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Paint Branch High School PTSA

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From Your President's Pen

Dear Parents and Guardians:

I had a dream the other night about PBHS. It could have been because Rachel is getting ready to graduate, or maybe because David is finishing his freshman year, or most likely because I had one too many slices of pizza at dinner...I just don't know.

In my dream I sat on the bench in front of the school and watched as the students poured out the front door at the end of the day. As I gazed into their eyes, I was able to clearly see their futures. Each one was full of the promise of success. I began to wonder what it would take to ensure that each student realized a successful future and I realized that the answer was so simple. I was shocked that we didn't think of it before.

In order to ensure that each student finds success at PBHS, a federal mandate of No Child Left Behind is not needed. It doesn't require increased funding from our state or county governments to expand facilities or programs. What it requires only you and I can give. When we work together to make education a priority in each home, then and only then will ALL our children find success.

I am sure every parent would say that education is a priority in each home, but I wonder if our students would say the same. Do they believe education is important to you? Do they see that you are concerned about their schoolwork, not just their extra-curricular activities? Do they see you talking to their teachers? Do they see you expecting more from them than just getting by?

When we band together, each and every one of us, supporting, encouraging and challenging our children to reach for their level of success, then we will be able to say we did our jobs as parents well.

See you in September.

*Barbara S. Turner
PTSA President*

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Guardians:

At our April 13th Northeast Consortium principals' meeting, our Community Superintendent, Ms. Marks, asked me to share some of the programs that we have to support and recognize students at Paint Branch. I thought I would share the full list of the programs that we have here at Paint Branch to educate, guide and inspire our students. Hopefully you know about many of these programs, but if you see something on the list that you think could specifically help your child, please do not

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Next Newsletter Deadline: July 15

Submit articles to: PTSA Newsletter box located in the main office or electronically to: darci.pickering@comcast.net

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Paint Branch High School

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Principal's Message

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hesitate to call me or your child's counselor to find out more information. I am very proud of the 23 programs that I have listed here, not just because all of them have been instituted during my tenure as principal (the 16x20 photos were started by Fred Lowenbach), but because they really do help our students. The programs are:

1. Academic Advisory Program (athletic)
2. Alternative One/Academic Intervention Programs
3. AP Breakfast Meetings for African-American and Hispanic 10th graders and their parents
4. Advanced Placement Fair and Picnic
5. Asian and Hispanic Parent Outreach Meetings
6. Awards (plaques, team pictures)
7. George B. Thomas Learning Center (Saturday School)
8. Honor Roll Certificates and Bumper Stickers
9. INVICTUS (mentoring program for African-American males-"I am the master of my fate; I am the captain of my soul." William Henley 1849-1903)
10. LAP (Lunch Activity Period)
11. Marquee (sign used to recognize students and staff)
12. Monthly calendar for all students
13. Ninth Grade Programs (common reading, mentoring program, orientation, picnic)
14. Panther of the Month Awards
15. Panther Pride Broadcast (via paintbranchnet)
16. SAT Prep Program
17. Senior Unity Day
18. Straight A/Most Improved Pizza Party
19. Study Circles (students meet in a small group to discuss diversity issues)
20. Student Leadership Lunches With Principal
21. Support Programs Brochure
22. 16 x 20 Photos
23. Top Scholars Dinner (recognizes those graduating in the top 5% of the class)

This past week-end we had two wonderful activities which were both well attended: International Night (April 29th) which celebrated Paint Branch's diverse cultures, and a Step Team Competition (April 30th) which featured teams from Blake, Blair, Northwest and Paint Branch. Special thanks to the sponsors Ms. Petr and Ms. Perkins and Ms. Sanders and Ms. Williams for their work with our students. And how about the Art Show? Hopefully you had a chance to view the outstanding artwork done by our students. I thought I was in an Art Signature School! Thank you to all of our art teachers for their work with our students; Ms. Harris, Mrs. Praisner, Ms. Heaton and Ms. Price.

Parents, I am asking for your support in working with our young ladies and gentlemen to ensure that as the weather gets warmer, they come appropriately dressed for school. They should not dress as if they are headed for the beach. Also please help us by not calling your child on the cell

phone during the instructional day. The Board of Education's policy is that cell phones may only be used before school and after school. Cell phones are to be turned off when students enter the building until dismissal at 2:10 p.m.

A couple of very important dates for your fall calendar are Back To School Night, which will be held on September 22nd, and Homecoming, which will be held on October 15th.

As we prepare to say farewell to the Class of 2005, please talk with your young person about your expectations for their behavior at Prom and After-Prom. We are asking you not to sponsor any parties in your home on May 20-21. The Class of 2006 has worked very hard to make Prom a memorable night, and our parents led by Nancy Murray have knocked themselves out to make After-Prom a safe, alcohol- and drug-free event.

Finally, my staff and I thank all of our parents and guardians for your support during the 2004-2005 school year and I look forward to presenting the Class of 2005 with their diplomas on June 10th.

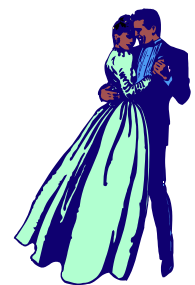
Sincerely,

Jeanette Dixon
Principal

Prom/After-Prom Information

Paint Branch Junior / Senior Prom

Friday, May 20th
8:00 p.m. - 12:00 midnight
Radisson Lord Baltimore
20 West Baltimore Street
Baltimore, MD
Tickets: \$50 each, Available during lunch May 9-16th



Directions:

From Paint Branch, take a right out of the parking lot onto Old Columbia Pike. Turn right onto Rt. 198 heading towards I-95. Take I-95 North towards Baltimore. Take Exit 53 onto I-395 North towards Downtown Baltimore. When I-395 splits, stay left as it turns into S. Howard Street. Turn right onto W. Baltimore Street. The hotel will be on your left.

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After-Prom Information

"Midnight Wave"

PB After-Prom Celebration
Immediately following the prom
Friday/Saturday, May 20/21st
12:00 midnight - 4:00 a. m.
Resurrection Church Hall
(corner of Old Columbia Pike &
Greencastle Rd.)



Play at the "Beach" and catch a "Midnight Wave" at this year's After-Prom!

There'll be lots of great activities, games, casino, caricature artists, photo booth, 3:00 a.m. tee-shirt give away, food, cash prizes, door prizes, music, coffee bar & Slush Puppy beverages all FREE to juniors & seniors!

You'll need a ticket to get to the beach!

Students can pick up their FREE ticket in the auditorium during lunch beginning May 9-16th. All financial obligations must be cleared before picking up a ticket. Juniors & Seniors are invited to attend along with their prom date. You don't have to attend the prom in order to attend After-Prom! All PB Juniors & Seniors are invited to attend this fun-filled evening! Dress in your "beach casuals"!

PARENTS! DONATIONS NEEDED NOW!

Many, many thanks to those who have already supported this event by a financial contribution, your time, or energy! BUT we are STILL a long way from covering the cost of hosting over 500 PB students for this all-night event. Our business and community supporters have again come forward to support our students, but we NEED our parents to make up the difference, NOW! We estimate that the average cost per student is about \$38. After-Prom really is the best bargain of the night! It's 4 hours of FUN, PRIZES, & MEMORIES to last a lifetime! All this in a safe, supervised atmosphere in the company of peers! Please help us make this a special night for our teens! Send your check made to "PBHS," & note it's for After-Prom, to school TODAY!

Please contribute!

Make Good Decisions!

Do you realize that the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration says that the greatest driving risk to teens is between the hours of 1:00- 4:00 am? Please, please make sure your student is safe this prom and graduation season! Do not host an alternative party in your home on prom night during these critical hours. You are putting your child and others at risk by compromising an otherwise safe event and by causing students to drive to yet another "party" during the night.

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Descriptions of all the PTSA committees are posted on the Paint Branch web site at <http://www.mcps.k12.md.us/schools/paintbranchhs>—click on PTSA . If you would like to help, please contact the committee chair or PTSA President Barbara Turner at 301-421-1740.

Parent run Organizations separate from the PTSA

All Sports Boosters		
President	Bob Fetner	301-421-1303
Instrumental Music Boosters		
President	Marsha Kaiser	301-388-0513

New Parent-to-Parent Connection Program

I recently watched a wonderful movie called *Coach Carter*, which is a story about a man who accepts the challenge of coaching a high school basketball team. This movie reinforced in me again the important role that adults play in the lives of teenagers. And the most important adults in any teenager's life are his or her parents.

Being a teenager is not easy for many of our children and being the parent of one can be challenging! They are faced with many new challenges in high school and pressures from their peer groups. This is the time in their lives where they start to develop their adult values and make adult decisions. It is important that we stay involved in their lives to ensure they make the best choices. ***This is not always easy!***

With this belief in mind, I would like to start a support program for parents of Paint Branch High School. I envision this program being PBHS parents helping PBHS parents. If you are interested in volunteering know that your name would not be publicized nor would you be expected to work with any teenagers. The list of volunteers would be maintained by the PTSA and you would only be contacted by the PTSA if a parent asks for help. The program will be introduced at the initial Parent-to-Parent meeting in November 2005.

If you would like to be a parent volunteer, please contact Barbara Turner at 301-421-1740.

"If there is a common denominator that separates successful students from those who are less than successful, it is the quality of parent support."

Barbara Turner
PTSA President

Year-End HSA & Exam Schedule

All students enrolled in English 10, Algebra 1, Biology, Geometry, and National, State, and Local Government (NSL), will be required to take the HSA for each of the courses in which they are enrolled. Taking these tests is a graduation requirement for all students, including seniors, enrolled in the courses.

May 23 English 10 HSA (there is no longer an English 9 HSA or Reading 10 MSA)
May 24 Government HSA
May 25 Geometry HSA

May 26 Biology HSA

May 27 Algebra HSA

The same assessment order will be followed for the next week for the make-ups (May 31-June 6).

IMPORTANT NOTES ABOUT HSA WEEK AND TESTING:

- Students enrolled in HSA courses are required to take the tests on the scheduled dates from 7:25 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. and to remain in school for their regular classes after the testing ends at 10:30 a.m.
- On the days that students are not required to take an HSA, they are not required to attend school between 7:25 a.m. and 10:45 a.m. However, all students are expected to attend classes scheduled from 11:20 a.m. to 2:10 p.m. each day during this week.
- Bus transportation will remain on the normal schedule all five days. **There will be NO buses available to transport students to school at 10:30 a.m. as in past years.**
- Students who drive or have a ride to school may be here in time for the start of period one at 11:20 a.m., since lunch is scheduled from 10:35 – 11:15 a.m. during HSA week.
- Edison Center students should be here in time to catch their bus to Edison, which will leave at 10:35 a.m.
- Students in the LFI Program may attend school either on time, 7:25 a.m., or at 11:20 a.m. The school cafeteria will be open for breakfast and lunch each day.

Senior Final Exams:

May 23 Periods 6 and 7
May 24 Periods 4 and 5
May 25 Periods 2 and 3
May 26 Period 1

Final exams for grades 9-11:

June 7 Review day
June 8 Periods 1 and 2
June 9 Periods 3 and 4
June 10 Graduation
June 13 Periods 5 and 6
June 14 Period 7
June 15 Make-up exams

Paint Branch High School

2005 PTSA Volunteer Sign-Up

- After-Prom Party** – Assist with any or all of the following: planning, activities, decorations, food, prizes tickets, fundraising, publicity, chaperoning, clean-up, etc.
- Awards** - Assist with advertising the Awards and judging
- Baking/Hospitality** – Furnish food for Staff Appreciation Luncheon, Cookie Fest, etc.
- Communication** – Assist in the production or mailing of the PTSA Newsletter
- Fundraising** – Assist in raising funds to expand the PTSA programs
- 5K Run** – Assist with any or all of the following: planning, registration, donations, publicity, marshalling, set-up and tear down.
- Human Relations** – Provide support for International Night, broadcast to parents, sign up volunteers
- Membership** – Sign up members at Back-to-School Night
- NAACP Parent Council** – Support and attend meetings and events
- Parent-to-Parent** – Assist parents in finding answers to questions
- Parent Volunteer** – Maintain a registry of volunteers and connect parent volunteers with committee chairs
- Publicity** – Contact local media to publicize PTSA programs
- Staff Appreciation** – Furnish food for Luncheon, set-up, serve, and clean up.
- Student Directory** – Assist with the publication of the Student Directory
- Tutoring** – Filling requests by staff and parents; feel free to specify subjects of choice.

TERPS Concession Stand –We need volunteers to work our concession stand at the University of Maryland home football games. You may volunteer for any or all games. Students earn community service hours. Freshman may volunteer with a parent. Schedule will be announced in August.

- 1. Please check off the volunteer opportunities that best fit your talent and time.**
- 2. Complete the information below & return to school office or send to: Susan Moschella, 2116 Kingshouse Road, Silver Spring, MD 20905**

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Student's Name: _____ **Grade:** _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

2004-2005 Paint Branch Volunteers

Thank you to the many parents who volunteered at Paint Branch this year. The following list includes all those who reported more than 50 hours.

Darcy Axe	180	Terry Hoffmaster	300	Bob McFadden	51	Jing-Yih Shyu	100
Pauline Carey	80	Mary Hoover	85	Ruth McFadden	290	Doreen Snyder	52
William Carey	340	Ann Jolly	124	Ann McGrath	165	Marguerite Tom-Wigfield	175
Julie Dahmer	185	Jerry Jolly	100	Pam McLaughlin	175	Bob Tull	404
Dan Devlin	100	Marsha Kaiser	425	Dave McLeish	87	Sandy Tull	404
Geri Ginsberg	262	Robert Kaiser	200	Laurie McLeish	94	Barbara Turner	420
Henry Hamilton	85	Linda Kerrick	100	Fran Miller	133	Patti Twigg	127
Patty Hamilton	308	Brian Magid	270	Shannon Ott	80	Corey Tylka	175
Renee Harper	125	Brian Markham	290	Darci Pickering	90		
Anne Haupick	125	Jan Markham	319	Chris Rager	81		
Shirley Hoffmaster	300	Greg McDonald	200	Lisa Rager	126		

Students Win Awards at Media Festival

Five student-produced videos won awards at the Montgomery County Media Festival on March 22, 2005 at the American Film Institute (AFI). Paint Branch garnered a total of thirteen awards for thirteen entries - one award for each entry. Students who entered work in the festival attended the screenings and award ceremonies at the AFI followed by lunch. The awards and the winners are:

Animation Awards:

First Place – Promotional, *PBHS Summer Institute Animation 2004*, Students: Caroline Amenabar, Cordian Browne, Jeremy Blair, Richard Dulaney, Tish Havasy, Kimara Haynes, Kate Hollis, Rony Joy, Ross Mills, Justin Mills, Sidhartha Mohapatra, Chima Nwanna, Folaseye Oleneyin, Patrick Posthuma, Sharvonda Ruffin, Rebecca Weisz **Teachers:** Ms. Leila Cabib and Mr. Brian Eichenlaub

First Place – Entertainment, *Animated Self Portraits*, Students: Adu Adadey, Avedis Aghguiquian, Jason Anderson, Bradford Bass, Khellie Braxton, Emerson Diaz, Crystal Evans, Jessica Hillman, Tim Jee, Dennis Johnson, Derrick Jones, Amee Kothary, Mike Kwon, Dennis Nguyen, Jessica Ostopoff, Regina Stern, Jack Warner, Katie Waterworth, Jeremy Williams, Courtney Wright and Wayne Zhang **Teachers:** Ms. Leila Cabib and Mr. Brian Eichenlaub

Video Awards:

First Place - Promotional - Open Category, *Agnes Meyer Nomination*, Student: Steven Kleuver **Teacher:** Mr. Bob Mostow

Third Place – Promotional, *Open House 2004- 2005*, Student: Kristen Walker **Teacher:** Mr. Bob Mostow

Second Place – News, *Science Expo*, Student: Kristen Walker **Teacher:** Mr. Bob Mostow

Second Place – Documentary, *Political Commercials: The Past 40 Years*, Students: Mike Barnes, Tisha Tyrens, and Chris Wright **Teacher:** Dr. Emma Melgarejo

Participation Award – Entertainment, *Shades of Gray*, Student: Reese Mixon **Teacher:** Ms. Leslie Green

Photography Awards:

Second Place - Still Life Monochrome, *May Angels Lead You In*, Student: Tony Ayigah **Teacher:** Ms. Shannon Heaton

Second Place - Life Study Monochrome Photography, *Glimpse*, Student: Katie Anderson **Teacher:** Ms. Shannon Heaton

Third Place - Original Graphic Design, *The Path To*, Student: Praveen Bathini **Teacher:** Ms. Dustine Price

Website Awards:

First Place - High School Entertainment, *Mainstream*, School Newspaper Website Students: Dustin Richardson and Sandeep Soman

Second Place - Site Based, *Paint Branch High School Website*, Students: Chris Epps, David Lin, Derek Dahmer **Teachers:** Mr. Brian Eichenlaub, Ms. Bethany Petr and Mr. Jared Fribush

Second Place – Instructional Website, *Ms. Petr's Classroom Website*, Teacher: Ms. Bethany Petr



Instrumental Music Boosters

It's hard to believe the 2004-05 school year is so quickly coming to a close. The Boosters lost a lot of active parents with last year's graduating class, but many new and remaining members moved in quickly to help ensure the traditional Booster assistance would be there for our instrumental music students.

It has been an active year for the PBHS Instrumental Music Boosters, beginning with support at Band Camp in August and continuing through the Rockville Memorial Day parade and Awards Banquet. It was the first full year with our new Marching Band uniforms, courtesy of numerous past fundraisers, and a lot of work from numerous past and present Booster members. Mrs. Harper and Mrs. Wright made sure the Marching Band presented themselves well in those new uniforms and that Concert, Orchestra and Symphonic Bands were just as presentable.

Football Half Time shows and fall Saturdays at various Tournament of Band Competitions would not have been possible without the work of numerous Booster members, from the Hoffmasters who provided the transportation, to Ruth McFadden who organized the Pit Crews and the many, many parents who "pitted" through the season. Thanks also to the many parents who pitched in at the last minute to drive to our last TOB when the buses didn't show!

Through our many fundraisers we were able to purchase a new Marimba, repair a few instruments, buy sheet music and replacement concert attire, pay our marching band staffers, among other expenses that keep the PBHS instrumental music programs going. Many thanks to Mrs. Ginsberg for heading-up the pizza and citrus sales, Mrs. McGrath for bravely taking on the Basket Bingo, Mr. Hoffmaster for marketing the Panther Beanie Babies, and the many, many other parents who so freely gave their time to our efforts. And thanks also to our Paint Branch Community for purchasing our wares!

Thanks to Mr. Markham and Mr. McDonald, who ensured that our marching band half-time and TOB shows were video-graphed. Mrs. Zepp organized activities at the Montgomery County Solo/Ensemble Festival hosted by PBHS. PBHS Cluster Open House instrumental music activities, among other activities

that encouraged parental involvement, were led by Mrs. Markham.

And Mr. Phalen, where would we be without you and the grueling hours you spend with our kids? It says a lot about the person you are when our kids so willingly look forward to spending time with you. You are wonderful!

To all of you, to my fellow Booster officers (Mrs. Ginsberg, Mr. Carey, Mrs. Wright, Mrs. Zepp), and to the numerous other parents who were there throughout the year, I thank you for your time, your energies and your commitment to your children. The students of PBHS instrumental music program have a lot to be proud of, starting with you, their parents, who worked hard so the kids could have the best. Thank you all for a great year! -

Marsha Kaiser, President

Last Call for Paint Branch 5K Race/Walk

This is a last minute reminder to sign up for the Paint Branch 5K Race/Walk. The race will be held rain or shine on May 14th at 8:30 am at the school. Participants will receive a tee-shirt and a Paint Branch Panther Water Bottle to commemorate the event and a ribbon to mark the achievement. Refreshments will be served after the race and door prizes will be awarded randomly. Runners and walkers may register the morning of the event. The cost is \$15 for students and \$25 for others. If you have any questions, please call this year's coordinator, Dan Devlin, at 301 236-9335.



Spiritwear Discounts

The PB Athletic Boosters would like to extend a THANK YOU to the Paint Branch community for your support throughout the year by offering a special 10% discount on all in-stock Spiritwear apparel and accessories. All sales final.



This offer is good through the end of the school year. A few of this year's items are on display in the showcase across from the auditorium and in the school store. They can also be viewed on the PB website under "Spiritwear". Place your order through Jeff Sullivan at the school store or contact Marguerite Tom-Wigfield at PBSpiritwear@comcast.net. All proceeds benefit the All-Sports Booster Club.

PBHS Summer Institute

Paint Branch High School *Academy of Science and Media* Summer Institute is scheduled from June 20 - July 1, 2005. Classes will focus on the signature theme of "Science and Media". There will also be classes that will help students succeed in high school and college.

Summer Institute classes are open to all eighth grade students in the Northeast Consortium, current Paint Branch students, and other NEC students on a space available basis. Tuition is \$100.00 for two weeks and \$50.00 for one week. MCPS bus transportation is not available.

Classes in Television Production, Animation, Macromedia Flash, Photography, Medical Careers, Physics, Environmental Science, Exercise Science, SAT Prep, Drama, Poetry, Creative Writing, History, and Preparing for Success in AP History are all being offered. Hands-on experiences, field trips and creative projects are all a part of the two week institute. For a full listing of courses, as well as the application, please go to the Paint Branch website at: www.mcps.k12.md.us/schools/paintbranchhs. Registration deadline is May 13, 2005.

In addition to the Summer Institute, Paint Branch offers a full range of Accelerated For-Credit classes. The classes are designed for Paint Branch students or any high school students in the Northeast Consortium who need to take the classes for graduation.

The for-credit classes are scheduled to meet from June 20 - July 8, 2005 from 8:00 am - 12:45 pm. Tuition ranges from \$250.00 to \$260.00 depending upon the class. Classes include Health Education, Math Bootcamp, U.S. History A and B, Algebra IB and many other classes. The complete brochure of classes as well as the application can be found at the Paint Branch website at: www.mcps.k12.md.us/schools/paintbranchhs. Registration deadline is May 13, 2005.

Contact Brian Eichenlaub, Signature Coordinator, at 301-989-5680 or at brian_eichenlaub@fc.mcps.k12.md.us for more information.

Students Advance to State National History Day

Six Paint Branch History Day projects advanced to the state level of competition held on Saturday, April 30, 2005 at Montgomery College in Rockville. The projects all won in the Montgomery County History Day competition in March.

One paper, "[Navajo Code Talkers, Using and Creating a Code](#)," by Gilder Lehrman freshman scholar Brian Kaye, was given a special award for intercultural understanding at the county history day.

The following projects by Paint Branch students have

advanced to the state level of History Day:

Senior Individual Documentary

"Communication during Crisis: The Cuban Missile Crisis" by Emilie Tibermen Biondokin

Senior Group Exhibit

"Birth of Satellite Communications" by Kyle MacNamara, Justin Kenel, and Rob Johnson

"Ronald Reagan: The Great Communicator"

by Jonathan Shyu and Brad Fischer

Senior Individual Exhibit

"Soldiers' and Families' Communication during World War II" by Michelle Tabisz

Senior Group Performance

"Woodstock" by Caroline Amenabar, Sarah Blanchard, and Sally Bui

Senior Individual Performance

"Tupac Shakur" by Larissa Irons

Scholarship Opportunity

March 25, 2005

Dear Student/Parent:

Every year State Senators are allocated a limited amount of funds to provide scholarship assistance to students in their respective Legislative Districts.

It is important to me that every student who may qualify for this assistance be given the chance to apply for this scholarship program. In order to be considered for a Senatorial Scholarship the student must first file a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), which can be obtained from the school's financial aid office or at www.fafsa.ed.gov. Completing the FAFSA will qualify the student for consideration of other awards and grants from the Maryland State Scholarship Administration.

To request a scholarship application, students from the 14th Legislative District should call my office at 301-858-3625. The deadline for returning applications is May 20, 2005. I look forward to hearing from you.

Very truly yours,



Rona E. Kramer
State Senator

Shakefest 2005

Paint Branch students again celebrated Shakespeare's Birthday with Shakefest 2005 on Friday, April 22, 2005. Throughout the day, English teachers hosted a Sonnet Slam (reading and reciting Shakespearean sonnets), Shakespeare Jeopardy (testing students' knowledge of Shakespeare trivia), Student Skits (impromptu performances of selected scenes from selected works), and Shakespearean Insults (practicing the ancient art of Renaissance insulting and offending). There was a student costume contest, student crown decorating, and Paint Branch's English teachers wore Elizabethan outfits throughout the day. After school, a poetry slam was held in the media center and an after school movie, "*10 Things I Hate About You*" based on the Shakespearean play "*Taming of the Shrew*" was shown in the auditorium.

Maryland Leadership Workshops

Maryland Leadership Workshops, Inc (MLW) graduates consistently achieve incredible success academically, socially, and in their extracurricular activities. MLW conducts fun, dynamic programs where students learn by doing. MLW brings together accomplished student leaders and students with leadership potential from around the State of Maryland to network and develop the skills necessary to succeed in all facets of their lives.

Through team building, peer teaching, experience-based learning and other creative techniques, MLW staff create an exciting, supportive environment where students are encouraged to be themselves and develop their leadership potential. MLW participants experience tremendous growth as they learn about themselves and others and become inspired and motivated to achieve success and exercise leadership.

Topics include:

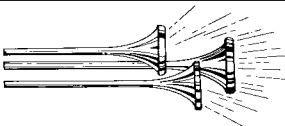
- ◆ Presentation/Communication Skills
- ◆ Group Dynamics
- ◆ Self-Awareness
- ◆ Motivation
- ◆ Team Building
- ◆ Time and Stress Management
- ◆ Managing Peer Pressure
- ◆ Empowering Others
- ◆ Project Planning
- ◆ Advocacy
- ◆ Public Relations
- ◆ Leadership Styles

Student-Planned Activities include:

- ◆ Dances
- ◆ Variety Shows
- ◆ Games
- ◆ Student-led seminars
- ◆ Recreation and access to college facilities

MLW's Senior High Workshop, for students entering grades 9-12 in Fall 2005 will be held from Sunday, July 24-Saturday, August 1. The Advanced Leadership Seminar, for students who have attended the Senior High Workshop or equivalent, will be held from Sunday, July 24-Saturday, July 30. Both workshops will be held at McDaniel College in Westminster, MD. Tuition is \$425 if received by 5/15. There will be a \$25 late fee after that date. Fees include room and board, leadership materials, and access to college facilities. Space is limited. Need-based scholarships are available on a first-come, first-served basis. A middle school program is also available

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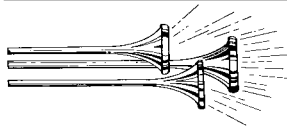
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Ofumbi, Melissa J
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Qazi, Hira

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Rodriguez, Natali E
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Yates, Brendan P
Zepp, Andrew P
Zhang, Xuemin *

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Abere, Adonay
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Arah, Chineze
Araya, Mario H
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Bean, Justin W
Belina, Sollan H *

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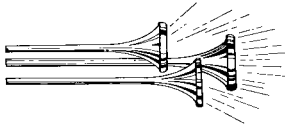
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Aniyikaiye, Ebunola O *
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Arevalo, Manuela V
Asamoah, Benedicta W *
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Baily, Michelle C
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| May | 12 | Spring Music Concert, 7:30 p.m., Auditorium |
| | 13 | Registration Deadline for 2005 PBHS Summer Institute |
| | 14 | PTSA 5K Run/Walk |
| | 16 | Academic Awards Night, 7:00 p.m., Auditorium |
| | 17 | PTSA Meeting, 7:00 p.m., Media Center, Election of Officers |
| | 20 | Junior/Senior Prom - 8:00 p.m. - midnight,
After Prom Party - midnight - 4:00 a.m. |
| | 23-26 | Senior Final Exams |
| | 23-27 | HSA (High School Assessment) Week - details inside |
| | 25 | Spring Athletic Awards Night, 6:30 p.m., Auditorium |
| | 26 | Spring Band Concert, 7:30 p.m. |
| | 30 | Holiday - Memorial Day, no school |
| June | 4 | SAT given at Paint Branch (pre-registration required) |
| | 7 | Exam review day |
| | 8, 9 | Final exams - grades 9-11 |
| | 9 | Mandatory graduation rehearsal, 7:25 a.m., Gym |
| | 10 | Graduation, 2:30 p.m., DAR Constitution Hall, No school for grades 9-11 |
| | 11-14 | Final exams - grades 9-11 |
| | 15 | Last day of school |
| | 20 - July 1 | Paint Branch Summer Institute |