

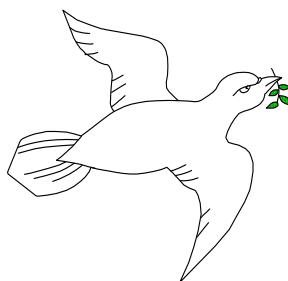
The Senior Source

May 2008

The Newsletter For Grads and Their Parents

Thoughts on Baccalaureate...

Senior Baccalaureate is scheduled for Sunday, **June 8, 2008** at 2:00 p.m. This event, which has nothing to do with our International Baccalaureate Program, marks the beginning of a special week for the Class of 2008 graduates and their families. The Senior Class traditionally invites three or four clergy from the community to share some thoughts as well as words of wisdom and encouragement. Seniors will wear their gowns (no caps) over dressy slacks or dresses. The stage and background in the Performing Arts Center makes an excellent setting for pictures. The atmosphere is unhurried, unlike graduation night, and the evening is an ideal time for families to spend time together. Parents may wish to plan an open house or dinner celebration for friends and relatives who cannot attend the graduation ceremony to follow Baccalaureate. Most seniors view graduation as their night, and the day is gone all too quickly. Seize the opportunity that Baccalaureate offers and start this special week with memories that will linger beyond Graduation Day.



Grad Night at Disneyland

This forty-four year tradition of celebrating graduation is always the highlight of senior activities. Disneyland's rides and attractions need no explanation. Live groups will entertain you. Do not miss this once-in-a-lifetime experience under the stars at Disneyland. When you return, a complete pancake breakfast will be served to cap off a special night and begin an extraordinary day. Tickets cost **\$95** if purchased May 12-19 and **\$105** if purchased May 20-23. The cost includes admission to Disneyland and transportation on a comfortable recliner bus. **No refunds or exchanges will be given after June 1, 2008.**

Tickets are on sale during **lunch only** in the Student Store beginning Monday, **May 12**. Ticket sales end Friday, **May 23**.

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Practice Practice Practice

Graduation practices will be Tuesday, **June 10** and Wednesday, **June 11** at 8:15 a.m. They are mandatory; seniors *must* attend in order to participate in the graduation ceremony. Students are strongly encouraged to use sunscreen at practice to avoid severe sunburn. *Yearbooks are not allowed at the practices and will be confiscated if brought.* **On Tuesday, practice will begin in the following classrooms:**

A - Ba C-25
Be-Br F-7
Bu - Cl F-3
Co - De Faculty Cafeteria
Di - Fi D-21
Fl - Gu B-24
H - Hw G-2
I - King D-26
Kinn - Lie D-3
Lin - Ma B-32
Mc - MI E-1
Mo - Ni T-2
No - Pos E-12
Pow - R D-1
S - Sm D-30
So - Ta B-33
Te - V E-6
W - Z Cafe.

(The Wednesday practice will begin in the gym.)

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Senior Luncheon

The Senior Luncheon will be held Thursday, **June 12** at Lamppost Pizza starting at 1:00 p.m. This is an excellent chance to have a delicious lunch while saying farewell to friends and teachers and sharing plans for the future. There will also be a showcase of talent and special senior awards. Cost of the luncheon is approximately \$6. Tickets will be on sale at Lamppost on the day of the luncheon, **June 12**.

Graduation Ceremony Tickets

Each graduation participant will receive up to four (4) complimentary tickets *if requested*. Ticket order forms are included in this newsletter. *Any graduate participating in the graduation ceremony who wants tickets must turn in a ticket order form.* Ticket orders begin **May 5**. All complimentary ticket order forms are due by **May 30** in the Student Store. If a form is not turned in by **May 30** we will assume the graduate and his/her family do not need tickets.

Seniors may purchase up to two additional tickets at a cost of \$10.00 each at the Student Store. *Please use the same order form when ordering the complimentary tickets.* The \$10.00 fee is to defray the cost of the graduation ceremony. The deadline for the purchased tickets is also **May 30**.

Flowers/Water

For your convenience and comfort, Cheer Boosters will have flowers for sale after the ceremony, and Speech Club will sell bottled water.

Audience Decorum

High School graduation is a once-in-a-lifetime experience. It is a very special occasion for the graduate, family and friends. *We request all members of the audience to refrain from applause, hooting and hollering during the reading of the graduate's names and speeches so that each graduate's name and speech will be heard.* Thank you for making the graduation ceremony for the Class of 2008 a dignified event. Please wait until the ceremony is concluded to present your special graduate with flowers or other gifts. **Balloons are not allowed in the stadium.**

1989-90 - Class of 2008 Arrives

- * **Communist Party relinquishes sole power in Soviet government.**
- * **South Africa frees Nelson Mandela after over 27 years of imprisonment.**
- * **Iraqi troops invade Kuwait, setting off the Persian Gulf War.**
- * **The Hubble telescope is launched.**
- * **"The Simpsons" debuts on Fox, while "Seinfeld" debuts on NBC.**
- * **San Francisco wins Super Bowl; Cincinnati wins World Series**
- * **Top films: "Driving Miss Daisy," "Dances With Wolves"**

Graduation Seating Arrangement

The graduation ceremony will take place in our beautiful Panther Stadium. We have set up a large screen to ensure all parents and guests have a good view of the ceremony and the graduates. As we have in the past, we will provide seating for 3,500 spectators. The map shown below will give you an idea of the approximate seating arrangement. After the first practice, **June 10**, your graduate will be able to suggest the best place for you to sit in order to see him or her. At the conclusion of the ceremony, graduates will recess to the campus Quad, where parents, relatives and friends may meet for pictures.



Graduation Activity Calendar

1995-96: Class of 2008 Enters Kindergarten

- * Russian space station, Mir, greets 1st Americans as US Shuttle docks with it.
- * O.J. Simpson found not guilty of killing his ex-wife and Ron Goldman.
- * Scores killed as car bomb blows up Oklahoma City Federal Building.
- * Steve Fossett makes first solo transpacific balloon flight.
- * The Rock and Roll Hall of Fame opens in Cleveland, Ohio.
- * The San Francisco 49ers win Super Bowl; Atlanta Braves win World Series.
- * Top Films: "Forrest Gump" wins the Oscar for Best Picture of the year.

May 5	Graduation ticket orders begin - Student Store (4 comp. + 2 additional at \$10 each)
May 7	Senior Seminars - Performing Arts Center - 8:00 a.m.-12:00, light breakfast served
May 7	Graduation Steering Committee Meeting - 2:15 p.m., CCC
May 10	Junior/Senior Prom - Reagan Library - 8:00 p.m.
May 12	Senior Seminars - Performing Arts Center - 8:00 a.m.-12:00, light breakfast served
May 12	Grad Night ticket sales begin
May 13	Senior Picnic - Location TBA
May 14	Grad Speakers/Musicians try-outs - 2:15 p.m., Room M-1
May 21	Graduation Steering Committee Meeting - 2:15 p.m., faculty cafeteria
May 22	Senior Recognition Program- 6:45 p.m., PAC
May 23	Grad Night ticket sales end
May 30	Complimentary graduation ticket orders due
May 30	Additional Graduation ticket purchases due
June 2	Graduation Steering Committee Meeting - 2:15 p.m., Room B-2
June 3	Senior Scholarship Night - 7:00 p.m., PAC
June 5	Distribution of Cap & Gowns - 11:45 a.m. in GAR
June 6	Senior Finals periods 1, 2, & 5 - regular schedule
June 8	Baccalaureate - 2:00 p.m. (report by 1:45 p.m.), PAC - Seniors wear gown/no cap
June 9	Senior Finals periods 3 & 4 - regular schedule
June 10	Graduation Rehearsal** - 8:15 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - report to designated rooms
June 10	Senior Source #2 Distributed
June 11	Graduation Rehearsal** - 8:15 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. - report to assigned seating in gym
June 12	Senior Luncheon - 1:00 p.m. - Lamppost Pizza-NP
June 12	Disneyland Grad Night - 8:30 p.m - Meet in Gym
June 13	Senior Breakfast - 7:00 a.m. - Cafeteria
June 13	GRADUATION - 5:30 p.m.- Panther Stadium

**** Attendance At Graduation Rehearsals Is Mandatory**

Next Senior Source: First Graduation Practice

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Parent's Corner

Where should I park?

Parking will be available in all the school parking lots, Lesser Road, Reino Road, and on the adjacent streets. The secret is arriving early enough to find a good spot.

How will I get pictures?

The professional photographers from **Bob Knight Photo** will be taking a picture of all graduates receiving their diplomas. A proof will be mailed to each graduate. Photo ops will be available on the Quad after the ceremony.

What if we are bringing handicapped or wheelchair bound guests?

Contact Mr. Josh Eby, Assistant Principal, at 498-3676 ext. 1008 and he will let you know about arrangements he has made to provide seating for those guests needing assistance.

What time will the gates open?

At 4:30 p.m.

Caps and Gowns/Appropriate Attire

Seniors will pick up their caps and gowns, Thursday, **June 5** at 11:45 a.m. in the Girls' Activity Room. No one may pick up a cap and gown for another senior. Those seniors unable to pick up their cap and gown at this time may go to the Student Store on Friday, **June 6** before school. **Seniors are required to wear dressy clothes under their gowns including slacks, dresses, dress shirt and tie, and dress shoes. Please, no flip-flops.** The only items a graduate is permitted to wear over his/her gown are:

- * Valedictory Medal
- * Salutatory Medal
- * CSF Gold Tassel
- * NHS White Stole
- * Purple Cord - Superintendent's Highest Honors
- * Teal Cord-International Baccalaureate
- * Orange, Pink, Red, Yellow, Blue, Green or White Cord - Majors Designation
- * Silver Cord - D.A.T.A.

Graduates may not alter caps & gowns, wear leis or carry flowers (until after the ceremony). The purpose of academic attire is to identify you, for the last time, as a member of your graduating class. Graduates not wishing to keep their gowns may donate them to Newbury Park High School when they pick up their diplomas.

2004 - Class of 2008 Enters High School

- * **The U.S. hands over power to Iraqi interim government. Iyad Allawi becomes Prime Minister.**
- * **Ronald Reagan dies on June 5, 2004.**
- * **The Summer Olympics return to its beginnings in Athens, Greece.**
- * **George W. Bush is re-elected president, defeating John Kerry.**
- * **On Dec. 26, an enormous tsunami devastates Asia, killing 200,000.**
- * **Gasps were heard around the country because of a notorious "wardrobe malfunction" at the Super Bowl XXXVIII half-time show.**

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Only Newbury Park High School seniors may attend the Grad Night trip.

You must complete the Grad Night Permission Slip enclosed in this packet and return it when you buy your ticket. **Seniors who wish to ride together on the same bus must buy their tickets at the same time.**

Please note that we are requesting permission for your senior to be transported by private vehicle driven by school personnel or an authorized adult should a bus not be available. We may need to call on parents to transport students to and from Disneyland should a bus not show up. If you are able to do this, please complete the information in the box on the Grad Night Permission Slip. In addition, if medication or a wheelchair is required, you must contact Mr. Berlin at 498-3676 ext. 1018.

Students are to report to the gym by 8:30 p.m. on Thursday, **June 12**. At that time students will proceed through a security check prior to boarding the buses. We will be returning to NPHS at approximately 6:30 a.m. on Friday, **June 13**.

Disneyland wishes us to pass on the following IMPORTANT information about attire for Grad Night:

Only those properly attired will be admitted. Those who do not come dressed appropriately will be required to stand in a long line and present a driver's license to rent correct apparel. To keep with the magical atmosphere of the evening, you must adhere to the following dress standards:

For Her:

- * Nice, newer-looking jeans of an appropriate color (no bleach, no tears, no ripped waist) or slacks.
- * Comfortable shoes (Dress sandals with strap secured to foot OK, but not loose sandals or flip flops.) Tennis shoes should be clean and must be worn with socks.
- * Warm sweater and/or jacket (no bare midriff, no revealing clothing, no T-shirts.)

For Him:

- * Nice, newer-looking BLACK OR BLUE jeans only (no holes, no tears) or slacks.
- * Collared shirt or sweater (No T-shirts).
- * Clean tennis shoes with socks.

Not Okay:

- * Any clothing affiliated with school, sport teams, group affiliations, or clothing not in good repair.
- * No hats, backpacks, briefcases, hip packs, camera bags, tote bags, or oversized bags.
- * No food or beverage, including water and snack items.

**Only Ticket Holders Arriving By Authorized Bus
Transportation Will be Admitted to Disneyland**

The Yearbooks Are Coming! The Yearbooks Are Coming!

Yearbooks will be distributed to all students from the Student Store on a date to be announced. **You must have your ID card to pick up your yearbook.** See Mr. Warfield for additional information.