

PARIS HIGH SCHOOL

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PHS GEARS UP FOR GRADUATION AND BACCALAUREATE CEREMONIES



Brooke Roberts, a PHS senior, receives information about graduation items from a Josten's rep. Many seniors began preparing for the ceremony earlier this year.

please join in to celebrate this special occasion.

In addition to graduation, the high school is also gearing up for baccalaureate.

Baccalaureate is an optional celebration that will take place at the First United Methodist Church.

The senior officers are currently working on preparations for this celebration, which will be held on May 26, 2009, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

It will be held outside the First United Methodist Church in the Methodist Park. If the weather does not cooperate, it will be held inside the church.

The Paris Ministerial organization, along with area churches, help organize this event for seniors and their families.

Please join us in celebrating the achievements of the class of 2009.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- APRIL 22-23**
PSAE TEST
- MAY 1**
MAY FETE
- MAY 9**
PROM
- MAY 12**
HONORS NIGHT
- MAY 14**
BAND AND CHORUS CONCERT
- MAY 26**
BACCALAUREATE
- MAY 29-JUNE 2**
FINAL EXAMS
- MAY 29**
GRADUATION

On Friday, May 29, 2009, the 100th class will graduate from Paris High School. Graduation will begin promptly at 7:30 p.m. and is sure to be an evening that many will not forget.

Before graduation begins, those joining us to celebrate will be treated to a slide show. Seniors and their parents submitted photographs for the slide show, so it will give everyone an

opportunity to reminisce before the ceremony begins.

Jill Frisz, the class president, will address the class, along with a few others who will be chosen later.

A group of seniors is also working closely with Ms. Hiddle on a special music performance.

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PHS JUNIORS AND SENIORS TREAT AREA YOUNGSTERS TO SOME "GLITZ N GLAM"

On February 14, 2009, the high school cafeteria was not packed with hungry teenagers, but with excited little girls ready for a huge helping of glamour.

Community members, including some teachers, brought in their little ones for the "Glitz N Glam" event put together by Mrs. Phegley, Ms. Garzolini-Skelton, and a whole host of junior and senior girls to raise money for prom.

When the little girls arrived, they were greeted at the door by junior and senior girls who made them special sashes to wear for the event. Each sash was adorned with the little girl's name, and these were a big hit.

The cafeteria tables were set up for this special event and were decorated with colorful items and glittering signs. Each table was set up for a specific purpose: girls could have their nails painted at one station, their hair styled at another, and their make up put on at yet another. There was even a table girls could visit to make their very own lip gloss.

After the little girls had visited all of the tables, they had their pictures taken at a special station. This area was set up with a funky lap, a cool pink chair, and a glitter-infused backdrop.

Once the pictures were developed, they were sent to each participant.

This was a highly successful event that many area children and parents enjoyed. The junior and senior girls did an excellent job and kept the little girls entertained.

This was a wonderful idea dreamed up by Ms. Garzolini-Skelton and Mrs. Phegley, and they were very happy with the turnout—and the amount of money they raised for prom.

Over 75 little girls showed up for the event, and this meant that over \$750 was raised for prom.

Congratulations to Ms. Garzolini-Skelton, Mrs. Phegley, and the junior and senior girls who helped make this event a huge success.



Payton Block, Mrs. Block's daughter, smiles for the camera after having her hair, nails, and make up done at the "Glitz 'N Glam" event.

NHS INDUCTION AND HONORS NIGHT

The Eveland Gymnasium will have played host to two important academic events by the end of the school year: the National Honor Society induction ceremony and Honors Night.

Traditionally, the NHS induction ceremony and Honors Night have been on the same night; however, in an attempt to give special recognition to NHS inductees, it was decided that the events would be held separately this year.

The NHS induction ceremony was held on Thursday, March 19,

2009, and the honor society welcomed 25 new members into the organization.

Jill Frisz, the 2008-2009 NHS president, welcomed the guests and introduced current and new members. Other 2008-2009 officers include Megan Whitacre, vice president; Erin Waggoner, secretary; and Kali Fuqua, treasurer.

After the induction of the new members, guests were invited to stay for a reception that included cake and punch.

On Tuesday, May 12, 2009, the Eveland Gym-

nasium will once again be filled with guests and students for Honors Night.

The event will begin at 7:30 p.m., and the evening will be filled with student receiving departmental awards, scholarship awards, and recognition for making honor roll three out of four quarters.

Join us in celebrating the outstanding accomplishments of these students. They have worked hard all year to be invited to this special ceremony, and they would love to see community members there to support them.

The mission of District #95 is to prepare students to become life-long learners and productive members of society.



A group of seniors have a picture taken after the NHS induction ceremony.

BASEBALL SEASON OFF TO GREAT START



Well, spring is just around the corner, which means that the Paris Tigers baseball team is getting ready to start another exciting season.

The team is coached by Creighton Tarr, who is in his second season at the helm for the Tigers.

When asked about his expectations, Coach Tarr said, "Hopefully at both levels we will be improved. That's the goal, to continue to improve everyday."

Improvement is something the team feels they have dedicated themselves to accomplishing since last year. Many players spent countless hours

since the final out of last season preparing for the 2009 season opener.

Coach Tarr believes it will pay off, saying, "The boys have been working hard in the winter time to prepare for the upcoming season. They're eager to get out on the field and show their improvements."

The Tigers are hoping to improve on last season's 7-19 record on the strength of great senior leadership and the return

of some strong underclassmen with varsity experience.

Another reason for excitement this year is the fact that everyone on the varsity roster has now spent an entire year learning Coach Tarr's system.

With the successes of the football and basketball season so fresh in everyone's memories, one thing is for sure: The baseball team is ready to make a strong showing for themselves at Laker Stadium.

Everyone is encouraged to brave the unpredictable spring weather and support the boys as they attempt to add to the list of accomplishments of Paris Tigers athletics this year. If you'd like to come out to support the team, check the sports schedule on the PHS website for game times and locations.



Come out and support the Paris Tiger athletic teams!

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PHS STUDENTS READY TO TAKE ON THE PSAE THIS MONTH

PHS juniors have been studying hard all year in preparation for the PSAE, which will be administered on Wednesday, April 22nd and Thursday, April 23rd.

This is a state-required test that is very important for all students. The first day of testing consists of the ACT, which is not only part of the PSAE, but is also used as a college entrance exam. Students scores, in addition to grades and class rank and

whole host of other criteria, are meant to give colleges an accurate indication of students' preparedness for college.

The second day of the PSAE, which is just as important as the first, is made up of a science assessment developed by the Illinois State Board of Education and two WorkKeys assessments, which measure students' ability to solve applied mathematics problems and to read for information.

All juniors across Illinois will take this test on the same days, and those students who are absent will make up the test on May 6th and 7th.











Students and teachers have worked extremely hard all year to prepare for the test. The students are ready to go, and many are anxious to show everyone what they can do.

Please show our students that you support them on test day, and give them a pat on the back.



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THE PRIDE OF PARIS

		
Alethea Batchelor nominated by Mrs. Propst	Amber Blevins nominated by Mr. Thomas and Mrs. Terrell	Amber Burge nominated by Mrs. Gordon
		Photo Not Available
Allana Chittick nominated by Ms. Hiddle	Kim Dugger nominated by Mrs. Kelsheimer	James (J.D.) Mattingly nominated by Mr. Wallace
		
Tami Mettler nominated by Ms. Hiddle	Joey Revell nominated by Ms. Franklin	Stephanie Sanders nominated by Mr. Wallace
		
Kimberly Tischer nominated by Ms. Seaton	Jill Frisz nominated by Mr. Doughan	Corey Hays nominated by Mr. Doughan

PARIS HIGH SCHOOL

Paris High School is home to over 600 students and 50 staff members. Situated in the center of Edgar County, PHS is one of the most recognized

landmarks in Paris. Offering a wide variety of courses, students have the opportunity to study anything from horticulture to criminology to music appre-

ciation in a technology-rich atmosphere. If you would like to know more about Paris High School, please contact the office or visit us on the web!



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