



Newsletter #6, March 2015

COMMUNICATION:

- **Facebook** – Parents, Teachers/Staff, and Students please “like” the Nicolet PTSO Facebook page and stay informed: <https://www.facebook.com/NicoletPTSO>.
- **Webpage** – Check out the PTSO’s webpage for information including past and current meeting minutes, newsletters, and fundraising opportunities at <http://www.nicolet.us/families/ptso.cfm>.

EVENTS:

- **Teacher/Staff Appreciation** – PTSO provided healthy snacks to the teachers/staff during spring conferences on March 5, 2015. We will also provide treats for Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week in May. Jennifer Gilbert is chairing Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week. *If you would like to volunteer to help with Teacher/Staff Appreciation week, please contact Mary Beth Mills, PTSO President, at marybethmills3@gmail.com to volunteer.*
- **Grad Grams** – The PTSO sponsors and distributes Grad Gram booklets which contain congratulatory messages for each graduating senior and staff retirees. These booklets are given out at graduation rehearsal. PLEASE NOTE, the PTSO is going back to the old version. There will **NOT** be an online form this year. While last year’s online form was extremely convenient, it was very complex and too labor intensive for the volunteers. This year, you will have two options: 1) Do-it-Yourself Grad Grams where you will create your own by purchasing blank Grad Gram pages (two per page) and printing them out on your own computer with the opportunity to upload photos, use special fonts, etc. or even choose to design them by hand with your own creative touches. Once these Grad Grams are completed, return them to the high school office and they will be compiled into the Grad Gram booklets by the volunteers. **OR** 2) Complete the form, submit it to the office, and a volunteer will type your Grad Gram out for you. Grad Grams will cost \$2 each and only \$200 for sending a Grad Gram greeting to each of the entire senior class and retirees. Grad Grams will be available on April 10, 2015. The Grad Grams deadline is May 15, 2015. Please order early to allow the volunteers ample time to complete the process. Also, ensure messages are appropriate for the graduates as the PTSO is responsible to the community. Thank you. *The PTSO is looking for volunteers to help Robin Arenzon and Kathy Eurich, Grad Gram chairs, assemble and/or type Grad Grams. Please contact PTSO President, Mary Beth Mills, at marybethmills3@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering.*

- **Prom** – Prom is April 25, 2015 at the Intercontinental Hotel at 7:00pm. The grand march will begin at 7:15m at the hotel and parents are invited to take photos at that time. Prom activities include casino games, door prizes, a photo booth, caricature artists, possibly henna tattoos, dinner, and dancing until 11:00pm. PTSO will give \$500 to cover the photo booth *and* solicit donations for 30-40 gift cards for raffle prizes. ***Please consider donating gift cards to area stores/restaurants, sporting events, electronics, or money toward door prizes. Please drop off these Prom raffle prize donations at the Nicolet High School office, clearly marked “ATTN: PTSO/PROM.” Thank you to all who donate.***
- **Merit Awards** – The PTSO sponsors the Nicolet Merit Awards program where students are recognized for their active and positive participation in the school community at an end-of-the-year awards ceremony. All applications have been turned in. ***Thank you to Jill Tobin for chairing this committee. If you would like to help on this committee, please contact Mary Beth Mills, PTSO President, at marybethmills3@gmail.com to volunteer.***
- **Cocoa & Cram** – The next Cocoa & Cram will be Saturday, June 6, 2015 from 10:00am-12:00pm and chaired by Kristin Wright again. ***Please volunteer to help at the Cocoa & Cram event in June. Contact Mary Beth Mills, PTSO President, at marybethmills3@gmail.com to volunteer.***
- **Senior Breakfast** – This celebratory event is a special breakfast for students in the senior class and is sponsored by the PTSO. Seniors will dress up, attend the breakfast, get their yearbooks before the rest of the Nicolet high school students, receive awards and door prizes, watch the yearbook video, and have a fun time! Following the Senior Breakfast, all will attend the mandatory graduation rehearsal immediately after. It will occur on Friday, June 5, 2015 about 9:30am, watch the weekly email update that comes from Nicolet High School for details. ***Please consider donating items, gift cards or money toward door prizes. Please drop off these Senior Breakfast door prize donations at the Nicolet high school office, clearly marked ATTN: PTSO/Senior Breakfast.”***

FINANCES AND FUNDRAISING:

- **Fundraiser** – Thank you to those that purchased a Nicolet Knight window decal clings to support PTSO via our ongoing fundraiser. Share the Nicolet pride and place it on your vehicle or storefront window. They are available in the High School office for only \$5: http://www.nicolet.us/cms_files/resources/window_cling.pdf.
- **Dues** – Thank you to all the Nicolet parents and staff that paid their PTSO annual dues. We appreciate your support! If you haven't yet, please take the time to do so: http://www.nicolet.us/cms_files/resources/ptso_membership_form.pdf.

NEXT MEETING:

- Thank you to all the parents, teachers/staff, and students that came to the last Nicolet PTSO meeting. Please join us at the next PTSO meeting on Thursday, April 23, 2015 at 6:00pm in the Room B113 (staff lounge in the back of the cafeteria.) **Get involved. All are welcome!**