

# High School Newsletter



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## IMPORTANT DATES

**November 21**  
Vibrations performance 2:45-3:45 Indianapolis Arts Garden (downtown)

**November 25**  
3:00 dismissal

**November 26, 27**  
No school

**November 30**  
Classes resume at 8 a.m.

**December 1**  
Midterm reports due

**December 17**  
Activity Period—  
Students meet with their TOR

**December 18**  
Dismiss at 3:00 p.m. for Winter Break

**January 4**  
Resume classes at 8 a.m.

**January 4, 5, 6**  
Review for final exams

**January 7,8,11,12**  
Final Exams

**January 13-16**  
Clerc Classic

## Sophomore Dances at Lucas Oil Stadium

Congratulations to sophomore Meg Katter who recently danced at a Colts Football game. Meg, along with her brother David, were part of the group dancing to Michael Jackson's *Thriller*. David is a student in ISD's Middle School department.

## Art Teacher Honored

Art teacher, Scotty Zwicker, was recently selected as the Deaf person of the month by *Deaf Life* Magazine. This magazine is run by Matthew Moore, ISD alumna. Mr. Zwicker was recognized for his vision and outstanding work on the ISD Monon Trail Plaza. His work and dedication can be seen along the Monon Trail on the west side of ISD's campus., as well as in the fantastic projects his middle and high school students display in the Vocational building.

## Legend of Sleepy Hollow a Rousing Success!!

Last weekend, the drama class, under the direction of Judy Catron, presented the Legend of Sleepy Hollow. The production was, mysterious, funny and very entertaining. Kudos to Judy, the whole cast, stage crew and set designer, for their hard work.

CAST: Jermaine Briggs, Ryan Dibble, Malven Earthman, Tiara Finch, Quionna Johnson, Chandre Kimble, Brenda Marcos, Denise Rosario, Drew Shaffer,  
CREW: Corey Garner SET DESIGN/PAINTING: Bruce Bailey

## Honor Roll

Congratulations to all of the students who made 1st quarter Honor Roll. (see list) We also want to give credit to those students who didn't have SRC all quarter and/or had perfect attendance. We hope to see more names on the 2nd quarter Honor Roll list.

### 3.5 or better

Tyler Crace Ben Polstra TraciAnn Hoglind Sarah Margolis-Greenbaum

### 3.0-3.49

#### 2013:

Courtney Lyons  
Tony Long  
Bradley Huser  
Chace Shaffer

#### 2011:

Nick Curtis  
Keren Martinez-Cruz  
Kayree Thomas  
Laura Tingle  
Matthew Dille  
Drew Shaffer

#### 2012:

Andrew Morrill  
Jenna Smith  
Raven Taylor

#### 2010:

Anthony Dall  
Anna Miller  
Michael Garman  
Brenda Marcos  
Amber Miniard



## ***From the Supervising Teacher's Desk . . .***

### ***Greetings from High School!***

Congratulations to the students who made the Honor Roll. Keep up the good work. Midterm Reports are due by Dec. 1st and will be mailed out that week. Encourage your child to complete their homework and study for tests and quizzes, Reviewing vocabulary is also important. Please read the following announcement carefully. It could effect your child and their graduation date. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me. (Mary Glenn Rinne)

### **Course Audit Policy**

The maximum number of absences allowed per class is 10 for classes that meet daily. A letter will be sent home after the 5th absence in a semester to notify parents/guardians that their son/daughter is reaching the maximum allowed by the Indiana School for the Deaf Attendance Policy. A second letter will be sent home when the student reaches his/her eleventh absence to notify the parents/guardians and student that the student is now placed in audit status for the course(s) that apply.

When a student is placed on audit status, he/she will not receive a credit at the end of the semester for that class, unless the student successfully appeals to the Audit Committee. When the student completes the Appeal for Credit form, a meeting will be held with the Audit Committee, the student and at least one parent/guardian near the end of the semester. The Audit Committee will consist of the student's Teacher of Record, the Guidance Counselor, the High School Supervising Teacher and one teacher whose classes have been missed by the student due to excessive absences.

At this meeting the student will present information to justify why a grade and credit should be given. Evidence worthy of sharing may include:

Doctor's note(s) confirming the seriousness of the illness or injury

Proof of significantly improved attendance since being placed on audit status in the class(es)

Proof of completed assignments

Proof of improved performance in class.

The committee will then rule on whether the audit status should be removed and credit and letter grade awarded. If the appeal is denied, the student will receive a NC (no credit) on the transcript with no letter grade recorded. In instances where a student's excessive absenteeism is due to reasonable causes, i.e., serious/prolonged illness, serious/prolonged injury, family emergency, etc., the student will not be placed on audit status. However absences will still be monitored. Absences due to school related events, i.e., field trips, academic related contests/performances, athletic contests, will be monitored to avoid exceeding the maximum absences allowed by the policy. A combination of absences due to non-school related reasons which cause the student to exceed the maximum allowed by this policy will result in the student being placed on audit status, and he/she will need to appeal for credit.

Until next time,

Mary Glenn Rinne

Interim Supervising Teacher

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**THE NEWSLETTER WILL BE PRINTED EVERY TWO WEEKS.**

**Watch for the next issue: Friday, December 4, 2009**

**Submit information to [sbaker@isd.k12.in.us](mailto:sbaker@isd.k12.in.us) Deadline for the next issue: Wed., Dec. 2nd**

## On the Health Front . . .

**As of August 1, 2010**, the ISD and the Indiana school for the Blind and Visually Impaired will become a smoke free campus. Smoking cigarettes, clove cigarettes, cigars, pipes, snuff or chewing tobacco will not be permitted on the grounds. This means no smoking on school grounds, state vehicles, personal vehicles and school buses. Smoking will also not be permitted right outside of the front gates. The State Fair is also considered state grounds. Superintendent David Geeslin announced the mandate earlier this month giving everyone fair warning (10 months) to comply.

## Friendly Reminder from the Nursing Staff

People are starting to get colds, strep throat, flu like symptoms and other ailments so we all need to roll up our sleeves and wash, wash, wash those hands as much as possible.

## Premiere of 4th ASLfilms

Gerald, featuring former ISD staff and alumna will debut in Indiana, December 4th at 7 p.m. and December 5th, 2 and 7 p.m. The 2:00 p.m. showing will have captions. The other 2 performances will not have caption. Micaela Paulone, ISD volleyball coach, and member of the Class of 2006, stars in the movie. Ruan duPlessis, class of 2006, is the director of photography and former ASL teacher, Mark Wood, is the writer/director of the films.

## ISD Photo Club Schedule Announced

Robert and Lisa Wilson will again be hosting the ISD Photo Club. The meetings are on Wednesdays from 6-8 p.m. and will be held in the Vocational Building. The scheduled meetings are:

November 18, 2009	March 14, 2010
December 13, 2009	March 31, 2010
January 10, 2010	April 11, 2010
January 27, 2010	April 28, 2010
February 7, 2010	May 9, 2010
February 24, 2010	May 26, 2010

- If you have a film camera and have always wanted to do some black and white pictures, please bring your camera and let's get started! I will teach you how to use the camera, prep film for development and to make prints;
- Darkroom fun: creating pictures with negatives or things around the house, hands, etc.;
- Show you how to use the WalMart, Costco, etc. systems for uploading your digital pictures for printing there;
  - With this one, you can use their pre-made templates to do greeting cards and the like;
- How to use your digital camera to best effect. Please, bring the manual so I can find the hidden gems that your camera offers;
- How to use the computer to make materials for your own use:
  - o Photoshop to change backgrounds, colors or other manipulations;
  - o Word – How to import your pictures and to type on top of them, for example;
  - o Powerpoint – how to incorporate your own pictures into your presentation;
- If time permits, I can show you how to work with video, as well:
  - o How to add captions to your vids;
  - o How to make a dvd;
- Introductions to other extremely cool tools for your use!



**Fundraising and Upcoming Events:**

~ **Nan Fonseca, the Fundraising Chair, and PTCO** are now selling awesome **car magnets** designed with the new school logo for \$5 and T-shirts for \$10. As always, all the money we raise goes to support the classroom and technology needs of our students. Contact Nan Fonseca at [babycake1@tmo.blackberry.net](mailto:babycake1@tmo.blackberry.net) if you would like to arrange to buy something.

~ **One way you can easily support PTCO fundraising without paying a penny is the Recycling Program.** You can put almost any paper items (magazines, scrap paper, junk mail, catalogs, newspapers) in the green and yellow bin in the front parking lot every time you drive to ISD. The only things they will not accept are plastic, cardboard or phone books. The contact person is Chris Moody at 317.579.0223 or [PTCOsecretary@isd.k12.in.us](mailto:PTCOsecretary@isd.k12.in.us).

~ Contact Bonita Ewan at [Bgewan@gmail.com](mailto:Bgewan@gmail.com) to buy tickets to **Gerald on December 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup>** or see your school department secretaries to buy tickets. This will be a wonderful movie event with two shows in ASL only. A third show will include English sub-titles. Tell everyone you know! We need to fill the house!

~ Serious planning is underway for the **Deaf is Beautiful** event coming in February. You will not want to miss this opportunity to be entertained by the Deaf actor, Terrylene Sacchetti! The contact person for this event is Adrienne Greeger.

As always, we welcome your participation and ideas and we need your help. Feel free to contact us at [PTCO@isd.k12.in.us](mailto:PTCO@isd.k12.in.us) or [PTCOsecretary@isd.k12.in.us](mailto:PTCOsecretary@isd.k12.in.us) any time.

**Interesting Reading: Deaf-Blind Pianist**

Bert Riedel, an eighty-six year old deaf-blind pianist, cut off from world since age forty-five, discovers a new life through hand-over-hand-sign. This heartwarming narrative about the life-changing power of sign language communication is told by Diane L. Chambers, Bert's sign language teacher. Diane finds her world transformed as well by her relationship with her unique deaf-blind student. **Words in My Hands** is the true story of their unforgettable journey.

Beautifully and eloquently written, Chambers' story takes the reader through the intricacies and complexities of not only deafness and blindness, but of language itself. This impactful memoir is for professionals in education, social services, healthcare, and rehabilitation. It is an inspiration for all!

ISBN 9760967-0-6, **Words in My Hands** is \$15.95 in soft cover, 263 pages and includes photographs. Now available on line at [www.ellexapress.citymax.com](http://www.ellexapress.citymax.com), or at the following bookstores:

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## Scholarship Available

### Nina Mason Pulliam Legacy Scholars

#### Applicants must meet *all* of the following criteria:

- Be working toward their first college degree
- Be a US citizen and resident of Indiana
- Demonstrate financial need, with priority given to those with a household income of 80% or less of the median income for Marion County (approximately \$36,750 annually).
- Complete 2010-2011 FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid)
- Currently attend or be accepted at IUPUI or Ivy Tech Community College—Central Indiana.
- Completed no more than 24 degree-applicable college level credits.
- Application requires an essay, an official high school transcript (incoming freshmen) or previous college transcript (returning student), documentation of qualifying criteria, 2-4 recommendation forms and letters, standardized test scores (ACT, SAT, ASSET, COMPASS), and demonstration of financial need as determined by the FAFSA and, if chosen as a finalist, an interview.

#### Scholarship eligibility definitions:

**Child Welfare System:** Incoming freshmen or continuing students between the ages of 18 and 25 who have been raised through in a child welfare system and have no form of financial support. The *child welfare system* for the purposes of this scholarship is described as the public-supported system that serves neglected, abused, abandoned, at risk children and/or those who are wards of the court. A person who has experienced time in the foster care system may have lived in an institution such as a group home, child protection agency, or special facility for children and/or with a foster family. This applies particularly to those persons who were raised away from their biological parents or relative caregivers for extended periods of time, were financially supported by sources other than their families, and are presently responsible for them financially.

**Physical Disability:** College aged youth and adults with physical disabilities

A physical disability for the purpose of this scholarship is one that limits or impairs a person's ability to access and/or be fully mobile on campus, and/or creates a special challenge for classroom instruction, tutoring, student support services, participation in campus offerings, and other academic and extra curricular activities. This includes disabilities that substantially limit major life activities such as walking, seeing, hearing, speaking, breathing, writing and working. These disabilities may be a result of but not limited to spinal cord injuries, brain injuries, speech impairments, visual impairments, hearing impairments, epilepsy, cerebral palsy, multiple sclerosis, muscular dystrophy, loss of limbs, and severe orthopedic injuries. Applicants are to provide official document of their physical disability from a medical or healthcare provider.

**Dependents in Family Unit:** Adults age 25 and older with dependents

These are adults who are 25 years of age or older who have dependents in their family units (self not included). These adults may be first time college students or returning students (those with previous college experience). The family unit may include relatives or other persons who may live in or outside the applicants household but for whom the internal revenue service has determined there is a financially dependent relationship.

**Contact Information:** Ivy Tech Community College-Central Indiana IUPUI

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(317) 921-4617 Ninascholars@lists.ivytech.edu (317) 278-7878 nina@iupui.edu

## Boy's Basketball

**Varsity Coach:**

**Keith Westhoelter**

**Junior Varsity Head Coach: Troy Truelove**

**Assistant Coach:**

**James Bingham**

Tuesday, November 24	Irvington	Home	6:00/7:30
Tuesday, December 1	Seccina	Away	4:00/5:30
Tuesday, December 8	Eminence	Away	6:00/7:30
Saturday, December 12	Illinois Deaf	Away	3:00/7:00
Thursday, January 7	International	Home	6:00/7:30
Tuesday, January 12	Indy Metro Academy	Away	6:00/7:30
January 14 – 16	Clerc Classic	Away (CSDF)	TBA

## Girl's Basketball

Tuesday, November 24	Lutheran	Away	6:00/7:30
Tuesday, December 1	Indy Metro Academy	Away	6:00
Thursday, December 3	Cloverdale	Away	6:00/7:30
Tuesday, December 8	Greenwood Christian	Home	6:00
Saturday, December 12	Illinois Deaf	Away	1:00/5:00
Tuesday, December 15	Bethesda Christian (JV)	Home	6:00
Thursday, January 7	Tindley	Home	4:30
Monday, January 11	Edinburgh	Home	6:00/7:30
January 14 – 16	Clerc Classic	Away (CSDF)	TBA

## Wrestling

**Head Coach:**

**Bill Warnock**

**Assistant Coaches:**

**Corey Wascher and Scott Harper**

Tuesday, November 24	Northwest	Away	5:30
Monday, November 30	Guerin Catholic	Home	5:00
Thursday, December 3	Decatur Central	Home	6:00
Saturday, December 5	Cambridge City Invitational	Away	9:30
Thursday, December 10	Speedway	Away	5:30
Saturday, December 19	City Meet at Howe Academy	Away	9:00
Monday, January 4	Faith Christian	Home	6:00
Tuesday, January 5	ISBVI	Home	5:00
Thursday, January 7	Ritter	Home	5:00
Thursday, January 14	White's	Away	6:00
Saturday, January 16	Eastern Hancock Invitational	Away	9:00



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AND SUPPORT ALL OF  
THE ATHLETES !**