

AVIATION HIGH SCHOOL NOTICE TO AIRMEN (NOTAM) 092809 September 28, 2009

What's happening this week?

Monday

Tuesday

Robotics Team meeting 6:00-8:00 p.m. in Room 7.

Wednesday

Thursday

Culture Club at 3:45–4:45 p.m. in Room 24.

Robotics Team meeting at 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in Room 7.

Friday

Early Release Day at 2:00 p.m.

→ **Message from the Principal:** Last week, I had the opportunity to read 83 essays, some deeply moving, from students who want to attend the 28th Annual Pathfinder Gala at the Museum of Flight on October 10. I was so impressed that I didn't have the heart to say, "No" to any of you, so I called our friend, Peter Morton, who is also the coordinator and emcee of Pathfinder, and begged him to find a way to sponsor all of you! And...guess what? He found a way! So, it is with pleasure that I list this year's attendees to Pathfinder, which has become known as the AHS version of Homecoming:

Freshmen (22)

Jason Bonham
Maddison Brinson
Alex Cail
Tyler Christopher
Barrett Estep
Emily Kelley
Jessica Lewis
Jennifer Luoma
Katrina Mateo
Allen May
Sureetha McCain
Hunter McSwain
Regina O'Kelley
Anastasia Pallis
Anthea Phuong
Morgen Sellier
Ashley Snyder
Richard Spencer
Kyra Sutherland
Tran Tonnu
Max Wienke
Wendy Zaballos

Sophomores (11)

Joe Ellis
Jenny Gao
David Hartranft
Alyssa Hernandez
Anjell Jesse
Aaron Kaneshiro
Kelli Katzer
Rashil Kohli
Melody Northcutt
Libanos Redda
Liam Wingard

Juniors (30)

Lianda Abraham
Amanuail Ambaye
Wendy Au
Yashkarn Bains
Isaiah Bell
Alex Bergler
Marina Davies
Faiza Diriye
Ha Doan
Tyler Escott
Claire Fernandez
Danielle Graves
Matthew Iverson
Amela Jazvin
Lydia Johnston
Abdul Rasul Kassamali
Melissa Lewis
Amanda Mata
Jennifer Minar
Garrett Mosier
Peter Nguyen
Elizabeth Ong
Olivia Pham
Viviana Ramirez
RoxAnn Roque
Navid Shafa
Manmeet Singh
Derric Smith
Albert Ta
Tony Truong

Seniors (20)

Kenny Albright
William DeLashmutt
Kyle Edwards
Taylar Fernandini
Andrew Garrido
Cameron Jewell
Katy Kastner
Jaime Katzer
Michelle Koy
Lamond Le
Rebecca Ly
Andrew May
Michael Mondragon
David Nguyen
Kristina Ong
Hanna Ott
Ryan Sanders
Alex Simkus
Sam Swan
Sarah Wydick

Congratulations to all! It will be great fun spending the evening with you on October 10. Prior to actually attending the event, though, **your next step is to attend Etiquette Training (ET) next Monday, October 5, from 3:45 to 5:30 p.m.!** Location is the **AHS Gymnasium**, and you should come prepared to learn how to dine and interact in a formal setting. Please be on time, and plan to have fun as well as learn from our ET trainers, Hayley McJunkin, Kristina Ong, and Jaime Katzer (and a few staff members who will also serve as chaperones). FYI: **Attending ET is mandatory** to qualify for Pathfinder. If you have a conflict with attending ET, please see me ASAP. Also, if you have now decided that you are **not** able to attend Pathfinder, let me know ASAP. Your sponsors are paying \$100 for each of you, so it's important that we give them an accurate count this week!

On to another topic: I am encouraging **all** of you to attend the **Life After High School Fair on October 7, starting at 5:30 p.m. at the Tye Educational Complex!** Information was mailed to you and your parents a week or so ago, which includes more details of this important event. You will gain invaluable information about preparing and applying for college, which includes financial aid options. The earlier you plan, the more secure your future will be, so please make every effort to be there. (And "yes", this means freshmen and families, too!)

My question of the week is: *What is STEM?* I am hoping you will have a discussion about this in Advisory and at home. Hint: You are attending a STEM-focused school! I'll follow up on this question in next week's NOTAM. In the meantime, I would love to hear your responses to my question. Perhaps I'll include some of them in my message next week.

Happy Fall! According to the calendar, the season has arrived, but the smiles I see as well as the weather I'm observing, tell me that we still have lots of summer-like sunshine to appreciate. My best to you for a joyful week of learning at Aviation High School, where the sky is NOT the limit!

I am honored to be your principal!

~Reba

- **Message from the PTSA:** The Auction is Nov 14th at the Museum of Flight! Please ask your student for the auction packet sent home with them today. This is our one and only BIG fundraising event during the year and we need every family to help for it to be a success! Additional forms and information are available on the aviatiopts.org website and the school office. Please support our school and auction – thank you! Questions email ahsauction@aviationpts.org.
- **Students with less than 100% attendance (and their parents and guardians):** Please remember that if you have to miss school (to the sadness of us all), make sure to get the absence excused by bringing in a note from your parents or guardians within 48 hours of your return to school. If you wait longer than that, it'll take a doctor's note or the superintendent to excuse it.
- **Skunkworks:** Save the Date for our Skunkworks Robotics team fundraiser Spaghetti Dinner and Dessert Auction **Friday, October 30th from 6:00 – 8:30 PM** in the AHS cafeteria! Come and have a yummy pasta dinner and bid on delicious desserts to help support our award winning team. Stay tuned for information on where to buy tickets in next week's NOTAM.
- **Attention Aviation High School Students!** Grab your **art supplies, camera, instrument, computer, pen, or video camera** and **create** something to submit for the 2009-2010 40th annual PTA Reflections Contest. The theme is "**Beauty is...**" Reflections is an opportunity to pursue your artistic expression. Entries will be judged on creative ability and interpretation of the theme in the Senior Division (grades 9-12) in the following categories: **Literature—Music Composition—Photography—Visual Arts—Film/Video—Choreography/Dance**. All AHS participants will receive recognition, certificate, prize & special catered lunch. Finalist entries (up to 4 per category) will go on to the Highline Council level of the competition. **Submissions will be collected** in the main office the week of November 16th with **Friday, November 20th** being the last day to turn in your entry.

Entries turned in after 2 pm on November 20th will not be judged. Go to www.aviationpts.org and click on the Reflections link for rules and entry forms. Additional forms are also available in the main office. For more information contact Liz Campisteguy at campisteguy@gmail.com.

→ **Upcoming events and programs at The Museum of Flight:**

Astronomy Day on Thursday, October 1, 5:00-9:00 p.m., open to General Public

Meet local astronomers and learn about the wonders of the night sky. Spend time in the Museum's portable planetarium. Visitors can examine many types of telescopes and learn methods for safely observing the Sun.

Program highlights:

- 6:30 p.m. - *Galileo: What I Saw Through My Telescope* – a 20 minute living history presentation
- 7:30 p.m. - *Barnstorming the Solar System* – a presentation by NASA Solar System Ambassador Ron Hobbs.

2009 – 2010 Education Programs and Events Guide

The Museum's new Education Programs and Events Guide is now accessible online at <http://www.museumofflight.org/education>. Hard copies are available.

Future Events and Programs

October 24 – *In Search of Amelia Earhart* exhibit opens

October 10, 17, and 31 - *Galileo: What I Saw Through My Telescope*

October 30 – *Museum of Fright and Spook-Tacular Sleepover*

November 7 - International Year of Astronomy Lecture: *Astrobiology - Is There Life Out There?*

Except for the Quote of the Week, the following announcements have been posted in previous editions of the NOTAM. They are still important and posted for your information and action, as appropriate:

- **Senior Project Proposal Due Date:** Senior advisors will be accepting proposals in the window from September 25th to October 2nd. After that date, the proposals will be considered overdue. Notification will be sent to senior's parents on Monday, October 5th, indicating that the student is not on track for graduation this June.
- **PSAT:** All **juniors** will be taking the PSAT on **Wednesday, October 14th**. Any **sophomores** interested in taking the PSAT must **sign up with Bonnie** in the main office by **September 23**.
- **Quote of the Week:** ***"It costs nothing to dream...and everything not to!"***