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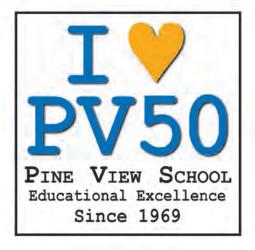
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## Scheduled Events

## **Upcoming Pine View Events:**

February 20	Spring Photos (Lenerz)	9:00-4:00	MPR
	Pine View Monthly Tour (Cabrera)	9:30-11:00	SU
February 21	<b>Gr. 5 Ballroom Dance Celebration (Ballard)</b>	6:00-8:30	Gym
February 22	Gr. 6 EP Meetings	9:30-2:30	TEL Studio
February 24	Key Club Spring Zone Rally (Reyka)	1:00-5:00	Aud, SU, Rooms
February 25	Pine View Volunteer Brunch	9:00-10:30	$\mathbf{SU}$
Feb. 25-Mar. 1	Book Fair (Froehlich)	8:00-4:00	MPR
February 28	Elementary Parent Coffee (Rini)	9:15-10:15	SU
March 1	Proud Python	9:15-10:15	$\mathbf{SU}$
March 1	Girl Up Parent's Night Out (Dean)	4:00-8:00	$\mathbf{SU}$
March 2	Pine View Fair	11:00-4:00	<b>Campus Wide</b>
	Book Fair	10:00-5:00	MPR

## WE NEED YOUR HELP

If you attend a PV Event, please snap a few photos and send them to us with a single sentence recap of the event.



## About PVA

## PINE VIEW ASSOCIATION (PVA) MISSION STATEMENT

The Pine View Association is Pine View's own organization of parents, teachers, staff and friends. *The PVA strives to enhance and enrich Pine View students' school experience by supporting the school's academic, social, fine arts and technology objectives.* The PVA encourages volunteerism, raises and disburses funds, promotes communication and cooperation with the school, provides input to the school on issues of concern to parents and supports gifted advocacy issues on a local and statewide basis.

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## Parent to Parent

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Principal
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Dear Pine View Families,

### HAPPY BIRTHDAY PINE VIEW!

I hope your children told you about all the fun, exciting and unique "This could only happen at Pine View" experiences that helped celebrate our school's 50th birthday. The week



kicked off with three different all-school dress up days. PV students love these excuses to let their creative juices flow. A long time Pine View tradition, ADVEX, came roaring back on Thursday (see article on page 48). Finally, Friday featured an Alumni Breakfast, an all school assembly in the Gym, a drone photo of the whole Pine View community and the world's largest birthday cake! Thanks to the entire Pine View faculty and staff for helping to make this birthday absolutely fabulous.

And then, a week later, Pine View parents and friends got in the act with PVA's 50th Anniversary Pinnacle! This amazing dinner, dance, auction and fundraiser was held at the beautiful Selby Gardens and was spectacular in all facets. Pinnacle Co-Chairs **Terra Layton** and **Mette Milland** put together an amzing team, *AGAIN*, and with the aid of **Mildred Pastorizio** and **Theresa Fitzgerald** and many others they raised more money for Pine View than any other Pinnacle! Thank you, Terra and Mette and team!

The Pine View Fair is coming up in just a few weeks. Join us on March 2 for a great day of fun and community.

Ben Turoff PVA President

## Thank You To Our Many

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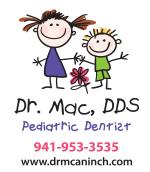
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## FABULOUS GARDEN NEWS!



## Pine View School Garden

After being so v-e-r-y patient, Ms. Kochenderfer's Second Grade students squealed with delight. Their carefully planted vertical tower produced zillions of edible flowers. Big, bright yellow and orange Nasturtiums cascaded everywhere, down and around.

orange Nasturtiums cascaded everywhere, down and around. Both the peppery-flavored trumpet-shaped flowers and the Nymphaeaceae (Water Lily) looking leaves are edible. These smart kids sweetened things up by sugar coating and making them floral cupcake toppers. Everything was delicious -- just ask Ms. Reyka!







Fabulous Jenny Reyka









BUT NO ONE WOULD CARROT ALL

Chris Pauling's HS Speech Class Standard Weight Per Bushel of Carrots for Agricultural Commodities is 50lbs







What did you have for dinner last night? Can't wait to hear what these little chefs cooked up.

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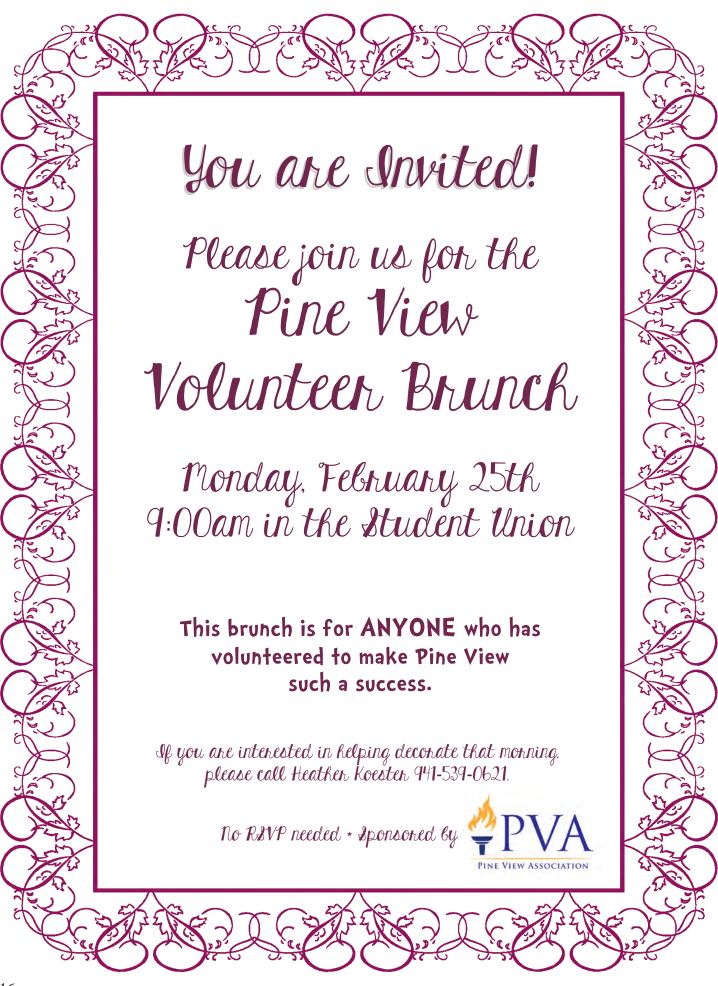
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## **Elementary Liaison Team**

Meet our wonderful parent volunteers Aly, Jennifer, Julie, and Megan. These Elementary school parents are a communications bridge between Elem parents and PVA ensuring pertinent information is communicated appropriately.



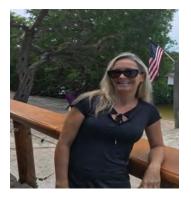
#### 2<sup>nd</sup> GRADE

Julie Anderson is a mom to three busy boys, two of whom are at Pine View (2nd and 4th grade) and her youngest is homeschooled in Pre-K. Julie loves to stay involved in the community and also volunteering in the classrooms, on field trips, the PV garden and at the Pinnacle gala. She enjoys traveling, boating, and her Peloton! Best way to reach Julie is via email: PVAJulie@gmail.com



#### 3rd GRADE

Alyson Treadway was born in Philadelphia, Penn. Her family moved to Venice when she was 5 years old. She and her husband, Shannon, have two boys, a 5th grader and a 3rd grader, both have attended Pine View since 2nd grade. Alyson offers her time volunteering in the front office, helping out in the classroom, attending field trips and participating in all school activities. She can be reached via email at <a href="mailto:alyandshannon@yahoo.com">alyandshannon@yahoo.com</a>



### 4th GRADE

Jennifer Cushman is a retired commercial real estate manager. The now stay-at-home mom has lived in Nokomis since 2013. She is the mother of two Pine View students, Gwen a 7<sup>th</sup> grader and Ingrid a 4<sup>th</sup> grader. Of late she has evolved into a professional swim taxi. She also supports her husband with their multi-national business. She can be reached at jenniferlcushman@hotmail.com



#### 5th GRADE

Megan Nisberg has been an active parent since her children came to Pine View in the 2nd grade. She has offered time in their classrooms and been involved in a host of school-wide events. She loves baking, running, and socializing with other parents, but devotes most of her time to her husband and her 5<sup>th</sup> grade daughter and 6<sup>th</sup> grade son. She can be reached by email at <a href="mailto:megigi76@yahoo.com">megigi76@yahoo.com</a>



## Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 11:00am – 4:00pm

Join us in supporting our teachers and student clubs at the Fair.

100% of the proceeds go directly to the classroom and student run clubs.

Everyone is welcome,

Family and friends,

Join us for a fun-filled day at the Fair.

Enjoy attractions and games, crafts, sweet treats and delicious foods, refreshing beverages, prizes, and much more...







Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2019 11:00am – 4:00pm

## FAIR TICKET PRE-SALE

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\*Thursday - Feb. 28<sup>th</sup>

\*Friday - Mar. 1st

PRE-SALE SPECIAL PRICING

12 tickets = \$5.00

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## To enjoy the awesome rides, class/club booths and food at the FAIR YOU MUST HAVE TICKETS!



Please make checks payable to **PVA**.





Contact Valerie at ivalerierupp@gmail.com if you would like to volunteer.

## **Underwriting Opportunities**



Looking for a great opportunity to support your child's school, advertise your business, and enjoy a day of fun with your family? All donations will be recognized in *Pine Views* and signage prior to, and day of the Fair. Please check a box and complete the form.

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## Parent & High School Volunteers Needed





## I WANT YOU FOR



## March 02, 2019 11:00am - 4:00pm

Set Up Crew (7:00 AM - 10:00 AM)
Tickets & Attraction (11:00 PM - 4:00PM)
Break Down Crew (4:00 PM - 6:00 PM)

To volunteer, go to the following Sign-up Genius link: <a href="https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b49afac2ca3fc1-pine1">https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b49afac2ca3fc1-pine1</a> or contact ivalerierupp@gmail.com

High Schoolers with guidance approval and adult supervision may earn up to 8 hours. See Mrs. Angel Wehlage during the fair at the Hospitality Room to sign your form.



### **NEW AT THIS YEAR'S FAIR**

Would you like to get to the rides and attractions a lot faster. This year's fair shirt will serve as a **FAST PASS**. You need to wear your 2019 fair shirt on the day of the fair. This will provide you with priority access to the PVA rides and attractions. The fast pass does not include Teachers and Student Club booths.

Each ride will have 2 lines, a Regular line and a Fast Pass line. 2 people will enter the ride/attraction from the Fast Pass line for every 1 person on the Regular line.

Accomodations will be made to keep family groups and friends together. However, overall, the Fast Pass line will move at twice the speed of the Regular Line (a 2:1 ratio). On busy or more popular rides, Fast Pass riders may be limited to 3 Fast Pass rides per person per hour.

This is a new feature being introduced at the fair. We are hoping that it works out well for everybody. LET'S HAVE FUN AT THE FAIR!

If you missed the Pre-order deadline, limited sizes and quantities will still be available for sale before the fair on Feb. 27, 28 and Mar. 1 for **\$10.00**, and for **\$12.00** on the day of the fair.



## Pine View Student Directory Information



#### How do I access Pine View's new secure Student Directory?

My School Anywhere is a website used by PVA to provide student contact information to our parents and students and to help communicate to our members about Pine View and reduce the overall amount of paper used.

PVA maintains *MySchoolAnywhere* not only as a directory but as a communication platform (via email) on events, news and any other updates at Pine View.

#### TO ACCESS DIRECTORY:

You can sign-in at https://www.myschoolanywhere.com/login.a5w.

Once you log-in, select "directory search" at the top, and then you may search by family name, student, grade or class.

Please keep in mind that the information provided in this directory is parent/guardian approved. It is possible that not every student at Pine View will be in here.

#### TO BE ADDED TO THE DIRECTORY:

Go to the Join PVA tab at www.yourpva.org

After you create your account, you can add your information. Within 24 hours you will get a confirmation email from My School Anywhere with your secure password. Then you can login (see instructions above) and access the directory and you will begin receiving emails about upcoming events at Pine View from PVA.

#### **GET THE MOBILE APP:**

Search for *My School Anywhere* on the App Store or Google Play. Once you download and install the app, you can sign on with your secure password.



Any questions on the information above can be directed to Ben Turoff at President@yourpva.org.





## PVA would like to recognize these local businesses for providing goods and services to the Pine View Community.

Thank you to **Village Cafe** for providing food for our many PVA workers at all kinds of events, like Pinnacle and the PV Fair.

Thank you to **Robertson Fence** for a beautiful garden fence for our elementary school students.

Thank you to **Chef Paul Mattison** for helping make our Winter Sponsor Reception a success, his contributions to the school garden, and for hosting the annual year-end garden Stone Soup event for our students.

Thank you to michael a. gilkey, inc. landscape architects & contractors and NC Ferguson Construction for partnering with Pine View School to design and build our 50th Anniversary Legacy Garden. More news to follow!

Thank you to Pops Sunset Grille for hosting PVA functions for Faculty and Staff

If you have a business and would like to help your child's school, please email Valerie Rupp at ivalerierupp@gmail.com.













## HAPPY BIRTHDAY! HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Celebrating Pine View's 50th Birthday was a huge undertaking that involved many people. Faculty and Staff were involved in all the events on campus, especially the ADVEX program. Parents were involved with PVA's fabulous Pinnacle event. Alumni and many current and retired teachers were involved in the PV50 Alumni Reunion Lunch. And, of course, the current Pine View students were the beneficiaries of all this positive energy.

On the following pages you will see pictures from all the Pine View Birthday events. It was wonderful to see the entire Pine View community come together to celebrate the unique educational experience that is Pine View.

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## Principal's Perspective

February, 2019

Dear Pine View School Parents and Community:

While the rest of the United States is chilly and shoveling snow, we are truly fortunate in the Sunshine State to enjoy our beautiful and warm weather, our incredible students and teachers, and our amazingly supportive Pine View parents! In this month's *Principal's Perspective*, I want to share some updates and kudos to some amazing people.

Our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration, PV50, was an absolutely wonderful opportunity to connect three points in time- our past, our present, and our future. We have held events all year and the celebrations culminated in an exciting week of activities and special opportunity.

all year and the celebrations culminated in an exciting week of activities and special opportunities to applaud that which truly makes Pine View a special place; our students, our teachers, our parents, and our alumni! On Friday, January 18<sup>th</sup>, we hosted a campus-wide celebration with a special Pine View birthday cake for 2,000 in the Student Union! We also held a heartwarming ceremony in the gym for the entire school with alumni and special guest speakers to commemorate Pine View's 50<sup>th</sup> including the previous principal, Steve Largo, our former superintendent and PV alum, Lori White, and PV retirees, Suzi Shea and Chap Percival. Pine View also took a commemorative air photo of the entire student body in the shape of PV50 on the soccer field! Thank you to the PV50 Committee and all the planning and hard work that went into making this a memorable celebration- Ben Turoff, Camille Cline, Patti Gerlek, Sue Keating, Karen Kirsch, Retsy Lauer, Jenna Molinaro, Suzi Shea, Misty Tucak, Denise Valentine, and Maggie Adler.

On the heels of PV50, this year's Pinnacle was also an outstanding success, and I am certain that Ben Turoff, our PVA President, will speak to it in his column! The venue was wonderful, and Selby's CEO, Jennifer Rominiecki, warmly welcomed everyone to the beautiful setting. Our thanks go to Pinnacle co-chairs, Mette Milland and Terra Layton, and the entire Pinnacle Committee for a wonderful event! The funds raised through Pinnacle and all the PVA fundraisers goes directly back to Pine View teachers, programs, and support for initiatives to continue our tradition of excellence!

We will be hosting PVA's Pine View Fair very soon, so get ready to come out to the dunk booth, enjoy the rides, spend time at the clubs and booths with face painting, and much, much more! The Pine View Fair is Saturday, March 2<sup>nd</sup>- all day, so come out and have fun with your entire family! Again, all proceeds go directly to student classes and organizations to further our Pine View mission.

As we receive feedback from students and parents regarding how we can improve ways of communicating with parents and families, we do our best to provide information in a manner most readily received by you. We currently use a variety of communication methods (i.e., *PineViews*, school website, week at a glance, Twitter, Facebook, ConnectEd, email "blasts", and so on), we want to remind everyone about another method we are increasingly using to reach out to parents. It's free, and very easy to use. Many of you use our free Remind.com service, but in case you don't- here it is, again! All you need to do is send a text message to 81010 with @pineviewsc in the message field. You will immediately receive a confirmation reply. It may also ask you to enter your name so that I know who is registering, but it is not necessary (or feel free to reply). The school website will also have important information on testing coming this spring- AP tests, Florida FSA, EOC, and others, so please check back often for updates!

I have already started visiting with seniors to start our preparations for graduation and drafting my comments which make the ceremony so personalized and special for them. We are trying a new electronic version of "the yellow sheet", and we hope that it will streamline the process for our students. It's hard to believe graduation is not far off, and Pine View thanks each and every parent for their love, support, and encouragement of their students—whether a second or twelfth grader; *going the extra degree makes all the difference*! Thank you!

Stephen P. Covert, Ph.D. Principal

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others. Mahatma Gandhi



## Pine View Information

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M-F 7:00am - 4:00pm

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Verding, Gina	Guidance Secretary

#### CLASS SCHEDULE

PERIOD	TIME
1	7:21 - 8:13
2	8:18 - 9:10
3	9:15 - 10:10
4	10:15 - 11:07
5	11:12 - 12:04
6	12:09 - 1:01
7	1:06 - 1:58
8	2:03 - 2:55
9	3:00 - 3:52

## Pine View School Mission Statement

The mission of Pine View School is to provide a qualitatively different learning environment that nurtures a passion for intellectual curiosity, encourages risk taking, independence and innovation, and is committed to a tradition of academic excellence and social responsibility.

#### **SAC Mission Statement**

The purpose of the School Advisory Council is to enhance school site decision making, to serve in an advisory capacity to the principal regarding school improvement, to assist in the preparation and evaluation of the school improvement plan, and to provide input on the budget and use of school improvement funds pursuant to Florida Statue 229.58.

#### **SDMT**

#### Mission Statement

The Shared Decision Making Team is the policy making body at Pine View. Teachers, support staff, parents, and students have representatives who serve on this committee. Visitors are welcome to attend.



## Pine View Information

#### **AIDES**

### Arbucci, Joanne...... Campus Security Bachert, David ...... Campus Security Cherubino, Lucy ......Monitorial Aide Dooley, Melissa.....Monitorial Aide Elliott, Carmen ...... Monitorial Aide Ebers, Susan ......Monitorial Aide Fuentes, Joel.....Tech. Support Goldman, Cynthia......Monitorial Aide Gross, Lenny..... Physical Education Aide Guardado Henriquez, Hugo..Tech. Support Hawkins, James...... Campus Security Hong, Div .....TBA-Para Aide Horton, Diana ......Teacher ESE Aide Jackson, Kim.....Media Aide McCarthy, Christa ...... Monitorial Aide Medlin, Laura .....Teacher ESE Aide Moleiro, Eugene......Monitorial Aide Sandefur, Deana ...... Health Room Aide Tracy, Cathy .....Media Aide

#### 2018 – 2019 CALENDAR

August 13	First Day for Students
September 3	Labor Day
October 15	End of 1st Grading Period
October 19	Professional Day-No School
November 21-23	Thanksgiving Holiday
November 22-23	Thanksgiving Holiday
December 20	End of 2nd Grading Period
December 21	. Professional Day-No School
	January 4 - Winter Break
January 21	MLK Day-No School
February 18	President's Day-No School
March 13	End of 3rd Grading Period
March 15	. Professional Day-No School
March 18-22	Spring Break
April 19	Mini Break-No School
May 24 Las	st Day of School for Students
May 27	Memorial Day

# Pine View's 212° Philosophy

At 211 degrees, water is hot.
At 212 degrees, it boils.
And with boiling water,
comes steam.
And with steam,
you can power a train.
One degree more =
Exponential Results

-- By S.I. Parker



## If You Need ....

It is important to know who to go to when you need to get something done. This list should help both new and returning students and parents.

When in doubt, ask the wonderful staff and dedicated volunteers at the front desk. They are always there to help.

IF YOU NEED:	SEE
Accident Ins. Claim Form	Jenny Reyka
Activities Calendar	Denise Valentine
Activity Bus	Jenny Reyka
Admissions	Eileen Cabrera
Announcements	Denise Valentine
Attendance	Maureen Borden
Audio-Visual Aids	Cathy Tracy
Custodial Assistance	Front Desk
Deposit/Withdrawal of Funds	Teri Fisher
Discipline Information	Leah Beninati
Intramural Information	
Lockers	Front Desk
Medical Attention	Deana Sandefur
Parking	Front Desk
Sign In	Front Desk
Sign Out	Front Desk
Snack Machine Refunds	Student Union
Student Activities	Misty Tucak
To report theft or vandalism	Deputy Hudson
Transportation	486-2141
Transcript Request	Sue Manders
Withdrawal from school	Sue Manders



## Attendance Information

### <u>Attendance Information Sheet – Please Keep!</u>

Your student's attendance information can be viewed on the 'FAMILY ACCESS PORTAL'

#### **ALL ABSENCES** (Including those for religious observance)

For an absence to be considered **excused**, one of the following must be submitted to the front office **within 3 days** of a student's return to school:

- 1. <u>AN ABSENT NOTE</u> The note must include your child's first and last name (please use the name that was used at registration), their grade, the **reason** for the absence and a parent/guardian signature.
- 2. <u>A DOCTOR NOTE</u> Please be sure your child's full name is on the note.
- 3. <u>PASSPORTS</u> can be used to excuse a **future** absence. At least **3** days prior to a known **full** day absence, your student should bring a note signed by a parent/guardian to the front office requesting a passport. This note is attached to the passport which is then signed by all teachers and a parent/guardian before being returned to the front office for administrative review. The passport is not excused until reviewed and approved by administration **before** the absence.

#### **TARDY: LATE TO SCHOOL**

For a tardy to be considered excused after a child arrives late to school from home, the student must turn in either a signed note from a parent/guardian or a doctor note within three days.

#### **EARLY DISMISSALS**

All students leaving campus prior to the end of their academic day **MUST** be signed out in the front office. To avoid calling into classrooms and disrupting instructional time, a student leaving early should bring a signed note from a parent/guardian to the front office before school to obtain a pass to be dismissed from class. The student then meets their parent/guardian in the front office for sign-out. High school students (**including those who are 18**) leaving campus early and driving themselves MUST have a signed note from a parent or guardian advising that the student has permission to leave school early. If a student is being picked up by someone **other** than a parent/guardian, they MUST have a signed note from the parent/guardian giving permission for the student to leave with the person named in the note and this individual must be on the student's contact list.

#### **EXCESSIVE EXCUSED ABSENCES**

If a student has **9** EXCUSED absences/semester or **18** EXCUSED absences/year which have not been excused with a doctor note or passport, the Sarasota County School District deems this to be excessive and Pine View School will require doctor notes **for the remainder of the school year** for future absences to be considered excused. Submitting doctor notes is always recommended if your child has a medical visit during an absence.

#### EXCESSIVE EXCUSED TARDIES (LATE TO SCHOOL)

If a student has 9 excused tardies/semester or 18 excused tardies/year, Pine View School considers this excessive and will require doctor notes for the remainder of the year for all future tardies to be excused.

#### <u>UNEXCUSED TARDIES – LATE TO SCHOOL</u>

If a student  $(9^{th} - 12^{th} \text{ grade})$  is late to school five times without an excuse note, the student will receive a letter inviting them to join the "Morning Wake-Up Club". If the family 'opts in' to this attendance intervention they will receive an automated Connect-Ed message at 6:30am encouraging their student to arrive on time for school.

#### **UNEXCUSED ABSENCES**

When a student (grades 6-12) has 5 unexcused absences (full day or any day with one or more unexcused class periods) they will be referred to their assistant principal. The Department of Motor Vehicles will be notified by the school district when a student (who is or will be 14 years of age during the school year, but has not yet reached their  $18^{th}$  birthday) has reached 15 unexcused absences within a running 90-day period. The Sarasota County School District generates this list and any student on this list **may have their driver's license or driver's permit revoked**.



## Absence Excuse Form

THE SCHOOL BOARD OF SARASOTA COUNTY, FLORIDA PINE VIEW SCHOOL 1 PYTHON PATH, OSPREY, FL 34229 PHONE (941) 486-2001 FAX (941) 486-2042

#### **ABSENCE EXCUSE FORM**

Stude DOB	ent Name	Grade
	Is LATE, Reason	
	Is LEAVING EARLY Time of early dismissal Individual picking up Reason for early dismissal	
An inc	dividual picking up a student must be on the	
	High school student has permission and drive themselves off campus. Time of early dismissal Purpose of early dismissal Registered Parking Space No	
	ABSENCE (Full Day) Date of absence Reason for absence	
	Passport Request Date(s) of future absence Purpose of absence	
Pare	nt/Guardian Name (Print)	
Pare	nt/Guardian Signature	Date
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## **Pine View School**

1 Python Path • Osprey, Florida 34229

(941) 486-2001 Fax (941) 486-2042

http://sarasotacountyschools.net/schools/pineview

Stephen P. Covert, Ph.D., Principal Tricia Allen, Assistant Principal of Curriculum Sue Fair, Assistant Principal Alison Rini, Assistant Principal Tara Spielman, Assistant Principal

Dear Pine View 7<sup>th</sup> Grade Students,

Congratulations! Due to your excellent performance on a recent grade-level standardized test, you are qualified to participate in the Duke University Talent Identification Program's 2018–2019 7th Grade Talent Search. This completely optional. Since 1980, Duke TIP, a non-profit organization, has provided a variety of programs and resources to help academically talented students like you reach their full potential. Very few students qualify for Duke TIP, so it is an honor to be invited to participate. Please see the enclosed talent search brochure or visit tip.duke.edu/7gts for more details.

#### **Next Steps**

To join the 7th Grade Talent Search, you must enroll online at tip.duke.edu/enroll or submit a paper application to Duke TIP. You will have the opportunity to take either the ACT or SAT as an above-level test. As part of the talent search enrollment, you will select one test date and a testing location, and Duke TIP will register you for that test.

Students will be taking the SAT or ACT in the regular setting alongside high school students. They are not expected to do as well as high school students. While the school system does not officially "endorse" this program, enrollment will put your child on mailing lists for a variety of enrichment opportunities. If you and your child decide to participate, complete the application and mail directly to the address provided below Section 12 if using the paper application. <u>Please do not return the application to Pine View.</u>

Below I have tried to clarify several sections of the TIP Registration form:

Your school ID code is 201950B

Your local test sites are:

For SAT:	School Code:	For ACT:	School Code:
Riverview HS	10590	Riverview HS	216070
Sarasota HS	10595	Sarasota HS	190040
Sarasota Military Acade	emy 10594	Sarasota Military Acader	my 230090
Booker HS	10598	Booker HS	178950
Out-of- Door Academy	10593	Out-of-Door Academy	202960
North Port HS	10506	North Port HS	212000
Venice HS	10715	Venice HS	178620

lest	lest Date	(Nov, Dec, Febtest dates)	Deadline (all test dates)
ACT	10/27/18	_	9/19/18
SAT	11/3/18	9/10/18	9/26/18
SAT	12/1/18	10/10/18	10/24/18
ACT	12/8/18	10/10/18	10/24/18
ACT	2/9/19	12/13/18	1/8/19
SAT	3/9/19	_	1/30/19
ACT	4/13/19	_	2/27/19
SAT	5/4/19	_	3/27/19
SAT	6/1/19	_	4/30/19
ACT	6/8/19	_	4/30/19

Your School's Coordinator: 6th, 7th, 8th Grade School Counselor, Ms. Kelly Hawking, 941-486-2001.

Student must be currently identified SLD with an IEP specifying extra time/special accommodations to bubble in those sections.

Your child has qualified for participation in Duke TIP based on scores as follows:

FCAT/FSA—Bubble Percentile Rank (level 5 on FCAT/FSA = 99%) **OR** write **Other:** <u>WISC/ Stanford Binet</u> (qualifying test for admission to PV) Bubble in the <u>Composite</u> (Full-scale) **or** subtest (Verbal) score (whichever is the highest). Percentile conversions are as follows:

I.Q. (Standard Score):	Percentile:
130-132	97
133-135	98
136 & up	99

#### **ACT and SAT Test Selection**

Enrolling online is fast and easy and provides the greatest number of test dates. Test dates and deadlines are listed in the chart below. An ACT and SAT test center look-up tool is found at tip.duke.edu/7testcenters. The earlier you test, the sooner you may access your benefits, so please enroll as soon as possible.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact me or call Duke TIP directly at (919) 668-9100.

Congratulations again on this honor! Best Regards,

Kelly Hawking

Pine View Counselor Grades 6, 7, 8 At 211 degrees, water is hot – at 212 degrees, it boils, and with boiling water, comes steam, and with steam, you can power a train.

One degree. Applying one extra degree of temperature to water means the difference between something that's simply very hot and something that generates enough force to power a machine a beautifully uncomplicated metaphor that ideally should feed everything we do.

Thomas Edison said... "Many of life's failures are men who did not realize how close they were to success when they give up."

Vince Lombardi tightened it up with... "Inches make the champion."

212 distills it even further. According to Sam Parker, author of "212, The Extra Degree", the purpose of the 212 message is to create a level of awareness and accountability that inspires and challenges all of us to try harder, give more and, ultimately, enjoy more.

To learn more, please visit www.givemore.com

## **WALL OF FAME - December 2018**



**GRADE 2:** Peyton Sipes is truly a 212 student. She is someone who you can trust, someone who will help out anyone, and always go the extra degree! Peyton inspires her peers with her positive attitude, her kindness, her respect of others, and her awesome performance character.



GRADE 3: London Guy shows her 212 nature every day at school! London is a student who will always meet challenges with a 'Let's get started!' approach. From the start of school, she has shown herself to always give her best. When faced with difficulties, London decides for herself how she is going to get it sorted out and comes up with way to improve herself and get the best out of her day. It is very impressive how she always tries that bit harder to achieve a result. London is caring and considerate of everyone that comes her way and is always ready to jump up and lend a hand. She finds ways to help people and is someone you can rely on to help those around her. She is relentless in her efforts and always does it with a sunny smile. She is a joy to her teachers and friends and is truly 212!



**GRADE 4:** David Ma is an all-around delightful person. David always goes out of his way to help his teachers and others in the class. His work ethic is above and beyond as he applies great enthusiasm and determination in order to understand and succeed. David is constantly happy and upbeat.



GRADE 5: Danica Aten is new to Pine View this year, and already she fits in well with her classmates and her team. Danica's work has been used as an exemplar several times in all her classes and the students love having her on their team, table or group for cooperative work. Danica GETS IT DONE! Not only is Danica a stellar student, but she fills her extracurricular time in the pool. She is the reigning Florida age group champion in the 50m breaststroke, 200m medley relay, AND the 200m freestyle relay. The fifth grade team is looking way in the future to watching Danica in the pool at the OLYMPICS. We will all say that we knew her when...



GRADE 6: Matthew Ashley is a scholar who has an appreciation for hard work. He is learning about small business from the ground floor as he works weekends with his father in the family Barbeque business! Matthew's grasp of financial fitness and the importance of a good economic education is evident as he displays so many of the qualities that going the extra degree requires! Congrats to a wonderful young man who makes us proud!



GRADE 7: Amy Kim always goes above and beyond, especially pertaining to her studies where she is a prime example of how to succeed. Equally as impressive is her eagerness to step in and assist classmates in need, putting them ahead of the task at hand to help out, further exemplifying her kindness and thoughtfulness towards others. Amy is an outstanding individual who gives 100% each day, greeting daily challenges with a smile. She is very enthusiastic and excited about learning every day in class.



**GRADE 8:** Emre Muessemeyer is a brilliant and engaged student. He is always interested in deeply delving into the nuances of concepts. Emre continually surprises and impresses other students with his many skills and gifts, yet is humble and unassuming in his manner. Further, he is kind and a great team-player. Emre has a true willingness to help others and sees altruistic attributes in everyone. Academically he goes above and beyond too!



**GRADE 9:** Brennan Halcomb is an inspiring young man who demonstrates the 212 'Every Day- Every way' spirit with his dynamic performance character and moral character. Anyone would be hard pressed to find a harder working, nicer person. Brennan helps those around him and is extremely polite. It is a pleasure to have him in class. Brennan takes the time to thoroughly understand the material and is always very prepared for class. Brennan is conscientious in all of his work and in collaboration with his peers, he is always inclusive – giving others the time to share and participate.



**GRADE 10:** Gabriella Gentile is hard worker, who demonstrate diligence above and beyond in every detail of her assignments. She excels in class participation in her desire to grasp and understand content in depth. Gabriella is caring and empathetic with whomever she comes in contact with and exhibits a pure willingness to help others!



GRADE 11: Kaila Stafford is a natural leader and is filled with integrity and compassion. Kaila has a passion for raising awareness of diversity equality and inclusion. She is particularly enthusiastic about her role in the Diversity in Gifted Schools (DIGS) Program. She is ethically driven to help others become more aware of gifted opportunities for all children. She is part of a team of students and staff who are promoting gifted education at the various other schools in Sarasota County. Her role will progress to outreach; speaking with parents and meeting with students who have recently qualified for full time gifted services. Kayla also holds the position as Secretary for the Pine View School Diversity Club and has recently been selected as a Girl Scout Representative to the Board of Directors.



GRADE 12: Catherine Alvaro is a dynamic, yet humble leader. Cate has demonstrated her leadership skills within the school setting as well as in her extra-curricular endeavors. Cate has been a Girl Scout for thirteen years and has recently been nominated for the highly prestigious "Gold Award". Her project, Creating A Community of Smiles, aims to provide dental supplies to local homeless through the Salvation Army location in Sarasota. Cate was able to partner with Lake Erie College of Medicine to provide an educational and diagnostic aspect to her project. With the help of LECOM and the generous donations of local businesses, Cate will be donating 1500 dental kits.



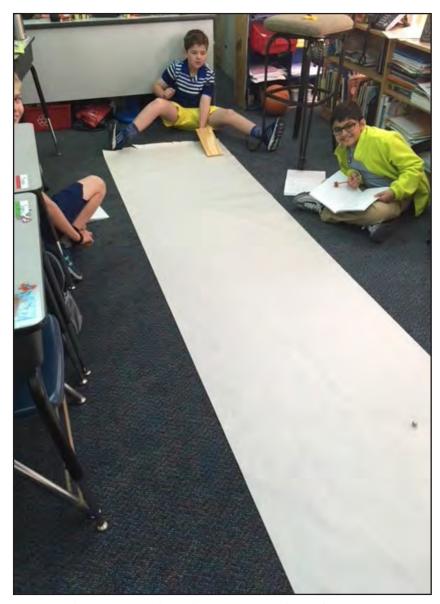
STAFF: David Bachert recently took the initiative to go the extra degree by coming up with the idea to bring a mounted bike safety and security patrol to Pine View School. The purpose of the bike patrol capability for our amazing safety and security team allows for faster response time to potential emergencies or calls for service across our 75 acre campus. In David's background, he was a police sergeant, trained bike officer, and a certified trainer with years of experience. He also took it upon himself to get the bike donated by Real Bikes in Venice, along with detail by Coonhound Customs, also of Venice. These steps to enhance the safety and security of students, parents, staff, and faculty truly are worthy of recognizing him for going the extra degree!

Through Forums with Dr. Covert and grade level Guidance Counselors, students are being introduced to the concept of "212" and "going the extra degree".

Opportunities to compare and contrast examples of going the extra degree in various settings are provided. Grade level recognition of students who have demonstrated that extra degree of effort through moral character or performance character are being showcased on the Pine View "Wall of Fame" proudly displayed in the Student Union. The 212 "Wall of Fame" recognizes students who demonstrate going the extra degree.

Nominations are received from grade level and/or classroom teachers. This recognition may highlight Moral Character (Citizenship, Gratitude, Kindness, Responsibility, Honesty, Respect, Good Sportsmanship) or Performance Character (Personal Improvement, Risk-taking, Diligence, Independent Learning or Enthusiasm). Students may be recognized for a specific action or for demonstrating the 212 "Everyday - Every way" spirit. As Dr. Covert points out when he addresses students, "the true measure of success is not to outdo others but rather to outdo ourselves". The 212 message certainly reinforces that important notion for Pine View students.

## Classroom Connection



Mrs. Simon's scientists exploring forces, motion, and friction. The kids had to determine at what board angle resulted in the greatest distance and how the distance was affected by friction on paper and carpet.

FUN DAY!

## **SNN Meteorologist Dan Henry Visits Pine View**

Dan Henry spent the day with Mr. Gleitz', Mrs. Nuender's, and Dr. Bell's classes, teaching them about weather, climate change, and what it is like to be a meteorologist in the field.

"It is good to hear another person speak about their experience in their field and see another scientist actually having fun working every day for the betterment of the world. It's pretty cool," said Pine View teacher Dr. Bell.



SNN Meteorologist Dan Henry Delivers Alternative Energy PSA with 6th Graders in front of PV Solar Array

Henry was able to show students footage of sending up weather balloons and other action from the field, as well as some behind-the-scenes shots showing how the news and weather reports are produced. He also showed the students anemometers and other technical equipment meteorologists use, but most of all, he shared an excitement and passion for the science of weather and an urgency to address global issues such as climate change that our students can solve.

"He did a good job of reinforcing some ideas we teach in the classroom, but the meaningful experience for our students is to see a professional that applies the science to important issues facing society. Perhaps this day has inspired some of our students to continue their studies in meteorology and someday solve the problem of climate change," concluded Neal Gleitz, PV science teacher.

# attention 8th grade parents fb.com/groups/PV2023

The Pine View Class of 2023 has a private Facebook group for parents.

Please join the group today to learn about upcoming planning meetings,
fundraisers,
end of the year events & dates,
and more!

### Pine View Class of 2023

8<sup>th</sup> Grade Dance - Friday, May 17<sup>th</sup> 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Graduation - Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>



The dance & graduation reception are supported by the generosity of our parents & sponsors.

A suggested **\$25 donation per student** is recommended.

#### **Underwriting & Sponsorship opportunities:**

<b>Underwriting</b>	Sponsorships
\$500- DJ	\$500- Sponsor
\$450- Photo Booth & Eversnap Service	\$250- Sponsor
\$500- Refreshments	\$100- Sponsor
\$400- Decorations	\$50- Sponsor
\$300- Invitations	\$25- Student Donation
\$500- Graduation reception	Other
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Donations of \$100 or more will be recognized in the graduation program, on the pv2023 fb page, at the dance, and in the summer edition of pine views.

Thank you for considering an underwriting or sponsorship opportunity!

## Please make checks payable to Pine View School - Class of 2023

(Checks can be turned in at the main office)

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Student Name	Parent Email
Parent Telephone #	_
If donation over \$100, by what name would you like to b	e recognized

Please join the Facebook group for event updates & information: fb.com/groups/PV2023.

Questions? Contact Lisa Temple at Temple213@gmail.com.

#### **ENCORE! Year in Review**

## Saturday April 27, 2019 | 7-9 p.m. Pine Shores Community Center (6210 Crestwood Ave., Sarasota)

Come enjoy a special celebration of our talented Pine View Band students and be part of making future successes possible. Proceeds benefit students via the Kouvatsos Coaching Fund, the purchase of new instruments, travel scholarships, and more.

Tickets: \$35 (TICKETS WILL BE HELD AT WILL CALL THE EVENING OF THE EVENT) for:

- An evening of performances by students who participated in the solo and ensemble competition
- Entertaining introductions by Pine View Band students
- Light buffet, hors d'oeuvres, and non-alcoholic beverages
- Special finale performance by the Pine View Jazz Band

To purchase tickets or to sponsor:

Name(s) of guest(s)

- Purchase tickets on the PineViewBand.com website
- ⇒ Complete form below and send with a check to "Pine View Bands" to school with your student
- ⇒ Complete and mail the form, with a check made out to "Pine View Bands," to: Attn: Victor Mongillo, c/o Pine View School, 1 Python Path, Osprey, FL 34229

Funds raised during ENCORE! provide essential support for:

Instrument purchases: Tuba (\$8,000), French horn (\$4,000), Alto saxophone (\$2,500), Clarinet (\$1,800)

Instrumental coaching: (\$500/mo)

Student scholarships: e.g., Music Festival Trip

Supplies: Sheet music (\$6,000/yr), reeds (\$500/yr), percussion (\$500/yr)

MPA fees/busing: (\$2,000/yr)

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SPONSORSHIPS AVAILAB	LE (please check one):
•	age ad in the ENCORE! Program and year-end concert program, business logo or nsor poster and on Pine View Band social media, and special "thank you" from e show
☐ GOLD LEVEL \$500 4 tickets to the event, half-pa Band social media	ge ad in the ENCORE! Program, and business logo or family name on Pine View
☐ SILVER LEVEL \$300  Quarter-page ad in the ENCO	RE! Program, business logo or family name on Pine View Band social media
☐ BRONZE LEVEL \$150  Quarter-page ad in the ENCO	RE! program
☐ <b>Tickets</b> at \$35/perso	n
Name(s):	Phone ould like to be listed in event materials
Fmail	(plages add me to your email list for news and uncoming events)

<sup>\*</sup>Student performers receive free admission\*

The Pine View Jazz Band

competed & WON

to open for

Grammy winner, Randy Brecker,

on March 6th, 2019 at the

Sarasota Jazz Festival.







## Congratulations

to the

Pine View Jazz Band

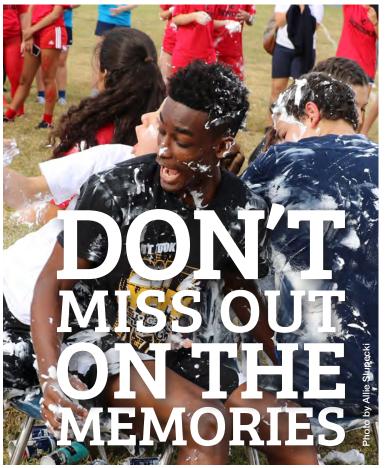
for earning straight **Superior ratings**at the Music Performance Assessment
(MPA)

## Mr. Gleitz' 6th and 7th Grade Technology Students Enter Sarasota Film Festival Contest

Who could forget the image of a frying egg and the slogan, "This is your brain on drugs?" Who thought about forest fires before Smokey's "Only you can prevent forest fires"? There are many issues that our students experience on a daily basis---from online bullying to stress management----and many more global and societal problems that our students will have to solve as adults. Who better to reach this generation of children than the children themselves?



In a collaborative effect between the Sarasota Film Festival (SFF) and the Sarasota County School Board, Mr. Gleitz' middle school technology classes will be creating public service announcement videos. Tracey Beeker, Director of Communications and Community Relations for Sarasota County Schools, and Paul Rueter, Education Director for SFF, have made this contest available to all students in Sarasota County Schools. There is a myriad of categories which will be assigned---everything from managing stress to poverty---and students will be tasked with researching and citing facts, designing a campaign, filming, assembling and editing the final product. Projects will be entered into the contest on March 15. First place winners get to split \$2500 cash!



#### **Pine View School**

As your student and their friends are taking part in this school year, the yearbook staff is capturing the story of the year to live forever in the 2019 yearbook.

Buy your student the best book of memories of this year – buy a yearbook. Don't miss out.

Yearbook price \$ 35.00 Order Deadline \$ 03/01/19

Go to yearbookforever.com

Walsworth yearbooks

## Pine View STEM Night

On January 15 the Student Union was alive with the sights and sounds of families enjoying the STEM offerings of all levels of Pine View. Mrs. Flahavan, Mrs. Rosander, and Mr. Maron, who are the STEM fair coordinators for Pine View,



organized the evening to give the students who did STEM fair projects a



chance to show them to the public, as well as let our parents and students see what kind of wonderful activities are going on in our classrooms and clubs. There were awesome demonstrations of Physics, including our very own cloud chamber. The students in 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup>

grade technology classes got to show off the projects they had created by coding games or creating web pages. Families got to experience the Star Lab and hear about our night

sky, and many braved the chilly night for the opportunity to watch Dr. Covert put on his "mad Science" demonstration with Thermite. There was even a chance to make music with a banana and create a marshmallow shooter. In addition, Middle school Robotics demonstrated their creations and the Engineering lab was open for visitors to see the high school robots and learn about Project Lead the Way. Mu Alpha Theta amazed students and parents alike with math related tricks and tips.



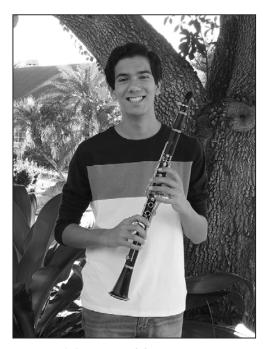


Overall, everyone had an enjoyable time and hopefully many people learned that STEM can be fun, while still teaching us a lot about the world around us. The coordinators are hoping to add this to the list of Pine View traditions that continue to grow from year to year.

# Congratulations to our All-State Band students!



TOMMY BARTLETT 8th grade



NOAH KUNKEL 10th grade

We offer our congratulations to all 17 Pine View Band students who auditioned for All-State Band, with special kudos to Tommy and Noah, who will represent Pine View during the All-State Band concerts in Tampa in January!

Fewer than 10 percent of all students who audition for All-State Band are selected; Pine View has had more students chosen in the past decade than any other school in Sarasota, Manatee or Charlotte counties.



For more about the Pine View Band, go to PineViewBand.com



# The Torch covered ADVEX

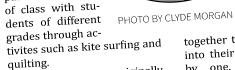
# ADVEX returns in honor of

#### by Tricia Saputera

News Editor

From rollerskating to acting, students in grades two through eight had the opportunity to venture into new explorations during ADVEX Day Jan. 17. Incorporating its goal to

"advance and explore" into the name, the unique Pine View tradition was brought back to celebrate the school's 50th anniversary. Teachers were able to share their passions outside



ADVEX was originally implemented at Pine View by founding Principal John D. Woolever in 1969. "It was a chance to explore and open yourself up to new ideas and new possibilities," Pine View Association (PVA) president and alumnus Ben Turoff said.

Longtime Spanish teacher Patti Gerlek said, "For example, I am a Spanish teacher, but I also taught calligraphy. And you might not know that I did calligraphy, but that's just another part of myself that I would expose to the students to get to know me in a different way other than just a Spanish teacher."

The day was mainly organized by third-grade teacher and School Events Coordinator Misty Tucak, who had taught ADVEX classes before the tradition stopped due to the increasing number of students and difficulties in scheduling.

However, for Pine View's special 50th anniversary, "The teachers came together and said 'Let's do this,' and we put together what we felt like was a two-period, exciting, fun adventure for every student," Tucak said.

To accommo-

date the many students, math teacher David Nezelek helped by creating a computer program for students to list and be assigned to their preferred classes. In the past,

teachers worked together to schedule students into their ADVEX classes one by one. Additionally, aide Christa McCarthy helped Tu-

cak find volunteers and create tickets for students to use when entering their respective classes.

There was certainly widespread support for ADVEX, as many teachers teamed up to host classes together, providing 54 different sub-

jects to students. Even high school students, who were not able to sign up to take classes, supported the activity, by volunteering to help teachers.

Class of 1980 alumna Jacqueline McCormick returned

to campus as a volunteer for ADVEX, which she experienced during her time at Pine View "[Volunteering for ADVEX] is great, it really warms my heart My mom taught here, and my sister and I went here, and my two sons went here. So all of us have different ADVEX stories and to recreate this now with the next generation is really nice," McCormick said.

As a whole, the interactive day was successful and thoroughly enjoyed by many. "did the 'Puzzling Puzzles' class and it was rather challenging and I would be very excited if they would do ADVEX nex year as well," sixth-grade: Holden MacDonald said.

In the future, Tucak hope: to allow high school student: to participate and perhaps turn ADVEX into an annual event. "would say that we've had plen ty of extremely positive feed

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## with Two Articles

## 50th anniversary





TOP: Eighth-grader Cole Nebel displays numerous paper flowers during ADVEX Day Jan. 17. These "Papel Picado" flowers were created in the classrooms of Spanish teachers Judit Pauling and Patricia Zdravkovich, BOTTOM: Middle school students began their ADVEX class by stretching to ensure they were warmed up. English teacher Cheryl Steele hosted a class along with tenth-graders Emely Fernandez and Marielle Newmark on Dance and Hip Hop. PHOTOS BY ELENA D'AMATO AND SAHIL AGARWAL

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## Alumnus' company furthers fertilizer by Joanna Malvas

Asst. News Editor

Pine View alumnus Eric Rosenthal and his father, Ed Rosenthal, returned to Pine View to share the history of their family company and NASA collaborations with high school students Jan. 17, during the week of celebrating Pine View's 50th Anniversary. The two have come to the Pine View campus numerous times, often meeting with elementary science classes to talk about their company, Florikan.

Their company founded in 1981 and works to manufacture different types of fertilizers to help improve agriculture. These fertilizers also cater to the various needs of their consumer companies. The company has further partnered with National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) since 2007, producing fertilizer codings to help NASA foster environments to grow fresh produce

In 2007, Florikan patented their work to advance agri-

culture. Even as the company evolved, the company stayed true to its corporate compass and its mission to "evolve plant nutrition through tech nology." The company offers product-friendly alternatives to pesticides that contain caustic toxins.

Through Florikan's tech nological advancements in fertilizer and successes with NASA, they have achieved breakthroughs, such as split ting the time it takes to germi nate lettuce. The Rosenthals have also earned esteemed awards, including winninş the Environment Awareness Award in 1995, receiving the Florida State Governor's Most Innovative New Produc Award in 2008, and being in ducted into The Space Tech nology Hall of Fame last year.

With their intriguing pre sentation and many achieve ments, the company impacts the future of agriculture "Something in space can im prove life on Earth. What we do on Earth is changing agri culture," Ed Rosenthal said.



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BDNF - Brain-Derived Neurotrophic Factor - is like "miracle grow" for your brain.

BDNF causes growth in connections of brain cells (learning), growth of capacity of systems (attention, memory), and is even involved in growing new brain cells (previously not thought possible!).

BDNF is an anti-depressant, anti-toxic stress factor and correlates with intelligence and memory. Dr. John Ratey, a psychiatrist from Harvard, says that if exercise was a medication, we would all want to buy it – the effects are so beneficial and so powerful.

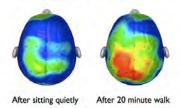
Exercise is directly linked to the production of BDNF, and some doctors (including Dr. Ratey) are using it as a "new prescription" to treat depression, ADHD, autism, and more.

"SPARK Brain Builders" is an expansion of the already successful Run Club — SPARK will be held five days a week, starting towards the end of September. Flyers will be coming home soon for elementary and middle school!!

# Spark Spain Builders

A before school exercise program to prime the brain for learning

Composite of 20 student brains taking the same test



Spark Brain Builders will meet each morning from 8:15-8:45 on the track (weather permitting). The track will be supervised, and students are encouraged to get out and run or walk. Parents are welcome to accompany their child/children. If you can volunteer to help, please contact Amanda Simon or Cindi Wozniak!

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