

# Cliffside Park High School Project Graduation



## Rock and Roll for Project Graduation

The Cliffside Park Project Graduation Committee will be sponsoring our Third Annual Night of Rock & Roll, with music from the 60's, 70's & 80's, on Saturday February 6, 2010. The band ***Taxi*** will be playing a benefit performance at The Palisadium in Cliffside Park, and all money raised will benefit Project Graduation.

Project Graduation is an evening where the graduating seniors can come together for one last night. The night is a fully supervised drug and alcohol free gathering at a secure, undisclosed location. Transportation is provided after the graduation ceremony to assure the safety of every student attending.

The cost of such an event can be quite expensive, approximately thirty thousand dollars or more annually. To defray the cost of such an event, the school community has come together to raise the necessary funds. This is an invaluable event to the students of the Cliffside Park and Fairview communities.

The evening's musical entertainment will be provided by ***Taxi***. The band was originally formed in the 1970's by a group of local guys from Fairview, Ridgefield, Palisades Park and Cliffside Park. All the guys are still living in the area and playing their music. From Ridgefield, on guitar is Al Egizi; on the bass Guitar, John Ciniello; and Peter Danese on the drums. From Palisades Park, on the guitar is Jim Burns; from Fairview on the keyboards is Paul Simeone. Paul is the chorus director at Ridgefield Park High School. And on the saxophone, from Cliffside Park is Jerry DeLisio. Jerry is the Elementary and Middle School Band Director in Cliffside Park.

***Taxi*** originally played the local night club scene for a number of years, playing the music of Billy Joel, Bruce Springsteen, Jethro Tull and others, including a mixture of their original music, which was recorded onto an album in 1980. In the mid 1980's the band stopped playing clubs full time but still get together once a year for their Annual ***Taxi*** Reunion. It's been more than twenty years and the band plays on. In addition to the Annual ***Taxi*** Reunion the band plays for special occasions when asked.

The cost is \$75.00 per person, which includes a Buffet Dinner, wine & soda. The evening will begin at 7:00pm.

Anyone interested in purchasing tickets is asked to call:

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We hope to see you there!!!