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Message from the President, Robert Shaw

Dear Lake Braddock Parents, Teachers, and Students,

At the May 2010 General Membership meeting the slate of officers presented to the members were elected unopposed. The 2010-2011 Executive Committee consists of President: **Robert Shaw**, 1st Vice President: **Patti Rothwell**, 2nd Vice President: **Angela Nesley**, 3rd Vice President: **Tammy Kafami**, Secretary: **Cynthia Dupuy** and Treasurer: **Judy Dioquino**. The newest member is Angela Nesley who is replacing Susan Pehrsson as the 2nd Vice President. I want to extend a warm LBSS welcome to Angela and say a huge "Thank-you for doing a superb job" to Susan. Susan will still be with us and the PTSA looks forward to her services in other capacities. On behalf of the Executive Committee I want to thank the PTSA membership for entrusting us with running the affairs of the PTSA for another year. The team looks forward to serving all our parents, teachers and students at Lake Braddock.

Calling all senior parents, do you know if your seniors have already signed up for the **All Night Graduation Party (ANGP)**? If they have not done so, please encourage them to do so soon. It promises to be another event of a life time and we would hate for them to miss out on the fun...and prizes! Watch out for a recent mail sent out by the ANGP committee; it should have sign-up forms and parent volunteer forms. I would be remiss if I did not remind all parents that there are still some committees looking for help. Briefly, here are some specific needs: Activities and Security Committees are in need of the most help especially on the 2nd shift. **Underclass parents** have a vital role in helping us set-up this year as graduation will be at 7:30 p.m. and senior parents will be busy attending the ceremony at the Patriot Center. Here is another idea you can consider, if you can't help during the night, why not come out early in the morning to assist with tear-down on your way to work. Let's all endeavor to make this event a huge success!

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Senior Trip!

"Attention Senior Parents/Guardians" : On Tuesday, June 8th the senior class will take a trip to Busch Gardens. The price is \$90 which includes transportation to and from Williamsburg and admission into the park. I realize that \$90 is a large sum of money. Would you consider this trip a "graduation gift" for your senior? I really want every senior who wishes to go on this trip to be able to attend. If you have any questions please email MJPurdy@fcps.edu." **From Mr. Purdy**

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Thanks for all your support! Best of wishes to all of you!

—Carol Ann Stanger, Editor

"You are educated. Your certification is in your degree. You may think of it as the ticket to the good life. Let me ask you to think of an alternative. Think of it as your ticket to change the world."

~Tom Brokaw

Class of 2010 Graduation Events and Announcements



Baccalaureate 2010: Join us in GRAD-itude

Baccalaureate is a traditional, non-denominational ceremony dating back to the twelfth century that celebrates graduation. The LBSS PTSA invites the Lake Braddock Class of 2010 and their families and friends to join us for the celebration of student-led performances.

The Baccalaureate is different from graduation. It is a time to give thanks and honor all that we have shared together as a community. This is one of the most memorable times the seniors will spend together as a class.

This year's Baccalaureate will be held:

Thursday, June 17, 2010
7:30 p.m.
Immanuel Bible Church
6911 Braddock Road
Springfield, Virginia

Members of the Class of 2010 should wear their graduation gowns (no caps) and arrive no later than 7:00 p.m.

For more information, contact Janelyn Price at janelprice@aol.com or visit the Senior Facebook page.

Note: Baccalaureate is a PTSA-sponsored event. It is not affiliated with FCPS.

ANGP T-Shirt Contest Winner

The All Night Grad Party Committee is pleased to announce the winners of this year's ANGP T-Shirt Design Contest. First prize goes to Frank Venzor. Amy Donovan received second prize. And Hanna Joseck is the recipient of third prize. Our first prize winner Frank was presented with a check in the amount of \$75. He will also see his design on the senior t-shirts the night of the party. Amy was awarded \$50 and Hannah received \$30. Thanks to all seniors who submitted designs to the contest. We have many talented seniors! Seniors reserve your space at the party now and get your ANGP t-shirt in early June.

Our Last Bruin Voices of the Year.

As this is the last Bruin Voices for the year let me take this opportunity to say thanks to all the parents, teachers, and students that I have had the pleasure of meeting and working for. I hope that you have received as much as I have received from you. I am continually amazed at your dedication, hard work and caring. Lake Braddock is lucky to have people like you. And special thanks to our Editor, Carol Ann Stanger, and all those who contribute articles to keep us all informed.

I wish our students good luck in your exams and to everyone please have a happy, safe and enjoyable summer.

—Bob Shaw

Class of 2010 All Night Grad Party News!!



ANGP! Time to Celebrate!

It seems just like yesterday we were gearing up for start of school but in reality we are winding down the year.

If you are a senior parent this is a bitter sweet time of the year. As you are getting ready for the start of something new please sign up to volunteer at the ANGP. We need of volunteers for both shifts. You can contact Vickie Sands our volunteer coordinator at vjsands@verizon.net.

You still have time to register your senior for the party. You should have received our final senior mailing already which included a registration form along with a sign order form and volunteer form. The ANGP is a party that you don't want to miss!!! We look forward to having a fun filled party with food, games, and prizes!

If you have any questions about the ANGP please contact Tammy Kafami at tammykafami@gmail.com.

Seniors- don't forget to turn in your reservation for the ANGP!! It will be a night you will treasure forever! Casino! Bungee Run! Jousting! Photo Booth! Swimming! Caricature artists! Massage! Raffles and prizes! A feast all night long! Much, much, more! Forms can be found at LBSSPTSA.org. Register today!

ANGP Volunteers Needed!

LBSS parents needed to volunteer at the ANGP!

Pre-Party:

3 - 4 *underclassman* parents to transport materials, drinks and goods to Audrey Moore Rec Center during the day (a.m.) Monday, June 21 in rented truck

Set up: 4 - 5 strong *underclassman* fathers to help set up 6-10:30 pm June 21

During Party:

Games/Activities:

6 parents for 1st shift (10:30 pm-2am)

30 parents for 2nd shift (1:30-5:00 am)

Safety & Security:

20 parents for 1st shift (10:30 pm-2 am)

30 parents to work 2nd shift (1:30-5 am)

* Those who choose to work ALL NIGHT (10:30 pm - 5:00 am) will eliminate two (2) of the above vacant positions!

Post Party:

3 - 4 strong LBSS senior or underclassman parents who have NOT worked through the ANGP to come with fresh legs and strength to help load materials to be returned to LBSS shed via the rented truck, 5:00 am early Tuesday morning, June 22.

To help make this event possible and safe, please respond to Vickie Sands, 2010 ANGP Volunteer Coordinator at vjsands@verizon.net or 703-451-1074.

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To our graduates let me say congratulations! You have successfully navigated one chapter of life's journey and as you prepare to start the next chapter here are a few things that were passed on to me and I would like to pass it on to you. In no specific order here are some gems that I would recommend you put in your toolboxes: Borrow as little money as you possibly can, pay cash for the things you acquire, if possible. There is nothing wrong with buying a great used car...why pay the depreciation on a new car? Learn to save.

For those of you entering the job market, here are a few tried and proven actions:

1. Do Your Homework. Get as much information on the company you want to work for before your interview...Google and do internet searches.
2. Ask Somebody. It may be your neighbor, a person at church, a friend or someone knows a person in the company you would like to work for and can open some doors for you.
3. Network, network. See number 2! I got a tip from a stranger while "Slugging"
4. Every Career Begins with a Job...This is America folks...you may start off small but the sky is the limit! Don't ever stop dreaming!
5. Job Fairs. Go to them...see what the industry wants and tailor your resume accordingly.
6. Work Part Time...You may have to take a part time job at first...it pays the bill plus you are getting valuable experience.
7. Never give up an opportunity to interview, even if you are contented with your present job...it keeps you interviewing technique sharp and build your network.
8. Dress for Success...Good grooming is still a plus.
9. Listen to your parents...they have traveled this road before you and they are a wealth of information...plus they love you and have your best interest at heart!

Robert Shaw, PTSA President 09-10, rshaw@lmi.org

Breaking News from LBSS PTSA

- Lake Braddock school cleanup on SATURDAY. JUNE 5TH FROM 9 TO 1:00. Community service hour forms will be signed.
- The PTSA is seeking a volunteer to take over the roll of collecting the "Box-Tops" and redeeming them. If you would like to help, please contact Judy Dioquino at tddioquino@msn.com.
- Don't forget that our PTSA E-news is up and running. If you need to get something out to the PTSA audience please send an email to Eileen McGarry at PTSAnews@cox.net.