

2012 PROJECT GRADUATION

To parents of students in all classes: Please take the time to read this information to understand the importance of this event, and how *all* parents can support this annual program.

WHAT IS PROJECT GRADUATION?

Project Graduation is an alcohol, drug free celebration held for seniors on graduation night. At times, some graduation celebrations turned into tragedy because alcohol and drugs were available at graduation parties. Over the years, Morris Knolls has held this all-night party at off-site facilities. Most recently we have gone to County College of Morris and have taken over the entire athletic center. We transform it with amusements, swimming, dancing, hypnotist, photos, games and all the food a senior can eat. Over 300 students enjoy a safe, fun-filled evening and share lasting memories with their friends and classmates. The students are transported by bus from the high school to the facility, and are returned safely back to the school in the early morning.

WHAT IS INVOLVED?

While students do not pay to attend Project Graduation, it is costly to run a successful Project Graduation event (approximately \$150. per student). We are a separate volunteer group, and while we receive generous donations from local merchants, corporations, senior parents, clubs and Morris Knolls, the Project Graduation Committee supplements these contributions by sponsoring various fundraisers throughout the year. Please review the enclosed order forms for the Mum Certificates, Entertainment Books and Stadium Seats and help support Project Graduation by placing an order.

HOW CAN I SUPPORT PROJECT GRADUATION?

Project Graduation is only possible with the help of parents. We need many parents to be involved in the Project Graduation activities as the continued success of the program depends on parents of students from all classes. **This committee is not just for senior parents-all parents can help! In fact, parents of underclassmen must be involved to ensure the program will continue for future graduating classes.** Our volunteers will tell you it's both rewarding and fun. And, it does not take much of your time. If you can help in any way, please fill out the PG Volunteer form and bring it to the PG Mailbox in the office or send to MKPG, PO Box 1001, Denville, NJ. 07834. **You do not have to attend monthly meetings!**

The Project Graduation Committee meets one evening a month (usually the second Tuesday of the month). Our first meeting will be held on **TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2011 at 7:00 PM** in the Faculty Dining Room located in the Freshmen Cafeteria. Please come and bring a friend!

If you have any questions, please contact:

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Updated information can be found on our website. **Click on "Project Graduation" from the Morris Knolls website.**

2012 PROJECT GRADUATION VOLUNTEER FORM

The following activities and fundraisers are held throughout the year. Please help by volunteering your time for these events or positions, and check off on the line where you are interested in helping. Note that some activities are not until spring and we will contact you then via email. We are appreciative for your help. Return forms to main office.

Lots of help and guidance available for all Committees.

Publicity (getting event info into Newspapers)

Phone Chain Coordinator

- Phone Chain Caller (*Call senior parents twice a year*)

Vendor Shopping Night (Dec 2, 2011)

- Co-Chair (*1 underclass parent to work with senior parent*)
- Vendor Liason
- Refreshment Committee
- Misc. Help (*Set up, Clean up, Admission table, PG sales table*)

Wreath/Ornament Sale (Nov)

- Making Wreaths (*the night before Vendor night*)

Jr/Sr Prom Expo (February 2, 2012)

Annual Senior Fashion Show (March 22, 2012)

Held in the auditorium, the seniors model clothing from various stores.

- Fashion Show Co-Chairs (*2 people, at least 1 underclass parent*)
- Store Coordinator Chairperson (*could be 2 co-chairs*)
- Individual Store Coordinators
- Misc help (*Set up, decorations, backstage, dressing room supervision, admission table, etc*)
- Door Prizes
- Script Writers (*We know you're out there!*)
- Refreshment Coordinator

Clothing Drive (April)

Class of 2012 T-Shirt Contest Coordinator (Spring)

Project Graduation Scholarship Review Committee

Project Graduation Night June 21, 2012

Underclass parents are urgently needed to help!

- Entertainment _____ Set Up _____
- Refreshments _____ Clean Up _____
- Chaperones _____ (They are positioned at the exit doors and assist at the refreshment tables on a fun rotation schedule.)

Miscellaneous Help _____

We will send you an e-mail to remind you about upcoming meetings!

Please PRINT CLEARLY the following information:

YOUR NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE # _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS _____

NAME OF STUDENT (S) _____ GRADE _____

GRADE _____

