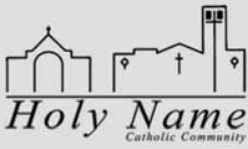


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PARISH NEWS

Congratulations Dr. Joe!

Joe Evans H65, a child psychologist at the University of Nebraska Medical Center, has been awarded the Cummings Psyche Prize by the American Psychological Foundation. The annual award recognizes *one* psychologist in the country whose career exemplifies the integration of behavioral and primary health care. Congratulations to Joe for a well deserved honor.

Congratulations to our newest Hall of Fame inductees



Bill H75 and Dave H79 Reznicek accept on behalf of their father, +Jerry Reznicek, Jim Matza, Patty Smith and Geri Stratman

On April 17th, nearly 200 hundred friends and family gathered at Holy Name to honor our newest Hall of Fame Inductees: +Jerry Reznicek, Jim Matza H70, Patty McGill Smith H53 and Geri Frost Stratman H48. All of our inductees have given to Holy Name and the community at large. We are very proud of these individuals.

Thank You!

Thank you for inviting us to the Hall of Fame! We sincerely appreciate your generosity and are grateful for the chance to share the fantastic evening with you. We had such a good time! May God continue to bless Holy Name.

Servants of Mary

Holy Name 2008 Golf Winners



Duane Mittleider, Scott Cahow, Michael Mittleider and Chris Beaton

Over \$10,000 was raised for Holy Name School at the Holy Name Golf Classic, held on Saturday, May 3rd. Thank you to all the golfers and volunteers who came out and braved the chilly weather. Who would've thought the temperature would be 36 degrees at tee off?!

And the winner is...

Pat Peterson was the \$10,000 grand prize winner at Holy Name's annual St. Patrick's Day Party.

Teresa McAndrew Burks H72, Pat Peterson H66 and Gert Ramm McAndrew H35



Read to Kids brings alumni and celebrities to Holy Name

Many new faces were seen at Holy Name School on the Fridays in March. To celebrate literacy and the joy of reading, Holy Name invited guest readers to come to "Read to Kids", an event inspired by "Read Across America" which began in 1998. This experience encourages both students and guests to learn from each other - the guests see the great accomplishments being made by our students and the children see examples of what can be achieved through learning. Over 50 local celebrities, business people, teachers and friends from various backgrounds visited Holy Name for this fun event.



Rev. John Schlegel
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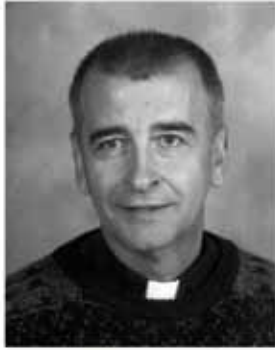


WOWT anchorperson John Knicely
with preschool students



Mayor Mike Fahey

PARISH NEWS



Fr. Frank

The lives of priests are changing. About ten years ago I became friends with Fr. Edward Gill. He was retiring after working as a priest for sixty years and serving five parishes. At the time, myself and many other priests, in a much shorter period of time had served in many parishes and carried other duties as well. I had served twelve parishes and six hospitals. During Fr. Gill's tenure things were much more stable. Today if we continued to depend on the stability that existed in years past to support our ministry, we would not

survive, for it is not this stability we depend on, it is good people. As I celebrate thirty years as priest this year, I thank God for the many wonderful people who have been a part of that work. I also thank God for those many priests who laid the groundwork for me. The ones that are the most important to me right now are the Redemptorists who built up the powerful core of people that make up the Holy Name Community. With your help I can go another thirty years and catch up with Fr. Gill.

There will certainly be no sense of stability for me this year. After many meetings the word from the Archbishop is that my job will change again this year and I will have fewer responsibilities at St. Richard. I will still be Pastor of the parish and be responsible for Sacramental work with the school but I will not be in charge of administration for the school or fundraising. As of December the Archdiocesan Office of

Stewardship and Development has been handling the fundraising for St. Richard School. They will continue with that responsibility this coming year. This summer I will be turning over the administration of the school to Msgr. James Gilg, Superintendent of the Archdiocesan Catholic Schools Office.

These changes are being made with the hope that they can rebuild the commitment to St. Richard School through the public sector. This will make my job a little easier, but I am sure there will be enough to do.

First on the agenda is to welcome four seminarians staying at the parishes this summer. Three of these young men will be working full time at Holy Name and St. Richard. With their help we should be able to get a fair number of projects completed in both schools. I am looking forward to having more of these men receiving this chance to get to know how things work in inner-city parishes. The two men we

had two summers ago, Scott Hastings and Jeff Molner, will be ordained as priests June 7, 2008

The most important change for everyone to make note of is the change in the Mass schedule. Starting Sunday, June 1, the Sunday Masses will be a half hour earlier. The 9:00 a.m. Mass at St. Richard will be changed to 8:30 a.m. and the 11:30 a.m. Mass at Holy Name will be changed to 11:00 a.m. This is especially important for anyone who is coming for Alumni weekend. Two special additions to the Mass will be the blessing of the new Ten Commandments Monument and the kick-off for the Mother of Perpetual Help Novena. This Novena will air on Spirit Catholic Radio, KVSS 88.9 FM.

I cannot think of any greater project for the parish to work on than to make it possible for this devotion that has meant so much to so many of us to be heard world wide. Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for us.

New Sunday Mass Schedule at Holy Name and St. Richard Beginning June 1, 2008

St. Richard: 8:30 a.m.

Holy Name: 11:00 a.m.

Holy Name Woman of the Year Gert Ramm McAndrew



Rosie Dinan H80, Teresa Burks H72, Kathy Watson H74, Gert H35, Katie Watson, Lisa Dehart and Mary Pat Peters H69.

ALUMNI NEWS

Up To Date

Reunion Gatherings...

We realize the College World Series will be in town the weekend of the All School Reunion. There are no games on Saturday, June 21st or Sunday, June 22nd. If you are traveling from out of town you may want to consider calling your fellow classmates for possible rides and rooms.

The Holy Name class of 1948 is planning a 60th year reunion on Saturday, June 21st, as part of Reunion Weekend at Holy Name. Tentatively, they are hoping to gather for lunch and to share friendship and memories. A letter with details will be mailed soon. Questions? Call Geri Stratman, 391-7517.

The classes of '53 - '55 will gather Saturday, June 21st for dinner at Gorat's and Sunday, June 22nd at 11:00 a.m. for the All School Mass. Contact: Bill Crowell (402) 496-3969.

The class of 1958 will gather Friday, June 20th at Nancy's Club House. We would love for those alumni in the Classes of 57, 58, 59 & 60 to join us. Saturday, June 21st, dinner will be at Anthony's, cocktails at 6:30 p.m. followed by dinner at 7:30 p.m. There is also an All School Dance for all alumni at Saddle Creek Bar Saturday night. Sunday, June 22nd Mass will be at 11:00 a.m. at Holy Name followed by a reception in the cafeteria. Sunday afternoon: Alice Sedlacek Roggenbach, 7425 Pasedena Cir. will host an afternoon brunch and pool party, more on that on the weekend. Contact Bob Gehrman at 402-333-9595, gehrman@tconl.com, or 3348 S 126 Ave, Omaha, NE 68144.

Class of 1963 will celebrate their 45 year reunion August 8th & 9th 2008. Aug. 8th at Romeos, 90th just north of Blondo at 6:00 pm Aug 9th at Phil Powells' home at 5:00 pm. Contact Gordon Brown at hgrad63@gmail.com or phone 402-250-6213, Tom Wade at twade@cox.net or phone 402-689-2589 for more information.

The Class of '68 and grade school of '64 will be holding their reunion Saturday, June 21, 2008 at the Upstream in the Old Market area. Social hour starts at 6:00 pm with dinner at 7:30. Contact Mary Beth Shoemaker Kudlacz at (402) 359-2769, or email Betty Evans Anderson at banderson0207@yahoo.com

The class of 1973 is having it's 35th Reunion on Sept. 19-21st. If you would like to help with the planning, contact Jenny Bradley at 496-0142 or email at ABradley3@cox.net or call Tom Hegarty (cell) 880-1814, (home) 592-0862 or email at thegarty@kcfda.com

1978 Class reunion will be Saturday, June 21st.

A family picnic will be held at Miller's Landing, 11:30am – 3 pm Lunch will be catered, more info to come. Miller's Landing is northeast of the Gallup Organization Building, and Rick's Boatyard on the riverfront. Marg Williams, Sandy Van Sant and Beth Bruenitti are working on the details. Contact Marg at cwilliams@oppd.com or Sandy at svant@cox.net. The all school reunion dance is in the evening at the Saddle Creek Bar. The plans is to go there to celebrate our 30th reunion with all the other alumni.

The class of '83 will have a gathering starting at 7 p.m. at the Upstream Brewing Co. 11th and Jackson in Omaha on June 20th. Please contact Joe Worthing or Chris McGee at 402-449-8709 or email Joe and Chris at info@projectmoses.com with your RSVP.

Other news and notes:

John Moylan H64 had a bone marrow transplant at the Mayo Clinic April 24th. He will continue to receive treatments for the next 5-6 weeks. He and his wife Susan can be reached at the following address:

John Moylan, Rm 38
Gift of Life House, 705 Second Street SW,
Rochester NM 55902

Kathy Hardy Semper H66 and husband, Fred, celebrated their 39th wedding anniversary in March.

David Wirth G03 received the Joseph Robbie Award for 2008. The Dept. of History at Creighton University awards Joseph Robbie Awards to outstanding first year students.

Jason G94 & Amber Peleska had their baby boy: Vincent Joseph on February 3, 2008.

OMAHA (KPTM) - He may not be able to smile now, but some people worked hard to make it a possibility. Jeffery Benson was born with a cleft lip and palate. He is the son of **Becky Snyder Benson GF85** and Dave Benson. Sunday, April 20, 2008 friends and family held a spaghetti dinner benefit at the Dundee Cork and Bottle. The money raised will help the Benson family cover the cost of the Nasal Alveolar molding device, which will hopefully reduce the number of surgeries Jeffrey will need. It will also help cover travel costs because the device is only available in Des Moines, IA. Jeffrey's parents say they were surprised by the turnout. "I can't believe we're this loved. It's very exciting, it's very nice, it's very overwhelming for sure," said Becky Benson, Jeff's mom. The event raised \$5,000. Jeffrey is expected to have his first surgery in May.

Donald W. & Rose Marie Reznicek Jenkins H55 were married May 10, 1958, at Holy Name Catholic Church. They celebrated their fiftieth anniversary by attending Mass and renewing their wedding vows at St. James Catholic Church. They were joined by their siblings from Omaha, Texas and California, as well as their immediate family. They have four children, 11 grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Alexis Hill G01 married Jerrod Galloway on May 3, 2008.

Jim Houston H78 was inducted into the St. Bernard Hall of Fame. Congratulations Jim!

All School Reunion Dance

Saturday, June 21

Saddle Creek Bar 1410 N Saddle Creek

7:00 p.m. - close

\$10 per person

cash bar

Live Music by Tony Pflug's All Star Band ~

with Mary Frances, Jeff Morris of

Skudder and more!

ALUMNI NEWS

Celebrating the Green



Doc Fitzgerald G58 traded his scrubs for a kilt and walked with fellow Hibernians in the Omaha St. Pat's parade.

Below: Holy Name Housing staff Shawn Vaughan H82, John Boone H75, Lisa Burks, Joe Vaughan H74 and Tom Vaughan H79 celebrate at Burke's Pub in Benson. This pub is owned by Greg Bourne son of Jack and Bev Burke Bourne H53.



A Good Man is Hard to Keep Down

from an article by Leo Adam Biga
Omaha Magazine May-June 2008

Craig Enenbach H65 single-handedly lobbied to bring the National Veterans Wheelchair Games to Omaha. The event is set for July 25-29 at the Qwest Center Omaha.

He knows first-hand their physical-emotional trauma. How easy it is to feel sorry for yourself. He knows, too, the inspiration and bond that come from laying it all on the line in competition. Through his involvement in the games, he said, he's gained self-confidence. His despair replaced by hope.

"The real purpose of the games is its rehabilitation and therapeutic value. The idea is to get you doing some things that make you feel good about yourself. It's a deal where, if I can do this, then I can do this, too. It's very much of a growing process. I try to be very positive, even using a wheelchair. I struggled with it for a while and then a neurosurgeon told me, 'Get used to it -- just get on with your life. Maybe your life is different than before but keep moving forward.' I do now."

His attitude is remarkable given his setbacks. He and his wife Patricia lost their first born to leukemia. Then Enenbach was diagnosed with spina bifida, a spinal cord birth defect. His weakened spine was shattered in an auto accident. Multiple surgeries offered no relief. Various medical problems have since landed Patricia in a wheelchair. It's enough to devastate anyone, yet he's moved forward to raise three children, complete thirty years in corporate America and become an advocate for fellow paralyzed citizens.



Enenbach shows his wheelchair skills.

Alumni Tournament Winners



The Basketball Tourney winner was 1992 - Bob Holzapfel and his boys. It was their fifth straight win. (Not a record) 1974 won the first seven tourneys.



This was the 37th year of the tournament. Volleyball Tournament winners: Fish Fryers. Four of the members are part of the Smith family who came through Holy Name between the middle 70's through the mid 80's.

Thanks to Ruth Evans O'Callaghan H85, Corey Matis H83, Kevin Cole H74 and Gene Moore H77. Without their help there would be no tournament.



Congratulations to Hannah Elliot GF00, Ben Brich G03 and Tony Davis GF03. All three of these seniors were nominated for prom court at Omaha Central High School this year. When they attended Holy Name there were nine students in

their class. At Central High School they are in a class of more than 400! Though none of them was crowned king or queen it was quite an honor. Hannah will attend Metropolitan Community College studying Cullinary Arts. Ben will attend UNO majoring in Music Education and Choral Composition. Tony will have a double major in Business Management and Psychology at UNL. Abby Sjogren was crowned queen. She is the daughter of **Christine Miller Sjogren H72.**



Thank you!

Truly, it was an honor to be inducted into the Holy Name Hall of Fame. I was baptized, educated and married at Holy Name and have fond memories of the school and parish. I am indebted to the Servants of Mary Sisters and the Redemptorist Priests who staffed the school. I strongly believe that I received a firm foundation in my faith and an excellent education at Holy Name that laid the groundwork for the various aspects of my adult years. The award is not mine alone but must be shared with all those who dedicated their lives to ensure that my life would be a rich, fulfilling and God-centered one. ~ Geri Frost Stratman, H48