistance Program on Thursday, August 28, 2014, at Champions Pointe with a 1:00 p.m. shotgun start.

PIONEER RAFFLE 2014

REMINDER - The drawing for Pioneer Raffle will take place on Friday, May 30 at noon at Providence. For more information on raffle and prizes click [here](#). Need tickets? Please contact the Advancement Office at [812-945-3350](tel:812-945-3350).

YEARBOOK GIVEAWAY DAYS

Providence has numerous excess yearbooks from years past beginning with the mid-1970s. Alumni interested in one or more past Providence yearbooks, send an email to school archivist **Mr. Ray Day '57** (rday@providencehigh.net) by Friday, May 30, to arrange a pick-up time and date. Indicate which years you need, and Ray will let you know if they are available. For more information about Providence yearbooks, be sure to read "BLUE NEWS OF OLD: Yearbooks an Annual History Treasure" at the bottom of this issue.

BLUE PRIDE ON DISPLAY

**COACH MULLIS AND FAMILY
JOIN CATHOLIC FAITH**



Math teacher **Mr. Jason Mullis** and his wife had been thinking of joining the Catholic faith for a few years prior to his becoming a Providence faculty member and coach in the fall of 2012. Being part of the Providence community solidified his desire to be a part of the faith community. [Click here](#) to read more.

RETIRED TEACHER BECOMES CONTRIBUTING WRITER

Retired theology teacher Ms. Kathleen Polansky has had an article published in St. Meinrad's Benedictine Oblate newsletter. Her article, entitled "Is it OK to be angry with God?," can be found on p. 7 of the [attached newsletter](#).

BLUE NEWS OF OLD: Yearbooks an Annual History Treasure

By *Ray Day '57*

Your high school yearbooks! Where are yours? Do you have yours? Providence has extra copies to give away. [Click here](#) to read more.



COMING EVENTS

- May 23 - Baccalaureate - 7 p.m. at OLPH Church
- May 24 - 8th Grade Deanery Dance
- May 26 - School in Session (Snow Make Up Day)
- May 27 - Final Exams, Noon Dismissal
- May 28 - Final Exams, Noon Dismissal
- May 28 - Junior High Awards
- May 29 - Final Exams, Noon Dismissal
- May 29 - 8th Grade Graduation - 7 p.m. - Robinson Auditorium

May 30 - Last Day of School; Underclassman Exams (full day)
May 30 - Graduation Practice and Senior Farewell
May 30 - Pioneer Raffle Drawing - Noon at PHS
June 1 - Senior Graduation - 5 p.m. - Larkin Center
June 12 - [Alumni Night - Louisville Bats](#) 7 p.m.
August 28 - 2014 Pioneer Golf Scramble - Champions Pointe - 1:00 p.m. shotgun start

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And lastly...

With the end of May comes the end of the 2013-2014 school year. While you take a summer break, your e-VISION Newsletter staff merely slows down a little. Only two issues will be published over the summer. Watch your e-mailbox on June 11 and again on July 16 for the latest summer news from Providence. In early August we will resume our twice-monthly schedule.

During that time we will continue to post important news to the school website and Facebook pages. Watch the IN THE NEWS box, PRAYER LINE, and IN MEMORIAM links for important news and information.

In the meantime, we wish you a fun, safe, and enjoyable break from the school routine.

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