# VIKING NEWSLETTER



He needs our help!

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PLEASANT GROVE HIGH SCHOOL

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ear Viking Community,

It is amazing how fast a school year goes by! It's hard to believe there is only one month to go and then we gear up for the graduating class of 2014. Please encourage your student(s) to finish the year strong by giving their best effort.

We want to be strong finishers, and hope our students will be as well.

As the year comes to a close, there are many opportunities to see the talents of our students in the performing arts. I hope you will take advantage of enjoying the hard work and dedication of our students and teachers by attending these outstanding events.

We are also looking forward to our commencement exercises on May 30th. These will be held at the BYU Marriott Center at 9:00 AM sharp.

It is a pleasure to work here at Pleasant Grove High School. We appreciate your support and hope that you will be comfortable visiting with us about your concerns, thoughts and ideas.

ongratulations VIKING PARENTS! Graduation will be here before we know it. But there are still a few things we'd love your help with for a successful end to this great year!

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MARKDOWNS in the Viking Store: Sweatpants (\$20) Hoodies (\$18) T-shirts (\$10) Cinch sacks (\$5) and Lanyards (\$2.50). Please contact someone on PTSA board or stop by the store Tues.-Friday during lunches until May 17th. SUMMER KICKOFF POOL PARTY to kick off the summer (Friday May 24th 7-10 PM) at the PG Pool. Tickets sold by May 23rd \$5 (\$7 at the door). Make this your first celebration of summer by joining us at the PG POOL! AP TESTING SUPERVISORS are needed. This is a great way to spend some guiet time and support our AP students' efforts. Interested? Check our PTSA Website.

PTSA's SENIOR ALL-NIGHTER PARTY ... May 30th (10PM stomp/party until 4 AM May 31st) The grand-daddy of all celebrations is here and a great way for our graduating Seniors to spend one more exciting night together at a safe event. There will be fantastic food, fun activities, lots of friends and even some prizes throughout the night. Yes! There is still time to reserve your graduate's spot at this terrific event. Tickets are \$25 (pre-sold) and \$30 (at the door.) Please check the PTSA Website for the sign up lists for volunteering your time or making a donation for that evening. THANK YOU!

IT'S BEEN A GREAT YEAR working with you for our kids. We wish our incoming PTSA executive board good luck as they begin preparations for another terrific year next fall. Congratulations to KyLee Veenker, PTSA president; Robyn Evans, President-elect; Tanya Wilkinson, Secretary; and Lisa young, Treasurer, as well as all the others on their board.

Sincerely,

7im Brantley



### WE LOVE YOU NAMI! HOW CAN WE HELP?



Meet 4 year old Nami, son of Annika (SS teacher) and Salesi Vimahi. Nami had his first recognizable seizures at 4 months of age which guickly developed into infantile spasms, a life-threatening type of seizure. We were

able to get them under control for many months before he started having seizures again. Since he was 2 years old he's had seizures just about every day which often interfere with his breathing. Over the past year Nami has had about 100 seizures on most days and some days he's had over 300. He needs some serious medical attention & ALL OUR HELP!

#### FUNDRAISING CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR NAMI

**ALL MONTH ACTIVITIES:** 

1) "Corsages & Boutonniers for a Cause" - Pre-order your flowers for PROM w/ Ms. Hadfield in Room 151 ... BEST PRICE IN TOWN! 2) Yogurt Bliss Just mention"the Vimahi \$\$\$\$ Fundraiser"

#### PGHS EVENTS:

Kick Off "Penny Wars" at Lunch
A-1 classes begin "Penny Wars": (runs til May 17th)
PGHS "CARNIVAL for a Cause"
Penny Wars Winners announced – PARTY!!
Movie Night @ Water Gardens - ANY MOVIE ALL DAY NIGHT Just mention"the Vimahi Fundraiser"
Benefit Choir Concert - Donations accepted
Storytelling Benefit w/ Mr. Newman (LUNCH)
Pig Stock Benefit - 12:00 NOON Best bands in the state playing all day long near the softball field!



### PGHS: Real Students, Real Success!



### COUNSELORSCORNER

LAST ACT TEST- June 12th

See your counselor ASAP for dates and times. Seniors make sure you finish STRONG!!

SENIOR CREDIT DEADLINES!!

ATTENDANCE SCHOOL: May 24th

<u>Electronic High School</u> April 15th - Course work completed May 1st - Testing completed

BYU Independent Study: May 3rd

East Shore High School: May 28th

Credit Recovery: May 24th

AP Testing: May 6th - May 17th

#### **SUMMER HOURS**

MAIN OFFICE Open DAILY 7:30am-2:30pm (801) 610-8170

FINANCIAL OFFICE M-TH 7:30-3:00 thru JUNE 27 JULY - MONDAYS ONLY! AUGUST 7:30am -3:30pm DAILY

> COUNSELING OFFICE Counselors Available MONDAYS ONLY 7:30am - 2:30pm (801) 610-8171

ATTENDANCE OFFICE (CLOSED) SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS NIGHT May 13th @ 6:00 p.m. PGHS Auditorium Seniors, please let the Counseling Office know what scholarships you have received asap!

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#### **GRADUATION PRACTICE**

May 29th @ 1:00 pm BYU Marriott Center

**GRADUATION CEREMONIES** 

May 30th @ 9:00 am BYU Marriott Center

**S** PEAKING OF SCHOLARSHIPS.... We would like to CONGRATULATE the following Volleyball Players who have committed to pursue their college careers on an athletic scholarship at the following institutions: Melissa Fuchs (Central Michigan University), Delayne Daniel (Snow College) Rachel Gale (Utah State University) and Katherine Biggs (UVU). WAY TO GO!!

#### Alpine School District Special Education Department & the Parent Center

#### PARENT NIGHT CONFERENCE

WHEN: Thursday, April 18th 6-8:30 pm WHERE: Dan Peterson School



169 N.1100 E. American Fork



**Dr. Tina Dyches,** the keynote speaker for the conference, is a professor in the special education department at BYU. Her presentation will focus on family resiliency. Then the evening will proceed with several experts presenting in breakout sessions including the following topics : Positive Behavior

Strategies/Communication/Social Stories/Reducing Anxiety/ Support for Siblings/Toilet Training/Role of Play at Home/ School/Sensory/Self-Regulation/ATEC.

\*Information booths available until 7:45 pm include: Medicaid, assistive technology, summer activities, guardianship, and ATEC. PLEASE COME JOIN US!

Respite care will be provided for students with severe disabilities only. Please contact Kathi Wright (801-610-8119) by April 15<sup>th</sup> to reserve one of the 20 limited slots available. Other questions can be directed to Kim Jones, parent night coordinator, at (801-610-8718).

#### HEY FALL SPORT ATHLETES!



F YOU OR ANYONE YOU KNOW is interested in participating in a spring sport, you need to complete a try-out packet ASAP! This includes a current physical (good for ONE year), parent consent forms and

a try-out check list (you can pick these up in the Main Office or from your coach). ALL paperwork is due prior to try-outs for your sport: Fball/golf (July 25) Girls Soccer/ Tennis (Aug. 1) Vball/XCountry (Aug 8) and Cheer/Drill ASAP!

For your convenience, the PGHS Athletic Training department will be hosting a **Physical Clinic on Thursday, May 23** (Girls at 5:00 pm, boys at 5:30

pm) and will provide pre-season physicals to ALL athletes. The cost is **\$20.** Athletes **MUST have their paperwork signed** by a parent prior to receiving a physical.



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### MPORTANTANNOUNCEMENTS



CALLING ALL SENIOR PARENTS! We are now accepting donations to complete the purchase of our new "Outdoor Furniture" for the Courtyard, just outside the Counseling Office. This will be our legacy left as the SENIOR GIFT of the Graduating Class of 2013!



### **DRIVER'S EDUCATION SUMMER SCHOOL**

PGHS offers 2 sessions of summer school Driver's Education courses this summer. These classes will be held at the following times in Room 128 (Coach Sampson's room)

#### SESSION ONE: March 28 - June 6, 2013

Class runs May 28-29 (2:45-5 pm) May 30 (1-4:30 pm) May 31st (8-11:30 am) June 3-6 (8-11:30 am). RANGE: June 3-6 Afternoons at Timpanogos High School

#### SESSION TWO: August 5 -15, 2013

Class runs daily from 8-11:30 am RANGE: August 12-15 afternoons at Timpanogos High School

**This course requires a fee of \$135.00.** Please see LaRaine Montgomery in the Financial Office PRI-OR to attending the first day of class. Enrollment is on a first come, first served basis (Maximum of 34 students).

**REGISTRATION:** Students must present a current Utah Learners Permit to register. \*Please note that by signing up for this class you are <u>obligated to attend every class period</u> in order to fulfill the UTAH state requirements for classroom hours. NO EXCEPTIONS.



The HOSA (Future Health Professionals) club members competed in the state competitions in Layton. Competing were Alissa Briggs, Maycin Flack, Zach Hall, Sarah Hasson, Logan Hunt, Josh Kirkpatrick, Kaitlyn Mashburn, Nickelle Monson, Kylie Oyler, Sabrina Craghead, Josie Schwalbe, Kierra Williams and Kort Zarbock. Congratulations to Kaitlyn Mashburn for a 4th place finish in Human Growth and Development and to Kylie Oyler for a 7th place finish in Nurse Assisting. Get ready to run, the HOSA club will be sponsoring a 5K to benefit Cystic Fibrosis in May!"



**P**GHS VIKETTES competed in Region Competition on Saturday, January 26th, at Lone Peak High School. They came out strong and qualified for State in the *"military"* and *"dance"* categories (finishing 3rd) and 2nd in the *"kick"* category. Overall we placed 3rd behind Lone Peak (2nd) and Bingham (1st). All-Region accolades went to Brittany Conner, Brooklin Frampton and Kaylee Whiteley. All-Region Academic honors went to Brittany Conner, Brooklin Frampton, Maycie Nielsen, & Kaylee Whiteley. Brittany Conner also took ALL STATE Honors and Kaylee Whiteley was Academic All-State as the team took 7th Overall in the STATE!! Great job gals! We are all SO proud of you!

### PGHS: Real Students, Real Success!



#### **ONGRATULATIONS to our Utah Science** and Engineering Fair WINNERS!

At this competition, the top six projects are selected to go on to compete at the international level. This year two of those projects came from PGHS. The big winners were Havden Dobyns, Brennan Burnett and Katarina Black. All three students won an all-expense paid week-long trip to participate at the International level, otherwise known as the "Olympics of high school science fairs" (Last year 63 different countries were represented.) In addition, every junior and senior from PGHS who competed received a \$4,000 scholarship to Westminster college

Hayden Dobyns/Brennan Burnett: Presentation Award/US Army Award Best of Show Overall/US Air Force Award/1<sup>st</sup> Place Engineering/**BYU one year** scholarship/80,000 Westminster Scholarship, and ISEF International Fair Traveler to Phoenix, Arizona.

PGHS students competed at the USEF in April. Katarina Black: 1st Place Animal Science/ISWEEP **International Fair Traveler to Houston, Texas** 

Jill DeBuck: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Microbiology

Monika Robinson: 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Behavioral and Social Science

Callaway Thatcher/Alicia Daniels: 3<sup>rd</sup> Place

Environmental Science Sage Chiniquy, Caitlin Larson and Kalare Eberting: US Army Award Best of Show

Aaron Williams/Josh Smith: Public Health Award 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Medicine and Health



ongratulations to the team of Jacoby Davis and Austin Wheelwright for taking first place at the State TSA Competition. They competed against 20 teams from all over the state in the Technology Problem Solving Challenge. They will move on to compete at the National Conference in Orlando, Florida.

had some outstanding achievements.

State Science Fair competition: Tori Herzog placed Osborne, and Tyra Muhlestein. 2<sup>nd</sup> in Plant Science.

lins, Tori Herzog, and Ta'Merra Philips can now ap- Lynn, and Michaela Bodhaine. ply for and receive their American Degree in 2 years. Job Interview contest: Mallory McClure received a silver ranking. State Star Greenhand Agri-business winner: Brayden Richards.

PGHS competed in and WON the coveted chapter records contest. Kailey Osborne and Tori Herzog did a wonderful job putting the scrapbook together.

Recommended by the State FFA advisory board, our very own Ms. Suzanne Hadfield was awarded the Honorary State FFA Degree.

In addition, Stephanie Jones, Melissa Walker, and Natalie Wilson have been recommended to receive their American Degrees at the National FFA Convention in October. In April, they also competed at State

nce again, the annual FFA convention drew Contest where ALL teams placed in the top 10 and some of PG's finest. Several of our students were STATE CHAMPIONS in the following events:

Floral Design: Tracy Blackman, Tori Herzog, Kailey

Food Science/Tech: Jake Welch, Brayden Richards, State Degree winners: Jessica Cowley, Kaden Col- Shaylee Orr, and Danny CrumpKaden Collins, Jaden

> Thanks to all the teachers and staff that supported the students while they were away competing. We appreciate you!



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#### IMPORTANT DATES

#### May 11 PROM BOYS CHOICE

- May 13 ACADEMIC Awards Night
- May 14 School Community Council
- May 20 Suicide Prevention Comm. Meeting @ PGJR. 6:30 pm

MOVIE DAY/NIGHT @ Water Gardens (Just mention the Vimahi Fundraiser)

May 22 LAGOON DAY for SENIORS

#### 7PM BENEFIT CHOIR CONCERT for NAMI VIMAHI

- May 23 FINALS B1-3 Fall Sports Physicals 5 PM in the Training Room
- May 24 FINALS A1-A3 PTSA POOL PARTY
- May 27 MEMORIAL DAY NO SCHOOL

May 28 FINALS B4, A4

CAP AND GOWN Distribution Spring Sports &Talent Show YEARBOOK PARTY 7 pm

May 29 GRAD PRACTICE 1:00 pm BYU Marriot Center



May 30 GRADUATION CEREMONY BYU Marriot Center 9:00 am PGHS STOMP 8-11:30 PM

SENIOR ALL NIGHT PARTY 12-4AM

### FCCLA makes PGHSPROUD!

**PGHS FCCLA** (Family, Career, and Community Leaders of America) chapter of 19 students sent 9 students to **compete against schools from all over the state in various events**. These students have spent countless hours working and carrying out various projects and polishing their presentations. Those placing first in their category are invited to attend Nationals in Nashville, Tennessee this summer.

#### **MEDAL WINNERS:**

Sammy Clay placed 3rd in *Leadership (silver medal score)* Spencer Chugg/Jake Erling placed 2nd in Illustrated Talk (silver medal

score)

Wesley Carter/Savannah Allmon in Focus on Children placed 2nd (gold medal score) and are going to Nationals.

Emily Fowler/Brittany Baird placed 2nd in Interior Design (silver medal score)

**Eman Ashtawy/Jolyn Short** took first place the GOLD in Chapter Service Manual.

We also want to congratulate Wesley Carter on being elected as a Utah state FCCLA officer!

## <u>PGHS "SPEAKSOUT"</u>

**Excitement over this year's political issues** prompted the English classes taught by Ms. Statham, a new student teacher, to speak about important U.S. Constitutional issues. Each student chose one of the 27 amendments to the Constitution to analyze and speak about in front of the entire student body in the Student Center. Over 150 students spoke in front of the students gathered for lunch. This is a twice annual event that is held in the fall at election time and in the spring.

Students were assigned to speak on diverse issues such as the right to bear arms covered in the Second Amendment. Cruel and unusual punishment, search and seizure, state's rights and other timely topics were voiced to inform and enlighten the student audience. The Student Center was filled with over 500 students at times to listen, cheer, and boo the speeches, view the displays and be showered with candy at the end of each speech. Each speaker was tasked with generating enthusiasm for the issue either pro or con and to speak loudly and clearly to make their position clear.

Both the Young Republicans and the Young Democratic Clubs were present to recruit new members and share literature promoting their clubs. This is the fourth year that this event has been presented and it is becoming a fun tradition. See you next fall for the elections in 2013. A heartfelt THANKS goes out to John Deans for making this happen!

