



Newsletter #25 – October 2017

NEWS

- **Homecoming, Jill Tobin, Chair.** Thank you to Jill Tobin, Student Council members, and all the administration, staff, and students for making this year's homecoming successful! Thank you especially to all that volunteered at the Homecoming parade and dance along with those that donated gift cards, water bottles, individual bags of chips/pretzels, and candy. We appreciate the following volunteers:
~**Parade Volunteers:** Kris & Bill Barger, Julie Karnes, Kim Westfahl, Bridget Killberg, Amy Ruvin, Jackie Winter, Chris & Todd Pollesch, and Kate Christensen.
~**Dance Volunteers:** Bridey Richards, Traci Sanderson, Susan Goodreau, Donna Albert, Melissa Dansby, and Elese Mason.
~**Donation Volunteers:** Kim Westfahl, Kathy Eurich, Amy Labiszak, Kari Williams, Jennifer Sahin, Lynn Carini, Andra Desrude, Karen Morice, Julie Karnes, Jen Gilbert, Kathy Shanahan, Elizabeth Junge, Brenda Stelzer, and Colleen Kobe.
- **Monthly Drawings – Congratulations to the following PTSO Nicolet Staff winners (for both September & October): Jamie Holifield, Don Cramer, Bob Richards, and Rubin Hernandez.** 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.*

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

- **Merit Awards, Jill Tobin and Nancy McLaughlin, Co-Chairs.** The PTSO recognizes positive citizenship within the Nicolet community. Students complete an application packet throughout the school year. The Merit Award Application packets are available in the high school office or can be downloaded here: <http://www.nicolet.us/students/merit.pdf>. Medals and plaques will be given out at the award ceremony at the end of the year. Four-year recipients are indicated in the commencement booklet at graduation. **Students can earn Merit Hours this month by volunteering at the upcoming Artisan Fair** http://www.nicolet.us/community/student_volunteer_form.cfm. *We are looking for PTSO volunteers to help Jill and Nancy with the Merit Awards. If interested, please email one of the co-presidents and let them know that you are willing to help! Send emails to Kris Barger at bargerhome@gmail.com or Traci Schwartz at tracimia@sbcglobal.net.*
- **Cocoa & Cram, Bridey Richards & Jackie Winter, Co-Chairs.** A two-hour study session that PTSO sponsors with treats on the Saturday before first semester final exams. Teachers, administrators, and students attend, study, and enjoy. **Cookies & Cram, Co-Chairs Needed:** *We are looking for PTSO volunteers to organize and implement this spring final exams study session event. If interested, please email one of the co-presidents and let them know that you are willing to help! Send emails to Kris Barger at bargerhome@gmail.com or Traci Schwartz at tracimia@sbcglobal.net.*

- **Teacher Appreciation, Co-Chairs Needed.** The PTSO provides a huge dessert buffet for the teachers during Teacher Appreciation Week in May. *We are looking for PTSO volunteers to organize and implement this Teacher Appreciation event. If interested, please email one of the co-presidents and let them know that you are willing to help! Send emails to Kris Barger at bargerhome@gmail.com or Traci Schwartz at tracimia@sbcglobal.net.*
- **Spirit Award, Marilyn Franklin, Chair.** The Nicolet Staff nominates students that show positive spirit. We have given out 1 -5 awards every year. The spirit award winners get their name up in the Commons. *If interested in helping, please email one of the co-presidents and let them know that you are willing to help! Send emails to Kris Barger at bargerhome@gmail.com or Traci Schwartz at tracimia@sbcglobal.net.*
- **Senior Breakfast – Julie Karnes & Jill Tobin, Co-Chairs.** This celebratory catered breakfast is a great send off for Nicolet’s Senior Class at the end of the year. *If interested, please email one of the co-presidents and let them know that you are willing to help! Send emails to Kris Barger at bargerhome@gmail.com or Traci Schwartz at tracimia@sbcglobal.net.*
- **Grad Grams –Nina Capati, Chair.** Congratulatory messages are purchased and sent by anyone to a graduating senior and/or retiring staff member. These messages are bound together into a keepsake memory booklet given out at graduation rehearsal. Nina is working to get Grad Grams out much earlier but it will take a little time. We need help assembling the Grad Gram booklets. *If interested in helping, email Nina Capati and let her know you are available to help at nvcapati@hotmail.com.*

FUNDRAISING

- **The first PTSO Dining Knight Out fundraiser is at California Pizza Kitchen on Tuesday November 7th from 11:00am-9:00pm.** Meet your friends or have a business meeting for lunch, dinner, or even carry out for your busy family! They will donate 20% if you mention Nicolet High School PTSO. Tell your friends and tell your neighbors. Anyone and everyone should support! Check out the flyer on our webpage: <http://www.nicolet.us/families/ptso.cfm>.
- **Thank you to all the Nicolet families and Staff that already paid their PTSO membership dues.** The PTSO benefits parents, teachers, and students by raising funds via membership dues (still only \$15), Grad Gram sales, and other fundraisers. The PTSO sponsors events including Homecoming Activities, Student Dances, Cocoa/Cookies & Cram Study Sessions, Merit Awards, Spirit Award, Teacher Appreciation, School Gifts, Senior Breakfast, and more. Join us at meetings, volunteer, and if you haven’t yet, please pay your dues http://www.nicolet.us/cms_files/resources/ptso_membership_form.pdf.

INFORMATION

- Thank you to all that came to the last Nicolet PTSO meeting. **Join us at the next PTSO meeting on November 16th, 2017 at 6:00pm in the Room B113** (staff lounge in the back of the cafeteria). Please mark your calendar for the all meetings scheduled for most Thursday evenings including November 16, (NO DECEMBER MEETING) January 11, February 15, March 15, April 19, and May 17 at 4:00pm following the Merit Award Ceremony.
- **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>.