



## Newsletter #23 – May/June 2017

### COMMUNICATION

- **Facebook** – Nicolet 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, fundraising, and volunteer opportunities at <http://www.nicolet.us/families/ptso.cfm>.

### NEWS

- **2017-2018 PTSO Officer Positions Available** - If you are interested in joining the PTSO Board as an officer, there are openings next year. *Please connect with Janice Pfaffl via email at [Janice.Pfaffl@aurora.org](mailto:Janice.Pfaffl@aurora.org).*
- **Monthly Drawings** – Congratulations to Nadar Raad, Nicolet guidance counselor. He won a \$10 gift card to Starbucks! The Nicolet PTSO randomly chooses a staff member to receive a gift card as a token of our appreciation at each PTSO meeting. Nicolet Families can show support for our great Nicolet teachers/staff by purchasing gift cards or making a monetary donation to the PTSO. *Please drop off or mail monetary or gift card donations in a sealed envelope marked “PTSO Staff Drawing” to the Nicolet High School Office at 6701 N. Jean Nicolet Road, Glendale, WI 53217. If you have any questions, please contact Janice Pfaffl via email at [Janice.Pfaffl@aurora.org](mailto:Janice.Pfaffl@aurora.org).*
- **Teacher/Staff Appreciation** – Thank you to Cathy Sanders and Susan Schroeder, Co-Chairs and all the parent donors and volunteers that helped to provide a festive feast for the Nicolet teachers/staff on Monday, May 1st for Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week. THANK YOU so much for helping to honor Nicolet’s amazing teachers and staff. They certainly deserve it! Thank you to Jet’s Pizza for generously donating pizza.
- **Merit Awards** – Thank you to Jill Tobin and Nancy McLaughlin, Co-Chairs! The PTSO recognized positive citizenship within the Nicolet community with 250 awards given out at the recent award ceremony on May 18<sup>th</sup>. The four-year recipients will be indicated in the commencement booklet at graduation, too. Thank you to Mr. Jacobson and all the administration that helped at the event, as well.
- **Spirit Award** – Thank you to Piper Melkonian, Marylin Franklin, Mr. Kabara and the staff. The Nicolet Staff nominated students that show positive spirit. The Spirit Award winners will see their names up in the Commons. The PTSO awards will be presented at the Senior Awards Ceremony on May 31st.
- **Senior Service Day** – The PTSO is proud to help fund the Student Council’s Senior Service Day with a gift of \$500. Seniors will volunteer at one of the five locations including GroundworkMKE, Victory Gardens, Urban Ecology Center at Washington Park, Lake Park, and JCC Community Garden and Food Pantry on June 1st, 2017.

## **FUNDRAISER & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

- **Grad Grams**, *Kris Barger & Nina Capati, Co-Chairs*. Grad Grams are the main PTSO fundraiser for the year. Grad Grams are available for purchase now <http://www.nicolet.us/families/ptso.cfm>! Congratulatory messages have been sold and will be sent to graduating seniors and retiring staff. The messages are bound together into a keepsake memory booklet given out at graduation rehearsal. *PTSO will need volunteers to help with assembling the booklets on Thursday, May 31 at 3:30pm-8:00pm. Please email the Grad Gram co-chairs: Kris Barger, bargerhome@gmail.com, or Nina Capati, nvcapati@hotmail.com, if you are able to help with assembly.*
- **Sen17r Breakfast**, *Robin Arenzon & Kathy Eurich, Co-Chairs*. This is a great send off for Nicolet's Senior Class at the end of the year right before final exams. ***The PTSO is looking for volunteers to help with set-up/clean-up.*** Please contact PTSO President, at [pmelkonian@mac.com](mailto:pmelkonian@mac.com) to volunteer.
- **Cookies & Cram**. This two hour study session includes treats on the Saturday morning before final exams for students from 10:00am-12:00pm. Teachers, administrators, and students attend and enjoy. Thank you to Janice Pfaffl and Jill Tobin for agreeing to organize and plan this event. ***Volunteers will be needed for shifts to set up, clean up, chaperone, bake or donate breakfast treats or even be a food and beverage sponsor/donor.*** Please email PTSO Vice President, Janice Pfaffl via email at [Janice.Pfaffl@aurora.org](mailto:Janice.Pfaffl@aurora.org) if you are able to help.
- **Future Fundraising**, *co-chairs needed*. This year's budget already has expenses greater than expected income. So, we may need to do future fundraisers to allocate more funds. *If you are interested in helping, please contact Piper Melkonian via email at pmelkonian@mac.com.*

## **FINANCES**

- **Membership Dues** – Thank you to all the Nicolet parents, teachers, 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).

## **NEXT MEETING**

- **Please join us at the next PTSO meeting in September of the new school year 2017-2018 which will be listed on our webpage soon** <http://www.nicolet.us/families/ptso.cfm>.
- Thank you to all the parents, teachers, and staff that came to the last Nicolet PTSO meeting. Thank you also to those who have paid dues, volunteered, and considered volunteering in the future.