



## Newsletter #5, February 2015

### COMMUNICATION:

- The Nicolet teachers and staff requested a list of parent volunteers to help with field trips as chaperones. **Please email PTSO President, Mary Beth Mills, at [marybethmills3@gmail.com](mailto:marybethmills3@gmail.com) and let her know you are interested in being included on this list.**
- Parents, teachers/staff, and students can keep current via **Facebook**. Please “Like” the Nicolet PTSO Facebook page and stay informed: <https://www.facebook.com/NicoletPTSO>.
- Check out the PTSO’s webpage for information including current meeting minutes, newsletters, and fundraising opportunities at <http://www.nicolet.us/families/ptso.cfm>.

### EVENTS:

- **Teacher/Staff Appreciation** – PTSO will provide healthy snacks to the teachers/staff during spring conferences on March 5, 2015 and will also provide treats for Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week in May. Jennifer Gilbert is chairing Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week in May. **If you would like to volunteer to help for either conferences or Teacher/Staff Appreciation week, please contact Mary Beth Mills, PTSO President, at [marybethmills3@gmail.com](mailto:marybethmills3@gmail.com) to volunteer.**
- **PTSO Supports Nicolet Foundation’s fundraiser, *Band Together*** – The *Band Together* event is on Saturday, March 7, 2015. Tickets are \$10 each and can be purchased at Nicolet or online at [www.nicolet.us/families/foundation.cfm](http://www.nicolet.us/families/foundation.cfm). The event will consist of the UW-Madison Marching Band performance, concessions, Brass Bell’s instrument petting zoo, sports team mascots, and a silent auction. **The PTSO is donating 3 items for the silent auction.** Attend *Band Together* and bid any of the following: 1) A certificate for 25 Grad Grams-\$50 value, 2) A certificate for 50 Grad Grams-\$100 value, or 3) a basket of goodies including 1 PTSO membership, 2 Nicolet Knight window decal clings, a variety of 5 restaurant gift cards and 1 Kohl’s gift card-\$125 value.
- **PTSO Call for Support and Participation** – The Nicolet High School Swim Team and Orchestra Rummage Sale will be held on Saturday, March 14, 2015. **Nicolet students can volunteer and receive Merit Award service hours.**
- **PTSO Supports Partner School Event** – There will be an event held at River Glen Elite Sports Club for current 7th & 8th grade partner school students on Friday, March 20 from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm, for a night of swimming, water polo, dodge ball, ping-pong, basketball, arcade games, tennis, snacks, and dancing. The Cost will be \$10 per student. This is an event aimed at helping students from the partner schools make connections with their future classmates and building Nicolet High School community spirit. The PTSO will be donating Nicolet Knight window decal clings to the event.
- **PTSO Merit Awards** – The PTSO sponsors the Nicolet Merit Awards program. All students are eligible to apply for Merit Awards to recognize their active and positive participation in the school community. Merit Award recipients are recognized at an end-of-the-year awards ceremony. Merit

Award packets are available for students in the Nicolet High School Office. The deadline to return completed packets is March 20, 2015. *Thank you to Jill Tobin for chairing this committee. If you would like to be on this committee, please contact Mary Beth Mills, PTSO President, at [marybethmills3@gmail.com](mailto:marybethmills3@gmail.com) to volunteer.*

- **Sadie Hawkins and Prom Donations** – The PTSO is donating snacks and beverages to the student council’s Sadie Hawkins Dance. The PTSO has donated \$500 to the student council to cover the cost of the photo booth for Prom. We will be soliciting gift card donations from you for Prom raffle prizes. *Please consider donating either gift cards to area stores or money toward gift cards. Please drop off prom raffle prize donations at the Nicolet high school office. Cash, check (made out to Nicolet PTSO), or gift cards accepted. Please put them in an envelope marked “PTSO Prom Raffle Prize Donation” and/or contact Mary Beth Mills, PTSO President, at [marybethmills3@gmail.com](mailto:marybethmills3@gmail.com).*
- **Cocoa & Cram** – Thanx again to Kristin Wright and all the volunteers & donors of food and beverage at the first semester Cocoa & Cram event. *Please volunteer to help at the next Cocoa & Cram event in June. Contact Mary Beth Mills, PTSO President, at [marybethmills3@gmail.com](mailto:marybethmills3@gmail.com).*
- **Grad Grams** – The PTSO sponsors and distributes Grad Gram booklets which contain congratulatory messages for each graduating senior and each staff retiree. These booklets are given out at graduation rehearsal. *Robin Arenzon is chairing this committee. If you would like to be on this committee, please contact Mary Beth Mills, PTSO President, at [marybethmills3@gmail.com](mailto:marybethmills3@gmail.com) to volunteer.*
- **Senior Breakfast** –This celebratory breakfast for the senior class is organized and sponsored by the PTSO at the conclusion of the school year. It will take place on the last day of classes, Friday, June 5<sup>th</sup> followed by the mandatory graduation rehearsal. The seniors will dress up, receive awards and raffle prizes, watch the senior video, and have a fun time! In the past, the PTSO gave out coffee mugs. This year, the PTSO may give away Nicolet Alumni t-shirts. *The PTSO is looking for a chair or co-chairs as well as committee members. Please contact Mary Beth Mills, PTSO President, at [marybethmills3@gmail.com](mailto:marybethmills3@gmail.com) to volunteer.*

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

- 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](http://www.nicolet.us/cms_files/resources/window_cling.pdf)
- 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)

#### **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 March 19, 2015 at 6:00pm in the Room B113 (staff lounge in the back of the cafeteria.) **Get involved. All are welcome!**