



Pointes of Pride

A Mountain Pointe High School Communication



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Dear Mountain Pointe Students, Parents, and Community:

As we begin the last quarter of the school year let me bring a few thoughts to your attention. We have had a very good year in terms of student achievement, athletics and activities. Mountain Pointe students continue to shine brightly, thanks to the strong support of our excellent teaching staff and parents who care. This combination produces a great school.

Again, we have been made aware of violence that has emerged in two California schools and several others around the country. It is clear that the heightened awareness of students, parents, and school staff are key elements in maintaining the safe and orderly environment we have built. I want you to know that we do not ignore anyone who comes to teachers, counselors or administrators with a possible concern about a student in distress. We have a clear "lock down" procedure to ensure safety for students and staff in the event an emergency occurs. While the origins of school violence are complicated and poorly understood, we continue to believe that creating an atmosphere of openness to diversity is key. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have concerns about a young person who may be upset and in need of assistance. Thank you for your continued support of our desire to maintain a positive and safe school climate.

Be advised that we will be conducting Stanford Nine testing with all ninth graders on April 30th. Sophomores will be taking the Reading and Math components of the AIMS test on April 30th and May 1st. AIMS testing will also involve any juniors and seniors who have not mastered the AIMS standards. Information will be sent home with your student when plans have been completed.

As we approach the end of the school year I want to extend special congratulations to parents of all our graduating seniors. It is my hope that the Mountain Pointe experience has prepared all seniors for transition to higher education and career.

Please don't hesitate to call in the event you have questions.

Sincerely,

G. Wayne Mosher, Ph.D.
Principal

Important Emergency Information

In case of an emergency on Mountain Pointe's campus, we now have a number you can call with a recorded message that will be updated as the situation progresses. That number is 480-706-7455. You can also find the number on our website at:

http://www.tuhsd.k12.az.us/Mountain_Pointe_HS/Index.html

AIMS and Stanford 9 Testing Update

AIMS Math and Reading Testing will be April 30th and May 1st. **All sophomores** will test on both dates, along with juniors and seniors who have not met the standards. Testing schedules will be sent home with your student. Currently, students in the class of 2002 are required to pass the reading and writing components in order to receive a diploma. Math is added for graduates beginning with the class of 2004. Please encourage your student to do his/her best.

All freshmen will be administered the Stanford 9 Reading Vocabulary, Reading Comprehension, Math and Language tests on April 30th. These are timed tests. An exact testing schedule will be sent home with your student.

Student ID Cards MUST Be Worn

Due to the increased concern regarding student and staff safety, all staff members and students are provided identification cards **which must be worn prominently at all times during the school day**. Replacement ID cards may be purchased in the bookstore for \$3.50.

Students must have a current ID to gain admission to all school dances, receive textbooks and/or a parking pass, leave campus due to an early release schedule, when picking up a yearbook and dance photos, and at all extracurricular activities.

If defaced, students will not be able to buy tickets for activities at the student rate. Further, students are required to purchase a new ID for \$3.50 at the bookstore.

Parents, please re-enforce to your child the importance of wearing their ID at all times and that nothing should inhibit the photo, name, barcode, or ID from easily being read.

Attendance Notification Letters

A computer-generated attendance letter is mailed to you on the 3rd and 8th absence of *each* class. The purpose of these letters is for you to be aware of your student's attendance. Mountain Pointe policy states that a student will be dropped on the 11th absence, **excused or unexcused**. If you have any questions regarding the attendance letters, please contact the Attendance Secretary.

Mountain Pointe Seniors Win Prestigious Award

Two Mountain Pointe seniors, **Patricia Zawidski** and **David Olson**, were presented the highest award a young person can achieve from the United States Congress, the Congressional Award. They received their medals on January 26th at the State Capital in a ceremony presided by United States Congressional Representative John Shadegg of Arizona.

This award is presented to students who accept the challenge from Congress to distinguish themselves in four areas: personal development, physical fitness, expedition/exploration and voluntary public service. Each student sets goals with a mentor who later verifies their completion.

Patricia Zawidski earned the Bronze congressional Award. Among personal development projects, Patricia helped her church to present child care and social awareness programs to the public. Further, Patricia volunteered her time by serving dinners to the homeless at Paz de Christo, leading a variety of Girl Scout activities, and cleaning up neighborhoods with Tempe Cares. Under her direction and planning, family members traveled to Oregon for a six day car-camp trip where they stayed in cabins and yertzes. Her physical fitness goals include improving her softball skills. Patricia's mentor was a district counselor, Melissa Denton.

David Olson, who had earned the Bronze Award as a freshman, was presented the Silver Congressional Award. Hoping to pursue a career in marine biology, David challenged himself by taking a marine biology course at the University of California at San Diego and by setting specific swim-time goals. For his expedition, David traveled to China where he was immersed in the Chinese culture for three weeks. His love of animals and animal behavior led him to give over 200 hours of community service at the Phoenix Zoo as a Zoo Teen volunteer and mentor. Consulting with mentor William Davis, an ecological scientist from Chandler, David learned much about the relationship between man and the environment.

The congressional Award is available to all Mountain Pointe students. See the Counseling office for details.



Attention \$enior Parents

We will not be accepting checks on seniors' accounts during the month of May. Please make all payments in cash or money order on any outstanding debt during May. All accounts must be cleared in order to graduate.

Registrar's Corner

Brenda Mayberry, Registrar

SENIOR INFORMATION

Important Dates:

- ◆ **Baccalaureate**
Sunday, May 20th, 7:00 a.m., Auditorium
Caps and gowns are optional
- ◆ **Senior Final Exams**
May 21st & 22nd
- ◆ **Graduation Practice (mandatory)**
May 23rd, 7:45 a.m., Auditorium
May 24th, 8:00 a.m., (location to be announced)
- ◆ **Graduation**
Thursday, May 24th, 7:00 p.m., Stadium

Parents and Students:

The following instructions must be followed to ensure a successful and pleasant graduation ceremony:

- ◆ It is imperative that students report to their assigned check-in room on time (6:00 p.m.).
- ◆ Bring, but do not wear, your cap, gown and tassel.
- ◆ Do not bring any items (camera, purse, etc.) which cannot be taken into the graduation seating area.
- ◆ **Boys' appropriate clothing:**
 - ~Shoes and socks (no tennis shoes or flip-flops).
 - ~Trousers (no levis, shorts, or cut-offs).
 - ~Shirt with a collar (ties recommended).
- ◆ **Girls' appropriate clothing:**
 - ~Dress shoes (no tennis shoes or flip-flops).
 - ~Dresses (no shorts or cut-offs).
 - ~Collar provided with gown.
- ◆ Do not arrive to practice or graduation under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
 - ~Influence is defined as being indicated by obvious odor or irrational behavior, or physical impairment relating to the use of alcohol or drugs.
 - ~Do not have alcohol or drugs in your possession. Being on campus under the influence of alcohol or drugs is in violation of school discipline policy.
 - ~Any student under the influence of drugs or alcohol will be removed from the campus. The student's diploma will be held until completion of community service hours to be determined at the MPHS campus.
- ◆ Do not arrive with any devices, air horns, fireworks or apparel to be used to disrupt the graduation ceremony.
- ◆ Be patient – An event of the magnitude of a high school graduation is composed of many organizational challenges which require ample time and absolute cooperation. Please work in a positive manner with administrators and supervising teachers.

From the Activities Office

Joellen Barriga, Assistant Principal

Wondering about some of the activities that go on at Mountain Pointe during the year? Make a "pointe" to attend a play, dance concert, band performance, art show, choir concert or an academic decathlon competition!

Upcoming Events:

Musical *Oklahoma*

7:00 p.m., Auditorium April 5-6

1:00 p.m., Auditorium April 7

Blood Drive

7:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m., Small Gym April 12

Theatre Company Improv Show

7:30 p.m., A134 April 18

Dance Company Concert

7:00 p.m., Auditorium April 19-20

Spring Art Show

8:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m., G-wing Lobby April 26

Theatre Company Improv Show

7:30 p.m., A134 May 2

Pops Choir Concert

7:00 p.m., Auditorium May 3-4

Prom (See ad in back of newsletter)

8:00 p.m. May 5

Play *Rimes of Eldritch*

7:00 p.m., Auditorium May 10-11-12

Show your Pride spirit and attend several MPHS activities this semester! Call 759-8449 x-58175 for information.

MPHS School Calendar 2000-2001

Remainder of Second Semester

April 13 1/2 Day - District **

May 9 1/2 Day *

May 20 Baccalaureate

May 21-22 Senior Final Exams

May 22-23 Final Exams (grades 9-11)

May 24 Graduation

** 1/2 Day - school ends at 12:04 p.m.

** 1/2 Day - District - school ends at 11:27 a.m.

09-27-00



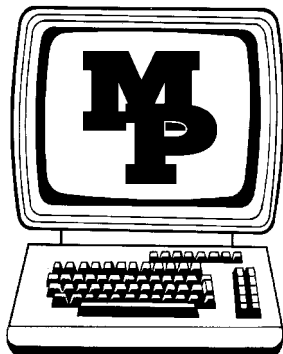
Interested in
**What's
Going On**
at Mountain Pointe?

Call (480) 759-8449

Weekly Activities - Ext. 58175

Website Offers Up-to-date MPHS Information

Visit our district website to obtain up-to-date Mountain Pointe information about activities, athletics, and departmental information at www.tuhsd.k12.az.us.



Pride News Tip

If you have a news story that you would like published in the "Pointes of Pride" quarterly newsletter, submit your information to Joellen Barriga at Mountain Pointe High School by the following dates:

June 15th • September 15th

If you have any questions, please call Joellen at 480-706-7420.

Parents,
Please read!

Pointes of Pride Newsletter Now Online



As of April 2001, you may view the *Pointes of Pride* newsletter on the MPHS website at:
www.tuhsd.k12.az.us/Mountain_Pointe_HS/index.html

Beginning July 2001, newsletters will be sent via U.S. mail only by parent request.
If you would like to continue receiving this newsletter by mail,
fill out the form below and return to Mountain Pointe High School.

Please continue sending the Pointes of Pride newsletter to my home address.

Please print

Parent/Guardian Name _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Student Name _____ Student No. _____

Student Name _____ Student No. _____

Student Name _____ Student No. _____



**Return to: Mountain Pointe High School
Attn: Jill Perry
4201 E. Knox Road
Phoenix, AZ 85044**

**If you do not fill out and return this form to Mountain Pointe,
the *Pointes of Pride* newsletter will no longer be mailed to you.**

IMPORTANT POLICIES FOR PARENTS

Absences, Tardies, and Off-Campus Passes

The parent/guardian of a student must call in on the same day of the absence *before 3:00 p.m.* or the computer automatically records that student as unexcused. **Notes will not be accepted.** If the student is arriving late to school, s/he must also sign in at the front office.

Procedures for reporting a student absence, tardy, or requesting an off-campus pass are as follows:

- **Dial 480-759-8449**
- **Enter 59901** (Off-campus pass)
OR
- **Enter 59902** (Absences and tardies)

After message and tone, please verbally state the following information:

- **Spell the last name**, then give the **first name**
- **Grade**
- **Date of absence**
- **Periods missed** - if not all day
- **The reason for the absence**
- **Your relationship to the student**
- **Phone number where you can be reached**

To leave campus, students must have an off-campus pass, early release schedule, or a pass from the nurse. **Students who are ill MUST call their parent/guardian from the nurse's office.** The nurse will then make arrangements with the parent/guardian with regard to how the student will get home. **Parents**, please inform your student s/he is **not** to use a campus pay phone or teacher's phone to ask a parent/guardian to pick him/her up from school.

Student Deliveries

No deliveries of any kind are made during the school day!

The policy in the *Student Handbook* prohibits deliveries of any kind, including phone messages, during the school day. It states:

- The school does not deliver packages, flowers or other items to students during the school day.
- Pay telephones are provided for student use at Mountain Pointe High School.
- Calls should be limited to one minute in length.
- Phone messages will not be delivered except in case of an emergency.

Staff members at Mountain Pointe follow this policy. Please do not leave items or messages at the front office desk to be delivered to students. Teachers and students in classes ask that paging a student during the day be avoided unless there is an emergency.

Note: Transportation changes between student and parent are not considered an emergency.

Parent/Guardian Info Update

If your work or home phone number, place of employment, emergency phone numbers, or any other relevant information has changed, please contact the school at 759-8449 ext. 56121 or 56133.

If you have moved, please send with your student any utility bill showing the new address. Up to date information is vital to enable us to better serve you.

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FOUND

LOST

- ✓ Sweatshirts
- ✓ Keys
- ✓ Makeup bags
- ✓ Jewelry
- ✓ Shoes
- ✓ Jackets
- ✓ Prescription glasses
- ✓ And more!

Please stop by the Bookstore or call
759-8449 ext. 57443.

Governing Board Meetings Televised

The Tempe Union High School Governing Board meetings are now available for viewing on cable television as follows:

Phoenix Channel 99
Sunday at 4:30 p.m.

Chandler Channel 99
Saturday at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday at 2:00 p.m.

STUDENT DRESS CODE

Parents and students: Please be aware of, and abide by, the campus dress code.

Inappropriate dress:

- ▼ Attire or accessories which advertise, display and/or promote any:
 - ▶ drug
 - ▶ alcohol
 - ▶ tobacco
 - ▶ sexual activity
 - ▶ violence
 - ▶ disrespect
 - ▶ lewd, vulgar or obscene language
 - ▶ bigotry toward any group or person
- ▼ Dress, jewelry, skin markings, temporary or permanent, and other accessories that present a risk to the health, safety, and general welfare of students or which:
 - ▶ express obscenities
 - ▶ expose the chest (no cleavage), abdomen, back or sides, genital areas, upper thighs, or buttocks (meaning any movement required of students that results in the exposure of undergarments or areas mentioned above). Examples include, but are not limited to:
 - low-cut or see-through blouses
 - muscle shirts
 - sleeveless undershirts
 - undergarments worn as outer garments
 - tube tops
 - halter tops
 - crop tops
 - off-the-shoulder and spaghetti strap tops (straps must be 1¹/₄" minimum)
 - strapless tops
 - pants that drag excessively on the ground
 - any clothing that allows underwear or bare skin to show at the waist
 - clothing that allows undergarments to be exposed
 - spiked jewelry
 - wallet chains that exceed 10"
- ▼ Any item that is gang related.
- ▼ Bodypiercing that is a safety hazard and/or hinders performance in the classroom is not allowed.
- ▼ Shoes will be worn at all times according to Arizona state law.
- ▼ Sunglasses, bandanas, hair nets, "do" rags, and any hair accessory made from a bandana or bandana-like material may not be worn in school buildings. Hats, caps and visors may not be worn in the classroom, library or any school office.
- ▼ Exceptions may be made for uniforms, formal attire and/or costumes.

Students and their parents/guardians have the responsibility to be aware of the school's specific dress code and to conform to these requirements. If a student or parent has any questions about whether specific attire or accessories are in compliance with this Dress Code, they should contact an Assistant Principal prior to wearing such attire or accessory to ensure compliance. On campus, the faculty, staff and administration have the responsibility to interpret and enforce this policy. The administration retains the final discretion to determine that the garment or accessory meets the dress code.

Consequences:

Any student violating this policy is subject to disciplinary action including, but not limited to, warning, parent conference, after-school detention, in-school suspension, and short-term or long-term suspension. In addition, the student will remove the garment or accessory and replace it with an appropriate alternative provided by the school, student or parent, depending upon the circumstances.

Student Fashion Trends Have Dangerous References

Parents - Do you know the real meaning behind some of the numbers and statements on the shirts/jackets your students wear? Listed below are some recent "statements" in clothing.

What the Clothes Mean:

- 13 M is the 13th letter of the alphabet; Mexican; Mafia; murder; mayhem
- 420 Time to smoke pot; international smokeout day
- 8 Ball Eight ball of speed or cocaine; indicates person uses or sells drugs
- Alien Brand of rolling papers
- Blue Flame Smoking crack
- Drugfree Back of shirt reads "Liar"
- Enhale Reference to smoking marijuana
- No limits I have no limits; anything goes; I can do anything I want
- Playerz 69 I date a lot; I'm a player; "69" - sexual position
- Rollin' Hard Reference to rolling papers for marijuana
- Stashers Pants with stash pockets to hide drugs
- SMP Products Santa Monica Products; smoke more pot
- Unocal 13 Mayhem; Mafia; murder; marijuana

Pride Seniors Honored with NHS Scholarship Nomination

National Honor Society is proud to announce the selection of two Mountain Pointe seniors for nomination to the National Honor Society Scholarship. **Patricia Zawidski** and **Melissa Parks** have been chosen to represent our school for this prestigious scholarship. Each year, two nominees are identified from each chapter. They are judged against other nominees from their state and from schools of similar size within the state. Nominees for the scholarship are selected for their leadership skills, participation in service organizations, achievements in the arts and sciences, and academic record. Winners will receive \$1,000 scholarships from NASSP, National Honor Society's parent organization.

Congratulations and good luck, Trisha and Melissa!

MPHS Symphonic Band Earns Top Rating at Festival

Congratulations to the MPHS Symphonic Band for their recent outstanding performance at the Heritage Music Festival held recently in Anaheim, California. Mountain Pointe's Symphonic Band received a Gold Rating (equal to Superior) in their division! They also earned another top award for having the highest scores of the approximate 15 bands participating in the event. Congratulations for a superior job. We are proud of your accomplishment!



Dance Concert

April 19th & 20th • 7:30 p.m.

MPHS Auditorium

Don't miss out on the Mountain Pointe Dance Concert, *Defying Instinct*. Dances will be performed by the Junior and Senior Dance Company members, and the intermediate and advanced dance classes. The performers choreographed the dances and have been working hard to get them ready for the show. Taking Risks is the theme of the concert, so all of the dances will be fun to watch.

Tickets are available the night of the show or in advance from dancers participating in the concert. Prices are as follows:

- Adults \$5
- Students \$4
- Senior Citizens \$4
- Children five & under Free

Students, don't forget to bring your IDs!

Marching Band Camp

There will be an informational meeting on April 9th and 10th from 7:00-8:00 p.m. in the Band Room. Parents may come to either meeting to pick up the Marching Band Camp packet and have questions answered regarding the marching season. Please note the following dates for marching band member's registration and physical dates:

May 5th *Registration, physicals, notary
Dr. Sterling and Dr. Borg
4950 E. Elliot Rd. (at 51st Street)

May 12th *Registration only; notary
MPHS Band Room

**Times to be determined*



Band Camp Dates:

July 30th - August 10th (End of Band Camp Family Picnic)

COSTS

Returning 10th, 11th, 12th grade students:

\$100 – basic fees that cover costs of show music, drill for the show, staff, instrument repair, uniform cleaning, competition fees, charter bus/meal fees.

All New Students (Wind/Brass):

\$190 – basic fees above, camp & pep shirt, shoes, gauntlets, socks, gloves.

All New Students (Percussion*):

\$205 basic fees above, camp & pep shirt, shoes, gauntlets, socks, sticks and mallets. *Returning students who are transferring into Percussion will have to pay for sticks and mallets.

All New Students (Colorguard):

\$100 basic fees above, camp & pep shirt, shoes, poles, flags, athletic shoes, foundation undergarment.

Attention Colorguard Members (New & Returning) – If you are interested in becoming a member of the excellent MPHS Colorguard, please contact Cori Lee at 350-9895 or e-mail her at coriannalee@hotmail.com. Auditions will be held on April 4th from 2:30 - 5:00 p.m. for all Colorguard members. Please contact Cori if you have any questions and to inform her if you will be attending the audition.

All above information and marching season paperwork will be included in the packet that will need to be picked up in the Band Room on April 9th or 10th from 7:00-8:00 p.m. If you have questions regarding the marching season paperwork please call Dee O'Leary at (480) 598-8615. For general questions about the program, please call Sue Heintz at (480) 893-2214.



**Have a Great
Summer Vacation!**

Register Now for Summer School 2001

When: Session I June 4 – June 27
Session II July 2 – July 26

Sessions meet Monday through Thursday,
7:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
(No classes on Wednesday, July 4th)

Where: Mountain Pointe High School
OR
McClintock High School

- How:**
- 1) Student/parent can pick-up the necessary form from the MPHS Guidance Office.
 - 2) Parent reads the information, fill out and sign the registration form.
 - 3) Student/Parent brings the form back to Guidance Office to obtain counselor's signature.
 - 4) Student/Parent takes registration form and check/money to MPHS bookstore to pay.
 - **Bookstore Hours:**
7:15 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Closed during 6th period
 - **Cost:** \$105.00 each session.
Must be paid in full at registration.
Make checks payable to TUHSD.
 - **Bus Transportation:**
\$25 each session

Deadline: May 4, 2001 (for first session)

Note: Students registering for **Drivers Education** must register ASAP due to a limited number of spaces and must be 15 years 7 months by the beginning of the summer school session in order to enroll.

Homework Help Lab

Open to all students!

Library Classroom
Monday - Friday
7:10 - 7:40 a.m. • 2:15-2:45 p.m.

FREE

General academic help including:

- ✓ math
- ✓ English
- ✓ Spanish
- ✓ science
- ✓ and more!



No Fee!
No Referrals!
No appointments!

Awards Ceremony for Scholarship Recipients

Tuesday, May 15, 2001

7:00 p.m.

Mountain Pointe Auditorium



If your son or daughter receives a scholarship we would like them to be part of our Awards Ceremony. For this to occur, you need to complete one of the following:

- ❖ Contact the person or organization who awarded your son or daughter the scholarship to see if s/he would like to be part of our program by being a presenter. Provide him/her the date, time, and place. Fill out the form below and return to Ellen Norton. **If the scholarship is from ASU, NAU or U of A, arrangements for those presenters will be made by Mrs. Norton. You do not need to contact the university yourself.**

OR

- ❖ Contact a MPHS teacher, coach, counselor or administrator to see if s/he would like to be part of the program and recognize your son or daughter by being a presenter. If agreeable, inform him/her of the date, time and place and fill out the form below. Provide a copy of the award letter to the presenter and any other information about the scholarship s/he can use. Our faculty and staff members will be happy to honor your son or daughter by being a part of this ceremony.

After completion of the above, give the bottom portion of this letter to Ellen Norton by **3:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 18th**. This will enable us to include your son or daughter in the program and recognize his/her accomplishment during this wonderful evening. We ask that you do this for **only the scholarship(s) which your child plans to accept and use**.

If you have further questions contact Mrs. Ellen Norton, Counselor and Scholarship Coordinator at 480-759-8449, ext. 57436.

Scholarship: _____

Recipient: _____

Student Number: _____

Presenter: _____

NOTE: If the Scholarship is from ASU, U of A or NAU you do not need to include the presenters name

Presenter's Phone Number: _____

Attach a copy of the award letter and return to Mrs. Norton in the Guidance Office by 3:00 p.m., Wednesday, April 18th.

College Information For Juniors

Juniors planning to attend a 4-year university/college should be taking their college admissions test this semester. Listed below are the remaining test dates for this school year. Students can register for these tests by going on-line or pick up the registration materials in the Guidance Office.

SAT www.collegeboard.com

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
May 5	March 29	April 13
June 2	April 27	May 9

ACT www.act.org

Test Date	Registration Deadline	Late Registration Deadline
June 9	May 4	May 18

Remember to have your juniors send their scores to the colleges they are interested in attending. If your junior is undecided on college choices, send the scores to at least our three in-state universities – ASU, NAU & U of A. Ninety percent of our graduates who attend 4-year universities/colleges after graduation stay in-state and attend one of these three institutions. If they fail to send the scores at the time of test registration (included in the test fee), it will cost approximately \$7 to send scores to each school later.

SAT Strategy Session

- Where:** Ironwood Library
- When:** April 7th • 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. • Practice Test
April 11th • 3 p.m. – 4 p.m. • Strategy Seminar
- How:** Call (602) 534-1900 to register

Prepare for the May or June SAT by taking a FREE practice SAT and return for a strategy seminar. The seminar will include information about how the test is used in the college admission process and how students can raise their scores on the SAT. Students will be provided with detailed score reports that will help them understand their own personal strengths and weaknesses.

College Visits For Juniors In MPHS Guidance

ASU	April 10	Period 1 or 2
NAU	April 11	Period 2 or 3
U of A	April 12	Period 1 or 2

Juniors interested in meeting with the college representatives need to come to Guidance to pick-up the necessary permission slip to obtain required teacher signatures to be excused from class.

College Information For Seniors

Seniors will need to make their college decision soon. Please notify the colleges your senior does not plan to attend as well as the one s/he will be attending. At the end of this semester, colleges expect to receive a final transcript with spring semester grades included. It is important that seniors realize their final semester of high school is still important to college admission offices. A poor spring semester can result in the admission office questioning its decision to offer the student admission. Colleges expect to see the same academic performance to continue through the final semester. Please remind your seniors to work diligently to the end.

Immunization records are required by our three in-state universities – ASU, NAU and U of A. These records can be obtained from our nurse's office. Have your senior stop by the nurse's office to request a printout of his/her immunization record that you can send to the university.

Seniors should be attending the registration workshops that the universities offer to advise the students on selecting their classes for next fall. If a senior has earned Rio Salado credits, it is recommended that a list of those credits be taken to the workshop. Additionally, a final official transcript must be sent from Rio Salado to the university so the credits can be transferred. Seniors must request Rio Salado transcripts from Rio Salado Community College.

It is recommended to write thank you notes to organizations who have awarded you scholarships as well as any other individuals who have helped you pursue your college plans.

Scholarships Now Online

The MPHS weekly scholarship list is now online and can be accessed at the MPHS website through the Guidance Department link. In addition to scholarships on file in the Guidance Center, college visits and other important upcoming events are available.



Counseling Appointments Available

Students and Parents are encouraged to make appointments when wishing to visit privately with a counselor. Appointments should be made directly by calling the student's designated counselor.

A "Response Counselor of the Day" is available to assist student and parent walk-ins.



Grad Nite 2002

Attention Parents of MPHS Juniors

There will be a meeting on April 26th at 7:00 p.m. in room D109 to begin discussing our students' Grad Nite. There are already some things in the works - we just need your support and ideas (park in the back parking lot and enter through the G-wing). If you have any questions, please call Jeanne Meaker at (480) 893-6021.

CERAMIC WORKSHOP



**Workshop
Instructed by:
Karan Lytle
for grades 6th thru Adult**

**Location:
Mountain Pointe High School
4201 E. Knox Road
Phoenix, AZ 85044
Room D130 / Ceramic Lab**

Workshop Dates
1st Session: June 4 - June 14
1-4 p.m. Mon.-Thurs. 1st/2nd week
2nd Session: June 18 - June 28
1-4 p.m. Mon.-Thurs. 1st/2nd week

**Cost \$75.00 for 8 days
(3 hr. session)
\$6.00 for 25lb. bag of clay
(Pay at 1st session)
No Clay Experience Necessary!!!**

**For more information,
contact Karan Lytle
@ 480-759-8449 ext. 58080
E-Mail: klytle.mtp@tuhsd.k12.az.us**

Tempe Union Unified Special Olympic Basketball Team Is Tops in the East Valley

All season, the Tempe Union Unified Special Olympic Basketball Team has been playing their hearts out! Coaches, players and their parents looked forward to every game and wholeheartedly supported their kids.

2001 TUHSD Special Olympic Basketball Team:

Christian Alvarez	Louis Glass
Carlos Andrews	Brock Gumeringer
Bryan Aspinall	Chad Herd
Robert Brewster	Chris Lee
Matt Cain	Austin Rose
Poco Carton	Mark Ruiz
Dunta Chattman	Giovanni Russo
Ashley Coleman	Frank Tapia
Tyrone Coleman	Jose Tapia
Gilbert Freiberg	Mike Williams
Mark Freiberg	Anthony Wolf

Coaches: Larry Smith, Mike Williams,
Anna Delgado (mother of Frank and Jose Tapia)

Player/Coaches: Tyrone Coleman, Donte Chapman, Kirk Fauske

Our Tempe Union Unified Team won the "March Madness" Tournament for the East Valley the weekend of March 17th for the 5th straight time! In a thrilling game, Tempe Union defeated Chandler Unified 54-52. Incidentally, all of the Chandler players were over 21 years of age!

Tempe Union Unified "March Madness" players:

Robert Brewster	Mark Freiberg
Paco Carton	Austin Rose
Donte Chapman	Mark Ruiz
Ashley Coleman	Giovanni Russo
Tyrone Coleman	Frank Tapia
Kirk Fauske	Jose Tapia
Gilbert Freiberg	Mike Williams

Special thanks to Coach Larry Smith for all his hard work and dedication to these wonderful, special students.

Coach Smith would like to thank the MPHS Activities Office as well as the MPHS facilities and janitorial staffs for their assistance in making these games possible.

All members of the Tempe Union Unified Team participated in the State Tournament on March 30-31 at Red Mountain High School in the A and C Divisions.

**Congratulations
on a great season!**



Sports Physicals for 2001-2002 Athletes

The **10th Annual Physical Day** for next school year's athletes will be held on **Saturday, May 12th**, at the times listed below. The event is sponsored by MPHS team physician Dr. Brent Rich and his colleagues, and the Mountain Pointe Sports Medicine Staff.

Dr. Rich's staff of doctors and physical therapists will conduct quick, but thorough physicals for \$25.00. Dr. Rich will also meet with parents while waiting for your athlete's physical.

Prior to the physical, parents must complete a physical form including **both** emergency cards; the physician will complete the physical portion and a notary will be available to notarize parent signatures. It is important for parents to attend to insure all information is completed and notarized for your athlete to be eligible for next year.

Physical forms can be picked up in advance from the Mountain Pointe Athletics Office or from your coach. Incoming freshmen can obtain a form from Student Services at their Jr. High or Middle School.

Please try to attend the time designated for your sport. If that is not possible, you may come at 10:30 a.m. Physicians will leave promptly at 11:00 a.m. If you are late or there is a large line, you may be turned away. If you have any questions, please call the Athletics Office at 759-8449 ext. 57423.

Time	Sport
7:30 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.	Football (Varsity/JV)
8:00 a.m. - 8:15 a.m.	Baseball, Softball
8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.	Wrestling, Track, Cross Country
8:45 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Golf, Tennis (Men's/Women's)
9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m.	Basketball (Men's/Women's)
9:15 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Soccer (Men's/Women's)
9:30 a.m. - 9:45 a.m.	Swimming, Cheer, Badminton
9:45 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.	Volleyball (Men's/Women's)
10:00 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	Incoming Freshmen from Centennial, Gilliland, Pueblo, Akimel-A-al, and Mountain Pointe Band Members
10:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Open for those who missed their scheduled time



From the Athletics Office

Troy Hickel, Athletic Director

The students, athletes, and staff of Mountain Pointe believe in **Purpose, Pride, and Performance**.

Our **purpose** is to strive for excellence. We are not born as great athletes, students, musicians, or cheerleaders. These are only accomplished through dedicated years of effort and practice. We take considerable **pride** in our school's work ethic and tradition. A consistent **performance** of excellence is our goal. Since we opened our doors nine short years ago, Mountain Pointe has become recognized as one of the top high schools in the state of Arizona. Our athletic accomplishments include 67 region championships, 17 state runner-ups, and 11 state championships. Mountain Pointe has been recognized as the state's outstanding girls athletic program in 1996-97, Tempe's outstanding athletic program each year from 1994 through 2000, Arizona's outstanding 5A athletic program in 1995-96 and 1997-98. The award we **pride** ourselves in the most is the H.A. Hendrickson, which is awarded annually to the 5A school with the greatest combined **performance** in music, speech, and athletics. Mountain Pointe has won three H.A. Hendrickson awards: 1995-96, 1996-97, and most recently, 1999-2000.

While our teams continue to strive for excellence, we would like to remind all of our fans of their responsibility – sportsmanship. Sportsmanship is critical to our success and is exhibited by our teams, and just as importantly, by you, the fans. We encourage your support and enthusiasm, however, remember that **SPORTSMANSHIP STARTS WITH YOU**.

The attitude of sportsmanship should be reflected by all spectators no matter what their personal feelings toward the opposing team or officials might be. So, once again we look forward to the enthusiastic support of you, the Pride fans.

"WELCOME TO THE JUNGLE!"



Girls' Basketball Season Highlights

Individual Awards

- Most Improved Player Jeriece Lee
- Joe Selleh Award Emily Ladd
Katie Bartsch
- Defensive Stopper Veronica Shaw
- Most Valuable Player Holly Johnson

Team Accomplishments

- Consolation Champions in the Nike Tournament of Champions in Chicago, Illinois
- 3rd Place Coca-Cola Thanksgiving Tournament

Player Accomplishments

- All Region 1st Team Veronica Shaw
- All Region 2nd Team Holly Johnson
- All Region Honorable Mention Heather Traw
Katie Bartsch

Upcoming Events

Summer Camp

June 11th-15th • 12:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Summer Open Gym for Incoming Freshmen

First Day - May 28th • 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.



Tennis, Anyone?

Attention all freshmen boys and girls interested in playing tennis at Mountain Pointe next fall! The tennis season will begin with practice and try-outs the week after school begins in August. It is very important that students have physicals prior to the season so that they are eligible to try-out for the team. Physicals will be held at Mountain Pointe on May 12th (see *Sports Physicals* on previous page). It is also a good idea to get into tennis clinics over the summer, if possible. If you have any questions, please contact Trudy Smith (girls' coach) at 759-8449 ext. 58136 or Rick Carter (boys' coach) at ext. 58021. We look forward to seeing you in the fall.



CONGRATULATIONS
to the **MPHS Boys' & Girls'**
Tennis teams -
2000-2001
REGION CHAMPS!
Good Luck at State!

MPHS FOOTBALL

Upcoming Events for 2001-2002

April 10	Football Booster Meeting	7 p.m. room D109
May 1-18	Spring Football	
May 8	Football Booster Meeting	7 p.m. room D109
May 12	Sports Physicals \$25	8-11 a.m.
May 17	Football Potluck	6 p.m.
May 28-Aug 10	YMCA Weight Training \$30 Director, Coach Kiefer Freshman Seniors, Juniors, Sophomores	1-2 p.m. MWF 2-5 p.m. MTWThF
June 9	U of A Passing Tournament	
June 12	Football Booster Meeting	7 p.m. room D109
June 15	ASU Passing Tournament and Lineman Trenches Contest	
July 10	Football Booster Meeting	7 p.m. room D109
July 30-Aug 3	Football Camp \$60	5-9 p.m.
Aug 6-10	Freshman Football Camp \$60	7-10 a.m.
Aug 14	Football Booster Meeting	7 p.m. room D109
Aug 17	Football Fall Potluck	6 p.m.
Aug 24	Scrimmage with Salpointe	7 p.m. (away)
Aug 25	Football Practice Card Sale Pep Rally	8-11 a.m. 11 a.m.-3 p.m. 7 p.m.
Aug 31	Amphitheater vs. MPHS (home)	7:30 p.m.

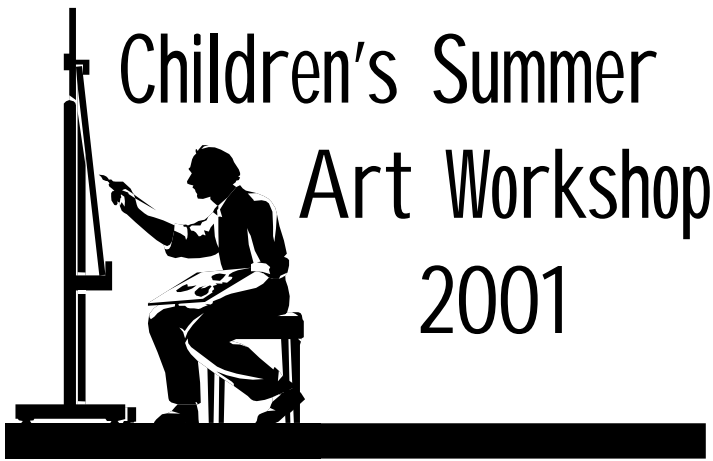


Parents Needed

Football Boosters need your support. Meetings are held the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7 p.m. in room D109. Your help is needed now for the upcoming 2001-2002 season for fund raising events. Your time, no matter how small, is greatly appreciated.

Contact Jim Hurd at 480-496-0618.

**It's up to you
to make it happen!**



Children's Summer Art Workshop 2001

Location: Crafts Room D-129 @ Mountain Pointe H.S.
4201 E. Knox Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85044

Sessions are Monday thru Thursday.
There are 2 different sessions per day,
each session is 2 hours in length.

Instructor: Sally Bernhardt,
Mountain Pointe H. S. Art Educator.
B.F.A./M.Ed.–State Certified

Course	Time	Course Description
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Mon-Thurs 2 hr sessions **June 18-21** \$45.00 (8hrs)

- **P & D -A** 9:00am- 11:00am **Drawing &Painting**
Flowers in pastels; abstraction with ink and pastels;
solarized watercolor. **Grades 1st thru 3rd**
- **P & D -B** 9:00am-11:00am **Drawing &Painting**
Students explore watercolor, pastels, and color
pencils. **Grades 4th thru 8th**

Course	Time	Course Description
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Mon-Thurs 2 hr sessions **June 25-28** \$45.00 (8hrs)

- **P & D -E** 9:00am-11:00am **Drawing &Painting**
Easel painting with tempera paint and self portraits
using brush drawing. **Grades 1st thru 3rd**
- **P & D -F** 9:00am-11:00am **Drawing &Painting**
Still life value studies, easel painting and
self- portrait brush drawings. **Grades 4th thru 8th**

Course	Time	Course Description
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Mon-Thurs 2 hr sessions **July 30-Aug 2** \$45.00 (8hrs)

- **P & D -C** 9:00am-11:00am **Printmaking**
baking pan monotypes, and relief printing.
Grades 1st thru 3rd
- **P & D -D** 9:00am-11:00am **Printmaking**
mono-types; relief printing; collographs.
Grades 4th thru 8th

Special Two Week Class

Mon-Thurs **July 9-12 & July 16-19** \$90.00 (16 hrs)

*Due to the high demand of this class a
morning and afternoon session will be offered*

- **AA-Ceramics-** 9:00am-11:00am pinch pots, slab
pots, 3 D sculptures, high and low relief sculptures
Grades 1st thru 5th
- **AB-Ceramics-** 11:30am-1:30pm pinch pots, slab
pots, 3 D sculptures, high and low relief sculptures,
Grades 1st thru 5th

Course	Time	Course Description
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Mon-Thurs 2 hr sessions **July 24-27** \$45.00 (8hrs)

- **Photo- I** 9:00am-11:00am **Fun with Photo**
Observing thru a view finder to make the best photo,
making solar prints, making interesting photos using
a camera, and making a scrap book page.
Grades 1st thru 3rd
- **Photo - J** 9:00am-11:00am **Fun with Photo**
Observing thru a view finder to make the best photo,
making solar prints, making interesting photos using
a camera, and making a scrap book page .
Grades 4th thru 8th
- **Crafts- K** 11:30am-1:30pm **Crayon Batik**
On- fabric, and mosaics. **Grades 1st thru 4th**
- **Crafts- L** 11:30 am- 1:30pm **Batik** on fabric, metal
embossing and mosaics. **Grades 5th thru 8th**

Registration Form

Student's Name _____

Age _____ School _____

Phone _____ Cell _____

Please Check The Classes You Wish To Enroll Your Child

	June 18-21	June 25-28	July 24-27
AM:	A <input type="checkbox"/> B <input type="checkbox"/>	E <input type="checkbox"/> F <input type="checkbox"/>	I <input type="checkbox"/> J <input type="checkbox"/>
PM:	NA	NA	K <input type="checkbox"/> L <input type="checkbox"/>

July 9-19 (2 week class)

July 30-August 2

AA AB

AM D

Return with check or money order to:

Sally Bernhardt / Mountain Pointe High School
4201 E. Knox Rd., Phoenix, AZ 85044

Materials are provided. Enroll early to ensure your choice of
time and date, as classes tend to fill quickly. No refunds.

For more info call 480-759-8449 ext. 58015 or e-mail
teachart47@home.com

Belle Notte



Mountain Pointe High School
Prom 2001

May 5, 2001

PROM

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m.

Holiday Inn Conference Center
5750 E. Main Street, Mesa

TICKETS

In Advance:

Single: \$32.50

Couple: \$65.00

At Door:

Single: \$40.00

Couple \$80.00

COLORS

Burgandy, Gold & Evergreen

PICTURES

Pictures taken by Duke Photography.

Payment due at time taken.

More information is available in the Bookstore.

BREAKFAST

5:00 a.m. - 6:00 a.m.

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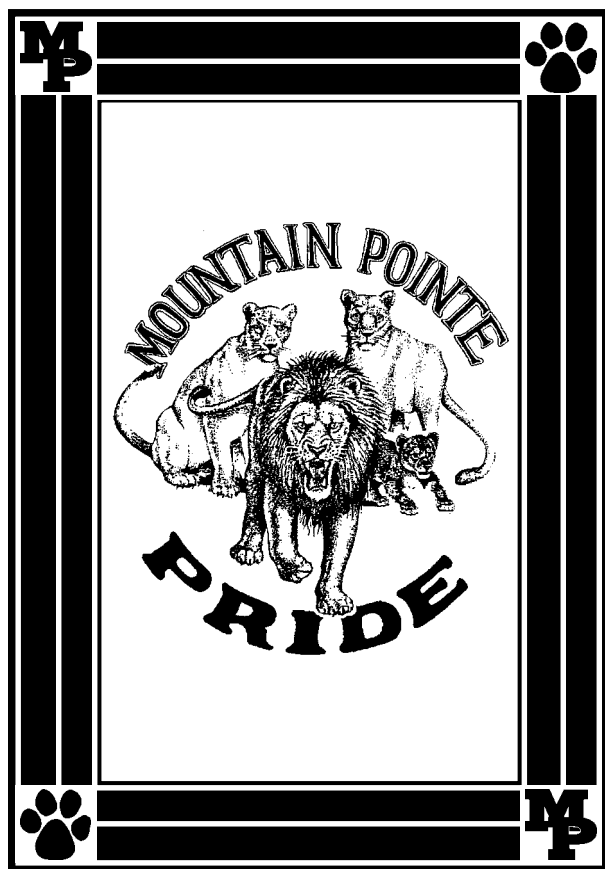
5020 E. Ray Road, Phoenix

Prom participants will not be allowed into the dance without a picture ID. You must have a wristband, which will be issued at the door, to enter Prom and to have pictures taken. MPHS students bringing an off-campus guest must show a guest pass at the door. Guests passes may be obtained from the Activities Office. If you have any questions, contact Ms. Middents at 759-8449 ext. 58054.

Great Gift Idea!

Mountain Pointe High School Band Boosters proudly presents . . .

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Name:
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Student Name:
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Make checks payable to:
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Grad Nite 2001 News

Volunteer to help make Grad Nite 2001 a huge success!

Please join us in helping to make this year's Grad Nite 2001 the best ever! The next meeting is April 19th in room G103 at 7:00 p.m. Even if you cannot attend the meeting we can use your help. Please call:

Terri Balliet 893-0809
Alice Barber 893-6180
Vicki Brewer 893-1924
Linda Heninger 753-5523

**Be a part of the fantastic
GRAD NITE 2001 COMMITTEE!**

Grad Nite 2001 to be held at GameWorks

Grad Nite 2001 will be held on May 24, 2001 at GameWorks in the Arizona Mills. In addition to unlimited video games, there will be a hypnotist, DJ, caricature artists, money booth, casino gaming, and much, much more. Plan ahead - Buy your tickets early and insure your position for the money booth grab!

Grad Nite Ticket Sales

Students can purchase tickets either by mail or at the bookstore for \$35.00 per person. A medical release and parental consent (permission slip) is required to attend Grad Nite. For information on ticket sales by mail, please call Terri Balliet at 480-893-0809.

Prize Donations Sought from Local Businesses

The Grad Nite 2001 Committee is seeking donations from any and all local businesses. Our intent is that every senior who attends the party leaves with a prize. We need your help to make this a reality. If you, or someone you know, has a donation for Grad Nite 2001, please contact Terri Balliet at 480-893-0809.



Thank You Duck Washers!

Grad Nite would like to thank all the people who participated in the duck washing fund raiser. Your cooperation was crucial to meeting our deadline. Many thanks!

Make Money for Grad Nite 2001 by Shopping!

Shop with Grocery Gift Certificates - If you are a Fry's or Safeway shopper, you can easily help with fundraising for Grad Nite 2001! Grocery gift certificates are available for purchase from Grad Nite 2001, dollar for dollar. Simply take the certificates to the grocery store and instead of writing a check or using a debit card, hand over these certificates to the clerk and Grad Nite 2001 makes a profit by receiving a percentage of the total sale!

Albertson's has been added to our list of participating grocery stores. This program is different in that each shopper is issued a card which is swiped through the store register at the time of purchase. The card will automatically credit Grad Nite with the sale. To receive a card call Vicki Brewer at 893-1924 or Terri Balliet at 893-0809.

Your Senior's Name "Etched in Stone"

Have you seen the Senior Walkway (located in the west parking lot)? Be sure your senior's name is included. Buy a personalized brick. If you have any questions call Linda Heninger at 753-5523.

We Need Cash! *Special Extortion Offer for Busy and Beleaguered Parents!*

The Grad Nite 2001 committee would love your help but if you feel that you absolutely cannot do one more thing, we will accept your cash donation. Those parents who donate \$100 or more will be placed on a special list and we will not bug you about helping out with Grad Nite in any other way! Please call any Grad Nite committee person.



e-mail contact: tballet@home.com



TAXPAYERS

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Give a Mountain Pointe extracurricular activity \$200 and receive a state tax credit for the full amount.

YES! Distribute the enclosed donation of \$ _____ (up to \$200*) to Mountain Pointe High School.

Activities to receive funds: 1) _____ \$ _____ 2) _____ \$ _____

If you wish to designate your child to receive funds for an activity, write in his/her name. _____

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Please fill out all items. This information will be supplied to the Arizona Department of Revenue. A receipt will be mailed to the recipient for tax filing purposes. Include current information.

Full Name (first and last) _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Ph. _____ Work Ph. _____ Tax Payer SS# _____

Mail to: Mountain Pointe High School • Attn: Bookstore Manager • 4201 E. Knox Road • Phoenix, AZ 85044

*Reminder: Tax Credit is \$100 for married filing separately, or \$200 for Head of Household and taxpayers filing jointly.

AUGUST 2001

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
MARK YOUR CALENDAR...			1	2	3	4
	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Textbook and ID Distribution →					
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
	August 6-10 & 13-15 →					
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
	First Day of School	MORE INFO TO FOLLOW IN THE JULY NEWSLETTER.				