

THE SCREAMERahs.asd103.org/ptsa.html**JAN – FEB 2010****AHS PTSA Classes of 2010, 2011, 2012 & 2013**Sponsored by AHS PTSA
A non-profit private organization**Mother's Day
Hanging Baskets**

Looking for a splendid Spring/Mother's day gift for mom, grandma, or your wife?

...order a colorful, healthy hanging basket of mixed annuals today!

Proceeds benefit Anacortes High School drug & alcohol free graduation night events.

**Order Deadline:
WEDNESDAY, MARCH 3, 2010**

This gives the grower time to grow these beautiful baskets. Baskets may include: petunias, lobelia, bacopa, verbena and other varieties. Check with friends, relatives and neighbors to see if they would enjoy one as well.

BASKET PICKUP:**When:** FRIDAY, MAY 7, 2009, From 11–2 pm**Where:** ANACORTES HIGH SCHOOL

1600 20th Street

At AHS courtyard by bell
in front of Brodniak foyer
(17th Street Entrance)**Questions? Please contact:
Anna Melling 293-6540
Enid Oates 333-0647**

Order forms available on the AHS website:

<http://www.ahs.asd103.org/PTSA/2010BasketsForm.pdf>

Thank you for your purchase! Proceeds benefit AHS drug & alcohol free graduation night events. You can even choose which graduating class you would like to support on your order form!

Attention Athletes**Sports Office Update**The 1st day of spring sports practice is Monday, March 1, 2010. All paperwork must be turned into Mrs. South in the Athletic Office by Friday, February 26, 2010. You must purchase an ASB card and pay your sports fee of \$75.00.

If you have been participating in a winter sport, please stop in to move your paperwork to the spring sport and pick up the new waiver forms. If you have questions, please see Mrs. South in the Athletic Office.

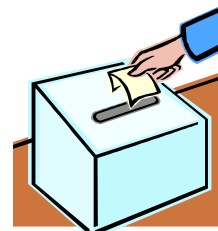
All athletic forms can be found online at:

<http://www.ahs.asd103.org/athletics.html>**SCHOOL LEVY****Remember to Vote!**

Ballots will be mailed on

Jan. 22nd, 2010and **MUST** be postmarked
by Feb 9th!

Levy Info available at:

<http://www.asd103.org/district/levy/levy.cfm>**AHS PTSA****General MEETING**

Wednesday, February 3rd,

7pm, AHS Library

Special Presentation:**Teenage Use of Internet/
Social Networking Sites****Graduation All Night
Celebration****—Tickets on sale NOW!**→ Cost is \$175 from now until April 1st,
→ after 4/1/10 tickets will be \$200**- so sign up early!**→ Registration forms are available in the
AHS office or online on AHS website under PTSA.

Principal's Message

Dear AHS parents,

January marks the end of first semester. Semester finals will begin on Wednesday January 27. The schedule will be as follows:

Wednesday, January 27: School begins at 8:30

- Finals in period 1 and 2

Thursday, January 28: School begins at 8:30

- Busses will run at the regular time so study areas will be available at school.

- Finals in Period 3-4-5

Friday, January 29: School begins at 7:30

- Finals in period 6-7; School dismissed at 10:45

Second semester begins on Monday, February 1.

Students will receive their new schedules during advisory on Friday, Jan 29. There are very few spots left in classes for students to make schedule changes.

Remember—ballots will be mailed January 22 for the upcoming school replacement levy which is February 9. This is a mail in ballot, so please remember to return those ballots by February 9.

On February 9-10, our seniors will be taking an assessment similar to the National Exam of Education Progress which informs the district how our students are doing in math and reading in relation to other seniors from other states. Sixty seniors will be randomly selected. This is very valuable information for our school improvement planning.

Mark your calendars for Friday, February 26. We will hold our Academic Recognition Assembly that morning to recognize the achievements of students during first semester.

Thank you for your support of Anacortes High School staff and students.

Sincerely,

Pam Estvold

NEXT Cupcake Day-March 17th !

Whether they admit it or not, students love choosing their special treat from the tables of colorful cupcakes supplied by PTSA parents. St. Patrick's—Cupcake Day is Wednesday, March 17.



If you'd like to be a cupcake provider one time or every time, Chris Prime would like to hear from you as soon as possible. It's easy – just bake or buy 2 dozen cupcakes and bring them to the AHS cafeteria between 7:30 and 9:30 am.

You can reach Chris at 588-1884 or piccolopt@earthlink.net.

From the PTSA President

We are off to a great start with a New Year and soon new semester. The coming weeks will fly by quickly. Before we know it the end of the school year will soon be here.

Thank you to everyone who supported the PTSA and the class committees by purchasing poinsettias from our annual sale. The profits from these sales fund the programs we provide for students, staff and our community. We are currently kicking off the Mother's Day Flower Basket sales. We look forward to these wonderful baskets every spring. These are beautiful spring flower baskets you don't want to miss. The profits from these sales support student programs.

We are currently looking for members who would like to be a participant on the Nominating committee. This committee selects candidates who are interested in serving on the PTSA executive board for the 2010-2011 school year. Please consider being a part of this important committee.

We will be having our next General Membership Meeting on February 3rd at 7:00pm in the AHS Library, with a featured talk on "Teenage Use of Internet/Social Networking Sites". We will also be electing our Nominating Committee at this meeting.

We welcome everyone to join us for this evening. Hope to see you there!

Sharon LaRue

AHS PTSA President

"Annual Women in Science and Engineering Conference"

The University of Washington is hosting their 19th annual Women in Science & Engineering conference on **Saturday, February 20, 2010 from 8:30am - 5:00pm**. The conference will include a pathway throughout the day of sessions devoted solely to high school women. They will have speakers and workshops that include hands on engineering projects, introductions to college level research, career pathways, transitioning into university life, and what challenges and advantages women in the science field have. The registration fee is minimal, and there are great opportunities to network, explore opportunities at the University and in industry, and learn more about topics that appeal to women studying and pursuing careers in the engineering & science field. **You may register at:**

www.engr.washington.edu/curr_students/studentprogs/wisecofnlights.html .

Questions? Please contact Cathryne Jordan at (206) 685-4849 or email jordanc1@u.washington.edu Take advantage of this exciting opportunity!



Reflections 2009-2010

“Beauty is...”

Congratulations to all 41 participants in the AHS PT&A Reflections Arts Competition at Anacortes High School on another great year of creativity and even more participation! We are very proud of each of the students who took the time and made the effort to create and submit an entry!

Final entries were turned in by Dec 23rd, 2009 and on Dec 26th the local judges began the difficult task of evaluating all of the entries in each art category. **Twenty-nine students submitted a total 41 entries.** Out of six possible categories of art in the Reflections Program, entries were received in five Film, Literature, Musical Composition, Photography, and Visual Arts.

A combined AHS/AMS Reflections Awards Ceremony was held on Thurs, Jan 7th in the Anacortes School District Boardroom. Family members, teachers, and friends assembled to view the artwork and recognize those who were selected as winners. First, Second, and Honorable Mention “Awards” were presented in each category. In addition, eight of the winning AHS entries were then selected to receive an “Outstanding Interpretation Award” and represent AHS at the Washington State PTA Reflections competition. We wish them Good Luck!

Many thanks to the following people who agreed to be our judges this year, donating their time and expertise in support of this program and the students in our schools:

Film Production Judges – Karen Everett
Literature Judges – Carla Roberts-Hurst,
Macushla Jacot and Ken Jacot
Music Composition Judges – Dionni Stone,
Jean Vanderpool
Photography Judges - Brian Bingham,
Colleen Painter, April Rich,
and Fred Stone
Visual Arts Judges - Jana Chase, Janice Veal

Many thanks also to the following local businesses of Anacortes who supported this year’s Reflections Cultural Arts Program at AHS through donations of tickets, coupons for services, and other products: Anacortes Cinemas, Johnny Picasso’s, and Starbucks.

A hearty thank you and sincere appreciation to the members of the AMS & AHS PT&As who volunteered to set up Display Cases and Bulletin Boards, and/or bring refreshments and help set up for the Awards Ceremony: Bonnie Osborne, Dionni Stone, Catherine Weech, Suzanne Burnell, and Kim Cole !

“1st, 2nd, Honorable Mention” Winners

Film Production:

First Place:
Max Magerkurth

Literature:

First Place:
Stephani Noar
Second Place tie:
Lily Eslick
Katie Kaestner
Honorable Mention
Awards to:
Lauren Molitor
Jennifer Noar

Musical Composition:

First Place:
Megan Osborne
Second Place:
Sarai Gould

Photography:

First Place:
Cassandra Kilpatrick
Jennifer Noar
Second Place:
Paige Rosson
Honorable Mention:
Hannah Johnson

Visual Arts:

First Place:
Mikiah Sigmen
Second Place:
Maren Hanson
Honorable Mention:
Kaylee Tanner

“Outstanding Interpretation” Award Winners

(Entries that are selected to send on to the Washington State Level Reflections Competition.)

Film Category – Max Magerkurth
Literature Category – Stephani Noar and Lily Eslick
Musical Composition – Megan Osborne
Photography Category – Cassandra Kilpatrick and Jennifer Noar
Visual Art Category – Mikiah Sigmen and Maren Hanson

Reflections 2010-2011 Theme: “Together We Can”
--- Start creating NOW!

Attention ALL College Bound Seniors

FAFSA Form; Due ASAP

ATTENTION ALL COLLEGE BOUND SENIORS: FAFSA (Free Application For Student Aid) forms should be submitted as soon as possible. Federal student aid covers school expenses such as tuition and fees, room and board, books and supplies, and transportation. This aid can also help you pay for a computer and dependent childcare expenses. Visit the Federal Student Aid Government Website at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Do you need help completing the FAFSA form? Contact that FAFSA Information Hotline at 1-800-433-3243.



CLASS of 2010

Class of 2010 Encore performance -

Murder Mystery play/Silent Auction

Saturday, February 6th in the AMS Commons

Tickets at the door \$5/person, includes dessert.

6:00pm doors open for silent auction, Murder Mystery begins at 7:00pm.

Helpers needed Sat. afternoon for set up and evening for selling tickets, serving dessert and clean up.

Bakers needed - contact Linda Everton at 391-4003 to offer help or to ask questions.

Senior All Night Celebration!

You've heard about the all night celebration - here's your chance to see what it's all about!

Class of 2010 wants you to help chaperone. Fun loving adults only, call Linda Everton, 391-4003

Tickets for Graduation All Night Celebration are on sale now!

Tickets are still on sale for Grad Night on June 16th! Currently the cost of a ticket is \$175. If necessary, this can be paid for in two separate payments. After April 1st the cost of the tickets will go up to \$200. All students must fill out a registration form, which needs to be submitted with the payment. Registration forms can be picked up in the main office or on-line at www.ahs.asd103.org/pts.html. Get your tickets soon!

Next Parent Meeting - Wed., February 3rd at 6pm in the AHS Cafeteria. (1 hour before the PTSA general meeting).

Questions? Please contact Linda Everton at 391-4003.

CLASS of 2013

Meetings every 3rd Tuesday of the Month at the AHS Cafeteria 7:00 pm. If you would like to be added to our email list to receive the latest on what we are doing...email Leslie Richards at jlrichards7@comcast.net

We would love to see some more volunteers and helpers!!

Don't forget to order your Anacortes Seahawk Pillowcase!! Order forms at:

<http://www.ahs.asd103.org/pts.html>

or contact Leslie at 360-202-5141 or

jlrichards7@comcast.net



CLASS of 2011

Mother's Day Hanging Baskets: Please order some of these beautiful plants and designate the class of 2011 on your order form. Order forms available on the AHS website follow the PTSA prompts. Orders due March 3 in AHS PTSA lock box in AHS office or mail to AHS PTSA Class of 2011- AHS PTSA mailbox 1600 20th Street Anacortes, WA 98221. Questions please contact Anna Melling @ 293-6540 or Enid Oates @ 333-0647. Proceeds benefit AHS drug & alcohol free celebration events following AHS graduation.

Seahawk Blankets: are a great way to show your Seahawk Pride while staying warm and cozy. Blankets cost \$25 and can be personalized for \$5.50 more. Order forms are available online at ahs.asd103.org/pts.html.

Current Fundraiser: is going all year. Go to www.currentfun.com and shop for cards, gift wrap, candy & treats. 50% of purchase goes to the class of 2011 when you use organization code number 17718.

Book Donations: Taken all year long for this summers Shipwreck Day Booth. Contact Joanne Dyer at dyer5@comcast.net

Next Planning Meeting:

Monday February 8, 6 PM AHS cafeteria

Chair: Patty Malcolm: 588-8010 or pmalcolm@wavecable.com

CLASS of 2012

Auld Lang Syne - Over the break, the class of 2012 held a New Years Masquerade Dance. Thank you to Gina Davis, Bernie Santiago, & Charlene Stoner for hosting a fun event for the AHS students. A great time was had by the kids, and more and more showed up as the evening progressed. It was a great night, with a great venue, and DJ that brought his own lighting, bubble machine & confetti canon for the countdown! We will definitely do this again next New Year, even the chaperones had fun!

New Business - We are looking for volunteers that are willing to help with the Spring Garage sale. Start saving now. We anticipate holding it in April. Hours? 8 am - 2 pm. Last year approximately 10-12 families donated items and we earned just over \$1000. A very successful fundraiser. We need about 10 adults total to set up the day prior, sell, & tear down. Please contact Louise McKnight @ markm101@aol.com to offer your service.

Support the class of 2012 with a donation of service, or a new idea for a fundraiser. We all want to support our children. Let's make this a cooperative effort! Thank you

Louise McKnight & Patty Luciano
Class of 2012 co-chairs



IMPORTANT DATES FOR Seniors

- Fri, 1/22** Community Service Time Log due for Portfolio
Fri, 2/19 Career-Related Project due (Job shadow, Internship)
Fri, 3/5 COMPLETED Portfolios Deadline
Fri, 3/15 Culminating Presentation Outline Deadline

Portfolio requirements and check list can be found on the High School Counseling Center's webpage:
www.ahs.asd103.org/counselcntr.html



Cap and Gown Orders

All graduating seniors should have submitted their order form for cap and gown. If you missed the deadline, pick up an order form in the main office or Counseling Center. Students will be responsible for submitting all paperwork to National Achiever Services. Late fees may be applied.

Anacortes School's Foundation scholarship applications

will be available on Monday, February 22nd, 2010. Seniors don't miss out on this opportunity to help pay for college. All completed applications will be due in the AHS Counseling Center on Friday, March 26th at 2:10pm. The awards ceremony will take place on May 26, 2010 at the Middle School Commons.

Bellingham Technical College OPEN HOUSE—Jan 27th:

Bellingham Technical College is hosting an OPEN HOUSE on Wednesday, January 27th from 6:00pm - 7:30pm on the BTC Campus "G" Building. This free event is open to the public. Take this opportunity to meet the BTC faculty and take a program tour. Bellingham Technical College is located just a mile northwest of downtown Bellingham. The College offers over 50 associate degree and certificate options with many programs offering start dates each quarter. BTC also provides classes, programs, and opportunities to assist students in acquiring the learning skills necessary for academic and occupational success and for personal enrich-

New online scholarships available to Minority Students

Camino Foundation Scholarship, The Jackie Robinson Foundation Scholarship, The GET Ready for Math and Science Conditional Scholarship, The Burger King "Have It Your Way" Foundation Scholarship and many, many more. Please visit www.semy.org to view all available scholarship details and criteria.

Paying for College

Check out the Washington State Higher Education Coordinating Board website for information on paying for college, Washington State Aid Programs, Federal Aid Programs and Benefits, information on College Costs, Applying for Financial Aid, Saving for College, Searching for Scholarship Resources and much, much, more. Visit www.hecb.wa.gov to help you develop a strategic master plan for your higher education goals.

The WashBoard.org is a free, student centered, online clearinghouse for Washington students seeking college scholarships. This user-friendly site allows students to search and apply for verified scholarship opportunities that are specific to their academic interests, college, university, or other criteria. Check out this great online resource today!

Apprenticeship Opportunities

Would you like to have a job where you can earn money while you learn? Yes, that's right. With an apprenticeship, you can start earning money right after high school while you learn a skilled profession in a specific field, such as health care, construction, culinary arts and many, many, more. You will receive on-the-job training through an apprenticeship in nearly any career you can imagine and get a running start to high pay, a great future, and a career you'll love! For more info visit www.Apprenticeship.Lni.wa.gov or the New Youth Web site at www.ExploreApprenticeship.wa.gov. Questions? Please contact Alice Curtis at the Dept. of Labor & Industries at (425) 290-1321.



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DATES TO REMEMBER

January 2010

- 23 SAT Testing (www.collegeboard.com)
- 27 Late Start; Finals in periods 1 and 2
- 28 Late Start; (reg. Thurs. bus schedule) Finals in periods 3-4-5
- 28 Talent Show
- 29 Finals in periods 6-7
- 29 End of Semester—**EARLY RELEASE @ 10:45am**

February 2010

- 3 Dodgeball Tournament 6pm-9pm Main Gym
- 3 Class of 2010 Committee Meeting, 6pm, AHS Cafeteria
- 3 AHS PTSA General Meeting, 7pm, AHS Library
- 6 ACT Testing—www.actstudent.org
- 6 Murder Mystery Play/Silent Auction (Class of 2010), 6pm, at the AMS Commons
- 8 Class of 2011 Committee Meeting, 6pm, AHS Cafeteria
- 9 School Levy Ballots POSTMARKED by this date
- 13 School Dance—Black Light Mixer
- 15,16 President's Day, Mid-Winter BREAK, **NO SCHOOL**
- 16 Class of 2013 Committee Meeting, 7pm, AHS Cafeteria
- 20 Annual Women in Science and Engineering Conference
- 25 Blood Drive
- 25 Try-A-Trade Day, Skagit Valley College
- 26 Sports Paperwork DUE for Spring Sports Season
- 26 Academic Recognition Assembly (Brodniak Hall)

March 2010

- 1 Spring Sports Practices Begin
- 3 Mother's Day Baskets Order Deadline
- 13 SAT Testing—www.collegeboard.com

MID-WINTER BREAK

No School on Presidents Day,
Monday, February 15,



and Tuesday, February 16.

SHEDS for \$ALE

The Anacortes High School Building Construction class has two sheds for sale. Each shed is 6' x 8' and is selling for \$850.00. All funds received goes directly to the class. For more information please e-mail: sdickison@asd103.org