



Senior Sarah Posante receives four-year Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship

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SENIOR WINS LILLY FOUR-YEAR SCHOLARSHIP

Congratulations to senior **Sarah Posante**, one of four area recipients of the prestigious Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship - and the only one from Providence. The scholarship includes four years' tuition to an Indiana college of her choice plus a \$900 stipend for books and equipment each year.

Sarah plans to attend IUPUI in Indianapolis and major in math or biology and minor in Spanish with the goal of going on to dental school. She will make her final decision on her major by May 1 to comply with the requirements of the scholarship.

Before hearing of her scholarship win, Sarah was considering attending IUPUI or the University of North Carolina at Wilmington, but the scholarship announcement finalized her decision, she said. She received the letter informing her of the scholarship on April 1 and originally thought her mother was playing an April Fool's joke on her. Once she realized it was real, she was "really excited and thankful," she said. "The timing was just a funny

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coincidence."

Sarah was a four-year varsity Girls Soccer player and plans to play intramural soccer in college. She is the niece of Providence alumni **Rebecca Posante '68** and **Ronald '69 & Beth (Uhl '71) Posante**.

Senior recognized in Business First

Senior **Nathan Shumate** is the latest senior to be recognized in the "First Honors" supplement of Business First for being among the top students in his class academically and for extracurricular involvement, as nominated by the Providence Guidance Department. Congratulations!

Students win Right to Life contests

Congratulations to three of our students who won prizes in the Right to Life of Southern Indiana 2015 Value of Life Contest. Senior **Kay Williams** won the Right to Life of Southern Indiana 2015 Value of Life scholarship. She received a \$500 scholarship to college for writing an essay on a pro-life topic. Freshman **Ethan Furnish** won the oratory contest for eighth through 10th graders and received \$100. Sophomore **Ragan Williams**, Kay's younger sister, won third place in the essay contest and won \$10.

STUDENTS IN ACTION

SOPHOMORE PLACES IN ELITE TRACK INVITATIONAL

Over the weekend, sophomore Girls Track member **Sarah Welsh** placed seventh in the high jump in the Midwest Prep Invitational. Other Pioneers who qualified for this invitation-only track meet include sophomore **Morgan Day** in the 100 meter hurdles and 300 meter hurdles, sophomore **Bayley Wade** in the 800 meter run, and senior **Keaton Spitler** in the 400 meter run. Morgan ran her personal best in the 300 hurdles but did not place. Congratulations!

Girls Basketball players honorable mention in All State

Congratulations to Girls Basketball players sophomores **Claire Rauck**, **Hannah Wolford** and **Marissa Hornung** for being named to AP All State Girls Basketball Team. Claire was named to the High Honorable Mention Team, and Hannah and Marissa were named to the

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Honorable Mention Team. Claire also was named to the Courier-Journal All-Southern Indiana First Team and Hannah made All-Southern Indiana Honorable Mention. The 2015 Girls Basketball team had three of the top 60 players in the state.

JUNIORS LEARN ABOUT LEADERSHIP, COMMUNITY IN NEXGEN

Six juniors have taken part in various activities throughout the school year to learn about the community and to grow their skills in team building, communication, leadership and financial literacy through the NEXGEN program. The students participated in four class days throughout the school year, attending workshops and touring various government, tourist and historical spots in the area. [Click to read more.](#)

FRESHMEN TAKE PART IN RETREATS

The freshman class has been taking part in retreat days at Mt. St. Francis' team building ropes course. The following students offer a reflection on their experience:

Freshman **Mary Claire Natalie:** "On retreat we did many problem solving and trust building activities. The activities were really fun, but I also learned from them, especially how to work as a team with people you might not be too close with. Retreat helped me become closer to my classmates.

"The first activity we had to do was gather in a circle and keep the beach ball in the air by hitting up and passing it to one another. In the beginning of this activity, nobody was working and communicating together. Finally, we all worked together and found a solution. Another team-bonding activity we had to do was try to pass this small ball to each other. Just like the last activity, we didn't work together in the beginning, but then we listened to each other's solutions and tried them.

"When it was time to jump off the pole, I was really nervous about the whole thing, but I knew I was safe if I just trusted my classmates. When I arrived at the top of the pole, I had to believe in myself and be courageous. When I finally jumped down, I gained trust in my classmates. I think retreat was a



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great way to bond and gain trust with everyone."

Freshman **Adam Garcia**: "Freshman Retreat taught me a lot, not only about others, but about myself. Freshman Retreat taught me the importance of trusting my peers. I discovered that once I trust my friends to support me, I can overcome any obstacle. I also learned to trust myself. When I quite literally took a leap of faith, I discovered a bit of courage that was hiding inside of me all along.

"I also learned along the way that it's okay to swallow your pride and ask for help sometimes, even if it seems that you have everything under control. Odds are, you don't. Sometimes, asking for help is the only way out, like when you are wandering in a maze with no end.

"Freshman Retreat taught me important life skills such as teamwork, communication and trust. I will never forget jumping into the air and being at the mercy of a handful of ropes and pulleys, and being lowered down to safety by my friends."

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY DONATES BOOKS TO HEAD START



Members of the National Honor Society collected children's storybooks for the Summer Literacy program through Clark County Head Start/Community Action of Southern Indiana. The NHS members collected

three boxes of books.

GREEN DOT CONTINUES TO SPREAD ANTI-VIOLENCE MESSAGE

Last week, 25 more students took part in the latest Green Dot Bystander Training program. The training, provided by the Center for Women and Families, gives students the tools they need to create and foster a culture of safe relationship behavior. [Click to read more.](#)

STUDENTS ATTEND SADD CONFERENCE

Last week, nine juniors attended the annual Indiana SADD conference, taking part in the state organization's Quick Click Challenge and attending education sessions. **Brooklin Grantz** was one of the PHS SADD members who attended. She said she enjoyed listening to the featured speaker Johan Khalilian, a motivational speaker who shared his story about overcoming a life seemingly destined for gangs and violence in Chicago and was "an inspiration to fight for what you believe in and for who you want to be in life."

Brooklin said she learned a lot from the sessions she attended on the dangers of e-cigarettes, dealing with stress, and the addiction dangers of prescription drugs. "Being a part of SADD and having the opportunity to take part in such a conference is a great blessing," she said. "Every day I am faced with decisions that could either help or harm, and I am fortunate to have a group that educates and encourages me to make the right ones. The conference strengthens what we learn and advocate for as a group and gives the participating students the chance to share what they learn with their peers at home. Providence SADD is an excellent opportunity and enhancement for the community and student life."

JUNIOR HIGH STUDENTS ENJOY TRAVELS

The junior high spent last week traveling, with the seventh grade visiting Chicago in the second half of the week and the eighth grade visiting Washington, D.C., for the full week. The students enjoyed visiting the various historic and tourist locations in the different cities. [Click to read more.](#)



PARENT CONNECTION

PLAN AHEAD FOR LIMITED PARKING AT GRADUATION

Due to construction on the front field, parking will be limited at graduation. Senior parents will receive two parking passes

to enter campus prior to 4:30 p.m. on May 31. The public will be allowed onto campus starting at 4:30, and graduation starts at 5:00 p.m. Families and friends are encouraged to carpool. Reminder: cars parked on neighboring streets and business parking lots may be towed.

ARCHBISHOP'S MASS BEGINS SENIOR ACTIVITIES

Next week starts the first of many senior activities as the seniors finish out their final year at Providence. On Wednesday, the seniors will gather at St. Augustine for the Archbishop's Senior Mass. On Thursday, many of the seniors will participate in Senior Assistance Day, when they will "take over" the job of a teacher or staff member. For a complete list of senior activities, [click here](#).

HERFF JONES AVAILABLE FOR RING ORDERS TODAY

Today, April 22, freshman students and their parents will have an opportunity to view and/or purchase class rings through Herff Jones in preparation for the Sophomore Ring Ceremony next fall.

Representatives of the company will be in the Activity Center today from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. Students can also place their orders with Herff Jones representatives during lunch on Thursday.

FOURTH QUARTER PROGRESS REPORTS READY SOON

Parents will be receiving an email tomorrow or Friday notifying them of their student's Fourth Quarter Progress Report availability. Please be sure to read the attachments for important information.

No school Oaks Day

Just a reminder that there will be no school Friday, May 1.

FINAL WEEKEND FOR SEUSSICAL

Tomorrow begins the final weekend for the spring musical, *Seussical the Musical*. Show times are April 23-25 at 7:30 p.m. and April 26 at 2:00 p.m. in the Sam and Paula Robinson Performing Arts Center. Sunday's show is almost a

sellout, and other shows are selling fast, so buy your tickets now. You won't want to miss this fun, colorful, amusing show featuring the incredible talent of our students.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children through grade eight and may be purchased online at www.providencehigh.net by clicking on the Buy Tickets Now! button or by calling (812) 945-2538 ext. 328.

ECA/AP TESTS COMING SOON

Important standardized tests are scheduled for various students over the next few weeks. On Monday, our junior high will begin completing the second set of ISTEP tests. Students should report directly to their assigned testing rooms in the morning of their test with only No. 2 pencils and an approved calculator. No backpacks or other items are allowed in the testing rooms.

Students taking English 10, Biology I and Algebra I, including honors courses, will take End of Course Assessments (ECA) starting May 4. Students will be notified of their course testing day and should report directly to the computer lab or library. Students taking the Algebra I test can bring an approved calculator. No other materials are allowed in the testing area.

Students taking AP courses will begin taking their course exams to earn college credit beginning May 4. The schedule is as follows:

- May 4 - AP Chemistry
- May 5 - AP Calculus
- May 6 - AP English Literature
- May 8 - AP US History - 8:00 a.m.; AP European History - noon
- May 11 - AP Biology
- May 12 - AP Government
- May 13 - AP English Language & Composition

All students taking AP tests in May are required to attend an AP Test Pre-Administration session on Friday.

Students should get a good night's sleep and eat a healthy breakfast prior to testing.

RECORD CROWD AT SENIOR/MOTHER LUNCH



We thank all the seniors and their mothers who attended the Senior/Mother Luncheon last weekend. More than 175 people enjoyed lunch, student and adult speakers, and other activities. We also thank all

those involved with making it a special day, especially the freshman moms who organized and put on the event, including chairperson **Mrs. Susan Wagner**.

We also thank **Mr. Brad Burden**, the guest speaker; **Mr. Steve Koopman** for providing free photos of each senior and his/her mother, **Mrs. Amy Lorenz** for helping with photography, and the following businesses that donated items: **Sweet Stuff Bakery** (desserts), **Sweets by Morgan/Morgan Coomer '07** (desserts), **Williams Bakery**(desserts), **Mimo's Pizzeria** (gift card), **Chair Flair/Mary (Amos) Zoller '80** (chair covers), and **McAlister's Deli**(tea). **Mrs. Kerry Jones**, assistant principal, also donated desserts.

Many of the freshman moms donated items or their time and talents to decorate or serve those attending. **Orange Clover/Rachel (Hall) Smallwood '00** catered the event.



ALUMNI IN ACTION

GOLDEN GRADUATION DINNER CELEBRATES 50TH REUNION

Members of the Class of 1965 will celebrate their 50th anniversary as Providence graduates at the Golden Graduation Dinner tomorrow at Providence. More than 50 members of the Class of 1965 and their guests will attend the dinner and enjoy discounted tickets to the spring musical. Alumni from 1965 not able to attend can request a diploma be mailed to them. Email alumni@providencehigh.net.

POKER NIGHT TO RAISE SCHOLARSHIP FUNDS

Support the Alumni Association Scholarship Fund and enjoy a night of poker at the Alumni Association Texas Hold 'Em Tournament at Sacred Heart Church's Walpole Hall on Saturday, April. 25, at 7:00 p.m. Registration is at 6:30, and the buy-in is \$50. Concessions will be available for sale throughout the evening.

The public is invited, and alumni are especially encouraged to attend. Charity Gaming Night License No.137333. For more information, email alumni@providencehigh.net.

2014 YEARBOOKS ARE IN

The 2014 yearbooks have arrived and are available for pick-up in the school's Main Office.

REUNION UPDATE

Providence has been notified of the following reunions:

- 1955 - (60 years) July 23 at Buckhead's Mountain Grill. More information to follow in coming months.
- 1958 - (annual May reunion) May 15 at 6:00 p.m. at Covered Bridge. If you need more info, please contact **Mary Lee Eldridge** at gram9023@twc.com.
- 1960 - (55 years) Sept. 19. More information to follow. Also, check out the [class website](#).
- 1965 - (50 years) Golden Diploma Ceremony & Dinner at Providence April 23; 50th Reunion Celebration on July 11, 2015 (save-the-date information has been sent).
- 1970 - (45 years) Sept. 5 at Dave Young's party barn. For more information, email kathy.kull70@gmail.com or call (812) 948-9356 or (502) 558-0173.
- 1975 - (40 years) Aug. 21-23. Grad night at Cluckers in Jeffersonville and reunion at Buckhead in Jeffersonville - and much more.
- 1980 - (35 years) Aug. 29. Grad night at Covered Bridge Recreation Center. Save the date information will be sent soon.
- 2000 - (15 years) Nov. 7. Location TBD. Save the date has been sent.
- 2005 - (10 years) Aug. 8 at O-Shea's downtown Louisville. Save the date info has been sent.

- 2010 - (5 years) Sept. 19 at Big Four Burgers in Jeffersonville. Save the date has been sent.

Planning is underway for the years 1985, 1990 and 1995. More information will be available soon.

BLUE PRIDE ON DISPLAY

1965 GRADS PROUD OF GRANDCHILDREN GRADUATING 50 YEARS LATER

It's not uncommon for classmates to fall in love and marry after high school. A number of them send their children to Providence to enjoy the same positive experience they themselves had. Many of them also enjoy having their grandchildren carry on the Providence tradition. This year,



two couples who graduated in 1965 are celebrating 50 years as Providence graduates and looking forward to watching their granddaughters receive their own diplomas on May 31. **Paul '65** and **Patty (Ward '65) Reger** will have granddaughter senior **Jordan Reger** graduate this year, and **Gene '65** and **Barbara (Jackson '65) Kochert** (pictured above) will have senior **Tori Quinn** graduate.

[Click here to read more.](#)

BLUE NEWS OF OLD: DINNER THEATRE TRADITION UNIQUELY PROVIDENCE

By Ray Day '57, school archivist

Long before the 2015 production of *Seussical the Musical* and before construction of the Sam and Paula Robinson Performing Arts Center, the annual spring musical at Providence was staged in the old gymnasium. Each spring, the gym was transformed into a



theatre, and for many years, Providence was home to its own dinner theatre program. [Click here to read more.](#)

COMING EVENTS

April 23 - 25 - Spring Musical *Seussical* - 7:30 p.m.
April 25 - Alumni Association Texas Hold 'Em Tournament at 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church's Walpole Hall
April 26 - Spring Musical *Seussical* - 2:00 p.m.
April 27-29 - Providence Cheer Team Tryouts (see story above for times and locations)
April 29 - Senior Mass With Archbishop
May 1 - No School
May 1 - PHS Dance Team Tryouts- 6-9 p.m.
May 2 - PHS Dance Team Tryouts - 9 a.m.-NOON
May 3 - PHS Dance Team Tryouts - 2-5 p.m.
May 3 - National Honor Society Induction at 7:00 p.m. in the Robinson Auditorium
May 7 - May Crowning - Liturgy Schedule
May 9 - Junior/Senior Prom
May 11 - Deanery Fine Arts Fair
May 12 - 8th Grade Deanery Mass and Picnic
May 17 - Senior Awards Ceremony - 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Robinson Auditorium
May 28 - 8th Grade Graduation
May 29 - Last Day of School
May 29 - Baccalaureate at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary of the Knobs
May 31 - Senior Graduation at 5:00 p.m. in the Larkin Center

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And lastly...

Congratulations to **Mr. and Mrs. Brendan and Leah (Cissell '05) Kelly** on the April 18 birth of their daughter Clare Catherine.

Mr. Kelly is a PHS theology teacher and Mrs. Kelly is PHS Director of Campus Ministry.

Welcome **Miss Clare Catherine Kelly (PHS Class of '33)!**

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