



## Newsletter #8, MAY 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:

- **Prom (4-25-15)** The PTSO donated door prizes to the event. Prom activities included casino games, a caricature artist, a henna tattoo artist, dinner, dancing and a DJ. Thank you to Molly Schneider for shopping for the door prizes and to all who donated for a successful prom.
- **Teacher/Staff Appreciation (5-7-15)** The PTSO celebrated Nicolet’s Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week on Thursday, May 7<sup>th</sup>. Thank you to all parents that donated snacks and healthy treats. Thank you to Jennifer Gilbert, chairperson, and her committee!
- **Merit Awards (5-21-15)** The PTSO sponsors the Nicolet Merit Awards program where students are recognized for their active and positive participation in the school community. The Merit Award Ceremony will take place on Thursday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 2:40pm in the Nicolet cafeteria. All parents, teachers, and staff are welcome and encouraged to attend. 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](mailto:marybethmills3@gmail.com).*
- **Grad Grams (Now EXTENDED through 5-22-15)** 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. To purchase your Grad Grams and support PTSO via our biggest fundraiser of the year, get your Grad Gram forms available in the Nicolet High School office or download the Grad Gram forms at [http://www.nicolet.us/cms\\_files/resources/grad\\_grams1.pdf](http://www.nicolet.us/cms_files/resources/grad_grams1.pdf). You can choose to create your own Grad Grams or have a PTSO volunteer type it up for you. **Completed Grad Grams and forms need to be turned in to the high school office by May 22, 2015. Please volunteer to help the co-chairs, Robin Arenzon and Kathy Euric, type and/or assemble the Grad Grams. Assembly will be on May 28<sup>th</sup> in the cafeteria of Nicolet at 6:00pm. Contact PTSO President, Mary Beth Mills, at [marybethmills3@gmail.com](mailto:marybethmills3@gmail.com) if you are interested.**
- **Spirit Award (5-27-15)** The PTSO sponsors this senior award. Nicolet teachers nominated 98 seniors. The final vote yielded the top 4 who will receive the award on Wednesday, May 27<sup>th</sup> at the Senior Awards Ceremony. The recipients will be presented with a medal, a certificate, and their name on an official school plaque.

- **Senior Breakfast (6-5-15)** This PTSO sponsored celebratory event is a special breakfast for students in the senior class on Friday, June 5, 2015 at 9:30am. Seniors will dress up, attend the breakfast, get and sign 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! Yearbook distribution will be at 9:30am and breakfast will begin at 10:00am. All will attend the mandatory graduation rehearsal immediately after. *If you would like to volunteer to help set up on Thursday, June 4<sup>th</sup> at 5:00pm, please contact Mary Beth Mills, PTSO President at [marybethmills3@gmail.com](mailto:marybethmills3@gmail.com). Please consider donating items, gift cards or money toward door prizes. Door prize donations should be dropped off at the Nicolet high school office clearly marked "ATTN: PTSO/Senior Breakfast."*
- **Cookies & Cram (6-6-15)** Students are encouraged to attend this PTSO sponsored study session right before final exams on Saturday, June 6, 2015 from 10:00am-12:00pm. Snacks and drinks are provided and teachers are there to help with studying. Parents are encouraged to donate fruit, beverages, and/or cookie trays. Thank you to Kristin Wright, chairperson, and her committee. *If you would like to donate, volunteer, or be next year's chairperson, please contact Mary Beth Mills, PTSO President at [marybethmills3@gmail.com](mailto:marybethmills3@gmail.com).*

#### **FINANCES AND FUNDRAISING:**

- **Fundraisers** – Thank you to all who have already purchased your Grad Grams to support PTSO and wish the graduating students and retiring staff well. The deadline has been extended to May 22<sup>nd</sup> [http://www.nicolet.us/cms\\_files/resources/grad\\_grams1.pdf](http://www.nicolet.us/cms_files/resources/grad_grams1.pdf). 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 Nicolet High School office for only \$5.00 each: [http://www.nicolet.us/cms\\_files/resources/window\\_cling.pdf](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](http://www.nicolet.us/cms_files/resources/ptso_membership_form.pdf).

#### **INFORMATION AND NEXT MEETING:**

- **PTSO Elections** – Thank you to Mary Beth Mills, current PTSO President, and Jill Johnson Miller, current PTSO Treasurer, for all your years of service. We appreciate you! Sharon Shapiro will continue as 2015-2016 PTSO Secretary. Congratulations to the following PTSO volunteers elected for new 2015-2016 terms: Piper Melkonian- PTSO President, Brenda Stelzer- PTSO Treasurer, and Janice Pfaffl- PTSO Vice President. Thank you for your dedication and leadership.
- **Next Meeting** – Thank you to all the parents, teachers/staff, and students that came to the last Nicolet PTSO meeting of the year. We look forward to another great school year at Nicolet High School. Please join us at the first PTSO meeting in the fall of 2015 with details to follow. Please continually check our webpage <http://www.nicolet.us/families/ptso.cfm> and Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/NicoletPTSO> for information. **Get involved. All are welcome!**