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## IMPORTANT DATES

**PTO Meeting**  
Wednesday, Feb. 4th  
LGI, 7:00 p.m.

### **Munster Theatre Co.**

February 5, 6, 7  
7:00 p.m.

*Hunchback of Notre Dame*  
MHS Auditorium

**No School**  
President's Day  
Monday, Feb. 16

**TURNABOUT**  
Saturday, Feb. 21  
7:00 – 10:00

## **A MESSAGE FROM PTO**

Thanks to all the volunteers who make the PTO events a huge success! We know how difficult it is to juggle all the demands on your time, and yet you are always ready to respond to calls for donations or to volunteer. Thanks to all those who have continued to join throughout the year. **If you have not had time to join, it is never too late.**

### **JANUARY EVENTS**

Our January meeting was cancelled due to the weather. We were supposed to have a presentation by the ExcelEdge Director, Carol Talabay, on standardized tests and college application strategies. We hope to have her at our March meeting instead.

### **COLLEGE NIGHT**

**Parents and students**, juniors, sophomores, and freshmen, should not miss the annual College Night to be held in the LGI Room on February 4th at 7:00pm. PTO will have a very brief business meeting, and then a panel of seniors will share their college application journey. The MHS seniors will answer questions and offer advice to other students and parents. It is never too early to start gathering information about your college search! This meeting has been very popular in past years as the students are able to offer a unique perspective. We encourage students to attend with their parents.

### **LOOKING AHEAD**

Reality Store will take place on Wednesday, April 8, 2015. We need many volunteers! Please mark this date on your calendars. If you are available or have any questions you can contact Debby Flahaven 838-7638, or the Guidance Office 836-3209.

Debby Flahaven PTO President

## ATHLETIC NEWS



### **IHSAA TOURNAMENT DATES**

#### **Sectional, Regional & State Information**

##### **Girls Basketball:**

Sectional – February 10, 13, 14 Lowell

Regional – Feb. 21 LaPorte

Semi-State – February 28 Crown Point

State – March 7 Indianapolis

##### **Boys Basketball:**

Sectional – March 3, 6, 7 East Chicago Central

Regional – March 14 – Michigan City

Semi-State – March 21 Lafayette Jeff

State – March 28 – Indpls. Consec

##### **Wrestling:**

Sectional – January 31 – East Chicago

Individual Regional – February 7 – Calumet

Individual Semi-State – February 14 – Merrillville

Individual State – February 20, 21 – Consec

##### **Girls Swimming:**

Sectional – February 5, 7 - Munster

Diving Regional – February 10 – Mishawaka

State – February 13, 14 – IUPUI Natatorium

##### **Boys Swimming:**

Sectional – February 19, 21 – Lake Central

Diving Regional – February 24 – Mishawaka

State – February 27, 28 – IUPUI Natatorium



### **WINTER BANQUET**

Another season will be ending and the winter sports banquet will be held in the food court at 6:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 10, 2015 for boys and girls basketball, cheerleading, dance team, boys and girls swimming and wrestling.

Three tickets will be given to each athlete for them and their parents. Additional tickets may be purchased in the athletic office for \$5.00 per person.

The athletic department will provide the main dish and beverage. The following athletes are asked to please bring a covered side dish to serve ten.

Senior & Freshman.....dinner side

Junior.....salad

Sophomore.....dessert



### **BASKETBALL WEB PAGE**

John Harrell's web page for Indiana

High School Basketball is a must see site for basketball enthusiasts; <http://indianahsbasketball.homestead.com>. His web page lists every high school in the state of Indiana, boys and girls, along with their schedule and scores. It also includes state rankings, past records, plus historical information. He has a similar site for football in the fall.

## GUIDANCE NEWS



### **SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAMS 2015**

#### **Summer Discovery Programs:**

A variety of summer programs are available at various locations throughout the country. A limited number of information booklets are available in Guidance or more information can be obtained at

[www.summerdiscovery.com](http://www.summerdiscovery.com)

#### **Columbia College Chicago High School**

##### **Summer Institute**

Columbia College offers a variety of summer programs for high school students. For more information, please visit [www.colum.edu/hssi](http://www.colum.edu/hssi)

#### **Reynolds Young Writers Workshop**

Denison University is hosting a week-long residential summer program in **creative writing** called the Reynolds Young Writers Workshop. The dates are June 14th-21st and the cost of the eight day program is \$1,300. The application deadline is **March 2, 2015** and all materials can be found at [www.reynolds.denison.edu](http://www.reynolds.denison.edu).

#### **NYC Fashion Summer Camp**

Branson will be hosting two **NYC Fashion Summer Camps** for high school students. Each week-long session (June 21st-June 27th or July 12th-18th) will teach students the fundamentals of the fashion industry. Students will reside on campus and the cost is \$1950 (does not include airfare). For more information and to fill out an application, please visit <http://www.bansonnyc.com/>.

#### **Study Abroad**

**ASSE International** is offering several different options for students to **study abroad** this year in Europe, Asia, and the Americas. If you are interested, please email Evi Zillmer at [outbound@asse.com](mailto:outbound@asse.com) with any questions and application procedures.

## **College Preparation Program at Northwestern University**

High school sophomores and juniors can take undergraduate courses for college credit, or enroll in a two-week IN FOCUS seminar in a special topic area. The program begins on Sunday, June 21, 2015 with an orientation. Program length is determined by the length of the courses you choose. Cost varies dependent on course and length of program.

[www.northwestern.edu/collegeprep](http://www.northwestern.edu/collegeprep)

## **Notre Dame Leadership Seminars**

Notre Dame University in South Bend, Indiana, is offering the Notre Dame Leadership Seminar for 2015. This is an all-expenses paid program that brings together talents, civic-minded rising seniors to engage in a series of lively discussion and debates on issues of pressing concern to our world. It will take place from July 18-July 29, 2015. This year's topics are Global Issues-Towards a Just Peace; Science, Ethics and Responsibility; and American Arts, Popular Culture and Social Change.

They are also offering the **Notre Dame Summer Scholars**. This is a tuition-based program that offers rising junior and seniors the opportunity to explore a unique field of academic study, whether in the humanities, social sciences, science, business or the arts. This will be held from June 27-July 11, 2015. Visit <http://precollege.nd.edu> for more information.

## **8<sup>th</sup> GRADE PARENT MEETING**

The Munster High School Guidance Department will be hosting a meeting for parents of current 8<sup>th</sup> grade students. The purpose of this meeting is to explain the high school curriculum, graduation requirements, and scheduling procedures for incoming freshman. This meeting will be held in the MHS auditorium on Wednesday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. 8<sup>th</sup> grade students will participate in a classroom presentation, by the counselors, and will receive a packet of information. Parents should please bring that packet to the evening meeting.

## **2015 AP TESTING**

On Monday, February 2 through Thursday, February 5 all AP teachers will explain the registration process for this year's Advanced Placement (AP) exams. Exams will be administered May 4 through May 22.

**The registration period will begin Friday, February 6 and will end on Friday, March 6 . Late registration forms and/or payment will not be excepted. The AP exam fee has increased to \$91 this year. All math and science exams will be \$9. All test fees are due at time of registration.**



## **WE THE PEOPLE**

### **QUALIFIES FOR NATIONAL FINALS!**

After months of preparation and a qualifying round, Munster's High School Civics Team competed in the 2014-15 Indiana State Finals on December 14 and 15 in Indianapolis. With lawyers, judges and university professors our students were able to accurately and passionately debate issues of citizenship, constitutional philosophy, history, law; the essence of civitas. After 2 days of competition the team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the state earning a wild card bid to the National finals in Washington DC. The program is designed to help students develop the civic knowledge, skills and dispositions that we as a nation need from our electorate. This will be Munster's 7 trip to the national finals .This year's team members are:

Therese Capriglione, Arielle Crowe, Trey DeLuna, Vijai Dharla, Brianna Dittmer, Scott Farley, Walker Hedgepath (team captain), Jenson Huang, George Jurincie, Austin Klawitter, Sripad Kodukula, Alexandria Lyons, Aditya Mishra, Lucas Newell, Rosalio Ornelas (team historian), Anna Riggs, Sara Shah, Claire Svoboda, Alec Thompson, Journey Westfield, Emily Wierman, Sara Wilson, and Chloe Zatorski

The student's fine work could not have been accomplished without the unbelievable support of our alumni and community. In particularly they would like to thank a wonderful group of coaches and volunteers that have worked extensively with Munster High School's *We the People* program: Adam Bobek, James Burgwald, Kathleen Gordon, Jessica Hilbrich, Bill Jonelis, Betsy Kasenga, Joseph Kasenga, Dave Kwait, Julia Kwait, Morgan Nolan, Creighton Rawlings, David Schneider and Terry Wilson.

If anyone is interested in helping to support the future of Munster High School's excellence in civic education, checks can be made payable to *We the People* and sent to Munster High School.



## **PASTA & PIZZA!!**

The third annual pasta dinner sponsored by the Munster Bands will be March 7 at Wilbur Wright Middle School.

Come listen to the all of the grades 6-12 bands perform, eat pasta, and bid on silent auctions items. Tickets are \$10 per person. For more information or pre-sale tickets, contact [bwwinterheimer@munster.us](mailto:bwwinterheimer@munster.us)



## **ORCHESTRA NEWS**

Congratulations to Patrick Wu, Noah Schlossberger, David Green, and Seshan Devanathan who will represent Munster High School in the 2015 All State Orchestra. Patrick Wu was selected, based on a separate audition, to represent the entire orchestra by serving as Concert Master. The four students were selected for this honor orchestra based on auditions of rigorous repertoire. They will perform with the All State Orchestra on January 27, 2015 in Fort Wayne.



## **UPDATES FROM THE SCHOOL NURSE**

### **1) Reminders about administration of medication at school**

No student is permitted to have any over-the counter medication in his/her possession during the school day unless authorized in writing by his/her parent or guardian on the non-prescription medication form which is to be turned in to the school nurse.

If a student requires prescription medication to be administered during school hours, the prescription medication form must be completed with written instructions from the physician and written permission of the parent or guardian on the form. Only emergency prescription medications like an inhaler or Epi-pen can be carried by a student. All other prescriptions are kept in a locked cabinet in the health office.

All forms can be located online at

<http://www.munster.us/ForParents/ParentResources/HealthandPhysical.aspx> or in the MHS health office.

### **2) NEW immunization requirements for students that will be seniors in the 2015-2016 school year**

All students that will be seniors in the 2015-2016 school year will be required to have a total of TWO meningococcal (meningitis) vaccinations. Please check your student's immunization records or call the health office here at MHS to see if your student needs the second immunization. The series must be completed by the first day of the 2015-2016 school year. If your student received the first vaccination after age 16, then only one vaccination will be required. Please feel free to call the school nurse with any questions at (219) 836-3200 x 3219.



## **FOOD COURT NEWS**

### **High School Menu**

A new menu started on January 6<sup>th</sup>. There is a wide variety of options available every day. Menus can be found at [www.MunsterCafe.com](http://www.MunsterCafe.com).

### **Did You Know?**

Breakfast is offered daily at MHS. Student breakfast is \$ 1.30 and includes an entrée, fruit, juice and milk. Start your day the right way!

### **Meal Account Reminder:**

Parents are reminded students can go through money on their lunch accounts very quickly if they are purchasing extra items or lunch for a friend. Lunch account spending is between you and your students. A regular lunch is \$2.35 and a second lunch is \$2.50. It is the student's responsibility to monitor their account as charging is not permitted at the high school level. For account balance information parents may visit the ParentPortal and click the green "\$". Remember that the Power School balance is always a day behind.

The lunch lines move quicker when students have their student I.D. card to scan when purchasing their meal. At the High School level there is no charging allowed. It is the student's responsibility to keep an eye on their meal account balances.

MySchoolBucks.com is an online payment option for parents to deposit money in your students meal account from the comfort of your home. A credit card or debit card may be used. There is a small fee for this service and it can take up to 24 hours to reach your students meal account.



## **MUNSTER THEATRE PRESENTS**

### ***Hunchback of Notre Dame***

The **Munster Theatre Company** of Munster High School is pleased to present its winter production of the Craig W. Stump's stage adaptation of Victor Hugo's novel, ***Hunchback of Notre Dame***. Produced by **Larry A Brechner** and **Carol Lynn Brechner**, this full-length, student-directed production will feature co-directors **Allison Hemingway** and **Hayley Kwasneiwski**, and Assistant Director **Thomas Speranza**.

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Quasimodo (**Trey DeLuna**), a deformed but lovable man, has spent his entire life within the walls of the

cathedral of Notre Dame. With some urging from two zany nuns (**Alex Raycroft & Taylor Merkel**), he attends the Festival of Fools. Though he is crowned the King of Fools (the ugliest person at the festival), his guardian, Archdeacon Frollo (**Billy McDunn**), is enormously displeased with Quasimodo. Frollo forbids Quasimodo to leave Notre Dame again. Also at the festival are La Esmeralda (**Anna Bilse**), the gypsy queen, and Pierre Gringoire (**Ethan Courtney**), a playwright. Frollo is taken by La Esmeralda's beauty and determines to have her, sending the guards after the gypsy queen to capture her. Both Quasimodo and Gringoire attempt to save La Esmeralda, resulting in Quasimodo's two-day punishment in the town square without food or water and Gringoire's narrow escape from hanging by the peasants' Court of Miracles. La Esmeralda helps them both, giving Quasimodo water and saving Gringoire from hanging by marrying him. Frollo, desperately jealous, stabs Gringoire and frames La Esmeralda. Though La Esmeralda is sentenced to death, Quasimodo saves her, taking her into the cathedral of Notre Dame and sanctuary. Frollo again tries to attack La Esmeralda and Gringoire, who has survived the stabbing, but falls to his death from the top of Notre Dame. Then it is up to the King (**David Green**) and Queen of France (**Vivian Reba**) to determine La Esmeralda's guilt or innocence.

*Hunchback of Notre Dame* will feature a cast of over thirty Theatre Company veterans and newcomers, and will run Thursday, Friday, and Saturday **February 5, 6, and 7, 2015 at 7pm** in the Munster Auditorium. All Tickets are \$5 at the door and are available at the Auditorium Box Office on performance nights or visit our web site at [www.munaud.org](http://www.munaud.org)