

PAWS News Blast, Saturday, December 26, 2009

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GIRLS BASKETBALL HOLIDAY INVITATIONAL

Horizon High School and Desert Mountain High School will co-host the **2009 Scottsdale Holiday Invitational Tournament Monday, December 28 through Thursday, December 31.**

The inaugural holiday tournament features 12 local high school girls' basketball teams and one from Illinois: Horizon, Desert Mountain, Paradise Valley, Goldwater, Deer Valley, Arcadia, Corona del Sol, Camelback, Thunderbird, Trevor Browne, Washington, Shadow Mountain, and Mundelein (Illinois).

The games begin Monday at 3:00 p.m. and wrap up with the championship game Thursday at 1:30 p.m. at Desert Mountain. Games will be played in both schools' gymnasiums: Horizon at 56th Street and Greenway Road and Desert Mountain at 12575 East Via Linda.

Admission is \$5 per day for adults, \$3 for students with ID, and children age six and under are free. Admission to the tournament enters the ticketholder into a drawing for a 32" HDTV. The drawing will be held at halftime of the championship game. You must be present to win.

The Lady Husky Hoopsters Booster Club and Desert Mountain Basketball Club are also holding a **food drive**. Non-perishable donations of food will benefit the Paradise Valley Emergency Food Bank. *For a donation of five items, attendees receive an additional entry into the drawing for the 32" HDTV.*

To view the bracket, game times, and teams, visit us on the web at the Lady Huskies Hoopsters website <http://www.htosports.com/hhs>. The tournament information can be found by clicking on the "Invitational/Holiday Invitational" tab.

Swim/Dive Recognition

Horizon High School's Swim and Dive teams closed out the 2009 season with the girl's season record at 8 and 2 and the boy's season record at 9 and 1.

The girl's team placed second at District Championships and fourth at Regionals and State. Diver **Cambrea Braudaway** finished second at Regionals.

The boy's team won Districts and finished as 5A DII State runners up. State individual event runners up are diver **Josh Bidak** and 100-meter freestyler **Axel Olson**. At Regionals, diver **Mike Bidak** was champion with diver **Josh Bidak** and 100-meter freestyler **Brian Bidanjiri** individual event runners up.

At the conclusion of the season, the team named **Tori Braudaway** diving MVP, **Natalie Tukan** girl's team MVP and **Trevor Meiss** boy's team MVP.

For more information on the Swim and Dive Team, visit their website at http://www.horizonboosterclub.com/Clubs/swim_dive/swim_dive.html

Congratulations to Swim and Dive for an outstanding season!

Badminton Recognition

Horizon High School's Badminton team finished the 2009 season with a record of 10 and 4. While the team did not advance beyond Regionals, senior **Brie Forster** advanced to State in singles.

Brie completed the season with a 14 and 0 regular season singles record placing first in the Chaparral Badminton Tournament, second in Regionals, and fourth at State.

Another highlight of the season came at the Mesa Dobson Badminton Invitational where **Caeli Barker** and **Malorie Tardiff** finished second in the doubles tournament with teammates **Allison Shultz** and **Brie Forster** finishing third.

For more information on the Badminton Team, visit their website at <http://www.horizonboosterclub.com/Clubs/badminton/badminton.html>

Congratulations to Badminton for an outstanding season!

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GRAD NITE 2010 - BOXER DONATIONS NEEDED

The Grad Nite committee is hard at work and asking for your help. **Boxer BINGO** is in need of boxer donations. Please send in NEW fun & wild boxers to be used as prizes. The wilder the better! *Watch for upcoming post-holiday sales* - Halloween, Christmas, Hanukkah. Help us make the event a success. Donations can be dropped off at the front office of school or contact Sue Snedden for pickup ssnedden@cox.net.

Thank you to all the parents who have already donated! Keep 'em coming!

If you are interested in helping at Grad Nite on May 27th email: horizongradnite@horizonboosterclub.com

CYBERLAND PRESENTATION (texting and sexting)

Horizon High School is hosting a cyber safety presentation **Monday, January 11th, 2010**, from **6-7:30 pm** in the Media Center. Sgt. Stephanie Molina from the Computer Crimes Division of the Maricopa County Sheriff's Office will be talking about ways to protect our students from sexting, cyber bullying, internet predators, and much more. The event is geared towards parents/guardians and snacks will be provided. See [attached](#) flyer.

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