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KUDOS: Thanks to all our busy volunteers this month! We especially want to recognize:

Lisa Clawson, Stephanie Morton & Stacy Heller for a successful Fashion Show.

Kristen Allen-Bentsen & crew for awarding our PTSA scholarships.

Liz Herbst & Lynn Kunitz for a fantastic Staff Appreciation Week.

Bertina Loeffler Sedlack for the success of our Community Service Program this year.

Becky Gordon & Marni Kilzi for the Golden Acorn, Outstanding Advocate and Outstanding Educator awards.

Onti Rosen & the grant committee for their work on this year's final round of funding requests.

APRIL MEETING RECAP: We elected next year's Exec Board (see below) and heard about fashion show, senior celebration, baccalaureate, community service program, the District's bond plans and the upcoming ISF luncheon and breakfast. (Want to join our table for the luncheon? Let us know!) Principal Andrea McCormick offered insight into the complicated puzzle of class scheduling and mentioned that she is working with the PE Dept. to develop a document clarifying class procedures and grading policies.

President..... Becky Gordon & Bertina Loeffler Sedlack

Secretary..... Liz Herbst

Treasurer..... Diane Burdette

Hospitality..... Stacy Heller & Sandi Lum

Communications.. Tami Curtis & Valerie Yanni

Events..... Stephanie Morton & Ginger Wilfong

Programs..... Onti Rosen & Anne Watanabe

MAY MEETING. Please join us **this Friday, May 8 in the IHS Office conference room (9:00 am social time, 9:30-11:30 am meeting)**. You'll find it full of interesting and useful information for you and your teens. Hope to see you there!

Your Co-Presidents, Cyn Baumert & Anne Watanabe

LOTS OF CONGRATULATIONS!

PTSA SCHOLARSHIPS: We are pleased to announce the recipients of our 2015 Senior Scholarships:

**Andrew Co * Bryan Hanner * Kathleen Hinchcliffe
Edward Park * Anne Robertson * Pratik Vaidya**

The scholarship committee was impressed by the community service, leadership, goal-setting and dedication these students exhibited at IHS. They will receive \$500 for their continuing education. We wish them well as they graduate from IHS, having left our school and community a better place!

PTSA COMMUNITY SERVICE CORDS: Congratulations to the more than 160 seniors who completed at least 50 hours of community service by the May 1 deadline, earning an IH PTSA Honor Cord to be worn at graduation. These students changed lives and strengthened our community with their volunteerism.

HOORAY FOR PTSA! This year IH PTSA is proud to have earned Washington State PTA's Gold Level Status for:

Standards of Excellence * Outstanding Communication Strategy

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Thanks to our Awards and Communication Committees for their significant effort, and to all our members for their support of our commitment to excellence!

NATIONAL REFLECTIONS AWARD WINNER: Hats off to Julie Kwon, who received an Award of Merit in the 2014-2015 National PTA Reflections Arts program for her visual arts entry to the PTA Reflections Arts program entitled, "The World Would Be a Better Place if We Pursued Our Dreams."



Our 4th Annual Fashion Show "Fashion with Compassion"

Bombshell Red Heads had us "On The Edge" of our seats. Similar Siblings showed us how menswear is "Suitable" for everyone. And the surprise of the night, the live high school band rocked the house, "Stepping" all of us back to our Senior Prom.

With RECORD attendance, DJ Denz music filled the theater as our stunning student models strutted hair & make-up by ULTA and smashing looks from Target to Macy's, Kate Spade, & Michael Kors. Scattered throughout were unique unique flower accents, from belts to necklaces to a flower umbrella, provided by the award-winning talents from Countryside Floral and Garden.

Highlighting our theme "Fashion with Compassion," we introduced and thanked Kendall Lum, early cohort of Northwest Behavioral Associates (NBA), IHS alum & returning model for his work on the show's posters and original fashion illustrations which he donated to the ASB Auction. 25% of the auction proceeds benefitted NBA, a local nonprofit that provides therapeutic interventions for individuals with autism and services to their families.

Visit [here](#) to enjoy photos generously donated by [Studio B Portraits](#) and [Stop Action Photography](#).

Also, be sure to order your keepsake DVD at the [PTSA website](#) by May 30.

Finally, we thank the more than 250 volunteers—businesses, students, parents, & staff—who made this show a success! We are humbled and overwhelmed with gratitude.



Your 2015 Fashion Show Chairs, Lisa Clawson & Stephanie Morton

Thanks for Your Matching Dollars!

Thank you to the companies and families who have generated over \$5,500 in donation matching requests to date for the 2014-15 school year:

Barthenheier, Chernin, Clawson, Fischer
Garay, Gillaspie, Gordon, Grieve, Hunt
Ishak, Jung, Mabson, Mantravadi
Martinez, Mittmann, Okazaki,
Rosenbalm, Yanni, Wang, White, Wong

We're very grateful to these families for following through and securing a match for their gifts of money or volunteer hours.

There's still time to match your gift! Most

Help Us Help You: 2 Minute Survey on SAT/ACT Test Prep Needs

IH PTSA is evaluating the SAT/ACT exam prep needs of IHS students. Your feedback will help us develop an updated prep course offering.

By Sunday, May 10, please complete the appropriate survey once for each student you have at Issaquah High:

1. [Survey](#) for each Senior at IHS
2. [Survey](#) for each Sophomore or Junior at IHS

Thank you in advance for your input!

companies will match up to one year after the donation or hours are submitted. Matching companies include Boeing, Microsoft and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation.

Reference the Issaquah High PTSA tax id 91-1268016 on your matching form, and contact [Carol Jongejan](#) with any questions. No matter the amount -- every match really adds up!

Angel Closet Open Twice in May

The last two Angel Closet openings for this school year are here!

The first is tomorrow, Wednesday, May 6, starting at 8 am (before school) in the library. The final opening is Monday, May 11 after school at 2:15 pm. We have dozens of prom dresses waiting for homes! Lots of casual spring wear as well. All free! Everyone welcome, no questions asked. Note that the library will not be open for homework use the afternoon of May 11.

CLASS OF 2015

Baccalaureate Auditions & Senior Slideshow

Final Audition Dates - May 18 & 20

Event - Wednesday, June 10, 7:00 pm at Mary, Queen of Peace Parish in Sammamish

You've saved the date for this special event; now, how about your seniors? Any talents they want to share with their classmates one last time before Graduation? Baccalaureate is the place to do it! The last set of auditions are May 18 & 20. Students can find sign up forms and audition time slots on the table in the front of the Main Office.

A highlight of the evening is the Class of 2015 slideshow. If you would like your senior's picture included, please email [Ellen Dieken](#). Include your senior's name, post-graduation plans, and a .jpeg attachment with a high resolution picture.

Sign Up for the Senior All-Night Celebration (Friday, June 12 - Saturday, June 13)

Seniors, are you in? The Senior All Night Celebration is just a month away.
Not signed up? Click [here!](#)

The cost for this fun filled evening is \$168, which covers all the food, bus transportation and amazing entertainment at two secret venues. Bus sign-ups are in a few weeks...if you haven't signed up and paid by May 27, you won't be able to join all your friends on the same bus for Grad Night. For financial scholarships, contact [Laurie Foreman](#).

Senior Celebration - Sign up here!

Messages from Our Community



Still Room at the Table

Reserve your seat at one of the season's most inspirational, informative and uplifting events—the Issaquah Schools

Foundation's **Nourish Every Mind Luncheon** on May 14 or **Breakfast** on May 20. To attend, contact [Christa at 425.204.8553 or \[christa@isfdn.org\]\(mailto:christa@isfdn.org\)](#)

Stacy at 425-391-6557 or at info@isfdn.org.

Donor Impact = New Scholarship Award Winners!

Congratulations to the winners of our **Impact Scholarship**, who each received \$1,000 for describing how Issaquah Schools Foundation donors impacted their education. **Liberty High School senior Daniel Godfrey** earned the Impact Scholarship for his written essay, and **Issaquah High School senior Tali Magidson** won for her oral presentation. [Click here](#) to discover how your support helped change their lives.

We Love Our Student Trustees

Do you know a rising senior who would like to represent the student voice by playing an active role on the Foundation's Board? We are **now accepting applications for our 2015-2016 Student Trustees**. Student Trustees participate in Board policymaking and raise awareness of the Foundation among their high school peers. To apply, visit isfdn.org/for-students/student-trustees. **Application deadline: May 20.**



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