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## E-LEARNING KEEPS SCHOOL CALENDAR, STUDENTS ON TRACK

Many parents and alumni remember well the winter of 1978 (or maybe even 1994) when snow shut down school for more than two weeks. After that harsh winter, area municipalities invested in more snow removal equipment, and eventually Indiana required missed days to be made up to meet the mandated 180 instructional days. Times have changed, and thanks to the iPad initiative, Providence was able to offer eLearning days last week as the region was gripped by snow and bitter cold and allow lessons to continue on time. [Click here to read more.](#)

## STUDENTS IN ACTION

### GIRLS BASKETBALL WINS FIRST SECTIONAL

The Girls Basketball team won the program's first ever sectional and regional titles and will advance to the Jeffersonville 2A Semi-State on Saturday at 6:00 p.m. Tickets are on sale during the school day in the Athletic Office through Friday at noon for \$8. Adults may purchase tickets Friday night at the Boys Basketball game vs. New Washington.

The Lady Pioneers won the sectional championship when the team beat Crawford County 66-44. On Monday during the first game of regional, the No. 11-ranked Lady Pioneers beat No. 17-ranked North Knox 68-47. Last night, the girls put forth a concerted effort on defense and pulled away

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from No. 12 Switzerland County to win 49-42 for the championship. Congratulations to the team and Coach Brad Burden!

## WRESTLER QUALIFIES FOR STATE CONTEST

The Pioneer Wrestling team had a successful season, with senior **Matt Hayes** qualifying for the state finals - the fifth wrestler in PHS Wrestling history to do so and the first since 2008. He finished his season with a 32-4 record and won his third straight sectional championship at the 182-pound weight class. He followed that up with a regional championship the next week. At semi-state, he placed third.

Matt's other accomplishments include being named Outstanding Wrestler at the Scottsburg Warrior Classic in January. He led the team to a fifth place finish at the competitive Evansville Memorial Wrestling Tournament at the start of the season as champion of the 182-pound weight class. Matt was the team's only senior and was selected for the Indiana High School Wrestling Coaches Association Senior Academic All-State First Team. **Josh Rinzel**, the team's only junior, was selected for the Junior Academic All-State First Team. Josh was conference champion, winning the Heavyweight Division at the Southern Indiana Wrestling Conference by beating a wrestler ranked No. 5 in the state in the finals. At sectional, Josh placed fifth, one spot away from advancing to regional.

Other standout accomplishments include sophomore **Evan Rogers** qualifying for regional at the 106-pound weight class. Other wrestlers placing at sectional but not advancing include sophomores **Carter Mullins** (fifth), **Cody Sprigler** (sixth), **Alex Rogers** (sixth), **Micah Oberhausen** (fifth), **Jeffrey Krieger** (sixth) and **Cameron Hazen** (fifth).

## BOYS SWIM & DIVE TEAM MEMBERS ADVANCE TO SECTIONAL FINAL

The Boys Swim & Dive team finished out its season with some outstanding performances at the sectional finals earlier this week. Sophomore **Keith Bremmer** placed 14th overall in 100-yard breaststroke, and sophomore **Nick Berry** took sixth place in diving.

The relay team of Keith, junior **Nathan Marriott**, sophomore **Grayson Edwards** and freshman **Nick Katchur** advanced to the sectional finals in the 200-yard medley relay and the 200-yard freestyle relay but had to scratch because a swimmer was out of town. Nick Katchur also qualified as an alternate in the sectional finals in the 500-yard freestyle.

Overall, the boys had a great season with a lot of improvements on times, including Keith, who had a first place in the 100 breaststroke at a dual meet with Seymour earlier this month.

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## SENIOR TO START MODELING CAREER IN NEW YORK

By senior *Delaney Goss*

Senior **Abby Hendershot** will get a head start on her career after graduation. She is putting off college for a year to pursue modeling in New York. She has been modeling locally for several years and has signed with three agencies for her modeling career. Her primary agency is Heyman Talent in Louisville, and the other two agencies are Factor Women in Chicago and DNA Model Management in New York.



Abby will be living in a modeling apartment with four other girls.

Depending on how the year goes will determine her plans for the future. Her career goals include walking the runway in all the major fashion weeks in New York, Paris, Milan and London. She said her favorite part about modeling is walking the runway because it gives her an adrenaline rush every time.

"I'm grateful for this amazing opportunity because I know a lot of people don't have the chance to do this," she said. "I am so lucky to have all of my support from my family and friends."

Abby's favorite designer whom she has worked with so far is Gunner Deatherage, a local designer who has starred on Project Runway. In fact Abby will be wearing one of his dress designs to prom this May. Abby does have plans for college in the future whether it be a university or just online classes. She intends to major in architecture.

## FRESHMAN MAKES CROSS FOR ENGLISH CLASSROOM



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By senior **Ashley Bittenbender**

Freshman **Nathan Smith** has done something incredible this month. He handcrafted a cross for **Mrs. Elizabeth Bentley** after her classroom crucifix fell and broke. Nathan, who does woodcarving for a hobby and has made other crosses in the past, chiseled the piece of plywood himself, forming it into a cross. He then stained it with polyurethane and gifted it to Mrs. Bentley. He hopes it will remain in her classroom for many years.



Mrs. Bentley said she was touched by his gift. "It's not elaborate, but it's pretty," she said. "It was sweet of him to do that."

## LOYALTY COLLECTING PROM PROJECT ITEMS

The *House of Loyalty* is collecting gently used Prom dresses, accessories, shoes and purses for those less fortunate in the community who cannot afford a prom night themselves. Last year, the House's Prom Project collection tripled the amount of dresses and items received the year before. This year, House members hope to collect even more.

Students can drop off items in the student entrance through March 6. Parents can drop off items to the main office. The House of Loyalty will then take the items to Northside Christian Church in Louisville.

## SENIORS WIN STATE CONTEST, SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to seniors **Alyssa Jones** and **Jordan Reger** on their recent accomplishments. Alyssa is a recipient of a McDonald's Restaurants of Kentuckiana Black History Makers of Tomorrow scholarship. She is one of 10 scholarship winners and the only one from Indiana and will receive \$1,500 towards the college of her choice. The scholarship is open to area students who have at least one parent of African American or Black Caribbean descent and who exhibit qualities of leadership, scholarship, good citizenship and community service. She will receive the scholarship at a special ceremony on Thursday evening.

Jordan won gold in Division I vocals at the ISSMA State Vocal/Piano Solo and Ensemble in Indianapolis for the fourth year in a row. She has participated in the contest since fifth grade and also competed in piano her first two years. In grade school, she won gold in Division II at the regional level but was not eligible to compete in the Division I level until



## PARENT CONNECTION

### BOYS BASKETBALL SECTIONAL TICKETS ON SALE FRIDAY

Tickets to the [Boys Basketball 2A sectional](#) will be on sale Friday during the boys' game vs. New Washington. Tickets are \$10 for an all-session pass. The Pioneers will face Henryville on Tuesday, March 3, at 7:30 p.m. Tickets at the door are \$6 per game or \$10 for an all-session ticket.

### DEANERY ACADEMIC OLYMPICS FRIDAY

We welcome the Deanery Academic Olympics teams on Friday. The event is hosted by the Quick Recall team and features a quiz bowl contest between junior high Deanery teams.

### THIRD QUARTER ENDS NEXT WEEK

The third quarter grading period ends Friday, March 6. Parents will receive an email notification and attachments with important information by the end of the following week.

As of now, Providence has no school days to make up, thanks to the PHS eLearning Program initiated last week during bad weather. However, parents are still asked to hold the week of March 16 as potential snow make up days, should we face inclement weather that would not allow additional eLearning days.

### ISTEP FOR JUNIOR HIGH NEXT WEEK

ISTEP testing for grades seventh and eighth is March 4-6, with testing beginning first block. Students should report to their testing areas with two No. 2 pencils and an approved calculator. All other items should be left in their locker. Students should get a good night's sleep and eat a good breakfast before each day of testing.

### FOOTBALL SPONSORS MULCH SALE

The Football Team is once again selling mulch just in time for your spring landscape needs. Paid orders are due by Friday, March 13, and the mulch will be available for pick-up on April 11. Orders of 25 or more bags can be delivered at no additional charge. [Click here for the order form.](#)

## ALUMNI IN ACTION

### LAST SENIOR RETREAT COMING SOON

The fourth and final Senior Retreat of the school year will begin March 10. Please keep these seniors and the leaders in your prayers. For more information, please email **Mrs. Leah (Cissell) Kelly**

'05 at [kelly@providencehigh.net](mailto:kelly@providencehigh.net).

## REUNION UPDATE

Providence has been notified of the following reunions:

- 1955 - (60 years) July 23, 2015, at Buckhead's Mountain Grill. More information to follow in coming months.
- 1960 - (55 years) Sept. 19, 2015. More information to follow in coming months. Also, check out the [class website](#)
- 1965 - (50 years) Save the date information has been sent for the following two events: Golden Diploma Ceremony & Dinner at Providence April 23, 2015, and the 50th Reunion Celebration on July 11, 2015. Invitations for the Golden Diploma event will be mailed early next month.
- 1970 - (45 years) Sept. 5, 2015, at Dave Young's party barn. For more information, email [kathy.kull70@gmail.com](mailto:kathy.kull70@gmail.com) or call (812) 948-9356 or (502) 558-0173.
- 2000 - (15 years) Nov. 7, 2015. Location TBD. Save the date information has been sent.
- 2010 - (5 years) Sept. 19, 2015, at Big Four Burgers in Jeffersonville. Save the date information has been sent.

Reunion planning for classes with years ending in 5 or 0 has begun. If you are interested in helping plan your class reunion, email [alumni@providencehigh.net](mailto:alumni@providencehigh.net). The Office of Alumni Relations has yet to hear from the class of 1990.

## ALUMNI NEEDED: DARE TO CARE SORTING EVENT

Alumni are invited to attend the annual Alumni Association Dare to Care Sorting Event on March 5, 2015, from 5-7 p.m. at the Dare to Care Food Bank in Louisville. Alumni and students will work together to sort and pack canned goods to be distributed to local food banks. This is a fun way to give back to the community and help those in need. If you would like to participate, please email [alumni@providencehigh.net](mailto:alumni@providencehigh.net).

## BLUE PRIDE ON DISPLAY

## '00 GRAD NAMED MILITARY SPOUSE OF YEAR THANKS TO PROVIDENCE

It's amazing how the Providence family continues to support one another long after graduation. **Valerie (Uhl) Billau '00** is a recipient of that support. Billau credits her connection to Providence with her having been named Military Spouse of the Year for Ellsworth Air Force Base, where her husband is stationed. [Click here to read more.](#)



## **BLUE NEWS OF OLD:** *Sisters From The Convent*

By **Ray Day '57**, school archivist



*Following the BLUE NEWS OF OLD story in our Feb. 11, 2015, issue of e-VISION about the razing of the old convent, I received an email from a former religion and commerce teacher, **Sister Alice Ann Rhinesmith, S.P.** She pointed out that two former Sisters of Providence teachers were celebrating the 60th anniversaries in the Providence congregation, **Sister Ruth Ellen Doane, S.P.**, pictured at left, and **Sister Marilyn Trobaugh, S.P.** [Click here to read more.](#)*

## **COMING EVENTS**

**Feb 27** - Deanery Academic Olympics

**March 1** - An Evening of Love Songs: A Coffee House Showcase - 6:00 p.m. - Activity Center

**March 4-5** - Student Lenten Services

**March 4-6** - ISTEP for grades 7 & 8

**March 5** - Alumni Association Dare to Care Food Sorting Event - 5:00-7:00 p.m. - Dare to Care Food Bank in Louisville

**March 6** - Third Quarter ends

**March 6** - Last day for House of Loyalty Prom Project collection

**March 10-13** - Fourth Senior Retreat

**March 16-27** - Spring Break

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## **And lastly...**

*A Lenten Reflection - Our sense of excitement and anticipation will grow more easily if we begin to imagine what God wants to give us. Something is coming that can truly look forward to. If we focus too much on what we*

*are going to do or not do, we risk missing out on the gift God wants to give us. Lent is about God's great desire to bless us. All grace comes from God and is, therefore, God's gift. It is given to us to free us to love others as our Lord has loved us. What we want is to receive what God wants to give us.*

From [Praying Lent](#) by Andy Alexander, SJ, and Maureen McCann Waldron.

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