



## Newsletter #22 – April 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 Piper Melkonian via email at [pmelkonian@mac.com](mailto:pmelkonian@mac.com).*
- **Monthly Drawings** – Congratulations to Thomas Medved and Cindy Schlidt, the Nicolet staff that won \$10 gift cards! 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 Piper Melkonian via email at [pmelkonian@mac.com](mailto:pmelkonian@mac.com).*
- **Prom** – Congratulations to the Nicolet High School junior class for planning a great prom which was on Saturday evening, April 22, 2017 at the Intercontinental Hotel downtown. The PTSO was proud to support by sponsoring the photo booth. Also at the event were a caricature artist, DJ, Casino, and the theme was *New York, Bright KNIGHTS, Big City*.
- **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 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.
- **Merit Awards** – The PTSO will recognize positive citizenship within the Nicolet community with 250 awards this year after school on May 18th at the award ceremony beginning at 2:40pm. Four-year recipients will also be indicated in the commencement booklet at graduation. Parents are welcome to the merit award ceremony!
- **Spirit Award** –The Nicolet Staff nominates students that show positive spirit. The spirit award winners will see their names up in the Commons. These PTSO awards will be presented at the senior awards ceremony on May 31st.

## **FUNDRAISER & VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

- **Teacher/Staff Appreciation**, *Cathy Sanders and Susan Schroeder, Co-Chairs*. Parent donors are needed as the PTSO will provide a festive feast for the Nicolet teachers/staff on Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> for Teacher/Staff Appreciation Week. We are planning an appetizer buffet featuring a variety of brunch/lunch foods – both savory and sweet. Parents, please provide 2-3 dozen servings of hors d'oeuvres, snacks, or desserts (peanut-free). ***Email Cathy Sanders and let her know what you are donating at [sanders.mail@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sanders.mail@sbcglobal.net)***. Please drop off your contribution to the Nicolet High School office on Monday, May 1st by 8:30am. THANK YOU so much for helping to honor Nicolet's amazing teachers and staff. They certainly deserve it! Thank you to Jet's Pizza as they will be generously donating some pizzas mid-morning.
- **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>! These congratulatory messages can be purchased for only \$2 each and sent by anyone to a graduating senior and/or retiring staff member. 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 in May. Please email the Grad Gram co-chairs: Kris Barger, [bargerhome@gmail.com](mailto:bargerhome@gmail.com), or Nina Capati, [nvcapati@hotmail.com](mailto:nvcapati@hotmail.com), with any questions or if you are able to help.*
- **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 Piper Melkonian, PTSO President, at [pmelkonian@mac.com](mailto:pmelkonian@mac.com) to volunteer.
- **Cookies & Cram**, *Jackie Winter & Bridey Richards, Co-Chairs*. 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. ***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 President, Piper Melkonian at [pmelkonian@mac.com](mailto:pmelkonian@mac.com) 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](mailto: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**

- 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.
- **TIME CHANGE:** Please join us at the next PTSO meeting on Thursday, May 18<sup>th</sup> 2017 at **4:00pm** in Room B113 (teacher/staff lounge in the back of the cafeteria). It will occur after the Merit Award Ceremony. All are welcome!