Alumni Connection
ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI MAGAZINE
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2010 Fr. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award

Sr. Joan Monsour, IHM
St. Mary 1951

Richard “Dick” Lang
St. Vincent 1956

Anne Wise Bickett
St. Mary 1967

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

Please join me in congratulating the 2010 Father Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award Recipients and Irish Crusader Award Winners.

The spring issue of the Alumni Connection is dedicated to the 2010 Father Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award recipients. Each year, the impressive successes of some of our alumni are spotlighted throughout this special award. Nominated by their peers, friends, family or workmates, the alumni award recipients are selected based upon their accomplishments in ministry, service to youth, service to school, service to community and/or professional achievement.

In addition, the STVM Alumni Council is pleased to present the recipients for the 2010 Irish Crusader Award. This award was established in 2008 and recognizes those individuals who are not graduates from our school(s) but have a longstanding and positive relationship with St. Mary, St. Vincent and/or St. Vincent-St. Mary High School.

Congratulations to our four Fr. Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni recipients and our 2010 Irish Crusaders. Our annual dinner honoring the Alumni award winners and the Irish Crusader Award recipients will be held April 22, 2010 at Tangier Restaurant. For more information on this event and this year’s recipients turn to page 27. All are invited to attend this event and celebrate the special achievement of our alumni, our friends, our family and our school. Please contact the STVM Alumni Office for more details and an invitation.

Be sure to refer to page 1 and the “Save the Date” section so that you can mark your calendars and attend the fun events that are planned throughout this calendar year. I look forward to seeing you!

Many blessings to you and your family,
Kathy Zehenni Holaday VM77
Alumni Director

CALL STVM ALUMNI OFFICE FOR REUNION ASSISTANCE:

• Class Lists
• Mailing Labels
• Save the Date Calendar
• E-Connection Information On-line Alumni Community
• Website Listing www.stvm.com—Alumni—Class Reunions
• Alumni Magazine Mailed twice a year (Spring & Summer)
• Reunion Displays Lending library of yearbooks/newspapers/archives
• Reunion “Greetings” from the STVM Alumni Office
• Assistance with coordinating the reunion event with a venue already on the calendar (i.e. Annual Tailgate Party, Annual Come Home for Homecoming Celebration, etc.)

For more details or further information, please contact:
Kathy Holaday STVM Alumni Director at kholaday@stvm.com or 330-253-9113 x120
Dear Alumni, Family & Friends,

One of the goals for the 2009-2010 STVM Alumni Council is to better acquaint you with the happenings of your Alumni Association. The Alumni Connection magazine is a wonderful vehicle for achieving that goal and features a number of the events sponsored by the Alumni Association and hosted by the STVM Alumni Council.

- Annual Alumni & Friends Tailgate Party
- Annual Winter Alumni & Friends Night
- Annual Memorial Mass
- Annual Mahar Banquet
- Annual 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament
- Senior Farewell Mass

We have some exciting news to share. In addition to the programs and events listed above, your STVM Alumni Council Officers and members have made a commitment to become more involved and more active in the STVM High School philanthropic projects. So far this school year, we have participated in the monthly Market Day pickups and have even adopted a family as part of the STVM Adopt-a-Family project during the Christmas season.

Please stay connected with us. It is always good to hear from you! We have included a form so that you can update your current address and pay your annual dues. Alumni Dues are still only $10 per year (July 1, 2009–June 30, 2010). Please make your check payable to STVM Alumni Association.

If you are interested in getting involved in the STVM Alumni Association or becoming an officer/committee member on the STVM Alumni Council, please contact the STVM Alumni Office (kholaday@stvm.com). Elections will take place in the May/June timeframe for the 2010-2011 Council Officers.

Sincerely,
Marilynn Hohas McCoy VM78

ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MISSION STATEMENT:
The purpose of the STVM Alumni Association is to foster a continuing spirit of friendship, tradition and loyalty among the alumni of St. Mary, St. Vincent, and St. Vincent-St. Mary High Schools, and to sponsor and direct activities which will further the interests of its members and St. Vincent-St. Mary High School.

ANNUAL ALUMNI MEMORIAL MASS SCHEDULED FOR APRIL 12, 2010

The Alumni Association will host the Annual Alumni Memorial Mass on Monday, April 12, 2010 at 6:30 p.m. in the STVM Chapel (location may be moved to the LRC depending on attendance).

All St. Mary, St. Vincent, and St. Vincent-St. Mary alumni and family members of the deceased during the year 2009 are invited to the Memorial Mass. Family and friends are encouraged to attend. There will be a short reception immediately following the Mass in the Learning Resource Center (LRC) of the High School. Please RSVP to the Alumni Office (330-253-9113 ext.120) by March 30, 2010.

Tailgate Party

5th Annual Alumni & Friends event

The STVM Alumni Association hosted the 5th Annual Alumni & Friends Tailgate Party on Friday, September 11, 2009. The evening was delightful with the wonderful fall weather and over 100 alumni, friends and family gathered for good food and good conversation! Reunion teams from V49 and V59 enjoyed celebrating their events on campus. Thank you to all that attended. Hope to see you there next year! Save the Date — Friday, September 10, 2010.

Welcome to the Class of 2013

Alumni Council sponsors Freshmen events

The STVM Alumni Council attended the Freshman Breakfast on August 30, 2009 and was pleased to meet so many of the VM13 families!

A booklet was created and distributed to the families, entitled “Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow” highlighting our history and the three schools that make STVM the wonderful tradition-rich community that it is today! For a copy of the booklet, please contact the STVM Alumni Office.

The STVM Alumni Council sponsored the annual “Freshman Night at the Football Game” on Friday, September 4, 2009 and issued 138 free game tickets and refreshment vouchers to the STVM Freshmen for the 1st home football game.
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Alumni Council Supports Students
Focus on participation with student programs includes Market Day and Adopt-a-Family

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For more details and to register a team, please contact Brian Kluender VM04 at 330-414-0407 or bak585@aol.com

Winter Alumni & Friends Night
Alumni Council hosts Fighting Irish fans

The 2009-2010 STVM Alumni Council invited all alumni, family, fans & friends to attend the January 22, 2010 Winter Alumni & Friends Night immediately following the STVM vs. Parish Graham basketball game.

We had a great crowd that enjoyed FREE pizza, subs and light refreshments. Hope to see you in 2011!

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A special thank you to Don Utrup M56 for his generous donation to St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. The Alumni Office was the recipient of Don's recent donation of a wonderful piece of furniture and we are pleased to inform our readers that the Alumni Archives & Display continues to grow! Thank you Don for providing such a wonderful display case for our treasured archives.

Another special thank you goes to Catherine Baltes V46. Catherine delivered a complete packet of V46 files including several delightful reunion photos dating from 1976 to current day. The STVM Alumni Office welcomes any additions to our archives! We invite you to visit STVM and see our new additions and to spend some time reminiscing about those good “old” days!

Dear St. Vincent-St. Mary Alumni Office,
Enclosed is an autographed football that was displayed in the trophy case at the Fontanelle Restaurant in Columbus, Ohio. The owner, and my father, Bob Susi, displayed many items in his trophy case and he was proud of this one. My father sold the restaurant many years ago but kept this football. He has since passed away and I found this football while moving my mother to her new home. As our family does not have a proper place for this football, I am sending it to you in the hopes that you may be able to find it a proper new home.

God Bless, Robert N. Susi II
Lost, Found, and Reunited

Kathy Holaday (STVM Alumni Director) wishes to thank Lelia Miner and her son, Ron Miner for contacting the STVM Alumni Office. Lelia lives in Chili, New York and found a VM75 Class ring. After some research of the VM75 class list, Kathy contacted Mike Abernethy who resides in New Mexico and confirmed that the ring belonged to him!

Mike Abernethy VM75 writes....
I honestly cannot believe this has happened. That ring was stolen about 3 weeks after I had received it during my junior year. I am currently on staff with New Mexico State University as the Director of Procurement Services & Risk Management. We've lived in New Mexico since 1997. I joined the Air Force shortly after graduating from STVM in 1975, traveled quite a bit then got out in 1988 and moved to Dallas, Texas and lived there for almost ten years before moving here. I've been in higher education for over 20 years and enjoy it quite a bit. I love living out West — nothing like it. Totally different culture than living back east. I’m pretty passionate about outdoors stuff and hike, mountain bike, and mountain climb regularly — so this is heaven for me. This year will make 30 years that I’ve been married to my wife, Lora and we have two children. My son, Mike, is a graduate of NMSU and is an officer in the Coast Guard. He’s married and has one child. My daughter, Lindsey, is attending here at NMSU and about to be married in June.

Top of the Charts Once Again

Album recorded by St. Vincent High School Chorus in 1965 located

Thank you to Michele Krumelich Marzolf V68 for answering the call!

The Summer 2009 issue of the Alumni Connection published a request from Cynthia Clark Porter V68 entitled ...Who Remembers???

The Chorus, under the leadership of Sister M. Aloysius recorded an album (or “vinyl” as they are called these days) of Christmas songs entitled “The Wonders of His Love.”

Michelle read the article in the Alumni Connection Magazine and contacted the STVM Alumni Office and the connection between Cynthia and Michele was established.

Thank you Michele for making “The Wonders of His Love” available to Cynthia, and thank you Cynthia for printing extra copies. Cynthia has donated copies for the STVM Alumni Office, the STVM Library as well as the STVM Music Department. If you are interested in receiving a copy, please contact Cynthia at ccpsdca@gmail.com.
On September 4, 2009 the STVM Community gathered to pay tribute to our legendary football coach.

Kathy Holaday, Director of Alumni, interviewed John Cistone following the John Cistone Night celebration on September 4, 2009...

“When I met with John and Sally for breakfast on September 14, 2009, you could tell that the excitement, surprise and emotion of the evening — John Cistone Night — was still present in their minds and in their hearts,” reported, Kathy Holaday, STVM Director of Alumni.

“I asked John to relive the day and he walked me through the celebration — even down to the elements of surprise and wonder.”

Here is the interview with John....

John Cistone comments....

“You can only imagine my surprise when I went to a seemingly innocent breakfast with Provie Tomei, and then later arrived at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. I questioned Provie as to why we would have breakfast at the Akron Family Restaurant when Menches would have been a much closer location. I don’t think I ever really got a very satisfactory answer for that question! Provie and I met Al and Hank for breakfast at the Akron Family Restaurant and then Provie mentioned that he needed to take Hank to school so that he could sell tickets for the STVM vs. North game. Provie insisted I come into the school with him and that it would only take a few minutes.

When we opened the door to the STVM Student Center, I was surprised to see my daughter-in-law, Andrea and my grand-daughter, Leah (VM08). Not to mention the students wearing those (John Cistone Day) t-shirts! I was so very surprised and touched — all those students in the cafeteria, wearing those shirts. The STVM students were so well-mannered and polite as they came up to shake my hand and greet me. It was quite moving seeing all those students and being greeted by them as well as the faculty and staff.

I said this that evening and I will say it again, I have had enough honors and do not want anymore! I consider myself so very fortunate — I had good people. Those players...they were such fun to coach — they were very coachable. The school...it is not just a building — it is something special — we have something here that other schools do not have. Religion brought everyone together. It made us into a family unit. It gave us an advantage. The students make the school what it is today. Other schools do not have what we have.
Even back when I attended...in 1948, there were wonderful traditions. I am so glad to see Dan Boarman continue so many of them. One of my favorite memories is the team going to the Convent before and after the games to pray. The nuns would wait up for us. They covered the floor with plastic so that when we came to the convent to pray, we would not mess up the floors with our muddy shoes! I remember my team mates: Leo Longville V49, Dick Pitts V49, and Larry Coyle V49 were the ones that started the tradition of going to the convent to pray.

The entire day, starting with breakfast and continuing into the evening was incredible. What a surprise-filled and emotion-filled moment for me. I was so very touched to be honored in this way and would like to take this opportunity to thank Dan Boarman for organizing the event and Larry Vuillemin for hosting the John Cistone Night celebration in the Student Center. There were so many individuals involved and I would especially like to extend my appreciation to Tim Rickus, Art Sunday and the House of LaRose, Jim Hillery and S-Group, Patty Burdon, Gary Johnson, the STVM Marching Band as well as Mayor Don Plusquellic. There were so many people I did not get the chance to talk to. I am sorry I did not have the time to see everyone. They rushed me down to the locker room to be with the players! And you can believe it when I say that I never in my career can remember a time when I cried during the pre-game pep talk. That certainly was a moment to remember. I feel badly that I missed seeing so many people who travelled to be a part of the evening...like Bob Pacenta V66 who now lives in California and I also missed seeing John Walsh VM77 who now lives in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

I am so appreciative of the honor and for all the people who took part in the evening — John Cistone Night, September 4, 2009 — imagine that! Even my grandson, Connor, was affected by the celebration — he said, “now that I am the grandson of the most famous coach in the world, does that mean I can get anything I want??”

The only better quote I can think of right now was stated to me that night by one of my former players, Rick Gromley V71, “If you want anything “pure,” last night (September 4th) was pure.”

Special appreciation goes to Jennifer Ringer, STVM Events Coordinator for a wonderful celebration.

St. Mary Alumna Reaches Milestone

Doris Amelia Agnes MacDonald Lawler celebrates 105th birthday

Kathy Holaday, STVM Alumni Director met with Doris Amelia Agnes Lawler MacDonald, 105 years old after reading about Doris’ amazing life in the Jewell Cardwell article “Akron woman still thriving at 105” featured in the Akron Beacon Journal newspaper on July 16, 2009.

The following are excerpts from Jewell Cardwell’s article as well as Kathy’s interview with Doris.

In August, Kathy scheduled a visit with Doris Lawler MacDonald at Akron’s Rockynol Retirement Community and learned that Doris was born July 17, 1904 and attended St. Mary High School and The University of Akron, where she majored in psychology and sociology. She later received a master’s degree in social administration from Case Western Reserve University.

“Doris was a delight to visit with and was absolutely thrilled when I presented her with a STVM blanket. I look forward to visiting with her again and sharing the photos from our visit,” reported Kathy Holaday.
**Wedding Bells**

On December 27, 2008, Heather Murray VM02 married Matt Giel, Jr. Heather is living in Burton, Ohio and is employed at Our Lady of the Elms High School teaching Physical Education as well as coaching Basketball.

**Engaged**

Tammy Millmier VM06 and Dillon Shammo VM06 became engaged on December 26, 2009. These high school sweethearts have the intention of getting married in the Fall of 2011. Tammy is currently at The University of Akron in the College of Nursing, planning to graduate with a registered nurse (RN) degree in the spring of 2011. Dillon is also currently at The University of Akron planning to graduate with a firefighter/paramedic degree. While attending STVM, Tammy was a four year letter varsity soccer player as well as MVP her senior year and Dillon received a four year letter in varsity football. The couple also won best accessory their senior prom for wearing matching gold grills.

**Building In Belfast**

St. Mary Alumna Trish Ostroski M65 travels to Northern Ireland with Habitat for Humanity

Trish Ostroski M65 ventured to Northern Ireland in May 2009 to participate in a Habitat for Humanity Northern Ireland (HFHNI) build in Belfast. Trish was part of a team of eight that began at St. Monica Church in Santa Monica, California. In addition to putting an entire roof on a two-family home, the group did other various construction jobs over a ten day period.

Highlights included a tour of Belfast by the housing authority, demonstrating the changes and growth of the city as it overcomes its violent past, understands its history and builds for a promising future. Several other social programs gave the team an opportunity to mix and mingle with locals at events held at churches, private homes, and also during the special classes and training which included HFHNI staff and guest speakers. Free time included tours of the local area. Everyone on the team was designated an Ambassador for HFHNI.

**Background on HFHNI**

Having hosted close to a hundred teams from across the United States over its 15 year history, HFHNI has developed a unique experience which goes beyond the build to include peace studies, community relations and regeneration. The team worked with HFHNI staff, people from the local community, and the families that would eventually be living in the homes.

**Alumnus Forms Non-Profit Charity**

Frank Duve V53 writes...

My wife Merlyn and I have formed a non-profit charity in the name of our company, Vadim Ltd. to aid the people of the Philippines. We feed the hungry, supply clothing & school supplies for the kids and soon will be rebuilding the Catholic Church in Merlyn’s province. My wife, Merlyn Duve is featured in the photo.
**A Trip Down Memory Lane**

L. "Karl" McKeivier V48 visits STVM

L. "Karl" McKeivier V48 visited the STVM Alumni Office in September 2009 and paid his Alumni Association dues and made a donation to the Annual Alumni Association Scholarship. He was disappointed that he did not make the V48 60th reunion in 2008 because he was all set to return home for the reunion but instead ended up with an unexpected hospital stay.

Karl's memories of high school includes his most memorable teacher, Sr. Loretta and her sociology course which quickly became a favorite of many of the students. Karl also recalls the fun of being on the Yearbook Staff and was even nominated the “Top Salesman” for the yearbook ad solicitation. Karl feels this was one of the milestones in his life that led him to a future in sales. Looking back to his days at St. Vincent High School, Karl comments, “I will always treasure the quality of the people that were my classmates and peers.” Karl took a tour of STVM and admitted that he experienced a twinge of jealousy and said, “we lived quite humbly in comparison to the facilities the students have today.”

After graduating from St. Vincent High School in 1948, Karl and five other classmates enlisted in the Army. He spent six years in the Army and was stationed in California, Hawaii and for a short time in Korea. When he returned to Akron, he worked for General Tire for eight years and then Seiberling Tire. He was the youngest sales representative in the International Sales Department. Karl then worked for Goodyear and stayed in the International Sales Division. His travels took him to 105 countries including the West Indies, Puerto Rico, and ultimately, South Africa. Karl later joined 3M and retired in 1969 and remained in South Africa, living there for a total of 30 years. He has since returned to Florida and resides there with his wife, Margaret.

**COME HOME FOR HOMECOMING**

**SEPTEMBER 25, 2009**

The 2009 Come Home for Homecoming Alumni Reunion event was held on Friday, September 25, 2009. The attendees enjoyed refreshments, tours of the school and entertainment by our very own STVM Marching Band and Cheerleaders. The photos in the gallery clockwise from the first left are: Helen Belik Milo V59 and Pat Milo V58; Howard Meighan V54 and Jennie LaroCCA Meighan V60; Gretchen LaAtsCh V64 and Ellen Ilg McIntyre M59; and STVM Alumni Director Kathy Zehenni Holiday VM77 and 2009-2010 STVM Alumni Council President Marilynn Hohas McCoy VM78. Above: Displays were created for each of the 3 High Schools that represent our heritage and traditions: St. Mary, St. Vincent and STVM; Bottom: Marcy Smith VM86, Meg Witt Lee VM78 and Chris Dougherty Marks V72.
Our Alumni continue to excel

ALUMNI ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Four Years for a Lifetime

The STVM experience does not end at graduation

Anne McGovern V65
Anne McGovern V65 swam 6 events at the 2009 National Senior Games at Stanford University. Anne went to the awards podium 3 times, placing 7th in the 50 breaststroke and 50 backstroke and 8th in the 100 Freestyle.

Dan Sear V67
Dan graduated from St.Vincent High School in 1967. He played four years of football and wrestling ( All-City 1967 ). Dan left for the College of Sequoias Jr. College in 1968 and stayed for two years.

Dan then transferred to San Diego State where he wrestled and finished his BA and secondary teaching credentials.

Dan married Linda Galloway in 1971 and returned to Visalia, California for teaching/coaching at Valley Oak Jr. High School in 1974. Then Dan taught at Redwood High School and coached cross country and assistant wrestling for two years. At that time, a new high school - Golden West was opened. He was hired as a Resource Specialist and the head wrestling coach which he held for the better part of 30 years. While at Golden West High School, he was the advisor for the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and the “What’s Up” fishing club. In 2008, the community surprised Dan by naming the school’s athletic facility in his name.

Over the years, Dan has been involved in prison and drug rehab programs and the feeding ministries. Dan and Linda have two children: Matthew who is 36 years old and a primary teacher in the Visalia area, and Andrew who is 31 years old and an insurance broker in Anaheim Hills.

Dan is retired and this year drove from California across the United States visiting family and friends from Ohio to the Gulf states and back to California.

Kyle writes... “I am currently an advanced PhD student in the department of history at Indiana University-Bloomington with a dual focus in Modern Middle Eastern and Modern European History. Specifically, my focus is on Modern Italy and the North African Maghrib.

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Kyle P. Liston VM98
Congratulations to Kyle P. Liston VM98 on being named a 2009-2010 Fulbright Hays Research Fellow by the U.S. Dept of Education for his doctoral research in Tunis, Tunisia.

Matt Buzek VM04
January 14, 2010 “Ohio Mile Split” state publication featured Matt Buzek VM04 as one of the 7 best boys cross country runners for this decade.

For the full article and to view the photograph, please visit http://oh.milesplit.us/articles/32958

The article reviewed Matt’s successes as a runner and stated that Matt was “arguably the top division 2 runner during the span of 2000-2009.” The article went on to report that during Matt’s junior year at STVM, he was Division 2 state champion with a time of 15:54 and winning by 18 seconds and that Matt also was state champ in his senior year at STVM with a time of 16:07 but winning by an incredible 20 seconds. Matt also participated in the Footlocker Midwest Regional in 2002 and 2003, placing 12th and nearly qualifying for Nationals.

John Bulford VM05
John “Jack” Bulford VM05 was featured in a Discovery Channel program on January 14, 2010. Jack was one of the Army soldiers who joined the elite special forces - Green Berets. The Discovery Channel program entitled, “Two Weeks of Hell,” showed the arduous selection process for the Green Berets and Jack was one of the candidates (soldier #26) selected for the Green Berets.

Jack, a sniper team leader assigned to 1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment, 5th Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division is stationed in Afghanistan and re-enlisted two weeks after a strategic maneuver that enabled him to successfully secure the roads against insurgent attempts.

The complete article “Kiowas Provide Re-enlistment Support for Stryker Soldier” can be found by logging onto the Digital Video and Imaging Distribution System website at:


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The article reviewed Matt’s successes as a runner and stated that Matt was “arguably the top division 2 runner during the span of 2000-2009.” The article went on to report that during Matt’s junior year at STVM, he was Division 2 state champion with a time of 15:54 and winning by 18 seconds and that Matt also was state champ in his senior year at STVM with a time of 16:07 but winning by an incredible 20 seconds. Matt also participated in the Footlocker Midwest Regional in 2002 and 2003, placing 12th and nearly qualifying for Nationals.

John Bulford VM05
John “Jack” Bulford VM05 was featured in a Discovery Channel program on January 14, 2010. Jack was one of the Army soldiers who joined the elite special forces - Green Berets. The Discovery Channel program entitled, “Two Weeks of Hell,” showed the arduous selection process for the Green Berets and Jack was one of the candidates (soldier #26) selected for the Green Berets.

Jack, a sniper team leader assigned to 1st Battalion, 17th Infantry Regiment, 5th Stryker Brigade Combat Team, 2nd Infantry Division is stationed in Afghanistan and re-enlisted two weeks after a strategic maneuver that enabled him to successfully secure the roads against insurgent attempts.

The complete article “Kiowas Provide Re-enlistment Support for Stryker Soldier” can be found by logging onto the Digital Video and Imaging Distribution System website at:

1942
Alvin L. Franks V
I enjoy keeping up with what is going on back in Akron. It has been a long time since I lived there. I graduated in 1942 and moved to California in 1946. Hope to make the 70th reunion of my class in 2012. I still work as a consultant and have a web page for my business if interested, visit http://pages.prodigy.net/alffranks
E-mail: alfranks@prodigy.net

1950
Robert Hoffman M
Living in Akron, Ohio with wife, Dottie.
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1953
Jean Dunn Casseday M
Living in Akron, Ohio with husband, Roger. We have 5 children, 10 grandchildren and 1 great-grandchild.
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1956
George Newkome V
Dr. George Newkome V56 is The University of Akron, Vice President for Research and Dean of the Graduate School. George took part in the groundbreaking ceremonies for the new Akron Polymer Systems (APS) facility and was featured in a photo on the back cover of the Winter 2009/10 Akron Magazine, a magazine for Alumni & Friends of The University of Akron.
E-mail: tjc38@sbcglobal.net

1959
Mary Flavin Markov V
Living in Raleigh, North Carolina with husband, Jim. We have 3 children and 2 grandchildren.
E-mail: marymarkov@bellsouth.net

1961
John Russo V
Retired and living in Port Orange, Florida. I have 2 sons and 3 grandchildren.
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Sister Valerie Shaul V
Working as a Mission Group Coordinator and living in Columbus, Ohio.
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1962
Stephanie Stewart Keys V
Living in Tallmadge, Ohio and am the mother of 2 children and the grandmother to 4 grandchildren.

1964
Marjorie Blake Clements V
Working as a high school teacher in Akron and living in Bath, Ohio with husband, Denny Clements. We have 3 children and two grandchildren.

Thomas Gannon V
Married to Mary and living in Akron. We have 4 children and 1 grandchild.

Rita Kollar Maye V
Working as a RN and living in Phelan, California with husband, Joe. E-mail: akronmerry@aol.com

1965
Paul McCann V
Living in Wadsworth, Ohio with wife, Linda V65. We have 5 children that are STVM Alumni and 8 grandchildren.
E-mail: knight0399@roadrunner.com

Trish Ostroski M
Trish Ostroski M65 has written a play “See You Sooner” that was featured as part of the Los Angeles New Works Festival in October 2009 at the Stella Adler Theatre in Hollywood. She also appeared in the production.

1966
Christine Doyle Bradshaw V
E-mail: cjbradshaw@att.net

Richard Weigand V
Living in Holden Beach, North Carolina with wife, Marsha. We have 3 children and 1 grandchild.
E-mail: richwe@aol.com

1967
Bill Costigan V
On Tuesday, March 23, 2010 at the Student Union Ballroom at The University of Akron, Bill Costigan V67 will be awarded the Buchtel Award in Social Sciences. The Buchtel Award honors those who “significantly enhance the greater good of our community and recognizes vision, leadership, and community building as exemplified by The University of Akron’s principal founder, John R. Buchtel.”

Stephan France V
Living in Plain City, Ohio with wife Shirley. I am a cantor at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church in Marysville, Ohio and am involved in Kairos Prison Ministry as well as the music director for a local correctional facility. I have recently produced a CD of my music and if you are interested, please visit cdbaby.com (artist Steph France)

Bob McDonald V
Bob McDonald V67 swam 6 events at the National Senior Games. He placed 6th in the 200 Breaststroke and 7th in the 200 Backstroke.

1968
Susan Grimm Smith M
Married to Dennis and living in Uniontown, Ohio. We have 2 children and 5 grandchildren.

1970
CarlaCornecelli V
Working as a Staff Claim Service Adjuster, Special Investigation Unit and living in Akron, Ohio. E-mail: ccmcsucca@sbcglobal.net

1971
Marlene Cook Beckley V
Working as a teacher and living in Akron, Ohio with husband Gary. We have 3 sons and 1 grandchild.
E-mail: mbeckley53@hotmail.com

1972
Patrick Borovitz V
Working in Group Sales and living in Bullhead City, Arizona with wife, Suzanne and have 4 children and two grandchildren.
E-mail: sickotravel@yahoo.com

Janet Corey M
Working as an AmeriCorps*VISTA worker and living in Akron, Ohio. After retiring from the Ohio Bureau of Workers Compensation as an internal auditor last year, I was a full-time volunteer at an alternative high school in eastern Kentucky, teaching Civics and Home Ec. I am now an AmeriCorps*VISTA worker, serving as the Veterans Services Coordinator at the University of Akron.
E-mail: cmdjrjan@gmail.com

Kathy Sowinski Hadjuk M
Living in Venus, Pennsylvania with husband, Frank. We are the parents of 2 grown children.
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1976
Christine Mazzocco Journic VM
Working as a retail merchandiser and living in Akron, Ohio with husband, Steve and 2 children. E-mail: cmjournic@aol.com

1982
Ronald Daniel Templin, Jr. VM
Ron Templin VM82 is retired and living in California and enjoys traveling and live music.
E-mail: rahneejr@msn.com
1978
Kathy Gannon Bost VM
I have been employed by the Sun Sentinel Newspaper of Ft. Lauderdale, Florida since shortly after getting married in 1989 to Fred, a native Floridian. We have two sons who are very active in athletics, fishing, camping, etc. It is more fun being a Mom than I ever imagined! Hi to all of the Class of 1978. I have never made it to a reunion but remember all of the great times during our High School days! E-mail: KBost@sun-sentinel.com

David Davis VM
Living in La Crescenta, California with wife, Sally and two daughters.
E-mail: dddavis@ci.glendale.ca.us

Helen Morris Mandalinich VM
Working as an Assistant Professor and living in Canal Fulton, Ohio with husband, Matt and our 2 children.
E-mail: hmandalinich@starkstate.edu

1979
Jo Ellen Gruensfelder Fullerton VM
Working as a flight attendant and living in Medina Ohio with husband, Ty. We are the parents of 3 children and have 1 grandson.
E-mail: tfull1160@zoominternet.net

Mary VanDevere Herpy VM
Married David Herpy on July 18, 2009 and living in Willoughby, Ohio.
E-mail: mherpy@aol.com

Craig Lovelace VM
Living in Groveport, Ohio with wife, Erika.

John Roman VM
Working as a Chief Engineer at Goodyear Tire and living in Hudson, Ohio with wife, Patricia.
E-mail: jromans@roadrunner.com

Patty Zoltal Buschko VM
Living in Akron with husband, Tom. We have 3 children and 2 grandchildren.
E-mail: patty1026@neo.rr.com

1982
Kelly Montgomery Hoy VM
Working as General Counsel for Legacy Capital Partners and living in Sagamore Hills, Ohio with husband, Daniel and our 4 children.
E-mail: kmh@lcpl.com

Julia Ost Hornsby VM
Living in Sparks, Nevada with husband, Tony.
E-mail: jehornsby@sbcglobal.net

Laura Wise Collins VM
Working in the insurance industry, living in Akron, Ohio with 2 sons.
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1983
James Conlin VM
Working as a licensed realtor and living in Cape Coral, Florida and engaged to Lizzette.
E-mail: jconlin@teamaubuchon.com

1984
Gina Kaye Maddox VM
Living in Akron, Ohio with husband, Willie B. Dean, Ph.D.

Julie Huddleston Simpson VM
Living in Elmhurst, Illinois with husband, Martin and two sons.
E-mail: simpsonmj146@comcast.net

Beth Hopkins Mulhern VM
Working as an Assistant Branch Manager and living in Norton, Ohio with husband, Jim and 2 sons.
E-mail: bethm210@sbcglobal.net

1985
Thomas Brown VM
Working as Director of Marketing, Pharmaceuticals and living in Cincinnati, Ohio.
E-mail: ThomasBrown24@me.com

Lisa Bradshaw Crabtree VM
Living in Niceville, Florida with husband, Olwin.

Timothy Dukeman VM
Living in Akron with wife Candy and sons Travis VM10 and Evan.

1986
Joseph Rinella VM
Working as a Data Specialist Manager and living in Cuyahoga Falls with wife, Lenora and our 3 children.
E-mail: joecool623@yahoo.com

1987
Mary Kay Wittenaure Bulmer VM
Working as a Social Worker at The Ohio State University Medical Center and living in Baltimore, Ohio with husband, Dean. We were married on July 11, 2009.
E-mail: bux98@yahoo.com

1988
Kelli Mills Meissner VM
Living in Cuyahoga Falls with husband, Joe and 3 children.

Thomas Freeman VM
Living in Akron, Ohio.
E-mail: BigRig1970@msn.com

Jeff Gorman VM
Recently published articles on Associated Content relating to Professional Wrestling, George Clooney, Brett Hart and Vince McMahon, as well as the movie “Valentine’s Day.” Please visit the site to view the articles at http://www.associatedcontent.com/user/11449/jeff_d_gorman.html

Vance Sanford VM
Working in Corporate Sales at Glenmoor Country Club and living in Akron, Ohio with wife, Sarah VM92 and daughter.
E-mail: vs10071970@aol.com

Joe Welling VM
Living in Akron, Ohio with wife, Christine.

1989
Steven Frechette VM
Working as a Recruiter at InVision, Inc. and living in Raleigh, North Carolina with two children and engaged to Sommer.
E-mail: alag@yahoo.com

Michele Huff Hemberger VM
Working in Customer Support and living in Copley, Ohio with husband, Todd and our 5 children.
E-mail: parisfiregirl@aol.com

1991
Julie Flynn VM
Living in Akron, Ohio and recently joined new naturopathic medical practice, Summit Natural Wellness Center, located in the Merriman Valley.
E-mail: drflynn@snwcenter.com

1992
Chris Campbell VM
Living in Glendale, Arizona and working for Southwest Airlines.
E-mail: cccamp1103@hotmail.com

1993
Jason Koenig VM
Returned to Akron, Ohio after living in Rochester, New York. Pursuing real estate brokerage sales with Howard Hanna in Uniontown, Ohio.
E-mail: jaykoel@hotmail.com

2001
Kristin Windhorst VM
Kristin Windhorst VM01 and Jeff Sparks of Dayton, Ohio were married in July. Kristin is the daughter of STVM teacher, Mrs. Merrylois Windhorst. Both Kristin and Jeff graduated from Wright State in 2005, Kristin with a degree in Social Work and Jeff in Electrical Engineering. Kristin is a Child Welfare Social Worker for Montgomery County Children Services and Jeff is employed by Heapy Engineering in Kettering, Ohio. Kristin completed her Master’s Degree from Case Western Reserve University in 2009. The couple lives in Centerville, Ohio.
1994
Ryan Spain VM
Living in Savannah, Georgia and the proud father of two children.

1996
Kelly Dyer Brown VM
Kelly Dyer married fellow Akron police office, Aaron Brown on September 5, 2009 in a ceremony attended by many St. Vincent and St. Vincent-St. Mary High School alumni.
E-mail: kellydyerl2@yahoo.com

1997
Katie McKee Palmer VM
Joseph Palmer VM
Living in Akron, Ohio with my husband, Joseph VM97 and our 3 children. Joe served a 4 year Residential Apprenticeship with The Plumbers and Pipefitters, then, tested over to become a licensed Commercial Pipefitter. He is currently a Union Foreman over Geothermal Systems for the Middleton Corporation out of Local #219. I graduated from The University of Akron with a Communication Degree in Interpersonal and Public Communication, and a minor in English. I am currently a stay at home mom but volunteer, and hold offices, within many organizations such as PTA, Cub Scouts, and North Akron Baseball Association. We have also sponsored a little league team for NABA. But you will never believe what I took part in... I recently joined Team in Training, an athletic-endurance program which raises funds for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. I raised money (for blood cancer research and support for families in Northeast Ohio) this past summer, and trained for the 100 mile Century Ride in Maryland in October 2009! Yeah, 100 miles on a bike in 1 day!!! I enjoyed getting involved and helping to make a difference in the lives of so many children and families dealing with leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma right here in Northeast Ohio.

1998
Anni Hadley Kman VM
Working as a Dietitian at a Columbus Dialysis Center and living in Powell, Ohio with husband, Nick. We welcomed our daughter on August 21, 2009 and my dad, Jim Hadley V59 and his wife Jill were with us to welcome their new granddaughter.
E-mail: adbuckeyes@yahoo.com

1999
Jacqueline Gonzi Mullet VM
Working as a Speech-Language Pathologist and living in Canton, Ohio with my husband, Josh.
Nicole Pulos VM
Living in Fishers, Indiana.
E-mail: napulos@aol.com

2000
Elizabeth Kenny Mosher VM
Robert Mosher VM
Rob Mosher VM00 and Elizabeth Kenny VM00 were married on April 18, 2009 at St. Vincent Church. They currently live in Worthington, Ohio.

2001
Kristin Windhorst Sparks VM
Living in Centerville, Ohio with husband, Jeff Sparks. Graduated from Case Western University in 2009 with a masters degree.

2002
William Costigan VM
Living in Seattle, Washington.

2005
Jake Smith VM
Living in Akron and just completed first novel in a 4 book series/cycle entitled: Elemental - and hope to have it published in the near future. Please visit my new writing website that features “how to get your writing published,” at www.McNeilinc.webs.com
E-mail: sabertooth68@aol.com

2006
Theresa Attalla VM
E-mail: tattalla24@gmail.com
Jane Killian VM
Will graduate from John Carroll University in 2010 and was featured in the Winter 2009 John Carroll University Magazine for her involvement in the Reality Bridge Project. Reality Bridge is a unique program offered by John Carroll University and is part of the Entrepreneurs Association (EA). Reality Bridge allows students to “convert their business ideas into actual businesses by leveraging the entrepreneurial expertise of the EA members.”

2007
Shelley Wyzynski VM
In August 2009, Shelley was selected as Choir Director for St. Ann Parish in Sebring, Ohio. Shelley is currently a Junior at Mount Union College, majoring in Music Education with an emphasis on Primary Instruments of Voice and Piano. Shelley serves as President of the Ohio Collegiate Music Educators Association, and is an active member of the Mount Union Choir, Alpha Xi Delta Sorority and Mu Phi Epsilon, the Music Fraternity. In addition, Shelley teaches voice lessons to students at Patti Schafer’s Modeling and Performing Arts Center in Alliance.

2009
Tyler R. Chopko VM
Tyler Chopko VM09 completed his Cadet Basic Training at the U.S. Military Academy at West Point as reported in the West Side Leader (October 8, 2009 publication). Tyler plans to graduate from West Point in 2013.

STVM ON-LINE COMMUNITY

St. Vincent-St. Mary High School is pleased to announce the overwhelming success of our new on-line alumni community – e-Connection.

Simply log on and register at www.stvm.com and stay connected with classmates and alumni through e-Connection.

Please contact the STVM Alumni Office for your unique constituent identification number.

We hope you log-on and enjoy being a member of e-Connection!

2006
Matt DeGrand VM from The College of Wooster was honored on the D3football.com

Making the All-North Region Team, earning third-team recognition, Matt DeGrand VM06 was one of the top defensive players across the NCAC again, earning a third all-conference award and second first-team honor in a row. Matt is a 6-0, 205-pound senior, served as the cornerstone of Wooster’s defense. From the strong-side ‘backer position, he averaged 12.4 tackles per outing, ranking sixth nationally, and his total of 112 tied for the 11th-most in school history, despite missing seven quarters due to injury. Matt intercepted two passes, returning one 82 yards for a score, and forced two fumbles, to go with 5.5 tackles for loss. Matt finished his football career with 324 tackles, 6th-most in the school’s record books for career tackles. A multi-sport standout, he is now focused on resuming his role as a top-tier pitcher for the Scots’ nationally-ranked baseball team, entering 2010 with a 15-2 career record and 3.75 ERA.
Plan Ahead

For the very latest in reunion information, visit the Alumni page of www.stvm.com and click on Class Reunions

Monthly Lunch M48
St. Mary Class of 1948
Join your M48 classmates on the 2nd Thursday each month at 11:00 a.m. for lunch. Location: Donato’s Restaurant (Cuyahoga Falls Avenue). For more details, contact Nantia Arnold Linn 330-825-7733

Monthly Lunch M49
St. Mary Class of 1949
Join your M49 Classmates and spouses on the second Thursday of every month at Noon at Papa Joe’s Restaurant for lunch. For more details, contact Jeanette Pittinger at 330-523-0009 or via e-mail pittmoff@aol.com

Monthly Lunch M51
St. Mary Class of 1951
Join your M51 classmates on the 2nd Monday of each month at 11:00 a.m. for lunch. Location: Frontier Restaurant, 418 E. Maple, Hartville, Ohio.

Monthly Lunch M53
St. Mary Class of 1953
Join your M53 classmates each month when we meet at 11:00 a.m. for lunch at Donato’s (Cuyahoga Falls Avenue). Call Dick Linn 330-825-7733 for more details.

Monthly Breakfast M59
St. Mary Class of 1959
Join us for our monthly breakfast on the 2nd Monday of each month at 9:00 a.m. at Amber Restaurant on Canton Road. Contact Jerry Rotunda for details suzannerotunda@att.net

Monthly Breakfast V58
St. Vincent Class of 1958
Join your V58 classmates at 10:00 a.m. every month for breakfast at The Akron Family Restaurant (250 W. Market, Akron, Ohio. Phone 330-376-0600). For more details contact Anne Steinmetz Berrodin irishnm@adelphia.net or 330-659-4117

Monthly Dinner V63
St. Vincent Class of 1963
Join your V63 classmates each month for dinner. Contact Bill Price 330-923-4312 to find out the restaurant location, date and time for this month’s dinner.

STVM Class of 1977
Monthly Girls Night Out!
Join the VM77 classmates for a monthly girl’s night out. A new location is determined each month and if interested in attending, please contact Carla. Contact: Carla Bouschere Steiner at MVB@aol.com

50th Reunion Planning
St. Mary Class of 1960
St. Mary Class of 1960 is planning our 50th reunion for 2010. If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please contact Bonnie Haddad Dallas at wbddallas@aol.com

50th Reunion
St. Vincent Class of 1960
September 24–25, 2010
The schedule of weekend events for the St. Vincent Class of 1960 50th Reunion are as follows: Friday, September 24th informal social at St. Sebastian Zwissler Hall. Saturday, September 25th Guy/Gal Golf Outing. Saturday, Evening-Mass at St. Vincent Church followed by 50th Reunion Class dinner at the Fairlawn Country Club. For additional details on reunion happenings contact Micki McCool Trenta at mtrenta@neo.rr.com phone 330-668-9068.

St. Mary Class of 1964
Summer Get-Together
The St. Mary Class of 1964 are in the planning stages of a summer get-together for a day... perhaps at one of the islands of Lake Erie, maybe a little cruise on a Good Time ship, maybe a little trip into Pittsburgh for an overnight... the possibilities are endless! Join us for our monthly get-togethers if you can steal a couple of hours away from your daily routine. Spouses and/or significant others are always welcome, and if you’d prefer, just come by yourself! If you’d like to join us in the planning and in the doing of any of these gatherings, please contact Lorrie Haddox at donlori@att.net, or 330-923-8874. Hope to see you soon!

45th Reunion
St. Vincent Class of 1965
July 17, 2010
The St. Vincent Class of 1965 is planning our BIG 45th Reunion in 2010 the weekend of July 17, 2010. We are just having a casual gathering. If anyone from the class would like to help or have ideas for this, please e-mail Carol Lieb at cleb@kent.edu or call 330-289-1193.

V65 Annual Mini Reunion
Mark your calendars now for our annual Mini-reunion on December 26, 2010 – location to be determined.

50th Reunion
St. Mary Class of 1965
Friday, May 21, 2010
Calling all St. Mary High School Alumni! Please join the St. Mary Class of 1965 for Mass at St. Mary Church at 5:30 p.m. on Friday, May 21, 2010. The Mass will be followed by a school tour & get together in the cafeteria. All alumni are welcome to join us for this special event especially since the church is scheduled to be closed in the near future. Saturday, May 22, 2010: M65 Classmates will gather at Thomastown Party Center (1280 Tripplett Blvd., Akron, Ohio) for our 45th Reunion from 6:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. For additional information, please contact Lyne Wall Peters 330-494-2649 or latpeters@neo.rr.com or Delores Campanale Brookover at dbrookover@scrr.com

40th Year Reunion Planning
St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1970
June 26, 2010
Mark your calendars for our 40th Reunion celebration to be held on June 26, 2010 at Menches, Canal Park. More details to follow! Be sure to visit our Facebook pages located at: St.Vincent High School 1970 Akron. For more details, contact Jane Nixon Waterman 330-836-3031 cell 330-701-9461 or e-mail janewaterman@aol.com. Reunion team includes, Jane Waterman, Vince Rich, Bob Corall and Carla Cornacelli and Ann Garber and Dan Shaughnessy.

35th Reunion Planning
St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1975
St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1975 is planning our 35th reunion for 2010. If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please contact Kathy Belany Devus via e-mail kdevus@sbcglobal.net

30th Year Reunion
St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1980
September 10, 2010
Join the VM80 classmates as we celebrate our 30th Reunion! The reunion begins with the Alumni & Friends Tailgate Party before the Football game on Friday September 10, 2010. Please purchase your Tailgate Tickets through the STVM Alumni Office. Then on Saturday, the VM80 Reunion continues with Mass at 5:00 p.m. at St. Vincent Church and then off to St. Sebastian Zwissler Hall for a relaxed Appetizer Party with goodies by our very own Chef Marc of Acme Catering. For information, e-mail Eileen Walter Moats @ emmmpp@aol.com. Be sure to send your updated address to the STVM Alumni Office (akholaday@stvm.com) and those of any classmates who may have moved since our last reunion. Thanks and hope you can come — as always, you are encouraged to join our Alumni Association.

20th Year Reunion
St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1990
July 30–August 1, 2010
Please join your VM90 classmates at the Cleveland House of Blues on Saturday, July 31, 2010. Please continue to check www.stvm.com. - Alumni - Class
The St. Vincent High School Class of 1949 gathered at STVM on Friday September 11, 2009 to celebrate their 60th Class Reunion. Thirty-three classmates, twenty-six spouses and guests and two faculty members attended.

At 4:30 p.m. the V49 Classmates and guests assembled in the STVM theater to greet one another and to see a slide show of photos from St. Vincent High School dating back to 1949 and also watched a present day “virtual” tour of the current school.

The evening began at 5:00 p.m. with Mass in the theater, celebrated by classmate, Fr. Ed Mehok, with music provided by the high school choir. The Irish Dancers performed on stage following the conclusion of the Mass and then the class proceeded to the school’s Student Center for photos. Sr. Loretta Petit and Sr. Marie Hohman who taught the class were honored guests for the evening. They reside at Our Lady of the Elms Convent.

Class President David Brennan addressed the group briefly. Dinner was served in the STVM library (LRC) and the band and cheerleaders came by to play the alma mater and fight song. Memorabilia from 1949 was on display from the STVM Alumni Office. Many classmates then went on to the football game and watched the Fighting Irish beat Garfield High School.

The Class of 1949 really appreciated having the reunion in the school, interacting with the students, faculty and staff and seeing first-hand what is going on. They would recommend using the school to anyone wishing to hold a reunion. A great time was had by everyone!

Reunions as well as our Facebook site: “St. V-M Class of 1990 20 year Reunion” for updates to our schedule and our newly established blog: www.stvm1990.blogspot.com. The schedule of weekend events for VM90’s 20th reunion includes:

- **Friday, July 30, 2010 School tour at 6:30 p.m. Saturday, July 31, 2010. Guy/Girl Golf Outing - Location & a.m. Tee Time TBD. Hosts for the event are Bob Leone and Ryan Strobel. Reunion Gathering at the Cleveland House of Blues 7 p.m. - 12 a.m. Hotel information for downtown Cleveland locations will be provided in future mailings.
- **Sunday, August 1, 2010 - Casual brunch get together - location & time TBD. Reunion planning team: Karen McEvoy-Stepic e-mail: mstepic@neo.rr.com or call 330-699-1607. Tiffany Cooko-Gatto e-mail: tgatto@earthlink.net or call 330-666-0280. Colleen Smith-Parsons e-mail: cphansons@yahoo.com or call 330-928-5414. Bob Leone e-mail: rleone@neo.rr.com or call 330-352-8410. Ryan Strobel e-mail: cstrobel@sbcglobal.net or call 330-607-0704

**10th Year Reunion planning St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 2000**

The STVM Class of 1990 is starting to plan our 10th reunion. At this point, we are using Facebook to reach out and contact our classmates. Please forward any updated contact information to our attention and if interested in being a part of the planning team, please contact: Catherine Oliverio Williamson at e-mail: cmoliverio@hotmail.com, or Elizabeth Kenny Mosher at e-mail mosherep@gmail.com

Visit our Alumni section located at www.stvm.com and Select Alumni and Class Reunions. To post your reunion photos on the STVM website, please contact Kathy Holaday, Alumni Director via e-mail: kholaday@stvm.com
St. Mary Class of 1949

60th Reunion September 18-20, 2009

Jeannette Pamer Pittinger M49 reports...

St. Mary Class of 1949 held their 60th Reunion on September 18-20, 2009. The weekend was filled with enjoyable activities including our Friday night casual get-together at the Sheraton Suites in Cuyahoga Falls. Saturday, we met for dinner at the Sheraton Suites, and on Sunday, we participated in the 11:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary Church and then enjoyed a brunch back at the Sheraton.

St. Mary Class of 1954

55th Reunion September 26, 2009

Bev Frattura Waltz M54 writes...

The St. Mary High School Class of 1954 held our 55th Reunion at Papa Joe’s Restaurant on September 30, 2009 with 40 classmates in attendance. We thoroughly enjoyed visiting with our classmates and renewing friendships and sharing memories. There are plans to meet again to celebrate our 75th birthdays in 2011 and we will let everyone know when the date is set.

St. Vincent Class of 1954

55th Reunion September 26, 2009

Nick Codispoti V54 writes...

The St. Vincent High School Class of 1954 had our 55th reunion on September 26, 2009. We started with 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Vincent Church followed by dinner at the Fairlawn Country Club.

PHOTO ID: (LEFT TO RIGHT) 1ST ROW: SALLY BURNS SCHOBERT, MARY CONLON PENIX, 2ND ROW: BILL SHAUGHNESSY, JACK MARSHALL, NICK CODISPOTI, JOHN MEADOWS, HOWARD MEHIGAN, JOAN SEIGMAN EVERETT, JOE MAY, LOUISE BEAMURER, MARY LOU PATSY FROMNAPFEL, SUE STATLER VELEK, PAT PIFER MEREDITH, MARJORIE DETTLING LESHO, PAT GESSLER POST, AGNES VORWERK SMITH, SUSIE MCLUSKIE SWEJK, DIANE ROBERTS CLEMENS, BETH WEIRZ KONKEL, JUDY SCHNUR CARRINO, PAUL QUIRK, JACKIE RINGLEIN RAMBACHER, MAGGIE WIOLLAND COSTELLO, MARY ANN FLYNN FOUSE. 3RD ROW: JIM HERRO, WALDO SOBER, FRANK HOLLISH, JOE KELLY
St. Mary Class of 1959

50th Reunion September 26, 2009

Jerry Rotunda M59 reports….

St. Mary Class of 1959 held their 50th Reunion on September 18-20, 2009. Sixty one classmates and their spouses and friends gathered for their 50th Class Reunion weekend. Friday, September 18th, we gathered for a mixer at Papa Joe’s Restaurant and on Saturday, September 19th, we gathered for dinner, reminiscing, renewing and making new friends at the Stow Youth Baseball Hall. Each member of the M59 class was given a booklet with a short biography and directory along with a DVD of all the classmates and St. Mary memories. This was produced by the daughter and son-in-law of Gil and Mary Schur Schultis. The next day, Sunday, September 20th, the group met at St. Mary Church for Mass followed by a breakfast in the school cafeteria. Most alumni went on a tour of the school which brought back so many memories.

St. Vincent Class of 1959

50th Reunion September 11, 2009

Hank Bertsch, Gene Turchan and Mike Filing write….

The St. Vincent Class of 1959 gathered for our 50th Reunion during the weekend of September 11, 2009.

A great time was had by all as we participated in the Alumni Association’s Annual Tailgate Event for the kick-off of our reunion weekend. We enjoyed the tailgate event and appreciated the STVM Alumni Association making us feel special for our 50th with the tent and reserved seats. It is estimated that over 50 classmates were in attendance. Many classmates continued on to John Cistone Field/Green Street Stadium for the football game while others led the way up the hill to the “mixer” that was held in the STVM Learning Resource Center (LRC).

The V59 reunion events also included Mass at St. Vincent Church as well as a Gala event at the Portage Country Club on Saturday evening and ended on Sunday with a casual brunch. This was the first time since our graduation that all four of our class officers were together. We were able to locate all 173 living classmates from our class and 87 attended the dinner at Portage Country Club. We took great pride in having 50% attendance!
Join together with your classmates to celebrate your time at St. Mary, St. Vincent or STVM

MEMBERS OF V58 UNDEFEATED FOOTBALL TEAM REUNITE

Members of undefeated 1958 St. Vincent High School football team met up at the the St. Vincent Class of 1959 50th reunion. Featured in photo (left to right): Marty Misbrener, Joe Mackey, Dan Pappano, John Skeese, Larry Mehok, Steve Berish, Chuck Petit, Pat Meadows, Dave George, and Terry Ede. V59 football players missing from the photo are: Jerry Bell, Brother Ray Fitz, Ronnie Franks, Ray Gmerek, Dick Jackson & Ronnie Russell.

St. Vincent Class of 1964

45th Reunion September 25, 2009

Jan Karl Royer V64 reports....

On Friday evening, September 25, 2009 V64 classmates gathered for the Come Home for Homecoming celebration at the St. Vincent-St. Mary Student Center then went to the STVM Homecoming Game at the John Cistone Field/Green Street Stadium. Other classmates went straight to The Barley House on Main Street for drinks and hors d’oeuvres. Mike Murphy made a beautiful banner commemorating the St. Vincent Class of 1964 which all classmates signed Friday and Saturday evening. Several classmates who hadn’t seen each other since graduation reunited and enjoyed visiting with one another.

Saturday evening started with 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Vincent Church, followed by dinner and entertainment by Larry Alltop at Guy’s Party Centre. We all enjoyed good food, excellent friends, great laughter and dancing like we were 18 again!

This could possibly have been the best reunion yet! We are definitely planning a 50th Reunion, but we had such a good time that we think a 65th Birthday Bash in 2011 would be a blast! Thanks to the wonderful committee for planning a most extraordinary event!

If you missed the 45th... you missed a fantastic time, and we’re looking forward to seeing everyone at the 65th Birthday Bash in 2011 and our 50th Reunion in 2014!
St. Vincent Class of 1965

Mini-Reunion December 26, 2009

Carol Phillips Lieb V65 reports....
The St. Vincent Class of 1965 met at their annual mini-reunion on December 26, 2009. The fun started at the Firehouse Grille and Pub in Tallmadge, Ohio and finished off (as it always does) at Luigi’s. It was a good time of being together and catching up on the events of the year for all of us. We are still planning a big 45th Reunion during the July 17, 2010 weekend.

THE CLASSMATES IN THE GROUP PICTURE ARE:
FRONT ROW: SHARON KARL CASEY, CAROL PHILLIPS LIEB, AND CAROLYN MARSHALL HARMAN. MIDDLE ROW: JEAN DIXON WATTS, JILL GARDNER JESSIE, FRANK JESSIE, DENNY GRAF, BERNIE KRESS, AND VICTOR JOSEPH. BACK ROW: STEVE JOHNSON, SAM BISESI AND LARRY KUS.
ALSO ATTENDING WERE V65 CLASSMATES: COLLEEN MOORE AND TIM MOSHER, MARCI GHERCK BISESI, TOM AND JUDY DALASKI STECZ AS WELL HENNY BACKER JOHNSON, STEVE HARMON, AND JAN KARL ROYER V64.

VM75 CLASSMATES CELEBRATE ST. PATRICK’S DAY

Karen Krausse Brown VM75 reports....
This photo just goes to prove, once again, that the ties that bind from STVM are stronger than anyone can begin to imagine! A few VM75 classmates enjoying St. Patrick’s Day at the Barley House “ran into” a few more classmates from the Class of 1975. The classmates from St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1975 enjoyed their impromptu mini-reunion so much that they have vowed to reunite every year at the Barley House on St. Patrick’s Day.

VM77 CLASSMATES REUNITE TO CELEBRATE BIRTHDAYS TOGETHER

Carla Bouchere Steiner VM77 reports....
VM77 classmates celebrated our collective 50th birthdays on Saturday, August 1, 2009 at the home of Barb Androsky Caruso.
A great time was had by all!

L-R BACK ROW: DAVE ROMITO, ANNA HENDON ROMITO, TOM CARONE, LIZ LAVERY KLEIN. 2ND ROW: TISH GILLESPIE HIGHT, MARY MOSCARILLO KALLMEYER AND KATHY CARRUTHERS. FRONT ROW: BARB ANDROSKY CARUSO AND SUE WILSON CORDLE
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STVM Class of 1984

25th Reunion September 2009

Gia Sunday-D’Andrea VM84 reports....

The St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, Class of 1984’s 25th Class Reunion took place the weekend of September 18 & 19, 2009. We had a wonderful time reminiscing with old friends. Thank you to all who attended and a big thank you to the planning committee who included Maureen Cochrun Thune, Mary Breiding, Laurie Spreitzer Savage, Suzie Smee Young, Mamie Miller Wilson, Gia Sunday-D’Andrea, Paul and Renee Crow kindly video taped the entire two day event and supplied all those who attended a professionally done, spectacular DVD that we can treasure forever! We appreciate your kindness!

On September 18th we had tailgate party prior to the St. Vincent-St. Mary High School vs. Archbishop Hoban Football Game played at The University of Akron Infocision Stadium & Summa Field. The Class of 1984 cheered on the Fighting Irish as they beat the Hoban Knights. It was wonderful to know that a number of our classmates currently have children attending St. Vincent-St. Mary High School and continuing with the tradition! This was a nice family event.

On Saturday, September 19th we had a Class Mass at St. Vincent Church followed by a delicious catered meal at Sarah’s Vineyard. The laughs and the wine flowed throughout the night as the beautiful sun set over the tent and brought a fall chill in the air. The warmth of our friendship kept the night going past midnight and then on to an after party!

Please keep all information updated with the Alumni office and contact Kathy Holaday at kholaday@stvm.com

STVM Class of 1979

30th Reunion November 2009

Patti Bouschere Molinelli VM79 reports....

The St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1979 celebrated our 30th Reunion during Thanksgiving weekend. Our reunion dinner was held on Friday, November 26 2009 at Todaros Party Center. Close to 125 classmates attended and Fr. Bill Thaden said a short prayer in remembrance of our classmates that have passed away.

VM79 decided to meet every five years for a main reunion event and would like to schedule informal gatherings for the in-between years. More classmates are needed to organize and schedule events for the coming years. If interested in getting involved, please contact Patti via e-mail sismagoo417@netscape.net

FIRST ROW: MIKE DANGEL, ANDREA EGAN BOOTH, DAVE “TATE” STEVENSON SECOND ROW: SUZIE SMEE YOUNG, JACKIE RODGERS SPECK, GINA PALMERI KRISO, SUE SAAL, GIA SUNDAY D’ANDREA, MARI PORRATA PETERSON, MAUREEN COCHRAN THUNE, BETH BALAUN COUGHLIN, BARB JACKSON BIKUN, GERMAINE “MAMIE” MILLER WILSON, TIM KASTELIC, PAUL CROW. THIRD ROW: DIANE SPRAIN PRESSON, MARY BREIDING, BRIDGET CAPORELLETI, JOHN WALLER, JOHN BELLASAI, STEVE DEBARR, TOM SMITH, DON COUGHLIN, MIKE BOWEN, DAVE UtRUP, GEORGE MICHAEL. FOURTH ROW: SAM ABSHIRE, SHEILA BRADLEY NEELY, JIM BIRD, BOB JANINI, STEVE BUZZI
STVM Class of 1989

20th Reunion September 26, 2009

Sue Willoughby Randolph VM89 writes...
The St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1989 gathered for our 20th Reunion on September 26, 2009 at Emidio & Sons for food, music and catching up. The VM89 class made a donation to STVM after their reunion event. The donation was designated as the VM89 Class Gift and was donated to the STVM Green & Gold Annual Appeal.

STVM Class of 1994

15th Reunion November 27, 2009

John Kesterson VM94 writes...
The St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1994 celebrated our 15th year reunion on Friday, November 27, 2009. We had 32 out of 124 classmates show up at the Barley House for appetizers and live music. A donation jar was set up and the donations received covered the cost for the room and appetizers. The big hit of the night was looking through our 1994 STVM Yearbook. Several people enjoyed looking through it and reminiscing of days gone by. We all had a great time, and we even had some discussions on plans for our 20th reunion. One reminder for our 20th will be to...take pictures!

STVM Class of 1999

10th Reunion September 25, 2009

Monique Harris VM99 reports....
The St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1999 celebrated our 10th Year Reunion on Friday, September 25, 2009. Many of our VM99 classmates started our reunion celebration at the STVM Come Home for Homecoming event in the STVM Student Center and then met at the STVM homecoming football game and enjoyed the reserved seats that the STVM Alumni Office had arranged for us. After the game, we met up with our classmates that had gathered at Max McQ’s Sports Bar & Grille on Peninsula Road in Akron to continue our reunion party.
They Are In Our Prayers

Please remember our departed alumni and friends in your prayers

July 1, 2009 – December 31, 2009

**IN MEMORIAM**

Paying tribute to our alumni, friends and family

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**Michael Fenwick VM80**

The St. Vincent-St. Mary community was saddened by the loss of alumnus, Michael Fenwick VM80 on September 14, 2009. As a student at St. Vincent-St. Mary, Mike was a member of student council, an honor student and a standout athlete. Mike excelled in cross country and was a key member of the Irish golf team that finished as the State Championship Tournament Runner Up three years in a row. On the basketball court, Mike was an unselfish point guard and he led the Irish to the Regional Finals in 1980. Mike went on to play college basketball at The University of Akron alongside current Lady Irish basketball coach, Joe Jakubick. “On the court and off, Mike was always unselfish and a joy to be with,” said Jakubick. “Mike had a real passion for life and he truly cared for others. Even the way he played basketball showed how unselfish he was, always preferring the assist to scoring himself.” Mike’s family shared that Mike made a great “final assist” by donating his organs to LifeBanc and helping as many as 70 to 80 recipients as well as designating donations to the STVM Athletic Department. Some of the funds collected have been allocated to the Walk of Champions for a polished granite stone in memory of Michael. Mike will be sorely missed, but never forgotten and the St. Vincent-St. Mary community sends condolences to his family: father, Jim Fenwick V56, mother, Maureen Harrison-Russell V58, sister, Laurie Mellon VM77 and brothers, Kevin Fenwick VM80 and Tim Fenwick.

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**Thomas A. Kilivry VM85**

Son of Anesti and Phyllis (deceased). Brother of Karol (deceased) and Donna Kabel

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**E Edmund J. Bajenski**

Husband of Patricia Hermann Bajenski V46 (deceased). Father of Jeannine, Richard, Merrie Annette Hensler, Ed, Kathryn Gruber, Carol Bohatch, and Ann

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**P Pete Donald Yahner III**

Father of Savannah. Son of Peter V57 and Vera V56. Brother of Stephen, and Rebecca Vieltorf

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**R Rose Zeller Csh**

Wife of John (deceased). Mother of Carl M59 (deceased), and Rosemary Senn M70

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**Alice Esther Smith**

Wife of Clement. Mother of Elaine Klein M64, Bill, Joe, Rose Ann Bennett, Lori Makar, Danny (deceased), and Rita (deceased)

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**Paul Feherbneh**

Husband of Charlotte Salem Feherbneh V55. Father of John, Mark, Dana Pflister, and Greg

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**Lawrence E. Stelzer M51**

Brother of Bob V43 (deceased), and JoAnne Marie Weber V48

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**Mary Ann Marchion Dietry V44**

Wife of Donald (deceased). Mother of Marilyn (deceased), Bonita Cox, Donna Hill, and Donald. Sister of Jim (deceased), Joseph (deceased), Angelo (deceased), Gabriel V42 (deceased), Louis, and Theresa Heim

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**Russell Rich V60**


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**Frank Gaffney V45**

Husband of Alice O’Neil Gaffney V45. Father of Maureen Katanic, Sean, Colleen Thompson, and Patrick V75. Brother of Michael M59, Joan McDermott M47, and Margaret Gaffney

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**Ida Strongoli Spallino V44**

Wife of Benny (deceased). Mother of Christine Jones V69, Michelle VM77, and Mary Wegandt VM79. Sister of Katherine Percoco V46 (deceased), Bettina Strongoli V42, and Violet Baboila V49

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**Marjorie Armstrong Daniel**

Wife of Carl (deceased), Mother of Kathleen (deceased), Rita Snook, Eileen Malloy, Elizabeth Lawrence VM74, Stephen, and Patrick

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**Catherine Posselt Kline V39**

Wife of Joseph V39. Mother of John (deceased), Joseph, and Garry. Sister of Dorothy Scheatzlie V35 (deceased), Genevieve Cottrill V31 (deceased), and Francis Fox V37 (deceased)

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**J. T. Henretta**

Father of Tom, Sally Tomlinson, Patti Keith V70, Beth D’Amico VM81, John, and Dennis (deceased)

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**M. G. “Jerry” O’Neil V39**

Husband of Julie (deceased) and Jean. Father of Colleen (deceased), Karen McRae, Kell, Deborah Cook, Greg, Jeff, Jan Cook, Dan Cook, Shawn, Julie Adkins, Nancy O’Connor, Kevin Cook, Susan Adgate, Beth Cook, and Patricia. Brother of Grace, Bill V30 (deceased), Tom V32 (deceased), Hugh V36 (deceased), and John V34 (deceased)

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**Theresa Pamer**

Wife of Larry M53. Mother of 9 children.
John T. Mazzocco V42
Husband of Sandy. Father of Chris Journic, VM76, and John VM85

Nancy Houk Haddad V53
(March 21, 2009)
Wife of Adev V53 (deceased).
Mother of David, Christine Henzi, Susan Howard, and Gregory.
Sister of Mary Ann, Agnes, and Janet V57

Thomas F. Adlon
Brother to Jane DelSavio (deceased), Margaret Verderico M64, Ellen Parsons M65, James, and Laura Lombardo

Daniel Vaughan V39
Father of Tim, and Marty. Brother of Dale, Martin V35 (deceased), and Helen Martin V28 (deceased)

Robert A. Struckel V69
Husband of Jan. Father of Katie Brogan. Brother of Joseph V64, and John V66

Roland Leone
Husband of Anna. Father of Jimmy, and Diane Breiding VM73

M. John Bernard
Husband of Lucille Sprochi Bernard M54. Father of Paula Mango VM76, Christy Eshack VM77, Gayle McDaniel VM78, Mark, and Annette Millsaps

Richard E. “Dick” Hofacker
Husband of Matilda. Father of Richard VM77, David VM81 and Velda Carr VM79

Richard N. Willse
Husband of Theresa (deceased), Father of Richard, Jane Vanillii VM77, and Mark

John F. Keenan
Husband of Cynthia Carter Keenan M67. Father of Jeffrey, Elizabeth, Jonathan, Christopher, and Nicolas

Marguerite Quattrocchi Maximovich V39
Wife of Alexander M47 (deceased), Mother of Maria Scharier, Michael and Alexander.
Sister of Frank, and Joseph V48

Sr. Rita McFarland IHM M44
Daughter of Peter (deceased) and Lucy (deceased). Sister of James M45 (deceased), Robert M41 (deceased), and Sr. Marjorie McFarland IHM M43

Joseph Anthony Russo
Husband of Lynn. Brother of Rosaria Segreto, Grace Faults, and Julie VM90

Mary Smead Nugent M42
Wife of Richard (deceased), Mother of Jean Marie Willemion (deceased), Frank (deceased), Mary Alice Presz, Mark, Tim, and Tom. Daughter of Fred (deceased) and Helen Altermatt Smead V23 (deceased).
Sister of Carol Hervey M63, Rosemary Smead, Joe V42 and Fritz M45

Catherine Bonacci
Wife of Bernard (deceased).
Mother of Barbara Metzgar M56, Margaret M59, and Tina Anongi

Helen J. Struckel
Wife of Joseph (deceased).
Mother of Robert V69 (deceased), Joe V64, John V66 and Jan

Charles W. Lepley
Husband of Lucille (deceased).
Father of Marianne Martone V64, Barbara McHenry, Linda Goede, Jon (deceased) and Robert

Shirley Gareri
Wife of Aurelio V46 (deceased).
Mother of Mark, and Fredrick

Ann Black Morse V49

Rosemary Lietke Oppihle V45
Wife of Russell (deceased).
Mother of Donald, James, William, and Marilyn Byers. Sister of Delores Mendenhall V44

Veronica Meyers (McGuire) Zehner M39
Wife of Elvin Zehner (deceased), Jim McGuire (deceased), and Paul McGuire (deceased).
Mother of Robert, Kathleen Afrons, Mary Jane Thomas, Eileen Miller, Paul, David, and Jeannine Westbrook M40

Michael D. Fenwick VM80
Son of Maureen Harrison-Russel V58 and James Fenwick V56.
Brother of Laurie Mellon VM77, James VM80, and Tim

Frank Gazafy, Sr.
Husband of Anna. Father of Steve (deceased), Frank, and Deborah Couch. Brother of Dorothy Magyar V48, Kathryn Catania V51, Eva Gentile, Sabina Shoyat, and Marion Simone

Dorothy Ellen Walter
Wife of Edwin V33 (deceased).
Mother of Nancy Plancon, Suzanne Linenberg, Phyllis Christiansen, David, Margaret Healy, Stephen, and Dorothy Fox

Frances Forelo Anich M41
Wife of John (deceased). Mother of John, and Michael. Sister of Rosemary Schrader M55, Carmella Hider M44 (deceased), and Eleanor Testa M49 (deceased)

Dick Hoover
Husband of Joan V56. Father of Alan, Marty, Marie, and Jennifer Piccoli

Adele Ferro Neri V57
Wife of Andy (deceased). Mother of Anne, Anthony, Andrew and Adam

Janice Morrison Maglic M40

Gertrude Ahern
Wife of William V35. Mother of Kerry (deceased), Mary Kathleen (deceased), Michael, Stephen, Janice, and Patricia V59

Martin H. Collins V54
Son of Martin V30 (deceased) and Marguerite (deceased).
Brother of Mary Stevens V72, Jerry V56, Tom, Bill, and Mike

S. Richard Dembosky V63
Husband of Cheryl. Brother of Betty Sexton, Donald V67, Steve, Tom, and Diane

August “Gus” Armbruster
Husband of Jeannie. Father of Joshua, Gus and Jacob.
Brother of Terrence V54, Richard (deceased), Thomas (deceased). Ronald, Donald, Louis, Mary Alice Kollar V56, and Ann Bisheimer

Linda J. Norden M62
Mother of James VM86, and Russ Stemple

Elizabeth Santi Russo V45
Wife of John (deceased). Mother of Marilyn Sovacool V72, John V61, and Paul V64. Sister of Frank V28 (deceased), and Thomas (deceased)

John S. Volk M61
Husband of Judith. Father of Christanne, Deborah, and Dan

Margaret J. Conrad
Wife of Donald (deceased).
Mother of Jane Stanley, Elaine, Joseph V69, Sr. Maggie Walsh-Conrad, Donald, and David

Betty Gardner
Wife of Ned. Mother of Nancy Gerome V55 (deceased), James, Jill V65, and Judy Holiday

James E. Hamlin V47
Husband of Mary Joan (deceased). Father of Laura Nunley, Lisa Wiles, Mark, and J. Timothy. Brother of Thomas V49, and Lawrence V51 (deceased)

Dorothy Theresa Marz
Wife of George (deceased). Mother of Martin, and Michael. Sister of Jack McDermott V43

Arthur C. Reeves M39
Husband of Lora. Father of John, Marsha Simmons. Larry Harmon, Sr., and Candace Fore. Brother of Edith Larko M41, Norma Cabaniss M46, Cecelia McKinney M43, and Lois Monsour M50

Denise Wunderie
Wife of John. Mother of Todd Penn, Brittany, and Katie. Sister of Robert Kandes, John Kandes, Donna Faber M64, Lynn Dumitru M71, and Stephanie Kandes

Betty Harris V44
Daughter of Charles (deceased) and Margaret (deceased). Sister of Charles V42 (deceased), James V47 (deceased). Trudy Hostetter V40, and Beatrice Rollins V41

Dennis Kemper
Husband of Sandi. Father of Marissa Gosnell VM95, Robin, and Katie

Susan A. Moran
Daughter of Richard (deceased) and Donna Shanks Moran M53. Mother of Chuck VM98, Joe VM03, and Kristen Loeffler VM01

Laura Hudak
Wife of George (deceased). Mother of George V59, Larry, and Tim

Mary C. Kidder
Wife of Coach Harry Kidder. Mother of Barbara Briggs, Timothy, and Joseph VM75

Carroll N. Labbe
Husband of Rosemary Meagher Labbe M43 (deceased). Father of Dennis, Ron, Terry, Maureen Stith, Pam Ley, Laura Coleman, and Celeste Piccinni

Patricia Rathz
Wife of Headmaster David Rathz. Mother of Kathleen Zarinski, Debbie, and Maureen

Robert W. Seed V59
Husband of Diane McDonal Seed V59. Father of Michael, William, Lawrence, Terrence VM88, Margaret, Linda Sutherland, Kathleen Roharik VM87. Brother of Jacqueline Craig V55, Patricia Giovannelli, and Sandra Garey V57
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John S. Sondles
Brother of Jane Webb M62, Betsy Slavinskas M64, and Laura Parham M66

Donald Merzweiler
Husband of Diana, Father of Jermia, Jennifer and Andrew. Brother of Robert, Rosemary Grondquist, Geraldine Schroeder V57, Gary and Chris

John P. Fongheiser
Husband of Rita. Father of William V56 (deceased), Janet Samosky M59, Rita Loggins VM73, Ed V62, Paul V66, and John VM74

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Father of Barbara Taylor. Brother of Gary, Patricia V57 (deceased), and Lynda Petrochuck V59

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Mother of Stephanie (deceased), and Christopher. Sister of Rosanna Porter M69, and Oliver VM83

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Husband of Ruth. Father of Priscilla, and Patty

James D. Dettling V57
Husband of Judy Riegler Dettling V61 (deceased), Father of Claire Shely, Jay, and Deiter

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Wife of Ralph (deceased). Mother of Jim, Sally Casenheimer M62, Nancy Tawney M71, and Diane Dolecki

Kathleen Seiler Morgan V68
Wife of Tom. Mother of Benjamin (deceased), Thomas, Daniel, Jennifer Seiler, and Elizabeth. Daughter of Phyllis Mostyn Seiler V48 (deceased), and Joseph

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Wife of Jack (deceased). Mother of Valanche Carpenter, Debanne Donelson, Marcene Tesmer, and Jolene Maurer. Sister of Donald, and George M45

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Husband of Janet Johnson Troutman V62. Father of Michael, and DeAnna Donaldson VM92

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Mother of Jerry, Carol Baker, Judy Piekarzki M59, Nickie Sovak, and Roger (deceased)

Edward A. Maynard III V69
Father of Katie and Maggie. Father of Mary Shisler V66, and Mike V72

Lucille R. Denholm
Wife of Robert (deceased). Mother of Joan Lee V58, Dorothy Mulheim, Deanna Reitz, Kathy Patterson, and Robert

Vivian Abraham M43
Daughter of Frances (deceased) and Sophie (deceased), Sister of Victor, Vincent, Frances M41, Sylvia, and Grace Cook M48

Ann Pecko
Wife of Joe (deceased). Mother of Joanne Skadra, Jerry, Susan Ross M67, Joe, and Maureen Prebysynski

Ralph Gilletty V45
Husband of Ethelda. Father of Deborah Eley, David, Susan Theodore, Theresa Mounts, and Mary Cheryl Peleton. Brother of Richard (deceased), MaryAnn Nowicki, and Larry V43

Charles E. King
Husband of Kathryn Goldin King M42. Father of Sandra Taylor, Kelli Barash, Thomas, and David

Patricia Huber Maynard M47
Wife of Blair M48. Mother of Leslie Warren (deceased), Blair, and Elaine Wulff. Wife of Edith Kouri (deceased), and Louise Gamster M55

Ralph L. Bernard, Sr. (Honorary VM09)
Husband of Florence O'Neill Bernard V53. Father of Ralph, and Regina Dain V65

Anne Claire Mostyn
Sister of Delores Stanley (deceased), Phyllis Seiler V48 (deceased), Marian Brewer (deceased), Jack (deceased), Maynard (deceased), and Bill (deceased)

Anne Julia Palmarini
Wife of Raymond (deceased). Mother of Diane Michalec, James, Raymond, and Lucille Stair V58

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Husband of Mildred Lucas Wagner V31 (deceased). Father of Ann Marie Flor, Laura Davis, Irene Lawrence, and Paul

Dan D. Dunford
Husband of Marlene Poje Dunford V50. Father of Lynne Rossell V72, Diane Walter VM73, Janette Dunford VM78, and Chrysa Sweek VM81

Lawrence W. Whisler
Husband of Delores Casalinova Whisler M52. Father of Lisa, Gary, and Mark

Mary Coletta
Wife of John (deceased). Mother of Ralph V66, Joanne Wiseman V69, and Mary Jo Keller

Ann Tavernese
Wife of Leonard (deceased). Sister of John Sylvester V39 (deceased), Mike Sylvester, Grace Sylvester, and Carmella Sylvester

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Mother of Rita Lambacher M58, Suzanne Wagner M61, Ralph, and James

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Wife of Gregory. Mother of Gregg V67, and Larry

Byron Worcester
Husband of Mary. Father of Diane Jones VM86, Dan, John, Ned, and Patsy Rospenda

Marilyn Kouri
Wife of Lawrence M54 (deceased). Mother of Joseph (deceased), Daniel, Larry, and Dawn

William J. Skinner, Jr.
Husband of Jean (deceased). Father of William, and Gary. Son of William (deceased) and Hazel Suhr Skinner M25 (deceased)

Michael A. Beal
Husband of Jessica Presz Beal VM97. Father of Rachel, and Paige

Helen J. Ulatowski
Wife of Edward (deceased). Mother of Christine Skinner M71, and Frances Auker M64

Mary Marcella Salem V53
Wife of Frank V48 (deceased). Mother of Gary, Frank, and Lisa Craine VM82. Sister of Norma Ober V56, Amanda Schmidt, and Dolores Tartaglia (deceased)

Matilda Bachmann
Wife of Frank (deceased). Mother of Carolyn Paolucci V66, and Bob

Margaret Bradford
Mother of Raymond (deceased), Janet Johnson M61, Kenneth, and Bernard

George Z. Kuzmik
Husband of Raphael (deceased). Marianne Butler, Nancy Barrett, and Michael V70

Rosemarie Fassnacht O'Neill V59
Wife of Jim. Mother of Laura Daglis, and Kathy Davis. Sister of Carol Beiswenger V55, and Dolores Bollins V64

Elaine Fela McArthur M64
Wife of Robert. Mother of Brian Bailey, Robert, Jennifer, and Randall

Auggie Fields V52
Husband of Joan. Father of Kelly Ann, Bob, and John

Dennis W. Hopp
Father of Denny, Jimmy, and Michael. Brother of Kenny, Beverly Reddel V63, and Marilyn Hopp

Harry F. Daly
Husband of Mary. Father of Dennis V70 (deceased), Larry V64, Richard V71, Patricia Marconi V66, Joann Thomas, and Susan Janota VM73

Donald Metzgar
Husband of Barbara Bonacci Metzgar M56. Father of Donny, Joe, and Jerry

Ray Swaney
Husband of Susan Linn Swaney M65. Father of Doreen Jeffers, and Helen Gray

Gary Budiani
Husband of Lori. Brother of Karen Stump VM73, Joy Lay, and Deborah Saberi-Budiani

Charles L. Ruth
Husband of Agnes (deceased). Father of Rebeca Swearengen M68, and Caronny Justice M70

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Husband of Mary Alice (deceased). Father of Nancy Kerman (deceased), Mary Ann Betts V63, John, Edward, Suzanna Racine, and Timothy

Sarah "Sadie" Workman
Wife of Bill. Mother of Almira Easterling (STVM Secretary), Chuck, Sue Holler, and Betsy Hines.

Jean Cooper
Daughter of John and Anna Keith. Sister of Carol Gargus V60, and John Keith

Angelina P. Spidare
Wife of Bill (deceased). Mother of Patti Reynolds M67, and Michael

Anton S. Brislenger
Husband of Dorothy (deceased). Father of Barbara Kaluza M66 (deceased), and Becky Brislenger V69
John F. Bird  
Husband of Margaret. Brother of Joe, Tari Schaff M63, and Denise Capozzi  
  
Mary Jane Haag  
Wife of Ollie (deceased). Mother of Janet Duhagon (deceased), and Jack V50  
  
John Melody V48  
Husband of Mary Jo Seikeli  
Mellody V49. Father of Robert (deceased), Mary Ann Lambert, Sr. Kathleen IHM, John, Sr. Maria Anna SSCJ, Carolyn Sutter VM78, James VM79, Sr. Mary Johanna OP (Susan) VM80, Barbara VM82, and Jean Horvath VM84  
  
Howard “Bill” Severt  
Husband of Rose Yost Severt V37 (deceased). Father of Reverend William, and John V70  
  
Gloria L. Adante  
Wife of Richard V41 (deceased). Mother of Richard, David, and Thomas  
  
Michael G. Ziga  
Husband of Dorothy. Father of Michael, Therese Siefert V67, Timothy V68, John V70, David V71, Rosemary VM74, Bernadette Hall VM75, Ann Marie McGoldrick VM77, and Rita McLaughlin VM78  
  
Richard E. Strecker, Sr.  
Husband of Marilyn Carney Strecker V45 (deceased). Father of Mary Ann Walsh, Kathleen Hemperly V69, Richard, and James  
  
Edward E. Hunter  
Husband of Catherine Cole  
Hunter V36. Father of Molly Jo Van Oss V55, Jim, Lynn, Pat, Rita and Genny  
  
Jane McCormish Sparhawk V39  
Mother of Karen Sistek, and Harvey. Sister of Thomas McCormish V43  
  
Art Hunter V50  
Father of Terry, and Caroline. Brother of Mary Ann Georges V52, and Michael V58 (deceased)  
  
Dorothy “Joann” Sanders Nichols M54  
Wife of Kenneth. Mother of Michele, Christopher, and Thereshe  
  
Sandra Belchick Frank M57  
Wife of Franklin “Butch” M55. Mother of Stephanie  
Meinzer, Ursula Schetz, Angela Heim, Milissa DeLuca, Brian, Christopher, and Sarah. Sister of Barbara Braccio M61, Janet Tipton M67, and Sabrina  
  
Alice McGuckin McKenzie V27  
Mother of Paul, Jean, and John. Sister of Cletus V26 (deceased), and Helen Bertsch V32 (deceased)  
  
Donald F. Knox  
Husband of Bettie. Father of Kevin, and Kristen. Brother of Al Knox (STVM Social Studies Teacher). John, Jane, and Kathie  
Hockswender  
Terry W. Rutledge  
Husband of Cecilia Rehmann  
Rutledge M60. Father of Terry, Steven, Scott, and David  
  
Kathy Moore  
Wife of Ed V48. Mother of Peggy Sax, Lorrie Sayer, and Debra Arnold. Sister of Jerry (deceased), Bill, Bob, Mary Ellen, Judith Schoenstein Stilwell M60, and Peggy  
  
Virginia Rose Sunday  
Wife of Arthur. Mother of Valerie Humphrey VM78, Arthur VM75, Robert VM80, and Gia D’Andrea VM84  
  
Thomas M. Wood VM82  
(July 27, 2004)  
Father of Edward Joseph Wolber-Wood, and Daniel Lewis Wolber-Wood. Son of Edward V47 (deceased) and Hilda. Brother of Mary Craven, Sandy Moore, Lana Kamn, Lisa Davis, Danny (deceased), Edward (deceased), and Jimmy Stewart  
  
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**Sr. Joan Monsour, IHM M51**

Joan Eileen Monsour, the second child of James and Lucille Monsour, was born prematurely on April 26 and was baptized the same day at St. Thomas Hospital. Joan grew up in Akron along with her brother, Donald M50, and sisters, Beverly M52, and Sherrie M57.

The Monsour family were members of Our Lady of Cedars Maronite Catholic Church where Joan made her first Holy Communion and confirmation. Joan and her family met the I.H.M. sisters there and soon they were enrolled in St. Mary School. Joan attended St. Mary School from grade three through high school. There, her first desire to be an I.H.M. sister was awakened when her teacher told her that she look good in “blue.” Joan saw that the Sisters always seemed happy and encouraged the girls to pursue a religious vocation.

Her school days were enriched by the fun-loving rivalry of the Sisters whose teams were collecting old newspapers for paper drives or bringing in subscriptions for the diocesan newspaper. Joan took part in the school pageant, played the organ for early Mass, accompanied the school chorus, played the bells in the band, took part in the music recitals, and graduated third in a class of 133 on June 10, 1951.

Joan’s mother had a great influence on Joan’s decision to enter religious life. She had been raised by the Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart in Mother Cabrini’s orphanage in Denver, Colorado. Joan credits her mother’s love and generosity toward the I.H.M. Sisters as fostering her desire to be one of the Sisters in blue.

Joan and six other Akronites, graduates of the class of 1951, entered the I.H.M. postulate after graduation and received the blue habit as a novice the following year on August 15, 1952. Joan took the name of her mother, Sister Lucille Marie. After profession, Sister Lucille Marie was sent to Marygrove College and later The University of Michigan to study music and obtained a Masters of Music degree.

Sister Lucille Marie has spent her entire religious life in formal education, teaching in Detroit, Michigan, Westchester, Illinois and Akron, Ohio. After Vatican Council II the Sisters were urged to return to their baptismal name to emphasize their baptism and the role of all Catholics to spread the Catholic religion. Sister Joan has continued to do this by teaching religion, English and music at St. Mary High School, St. Peter School and 32 years at St. Francis de Sales School.

At St. Francis de Sales, Sister sought to develop a love of the Catholic religion in her students, making sure that they knew the basics of the Catholic religion, particularly the importance of the Eucharist, the sacraments, Mass, religious vocations, and using one’s talents and resources to help the poor, the mentally and physically challenged and the evils of abortion.

Sister also taught English and entered her students in various writing competitions. Students have earned honors in the Power of the Pen, a state-wide creative writing contests, and the Greater Cleveland Right to Life essay contest, where her students won 1st or 2nd place for many years. Another contest that was made available to the students was a non-fiction writing contest, and in the three years that Sister worked on this contest, 29 8th graders’ essays were published in the anthology by Creative Communications. One student that had his essay published, wrote about Sister Joan
and the affect she had on his educational experience. “I have been blessed with a teacher who has been able to teach me in a way that keeps me interested, keeps me focused and has improved my desire to learn. It feels as if this teacher truly cares about me as a person and as a student.”

In June 2008, Sister retired from active ministry at St. Francis de Sales after teaching there for 32 years and having a total of 52 years in education. Sister had been nominated by four former students to be included in the Who's Who Among America's Teachers publication. Some of her students have written to her on the occasion of her retirement: “Thank you for everything you have taught me about the Catholic faith. I am extremely proud and honored to tell others about our parish and faith.” Another student wrote, “You stretched yourself to help our school and everyone appreciated it immensely. You were a prime example to us to try to help others by using our gifts and talents. You encouraged us to always help those less privileged and I will carry that with me for the rest of my life.”

Sister Joan adds, “Now, I have the time to do what I encouraged my students to do, help the poor and visit the elderly in nursing homes. I thank God for the grace to help me to be faithful to my vocation and to spread the love of God and the Catholic religion to others.

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RICHARD “DICK” LANG V56

Dick was born and raised in Akron, Ohio and attended St. Matthew Grade School and graduated from St. Vincent High School in 1956. Also attending St. Vincent High School were his sister Dr. Jean Loiudice V57 and brother, Paul Lang V61. His siblings include Rosemary and Tim, both deceased. After graduating Dick planned to attend Dayton University, but applied and was hired by Ohio Edison. Dick was still able to get his business degree at The University of Akron while working full-time. While at Ohio Edison, he was in accounting/dataprocessing. His title was Senior Accounting Operations Specialist when he retired after 38 years of service. He met his future wife, Shirley at Ohio Edison. They had two children, Jim (deceased) and daughter Cindy Lang Pollard VM81. Cindy and her husband Michael Pollard (Walsh Jesuit High School) have given them three wonderful grandchildren: Nicole, Michael and Mackenzie.

Dick's family lived next door to St. Mathew Church in Ellet which influenced him very much. His upbringing in Catholic schools instilled in him a love for the church and what it stands for. His middle name should be “volunteer” because a good part of who he is and what he does is volunteer: whether going to meetings, or doing whatever is asked of him for his church, family, or many of the organizations he belonged to through the years. A special focus has always been volunteering in organizations that benefit children as well as adults. Dick's heart and soul has always revolved around children and trying to make their world a little better.

At his current parish, Queen of Heaven, he is a Eucharistic Minister and has served as Business Manager of Parish Council, Finance Committees at different times and has always helped in the many fund-raisers and still serves at mass when asked. Dick's father passed away when Dick was only 22 years old. In his honor, Dick has been involved in the Knights of Columbus the same as his father was. He is a Fourth Degree Knight, and very involved in the activities of both the Third and Fourth Degree. He is currently the Grand Knight of Charles Reymann Council #4664 and past Faithful Navigator of Monsignor O'Keefe Assembly #0818.

Some of Dick's volunteering began back in 1965 with the Pee Wee and then Bantam Football programs that covered 10 years. This was just the beginning of many years of volunteering for youth sports. In 1967, he began volunteering with the Red Feather Agency that eventually evolved into the United Way. After 20 years of service with United Way, he was awarded the 2003 Distinguished Service Award. Also while living in Akron, he was on the Parks and Recreation Department Board for 20 years and was involved in the development of the new Firestone Softball Stadium. The first year that First Night started and he joined right away to volunteer. He and his wife both volunteered for five years. After moving to the City of Green, he was active in Kiwanis and was on the board for the The Parks and Recreation Department for 15 years. He received a Community Award for those many years of service.

While working at the Ohio Edison he began a 25 year career as a volunteer with the credit union. He was nominated by his peers in the Summit County Chapter for his dedication of time, effort and talent to credit unions and the credit union movement. He served as Director of the Ohio Edison Family Credit Union for 20 years.
years. His involvement extended to the Summit Chapter in 1982; he also served the chapter as president for eight years. He was also a volunteer at the state level and served on the OCUL Executive Committee as secretary, second vice chair and first vice chair and on the board of directors of OCUL Services Corp. and Insurance Agency.

Volunteering with the credit unions is what led him to United Way, Akron Charities and The University of Akron. Dick was awarded the Volunteer of the Year Award in 1993 and that award is considered the highest honor for noble service to credit unions. Another area Dick is still active in is the Akron Touchdown Club honoring many student athletes in all sports and awarding scholarships. In 1987, the Touchdown Club honored him with the George Boss Youth Award for his years of commitment to the young people of this community. He also was awarded in 2003, The Summit County Sports Hall of Fame Andy Palich Memorial Service Award. Being an alumnus of Akron University, he belonged to the Varsity A Club and served on the Business Advisory Committee. He supports their sports programs by being a season ticket holder for most football and basketball programs.

Dick has been a volunteer for the Bridgestone/Firestone Tournament/World Series of Golf for 26 years and has served in many capacities. Chair of Security, Co-chair of Publicity, Chair and Co-chair of Emergency Action, Hospitality Committee are just some of the committees he has served on.

Dick still is very involved in the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO). Dating back to the 1980’s, he has held many offices for both the CYO and the Catholic Social Services. He has been recently active with the committees that have been involved in the merging of the Catholic Social Services with CYO to become part of Catholic Charities in 2011. In 1984, CYO honored him with the Past President Award and he was enshrined in the CYO Hall of Fame for his many years of devotion and guided interest in the Summit County CYO. He is currently a commissioner for the CYO sports programs (some dating back to the ’70’s).

Anyone that knows Dick knows how proud he is of being a graduate of St. Vincent High School and an active member in the STVM community. He is known to be seen around town and even out of town wearing his shirts or caps identifying him with the school. For many years he has been volunteering for the school in different ways. He belongs to the Alumni Association and was part of the founding group, Booster Club, and Boarman Backers. He has helped support the school through fund-raisers and helps take ticket at the stadium or the gym for football or basketball. He has served on the Alumni Council and held various offices including Vice President.

Dick is thankful to his parents and his Catholic upbringing. Being brought up in a faith-rich environment surrounded by many members of the religious community are part of his fondest memories growing up. Dick recalls his high school days fondly and mentioned the wonderful memories and the relationships built with the various religious individuals that added to his academic and spiritual growth: Fr. Frank LaRocco, Sr. Loretta, Sr. Bernard, Sr. Mary Jane, Sr. Bernice, and Sr. Imelda to name a few. Dick is proud to be a graduate of St. Vincent High School, enjoys being an active member of the STVM community and would like to express his appreciation to the selection committee for this honor.

Anne Wise Bickett M67

Anne Wise Bickett M67 was the fourth of seven children (five boys and two girls) born to Paul and Jane Wise. Her family resided on North Hill, a tight-knit Italian neighborhood, where St. Martha Church and School became the center of their lives. Living just a “hop, skip, and a jump” from the church, her parents were very involved in the parish and school and took good care of the IHM nuns and the many priests who were assigned there over the years. “I don’t ever remember having a house key while I was growing up. Our doors were always open to anyone who needed a free meal, a comfortable bed, or just some friendly advice. We were surrounded by dozens of neighbor kids as well as cousins who also grew up in the North Hill neighborhood. We often joked that we were “Italian by assimilation.”

Catholic education was of the utmost importance to her parents, although even then the cost was an issue. “I remember paying a $10 book bill one dollar at a time” and when it came time to attend Catholic high schools, my sister and I babysat and worked at St. Martha Rectory, while our brothers had newspaper routes to offset tuition expenses. This is when I first began to realize the value of a Catholic education. When it comes from your own pocket, it means so much
more.” High school selections for the Wise siblings were rather eclectic; Anne and her sister (Alyce M69) went to St. Mary; four brothers (Paul, Larry, Ned, and Bill) went to Hoban, and the youngest (Ken VM75) graduated from St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. We are much more competitive about these choices today than we were back then. Two of her “Hoban Knight” brothers often attend Mass and breakfast with the STVM crowd on Fridays and have been known to wear green on game days – probably out of self defense!

Graduating from St. Mary High School in 1967, Anne went on to The University of Akron on an academic scholarship to major in English. It was there that she met her husband Bill, who was in law school at the time. They married in 1972. Upon graduation, she began teaching English and Journalism at Firestone High School and was advisor to the school newspaper. In 1974, Bill and Anne’s first child was born, and she decided to be a stay-at-home mom at this point. Twelve years and four children later, she ventured back to the classroom, teaching seventh and eighth grade English and Social Studies at Immaculate Heart of Mary, where each of her four children were enrolled at the time. Anne and Bill were very involved in both the parish and the school at this time, and Anne taught each of her children. As if they didn’t have enough of Mom during the school day, Dad coached each of them in CYO sports on the weekends.

As each of the Bickett children (William VM93, Michael VM96, Elizabeth VM99, and Megan VM00) moved on to St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, Anne decided it was time to move on to high school as well. Her first official job was managing the kitchen at the Bingo Palace on Friday nights along with her husband Bill. She began teaching English and Religion at STVM in 1996 and rapidly became a fan of the Fighting Irish! Eventually, she became involved in our Campus Ministry program and served as an assistant to both Lorrie Haddox and Ken McDonald. During her tenure as Assistant Campus Minister, she helped coordinate the Adopt-a-Family program, student retreats and liturgies, and participated in mission trips to Appalachia to work with the poor. She also served as Christian Service Coordinator, during which time she organized a volunteer program for our students and staff at Good Samaritan Hunger Center. In addition to these responsibilities, Anne has served as Junior and Senior Class Advisor and also helped with the reorganization of the Alumni Association. She developed the curriculum for Irish Literature, which became a new elective at St. Vincent-St. Mary several years ago and has taught Honors English II, British Literature, and Advanced Placement Literature and Composition. For the past four years, Anne has given up some of her teaching responsibilities to help Joanne Wiseman in the Admissions Office.

During her tenure at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, Anne has been Diocesan Teacher of the Year, Wal-Mart Teacher of the Year, Akron Life and Leisure Magazine’s Educator of Distinction, the Class Nobel Educator of Distinction, and a St. Mary’s Press Ambassador for Christ nominee. She has also been recognized in Ohio Magazine and Who’s Who in American Teachers.

It is no coincidence that Anne’s four children all have Masters Degrees in Education, or that two of them have taught at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. “They always said my job looked like so much fun, and besides, you get summers off. I could not be prouder of all of them, including my daughter-in-law Alicia (Pelland) and grandchildren, Connor and Katie Ann, who have become “honorary Irish.”

“My years at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School have been some of the best years of my life. The kids here not only keep me young at heart; they remind me each and every day to appreciate my faith, to recognize the goodness in everyone, and to laugh and keep it simple. So many of our incoming freshmen and their parents remark that St. Vincent-St. Mary is such a family. How fortunate I have always felt to be a part of this “home away from home.” It is always so gratifying to see the parade of graduates who return each year to their alma mater because they, too, feel most at home here.”
Roger Barker was born in Bluefield, West Virginia on August 7, 1946 to Charles and Gladys Barker. Roger lived in Hansonville, Virginia until the age of 3 when his mother died and his father moved to Akron, Ohio to work at Goodyear Tire & Rubber. Roger’s father remarried Claudine Gainer and he has an older brother and sister as well as two younger sisters.

Roger was on the wrestling team, earned his varsity letter and graduated from Hower High School in 1964. After high school, he enlisted in the Air Force, became a Buck Sargent and served overseas in Vietnam. In 1971, Roger married Janet Bickett. They have three sons and one daughter – Shane, Andy, Casey and Aimee as well as five grandchildren.

Roger worked at Bickett Security for over 30 years until sister-in-law, Anne Bickett told him about a job opening at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. Roger applied for the maintenance position and has been working here ever since!

Roger feels genuinely honored to receive this award. He has enjoyed being a part of the STVM community for the past 8 years and adds, “STVM has a great bunch of people to work with, terrific students and friendly parents.”

Nareene Wong Beck VM74, one of the people in our community that nominated Roger for the award, commented, “Since my children have attended STVM for the last seven years, I have witnessed Roger’s dedication to our school. Not only does he manage to perform his regular job and various duties but he goes the “extra mile” to help others get their jobs done. His kind and friendly personality is a definite plus for our school. I have volunteered in various areas within the school and Roger has been so helpful and cooperative even when the physical demands were great. Roger Barker is the “go-to” man at STVM and our school and students are blessed to have him here.”

Carla Bouschere Steiner VM77, also nominated Roger for the award, commented, “I am nominating Roger Barker for the Irish Crusader Award because I truly believe he is the nucleus around which members of the STVM Community reside. No person inside or outside the school can accomplish all that Roger does in a day. Roger is the one person that anyone can go to if they want to get something done. He goes above and beyond what he needs to do to help others. Roger has always, and will always be the “go to” man. He has become a friend to many, not just an associate, and his presence in the school is a blessing to the students, faculty, staff and entire STVM community. STVM has benefited greatly from Roger’s loyalty and his devotion to making sure that the school runs smoothly and effectively.”

Joanne Coletta Wiseman V69 adds, “It is not very often that one person offers so much time and dedication that he can be considered a “one-man band.” Roger Barker is definitely that person. Since Roger began working at St. Vincent-St. Mary in 2002 he has proven time and again that he is as conscientious about his work as even our most dedicated STVM alumni. Roger gives a minimum of one hundred percent of his efforts every minute of every day to doing his job and doing it well. He is a valuable employee who is a friend to all.”

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He has earned the respect of all those he encounters by his willingness to help. Administrators, faculty, staff, students, and parents, know that Roger will come to their aid within a moment's notice. He will stop whatever he is doing; whether it be to locate a table, stop a leak, shovel a sidewalk, change a light bulb, fix the doorbell, carry boxes, meet a vendor at the loading dock, unlock the “Costigan” building, paint a classroom or office, move furniture, etc., etc., etc., to take care of a request. No task is too great or too small for Roger or too difficult for Roger to take on. Roger’s schedule knows no “time clock.” He stays until the job is done and has been known to leave our school at the end of his work day, go home, and return to school on the same day/evening when necessary. He will cover for others when they are on vacation and will do “double-duty” without a complaint or a hesitation. His willingness to serve others knows no boundaries. He is a professional, a man with spirit and conviction, and will even share his political views by prefacing, “Now don’t get me wrong…….” Any conversation with Roger is enjoyable and informative and is a testimonial to the knowledge that he has garnered throughout the years.

Roger is very humble when talking about himself and yet is able to make every one else feel important. In fact, he minimizes his efforts and considers it all part of his job. However, the STVM building would not be in the wonderful shape that it is in without Roger’s timeliness in taking care of immediate issues and his constant attention. That is his level of dedication and is a dedication that we are so pleased to acknowledge. It is why we consider Roger part of our family at STVM! We are so pleased that Roger is a 2010 recipient of the Irish Crusader Award. He makes us proud and deserves this recognition as he joins an elite group of men and women who continue to give their time and effort for the good of St. Vincent-St. Mary High School.”

Congratulations Roger!

GARY JOHNSON

Gary Johnson was born in October on Friday the 13th, 1944 in Toledo, Ohio to Norm and Virginia Bailey. Gary attended St. Hyacinth Grade School and graduated from St. Francis de Sales High School in 1962. Gary earned his Bachelor of Science Civil Engineering Degree from The University of Toledo in 1973 and attended Syracuse University specifically for their Russian Language Program. Gary joined the US Air Force and became a Russian Linguist and Intelligence Analyst for the National Security Agency from 1966-1970.

Gary met his wife, Beth in 1969 when he was the best man at his brother’s wedding and she was her sister’s maid of honor. They were married in 1971 in Toledo, Ohio. They are the parents of five STVM graduates: Jill McMullen VM91, Jodie Jennings VM98, Mike VM95, Melissa Tober VM99 and Tim VM02. They are the proud grandparents of 4 grandchildren.

Gary has worked in the engineering field for over 40 years. He joined Finkbeiner, Pettis & Strout, Consulting Engineers in Toledo, Ohio on Friday the 13th in February of 1970 and was transferred to the Akron office in 1978 becoming their President/CEO in 1996. On Friday, June 13, 2003, the consulting firm was purchased by Arcadis US, Inc. and Gary is now the Executive Vice President and Regional Operations Manager.

In addition to holding office and being elected President of various professional engineering organizations including the American Society of Civil Engineers, The Ohio Water Environment Association, and American Council of Engineering Companies, Gary is a Licensed Professional Engineer for the states of Ohio and Michigan. Gary has also been active at The University of Toledo and currently sits on the College of Engineering’s Industrial Advisory Board as well as the Civil Engineering Department’s Chairman Advisory Board.

Over the years, Gary has received numerous honors and recognitions including: Engineer of the Year for the American Society of Civil Engineers, Akron-Canton Section in 1988, Larry Moon Service Award for the Ohio Water Environment Association in 2009, The Keith Reily Award for the Ohio Water Environment Association in 2006, The J.W. Elms Award for the Ohio Water Environment Association in 2006, The Arthur Sidney Bedell Award for the Water Environment Federation in 2000, and The Distinguished Engineering Alumnus from The University of Toledo in 1999. Plus Gary and Beth were recognized as STVM Volunteers of the Year for the Cleveland Diocese.

Gary and Beth are active within the community and at St. Sebastian Parish and have been involved with the St. Sebastian Sanctuary Society International Festival as Chair Couple. Gary has been a lector for over 25 years and served on the Home & School Association (HASA) as President. Plus Gary has been a CYO game announcer for more than 12 years and has spent over 14
years coaching many CYO boys and girls grade school basketball and softball teams as well as 12 years with West Akron Baseball as a Coach and another 4 years serving on their Board of Directors.

At STVM, Gary was Assistant Coach to the JV Baseball team for two years and has been our boys and girls basketball game announcer for over 20 years. He has served on the Booster Club as President, VP, Secretary, and Treasurer and is currently a member of the Booster Board. He was a charter member to the Executive Committee and served on the committee for three years. He was a member of the Secondary Education Committee for eight years as well as a bingo volunteer. Beth and Gary were the Shoppers Showcase Chair-couple in 1992 and 1995.

Gary’s feelings about STVM are best described in the following statement, “My fondest thoughts of being part of the STVM community are the countless number of friends we have made over the years. Many of them are still our fondest and closest friends. Our social circle of friends truly revolves around many of the people in the STVM community. And now it’s good to see that all of our kids still stay very close to the friends that they made while attending STVM. I am proud to witness that this cycle of life-long friendships never stops.”

Congratulations Gary!

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The Alumni Office welcomes the nominations of living alumni for the Fr. Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award. Nominations MUST BE MADE IN WRITING and can be sent to the Alumni Office via U.S. mail or e-mail to alumni@stvm.com. The application is available on-line at the stvm.com website (alumni section).

Nominations must include the full name, school, graduation year, and contact information of the nominee. Information must include why the nominee is deserving of this honor. A resume of accomplishments should be included. Testimonials from others, media/press and other pertinent forms of information are welcome.

PLEASE NOTE:
The deadline for nominations is November 1, 2010 and has been changed in order to facilitate the selection process.
A MESSAGE TO THE STVM COMMUNITY

COO Tom Carone VM77, Headmaster David Rathz, and Executive Board Chairman Tom Freeman VM78

Becoming the new Chief Operating Officer of St. Vincent-St. Mary High School is more like a homecoming for me. I graduated from STVM in 1977 and have fond memories of my high school experience. Returning to STVM is about embracing the opportunity to be part of the wonderful administration that provides Catholic values and strong academics to our students for generations to come. My wife, Darla and I have enjoyed being involved in the STVM community over the years and are proud to have two daughters that are also alumni.

STVM has much to be proud of. The school continues to produce excellence in academics as well as athletics with impressive student leaders emerging in the classroom and beyond.

We truly appreciate your dedication and hope you recognize, as we do, the valuable role you play in building a brighter future for our students. Thank you for your continuing support. It is through the efforts of our Alumni, Friends, and Family that we can make a positive impact on the lives of our students.

I look forward to being a part of the STVM team that serves our community.

Thank you and God Bless.
Tom Carone VM77, Chief Operating Officer

The past, present, and future come together in these pages of the Alumni Connection with each edition. The school’s past and the alumni themselves are a constant inspiration to our current students and parents. I am always reminded that the traditions of the school are so very important.

This year our students are showing their living faith and their Christian values constantly. I have observed them to supporting those who are suffering in poverty, those who are feeling the pain of illness, and those who have experienced the death of a loved one. Not a day goes by that I am not fortified and extremely optimistic for the future in the hands of our current students.

Academically we are proud that our graduates will be accepted into their first choice college and will be offered scholarships and grants as a “return” on their investment of hard work and a rigorous curriculum. They will be well prepared for the work ahead of them to make an impact on the world.

Thank you for all your support.
God bless you,
Dave Rathz, Headmaster

On behalf of my fellow Executive Board members, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your continued support of our beloved high school. Over the past six months, I have personally witnessed the love and support that many of our great parents, alumni, and friends have for our school.

In the midst of one of the worst economic times in recent history, I have seen the struggles that many of our parents have had in making their tuition payments. They’ve made personal sacrifices to make sure that their child receives the same opportunity that they and all of our great alumni have enjoyed. Unfortunately, not all of our parents have been able to meet their tuition obligations and we’ve been working with them to support them in their time of need.

In the past, we have been the benefactor of great financial support from our leadership groups, alumni, and friends to help bridge the gap between the actual cost of tuition and the amount collected (the “Gap”). However, this Gap continues to get bigger. The Executive Board, along with our faculty and staff, are evaluating several alternatives to help close the gap. With the leadership of our Executive Board, Endowment Board, and our dedicated teachers and staff, I am confident that we’ll weather the storm until sunnier days return.

We reach out to you and ask for your monetary support by making an annual donation to the Green & Gold Annual Appeal. We appreciate that these are tough economic times, but we need your support now more than ever.

Consider what our school has meant in your life and in your career and please make an annual commitment to help us close the GAP so that future generations will benefit from our great educational experience.

Please see the letter on the following page, from Joanne Zaratsian, Director of Major Gifts, and be on the look-out for the Green & Gold Annual Appeal mailer that will arrive in your mailbox soon.

Thank you for your support!
Thomas P. Freeman VM78
Chairman, STVM Executive Board
Dear Alumni and Friends,

As a member of the St. Vincent-St. Mary community, you know personally the value of the education we provide to our students. STVM is a non-profit, independent school and depends on the Green & Gold Annual Appeal to provide vital support for the school’s annual operating budget. STVM strives to keep tuition low while offering financial aid and scholarships to students in need. Like all independent schools and colleges, our tuition never fully covers our operating expenses. In fact, the cost to educate each child exceeds the cost of tuition by 15%. The STVM Green & Gold Annual Appeal helps us keep tuition as low as possible so that a STVM education remains affordable for the families we serve, while sustaining our tradition of academic excellence.

This is also why your gift to the Green & Gold Annual Appeal is so critical. The Green & Gold Annual Appeal is more than a yearly fundraiser – it is our lifeline – and it represents an essential and much needed source of annual income. These annual donations secure the future of our long tradition of academic excellence through support of the annual operating budget.

We rely on annual donations to help meet shortfalls between tuition and the actual cost to educate each STVM student. Green & Gold Annual Appeal donations go to work right away during the current fiscal year. Your annual tax-deductible investment immediately strengthens our general operating budget and financial aid and scholarships offerings (unlike our recently concluded Share the Vision Capital Campaign that funded capital and strategic needs like bricks and mortar and support of Endowment).

Your gift is vitally important because it allows STVM to:

- Continue and improve our outstanding academic offerings
- Provide financial support to students in need
- Continue to attract and to retain the best faculty and staff
- Secure our St. Mary, St. Vincent, and St. Vincent-St. Mary traditions and heritage for the next generation
- Maintain our recently expanded campus while being careful stewards of the monies that are entrusted to us

Please also remember that every gift, no matter how small or how large, makes a difference. You are making a worthy investment in the future of our school, as well as in the future of our children.

Within the next weeks, you will be receiving the Green & Gold Annual Appeal in the mail. Please save us a phone call during the Green & Gold Phon-a-thon by making your donation by May 1, 2010.

Thank you for your support. May God bless you and your family.

Joanne Zaratsian
Director of Major Gifts
At this time, we would like to announce the newest members to the STVM Executive Board. Congratulations and a warm welcome are extended to Jim LaRose VM78, Chris Dougherty Marks V72, and Mike Ochsenhirt V71.

These alumni have been active members of our community for many years and are a valuable addition to our school. We are truly blessed to have such dedicated individuals assisting us in furthering our mission. We appreciate their commitment and support of STVM and wish them the best in their endeavors as members of our Executive Board.
Tom Carone VM77 Named COO

STVM Alumnus to hold Chief Operating Officer position

We welcome Tom Carone VM77 as our new Chief Operating Officer (COO). Tom grew up in West Akron and attended St. Vincent Elementary School and continued on to St. Vincent-St. Mary High School graduating in the Class of 1977. While at STVM, Tom lettered in football and baseball and has many fondest memories of his high school days. Playing football for Coach John Cistone would be one that ranks highest on the list of his fond memories. Tom commented, “Playing for Coach Cistone is one of the finest memories of my days at STVM. Coach Cistone taught me more than just how to play football.” Tom attended The University of Akron part-time and received his Bachelor of Science degree in Accounting in 1988 while working full time at MacTac in Stow, Ohio and raising a family. Tom met Darla in 1977 and they were married in 1980. Tom and Darla are members of St. Vincent de Paul Parish and Tom serves on Parish Council, and is also the Financial Secretary for their Knights of Columbus chapter. Tom and Darla have two daughters (Nicole VM02 and Heather VM06) and they reside in West Akron.

Tom’s career at MacTac spanned over 19 years and included the Cost Accounting Department for two years and then Tom was promoted to Plant Controller for the newly built facility in Las Vegas, Nevada. Tom, Darla and their daughters relocated to Las Vegas and lived there for nine years. One of the motivating factors to relocating back to Akron in 1999, was ensuring that their oldest daughter, Nicole, would attend a Catholic High School and specifically, STVM.

When the family relocated back to Akron, Tom held the position of CFO for local companies and then joined Spunfab as Vice President of Operations in 2004. Spunfab, located in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, is an international company specializing in thermoplastic adhesive products.

As an active alumnus of STVM, Tom has been a Booster Club Board member, as well as a member of the Parents’ Club. Darla has also been active in the STVM community and was a member of the Parents’ Club for six years where she chaired and co-chaired several events. Darla was also a member of the SEC for three years. Tom and Darla were Showcase volunteers in 2001 and Showcase co-chairs in 2002 for Showcase Brigadoon. In addition, Tom was one of the pioneers to bring high school bowling to the Akron area. Now, bowling is sanctioned by the Ohio High School Sports Association (OHSAA). Tom coached STVM bowling for nine years (five for the Boys team and four for the Girls team).

In addition to attending sporting events and alumni events at STVM, Tom has gotten involved in a variety of areas including; tearing down the old Wentz room and helping with the final cleanup on the new John Cistone Field/Green Street Stadium. Plus, following the unexpected death of classmate Frank Mellion VM77 in November 2003, Tom joined with other classmates to begin a scholarship in Frank’s memory. The Dr. Frank Mellion Memorial Scholarship is still in existence today and greatly benefits our STVM students each year.

It is a pleasure to welcome Tom Carone VM77 to STVM as our Chief Operating Officer!

Endowment Witnesses Growth

Share The Vision Campaign makes impact

Since the long-term stability of STVM is so important, the growth of Endowment was a focus growth area during the recently concluded five-year Share the Vision Capital Campaign. Beginning with the lead donation from the Brennan Family at the start of Share the Vision, which encouraged many families to establish new scholarships and to support the Endowment, we enjoyed a tremendous five-year growth period. During this period we saw an astounding 274% growth in the value of Endowment if you consider donations plus investment income. More importantly, in this same time period, the Endowment has gifted $1.6 million to STVM.

The continued growth of the Endowment through donations, capital campaigns, and grant monies is central to our commitment to making a Catholic education affordable and attainable through scholarships and tuition assistance. The Endowment Board was established in 1983 and has 22 members. The board recently welcomed new members Mike Piglia, Tony Tricomi, Susie Gaebel Wallace VM91, and Dick Waltz M54.
On Friday, September 25, 2009, St. Vincent-St. Mary High School dedicated the newly completed Student Activity Center as the Cosgrove Center in honor of Bishop William Cosgrove, a former teacher at St. Vincent High School. During the ribbon cutting ceremony, it was also announced that two side gardens around the center were named in honor of Bill Costigan, Jr. (St. Vincent Class of 1967) and Leo Walter, III (St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1976), both of Akron, for their efforts in co-chairing the Share the Vision Capital Campaign. The completion of the Cosgrove Center marks the conclusion of this five-year, $20 million Capital Campaign.

The Cosgrove Center is 19,870-square-feet and features a gymnasium, athletic offices, wrestling room, fitness center and locker rooms. The total cost was $3.7 million. It was constructed by Summit Construction Co., Inc. of Akron. It is also the area’s only school building to use a geothermal system for heating and cooling. This “green” technology is projected to save the school several million dollars in operating costs over its 50-year life, according to Westlake Reed Leskosky of Cleveland, the facility’s architectural firm.

The geothermal system uses minimal electricity to pump water continuously through deep wells in the earth, where temperatures remain relatively constant throughout the year. During winter months, the heat that is stored underground will be transferred into the building. During warm weather, heat will be transferred out of the building and back into the ground. Geothermal systems operate at 40 percent the cost of conventional gas heating and electric cooling.

“We are proud to be the first area school to use a geothermal system. This will not only provide significant savings in our operating costs, but also help reduce our carbon footprint,” said David Rathz, Headmaster. “It truly demonstrates our commitment to future generations.”

The Share the Vision Capital Campaign was jump-started by an $11 million gift from Ann and David Brennan of Akron in 2004. David Brennan is a graduate of the St. Vincent High School Class of 1949. He served as Honorary Chairman of the Share the Vision Capital Campaign.

Naming opportunities are still available. Contact Joanne Zaratsian, Director of Major Gifts, for more information at 330-253-9113 x112.
From Vision to Reality

Share The Vision Campaign concludes

As we look back on our Share the Vision Capital Campaign, we have much to celebrate. In addition to the completion of our Student Activity Center, we have:

- Grown our endowment to $8.7 million as of December 31, 2009
- Completed a state-of-the-art Center for Science and Technology and partnership with The University of Akron
- Renovated Green Street Stadium and dedicated it as the John Cistone Field/Green Street Stadium
- Completed Cosgrove Center a 19,870-square-feet facility featuring a gymnasium, athletic offices, wrestling room, fitness center and locker rooms
- Protected our investment in our current facility by making improvements to the heating and cooling systems, roof and kitchen, Student Center, and adding new lockers

Thank you to all who have shared this vision for our future. Your support has enabled us to complete our capital campaign, while remaining independent and self-sufficient.

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Thank you to everyone who made a contribution to St. Vincent-St. Mary High School during the 2008-2009 Fiscal Year. Your continued support is appreciated.

Visit www.stvm.com to view a downloadable copy of the 2008-2009 St. Vincent-St. Mary High School Annual Giving Report. To request a hard copy, contact Joanne Zaratsian, Director of Major Gifts, at 330-253-9113 x112 or jzaratsian@stvm.com
The Walk of Champions extends from the Walnut Street entrance to alongside the recently constructed Cosgrove Center on the campus of St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. The walkway connects the school to John Cistone Field/Green Street Stadium.
Shamrock Society

It’s not too late to become a member. Make your donation of $1,000 or more before June 30, 2010 and you qualify!

This listing represents Shamrock Society donors who made a gift between July 1, 2009 and January 15, 2010. The members of this distinguished group donate $1,000 or more annually to our school in support of general operating, tuition assistance, endowment, capital campaign, and scholarships. St. Vincent-St. Mary High School thanks the following donors for playing such a key role in our community.

The names of new and renewed donors for 2009-2010 appear in bold type.

We pray for our recently deceased Shamrock Society members:

LIFETIME MEMBERS
Mr. and Mrs. David Brennan
Mr. and Mrs. Jack Haag
TRUSTEES $50,000 OR MORE
The Lehner Family Foundation
Estate of Mr. Ralph L. Bernard, Sr.
Estate of M. Teri Lynch
National Machine Company
Mr. and Mrs. Peter J. Piglia
STVM Endowment Fund
BENEFACTORS $25,000-$49,999
Mr. and Mrs. Nick Antonino
Mrs. Barbara Bader & Family
The GAR Foundation
Mr. and Mrs. John Staudt
INVESTORS $10,000-$24,999
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Leo G. and Mary Ann Walter III
Mr. and Mrs. Richard J. Waltz
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Mike and Pola Ochsenhirt
Joseph Finocchio and Susan Ray, M.D.
Mr. and Mrs. David R. George
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Mr. Timothy Twardowski
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St. Vincent Class of 1964
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Theta Phi Alpha Alumnae Association
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The eighth Annual Irish Family Car Raffle's grand prize drawing was held during half time of the St. Vincent-St. Mary Fighting Irish Boys Varsity Basketball game on Saturday, February 13, 2010.

The Irish weren’t the only victors this evening, defeating Whitney Young 79-64! Chief Operating Officer Tom Carone VM77, along with Major Gift Officer Joanne Zaratsian, Alumni Director Kathy Zehenni Holaday VM77 and Special Event Coordinator Jennifer Ringer all assisted with the drawing.

On hand for the drawing was famed Irish announcer Gary Johnson who broadcasted the winners with great enthusiasm: Grand Prize Winner of the 2010 Chevy Malibu is Denise Nelson; Second Prize Winner of the Large Screen TV is Leo Stadler VM73; Third Prize Winner of the $500 Circle K Cards is Maria Stewart.

Denise Nelson purchased her winning ticket from freshman, Matt Uphouse, Leo Stadler purchased his winning ticket from freshman, daughter RosaLia Stadler, and Maria Stewart purchased her ticket from her granddaughter, junior Jessica Papczun.

This year’s Irish Family Car Raffle was another whopping success raising approximately $90,600.00!

“Our thanks go out to Bob and Kathy Serpentini and Serpentini’s Chevy Connection for donating a car for the 8th consecutive year. We are so blessed that Bob has continued to support us during this difficult economy. We appreciate Serpentini’s Chevy Connection for its continuous support. Also, special thanks to Mary Lou and John Ballard and Family for donating the Large Screen TV and thanks to Jerry Kelly for donating the Circle K Gas Cards. We are grateful to the entire Irish family – Alumni & Friends, Students and Parents, Teachers and Staff – for supporting this year’s raffle. The Alumni & Friends mailing generated approximately $23,000 in sales toward the grand total of $90,600.00,” noted Joanne Zaratsian.

Purchased your piece of STVM history!

We now have Cat’s Meow replicas of St. Mary High School, St. Mary Church, St. Vincent High School, St. Vincent Church and St. Vincent-St. Mary High School available!

The cost for the Cat’s Meow high school replica of your choice is only $15.00! Call Jennifer Ringer at 330-253-9113 ext. 143 or email jringer@stvm.com with any questions.

Collector Set Also Available!

Contact Marilyn Zrelak McCafferty V57 at 330-836-3924 if you would like a copy of the 1997 version of the Cat’s Meow which includes a complete set of St. Vincent de Paul Church, rectory and high school.
Since its inception in 2003, the Breakfast Speaker Series at STVM has brought together a diverse group of people to hear many worthwhile speakers. It also provides a wonderful opportunity to expose our students to notable leaders in our local community and beyond — including many of our own alumni.

Our most recent featured speakers were Sandra Pianalto V72, President and Chief Executive Officer of the Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland, and Patrick Dunlavy V67, Managing Director of BoardEx. Both speakers shared information about their respective positions, as well as how their high school experiences shaped who they are today.

We hope you were able to join us on February 18th, when STVM Coach Dru Joyce was the featured speaker.

Mark your calendars for April 30, 2010, when the Speaker Series will feature Curtis Wilson VM83 and Maverick Carter VM00. If you would like to attend, please contact Joanne Zaratsian, Development, at 330-253-9113 ext. 112 or jzaratsian@stvm.com.

Irish Eyes are Smiling in Presidential Suite

The Jim Kelly Memorial Scholarship Reverse Raffle and Silent Auction is scheduled for Thursday, May 20, 2010 at 6:00 p.m. at Guy’s Party Centre. You won’t want to miss this gala event which brings together both old and new friends of our Irish community. This popular fundraiser, for the benefit of our Endowment Fund, is always a sell-out so plan now for an evening of delicious food and spirited bidding of unique gifts. Tickets are $100 each for a chance to win the $3,000 grand prize. This cost includes two dinners, if requested.

This reverse raffle has become known as a “reunion” of many of our longtime, as well as new, supporters. Mark your calendars! The Jim Kelly Memorial Scholarship of the STVM Endowment Fund has helped ease the tuition burden for over 110 STVM students since 1989! For more information, call Jerry Kelly at 330-253-9113.
Showcase 2009 — New Orleans Jazz

Annual fund raising event nets $217,000

“Raising a net total of $217,000 in this economy is a true blessing and a sign of generosity, commitment and loyalty in these trying times,” said Jennifer Ringer, Special Events Coordinator. Co-chairs, Debbie Chiarappa and Beth Piglia worked many hours ensuring the success of this annual event.

The night was enjoyed by 500 guests at the Tangier Restaurant. Hundreds of quality auction items, beautiful centerpieces, delicious food, the STVM Jazz Band, and hundreds of volunteers and students added to the complete and perfect evening.

“None of this would be possible without the help and dedication of our volunteers,” agreed event co-chairs, Debbie Chiarappa and Beth Piglia.

Mark your calendars! Showcase 2010 will commemorate the 25th Anniversary of Showcase! **We will celebrate Saturday, October 23, 2010 at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School.**
For the last three years, Mr. Ralph Bernard has pledged a matching gift toward Irish Opportunity Scholarships, which benefit students who otherwise might not be able to attend St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. Due to failing health, Mr. Bernard was unable to attend Showcase 2009. Sadly, he passed away on Saturday, November 7, 2009.

Mr. Bernard pledged a $25,000 matching gift in loving honor and memory of his late wife, Florence O’Neil Bernard V33. The Fund-a-Scholar Ralph Bernard Match kicked-off the evening’s bidding festivities as oral auction item #1.

Nick and Eileen Antonino led the bidding with a generous donation of $25,000. Paul and Marianne Bertsch followed with a bid of $11,000, while Bernie Antonino, as well as Dick and Bev Waltz raised their paddles at the $10,000 level. Many other dedicated alumni and friends donated in support of our STVM students including Bill Henkel at the $3,400 level and Fr. Berardi, Mrs. Jerry Kelly, Teresa and Mark Pastor, Mrs. Jean Staudt, Ralph and Joan Trecaso, Don and Darlene Utrup, George Newkome and Mary Jane Saunders, Anthony and Carol Tricomi, and Bob and Joanne Wiseman at the $1,000 level.

A total of $115,000 was raised that evening for Irish Opportunity Scholarships.

“Each year, we are truly blessed by the generosity that is shown to our students through this auction item,” noted Joanne Zaratsian, Director of Major Gifts.

“We are forever grateful for all that our dear friend, Mr. Bernard, has done to make a Catholic education a reality for so many of our students.”

Matching Gift raises $115,000 for Irish Opportunity Scholarships

SHOWCASE 2010
SILVER ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

The Showcase office is excited and proud to announce 2010 Showcase co-chair couples: Jim VM80 and Denise Bowen and Santosh VM78 and Anitha Kanakkannatt! We will be celebrating the Silver Anniversary 25 years of Showcase on Saturday, October 23, 2010. Look for news, auction items and parent party information to be posted on the Showcase website. Please visit www.stvm.com and click on the Showcase page for more information.

TO YOUR RIGHT: SANTOSH VM78 AND ANITHA KANAKKANATT, AND JIM VM80 AND DENISE BOWEN.

IN MEMORIAM:
RALPH L. BERNARD

In November 2009, the STVM community lost one of our dedicated and long-time supporters, Mr. Ralph Bernard, Sr., Honorary VM08, after a brief illness. Mr. Bernard’s legacy is perhaps best known through the endowed Ralph L. and Florence A. Bernard Memorial Scholarship. Everyone who knew Mr. Bernard appreciated his gentle spirit and devotion to his late wife Florence O’Neil Bernard V33, to his family, and to Catholic education.

Mr. Bernard was a fan of Linda Ellis’ popular poem “The Dash”. He lived his life to the fullest and was proud of how he spent his dash. He was keenly aware of the benefits and challenges of Catholic education and was dedicated to providing ongoing support for Catholic education.

Through many generous donations to Endowment and to Showcase during his lifetime, Mr. Bernard brought attention to raising money for scholarships and tuition assistance which not only assisted students in need, but also eased the burden on the school’s operating budget. Joanne Zaratsian, Director of Major Gifts, who collaborated closely with Mr. Bernard on the annual Showcase Fund-a-Scholar oral auction item, noted, “Mr. Bernard LOVED helping us raise awareness to the scholarship program through the auction process. Just the look on his face said it all! Mr. Bernard always left the Showcase evening elated with the overwhelming results from his match.”

The legacy of Mr. Bernard and his focus on Catholic education will continue through the Ralph L. and Florence A. Bernard Memorial Scholarship which was recently strengthened through a very generous donation from his estate. The STVM Endowment Board will memorialize Mr. and Mrs. Bernard through a permanent polished granite stone, in our new Walk of Champions located near the Cosgrove Center, honoring their life and generosity.
Antonino Scholarship

John Barnes VM08 shares his Memorial Scholarship story

The St. Vincent-St. Mary scholarship program has benefited many a person through the years and still continues today. My name is John Barnes VM08 and the scholarship program at STVM has helped me to get where I am today through Nick and Eileen Antonino. I was blessed to be the first recipient of their scholarship.

For those who may not know the Antoninos, they are some of the most caring and friendly people that I have had the pleasure of meeting. Ever since I accepted their scholarship as a freshman, there has been a type of bond that the Antoninos and my family have shared.

I remember when my mom and I first met the Antoninos at the scholarship breakfast and thinking, “These people sure are nice.” I never imagined in a million years that they would come to my graduation party and take us to dinner before I went back to The University of Dayton.

In closing, I would like to say thank you to the Antoninos and all of the other alumni who contributed to my success. I would again like to thank the STVM scholarship program because without it, I would not be the man that I am today. Good luck Class of 2010 and of course GO IRISH!!

John Barnes, VM08

St. Vincent High School Class of 1964 Scholarship

Classmates honor deceased classmates by establishing Memorial Scholarship

To mark the occasion of their 45th Reunion, the St. Vincent Class of 1964 decided to honor and to memorialize their deceased classmates or spouses in perpetuity through the establishment of a new scholarship. For the St. Vincent Class of 1964 classmates, this signified the perfect way to create a memorial for their classmates while supporting their alma mater and helping deserving students to receive a Catholic education at STVM. On November 11, 2009, Bill Bertsch and Terry Steel, representatives of the class, met with Don Utrup M56, Endowment Board President, and Susie Gaebel Wallace VM91, Endowment Board Assistant Treasurer, to formally establish the St. Vincent Class of 1964 Memorial Scholarship as part of the STVM Endowment Trust. It is the goal of the St. Vincent Class of 1964 to fully fund and to award this scholarship prior to their 50th Reunion in fall 2014. What a special way to celebrate a hallmark reunion!

Members of the St. Vincent Class of 1964 agree that this is a beautiful and meaningful way to remember their classmates and to help future students attain a STVM education. It is their wish that their scholarship inspires fellow alumni to consider a similar memorial to their classmates.

HELPING HANDS ACROSS HALF A CENTURY

We gave so another can learn. We gave so the vision could be shared.

The St. Vincent Class of 1959 held their 50th Class Reunion in September, 2009. It was decided to make two donations to STVM from the V59 Class. The first, in the amount of $1,000.00, to help fund the Irish Academic Partners, a tuition based program. The second, in the amount of $1,500.00, to share the continuing vision of St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, by purchasing a polished granite stone to be placed in the Walk of Champions at the Cosgrove Center. It will be inscribed with a message from the St. Vincent High School Class of 1959.
St. Vincent-St. Mary High School has established a Planned Giving program to help secure the long-term future of the school. The four most common planned giving opportunities include the following:

**OUTRIGHT GIFT OF CASH OR PERSONAL PROPERTY:**
This gift is a donation of cash, securities, or real estate. The donor receives an income tax deduction for the value of the gift, plus no capital gains tax due on appreciated property. You can tailor your gift to the school’s needs.

**OUTRIGHT GIFT OF STOCK:**
Gifts of appreciated stocks may allow you to avoid tax on capital gains and entitle you to claim a charitable deduction for the full fair market value of the stock.

**GIFTS OF LIFE INSURANCE:**
If you own a life insurance policy that is no longer needed, it may be the perfect vehicle for a gift. To receive a charitable deduction for this type of donation, name

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**Marlene Poje Dunford Practices What She Preaches**

V50 graduate makes lasting commitment to STVM

As the founder/project manager of LEAVE A LEGACY®, a national organization that educates and encourages the public, from all walks of life, to make legacy gifts, it should come as no surprise that Marlene Poje Dunford V50 is also leaving her own legacy at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School.

Last summer, she and her husband, Dan, who passed away in November at the age of 80, decided it was time to rewrite their will. In doing so, Marlene made specific requests to charities, including one to STVM. She is particularly interested in funding the scholarship program, which helps STVM attract the area’s best and brightest students.

She actually began her career in development and fundraising at STVM, where she served as the school’s first Development Director from August of 1981 to April of 1984. In fact, it was Dan who came up with the name Alumni Connection, for the school’s alumni magazine.

After 20 years of professional fundraising, Marlene retired and established the LEAVE A LEGACY® organization in Summit, Portage and Medina counties.

Over the years, her involvement with the school has continued through LEAVE A LEGACY®, of which STVM is a partner, and in the planning of her class reunions every five years. The V50 reunion committee is already planning for their 60th reunion this year. In 1994, Marlene was also honored with the Father Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award.

Marlene’s two sisters and brothers-in-law are also graduates, as are her four daughters. She has a grandson who will soon be part of next year’s incoming freshman class.

Marlene hopes by sharing this information, our other alumni will think about mentioning STVM in their wills. It doesn’t have to be a lot. Just a small amount from each of our alumni will help the future of the school.

“Marlene truly practices what she preaches. By designating her alma mater in her will, she is leaving a legacy for future generations. We are incredibly grateful for her generosity and loyal support,” said Joanne Zaratsian, Director of Major Gifts.

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**Alumni and Friends Can Ensure STVM’s Future**

Planned giving is a perfect way to secure the long-term goals of STVM

St. Vincent-St. Mary High School as both the owner and the beneficiary of the policy. If the policy has cash value, you can take a charitable deduction approximately equal to the cash value at the time of the gift. In addition, if annual premiums are still to be made and you continue to pay them, those premiums will become tax deductible each year. Please check with your insurance agent for details on which forms to complete.

**BEQUEST IN WILL:**
This is the easiest and most popular way to remember St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. When preparing your will, you name STVM as a beneficiary of your estate. Usually this is through a cash donation or real estate. There is usually an estate tax deduction for the value of your bequest. Please check with your attorney for more information.

For more information, contact Joanne Zaratsian, Director of Major Gifts at 330-253-9113 ext 112 or jzaratsian@stvm.com.
Juniors and seniors from St. Vincent-St. Mary High School met professionals from 48 different careers at the school’s annual Career Connections event held on Wednesday, November 4, 2009.

The event provides a forum for students to meet one-on-one with professionals, including many alumni, to ask questions about their professions. Each student is required to meet with at least 10 mentors and to complete a Career Passport outlining what they learned about each career, including overviews of the job and education requirements.

The mentors, who donate their time for this event, represent a wide range of professions and provide valuable insight as students explore their options for college majors and careers.

“This event provides a wonderful opportunity for our students to learn about a variety of careers, while introducing area employers to potential interns and future employees,” said Joanne Zaratsian, Director of Major Gifts, who, along with school counselor, Emily Knapp, organized the event.

Feedback from both students and mentors was positive.

“We appreciate your upbeat, courteous students. They always have good questions,” said Benjamin Pearson, DVM, an area veterinarian.

Plans are already under way for the next Career Connections event.

“We hope to build on the success of this event by opening it up to freshmen and sophomores. This will help them identify their interests and career plans early, so they can take the high school courses they’ll need to be better prepared for college,” Zaratsian said.

The next STVM Career Connections will be held on November 3, 2010 from 8:00 – 9:30 a.m. We invite you to share your wisdom with our students. Contact Joanne Zaratsian, Development, at 330-253-9113 ext 112 or jzaratsian@stvm.com to participate.
Your high school years are important ones.
We invite you to visit our school to find out how four years at STVM can help prepare you for a lifetime of success.

“IRISH FOR A DAY”
Interested eighth graders are encouraged to spend a day shadowing one of our students for a closer look at life at STVM.
To sign up for a shadow day, call Admissions at 330-253-9113.

Reach YOUR Goals with STVM

At STVM, Kellee Neumann pursued many interests. She played soccer and basketball and ran track. She served as Student Council President and as a Peer Minister. She was also a member of the Rocket Team, which competed with other schools in building and launching model rockets. She received the Knights of Columbus Womanhood Award for her Christian values, leadership, character, scholarship, citizenship and generosity. She also received the STVM Chionchio Award for her sportsmanship on and off the field.

At DePaul University in Chicago, she received degrees in Finance and International Business and graduated Magna Cum Laude. She also played on the Womens Club Soccer team.

Kellee resides in Chicago and is now working toward becoming a certified financial planner. She still plays soccer — and also serves as a Eucharistic Minister at her church.

“STVM taught me most of all about the importance of hard work. The world is waiting for you, and it’s up to you what you want to do, how you want to be remembered. STVM taught me to dream big and climb high — nothing is out of reach.” - KELLEE NEUMANN

There’s always something new in the STVM Bookstore

Open School days
8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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Dear Alumni and Friends,

You can be so proud of your alma mater because “the success stories” just keep coming. Most recently, recognition of the good work being done by the students and staff has received notice by and from outside sources. First, John Carroll University Professor of Statistics, Mr. Jerry Moreno who has visited our school on several occasions, has now prepared a six-page report that he will deliver to a conference in Europe this summer citing applications of statistics in various ways. One page of the report is devoted to St. Vincent–St. Mary High School’s Faculty and the focus of math across the curriculum for the past four years. Our current students and recent graduates can attest to the use of mathematic concepts and skills in all the other academic areas of the school, not just science, but also foreign languages, English, social studies, religion, health, physical education, art, music, and basically in every academic area. His report cites specific examples of problem solving and the application of statistical analysis that was conducted by our students under the direction of our teachers, after years of training. After his delivery of the paper this summer, we may be receiving e-mails and phone calls from around the world.

Secondly, The University of Akron has taken the partnership with our science program to a new level, which truly is unprecedented in high school education. Their website includes a video highlighting the interviews conducted with our students and faculty members from our STVM Science Department. We have six students this year working with The University of Akron research scientists. We have included that video clip on our own website. The fact that our high school students are doing real research with real scientists while still sitting in their high school science classes with their regular curriculum is more than just an enhancement. It is indeed a boost to the students’ high school and college academics, and perhaps, even their careers.

You have seen in many of our publications the efforts that our work represents. Preparing our students for college with a background in the various foreign languages, and even the opportunity to visit those countries during their high school career. We are one of only a handful of schools that offer Russian to our students. This year for the first time, we have also offered Chinese, as well as the Russian, French and Spanish programs. Trips to those countries will be available to those students next year.

STVM continues the tradition as Akron’s premier Catholic, co-educational high school.

God Bless You!

David Rathz, Headmaster

“TEACHERS OF EXCELLENCE”

Five of our STVM teachers will receive special recognition in the March 2010 issue of Ohio Magazine as “Teachers of Excellence” in a Private High School. The March 2010 issue will recognize: Nanette Roberts (Social Studies), Naman Alniemi (Science), Dan Lancianese (Special Education), Joanne Kropf (Social Studies), and William O’Neil (Russian) as teachers “who are making a difference and contributing to Ohio’s commitment in achieving Excellence in Education.” These five honorees join Gerard Neary, Joanna Beyeler, Jen McElhaney, Anne Bickett and Brian Campbell who were recipients in 2009.
With aspirations of studying science in college, I have been given the opportunity of a lifetime,” says junior Honors Chemistry student Oliver Hildebrandt.

Senior AP Physics student Renee Horn remarks, “I have the pleasure of working with Dr. Alamgir Karim and Dr. Jolanta Marszalek who are using polymer blend cellular scaffolding to reconstruct ears for children that are born without ears.”

Kindelan Huber, senior AP Physics student comments, “This research project has helped me to fully understand what a science-related major would entail. I have really liked this experience because it has helped me to understand and appreciate what researchers do in order to develop various drugs and medical procedures that can sometimes be taken for granted.”

STVM Project Director and Science Department Chairman, Mary Jo Chionchio and Dr. Stephen Cheng, Dean of the College of Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering, are pleased to announce the STVM and UA Polymer Research Experience.

In its inaugural year this Partnership activity seeks to impact the research literacy of STVM students and science teachers through active involvement with UA polymer scientists and engineers in cutting edge research projects.

Currently six UA polymer scientists and engineers, six STVM Honors and/or AP chemistry and physics students, and six STVM science faculty are working together to support enhanced Science Inquiry Projects for our students. These projects will be presented in 2010 at both the Ohio Academy of Science State Science Fair and the Northeast Ohio Intel Science and Engineering Fair held at Cleveland State University.

Perhaps the greatest impact of the Research Experience is the value to all STVM science students as the skills and processes of real research learned by our science teachers are presented in the labs and science classrooms on our campus.

UA funding will help to provide funds for research materials and equipment as well as money for travel to educational conferences where STVM students and teachers will present our model of successful partnership between secondary schools and universities.

The STVM Board of Trustees has taken prideful ownership of this partnership opportunity and will be funding stipends for participating science teachers. Headmaster David Rathz states, “Other high schools would not be in a position to attempt this activity. However, the STVM commitment to science and technology far supersedes the normal high school science curriculum. So, this next layer of ever higher scaffolding is possible for us. Our students can climb where no others can go.”

The project leaders, scientist, student, and teacher pairings for this school year include:

- Mary Jo Chionchio - STVM Project Director
- Dr. Mark D Foster - University of Akron Project Director and Director of the Akron Global Polymer Academy
- Dr. Kevin Cavicchi and STVM Student, Joey Miller with STVM Teacher, James Brunello
- Dr. Sadham Jana and STVM Student, Oliva Walters with STVM Teacher, Bob Engels
- Dr. Li Jia and STVM Student, Kindelan Huber with STVM Teacher, Naman Alniemi
- Dr. Judit Puskas and STVM Student, John Friess with STVM Teacher, Meghan Conley
- Dr. Alamgir Karim and STVM Student, Renee Horn with STVM Teacher, Nader Taha

Visit the You Tube site for a look at the interesting video created on this very special project: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jTNo10UO1GA
Academic Excellence

Seventeen students receive honor

The following students were recipients of the 2009 Academic Letter honor:

The criteria for the Academic Letters consists of (1) accruing a total of 8 or more academic awards for classroom achievement at the end of sophomore or junior year, (2) maintaining an overall GPA of 3.3 or above, and (3) remaining a student “in good standing” on discipline and attendance. A second-year award winner needs a total of 16 or more academic awards as well.

We are very proud of these letter winners and congratulate them for their academic success.

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STVM One of Eight High Schools Invited

STVM accepts invitation to participate in “Personalized Learning for the 21st Century”

The Cleveland Foundation, the George Gund Foundation, the Martha Holden Jennings Foundation, and the Fund for Economic Future joined together recently to support a new project that invites eight teams of high school faculty and administrators to participate in a year-long project entitled, “Personalized Learning for the 21st Century.” STVM has accepted the invitation. The following staff will constitute the STVM team: Dave Rathz, Marcia Korllos, Maureen Harrigal, Joanne Kropf, Meghan Conley.

The funding group invited 50 diverse community leaders in education, business, and non-profit organizations to bring their ideas together, to share their passions and to tap into a broader network and to create this project. The project is designed to create a network of education professionals across northeast Ohio to explore a more personalized approach within their own classrooms and to learn from and support each other.

“YOU WILL NOT BE FORGOTTEN” SPAGHETTI DINNER BENEFITS HAITI

Ken McDonald, STVM Campus Minister writes...

The Spaghetti Dinner to aid the earthquake victims of Haiti, held January 24, 2010, was actually the idea of a group of five freshmen students who came to my office expressing a desire to do something to help the people in Haiti. We put our heads together and came up with the idea of the spaghetti dinner (and the possible tag line “Come Hungry for Haiti!”).

When warned that this endeavor was going to require a lot of work, their response was, “It’s okay...This is St. Vincent-St. Mary...We can do it!” With their help, we were able to gather donations from many businesses and vendors in the local community so that all of the proceeds could go directly to the Catholic Relief Services earmarked for Haiti relief.

Campus Minister, Ken McDonald was pleasantly surprised by the wonderful turnout for the event that raised over $3,000 for the Catholic Relief Services fund for Haiti relief.
The American Legion and American Legion Auxiliary sponsors a program called Buckeye Girls State and Buckeye Boys State. The purpose is to educate young men and women on the duties, privileges, rights and responsibilities of citizenship and to provide an opportunity to learn about the operation of city, county, and state governments in Ohio during a nine day event that is held at area college campuses. The selection process for candidates is based on application, good grades, student must be entering their Senior year in High School and have a high level interest in politics and government.

The St. Vincent-St. Mary High School Parents’ Club provides a partial scholarship for our Buckeye Girls State candidate and The American Legion Unit 209 provides a full scholarship for our Buckeye Boys State candidate and also provides the remainder of the cost associated with the Buckeye Girls State candidate.

Congratulations to Natasha “Nikki” Kanakkanatt VM10 and Michael Ringer VM10 for being selected as the 2009 Buckeye State recipients. Nikki currently serves as the STVM Senior Class President as well as the President of J.S.A. (Junior Statesmen of America) and Michael serves as the STVM Student Council President and is also a member of J.S.A.

By Adam Gerzanics VM10 (excerpts from Irish Items, Feb. 2010)

On Wednesday, October 6, 2009 STVM students studying Russian language took a field trip to Mogadore, Ohio for a chance to experience the “Something Russian Festival” and to get a taste of Russian culture. Accompanying the students were their teacher of the Russian language, William O’Neil, and guidance counselor, Emily Knapp. The festival focused on many different aspects of the Russian culture. These aspects, which are all unique in their own way, have a deep meaning in the lives of the Russian people. For instance, the students got to experience the Russian Orthodox Religion by visiting St. Nicholas Russian Orthodox Church that is adjacent to the festival grounds. The students received a history lecture given by an experienced and knowledgeable parishioner on the Russian icons that decorate the inside of the church walls.

Then the students explored the Russian festival and the vendors offering various Russian items such as blankets, T-shirts, Matryoshka dolls, Russian music CDs, Russian chocolates, posters, pictures and Russian text books. Next, the students enjoyed a concert by the Russian balalaika orchestra. After the balalaika performance was finished, the students then entered the main building where they were welcomed with the traditional Russian bread and salt. The bread and salt symbolizes in the Russian culture a hostess/host giving “their best” to their guests. Then the students had the opportunity to enter the Russian tea room for a taste of real Russian tea and chat with native Russian speakers. Afterwards, the students met inside the main room which contained even more displays of Russian imported souvenirs, pysanki, (decorated Ukrainian Easter eggs), and other Russian crafts and items. A major highlight of the Russian festival was the opportunity to sample delicious food of the Russian and Ukrainian culture. Some of the favorites were chicken kiev, borscht, blini and kielbasa with cabbage.

The STVM Alumni Office has teamed with Headmaster Dave Rathz to create a historical overview of the principals for our three schools. Please contact the STVM Alumni Office (330-253-9113 x120, kholaday@stvm.com) if you have any photographs that we could use for the display that will be created.
GIRL SCOUT GOLD AWARD RECIPIENTS

Congratulations to Melissa and Katherine Paydo on earning the Girl Scout Gold Award during the summer of 2009. The Girl Scout Gold Award is the highest community service award recognized by The Girls Scouts of America. Less than 1% of girls that begin as scouts in kindergarten go on to complete their Gold project.

Melissa and Katherine spent over 80 hours working at Memorial Park in Wadsworth, Ohio in July 2009. Melissa VM11 built an amphitheater with seating and Katherine VM12 built a bridge over a ravine at the Park. Both projects benefit the residents of Wadsworth and enhances the use of the park.

IRISH BAND MEMBERS STAR AT KENT STATE

Several members of our St. Vincent-St. Mary Fighting Irish Band were honored January 22-23, 2010 at Kent State University by being chosen to perform with the Kent State All Star Festival Band, under the direction of Mr. Scott Curfman, KSU Director of Athletic Bands. STVM students performing were: Isaac Cabe, Brint Florkowski, Andrew Menich, Claire Shand, and Vincenzo Volpe.

Dark and Stormy Night at STVM

ITS entertained audiences with their Fall 2009 production "It was a Dark and Stormy Night."

The STVM International Thespian Society (ITS) delighted the audience in November with the production of "It was a Dark and Stormy Night."

Director Gerard Neary produced the show with the assistance of Peggy Murphy technical, scenic and lighting designer; Mike Murphy master carpenter; Mark Schwenning assisted with updating the sound system, Andrea Fliegel in charge of the bake sale and parent volunteer coordinator as well as Rae Presz costume designer who is the parent of two STVM alumni (Jessica Presz Beal VM97 and Amanda Presz VM02) still helping after all of these years!!!

The STVM traditions of excellence and entertainment continued in every aspect of the production which highlighted the talents of our student performers, drama team, stage crew and the entire STVM ITS membership.

BOOKS FOR BAHAMAS RESULTS ANNOUNCED

National Honor Society is pleased to announce the results of our annual Books for the Bahamas Children’s Book Drive. Our final tally reached an amazing 3,072 books, which was more than double our goal. NHS wants to thank all students and staff members who participated in this drive and made it such a success.
Welcome STVM Class of 2013

Many VM13 freshmen have parents and siblings that are alumni. Please note the alumni parent(s) names and the siblings * that have attended or are attending STVM. *Indicates sibling. Italics indicates parent(s).

Kevin W. Alexander
Abrar N. Alniemi *
Autumn M. Azar
Emily M. Baker
Nicholas R. Balaj
Jennifer Stricklen Balaj VM83
Kevin R. Ballew
Mary Colette Barrett
Jeanne Bedell Barrett VM83
Thomas D. Bean
Ryan J. Bennett *
James Bennett VM76
Madison A. Beskitt
David Beskitt VM89 and Jodi Weiss Beskitt VM89
Fransohn Bickley
Madeline A. Bishop
Jason D. Bivins, Jr.
Daniel J. Bowen *
Michael Bowen VM84
Mary E. Bozik *
Chaz R. Brantley
Erica A. Bratton
Maximilian N. Bremer *
Devin T. Brown
Sarah C. Brown
Tim Bryan *
Corey A. Bryant
Amanda K. Burke
Mariana Butt *
Madison M. Buzek *
Meredith O. Cabe *
Christine Kayatin Cabe VM78
Trenton D. Campbell
Emily A. Cetnarowski *
Elizabeth Bruntn Cetnarowski VM81
Mary R. Cistone *
John Cistone VM77
William J. Coffee
Austin M. Connell*
Kyla F. Crater *
Cory J. Crimaldi
Robert M. Dambrot *
Jeffrey G. Dannemiller
Nicholas T. DeKemper *
Donald DeKemper VM83 and Barbara Glenn DeKemper VM87
William M. Denton
Nicholas D. Dodson *
Danielle L. Dubin *
Trevor L. Ellis
Christopher S. Esker *
Jackson H. Ewing
Andrew J. Farrell *
Hannah L. Fisher
Spencer M. Flannery
Michael A. Ford *
Alexis R. Ford
Zackery M. Frazier
Ryan J. Fulkerson*
Madeline T. Garritano*
Steven Garritano VM79
Shannon M. Gaspar*
Allivia G. George*
Edward George V57
Katie Getz
Evan D. Giffels
David Giffels VM82
Kaitlyn O. Gilbridge*
Craig Gilbridge V69
Stephany D. Gomez
Kim L. Gough*
Hannah J. Green
Anne Haus VM89
Tyler S. Greenland
Marie Guillard
Celeste K. Hall
Stephen W. Hall
Gianna R. Hammer*
Patrick Hammer VM79
Jordan D. Hargrove
Daniel D. Herron*
Christen M. Hoffman*
Katelyn M. Holaday
Kathleen Zehren Holoday VM77
Andrew M. Hornacek
Karen Bernard Medzi VM85
Michael F. Iacofano *
Whitney N. Jones
Patric M. Jones
Theodore Kanis II*
Nicholas P. Karipides*
Kayla M. Keatherly*
Jared A. Krummrich
Dylan M. Labbe *
William J. Landers
Patrick F. Latimer *
Chelsea R. Laury *
Rebecca A. Lee *
Kirsten N. Linnen
Marie F. Locastro
Jeanne Murvat Locastro VM80
Austen O. Logan
Julie M. Logsdon *
Katherine Morgan Logsdon VM80
Ryan R. Loney
Kaitlain J. Lott
Cerin E. Marchetta*
Alexandra M. Matejczyk
Marissa A. McNallen
Caroline A. McCarty
Miranda S. McCardall
Teanna J. McDaniel
Brianna M. McVicker
Brianne R. Mehen
Mark Mehen VM77
John W. Miller
Macee E. Miller*
Kara Molinelli*
Patricia Boscourhe Molinelli VM79
Shannon M. Moloney*
Benjamin J. Moore
Anthony M. Morganti
Kameron Z. Muzic-Ali
Nicholas J. Neill
Bennett M. Nelson
Carol J. Nicolas*
Michelle M. Nothen
John Nothen V71
DaRian C. Norris
Mary M. Ondack
Timothy Ondack VM77
Matthew R. Oswald*
Alyssa M. Pagni
Catherine M. Pamer
Thomas A. Paolucci
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Joseph R. Paustian
Alissa F. Peeples
Janae P. Pennington
Noah M. Pettry
Emily K. Phillips*
Stephen Phillips VM75
James J. Pianalto *
James Pianalto VM80 and Deborah VanDevere Pianalto VM81
Vincent D. Piccoli
Satchel P. Pierce*
Dena C. Pierog
Derek S. Pierog
Sloan M. Piglia *
Jack C. Presson
Eric W. Prologo
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Nicholas A. Scain *
Rachel R. Schlosser
Elinor Schuck
Patrick J. Schuerger*
Alexandra H. Schueszler
Alexander R. Schwarz
Alison P. Shaw *
Audrey E. Sheeks
Paul Sheeks VM80 and Laura Varrato Sheeks VM80
Kallie G. Sickels *
Maria E. Skora
Robert J. Slay
Amanda C. Sollenberger
Isabella F. Sparhawk
Richard Sparhawk VM88 and Julianna Flynn VM91
Bailey C. Spinner
Jacob P. Stack *
Rosalind M. Stadler
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Christian L. Wilkinson
Chase M. Williams
Matthew Williams *
Bryan W. Wiser *
Mark C. Wysocki
J. Christopher Wysocki VM79
Elizabeth A. Yermann *
Jake J. Zaratsian *
Fall Sports Review

Fighting Irish athletes enjoy success both on and off the field of play

Cross Country:
The cross country team had a championship season this fall. The girls team composed of seniors Molly Miloscia and Emily Tomei; juniors Maria Arnone and Anna Mion; sophomores Annie Davis and Tessa Weigand; and freshman Marissa Rosetti, won the Division II OHSAA State Championship. This was only the second state appearance for the girls team who finished in seventh place last year. The girls raised their new state championship banner in the gym this winter. The boys team also had an excellent year. The team made their second straight state championship appearance. The team finished seventh this year behind a strong effort from seniors Landon Davis, Greg Gannon, and Brian Raglow; juniors Jacob Swords and Ian Walsh; sophomore Patrick O’Brien; and freshman Mick Iacofano. Based on this season’s results, Head Coach Dan Lancianese was also named Coach of the Year by the Cleveland Plain Dealer.

Girls Soccer:
The girls soccer team had an outstanding season under first year Head Coach, Rob Young. The team finished with a 15-3-3 record and advanced to the OHSAA regional semi-final. In that game the team lost a very tough match to St. Mary Memorial High School, 2-1 in overtime. The team this year was led by three great captains: senior Erica Hutson, junior Becca Bridenthal and sophomore Miranda Yeaton.

Boys Soccer:
The boys soccer team had a great season and finished in the OHSAA regional semi-final game. Despite graduating a lot of great players in 2009, the boys advanced to the district semi-final match. In that game, the team lost a heartbreaker in overtime to rival Archbishop Hoban. The team this year was led by seniors Mitch Tomazic, Diego Hildebrandt, and John Heising. The most valuable player award this year was presented to junior Chris Motley, Joe Demboski and Antonio Manfut won the best defensive and offensive players respectively.
On February 14, 2009 the STVM Community looked with pride as the Dapper Dan Awards were presented at the Tangier Restaurant.

STVM Boys Basketball, Head Coach Dru Joyce received the Sports Person of the Year Award as the STVM Boys State Championship Basketball Team were honored. In addition, Coach Dan Lancianese received the Dapper Dan award as the Girls State Championship Cross Country Team was honored. Keith Dambrot, current UA Basketball Coach and former STVM Boys Basketball Head Coach was recognized and received the 2010 Dapper Dan award as well.

**Dapper Dan Awards**

### Football:
This year’s varsity football team finished with a record of 6-5 and returned to state playoff competition. Unfortunately, the team’s season ended in the OHSAA regional quarterfinal against Poland Seminary High School. Highlights from this season included a 14-10 victory over rival Archbishop Hoban. The game was played at the brand new Infocision Stadium on the campus of The University of Akron. The attendance for the game was close to 12,000 people. It was the first high school football game ever played at the new facility. The team this year was led by captains: seniors Billy Harmon and Brian Foster and juniors Doran Grant and Mark Murphy. During the season former Fighting Irish Coach John Cistone was honored at halftime during the September 4th game versus Akron North.

### Boys Golf:
The boys golf team this year was led by senior captain Jack Uecker. The team was guided by second year Head Coach Dante D’Andrea. The entire team qualified for the district tournament this year. The other members of the team included Jay Dean, Hakmut Hero, Tyler Rice, Chris Domer, and Alex McGrew.

### Girls Golf:
The girls golf team this year was led by first year Head Coach Chris Minear. This is the third year girls golf has been offered as a varsity sport at STVM and each year the program has grown. This year the team competed in the newly formed Greater Akron Girls Golf Conference. This was the first year for this conference and the team won the conference championship. Also, freshman Michelle Noethen was the Golfer of the Year in the conference. In the state tournament, the entire team qualified for the district championships. The captain’s award this season was presented to senior Emily Tomon.

### Girls Tennis:
The girls tennis program finished with a 12-7 record this year. Senior Caroline Bennett, junior Taylor Wedlake, and sophomore Rose Klein each qualified for the OHSAA district semi-final. The other captains this year were Erica Bennett and Halle Marchetta.

### Volleyball:
The volleyball team this year finished with a record of 11-12. The team was led by captains Ryanne Oldham, Kelsey Swords, and Rachel Wilson. The MVP was presented to Kelsey Swords. Sophomore Corie Nischt was named the best offensive player, and junior Meghan Weber earned the most improved player award.
Irish Cross Country Team Wins State

Girls team makes history by winning STVM’s first ever Cross Country state title

Dan Lancianese, Head Coach at STVM writes...

On Saturday November 7th, 2009 the Fighting Irish Boys and Girls Cross Country Team made history! First off, they were the first coed teams to qualify to the state championship in our school's history.

At the conclusion of the day, the boys team had a respectable 7th place finish. Since 2000, the boys team have finished as state runner up twice (2000, 2005); they finished in 3rd place in 2006 and finished in 7th place twice (2003 and 2009).

The big news of the day came from the Girls Fighting Irish team. This was the second year in a row, the Irish qualified as a team to the state finals. Last year, they finished in 7th place. This year, HISTORY was made – THE LADY IRISH WON THEIR FIRST STATE TITLE.

When legendary coach John Cistone asked me to coach the Irish cross country team as well as restart the track and field program back in 1994, I knew of the tremendous tradition of Irish athletics. I knew the pride all alumni have towards the green and gold. All one has to do is go into the gym to see the vast number of state titles that decorate the ceiling. I would challenge anyone to go into any other gym and try to find as many state titles as the Irish.

It is with great honor, that our girls cross country program of 2009 are able to add to this tradition. I want to take this opportunity to express my deepest appreciation to all of the past runners and coaches who created the foundation or the fabric for this state banner. All of the blood, sweat, and tears from many of the past runners (both male and female) that logged miles upon miles have created this path for our team to experience the thrill of a lifetime. I especially want to pay tribute to coach Bob McDonald who coached the first girls team in 1977. It was from his guidance and vision that we are now able to have this moment.

As for the present team, I must recognize my confidant and close friend who is the anchor for the girls team and that is Chris Miloscia. Coach Miloscia has been my assistant for the past three seasons and has made a lasting impression and tremendous impact on the progression of the program.

On behalf of Coach Miloscia, myself and all of the athletes who put on the uniform of the Irish cross country team, we would like to thank you for your continuous support. We would like to make this pledge to carry on this new tradition and add to the state titles in years to come. Our next goal is to bring home titles for both the boys and girls. God Bless the Fighting Irish of St. Vincent–St. Mary High School.

THE VOICE OF THE CAVALIERS VISITS STVM

JOE TAFT APPEARS AT BOOSTER CLUB EVENT

Joe Tait, the radio voice of the Cleveland Cavaliers, was the featured speaker at the November Booster Club meeting. Over 120 members of the Booster Club along with friends of the St. Vincent–St. Mary community were entertained by one of the NBA’s finest play-by-play voices.

Joe had given a brief recap of his career along with his plans for the future. The evening was mostly a question and answer event in which Joe provided an insight to the Cavaliers, LeBron James and his experiences in the NBA.

As a token of appreciation, the Booster Club provided Joe with a shillelagh and wished him well as he plans to retire after the 2010–2011 season.

The Booster Club will continue to present featured speakers in upcoming months that will inform and entertain its members.
# Alumni Association Dues and Membership Form

Please complete the form and return to: Alumni Department, St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, 15 North Maple Street, Akron, Ohio 44303 or go to www.stvm.com/alumni to update your information.

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PLEASE LIST YOUR CHILDREN (NAMES & AGES) AND INCLUDE IF THEY ARE CURRENT STUDENTS AT STVM OR ALUMNI:

## 3. Occupational/Professional Information

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DATES OF SERVICE

CURRENT AND/OR FORMER COMMANDS


- $10 ALUMNI DUES ENCLOSED. Membership runs from July 1-June 30.

- DONATION TO THE STVM ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP: Over the years, the STVM Alumni Association has had the privilege of awarding annual scholarships to members of the STVM Junior Class which is then applied toward their senior year tuition. The scholarship is funded by association dues as well as contributions made to the scholarship fund through the Father Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Awards program. To be eligible to apply, students must have one or both parents who are a graduate of St. Mary, St. Vincent, or St. Vincent-St. Mary High Schools as well as additional criteria.

- ADDRESS ABOVE IS A NEW ADDRESS. PLEASE UPDATE RECORDS

- I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE E-MAIL UPDATES ON MEETINGS & EVENTS

- PLEASE CONTACT ME — I WOULD LIKE TO GET INVOLVED WITH THE ALUMNI

- DO NOT PUBLISH ANY OF THIS INFORMATION

## 5. News

Include a separate sheet with information you might like included in the next Alumni Connection Magazine. Also, on a separate sheet of paper, please list your “Family Tree” information — the family members that attended St. Mary High School, St. Vincent High School or St. Vincent-St. Mary High School and their relationship to you. Thank you.
Dear Parents of STVM graduates, we are pleased to mail this Alumni Connection magazine to your household. If you would prefer that your STVM graduate receives a copy of this magazine, please contact the Alumni Office via e-mail at kholaday@stvm.com. Thank you for your past support and for your assistance in keeping our records accurate and up-to-date. Please do not hesitate to contact Kathy Holaday at 330-253-9113 ext. 120 if you should require further assistance.

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