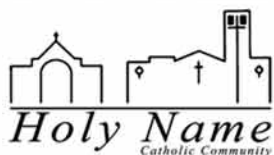


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THE NEWSLETTER OF HOLY NAME ALUMNI AND FRIENDS

Holy Name Men's Club

For more than fifty years the Men's Club has been an active organization in Holy Name Parish.

All Meetings are held on the 1st Monday of each month in the cafeteria:

Oct. - April
6:00 p.m. Darts



May - Sept.
6:00 p.m.
Horseshoes

8:00 p.m. Meeting

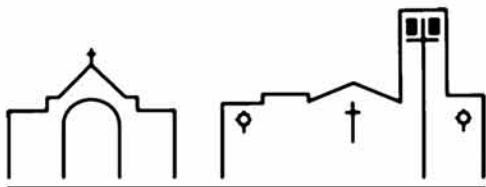
If you are 18 years or older you are eligible to become a member.
Dues are \$15.00 per year
Call Rick Peterson at 556-3394
Please join us!



Yeah, we do a few fish fry's too...

The Men's Club Supports:

- ~ Funding for maintenance for the Field House
- ~ Funding for an Athletic Coordinator for intramural sports for school and parish children
- ~ Funding for High School tuition assistance for Holy Name 8th grade graduates attending Catholic High Schools.



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PRAYERS AND REMEMBRANCES

Pray for peace and healing ...

Mike Adler H70, brother of **Joe H67**, **John H68**, **Mary Finks H69**, **Bill H74**, **Susie Mathies H75**, **Jim H82** and **Peggy Dougherty H86**.

Fred Bender H71, husband of **Betsy H73**; father of **Jon G98**, **Becky G00**, **Jim G03** and **Sarah G04**.

Jeanie Morisch Bower H61

Diane Brich H80, mother of **Emily G03**, **Ben G04** and **Chloe G06**.

Patrick H50 and **Evelyn Early**

Bob H44 and **Marge Gates**

Mark Germany, husband of **Kathy Klein Germany H80**.

Gene Gordon, husband of **Rita Wolff Gordon H65**.

Mike Keegan H59

Mike Larson H77

Clair Matza, mother of **Tom G64**, **Jim H70**, **Eileen Matza Elles H71** and **Jeff G73**.

Diane McGee Ingalise H71

Joe McGovern G42, brother of **†Catherine McGillucuddy H35**, **Sr. Patrice H38**, **Rita Hiber HF41** and **Pat HF43**.

John Moylan H64

Selena Osegueda, wife of **Dave H81**.

Theresa Burns Peklo H65, wife of **Joe H65**.

Mary Burkhiser Searl H59

Rita Pflaum Sobetski H47, mother of **Pete H72**, **Ruth Ploof H73**, **Rosemarie Helbing G71**, **Matt H77**, **Mary Kay Fairbanks G74** and **Dan G77**.

Betty Simon, mother of **†Ray HF66**, **Tod H69** and **Curt H71**.

Ted Smith H54, brother of **Paul H55** and **Dennis H60**.

Geri Frost Stratman H48

Richard and **Carolyn Maher Sudyka H58**.

Wayne Wagner, father of **Gina H80**, **Teri Tessmer H81**, **Debbie Humpal H83** and **Scott G83**.

Please keep the family members of these deceased in your thoughts and prayers.

†Hon. James A. Buckley, husband of **Patricia Kopfle Buckley H53**.

†**Marnie Giitter Daley H56**, sister of **†Frank H54**, **Thomas GF60** and **Bernadette Olson GF65**

†**Frank Giitter H54**, brother of **†Marnie Daley H56**, **Tom GF60** and **Bernadette Olson GF65**.

†**Nancy Lee Hamilton H58**

†**Kitty Johnson**, wife of **Jim H52**.

†**Tom Matza**, father of **Tom G64**, **Jim H70**, **Eileen Elles H71** and **Jeff G73**.

†**Eugene Podany H54**, brother of **Robert H49**, **Mary Kay Johnston H60** and **†Frank H63**.

†**Bernard Schnitker** father of **Gary H66**, **Terry H67**, **Lonnie Witts G67**, and **†Keith H75**.

†**Patty Kozol Smart HF69**

†**Blake Smith H51**, brother of **Sally Furness GF58**.

†**Carl Sortino**, brother of **†Dolores Cranford H54**, **Arlene Duke H57** and **Dianna Tuttle GF55**.

Miracles result from our recognition that even the worst news is only a short story; the whole plot is an unfolding mystery. Be humble in your perpetual uncertainty.

Paul Pearsall

Holy Name Annual Memorial Mass

A very special celebration of the Holy Mass to pray for and remember our loved ones.

Please join us: Saturday, November 1, 2008 at 9:00 a.m.

If you would like to participate in this special celebration please contact Diane Brich at 402-451-6622 or email dbrich@cox.net.

MEMORIAL HONOR

The Memorial-Honor Program is a beautiful way to remember or honor a loved one! Listed below are gifts received through Memorial/Honor envelopes from **May 4, 2008 - Aug. 12, 2008**. Please forgive us if we missed your name and notify us at 402-451-6622 so we can correct our records. Thank you for your generosity.

Fr. Frank's 30th Anniversary

Fran Bergiven
Lois Gutchewsky
Ken & Kathie Hahn
Joan Waldron
Dan & Peg Worthing

Fran Bergiven Birthday

Darrell & Peg Bermel

Evelyn Brown Birthday

Darrell & Peg Bermel

†Honorable James

Buckley

Luke & Shirley Coniglio

†Deceased Members

Class of 68

Cyndi & Larry Stastny

Garry & Marcella Callahan 50th Anniversary

Rick & Colleen Peterson

†Annie Coffman

Art & Judy Mullin

Roy & Carol Cowart

50th Anniversary

Frank & Sofie Kock

†Delores Sortino Cranford

George & Pam Schutte

Paul & Irene Donovan 60th Anniversary

Lucille Larson

†Wayne Drey

Michael & Dawn Drey
Jack & Maureen Sullivan

†Bill Dutch

Joe & Judy Latoza
Cyndi & Larry Stastny

†Mildred Dwyer

Kathy Pflug

†Margaret Edney

Mary Lynn & Greg Schwietz

†Max Falk

Luke & Shirley Coniglio

†Tom Fitzsimmons

Ray & Barb Rutten

†Janet Frazier

Charles & Carla Hines

†Frank Giitter

Luke & Shirley Coniglio
Art & Judy Mullin
Kathy Pflug

†Grace Goldman

Eileen Byrne

†Majorie Grandfield

John Granfield

Lois Gutchewsky Birthday

Darrell & Peg Bermel

Dick & Cathy Hays 50th Anniversary

Jack & Maureen Sullivan

†Katherine Heafy

Cyndi & Larry Stastny

†Mary Ann Hogan

Richard McGowan

†Mary Beatrice

Hollenbach

Art & Judy Mullin

Hazel Hyland 95th Birthday

Alice McGowan
Dan & Peg Worthing

†Catherine (Kitty) Johnson

Henri Bendel
Luke & Shirley Coniglio
Art & Judy Mullin
Howard Rudloff
Don Weber

†Iona & LaVerne

Kharen, Sr.

Kathy Pflug

†Allen Kubat

Luke & Shirley Coniglio

†John Lazure

Carolyn Sokol
Dan & Peg Worthing

†Robert J Maher

Art & Judy Mullin

†Thomas Matza

Theresa Shepard

Gert McAndrew Birthday & Holy Name Woman of Year

Darrell & Peg Bermel

Judy Lang

Lois Gutchewsky

†JoAnne Peleska

Mike Allen
Anonymous

Thomas & Marilyn Byers

Frank Caruso

Mitzi & John Demman

Gerald & Rosemary Donovan

Tom & Connie Dunham

Bob & Sheila Gehrman

Judy Lang

Joe & Judy Latoza

Jackie & Don McClure

George & Susie Pearson Jr.

Kathy & Pat Toohey

Lynn & Terry Walsh

Kris Pflug Birthday

Darrell & Peg Bermel

†Eugene Podany

Tom & Jane LaHood

Luke & Shirley Coniglio

Art & Judy Mullin

Greg & Barb Pflaum

Delores Podany

Howard Rudloff

†Kyle Pont

Joe & Mary Jo Andresen

Karen Hahn

Mary Potmesil Birthday

Darrell & Peg Bermel

†Frank J Ryan

Don Weber

†Bill Sieczkowski

Cyndi & Larry Stastny

†Patty Smart

Kathy Pflug

†Carl & Alice Smith, Sr.

Margie Doeden

Ron & Marianne Smith

†Carl Sortino

George & Pam Schutte

†Elizabeth Stanosheck

Mary Beth & Bob Furno

Lee & Ann Galles

Fr. Martin Stillmock, C.Ss.R.

50th Anniversary

Dan & Peg Worthing

Geri Stratman

Frank & Jan Duffy

†Edna Louise "Toots" Tierney

Florence Walsh

†D.O. "Dee" Waldron

Joan Waldron

Mary Warin 100th Birthday

Eileen Byrne

†Patricia Weber

Don Weber

†Patricia Williams

Luke & Shirley Coniglio

John & Ellie Wingender

Ellie Wingender

John R. & †Jeanne B.

Wingender, Jr.

Ellie Wingender

Marguerite (Peg)

Worthing 75th Birthday

Tom & Jane LaHood

Ray & Barb Rutten

†Bill Wunderlick

Luke & Shirley Coniglio

Listen to your life. See it for the fathomless mystery that it is. In the boredom and pain of it no less than in the excitement and gladness: touch, taste, smell your way to the holy and hidden heart of it because in the last analysis all moments are key moments, and life itself is grace.

Frederick Buechner

DEVELOPMENT NEWS

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In 1996, many parishioners, alumni, school families and friends joined together to launch the first five year \$750,000 Capital Campaign. In 2002, a Master Plan defining the immediate, deferrable and long term needs of this community was developed and in June 2003 the first phase of the new \$1,000,000 campaign began. The campaigns have been successful and the benefit to the campus facilities immeasurable.

In June of 2006 with faith and confidence the community redefined goals and kicked off the second phase for the next three years of this campaign with a monetary goal of \$750,000. Once again, holding to our strong belief in stewardship of your gifts we have completed much of the work under the three goal areas of the 2006 campaign with total donations of almost \$300,000.

In year three we will report on all of the completed projects, and talk of expansion of the work under the goal areas. We have been so blessed by volunteers, in kind donations and your contributions that we have surpassed what we originally set out to accomplish. Your support over these past eleven years is incredible. If you have sent a gift, thank you for your generosity. If you have not, we ask that you please consider a gift to Phase II of this campaign.

Phase II Capital Campaign 2006-2009

Honorary Chairs – Servants of Mary Campaign Chairs – Luke H52 & Shirley Coniglio, Steve G58 & Rita Dwyer

Completed Projects

Main entrance to the school: Replaced front steps, stone architecture and installed metal railings.
Updated and installed new electrical wiring throughout the school building.
Installed window air conditioners in each classroom.
Installed new Fire Alarm system in the school.
School building and Field house: Capped off underground boiler steam pipes and ran new pipes above ground.
Moved main entrance of the Rectory from the east side to the southwest end adding a ramp for handicap accessibility.
Five classrooms: Installed dropped ceilings, lights; new paint, new carpet.
Rerouted the water drainage off of the church, school and field house buildings.
New asphalt and striping for the entire parking area of the campus.

To Be Completed

Install diagonal parking with handicap accessibility on the south side of church. (In progress).
Install a Keyless Entry system for all entrances to the school building and field house. (In progress)
Renovate the east side of the Rectory.
Replace remaining old windows in the school building.

**The mission of Holy Name Catholic Elementary School
is to educate children of diverse backgrounds to be academically prepared,
compassionate toward others, and rooted in the Catholic Christian community.**

Holy Name

Online Donation System and A New Look for our Website

In our continued efforts to stay abreast of new and improved technology it is time for this community to move into the twenty first century. Our latest work involves building a new look for our website that will also provide you – our most important asset – with technology that is easy on the eye and easy to use. By Thanksgiving our website will have a whole new look! One of our goals for our loyal constituency has been to provide the opportunity for you to be able to “Give Online”.

We are proud to announce that the online giving opportunity is available on the current website. If you have not been online at our site recently please take a moment to visit. We have implemented what we hope is an easy way for you to send donations to a number of areas of need for our community by simply going to our website at www.holynameomaha.org, and clicking on the



button available on the home page. It is located on the left side of the screen. From there it will take you through the steps needed to register and send your gift. There is also an area for an anonymous donation if that is something you would prefer. If you have made a pledge to our Annual Appeal or Capital Campaign you may send your payments online if you wish. There are also three other areas of giving available on the site.

Giving just got easier! Holy Name could not exist without the generosity of our alumni, parishioners and friends. Many people prefer the convenience of doing business online and we hope that this opportunity will provide many of you another preferred way of supporting Holy Name Catholic Community. Thank you for your continued generosity to the mission of Holy Name.

www.holynameomaha.org

DEVELOPMENT NEWS

Generous gift to Holy Name from the "King of Condiments"

by Tom LaHood



"Merrill Kill, in name only." This was Merrill's response when introduced to a new acquaintance. Merrill, even though approaching 100 years, was as sharp as the knives he used as a meat cutter for over fifty years. Merrill was a native of Maryville, Missouri and entered the United States Army February 6, 1942.

While home on leave in July 1943 he married Theresa. Sergeant Kill ended his army career October 24, 1945, after serving in The European Campaign. Upon his return from the war the job opportunities in Maryville were limited. The couple traveled west to New Mexico where Merrill was the cook, attendant and manager of a restaurant - fuel stop at Gallup on Route 66.

New Mexico did not suit the newly married couple for long. They returned to Maryville and then moved to Omaha where Merrill took up the meat cutting profession. He worked at his trade for several grocery outlets in the Omaha area, retiring in the late 1970's.

Theresa and Merrill purchased a home at 6623 Curtis Street in Omaha and joined the Holy Name Community in the early 1960s. He loved sports, especially, golf and bowling and was very competitive in both. In his mid-nineties he played in organized leagues of both sports. The Holy Name Frydays of Lent were his favorite Lenten activity. He was the "King of Condiments". The individual containers filled with sauces for the fish were never empty when Merrill was on duty.

Merrill died February 26, 2007 at the age of 97. He and Theresa remembered the Holy Name Community in their wills with a gift of \$150,000. Their legacy has helped Holy Name continue its' work of educating the young and nurturing the members of our community. The Kill's generosity helped pave the way for the future. Literally, some of the funds were used to resurface our parking lot. Merrill was a very practical man and would have approved of this expenditure.

Thank you Merrill and Theresa.

Gifts that continue to give

_____ **Yes**, I have included Holy Name in my estate plan and wish to become a member of the Holy Name Perpetual Help Society.

_____ **Please** send me more information about including Holy Name in my will, trust or life insurance.

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or contact us toll free at:
1-888-999-4655
Email: cmpetersonhn@cox.net

We want to thank you!

If you have included Holy Name in your will, trust or life insurance, you are eligible for membership in the Holy Name Perpetual Help Society. The society consists of more than 35 members and recognizes the valuable contributions of parishioners, alumni and friends who include Holy Name in their estate.

DEVELOPMENT NEWS



Collins Peterson

As we approach the Autumn equinox it is hard to believe that we are at Harvest time. Gathering the fruits of our labor is a joyous activity which often leads to dreaming of many other possibilities. For Holy Name the gathering of the fruits of our labor is centered around the improvements in our campus facilities and in the extension of our academic and social services to many children, parishioners and neighbors.

Our hearts are filled with joy as we pull into the newly resurfaced parking lot. For years we have dealt with leaking steam pipes inside the school building, today the pipes have been capped

and run above ground inside the building so that if there are leaks we can deal with them right away. We also dealt with water leaks from inadequate drainage systems off the outside of our buildings during times of major rains and melt off from the winter snows. These drainage systems were also built underground. Today the drainage systems for the church, school and field house have been rebuilt just under the new asphalt and the water runs away from our buildings, down the north driveway and out to Fontenelle Boulevard. Your generous support of our capital campaign has made these improvements and so much more possible. Thank you so very much! With your continued support and generosity our work will continue and you will celebrate the bountiful Harvest of good work being completed each day at Holy Name.

Speaking of Harvest, our annual benefit dinner and auction will take place Friday, October 3rd. Our theme this year is taken from the prayer written by one of our students for our Capital Campaign.

"Faith is the magic of God" will unfold with heavenly gifts and magical moments. You can be a part of a Magical Moment and support this event for our children. In your Harvest invitation is a Magical Moment post card. For a donation of \$25.00 you will receive a one of a kind 2009 Holy Name Harvest monthly calendar. This beautiful calendar will bring to mind many fond memories as it is filled with pictures of the church, school and students. When you send in your donation your name is automatically entered in our Harvest 2008 Magical Moment drawing. If your name is chosen and your are in attendance at the event or can be reached by telephone that evening you choose between two great gifts; a trip to County Cork, Ireland or a fantastic Ninendo Wii System. We hope many of you will become a part of the magic at Holy Name.

Please continue to pray for and support our mission as we strive to maintain the level of excellence, compassion and tradition that is the spirit of Holy Name! God Bless You!

Our Mother of Perpetual Help Devotions for World Peace

You are full of grace, O Blessed Virgin, and indeed so full that the whole world may draw on this overabundance of grace. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.



Our partnership project with KVSS to spread the Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help has come to fruition and is bringing blessings to many, many people, families and the communities of Holy Name and KVSS. Remember, you can listen live through the internet through the KVSS website at www.KVSS.com. Simply click on the *Listen Live* link and you can pray the Novena with the voices of Holy Name community members. If you would like a copy of the Novena booklet or are in need of more petition cards, please contact the Holy Name Development office at 888-999-4655, 402-451-6622 or by email at holynameparish@cox.net

Come...Pray with us!

To help you remember just how long Holy Name has supported this novena, here is a little history from the 1957 Dedication of the Church document. "While all the material development of Holy Name Parish was taking place during these early years, the spiritual growth of the parish kept abreast. Masses were crowded so that more had to be added each year; the Sacraments were frequented, and the devotions to Our Mother of Perpetual Help were taking root in the very heart of the parish since the first Solemn Novena, November 1918. From all over the city the clients of our Blessed Mother came to worship at Her Perpetual Help Shrine in Holy Name Parish. More services had to be added to accommodate them until other parishes began their own devotions.

SCHOOL NEWS

2008 Honors Assembly

Family Fund Scholarship Recipients

The Family Fund Scholarships are awarded to students who currently attend Holy Name. The twenty-eight Family Funds provided scholarships to forty-two students. Thank you!



Family Fund Scholarships began in 1996

In November of 1996 the Charles and Madeline LaHood Scholarship was created by their children, Charles H40, Mae LaHood Borshiem H42 and Tom H55. The first Charles and Madeline LaHood Scholarship was awarded in May 1997. Since that time this fund has generated thirty-five scholarships to Holy Name students.

One of the newest funds to generate a scholarship is the Servants of Mary Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship was awarded for the first time this past May.

Family Funds are held within the Education Endowment. A fund begins generating a scholarship when it reaches a \$2,500 principle balance and has accrued interest for one year. There are currently thirty-four Family Fund Scholarships.

Of those, four will award their first scholarships in May 2009 and three funds are pending. Endow excellence - for more information contact the Holy Name Development Office.



Tom and Jane LaHood present the Charles and Madeline LaHood Scholarship to Aleyah Smith, Zachary Valentine and Cole Davis.



Sr. Ginny Silvestri, Provincial for the Servants of Mary, presents the Servants of Mary Memorial Scholarship to Rashaan Smith.

Charles and Madeline LaHood Memorial Scholarship

Cole Davis
Aleyah Smith
Zachary Valentine

Rev. Robert Oelerich, C.Ss.R. Scholarship

Ethan Woods

Carl and Alyce Smith Family Scholarship

Kara Ramold
Susan Straka

Class of 1974 Scholarship

Aaron Woods

Gary F. Smith Memorial Scholarship

Jackie Grode
Payton Horacek

Donna Walsh Memorial Scholarship

Elsie Boyle
Bridgit Peterson

John & Susan Moylan Family Scholarship

Gabrielle Gulley
Audra Horne

Frank & Pam Solich Scholarship

Joseph Nguyen

Frank and Rita Butalla Scholarship

Ofelia Brachle

Frank and Patty McGill Scholarship

Shane Grode

Jay Albright Scholarship

Philip Tilden

Elizabeth Stanosheck Scholarship

Griffin Querry
Mariah Houston

Rose Tillman Scholarship

Okey Alojzmi

Clemence and Kathryn Kopfle Scholarship

Sidnea Brown
Erica Ellis

Patty and Don Weber Scholarship

Lily Nguyen

John and Eleanor Wingender

Angela Whitney

Ed Toohey Memorial Scholarship

Ashley Casey
Jordan Kuiper
Nick Davis

Opal Fransiscus & Marjorie Fransiscus Grandfield Memorial Scholarship

Lily Boyle

Sieczowski Family Memorial Scholarship

Melody Herek

Nasr Family Memorial Scholarship

Arianna Wesley-Powell
Peyton O'Neal
Alajia McKizia

Joe and JoAnne Peleska Family Fund

Diane Kirchmann

Sr. Angeline Havel Memorial Scholarship

Kamisha Duncan

Dr. C. M. and Lucile Hartmann Scholarship

Tim Herek

Dede Hundelt Memorial Scholarship

Aryn Shannon-Green

Jim and Marvel O'Brien Endowed Scholarship

Maya Pirie

Servants of Mary Memorial Scholarship

Rashaan Smith

Reznicek Family Memorial Scholarship

Josephina Nyenga
Sarah Porter
Shirley Fabian

Sandy Kirchmann Memorial Scholarship Fund

Andrea Lahowetz

8th Grade Honor Awards

Rotary Club of Omaha

Erin Swadener

Roncalli High School Pride Leadership Award

Amanda Ramold

The Confraternity of the Holy Family Scholarship

Erin Swadener

The Holy Name Men's Club Grant

Lily Nyenga
Amanda Ramold

Luke and Shirley Coniglio Family Scholarship

Breanna Brown
Erika Ewing
Montel Turner

Teacher and Staff Service Awards

10 Years of service - Karen Smolinski

15 Years of service - Betsy Bender and Jenny Bradley

20 Years of service - Joette Trumble

SCHOOL NEWS



Angie Koch

I wish all of you could have seen the faces of parents and children as they walked into the primary classrooms on the first day of school. Over the summer these five rooms had an "extreme makeover...school edition". Ceilings were lowered; a fresh coat of paint applied to the walls; new light fixtures installed; and beautiful blue and gold carpet was laid. These rooms were last "made-over" when the current church was built in 1958 and this space was converted into classrooms from the original church!! We are grateful to the donor who provided the seed money to complete this renovation and to the three seminarians who helped Andy Horst, plant manager, get the job done. Holy Name is so blessed to have such generous and talented individuals as part of the "family".

There are other things to celebrate. Our enrollment increased by 15 students.....25 kindergarten students arrived the first day and all of them were still here on the fourth day! There are thirty-eight 7th and 8th grade leaders who will assist the faculty in passing along the traditions of our school to the younger students.

Providing a safe learning environment for all staff and students is a primary concern in every educational facility. Within the next few weeks Holy Name will incorporate a keyless entry system for the school building and field house. With the brand new asphalt playground area completed this summer, children will be safer as they run playing games at recess. This project also included an improved drainage system which moves water away from the buildings.

At a recent gathering all of the faculty and staff introduced themselves and shared their total years in education. We have such a wonderful group of young educators mixing with veterans. The average longevity at Holy Name is 10 years with an overall average teaching experience of 25 years! This level of expertise punctuates the quality of the learning experience our students receive. Again, we are blessed to have these dedicated adults surrounding the children everyday.

We love to share our day with visitors...please plan a time to come and see for yourself what exciting things happen in the Holy Name classrooms everyday. God bless each of you and your families.



Seminarians Matt Capadano, Greg Carl and Richard Mendoza with Holy Name Plant Manager, Andy Horst.

Benefit for Holy Name Music Teacher



Mrs. Longstein teaches music at Holy Name School and is beginning her 8th year. In addition to music classes, she also organizes the children's choir for our weekly masses and leads the Show Choir. Our Show Choir performs at the Harvest Auction, Hall of Fame Dinner and many other venues around Omaha. She also teaches music at two other inner-city schools,

Blessed Sacrament and St. Richard and is an instructor for "Arts for All."

Mrs. Longstein was diagnosed with lung cancer during the 05-06 school year. The cancer is inoperable, but ongoing treatments have been successful in stopping the spread of the disease.

Please join us Thursday, Oct. 16th, 2008 for an Ice Cream Social and Family Fun Night sponsored by the Holy Name School staff and the Parent's Club. They hope this benefit will provide financial support for her continuing medical and personal expenses. Join us for ice cream and fun activities for the whole family.

Those halos sure do sparkle!



Mr. Luke Ostrander, 8th grade teacher
Mrs. Karen Smolinski - technology

One of the dress down days last May was "twin day." Students from every grade had the opportunity to dress the same as one of their friends. Even some of the teachers dressed alike!

8th Grade tours WOWT studio



Mr. Greg Schweitz bought the WOWT Tour With John Knicely at our 2007 Harvest Dinner and Auction. He gave this opportunity to our 8th grade class. The 8th graders toured in May had a wonderful time.

ALUMNI NEWS

Save the Date

Harvest Dinner Auction - October 3, 2008

Memorial Mass - November 1, 2008

Hall of Fame - April 16, 2009

19th Annual Golf Classic - May 2, 2009

Alumni Reunion Weekend - June 27th - 28th, 2009

We'd love to hear from you!

Keep us updated. Complete this form and mail it to:

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Email: holynamealumni@cox.net

Call us with any questions: 402-451-6622 or toll free 888-999-4655

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What are you up to?

ALUMNI NEWS

Up To Date

Class of 1973 will celebrate their 35th reunion Saturday, Sept. 20th at the Upstream Brewing Company, 170th & Center. Social hour: 6:00 - 7:00 P.M.- cash bar; buffet at 7:00 p.m. The cost is \$40.00 per person. For more information call Jenny Jensen Bradley at 402-496-0142 or email abradley3@cox.net.

Richard Buchta H73 writes that his two sons, Nick (15) and Zach (12) finished 454 miles of bicycle riding in the 28th annual Bike Ride Across Nebraska (BRAN). Congratulations!

Marcella Pflaum Callahan H58 and husband Garry celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary August 16th. All their children and grandchildren joined them in Chadron NE to celebrate this milestone in their lives. Cards can be sent to Mr. and Mrs. Garry Callahan, 715 E 8th St., Chadron NE 69337.

Margie Lee Husmann H56 writes that, after twenty-seven years, she has retired from teaching and is now doing homebound tutoring for Jefferson County Colorado. She loves it!

Gina Wagner H80 completed her doctoral thesis and has graduated with her degree of Philosophy in Human Sciences. Congratulations Dr. Gina!

The class of 1968 celebrated their 40th reunion



Betty Evans Anderson and Marianne McGowan McCandless



Joan Carlin, Mary Pogge, Barb and Tim Muldoon



Janet Mason Lamalfa and Chuck Lamalfa



John Stratman, Bill and Diane Hayduk

Here are comments sent to Betty Evans Anderson:

Betty, just a quick and sincere thanks to you and Mary Beth for putting together a wonderful evening. It's been a long time since I laughed so hard. It was good to see everyone and renew old friendships. There are some remarkable people from the class of "68". ~ The Adlers

Thanks to you, Mary Beth, Susan and Mary Claire for all the work you guys did on the reunion. The food was awesome and the company even better. I had a fabulous time as I think everyone did.

Thanks again! ~ Linda Barry Wiegel

How did four girlfriends from the Class of 1966 decide to celebrate St. Patrick's Day this year?

They all gathered in Phoenix, AZ at the home of Fred and Kathy



Semper for five days full of sun, fun and shopping in Sedona and Scottsdale, AZ enjoying their time together once again. Pictured above at the White Tanks Regional Park are Sally Guidel and Carol McGuire Grasso (backseat) and Kathy Hardy Semper and Paula Hughes, (front seats). Joining them is Steve Piechota, Class of 65, whose late wife was Mary Pat Carlin Piechota, also a classmate of the girls.

Scott and Julie GougerTefft H55 celebrated their 50th Wedding Anniversary with a church ceremony at Holy Trinity Church of Corn Hill, TX. Msgr. Emilian Foltsyn presented the couple with a certificate of congratulations signed by the Bishop of the Austin Diocese, Rev. Gregory Aymond. Julie wore her original wedding gown for the occasion, and was attended by her daughter Trish Rodriguez of Manor, TX. Son Scott Tefft Jr. from Livonia, Michigan, and grandchildren, Jessica, Nick, and Sarah Rodriguez, of Manor, TX. and friends also attended.

Phantom Golf Winner:

Mary Stuckey Orr H63. Mary won \$250 for her amazing performance in the Holy Name Golf Classic! What did she do? Nothing but send in her registration to be a phantom golfer. Congratulations Mary!



Be sure to mark your calendars!

All School Reunion 2009: June 27th and 28th.

If your class is having a reunion and you need an updated list please give the alumni office a call at 402-451-6622 or email holynamealumni@cox.net.

PARISH NEWS



Harvest

Friday, Oct. 3, 2008

Faith is the magic of God



Harvest 2008 chairpersons
Julie and Curt H71 Simon



Co-chairs
John H81 and Kris Gudenrath

Nobody Throws a Party Like Rich and Judy Fitzgerald!



Judy and Rich G58 Fitzgerald



Melanie Clarke and
Carol Farha McGlade G72



Jim Moylan and Douglas Co.
Treasurer John Ewing



Sandy and Bob H54 Bianchi
Art H54 and Judy Mullin



Dorothy Bishop Peterson H40
and Steve Dwyer G56

Each year Rich and Judy Fitzgerald generously host an underwriting party for Harvest. Wonderful food is catered and local Irish Band Donnybrook comes to entertain. Over seventy-five people came to support this annual Holy Name event.

Omaha Metro Chefs Support Harvest

If you have not had the opportunity to experience the Harvest Dinner you really are missing a fantastic meal. For the past four years Omaha area chefs and Chef Mark Leisman H82 of San Diego have come together to make this dinner the best deal in town. These generous folks donate their time and talent. This year we have nine chefs creating a wonderful meal. Harvest 2008 restaurants/chefs are Attitude on Food, Famous Dave's, Falling Water Grille, Liberty Tavern, Sgt. Pepper's, Vincenzo's West, Vincenzo's Old Market, San Diego Desserts and Chef Lewis Windham. Friday evening at a restaurant is a very busy time but these folks have chosen to spend their time at Holy Name. Thank you to all these chefs.

Need a ticket?

For more information about Harvest call 402-451-6622 or toll free 888-999-4655.

Be a part of Harvest

Harvest is the largest fundraiser for Holy Name School. This event has the potential to raise \$100,000. Invitations should be in your mailboxes. There are many ways for you to be a part of this event. Nothing can be better than being at the event, but if that's not possible here are several giving opportunities -

Magical Moment ~ for \$25 you receive a beautiful Holy Name 2009 calendar. Each month displays a different scene of Holy Name. The purchase of a calendar places your name in a drawing for a trip to Ireland or a Wii game package. If your name is drawn and you are in attendance or we can reach you by phone you choose one of the two prizes. Make sure you are part of our Magical Moment.

Underwriting ~ any donation you can give to help us reduce the costs of this event will increase the profits.

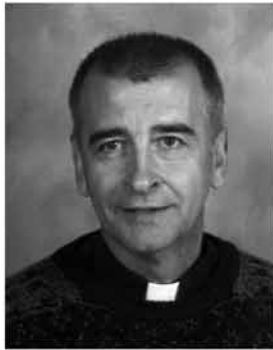
Sponsor a corporate table ~ a table of 8 is \$2,000 and a table of 10 is \$2,500. Your sponsorship also purchases a half page ad in our auction catalog and signage at your table.

Donate a gift ~ Do you have a home or condo in a desirable location? Airline tickets? Unique items are always welcome.

Tuition Assistance ~ a cash gift to be used specifically toward tuition assistance of a Holy Name student.

A sign for the front of the school ~ Our efforts continue to enhance the beauty and identity of the Holy Name campus with a new school sign.

PARISH NEWS



Fr. Frank

In the thirty years I have served in the Archdiocese I have had several conversations with priests who had the task of starting a new parish in the Omaha area. As they worked to build all the needed parish and school buildings in a new and booming neighborhood, each one had moments when they said something like; 'wouldn't it be nice if we could just move the amazing church and/or

school structures from east Omaha out west?' They were looking at Holy Name's buildings.

As I listen to the news reports of shootings and other violence in north Omaha I know why these buildings are important to leave right here. Even though these structures are not perfect and have needed some repairs from fifty plus years of hard use, they serve a very important role in providing what this area needs; strength, security and community.

When families here are dealing with gunfire outside their homes they need a big solid church to attend that will lift their spirit and help them feel the strength of God. When the children are feeling insecure, they need a school that is built like Fort Knox to make them feel safe. When the young people in our neighborhood are tempted to get into trouble they need a parish community to embrace them. When peoples' lives seem to be out of control, they need a place like Holy Name to turn to. Thanks to the grace of

God, the love of Mary, and you, His people, this parish and school provide so many things that have been and will continue to be exactly what is needed.

This summer Holy Name provided a home for three seminarians who worked fulltime at the parish. Each of them mentioned many times how wonderful it was to be here. They found that they gained tremendous insights into themselves as they participated in the work of this parish. They learned new skills, like how to drop a ceiling in a classroom. They tested their abilities by leading Communion Services. They learned what it meant to put in a hard days work when they were digging out tree stumps. They learned that no matter how smart they are they would never have all the answers, like when they ran the Vacation Bible School. Because of what they gained here this summer, they have promised to pray for the parish throughout the year. Because of what they gave to the parish we need to pray for them also.

Meet our newest Parish staff member



New to the development office this year is Lisa Milbrath. Milbrath has spent the past 15 years in parish development work. She recently moved from Des Moines, Iowa where she worked for Holy Trinity.

Milbrath notes that if she gets the name wrong when answering the phone, the reader will now know why.

Lisa and her husband, Randy have two daughters, Emma and Mary who are just now turning nine and seven. Emma and Mary were introduced to Holy Name's famous Fish Fry this past Lent and were greatly disappointed after Easter arrived. "Even chocolate eggs didn't take away the sting of no more fish fry at the church," notes Milbrath.

Lisa says she feels very fortunate to be at Holy Name. "My faith means a lot to me." She says. "It's really an amazing thing to be able to work where your job is to help propagate the faith. It's even more amazing to be here where history and the sense of community is so strong."

Teammates Mentoring Program: The Coaches Challenge

The National Mentoring Partnership has identified that there are 15 million children in our nation that are in need of caring adults who serve as mentors. Thousands of these children live in Nebraska and Kansas.

In an effort to help close the gap, former coaches Tom Osborne and Bill Snyder have issued a friendly challenge to see which state can recruit the most new mentors.

The winning state will be announced at the K-State vs Nebraska football game on November 15, 2008.

Join the team and be a mentor! Contact Tom Miller 402-679-4038 or Julie Swain at 402-699-7767.

Holy Name Student is runner-up in Spelling Bee



Jackie Grode, 7th grade, was the regional runner-up in the Spelling Bee. Jackie is shown here with her proud mother, Mary Grode. Congratulations!



Fr. Frank celebrates 30 years as a priest

Fr. Frank was presented with a stole, for his 30th anniversary as a priest, from the students. He is pictured here with the first grade.

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