



SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL Opens Next Weekend

## PROVIDENCE e-VISION NEWS

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## SEUSSICAL THE MUSICAL SURE TO ENTERTAIN

The Providence spring musical "[Seussical the Musical](#)" promises to be an evening of "fun and surprises," said director **Mrs. Ellen Holifield**. The show features an original story based on the books of Dr. Seuss, including The Cat in the Hat, How the Grinch Stole Christmas, Horton Hears a Who, and other Seuss favorites. But the message is for those of all ages.

"Seussical intertwines a number of Dr. Seuss' favorite books and characters, and while it might be based on children's books, the heart of this musical is full of meaningful messages such as the dignity of others, never giving up, keeping promises and the power of imagination," Mrs. Holifield said.

The play will feature the characters The Cat in the Hat (senior **Jordan Reger**), Horton the Elephant (senior **Josh Frost**), Gertrude McFuzz (senior **Sommer Dean**), Mayzie LaBird (senior **Ashley Bittenbender**), Mr. Mayor (sophomore **Kevin Chrisco**), Mrs. Mayor (senior **Elizabeth Aubrey**), The Sour Kangaroo (senior **Alex Duffy-Dries**), JoJo (senior **Wynne Gettelfinger**), General Ghengis Kahn Schmitz (junior **Ben Popson**) and many more.

Show times are April 19 at 2:00 p.m., 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.

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Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$8 for children through grade eight and may be purchased online at [www.providencehigh.net](http://www.providencehigh.net) by clicking on the Buy Tickets Now! button or by calling (812) 945-2538 ext. 328. Tickets are selling fast, with the two Sunday shows near sell out, so order soon!

The premiere fundraising dinner and show is Friday, April 17. Tickets are \$100. For more information, email **Ms. Kerry Jones** at [kjones@providencehigh.net](mailto:kjones@providencehigh.net).

## STUDENTS IN ACTION

### SOPHOMORE WINS VOCATION ESSAY CONTEST

Congratulations to sophomore **Katrina ("Kat") Cooper**, the winner of the 2015 Serra Club of Indianapolis Vocations Essay contest. The Serra Club supports religious vocations by their prayer, support and bringing about greater awareness through activities such as the essay contest. Kat won the sophomore division, which means her vocations essay was selected out of all the other entries from sophomores in the Archdiocese of Indianapolis. She will receive a cash prize, and her essay will appear in the archdiocesan paper The Criterion later this year. She will attend a luncheon hosted by the Serra Club with her parents and her theology teacher, **Mr. Scott Lutgring**, and she will read her essay along with the winners in the other grade levels (7-12) who attend various high schools in the archdiocese.

### SENIOR NAMED TO REGIONAL ACADEMIC ALL-STARS

Senior **Ryan Mueller** has been selected as a 2015 Regional Academic All-Star by the Indiana Association of Schools Principals. He is one of 50 regional academic all-stars throughout the state and will be honored at an awards luncheon in Indianapolis on April 15.

Ryan was nominated by the Providence administration for his excellence in academics and involvement in extra-curricular activities. He nominated **Mr. Scott Hutchins '91** as the faculty member from Providence who has been instrumental in his academic achievement. Ryan is undecided about his college choice but plans to pursue a pre-medicine path by majoring in biology with a minor in Spanish.

### STUDENT ATHLETES MAKE ALL-AREA TEAMS

Congratulations to sophomore **Claire Rauck** and senior **Matt Hayes**, who were named semi-finalists for the NTSPY Player of the Year award in Girls Basketball and Wrestling, respectively. Each also made the News &

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Tribune All-Area First Team in his or her respective sport. Additionally, freshman **Hannah Wolford** was named to the All-Area Second Team and sophomore **Cheyenne Brooks** and freshman **Marissa Hornung** were named to the All-Area Third Team. **Coach Brad Burden** was named Coach of the Year for Girls Basketball.

Claire also was named to the Indiana Basketball Coaches Association's Top 100 Girls Underclass players in the state. She is invited to take part in the Girls Top 100 Underclass Showcase on July 7 at Ben Davis High School in Indianapolis. The event features players participating in controlled drills and scrimmage games throughout the day.

*Boys Basketball* players sophomore **Juston Betz** and junior **Griffin Libs** received News & Tribune All-Area Honorable Mention.

*Dance places fourth at state*

In other Athletics News, the Dance team placed fourth at state in the IHSOTA Class A Varsity Pom Division. It was the team's first time at state finals. Congratulations!

*Girls Tennis coach now rater for District 8*

Girls Tennis **Coach Vince DiNoto** is now one of two raters for District 8 for Girls Tennis. In addition to coaching, he will help determine the top eight teams in the district each week and recommend teams for the top 30 teams in the state. He will also help select players receiving all district singles, all district doubles and all-state honors.

## JUNIOR TO RETURN TO NICARAGUA AS SERVANT LEADER



Junior **Makenzie Koerner** experienced much more than a week of service during her first trip to Nicaragua serving with Amigos for Christ two summers ago. She developed a love for the people and a deep respect for the non-profit organization that serves them. Last year, she applied to become a short-

term servant leader for Amigos for Christ but wasn't accepted. Still, she persevered and reapplied -- and this time she will serve as a leader in Nicaragua for three weeks. [Click here to read more.](#)

## SENIOR'S ART NOW A RUBBER STAMP DESIGN

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Senior **Wynne Gettelfinger** loves to draw. She even has an Instagram account set up in which she uploads a new doodle every day to keep herself drawing daily. One of her doodles caught the attention of a friend of her mother's when she posted it on her own Facebook page. That friend owns Sweet 'n Sassy Stamps, which sells clear and plastic stamps and steel dies to paper crafters.



Sweet 'n Sassy has used Wynne's designs to create stamp and die sets based on the

character

Winnie,

including a Winnie's Warm Wishes clear stamp set, Winter with Winnie clear stamp set, and Windy Winnie clear stamp and die sets. Wynne was paid for her design and also receives five percent commission on each stamp or die set sold.



Wynne said she is pleased to have her art turned into a stamp and also has her artwork for sale via [Society6](#). The online retailer allows her to upload her art, which the company then places on a variety of

products which can be purchased. One of her products is a tote bag featuring her drawing for the spring musical, Seussical. Her design also is being used on the program covers and T-shirts for the musical.

Wynne has yet to decide where she will attend college but intends to major in animation, which is her favorite type of drawing. "I like the story aspect of it," she said. "With art, you're always telling a story, but with animation you make it move and breathe and dance and get readers hooked on the story."

## FRENCH STUDENTS ENJOY EXCHANGE TRIP TO FRANCE

Over spring break, more than a dozen students in French class traveled to France as part of an exchange program with the Sister Cities Program of Clarksville. Students from La Garenne-Colombes, France, visited Clarksville and stayed with some of our students in the fall. The spring visit was a chance for our students to visit the students they previously hosted.

Junior **Maresa Kelly** was one of the students who made the trip and



[Tyler Zoller Website](http://www.tylerzoller.com)

particularly liked the visit to France, especially its historic architecture such as the Arc de Triomphe, the Place de la Concorde and Notre Dame Cathedral. She also enjoyed more commonplace activities, such as going with her host family to the "market." "I was amazed," she said. "It was huge! There were fruits, vegetables, meats, fish, clothes and even mattresses spanning blocks. The best part was it seemed like a meeting place for the whole town. We stopped and talked to at least 15 people while we were there. I was surprised to feel at home even thousands of miles away. My host family welcomed me with open arms, and I formed friendships that will last a lifetime."

## SADD MEMBERS SHARE ORGANIZATION'S MISSION

Seven members of the PHS SADD organization attended an early morning breakfast over their spring break to share the message of prevention and the purpose of their organization. The students attended the LifeSprings Prevention Coalition Breakfast and performed a prevention skit and spoke about SADD. More than 150 community members were in attendance including the Jeffersonville mayor, community service providers, law enforcement members, and **Bill Stanczykiewicz**, president of Indiana Youth Institute (IYI). **Mrs. Melissa Jackson**, guidance counselor and club sponsor, said the students received many compliments.

## STUDENTS SERVE AS PAGES TO INDIANA SENATOR

Juniors **Abbi Hamm** and **Dori Welch** recently served as pages in the Indiana statehouse serving Indiana **Sen. Ron Grooms**. Abbi said she learned a lot during her experience.

"It was such an amazing opportunity to be able to be a part of a pivotal moment in Indiana's history," she said. "The RFRA (Religious Freedom Restoration Act) was being rewritten while Dori and I were there. I've always heard how the senate floor can be stressful and intense, and it was really cool to actually see how it works."

Abbi said she also enjoyed the chance to talk with Sen. Grooms about himself and his role in the state government and found that "he is a very funny guy and very nice. I'm so glad that I had the chance to be a page for the senator."

## SOPHOMORE PLACES 4TH IN FUNDRAISING EFFORT

Sophomore **Justine Oppelt** had a lofty goal when she entered the

Leukemia and Lymphoma Society's Student of the Year contest to raise \$10,000 for the organization in just seven weeks. With spring break taking up the last two weeks of the contest, her attempt to organize a fundraiser at school fell through. Still, Justine raised \$4,700 for LLS and came in fourth place and received the Leadership Blood Drop award. She wrote this message to express her gratitude:

"Thank you to everyone who donated! With all four Student of the Year candidates (together), we ended up raising a little shy of \$43,000. It was an experience of a lifetime; I wouldn't trade it for the world!

I was not Student of the Year; however, I did receive the award for leadership.... Almost all of my auction items (at the LLS Student of the Year Grand Finale on March 24) sold, and the ones that were sold were a great contribution. Thank you for believing in me. Even though I didn't hit my goal of \$10,000 in seven weeks, I almost tripled what I raised for St. Jude, so it was a win for me!

Everything went to a great cause, and (I have) no hard feelings for any one of my competitors. It was such an honor to raise money for LLS. I wonder who I can raise money for next! If you have any ideas, don't hesitate to tell me; I need something to keep me busy!"

## PARENT CONNECTION

### CHEER TRYOUTS COMING SOON

The [Providence Cheer team](#) will be holding tryouts for students who will be in grades nine through twelve in 2015-2016. Tryouts include several sessions: Providence on Monday, April 27, 6-9 p.m.; Royal Cheer Xtreme (300 Foundation Blvd, New Albany) Tuesday, April 28, 6-9 p.m., and Providence, Wednesday, April 29, 6-9 p.m. Those attending should wear shorts, a t-shirt, tennis shoes or cheer shoes, and girls should have a bow in their hair. Tryouts include a cheer, chant and dance to perform for the judges. For more information, contact **Coach Christie Evanczyk '09** at (812) 207-6544.

### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY INDUCTION NOW MAY 3

Due to a scheduling conflict, the National Honor Society induction has been moved to Sunday, May 3, at 7 p.m. in the Robinson Auditorium.

### FORMER CONVENT REMOVED OVER SPRING BREAK

The students returned from spring break to see a much smaller school building. The former convent building was torn down over the break, and gravel now covers the spot. The building needed upgrades to the roof, heating and cooling, and window replacements. As mentioned in a previous edition, the cost to update the building was too substantial. The area will eventually be paved over for parking.

### **TRACK TEAM SELLING PULLOVER JACKETS**

The track team is selling quarter-zip N-Tek fleece jackets as a fundraiser. The jackets are graphite with a navy zipper and come in sizes extra-small to 4XL. They are \$60 and can be ordered by mailing a check made out to Providence Track with the attached order form.

[Mailing instructions are on the order form.](#)

### **PIONEER GEAR CAMPUS STORE GETS UPDATED LOGO WINDOW**

The *Pioneer Gear Campus Store* got a new look yesterday with the installation of a new window that proudly displays the Providence Pioneer Logo. Some products are available online.



On the school's website, click on the [Campus Store link](#) under QUICK LINKS.

### **CHILDREN'S SPRING MUSICAL PRE-SHOW EVENT IS NEXT SUNDAY**

Children grades preschool through sixth are invited to a special pre-show event on Sunday, April 19, with the cast of the spring musical *Seussical*. The event is from noon to 1:30 p.m. in the Activity Center and includes lunch and activities with the Cat in the Hat, the Sour Kangaroo, Horton, Mayzie and more!

Cost is \$10 per student and includes picture with cast members, lunch, drink, treats and crafts. The price does not include show tickets, which are sold separately. (See story above.) [Click here to register.](#)

### **THIRD QUARTER HONOR ROLL RELEASED**

Congratulations to all students who made the honor roll for the third quarter. [Click here to download a copy.](#)

## EASTER EGG HUNT

Thank you to all the Deanery and alumni families who brought their children to the Easter Egg Hunt!

## ALUMNI IN ACTION

### 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.135553. For more information, email [alumni@providencehigh.net](mailto:alumni@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) Golden Diploma Ceremony & Dinner at Providence April 23, 2015 (RSVPs were due April 6), and the 50th Reunion Celebration on July 11, 2015 (save-the-date information has been sent).
- 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.
- 1975 - (40 years) Aug. 21-23, 2015. Grad night at Cluckers in Jeffersonville and reunion at Buckhead in Jeffersonville - and much more.
- 1980 - (35 years) Aug. 29, 2015. Grad night at Covered Bridge Recreation Center. Save the date information will be sent soon.
- 1985 - (30 years) A planning group is forming and looking for more volunteers. Email [alumni@providencehigh.net](mailto:alumni@providencehigh.net) to help.
- 2000 - (15 years) Nov. 7, 2015. Location TBD. Save the date has been sent.

- 2005 - (10 years) Aug. 8, 2015, at O-Shea's downtown Louisville. Save the date info has been sent.
- 2010 - (5 years) Sept. 19, 2015, at Big Four Burgers in Jeffersonville. Save the date has been sent.

The classes of 1990 and 1985 still need a reunion planning committee. If you are interested in helping plan your class reunion, email [alumni@providencehigh.net](mailto:alumni@providencehigh.net).

## BLUE PRIDE ON DISPLAY

### '07 GRADUATE TO BE ORDAINED TEMPORARY DEACON

**Kyle Rodden '07**, a seminarian at St. Meinrad Seminary and School of Theology, will be ordained a transitional deacon on Saturday at St. Meinrad Archabbey. The next stage will be ordination to the priesthood in June 2016. On Sunday, April 19, Deacon Kyle will give his first homily at St. Augustine in Jeffersonville at the 8:30 a.m. Mass and at the 11:00 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart, his home parish.

[Click to read more.](#)



### BLUE NEWS OF OLD:

*By Ray Day '57, school archivist*

By now everyone knows the Providence Girls Basketball team won its first ever sectional and regional titles in the history of the program this past season. But for your local Providence archivist, such news is also fodder for a bit of historical research. When did this storied program begin? Who were those involved? When was the first winning season? When did the IHSAA implement the post-season competition with which we are all familiar? [Click here for photos and the whole story.](#)

## COMING EVENTS

**April 12** - Senior/Mother Lunch 1:00 p.m.

**April 13 - 17** - 8th Grade Washington, D.C. Trip

**April 15 - 17** - 7th Grade Chicago Trip

**April 17** - Spring Musical *Seussical* Premiere Opening

**April 17** - Scholarship Spirit Day

**April 19** - Children's Spring Musical *Seussical* Pre-Show Event - Noon - 1:30 p.m. - Activity Center

**April 19** - Spring Musical *Seussical* - 2:00 p.m.  
**April 23 - 25** - Spring Musical *Seussical* - 7:00 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 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...

We wish a safe, fun trip to our junior high students. The seventh grade will be heading to Chicago next Wednesday, and the eighth grade will leave for Washington, D.C. on Monday.

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