



Saguaro *LinkUp* Newsletter
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FROM YOUR SABERLINKS PTO

Hello To All,

Now that the school year is in full swing, I want to take this opportunity to thank all of our volunteers who helped through the registration process before school began, during the first few days of school and have helped to start up our committees. Your commitment to your student's school is admirable.

We held our first general PTO meeting on August 22nd. Thank you to all who came. We voted in our 2011-12 PTO budget and our guest speaker was Beth Pryor, who informed us about Project Graduation and Mr. Corte, who updated us on school wide events. We will be holding our next general PTO meeting on November 16th. Please stop by and get involved. You do not have to be a member to attend the PTO meetings.

Our membership drive has raised about \$7,800.00 dollars. We are very close to achieving our goal of \$9,000.00. Thank you to all who have generously donated and we look forward to new donations as well. Your membership donations allow us to fund materials and supplies to the teachers and the school. Some of the items purchased with your donations have been calculators, literature books, updated supplies in the library, cardio equipment for the training room, and more. You can join and pay online through our PTO website.

Just a few reminders:

Make sure we have your email address so we can keep you informed about school and PTO events through the **Happenings** (weekly email blast) and our **LinkUp** (monthly newsletter).

Directory ads are being accepted as we prepare a new directory for this school year. All information is on the PTO website and payment for the ads is online too.

For senior parents, make sure you have made your payment for Project Graduation. It's easy and quick and can be made online through the PTO website. If you need to check on the status of your student's account contact skamiller@cox.net or mpryor5@cox.net.

There will be a health screening on September 20th. Volunteers are needed to assist with the screening. If interested in volunteering contact Wynn Maxwell at wynnmaxwell@cox.net.

Feel free to contact me mary@shangraw.com or any of the Executive board members with questions or concerns. We are all available to help.

Until next month, have a wonderful September,

Mary Shangraw, SaberLinks PTO President

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Meeting Dates

November 16, 2011

March 2012—TBA

May 2010—TBA

***All meeting nights will begin at 6:30 p.m.
in the Media Center.
Come meet the board, staff and other parents!***

Meeting dates and times are subject to change.

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Saguaro High School's Student Directory 2011-2012

To our Saguaro Families & Friends,

Once again, the Saguaro SaberLinks parent group will be publishing the Saguaro Student Directory. This directory will publish all student and parent names, addresses and telephone numbers. As in the past, the directory has become a valuable and timely resource for both parents and students to "keep connected." Best of all, *it is FREE to current members of the SaberLinks P.T.O.!*

We also welcome your support through advertising. This is an excellent opportunity for an individual or business to reach a large portion of the Scottsdale/Paradise Valley community. We also welcome parents to place a personal ad to their student. All ads are in black & white. The rates are as follows:

Full page (7½ x 10) \$100

Half Page (7½ x 5) \$ 75

Quarter Page (3 ¾ x 5) \$ 50

Business Card Size \$ 25

Please submit camera-ready ads by Friday, September 23, 2011. You may email, drop off ads and payment at the Saguaro Office, [pay online](#) by credit card or mail to:

Saguaro SaberLinks P.T.O .
Attn. Directory Ads
6250 N. 82 nd Street
Scottsdale , AZ 85250

For further information, please contact us
Mary Shangraw @ mary@shangraw.com
Lisa Greguska @ leeseinpv@cox.net

Are your grocery cards tied to the SaberLinks PTO ?

This **FREE** program is where merchants contribute funds to our Saguaro PTO based on your normal day to day shopping trips. Anyone can participate.....parents, grandparents, teachers, neighbors, friends anyone who wants to support our students while they shop!

**AND....It costs NOTHING – plus the reward is HUGE,
Please link your preferred shopping cards for the following stores today!!**

Albertsons: We have our SaberLinks “Community Partners” keychain cards with our school ID barcode on it in the front office and more are on the way – just scan the card every time you shop and a **4% rebate** is donated to our PTO! If you still have your old Community Partners card for our PTO, they’re still good to use too!! Remember to scan EVERY TIME! Please pass them out to friends and neighbors to use also!

Fry’s: On your next shopping trip, present our school barcode listed below along with your VIP card to the cashier who will link the two together. Every purchase you make is credited to our school account – and at the end of April, Fry’s **donates \$500** to our PTO – SIMPLE!! Your VIP card has to be re-linked each year after Sept. 1st, so do it today! We also have stickers in the front office that you can put on your VIP card to make it easy every year!!

Fry’s barcode



Safeway: Register your Safeway Club Card with the eScrip program and select Saguaro HS Project Graduation as the organization you wish to support – **group ID #500023767**. Go to www.escrip.com OR click on the link on our PTO website under “Project Graduation” for eScrip. It’s that easy!! Our group earns up to 4% every time you shop! If you are currently enrolled from another school, please go online and add/change to Saguaro HS Project Graduation! Forgot your Safeway club card number? – call 1-877-SAFEWAY and they will give it to you.



Our group can earn 10% of our supporter's purchase amounts on thousands of participating products from **August 10 through September 13, 2011**.

Doozy of a Deal: Just go to www.doozyofadeal.com/phoenix and sign up - then you pick your charity to support when you purchase the deals – pick Saguaro Saberlinks PTO and that’s all – **everytime you purchase a daily deal, our PTO gets money... \$\$\$\$!**

Have questions? Please contact Cheryl White at 602-505-8247

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PROJECT GRADUATION

What is Project Graduation?

Project Graduation is an all-night graduation party given each year since 1990 to Saguaro High School's graduating seniors. **Our goal is to provide a safe celebration in an environment free from alcohol, drugs and late night driving.** This year's Project Graduation event will be held on Wednesday, May 23, 2012. Immediately following the commencement ceremony, the students will be bussed to a surprise party location and returned to Saguaro High School at 5:00 am.

Who Plans the Event?

This memorable event is planned by the Project Graduation Committee, comprised of parent volunteers. The location is kept confidential for safety precautions! **We especially need underclassmen parents to work on the Committee, so that senior parents can enjoy senior year and graduation with their families!**

Join us!

How Much Does it Cost?

The PG Committee operates on a \$40-45,000 budget and raises the necessary funds through senior parent donations, fundraisers and the generous support of our corporate and community friends. We ask for a \$100 suggested donation from each senior (preferably due by this December). A payment option is to make a \$25 donation each year so that by Senior year, there is only a \$25 balance remaining to be donated. Our PayPal account is available to make your payments. Please note that ALL seniors are invited, whether they are able to make the entire suggested donation or not!

To begin making your annual contributions, simply click here: [PROJECT GRADUATION PAYMENTS](#)

How Can Parents Help?

Please support us by joining our committee, making your suggested donation and supporting our fundraisers! If you can donate a raffle item, an item to be used in our silent auction fundraiser, or make a cash donation for our event, it will be greatly appreciated. We will recognize your donation in the Saguaro Commencement Program, on our website, and in our very own Saguaro newsletter, "The Link-Up." Thank you for your consideration and concern for the safety of our youth. Please fill out the Donation Agreement on our web page or click here: [PROJECT GRAD DONATION FORM](#) and turn it in with your tax-deductible donation. For donations valued over \$250, we will gladly sign and return your Donation Agreement to be used as your tax-deductible receipt. Feel free to contact us if you have questions concerning a donation.

TO LEARN MORE, VISIT OUR WEB PAGE:

[PROJECT GRADUATION WEB PAGE](#)

Thank you for supporting Project Graduation!

Sincerely,

Beth Pryor, 2012 Project Graduation Chairman, mpryor5@cox.net

Saguaro High School 6250 N. 82nd Street Scottsdale, AZ 85250

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Dear Senior Parent(s),

The Saguaro High School yearbook staff is preparing for the 2012 yearbook. ***If you would like to purchase a senior ad for your son or daughter, you can do so now. This is a chance to congratulate your senior on the special occasion of his or her graduation.***

If you are not familiar with this tradition of showcasing your student's life, you need only look as far as any recent Saguaro yearbook. If you do not have a copy of the Saguaro yearbook available, you can view one in the front office or in the school library on campus.

If you are interested in purchasing space in the 2012 Saguaro Sentinel yearbook, please complete the second page and return it to Mr. Matt Bohnert, as soon as possible. Payment, pictures and message for all ads are due Friday October 21, 2011. Please adhere to the due date, as we need to plan how many pages are needed for the yearbook.

Discount: If payment for the senior ad is received prior September 30th (no exceptions), you can save approximately 11%. Please see the breakdown on the second page.

Please read the information thoroughly. It outlines detailed information with respect to pricing, sizes, submission requirements and more. Last year, space sold out very quickly; so, please plan accordingly and submit your senior ad as soon as feasible.

*****Yearbook reserves the right to adjust the ad as needed to fit the theme of the book.*****

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (480) 484-7100 or via e-mail at mbohnert@susd.org

Sincerely,

Mr. Matt Bohnert, Advisor
and The Sentinel Yearbook Staff

- Please send files that are at least **1 MB** in size. If pictures/files are not large enough will look fuzzy. Please send in the correct size and clear photos to the staff. Also, **NO** predesigned collages
- You may drop off images at Saguaro High School if you cannot scan and e-mail.
- Yearbook reserves the right to adjust and set up ad as they see fit. (Text and picture placement may be revised to accommodate the theme of the book).

Size	Price	Info
1/4 Page	\$65	1-2 Photos with less than 25 words. (\$58 if received by 9/30)
1/3 Page	\$85	1-3 Photos with 25-30 words. (\$76 if received by 9/30)
1/2 Page	\$125	2-4 Photos with 30-40 words. (\$111 if received by 9/30)
Full Page	\$250	6-10 Photos with 40-50 words. (\$222 if received by 9/30)

***Please **DO NOT** send more pictures that what is allocated for the space you purchased. We may not use all pictures if this happens. Space is limited and we do

Please type or write your message clearly. Number of words should correspond with the AD size you purchase. (Photos & Text are subject to scaling and editing)

Yes, I would like to purchase a senior ad in the Saguaro Sentinel Yearbook:

Contact Name: _____

Student Name: _____

Student ID: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Ad Size: _____

Make checks payable to: The Saguaro Sentinel

Rotary Youth Exchange

Saguaro welcomes a student from overseas. Victor Fachin from Brazil is staying with the Torres family. Alina Torres, Victor's host sister was in Sweden last year. WELCOME VICTOR!

Applications for the 2012-2013 are being accepted until September 2011.

http://www.rotary.org/RIdocuments/en_pdf/761en_write.pdf



Regional College Fair at Scottsdale Community College

Scottsdale area high school Seniors and their parents are invited to a Regional College Fair on **Monday, September 19, 2011. The event will be held from 6:30-8:30pm at Scottsdale Community College (Student Center-Turquoise Room)**. This event is hosted by SCC in coordination with the Arizona School Counselors Association- College Relations Committee. Through a college information fair, participants will have the opportunity to visit with representatives from several different Colleges and Universities to learn about college entrance requirements, financial aid & scholarship opportunities, degree programs and special activities.

Tentative list of participating colleges and universities*: Arizona State University, Arizona Christian University, Central Arizona College, Cochise College, Eastern Arizona College, Embry-Riddle

Aeronautical University, Fort Lewis College, GateWay Community College, Maricopa Skills Center, Mesa Community College, New Mexico State University, Northern Arizona University, Paradise Valley Community College, Phoenix College, Rio Salado College, Scottsdale Community College, South Mountain Community College, and University of Arizona. *An updated list of participating institutions can be viewed after September 6th at www.scottsdalecc.edu/outreach. Please call 480-423-6450 with any questions.

NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

Invitations to apply to join National Honor Society have been distributed to academically qualified Juniors and Seniors through their English classes. Any student who is new to Saguaro or is qualified and did not receive an invitation needs to see Mrs. Goodrich in room 386 immediately. New member applications will be evaluated over the next few weeks with the new members being inducted the first week of October.

SAGUARO IS GOING SOLAR



Climatec and Solar City will start the installation on Aug 22.

The entire process should take about 6 weeks.

Please stay tuned for further updates and photos.

Voices of Saguaro to perform in Carnegie Hall

Saguaro's award winning concert choir will be traveling to New York City to perform in Carnegie Hall in **March of 2012**. One of the world's most famous concert halls, it opened its doors in 1891 under the baton of Tchaikovsky, who traveled from Russia for the premier. The hall was built by millionaire NYC philanthropist Andrew Carnegie, and has been graced by some of the greatest musical acts ever to appear on any stage. In addition to great classical musicians such as Ithzak Perlman and Yo-Yo Ma, Carnegie Hall has also hosted legends such as The Beatles, Ray Charles and The Rolling Stones.

The cost of the trip is about \$1500 per student, and the choir students will be working to raise funds to attend the trip all year. If you would like to support our efforts, you may utilize your AZ tax credit for either the 2011 and/or 2012 year, purchase an advertisement in the Coffee House and Battle of the Bands programs, hire a group of carolers for your holiday party or make a tax deductible donation. **Please contact Saguaro Vocal Music instructor, Mrs. GayLin Tutnick at gtutnick@susd.org if you have any questions about making a contribution.**



Theatre Department Auditions:

Alice in Wonderland Auditions

Auditions for the fall play Alice in Wonderland will be September 7th (call backs on the 8th) at 2:30 in room 713. Have a 1-2 minute monologue prepared (comedic or dramatic is ok). See Ms. Mumaw for details.



MOHAVE CHOIRS

The Mohave choirs are participating in the "Choir Night" on September 23, 2011 with the Diamond Backs at Chase Stadium. The choirs at Mohave are under the direction of Mary Wagner.

HEALTH SCREENING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

On September 20th, we will be conducting hearing and vision testing of all students. We need many volunteers to make this happen. If you are available, even for one hour, we would greatly appreciate your help. We will provide a fabulous breakfast, snacks and lunch for all volunteers. Volunteer for just an hour, choose the morning shift (7:30-11:45 am), afternoon shift (11:45 am-2:30 pm), OR volunteer all day. We are very flexible! Please contact Wynn Maxwell at 480-748-9096 or wynnmaxwell@cox.net to take advantage of this opportunity for food, fun and fellowship while serving your Saguaro community.

Yearbook



Yearbooks are on sale and can be purchased at the bookstore. Students/parents should buy now to make sure they get a copy, as they have sold out the last two years. Cost is \$70 and that will go up in the in October. Don't wait—get yours before they are SOLDOUT!

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Matt Bohnert, Yearbook Advisor at mbohnert@susd.org.

National Trampoline and Tumbling Championships

Bayley Cooper a Junior at Saguaro, traveled to San Antonio, TX along with her teammates from Air Sports Unlimited of Scottsdale for the National Trampoline and Tumbling Championships. Bayley won 1st place, a gold medal for trampoline and a silver medal for tumbling. This is the second year in a row she came back a National Champion. Last summer she won gold on Double Mini, Silver on Trampoline and 4th place on Tumbling.



Saguaro Softball Program has started fundraising year around!

There was an initial meeting of players last week that over 30 attended! Great start!

Upcoming CarWash at Buzz Berry on Sept. 3rd, 9am to 2pm. Cost is \$10. Another carwash will be be scheduled before the holiday break!

There has been an ESPN the magazine fundraiser in progress. Please contact any player for info. Updates to follow.

Nov. 9th a Cookie Lee/Scentsy wickless candle party at the home of Karla Steele. A heads up will be given through school website.

Chipolte will be holding a fundraiser for the Softball Program during the softball season!

Thanks to the Curtis' for donating a golf cart!

Wish List for the program is an equipment shed. 10 x 10' or larger. Any softball equipment needing a new home may have a spot over at Saguaro. If anyone would like to donate, it would be extremely appreciated! Or if you have any info about this, please contact Coach Sweeda @ TSweeda@susd.org

PICTURE DAY

Tuesday, September 6th

Grades 9-11 will be photographed here at Saguaro. Seniors must schedule their yearbook shoot separately. All photos will be published in the Saguaro Yearbook. More information will be forthcoming, if you would like to purchase your photo.

SAGUARO ATHLETIC PACKET:

Saguaro students wishing to participate in athletics must complete the attached Saguaro High School Athletic Packet and return it to Saguaro prior to tryouts or first day of practice. This packet includes consent forms and athletic physical form. Please note that you must include a copy of the student's birth certificate and proof of health insurance coverage.

The packet may be found on the Athletics page on the Saguaro School Fusion website.

SAGUARO BASEBALL:

Saguaro Baseball is proud to have won back-to-back State championships. For more information on Saguaro baseball visit:

<http://www.saguarobaseball.com/>

DIAMOND CLUB BOOSTERS MEETING: September 14th, 6:30 pm, Media Center

First meeting of the Diamond Club will be September 14th, 6:30 pm, in the Media Center. Diamond Club supports and enhances Saguaro Sabercat Baseball.

http://www.saguarobaseball.com/Diamond_Club.html

SAGUARO TOUCHDOWN CLUB:

Come out and cheer for our State Champs!

<http://sabercatfootball.com/>

FRIENDS OF SAGUARO ORCHESTRA

Your support is greatly appreciated! Mark your calendars for the following important dates:

September 13: FOSO Meeting, 7 pm
September 24-25: Bumblebee Retreat - more information to come.

For complete Orchestra calendar of events and important dates, go here: <http://saberlinks.org/FriendsOfSaguaroOrchestra.htm>

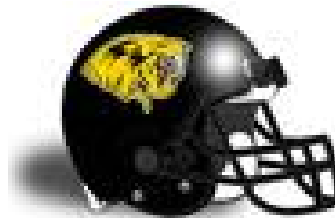
NATIONAL ART SOCIETY:

National Art Honor Society is compiling community service projects through the arts. Last year the members made ceramic and glass bowls for Empty Bowls charity, painted murals with the Boys and Girls Club, acted as exhibit guides for the school art show and painted posters for numerous events. If the community has ideas or projects that the students could consider aiding with our talents, please email smanning@susd.org.

SPORTS

September

- 1— Volleyball (A) vs Fountain Hills
- 1—Girls Golf (A) vs Arcadia
- 1—Badminton (A) vs Desert Mountain
- 1—VAR Football (H) vs Thunderbird
- 3—Cross Country Festival
- 6—Boys Golf (A) vs Arcadia
- 6— Badminton (A) vs Queen Creek
- 7— Girls Golf (H) vs Scotts Christian
- 7— Badminton (A) vs Desert Ridge
- 7—Volleyball (H) vs Seton Catholic
- 7—Cross Country vs PV and Coronado
- 7—FROSH Football (A) vs Tempe
- 8—Badminton (H) vs Desert Mountain
- 8—Boys Golf (H) vs Cactus Shadows
- 8—Volleyball (A) vs Tempe
- 9—JV Football (H) vs Tempe
- 9—VAR Football (A) vs Tempe
- 12—Girls Golf (A) vs Cactus Shadows
- 13—Boys Golf (A) vs Horizon/PV
- 14—Volleyball (A) vs Seton Catholic
- 14—Volleyball (H) vs Coronado
- 15—Badminton (A) vs McClintock
- 15—Boys Golf (A) vs Cactus Shadows
- 15—JV Football (H) vs Fountain Hills
- 15—Volleyball (H) vs Payson
- 16—VAR Football (A) vs Fountain Hills
- 17—Cross Country Mt Carmel Invitational
- 18—Girls Golf (A) vs Cactus Shadows
- 21—Girls Golf (A) vs Notre Dame Prep
- 21—Badminton (H) vs McClintock
- 21—Volleyball (A) vs Apache Junction
- 21—Cross Country (H) Multi Team Meet
- 21—Frosh FB (A) vs Cactus
- 22—Volleyball (A) vs PCDS
- 22— JV Football (H) vs Cactus
- 23—VAR Football (A) vs Cactus
- 27—Boys Golf (A) vs Williams Field
- 27—Badminton (H) vs Westwood
- 27—Volleyball (A) vs Queen Creek
- 28—Girls Golf (H) vs NDP
- 28—Badminton (A) vs Tempe
- 28—Frosh FB (H) vs Desert Vista
- 29—Badminton (H) vs Gilbert
- 29—JV Football (A) vs Desert Vista
- 30—Cross Country—Queen Creek Twilight
- 30—VAR Football (H) vs Desert Vista



The Saguaro High School campus is considered "closed" until 30 minutes before school starts at 7:45 am and 30 minutes after dismissal at 2:20 pm. Students who participate in before- and/or after-school district-sponsored activities and athletics must report directly to the designated location for that activity. If a student is not participating in such an activity or is on campus at any other time, he/she is required to report to the school office.

IMPORTANT DATES:

SEPTEMBER

- 1 FROSH STUGO Interviews
- 5 Labor Day—NO SCHOOL
- 7 Fall Play Auditions
- 8 Fall Play Auditions
- 10 Senior Stadium Painting
- 12-16 CLUB RUSH
- 13 Fall Play Auditions
- 14 Fall Play Auditions
- 19 Coffee House Auditions
- 20 Coffee House Auditions
- 21 Early Release
- 24 CHODA Jazz Festival
- 28-30 Coffeeshouse Rehearsals

WANT TO KNOW WHAT'S GOING ON?!

Sign-up to get our weekly e-news, *Saguaro Happenings*, and our monthly *LinkUp* newsletter e-mailed to you. Simply e-mail info@saberlinks.org with "sign up" in the subject line.



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