



Panther Weekly Bulletin

Breakfast Menu

| <u>Monday</u> | <u>Tuesday</u> | <u>Wednesday</u> | <u>Thursday</u> | <u>Friday</u> |
|--|--|--|---|---------------|
| Ham & Cheese Omelet English Muffin | Scrambled Eggs Potato Triangle Sausage | Sausage, Egg & Cheese /Croissant Hashbrown | Apple Frudel Hard Boiled Egg Yogurt | NO SCHOOL |

Lunch Menu

| <u>Monday</u> | <u>Tuesday</u> | <u>Wednesday</u> | <u>Thursday</u> | <u>Friday</u> |
|-----------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|---|---------------|
| Corn Dog Potato Wedges Peas | Spaghetti/ Meat Sauce Breadstick Green Beans | Rice Bowl Black Beans Broccoli | Buffalo Chicken Flatbread Pizza Baby Ranch Potatoes Carrots | NO SCHOOL |

Happening this week at PHS

Saturday, February 8th– ECNC Basketball @ PHS , JH Girls Basketball Tournament @ Weeping Water 9:00 am Bus leaves @ 7:00 am, Speech Meet @ Auburn 9:00 am Bus leaves @ 7:00 am, Girls Wrestling Districts @ Pierce 10:00 am

Sunday, February 9th– HS Cheer Competition @ Bennington Bus TBA

FCCLA WEEK

Monday, February 10th– FFA Chapter Meeting 7:30 am, JH Basketball @ PHS vs. Freeman 4:00 & 5:00 pm East Gym, Main Stage Rehearsal 6:00-8:00 pm

Tuesday, February 11th– HS Basketball @ PHS vs. Fairbury JV G&B 4:30 pm, VG 5:45 pm, VB 7:15 pm

Wednesday, February 12th– Show Choir 6:45 am, Wayne State College Visit Bus leaves @ 7:00 am, FCCLA Chapter Meeting 7:45 am, Peru State Business Day Bus leaves @ 7:15 am

Thursday, February 13th– JH Basketball @ Lincoln Christian 4:00 & 5:00 pm Bus leaves @ 2:45 pm, Nebraska Wesleyan Honor Band, Midland University Choir Bus leaves @ 7:15 am, Main Stage Rehearsal 6:00-8:00 pm

Friday, February 14th– NO SCHOOL Winter Break, Boys Wrestling Districts, HS Basketball @ PHS vs. Nebraska City JV G&B 4:30 pm, VG 5:45 pm, VB 7:15 pm

Saturday, February 15th– Boys Wrestling Districts @ Malcolm Bus leaves @ 6:15 am, Speech Meet @ Mead Bus leaves @ 6:30 am, Nebraska Wesleyan Honor Band

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, February 17th– NO SCHOOL Winter Break, FFA District Welding/Ag Biotech/Ag Sales/Poultry Judging, JH Girls Basketball @ Syracuse

Tuesday, February 18th– Girls State Wrestling TBD, Girls Sub District Basketball TBA

Wednesday, February 19th– Show Choir 6:45 am, Girls State Wrestling TBD

Thursday, February 20th– Boys State Wrestling TBD, Girls Sub District Basketball TBA, JH Girls Basketball @ Weeping Water, Main Stage Rehearsal 6:00-8:00 pm

Friday, February 21st– Boys State Wrestling TBD, HS Boys Basketball @ HTRS, Main Stage Rehearsal 6:00-8:00 pm

Saturday, February 22nd– Boys State Wrestling TBD, Girls Basketball Sub District Finals TBD, JH Girls Basketball Tournament @ PHS

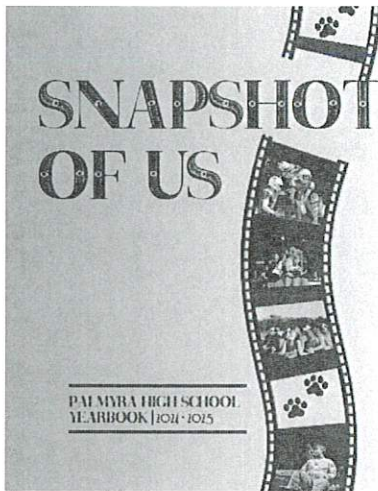
GO PANTHERS!

Walsworth 2024-25 Yearbook Purchase

Agreement

Purchase yours today
and get a piece of
history!

\$40



\$50

Prices will go up on
February 13th.

Remember the school year by purchasing a 2024-25 yearbook for \$40. Prices will go up February 13th to \$50, so grab one now. Use the purchase agreement below or go online @ <https://yearbookforever.com/>

Last Name

First Name

of Yearbooks

Total (check or cash)

****All orders must be pre-paid .***

Return to the office with payment if using this document.

Address (if an out-going senior and not picking up yearbook)

City

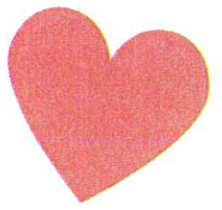
Zip Code

E-mail to contact you when yearbook arrives.

YOU CAN'T
buy happiness
BUT YOU CAN BUY A
YEARBOOK
and that's kind of the
same thing.



VOTE YOUR
FAVORITE TEACHER
TO BE THIS YEARS...

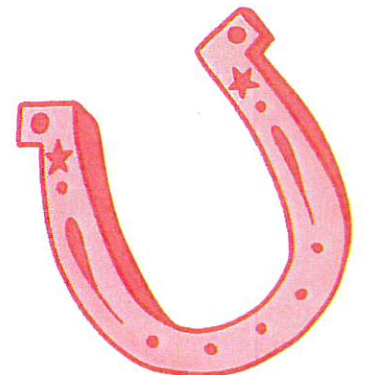
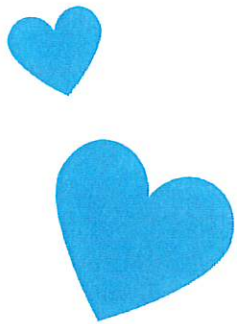


COWBOY CUPID



TO VOTE FOR THE COWBOY CUPID,
PUT A FREE WILL DONATION INTO
YOUR FAVORITE TEACHER'S BUCKET
(LOCATED IN MRS. BEACH'S ROOM)

THE BUCKET WITH THE MOST
DONATIONS WILL BE THIS YEAR'S
COWBOY CUPID!! DEADLINE IS FEB
12TH!



ALL PROCEEDS GO TO THE PALMYRA FIRE
DEPARTMENT!

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Newsletter - February 7th, 2025

Arrival 7:55-8:25

Dismissal 3:20

Early Dismissal Days 1:00

Principal's Update

Bus Changes

Please notify Cathy Fick and CC our secretary, Melissa Ostrander, for any changes for bus riding plans. If students are not riding in the morning, please let Cathy know.

Panther Luau

On Thursday, February 13th, we will be doing our Panther Luau celebration to celebrate the student's hard work during winter assessments. We had great assessment scores and are excited to celebrate the students with a "Panther Luau" party. Students can wear Hawaiian summer shorts, shirts, hats, sunglasses, and a Hawaiian lei. No swimsuits!

Arrival/ Dismissal Changes

Please make sure to direct all changes for arrival and dismissal to Melissa Ostrander (ostrander.mel@districtor1.net) or call the Bennet office. Please direct all change communications to the front office and we will direct this information out to teachers.

Kindergarten Roundup

Please mark your calendars for Kindergarten Round Up 2025 on Friday, May 2nd! If you have an upcoming Kindergarten student or know of a family that has a child nearing Kindergarten age, please call the office and provide information about your child so we can prepare for their attendance. The parent meeting will be held on this same morning at 9:00. Student dropoff will begin at 8:50 and the parent meeting will begin at 9:00 while students attend Kindergarten roundup. Both the students and parents will conclude at approximately 11:00.

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Preschool Enrollment

Please call the office if you intend to put your name on the enrollment waitlist for your child to attend preschool for the 2025-2026 school year. We are in the process of determining needs for our classes for next year.

TeamMates Book Vending Machine

A special thank you to Mr. Lahmon, School Counselor and TeamMates Program Coordinator, as we were notified that Bennet Elementary was selected as a recipient of the READ Nebraska grant through the TeamMates organization. Through this program, Bennet Elementary received a book vending machine with a significant donation of initial books for stocking. This book vending machine does not accept formal currency and is a token system that we will handle at school. Starting next school year, we will use this as a birthday recognition system for all students and will ensure that all outgoing fifth graders will have the opportunity to receive a book by the end of this year. Thank you for your patience as we get this new and exciting program off the ground.

Upcoming Events

- Feb. 11th- Bennet Boosters Meeting- 7:00
- Feb. 13th- Valentine's Day Parties
- Feb. 13th- Panther Luau
- Feb. 14th- No School- Winter Break
- Feb. 17th- No School- Winter Break
- March 6th- Family Reading Night/ Scholastic Book Fair
- March 7th- No School- Spring Break
- March 14th- No School- Spring Break
- March 31st- No School- Teacher In Service
- May 2nd- Kindergarten Round Up & Parent Meeting- 9:00-11:00 a.m.

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● Panther Paw Winners ●



**SAFE
RESPECTFUL
RESPONSIBLE**

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Panther Luau!

Have the winter blues?



Enjoy our PANTHER luau day!

Bring SUMMER to Bennet!!

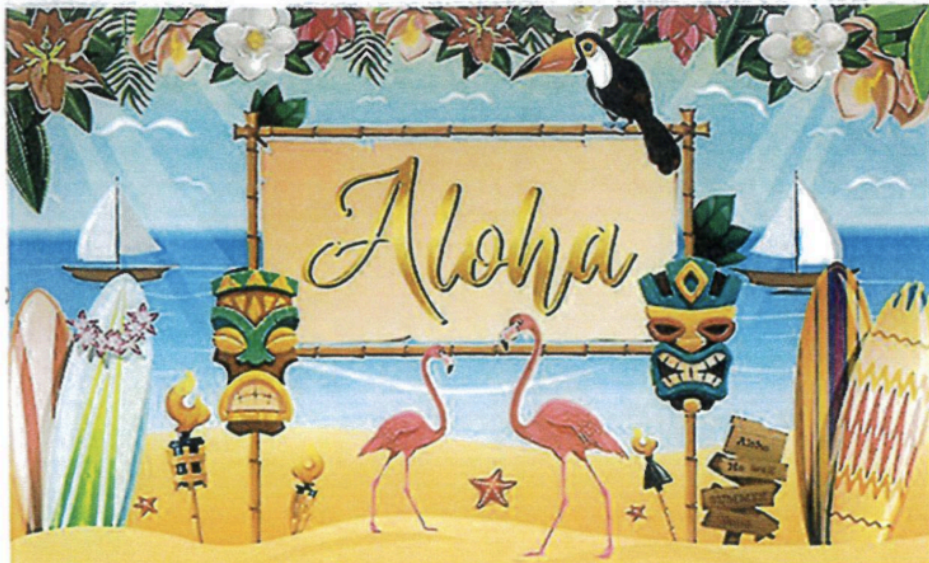
When: Thursday, February 13th

Where: Bennet Elementary



Wear: Your Hawaiian summer shorts, shirts, or sundress, hats, sunglasses AND your Hawaiian lei. NO swimsuits!

(Reminder, bring warm clothes to put on top in case of cold outside temperatures!)



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Aspire

Order Yours Today

<https://bit.ly/OrderAspireYouAreShirt>

Aspire Academy has created a fun, inspiring shirt design that celebrates self-worth and being a Panther! Wear it as a reminder to stay motivated and embrace your unique self.

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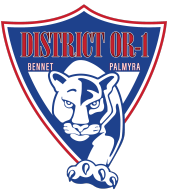
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WE LOVE CHEER

Winter 2025 Cheer Clinic

Who: ANY K-5 Grader

Cost: \$35 includes: shirt, cheer, chant, dance, and video to practice

When: Wednesday Feb 12th

3:30 -5:30pm- K-5th grade

Where: Elementary Gym immediately following school

Performance will be Friday Feb 14th during Boys Varsity Half-Time- Game starts at 715PM

Form and Payment Due: no later than Feb 3rd to GUARANTEE a t-shirt

(late registration with no shirt accepted through Feb 7th)

*Please fill out this form completely and return with payment to Elementary office or follow link on the Facebook post on ANY Booster Page to register and pay electronically!

(venmo @Jessica-Stone-204, cash/check to phs cheer)

Contact: panther.cheer@districtor1.net with questions

Thank you for your support of our growing squad!

PARTICIPANT'S NAME & GRADE: _____

PARTICIPANT'S TEACHER: _____

SHIRT SIZE(S): YS YM YL AS AM AL AXL

PARENT(S) OR GUARDIAN(S) NAME: _____

PARENT OR GUARDIAN CONTACT INFO: _____

PLEASE LIST ANY FOOD ALLERGIES OR INSTRUCTIONS _____



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Standard Response Protocol

Bennet Elementary’s adoption of the Standard Response Protocol (SRP) provides a standardized approach to managing various events, both threatening and non-threatening, that may happen in or around our school.

These protocols provide actions for the following situations:

- Lockout (danger is outside the school)
- Lockdown (danger is inside the school)
- Evacuate (leave the school building, such as a fire)
- Shelter (tornado or severe weather)
- Hold (stay in classrooms due to a non-threatening event outside the classroom)

IN AN EMERGENCY TAKE ACTION



HOLD! In your room or area. Clear the halls.

OCCUPANTS

Clear the hallways and remain in room or area until the “All Clear” is announced
Do business as usual

STAFF

Close and lock door
Account for occupants and staff
Do business as usual



SECURE! Get inside. Lock outside doors.

OCCUPANTS

Return inside
Do business as usual

STAFF

Bring everyone indoors
Lock outside doors
Increase situational awareness
Account for occupants and staff
Do business as usual



LOCKDOWN! Locks, lights, out of sight.

OCCUPANTS

Move away from sight
Maintain silence
Do not open the door
Prepare to evade or defend

STAFF

Lock interior doors
Turn out the lights
Move away from sight
Do not open the door
Maintain silence
Account for occupants and staff
Prepare to evade or defend



EVACUATE! (A location may be specified)

OCCUPANTS

Evacuate to specified location
Bring your phone
Instructions may be provided about retaining or leaving belongings

STAFF

Lead evacuation to specified location
Account for occupants and staff
Notify if missing, extra or injured people



SHELTER! Hazard and safety strategy.

OCCUPANTS

Use appropriate safety strategy for the hazard

| Hazard | Safety Strategy |
|------------|--------------------------|
| Tornado | Evacuate to shelter area |
| Hazmat | Seal the room |
| Earthquake | Drop, cover and hold |
| Tsunami | Get to high ground |

STAFF

Lead safety strategy
Account for occupants and staff
Notify if missing, extra or injured people

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[Student Directory Link](#)

Arrival and Dismissal Procedures

A few reminders that I would like to share to help everyone get in and out quickly:

- Please have students enter and exit your vehicle on the passenger side of your vehicle. The drop off lane is extremely effective and the safety of your student is our top priority. By doing this, we can ensure that students are not in zones of traffic and are not in harm's way.
- If you are using the parent drop/pick up lanes, please stay in your vehicles. If you would like to park and walk up, please utilize the parking spaces in the interior of the parent pickup/dropoff lane.
- In the afternoon **only**, Kindergarten parents may utilize the bus drop off lane for pickup for Kindergarten students and older siblings. Grades 1-5 will continue to use the primary pickup/dropoff lane. Teachers have now been assigned zones to help aid in the location of your students to help you get in and out quickly.
- For preschool students, we have begun a student drop-off zone similar to the primary drop-off lane. If you would like to stay in your vehicle, a staff member will assist with getting your student out of the vehicle.

Arrival Times

Students that are participating in the Rec program can be dropped off starting at 7:00. All other students can arrive no earlier than 7:50 unless they are utilizing school bussing or the Rec Program. School starts at 8:20 and the tardy bell rings at 8:30. Breakfast begins at 7:50 and ends at 8:20.

PowerSchool

Please check PowerSchool to view grades, missing assignments, and lunch balances. If you need to set up your account, please call Kristi in the office.

District Calendar

[24-25 District Calendar](#)

Transportation:

If you have any questions regarding bussing, please contact Cathy Fick at 402-540-2879.



14TH ANNUAL PALMYRA HIGH SCHOOL GOLF SCRAMBLE

SAVE THE DATE!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

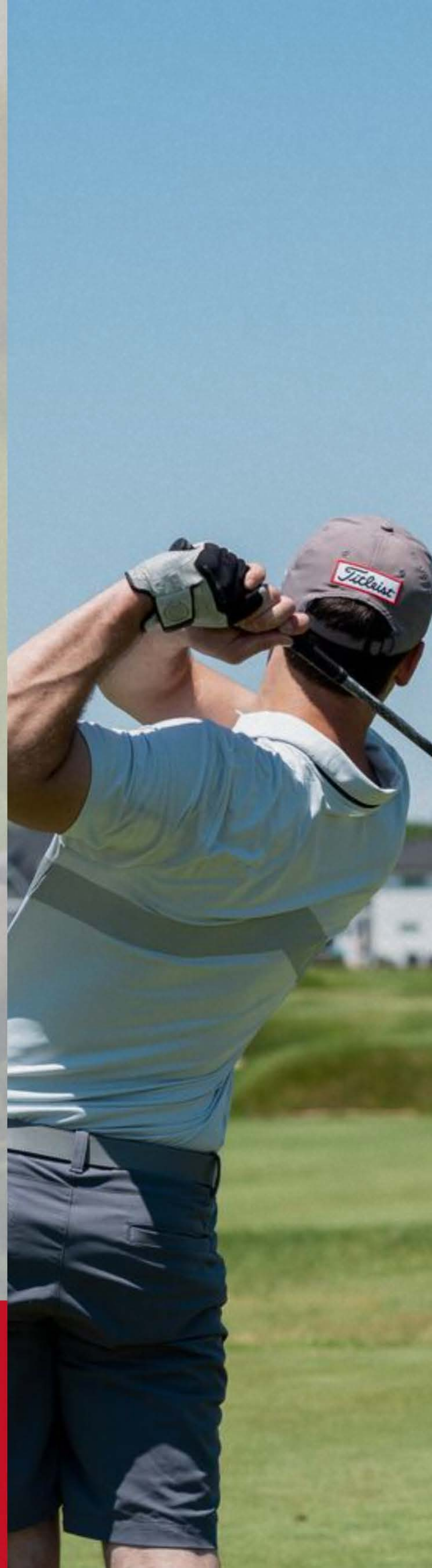
**Friday, May 30, 2025
9:00 AM Shotgun Start**

**HIDDEN VALLEY GOLF COURSE
10501 Pine Lake Rd Lincoln, NE 68526
www.hiddenvalleylincoln.com**

**4-PERSON TEAMS - CAN BE COED -
WOMEN AND SENIORS WILL USE
APPROPRIATE TEE BOXES**

SCRAMBLE FORMAT

**SIGN-UP DETAILS
COMING SOON!**





PHS Post Prom
fundraiser night at

RUNZA!

DINE AT RUNZA ON
84TH AND HWY 2
ON MARCH 4TH
FROM 4:30-7:30
AND 10% OF THE
PROCEEDS WILL GO
TOWARDS THE
PALMYRA
JR/SR POST PROM!



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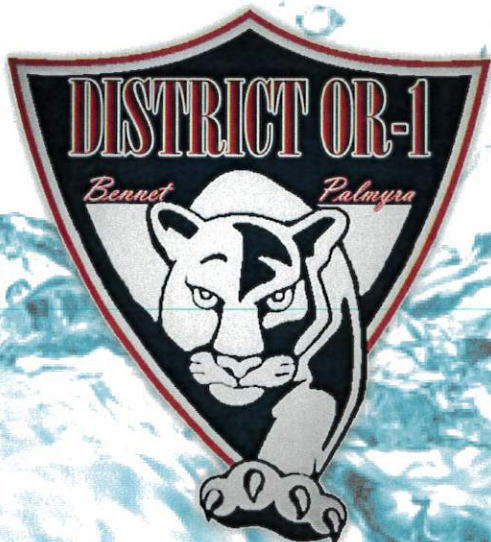


RIVERSTONE
BANK



Splash for
Cash

DURING HALFTIME AT EACH
PANTHERS VARSITY
BASKETBALL GAME, ONE
PERSON* WILL BE DRAWN FOR A
CHANCE TO WIN!



LAY-UP \$5
FREE-THROW \$10
3 POINT SHOT \$25
HALF-COURT SHOT \$100

*purchase tickets at
the admission table
prior to the game



PALMYRA PANTHERS

TRACK & FIELD TEAM STORE