



Newsletter #35 - January 2019

MERIT AWARDS

- The PTSO recognizes positive citizenship within the Nicolet community. Signs will be going up around school this week. The deadline to the Merit Award Application is Monday, March 18 at 3:00pm. Students complete an application packet throughout the school year and are available in the high school office <http://www.nicolet.us/students/merit.pdf>. Medals and plaques are given out at the award ceremony at the end of the year. Four year recipients are indicated in the commencement booklet at graduation. Jill Tobin & Ann O'Donohue are the co-chairs for the Merit Awards. We are looking for PTSO volunteers to help with the Merit Awards. If interested, please email nicoletptso@gmail.com.
- Among other things, students need 5 hours of volunteer hours. A few ideas are volunteering at a swim meet, there is one on Friday, January 25. There is also a big Rummage Sale which will need a lot of volunteers on Friday and Saturday, March 8th & 9th.

COCOA, COOKIE & CRAM

- Everything is ready to go for Saturday, January 19. They are expecting 400 students and 40 teachers. There will be donuts, bagels, coffee, hot cocoa, etc. Stone Creek donated big container of coffee. Many parents donated gift cards and supplies. There are 7 volunteers on the day of the event to make everything run smoothly. Thank you co-chairs Gina Lima & Kate Christensen.

NEW INFORMATION

- **CITY TINS** Were distributed before break. We made \$400 on this fundraiser. Thank you to Dawn Sweet for arranging everything.
- **Hosting a Drive In Movie** More discussions were made about the Drive In Movie. Student Council is going to help plan. If you are interested in helping with this fun event, contact nicoletptso@gmail.com.
- **Student Council** Student Council asked PTSO to donate a gift basket for the Prom Expo, being held at Gigi's of Mequon on February 10. During prom expo there is a prom dress resale, with 10% going back to the Prom Council. PTSO is putting together a basket of gift certificates for an up-do, manicure, make up application and a few other goodies. They are also planning a Gym Movie Night fundraiser and marketing it to the feeder middle schools. Sell tickets, snacks, popcorn and drinks. Spirit week, Feb 4-8 will feature a pep rally, movie and pizza. After the movie a bus will take students to the Basketball game at Homestead.
- **News from Nicolet** Wrestling and Boys Basketball are topped rank in the state. Mama Mia the Musical is March 7-10. FEAR has begun. It has 100 students and 30-40 professional mentors. Nicolet's teaching staff was ranked 3rd in SE Wisconsin. In the fall Nicolet will roll out a Core Values plan. More details to follow.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- There was a drawing for gift cards for teachers and staff. The following won the gift card drawing for January: Phyllis Santacroce and William Shuster.
- Thank you to families who have donated gift cards. If you have extra gift cards that you would like to donate, please contact the PTSO at nicoletptso@gmail.com.
- PTSO is a great way to get involved with the school community by meeting teachers and administrators at the meetings and to be able to give back to the teachers by helping out where we can.
- 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.
- **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>.
- Thank you everyone who were able to join us for our monthly meeting. In addition to parents, Mr. Coyle, Associate Principal and Mr. Kabara were in attendance. As well as 3 students from Student Council.
- Please mark your calendars and plan to attend additional PTSO meetings through out the year. Our next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, February 21 at 6:00pm in Room B113** (staff lounge in the back of the cafeteria.) Additional meeting dates are as follows: Thursdays at 6:00pm on March 21, April 18 and May 16.
- Any questions or comments at nicoletptso@gmail.com. Kris Barger & Traci Schwarz, Co-Presidents, Janice Pfaffl, Vice President, Brenda Stelzer, Treasurer, Jean Bernstein, Secretary