

# PADRE PRIDE

# MdN Padres



## *Student of the Quarter...educational services*

**Karina Pacheco** has been selected as Transition from School to Work (TSW) Student-of-the-Quarter for first quarter of 2018-2019. Karina has blossomed from a shy teenager into confident young lady. Here are some of her accomplishments.

Karina participated in a two month Work Adjustment Training program at TJ Maxx a couple of years ago and hired as an employee after demonstrating reliability, exhibiting a strong work ethic, and becoming a team player. As a result, this past summer Karina was selected by TJ Maxx as Employee of the Month.

Karina has learned how to effectively ride the Valley Metro bus and is currently preparing to take and pass her driver learner's permit test. Her teacher, Lori Fragoso, states, "Karina is very dependable and always does what is asked of her with a positive attitude and a smile."

Please join us in congratulating Karina on this award.



## *CHOIR NOTES*

Congratulations to the Marcos de Niza Chamber Orchestra for being chosen by the Arizona Department of Education as a featured performing group at the 2018 ESSA Conference in Tucson this November. The orchestra was chosen through a statewide application process and was chosen from a pool of many student performing ensembles. Way to go, Padre Chamber Orchestra!



Brach Drew



Eden Gezai

Congratulations to **Brach Drew** for making the Arizona All-State Show Choir and **Eden Gezai** for making the All-State Jazz Clinic Choir. Well done, Padres!

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Dear MdN Parents,

Welcome to another school year at Marcos de Niza High School! I would like to extend a warm welcome to the new parents and students who are attending Marcos for the first time. These parent newsletters are scheduled to go out quarterly, and I hope that they provide valuable and informative information. You should also receive the Padre Week at a Glance (WAAG) weekly, which will give you a snapshot of the events for that week.

Curriculum Night was a great success. Curriculum Night was an opportunity for our parents to meet his/her child's teachers, learn about the academics that will be taking place with each class, and other important information that our teachers would like to share with you. We will have other opportunities throughout the year. We encourage all parents and/or guardians to attend. If you have not picked up the ParentVue Activation code used to access Synergy, please do so; that way you are informed of your child's grades/assignments. A "BIG" thank you goes out to all our staff, students, and parents for an amazing start of a new school year. We have had a great few weeks at Marcos and look forward to an excellent year. Go Padres!

Sincerely,

Sean McDonald,  
MdN Principal

**MDN Mission Statement**

It is the mission of Marcos de Niza High School to nurture a positive environment in which all students are inspired to strengthen their character, challenged to reach their highest level of achievement and prepared to be enrolled, enlisted, or employed upon graduation.



The PSAT Test will be administered to  
freshman, sophomore, and junior students on  
Wednesday, October 24th

**Bell Schedule for PSAT, Testing  
Wednesday, October 24, 2018**

7:50am	11:50am	PSAT Testing Time (210 minutes of total test time)
11:50am	12:20pm	Lunch (30 minutes)
12:25pm	12:43pm	1st period (18 minute classes)
12:48pm	1:06pm	2nd period (18 minute classes)
1:11pm-	1:33pm	3rd period (22 minutes - announcements)
1:38pm	1:56pm	4th period (18 minutes)
2:01pm	2:19pm	6th period (18 minutes)
2:24pm	2:42pm	7th period (18 minutes)
2:47pm	3:45pm	8th period (58 minutes)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW FACULTY AND STAFF

Marcos de Niza is happy to welcome fourteen new faculty and staff members. Our newest Padre staff hit the ground running at the end of July. They attended workshops and meetings for several days, learning policies and procedures and preparing their classrooms. Most of our new staff members are not new to the field of teaching, but have many years of experience. Our newest staff members are (pictured below in alphabetical order): **Bernadette Alvarado**—Educational Services, **Vanessa Anspach**—Educational Services, **Rodrigo Antonilo** —Foreign Language, **Stephanie Attridge**—Mathematics, **Audrey Belcinan**—Educational Services, **Chris Driving Hawk**—Mathematics, **Cheryl Dunham**—Science, **Virginie Guerinot**—Foreign Language, **Joe Jeffers**—Educational Services, **Ainsley Kenner**— Educational Services, **Shana Lacernza Grosklos**—Guidance Department Chair, **Eric Lauer**—Physical Education, **Janet Scott**—Fine Arts, **Sharon Weiss**—Social Worker and **Monica Zehring**—Educational Services. Classified Staff: **Amber Beal**—Receptionist. **Sabrina Pacheco**—Early Learning Center, **Patricia Smith** — Paraprofessional, **Donald Webb**—Maintenance, and **Michael Wolff**—Security. Please extend a warm welcome when you see them.



CLASSIFIED STAFF



## EARLY CHILDHOOD DEVELOPMENT

### BUDDY UP

Early Childhood 1-2 has been hard at work preparing for their *Buddy* days. On buddy days, the high school students are paired with a preschool buddy from our center. They brainstorm ideas, create and prepare the project developmentally appropriate for the child, and then do it with the preschoolers. It's a really fun day!

Another thing the Early Childhood program has been working on is registering for Dual Enrollment credits through Rio Salado. Early Childhood has a special opportunity to receive a *First Things First* scholarship, which pays for all six of their credits in 1-2 and another six credits in 3-4. At the end of the program, students can earn a total of 12 college credits in Early Childhood.

In November, Marcos Early Childhood is partnering with student council to host *Smiles of Christmas*. *Smiles* is when 200 children from a Tempe Elementary school come to Marcos and are paired up with a high school student. Each pair spends the day doing various activities, coloring, arts and crafts, dancing, and doing a project from Home Depot. Santa is also there with a photo booth. It's a great community service activity for high school students who want to give back to the community. This is the first year that Marcos will host the event, and we are excited to make it memorable for the high school students as well as the elementary students.



## PADRE PROCESSING CLUB



### TAKING CARE OF BUSINESS!

Our club Padre Processing is a club with members from Mrs. Tew's Life Skills class that specializes in community service. We have participated in volunteer work for our local and global communities. We also have a class business of making greeting cards. Creating these beautiful cards involves not only card design but also involves making the paper for the cards. Padre Processing has been asked to make cards for the Marcos de Niza 40<sup>th</sup> High School Reunion. The last month and a half we have created 300 greeting cards for this wonderful occasion. The students and staff have been working very hard together as they serve our society.



## Introducing the newly revised Marcos Business Academy: MBA

In partnership with the W.P. Carey School of Business at Arizona State University

Marketing students at Marcos de Niza High School have the unique opportunity to participate in an exclusive partnership with ASU's W.P. Carey School of Business, one of the top ranked business schools in the country. Marcos students can start preparing for college and career success now by participating in the Marcos Business Academy (MBA) program. Through a series of marketing courses, DECA conferences and competitions, industry tours and ASU mentorship activities, Marcos students gain a strong foundation of real world skills and specialized training to prepare them for success at the next level.

To promote the MBA program, the DECA Senior Leadership team planned and organized an inspiring kickoff celebration. Special guest at our event included, alumni who graduated from the program, current MBA students, W.P. Carey Representative Karen Stark, governing board members Berdette Hodge and Michelle Helm, Assistant Superintendent of Teaching and Learning Kimberly Hilgers and our superintendent Dr. Kevin Mendivil. The celebration began with some great music and a presentation showcasing of all the exciting events and successful alumni who graduated from the MBA program. The goal of this presentation was to encourage up and coming students to get involved in all the amazing opportunities the MBA program has to offer. Next, we were inspired with some words of wisdom from our Principal, Mr. Sean McDonald, W.P. Carey Representative and Parent of MBA students Karen Stark, our MBA Program Lead, Ms. Heather Hunt and our DECA President, Mr. Nick Hargis. After the presentation, students had the opportunity to network with other ambitious young leaders and meet with representatives from W.P. Carey, who were on hand to help them plan and prepare for the college admissions process.



This exciting event was a collaborative effort by three of our amazing Career and Technical Education Programs (CTE) at Marcos. The digital media communications and yearbook staff took care of the photography with some fantastic photos to document this special event. The advanced culinary students planned, prepared and served a variety of delicious refreshments, and the marketing students handled the event planning, displays and set up. This was a great opportunity for our CTE students to collaborate and practice the skills they've learned in the classroom in a real world setting. Marcos Career and Technical Education students have the skills they need to succeed!





### MDN VARSITY VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT CHAMPIONS

The girls volleyball team took 1<sup>st</sup> place in the Westwood Tournament of Champions Bronze division. They started off going 1-5 in pool play, going up against tough 5A and 6A schools including eventual tournament champions Hamilton. Once in bracket play, single elimination, the Padres went 3-0 beating Mesa Mountain View, Westwood, and Ironwood for the championship. Kneeling row: Coach **Mel Itzel Acendano**, Riley Fry, Seriah Catania, Nina Marshall, Jasmin Jurado. Back row: Coach **Tyler**, Coach **Bri**, Katelyn Denham, Audrey Mayer, Elyse Olson, Hailey White, Kelsi Deward, Olivia Craig, Katy Johnson, Jenifer Lauer. Great job, Padres!

### MILITARY SCIENCE



### MDN JROTC RIFLE TEAM

The JROTC Rifle Team competed at the Carver Mountain Rifle competition on September 22<sup>nd</sup> and earned third place out of 19 teams and over 80 shooters that participated. **Sam Lumbra** of Marcos de Niza earned the top score of all shooters. Lumbra also came in 1<sup>st</sup> in the kneeling position, and 3<sup>rd</sup> in standing. **Jacob Manoguerra** of Desert Vista came in 4<sup>th</sup> overall. In addition **Chance Blair** of Mountain Pointe came in 2<sup>nd</sup> in the prone position and **Jacob Manoguerra** came in 3<sup>rd</sup>. Congratulations to all of the team members.

# ACTIVITIES

PADRE PRIDE

## 1ST SEMESTER ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Date(s)	EVENT	Information
Thursday, October 4 <sup>th</sup>	Broadway Matinee Broadway Show	10am in Auditorium 7pm in Auditorium
Friday, October 5 <sup>th</sup>	End of 1st Quarter	
Monday, October 8 - Friday, October. 12 <sup>th</sup>	FALL BREAK—NO SCHOOL	
Monday, October 15 <sup>th</sup>	Beginning of 2ND Quarter Spirit Week	
Tuesday, October 16 <sup>th</sup>	Spirit Week	
Wednesday, October 17 <sup>th</sup>	School Picture Retakes Spirit Week	POD 601
Thursday, October 18 <sup>th</sup>	Spirit Week	
Friday, October 19 <sup>th</sup>	Homecoming Assembly Spirit Week	Main Gym
Saturday, October 20 <sup>th</sup>	Homecoming Dance	Main Gym
Tuesday, October 23 <sup>rd</sup>	CHALLENGE DAY	Gym Annex
Wednesday, October 24 <sup>th</sup>	PSAT Testing	
Tuesday, October 30 <sup>th</sup>	Trunk or Treat/ Movie Night	7pm Westchester Field
Tuesday, November 6 <sup>th</sup>	Fall Play Preview	7-9pm in Auditorium
Wednesday, November 7 <sup>th</sup>	Fall Play Optional Assembly Opening Night	2nd-3rd hour 7pm in Auditorium
Thursday, November 8 <sup>th</sup>	Fall Play	7pm in Auditorium
Friday, November 9 <sup>th</sup>	Fall Play	7pm in Auditorium
Saturday, November 10 <sup>th</sup>	Empty Bowls Event	
Monday, November 12 <sup>th</sup>	VETERANS DAY ( NO SCHOOL)	
Tuesday, November 20 <sup>th</sup>	National Honor Society Inductions	7pm-9pm in Auditorium
Thursday, November 22 <sup>n</sup>	THANKSGIVING BREAK (NO SCHOOL)	
Friday, November 23 <sup>rd</sup>	THANKSGIVING BREAK (NO SCHOOL)	
Wednesday, November 28 <sup>th</sup>	Club Pictures	Gym Annex
Thursday, November 29 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Concert	7pm in Auditorium
Friday, November 30 <sup>th</sup>	Dance Concert	7pm in Auditorium
Friday, December 7 <sup>th</sup>	Massing of Colors	7am in Main Gym
Monday, December 10 <sup>th</sup>	Spirit Week	
Tuesday, December 11 <sup>th</sup>	Band Concert Spirit Week	7pm in Auditorium
Wednesday, December 12 <sup>th</sup>	Orchestra Concert Spirit Week	7pm in Auditorium
Thursday, December 13 <sup>th</sup>	Choir Concert Spirit Week	7pm in Auditorium
Friday, December 14 <sup>th</sup>	Winter Triple Assembly Caroling Concert Spirit Week	7pm in Auditorium 7pm in Room 222
Tuesday, December 18 <sup>th</sup>	Midterm Exams 1/2	
Wednesday, December 19 <sup>th</sup>	Midterm Exams 3/4	
Thursday, December 20 <sup>th</sup>	Midterm Exams 6/7 End of 2nd Quarter Last Day for Students	
Friday, December 21 <sup>st</sup>	Teachers last day	
Monday, December 25 <sup>th</sup> - Friday, January 5 <sup>th</sup>	CHRISTMAS BREAK (NO SCHOOL)	
Monday, January 7 <sup>th</sup>	School Resumes -Beginning of 3rd Quarter	



### Padre of the Quarter

#### Students

Martell Thompson  
Jaida Mullins  
Travis Lee

#### Faculty

Mrs. Szpakowski  
Ms. Lacerenza Grosklos  
Mrs. White

#### Classified

Joe Flores  
Amber Beal



### STUDENTS:

Threadz2 is on the campus in Room 416 (Next to the gym)  
Hours: Tuesdays & Thursdays  
2:00 P.M. – 4:00 P.M.

Threadz is a free resource for high school and middle school teens from the Tempe and Kyrene District. The center carries a wide selection of new and/or gently used items. Inventory include items such as clothes, shoes, purses, toiletries and school supplies. We will also open by appointment in special circumstances. Stop by and see what is available for your need. For more information, please call (480) 858-2316.



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<https://www.facebook.com/padrepride>

## *MdN STUDENT CLUBS*

Club Name	Meeting Room	Club Name	Meeting Room
Academic Decathlon	Room 320	Literary Magazine/Padre	Room 134
ACAPELLA	Room 220	MDN Badminton	TBD
Adelante College Bound Program	Guidance Conference Room	MDN Baseball	Spring Sport
Anime and Manga Club	Library	MECHA	Room 129
AP Environmental	Room 303	Mobile Games Club	TBD
AZ HOSA	Room 313	Model United Nations	Room 101
Boys Basketball	Gym Lobby	N.H.S National Honor Society	Room 152
Best Buddies	Room 153 Faculty Cafeteria (Officers)	Native American Club	Room 133
Lady Padres Basketball	Main Gym (Seasonal)	Orchestra	Room 218
Band	Room 424	Padre Processing	Room 241
Black Student Union	TBD	Wilderness Adventure Club	Room 303
Christian Club 2:22	Room 152	Recycling Club	Room 477
Choir Club/Musical Theatre Club	Room 220	Science Club	TBD
Clay/Visual Arts	Room 213	Senior Class Council	Room 318
Dance Club	Room 452	Sophomore Student Council	Room 206
Diversity Club	TBD	Spirit club	Room 123
Culinary Club	Room 254	Sports Medicine Club	Trainers office
DECA	Room 238	Student Council	Room 255
Sophomore Class Council	Room 238	Visual Arts	TBD
Drama/Musical Theatre Club	Room 222	Winter Guard	Room 424
FCCLA	Room 256	Yearbook	Room 231
Fellowship of Christian Athletes	Room 476	<p><b>JOIN A CLUB TODAY!</b></p> <p>Students for more details about any club you are interested in, visit our MdN webpage <a href="https://www.tempeunion.org/domain/85">https://www.tempeunion.org/domain/85</a></p> 	
Football Club	Stadium		
French Club	Room 130		
Freshman Class Council	Room 145		
Friends of the Library	Library		
GATS-Gifted and Talented Students	Guidance		
GPAC-Game Players Association Club	Room 235		
G.S.A	Room 153		
Junior Class Council	Room 477		
Journalism	Room 231		
KEY Club	Room 322		
Life Skills/MDN Baseball /MDN Boys Golf	Room 242		

### JOIN A CLUB TODAY!

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# MARDI GRAS

*A night to remember*

October 20, 2018

8:00PM-11:00PM

Tickets:

\$30 for SINGLES

\$55 for COUPLES

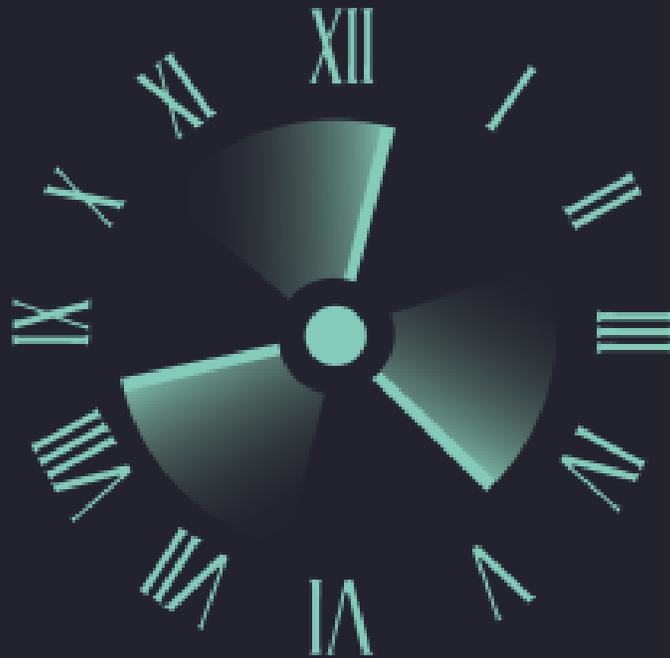
(\$35 for singles at the door)

Marcos De Niza Main Gym

FREE PAZOOKIE & PHOTO BOOTH PICTURES



Remember: If you would like to bring a guest, please pick up a guest pass application at Mr. Miguel's desk in Activities. Applications are due Thursday, October 18<sup>th</sup>.



# RADIUM GIRLS

BY D.W. GREGORY

WEDNESDAY, November 7th - Saturday, November 10th  
7:30 PM

Tickets: \$10.00 Adults - \$6.00 Seniors/Students

Marcos de Niza High School Auditorium

6000 S. Lakeshore Dr., Tempe, AZ 85293



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If your donation is for a specific student's extracurricular activity, write in his/her name and student number:

Student Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Student Number \_\_\_\_\_

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# DONATE TODAY!

 Save  
the  
Date!

# SENIORS!

## MdN Grad Night



**Thursday, May 23**  
**10 p.m. – 5 a.m.**

The MdN 2019 Grad Night celebration for our seniors is planned 10 p.m. – 5 a.m. May 23 at Dave & Buster's in Tempe! All students deserve a fun and safe place to celebrate their graduation and parents deserve peace of mind knowing their kids are enjoying a "lock in" party with amazing activities and plenty of food.

Grad Night is a parent-led effort and all senior parents are invited to help plan the event. Grad Night will feature Dave & Buster's state-of-the-art games, plus casino-style games and more! The parent committee has secured a generous \$1,000 donation from the Tempe Diablos and amazing prizes for seniors, including a new PC laptop, movie tickets, gift cards to favorites like Dutch Bros., Raising Cane's, Arizona Diamondbacks tickets, a beauty salon package and a car care package.

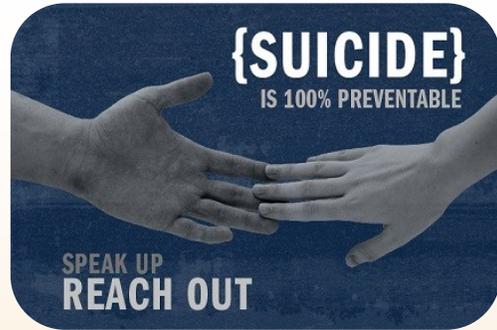
The committee is seeking donations and prizes to make this a night to remember for our seniors. To contribute or for information about other ways to help, contact Dawn Feigert at [feigert@icloud.com](mailto:feigert@icloud.com).

Ticket prices and sales information will be available later this year.



## Teen Lifeline

If you feel like giving up, please don't! There is help and there is hope: Call Teen Lifeline at 602-248-8336 (TEEN) 24/7 or text the same number between 3-9pm. You're not alone.



### CRISIS HOTLINES

#### FREE AND CONFIDENTIAL CRISIS HOTLINES

Empact Crisis Hotline: (480) 784-1500  
[LaFrontera-Empact Crisis Hotline](#)

Mercy Maricopa Crisis Hotline: (602) 222-9444  
[Mercy Maricopa Crisis Hotline](#)

Teen Lifeline Hotline: (602) 248-8336  
[Teen Lifeline](#)

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline: (800) 273-8255 (TALK) National  
[National Institute of Mental Health](#)



### ATTENTION MDN PARENTS!

If you would like to receive our newsletter by e-mail, please send your e-mail address to Mr. McDonald at: [smcdonald@tempeunion.org](mailto:smcdonald@tempeunion.org)

Your e-mail address will not be shared; addresses will be kept confidential.

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