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Alumni Connection

ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL

Fr. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award

Class of 2006

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V64

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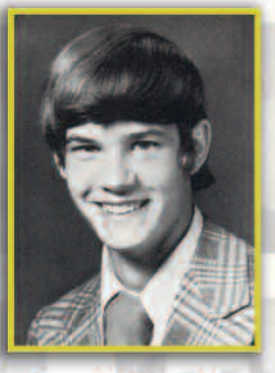

Leo Walter III
VM76

Tim Rickus
VM80

CLASS REUNIONS ALUMNI ALLEY SCHOOL EVENTS WINTER SPORTS REVIEW

MEMORIAL MASS: The Miller Family

ALUMNI ALLEY: Jane McCormish Sparhawk V39 is a photographer. Pictured above is an example of her work. Read more about Jane and other alumni in Alumni Alley.

CLASS REUNIONS: V70 classmates (L-R) Sue Gerbasi Bartlebaugh, Betty Delagrange Schnitzler, Mary Ellen Phillips MacDonald and Mike Metzler

BACKCOURT CLASSIC DAY AT THE "Q" ARENA: "The Best Yet" (Students) 55 vs "GangStars" (Faculty) 47. See Sports Review for information on our Student Athletes.

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1 FIRST WORD

Russian Mural

IN CELEBRATION OF THEIR ADMIRATION OF THE RUSSIAN CULTURE and as a lasting momento for years to come, student volunteers from Russian Club painted a colorful mural. This mural is on a wall in the room shared by Mr. Neary, Drama and Mr. O'Neil, Russian Language. The design is an impressionistic representation of St. Basil's Cathedral. The idea, formulated by senior Mamie Williamson, came from a design on a T-shirt bought in Russia. The design was copied onto a transparency using a scanner and then projected onto the wall where it was outlined in chalk and painted. Also helping with the mural were two graduates and former Russian students, Brett Wenneman and Betsy Mason. Senior Jane Walter also helped. The students volunteered their free time over Christmas break to complete the mural.

SUBMITTED BY JANE WALTER & MAMIE WILLIAMSON

MISSION STATEMENT

In the spirit of the Gospel, we are committed to educate the whole person to lead and to serve: enlightening the mind, developing the body, touching the heart, and inspiring the soul.

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As We Change, We Grow

Dear Alumni

SOMEONE SAID THAT A SCHOOL IS A BUILDING WITH FOUR WALLS AND A FUTURE INSIDE. This is, in part, very true. A school is also a body of individuals that make up a very rich past. The alumni are a school's history and knowing one's history helps define the present and plan the future.

The alumni component of St. Vincent-St. Mary High School is very much part of our present life. Twenty-six graduates of St. Mary, St. Vincent, and STVM work within this school. Countless numbers of alumni volunteer at the school in many capacities. And many alumni provide financial support to the school.

The alumni facilitates a school's future by reminding it of the good that has happened and implementing the wisdom earned to chart what is to come next.

Just as a school changes with time, so do the graduates. They branch out of the comfort of their parochial environment, grow, and arrive at productive and, in many cases, inspiring adulthood. Each year, a group of alumni are selected to receive the Fr. Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award. Each year it is difficult to select a few from a field of worthy candidates. This year's recipients reflect the powerful qualities and character of their predecessors and Fr. Mahar himself as you will see on the following pages.

Our current students, continue to excel, lead, serve, and create. The students, faculty, and staff change, grow, come and go. And the future inside this school keeps moving in the right direction. Read on!

God Bless,
Jan Henry Bachmann M67
Alumni Coordinator

HOLD THE DATE

MARCH

MARCH 22
Back Court Classic at the Q

MARCH 31
3 on 3 Alumni Basketball Tournament

APRIL

APRIL 3
Alumni Association General Membership Meeting-Election of Officers

APRIL 6-9
Leprechaun Theatre Guild presents *Cinderella*

APRIL 26
Fr. Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Awards Dinner

MAY

MAY 23
Speaker Breakfast Series
James B. McCarthy, Summit County Executive

MAY 25
Senior Farewell Mass

JUNE

JUNE 24
Ray Tricomi Memorial Scholarship Golf Outing

AUGUST

AUGUST 5
Matt Kauffman 5K Memorial Run

AUGUST- TBA
Alumni Soccer Game & Reunion

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 8
Alumni & Friends Tailgate Party

OCTOBER

OCTOBER 14
Showcase

All dates 2006 unless indicated otherwise

Paying tribute to those who've made an investment in STVM's future

Wall of Vision

THE SCHOOL'S TROPHY CABINETS display the accomplishments of our academics, athletics, and music. The bulletin boards throughout the school display our day-to-day accomplishments. There is new display of another kind on the wall next to the Chapel. The Wall of Vision is a tribute to the lead donors in the Share the Vision Campaign. This wall is designed to evolve and change as more donors join the ranks.

There are three photos on the wall. Two photos reflect two of our major improvements connected with the campaign. One photo shows the Center for Science and Technology. The second shows the new Green Street Stadium and John Cistone Field.

The third photo is probably the most important. It is a photo of the baccalaureate mass that took place at St. Bernard's with the class of 2005. It bears repeating that 100% of this class has gone on to college, nearly 60% were offered scholarships representing more that $4.5 million. That is important as a reminder that all of this generosity is for the benefit of the students.

There are two special panels on the wall. These panels acknowledge individuals who St. Vincent-St. Mary High School believes deserve special recognition due to their incredible contributions to STVM over many years, some of which were quite difficult. They reflect our deepest appreciation to Ann & David Brennan and Jack and Ann Haag.

Student Council says "Thank You" to our campaign donors.

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Executive Board of Trustees

Transition

Thomas Freeman

THOMAS P. FREEMAN VM78 is the newest member of the St. Vincent-St. Mary Executive Board of Trustees. While at STVM, Tom played football and baseball and continued playing football at The University of Akron. He graduated from The University of Akron in 1982 with a degree in accounting and later received a Master of Taxation degree. He is a Certified Public Accountant and is Partner with M&A Services Group, Deloitte Tax LLP. Tom is married to Michelle (Rossi) VM78 and they have three children currently attending STVM: Ashley VM06, Patrick VM07, and Michael VM09. In addition, Tom is president of the Varsity A Association at U of A, the treasurer of the Cleveland Baseball Federation, and executive board member of the Association for Corporate Growth, Cleveland Chapter.

Jim Conlon has accepted the position of Chairman of the Executive Board of Trustees as Tony Manna steps down after two years of service in the lead position. Tony will remain as an active member of the Board. Jim is in his second year of service on the Board.

Other members of the Executive Board of Trustees are Fr. Joseph Kraker, Mr. Jim Pier, Ms. Teri Lynch - ex-officio, and Mr. Fred Ost - ex-officio.

Bessemer Sisters' Motto

"Our Family Helping Your Family"

MOST SISTERS, ONCE THEY MOVE FROM THE FAMILY HOME and start their own families spend holidays and occasional other times together, but little more. Jennifer Bessemer Marando VM88 and Crissy Bessemer Kolarik VM89 have created a different family scenario. They have established an adoption agency called A Child's Waiting that insures that the two sisters rarely miss a day of not only seeing each other, but of also working together.

Jennifer (L) and Crissy (R) Bessemer with Barbara Walters

Jennifer and Crissy were both inspired to help and serve others during their years at St. Vincent- St. Mary High School. They were both members of the marching band and Crissy was especially drawn to the students with special needs. After high school graduation, Jennifer and Crissy finished their undergraduate studies at The Ohio State University and Ohio University respectively, and each earned a Masters of Education in Community Counseling degree from The University of Akron. Both sisters were drawn to careers in adoption related fields and both were over-achievers in the agencies in which they worked. As Professional Clinical Counselors licensed by the Department of Jobs and Family Services to do adoptions, they decided their skills would be put to better use by owning and operating their own agency. A Child's Waiting was established in Jennifer's basement in Copley, but they soon outgrew their space and moved to their current location in Akron, OH in 2000.

They have a counseling-based and open approach to adoption which empowers the birth mother, carefully matches babies and children with adoptive families, and provides full service and support to all parties involved in the adoptive process. A Child's Waiting arranges domestic and international adoptions and by the time this article is printed, they will have reached a milestone for the agency by having arranged the adoptions of 1,000 children. They are especially proud of the hundreds of special needs children they have placed for adoption in loving homes. Currently 130,000 children in the USA are awaiting adoptive families (4,500 in Ohio). The internet and modern technology have greatly facilitated agencies such as theirs in finding appropriate homes for the children. The agency caught the attention of Barbara Walters because of their open approach. She proceeded on a six month-long project to follow an adoption process culminating in a special program about the agency and the families involved in the adoption of a newborn.

A Child's Waiting currently may be again experiencing growing pains. Dreams are in the works to expand the agency to include a counseling center primarily focusing on adoptive issues.

MAY WE ADDRESS YOU?

MANY ALUMNI HAVE CONTACTED THE ALUMNI OFFICE regarding the addressee of "Household" being used for our mailings. The reason for this is that we have numerous cases where two or more graduates of our schools live in the same household and generally one piece of mail goes to each household. Also, there are so many addressee possibilities amongst our alumni, it is not possible for the mailing house to meet each specific situation. While we would like to comply with each individual request for a particular method of addressing the mail, our mailings reach over 13,000 households and we have made the decision to address the mail to "Household" as a compromise. Thank you for your understanding.

ALUMNI NIGHT WINTER 2006

IN SPITE OF IT BEING A TUESDAY NIGHT, a work day, and the first day back to school, alumni came to school to watch the Fighting Irish boys basketball team beat Mentor, racking up another victory. After the game, the alumni and their families were invited to the Student Center for complimentary pizza, snacks, pop, and a good time at the 3rd Annual Winter Alumni Night hosted by the Alumni Association.

Alumni Accomplishments
Contributions to Society

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT
Sarah Duve VM03 accepted membership into the National Society of Collegiate Scholars. She was honored during a ceremony at Washington University in St. Louis. Sarah was also accepted into Boston University's overseas study program in Padova, Italy for the spring semester. Sarah is the daughter of Donna Frattura Duve M59 and Joseph Duve V55.

COMMUNITY SERVICE
LeBron James VM03 was the 2005 recipient of The Salvation Army Community Medal for his generous giving of time and talent to local charities for youth recreation centers, elementary school children, and gifts to the needy. This award was established in 2005 to recognize extraordinary volunteerism and is given annually to "a person who has unselfishly given time, talent, or financial support, in a creative and innovative way, for the betterment of others." LeBron and his mother, Gloria, have established the James Family Foundation to continue to give back to the community.

Sarah Duve

John Trecaso VM81, his wife, Christina, and daughters, Olivia and Adrienne, have provided a home for, Marshall Comeaux who lost everything in the back-to-back hurricanes of 2005. Trecaso, who went to Louisiana to volunteer on the Red Cross disaster relief mission, met Comeaux, evacuee, and they became the best of friends. Thanks to the kindness of the Trecaso family, he has been able to acclimate to Ohio and plans to make Ohio his new home.

BUSINESS ACCOMPLISHMENT
David Blewette V69, long-time collector of TV memorabilia, has turned a hobby into a business. After mounting exhibitions, as well as contributing to a display at the Smithsonian, The TV Dinner Club Museum is a dream come true for David. It houses vintage TV sets, board games, action figures and dolls, WWII-era magazines about TV, books, and odds and other interesting ends in its Main Street, Akron Ohio location next to the main library. It is a treat for lovers of TV nostalgia. Visit tvdinnerclub.org for a sneak preview of this unique museum.

CAMPUS POLITICS
G.I. Zaratsian VM03 was elected to the sophomore class senate at John Carroll University. He was chosen from a host of candidates of his peers.

"To You, O Lord, I Lift My Soul"
Memorial Mass

Kathleen Thomas VM02, Marie Ann Wright Thomas V56 and Ray Thomas M54

The Elick sisters, Paula Canterbury and Patty Davis

THE ALUMNI MEMORIAL EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION was held on March 13th at St. Vincent Church. It was a time to step back and remember our alumni, family and friends who passed away during 2005 and reflect on the blessing of their lives on earth. Family members joined us for the Mass celebrated by Fr. Kraker. A reception at the high school followed the Mass.

HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

MANY THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HAS DONATED Bluebook and Shamrock yearbooks, Vincentian Newspapers, and various types of memorabilia to the Alumni Office. We continue to welcome Crusader Newspapers, Vincentian Newspapers, and artifacts from high school days. >> We are in need of the following St. Mary and St. Vincent yearbooks: St. Vincent 1925-1936; St. Mary 1962 and St. Mary 1963. If anyone has duplicates to spare or wants to clean house, we would appreciate and care for them in the Alumni Office. >> We believe that the first yearbook for St. Mary was printed in 1953. If anyone knows anything differently, please let me know. >> We have heard that during the years of World War II from 1941-1945, due to the rationing of paper, St. Vincent Shamrock yearbooks were not printed. Rather a special issue June of the Vincentian newspaper was done to include the class pictures of the graduating seniors. If anyone wishes to part with any issues of these special annual publications, we will gladly add them to our growing archives. >> Thanks again for helping keep the past alive and our history intact.

Staying in touch

Alumni Alley

1939

JANE McCORMISH SPARHAWK (V);

Port Angeles, WA; "Port Angeles is right at the top of the Washington border and just 20 miles across the Strait of Juan de Fuca to Victoria Canada—beautiful country. My years at St. V were great ones...I have 2 children- Karen Sparhawk Sistek, nationally known silk painter, and Harvy Sparhawk, computer guru...4 grandchildren and now 2 (soon to be 3) great-grandchildren. Besides my hobby of photography, I am deeply involved in family history and our local Senior Center. Just another note, my mom was baptized, received First Communion, schooling, and was married by Fr. Mahar. In her late years, she had no idea who I was, but she recognized a picture of Fr. Mahar in a heartbeat. St. Vincent was an important part of her whole life, as was Fr. Mahar. If anyone from the Class of 1939 would like to drop me a line, I would love it!"
E-Mail: photojanic@tenforward.com

1950

GEORGE VORTKAMP (M); Clawson, MI;
I received such an excellent education from St. Mary's that I went on to get a Bachelor of Science degree in accounting...I went on to retire from the City of Detroit in 1994.

1956

WILLIAM DATA (M), Streetsboro, OH;
Spouse- Rosemarie; Retired

1958

WILLIAM J. REICHART (V); Pensacola, FL;
Spouse- Catherine; Retired; "We have 13 granddaughters, 1 great-grandson and are finally expecting our 1st grandson."
E-mail: wjccr@cox.net

1965

JOANNA ULRICH MELERT (M); West Salem, OH; Spouse- James, Child- Stacey, Keith, Grandchild- T.J. 14

1979

WILLIAM L. LAMBACHER; Cuyahoga Falls, OH;
Spouse- Mary Anne; Falls Catholic Credit Union-Comptroller. E-Mail: billiaml@juno.com

1982

LAURA DeBARR FELTMAN; Akron, OH;
Spouse- Michael; Children- Monica 8, Andrew 3; Miller South School- Teacher

1987

KATHLEEN O'CONNOR JACOBY; Castle Rock, CO; Spouse- Jeffrey; Children- Meghan 9, Kelly 7, Connor 4, Ryan 1; Accenture- Quality engineer; Kathleen relocated to Castle Rock, CO last summer so that husband, Jeffrey, could complete a year-long orthopedic spine surgery fellowship. Kathleen has worked as a quality engineer for Accenture since 1991.

Rita Shisler

RITA SHISLER M64, a member of the planning committee for Purple Ribbon Parties, says proceeds from the themed events will go to Every Woman's House, a social agency that promotes the healing of individuals and families who experience the impact of domestic violence or sexual abuse. Friends and Neighbors is an organization that provides additional funding.

Friends and Neighbors of Every Woman's House has come up with a new idea for a fund-raiser — Purple Ribbon Parties. Purple ribbons are a symbol of domestic violence support," said Rita Shisler who is a member of the planning committee.

"Our goal," explained Shisler, "is to help raise funds to support Every Woman's House and its programs which promote the healing of individuals and families who experience the impact of domestic violence or sexual assault."

Shisler is the owner of Shisler's Cheese House. She attended Defiance College, Akron University, Kent State and studied culinary arts at Cornel.

In addition to Friends and Neighbors, she is active in Quota International of Wooster serving as second vice president and a member of the Signsations Choir, Wayne County Women's Network, the Dalton, Orrville and Wooster chambers, serves on the boards of the Red Cross and the Lincoln Highway Association, board president of the Convention Bureau and a member of the Akron German Family Society, Marion Correctional Ministry and St. Nikola Orthodox Church.

1990

ERYKA BUTLER JOHNSON; Albany, GA;
U.S. Marine Corps Logistics Command- studies and analysis
E-Mail: eryka.johnson@usmc.mil

1991

TERESA CASALINUOVO STEINMETZ; Medina, OH; Spouse- Mark; Child- Mark, born 11/1/2004
E-Mail: Steimmie28@netscape.net

1999

TRICIA BEDELL ROTHKOPF; St. Charles, MO;
Spouse- Ryan; Child- Clare born 10/24/05

2000

BRYAN McKEE; Akron, OH; Spouse- Sara;
Married on August 26, 2005 at St. Francis DeSales
E-Mail: bpmckee@gmail.com

2003

MIKE VALLE; Akron, OH
E-Mail: bigmike25@aol.com

2004

MICHAEL PARRY; Columbus, OH;
E-Mail: Parry.27@osu.edu

2nd ANNUAL
RAYMOND VINCENT TRICOMI "Ray-Ray"
MEMORIAL GOLF OUTING
ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWMENT

18 Hole, Four-Man Team Scramble Format

Saturday, June 24th, 2006
Ironwood Golf Course, Hinckley, Ohio

RAY-RAY
MEMORIAL TOURNAMENT

$125.00 per person
Includes golf, cart, lunch, prizes and dinner

Registration & Lunch: 12:00 PM
Shotgun Start: 1:00 PM
Dinner and Awards Banquet: 6:00 PM

For additional event information and sponsor & donation opportunities, please contact Joan Tricomi (440) 838-8171 or e-mail jjjtricomi@adelphia.net

Class Reunions

The Alumni Office helps reunion planners by providing class lists, mailing labels and other information. We encourage all reunion committees to forward address updates to the alumni office to help maintain our database. Contact Jan Bachmann at 330-253-9113 or jbachmann@stvm.com. For the very latest in reunion information, visit the ALUMNI page of www.stvm.com. Deadline for Summer Alumni Connection is June 21, 2006.

ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1945
The date for the 2006 annual Mass for the living and deceased members of the St. V Class of 1945 at St. Vincent Church will be announced later.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY MINI-REUNION
ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1965
Always December 26th!
Contact Carol Lieb: clieb@kent.edu to be on the mailing list.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY MINI-REUNION
ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1969
Always December 28th 7PM Rockne's in Fairlawn.

ANNUAL HOLIDAY MINI-REUNION
ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1971
Always December 26th at Rockne's in Fairlawn!

55TH REUNION
ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1951
Friday, August 11, 2006
WELCOME! Martin Center, The University of Akron
Saturday, August 12, 2006
5:00 Mass at St. Vincent Church
Reunion Dinner at Sheraton Suites
Contact: Tom Hillery 330-836-6116
Carl Dangel 330-873-1202

53RD REUNION
ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1955
Tentative date-September 8 or 9, 2006
Planning meetings at Papa Joe's in the Valley. For information contact:
The Sturmis- 330-923-9212
Jack Kilway- 330-923-3990
Susie Straits- 330-836-8133
The Horvats- 330-882-5000
Joan McKim Kunklier- 330-865-6794

50TH REUNION-PLANNING
ST. MARY CLASS OF 1956
Friday, September 15, 2006
50's Night at the Sheraton Suites
Saturday, September 16, 2006
Golf at Good Park Golf Course
Dinner/Dance at the Sheraton Suites
Sunday, September 17, 2006
Mass at St. Mary Church followed by brunch in the school cafeteria
Contact Don Utrup at 330-334-4495 or dardonu@aol.com

50TH REUNION
ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1956
Friday, September 8, 2006
6:00pm Sheraton Suites Cuyahoga Falls
Saturday, September 9, 2006
5:00 Mass at St. Vincent Church
7:00pm Dinner/Dance at Portage Country Club
Sunday, September 10, 2006 (optional)
Brunch-Sheraton Suites Cuyahoga Falls
Contact: Carmen Garcia Crawford- 330-929-8881, Yolanda Stalcup Reeves- 330-864-1969

40TH REUNION PLANNING
ST. MARY CLASS OF 1967
It's time to get together in 2007! Please send your updated address and e-mail address to Jan Henry Bachmann in the alumni office, at jbachmann@stvm.com

35TH REUNION
ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1971
Saturday, July 29, 2006
7:00 p.m.: Home of Mike & Pola Ochsenhirt. Contact Pola at PMACK@aol.com or Deb Helmkamp at helmkamp@sbcglobal.net
If you haven't informed us of a change of address, please e-mail it to jbachmann@stvm.com as soon as possible.

30TH REUNION
STVM CLASS OF 1976
SATURDAY, AUGUST 19, 2006
5 p.m.: Mass at St. Vincent Church
6 p.m.: St. V-M Tour (tentative)
7 p.m.: Cocktail reception, Sheraton Suites
8 p.m.: Dinner, Sheraton Suites
(Friday-Sunday events also being planned)
Contact Liz (Breiding) Neumann at 330-864-7917 or liz9658@yahoo.com Updates: http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SVM1976/

20TH REUNION
STVM CLASS OF 1986
Hold the date! Saturday, November 25, 2006 Details to follow. Update Alumni Office with current information. Class contact is Erin Faetanini at 330-836-7454 or jfaetani@ameritech.net

PLEASE HELP US FIND CLASSMATES FROM:

St. Mary Class of 1956
Thomas Clark
Raymond Barber
John Carr
Phillip Hixson
Martha James McEwen
Patricia Kelley
Barbara Kriston
Jerry Hitzman
Thomas Neff
John Watson
Robert Peters
Phyllis Pfeil Paulus
Mary Fitzgerald

St. Vincent Class of 1956
Alma Brandt
Rainalda Beck Dukeman
Morayne Burkhardt
Arlene Elliott
Anette Roman Davis
Theodore Dunay
Richard Keller
Delores Ruff Kraft
James Labbe
Leo Papineau
Robert Wathen

We welcome photographs and comments from all class reunions. A representative number of photographs will be published in the Alumni Connection where space is available. If identification of people in the photographs is desired by the class, it must be provided with the photographs.

FOUND!

A JOURNAL COMPOSED BY FRED KOURI in his sophomore year at St. Vincent High School has been found. Fred graduated from St. Vincent in 1937. If a family member has interest in this journal to include in the family archives, please contact Jan Bachmann the Alumni Office.

STV CLASS OF 1943

The Class of STV 1943 gathers to celebrate the birthday of Ed and Jackie Vielhaber.

Pictured L-R: Peg Myers Souers, Pat Kirk Haas, Mary Ann Workman Neff, John Haas, Pat Rohner Holmes, Emma Lins Decker, Karl McKeivier, Margaret McKeivier Bill Shields and Bill Crosby are not pictured.

STV CLASS OF 1948

Classmates from the St. Vincent Class of 1948 who were living or vacationing in Florida met for a mini-reunion in March 2005. A wonderful time of recalling high school days – the teachers, the nuns, the friends – transpired that day.

If you are living in or visiting Florida in March 2006 and want to join the group, contact Emma Lina Decker at 248-229-7896.

STM CLASS OF 1965

The first M65 Breakfast Mini-reunion was held at Waterloo Restaurant on Jan. 21, 2006.

We are trying to keep in touch by having mini breakfast reunions, esp., when an out of town classmate returns to the Akron area. Dates and locations can be found on our St. Mary Class of 1965 web site. We encourage our classmates to visit MyFamily.com. Any classmate not familiar with the website, may contact Mary Sue Coffman Rodgers at mrodgers1@tampabay.rr.com for password and website guidance.

Submitted by:
Dolores Campanale Brookover M65

Standing: Judy Nyitray (Abdallah), Lynne Wall (Peters), Rosie Jordan (Lawver), Barb Alekna (Ciancio), Mary Jo Alexander, Mellany Myers (Horvath), Judi Sekerak (Alberts), Barb Sibbio (Ford), Donna Procaccio (Dowler), Diane Stevenson (Toney). Seated: Dolores Campanale (Brookover), Cathy Wozniak (Marr), Paula Mishler (Sepelak).

STV CLASS OF 1965

The St. Vincent Class of 65 mini-reunion was held it at Jasper's on White Pond Drive on December 26th. There was a good turnout of classmates as well as some spouses and one sibling. Sharon Karl Casey brought her sister Jan V64. Judy Stecz M67 accompanied Tom and Henni with Steve. Elaine Keith Nay's husband, Bob Nay also attended. There was also a visit from Ron Piekarski V67 and John Seikel, but he left before the picture

If all goes well, we will have it there again on December 26, 2006 at 7:30 pm. A big reunion is being planned for this summer. Class members should update the Alumni Office and Carol Lieb on their email addresses or home addresses/phone #'s to insure getting an invitation. Should anyone else know of anyone from our class and their information, please share it with Carol Lieb at 664 Gardendale Avenue, Akron, Oh 44310-3925, my home # is 330-762-6067, and email is clieb@kent.edu.

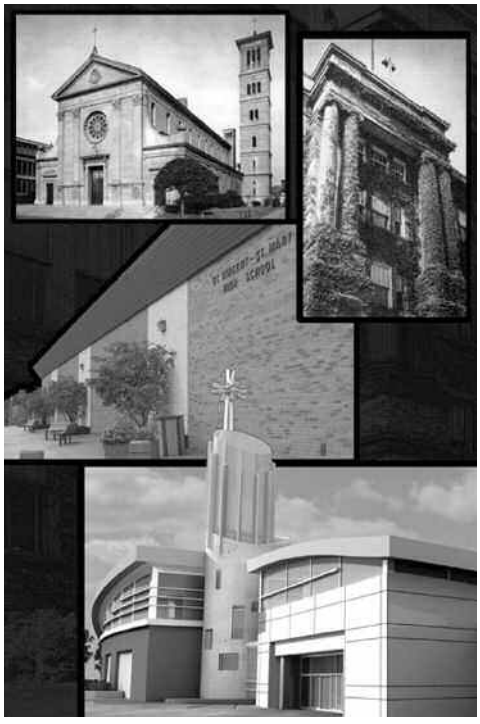
Please keep in touch and if there are incorrect email addresses, if no one has heard from Carol lately, or if someone knows a changed address of someone, please send it to her. It is much appreciated!

Back row: Bill Ball, Victor Joseph, Steve Johnson, Tim Mosher, Tom Theobold, Sam Bisesi, Tom Stecz, Denny Graf, Bernie Kress, Larry Kus, Larry Dolenski, Colleen Moore Mosher, Marci Gemrick Bisesi, Jean Dixon Hull.
Front row: Carol Vinciguerra, Sharon Karl Casey, Carol Phillips Lieb, Elaine Keith Nay, Annie McDonald McGovern, Jill Gardner, and Frank Jesse.

"Come Sail Away" Showcase 2006

SHOWCASE 2005 "SOME ENCHANTED EVENING", was a tremendous success this past October due in large part to the outpouring of alumni support that we received. The final calculations have determined that we had a record-breaking net profit of $140,000! Thank You.

Thanks also to Dan & Carla Steiner VM77 who will serve as chaircouple for a second year. They expect another record-breaking event. Mark your calendars now for Showcase 2006 "Come Sail Away", which will be held on October 14, 2006. Once again we will be looking to our wonderful alums to provide backing for this fine event. Questions or comments can be e-mailed to Showcase@stvm.com .



If you are not puzzled now, we hope you will be!

Introducing a puzzling new gift from the Junior Class!
The St.Vincent-St.Mary Legacy Puzzle
The Junior class is offering this fun new gift idea that is perfect for all members of the STVM clan-past or present!

We created this unique gift by formatting a picture of the past St.Vincent- St.Mary Schools, the present and the future drawing of the new school. The puzzle is packaged in a decorative can that features our school colors and logo. The puzzle comes in two sizes (both are in color). Please fill out the order form below and reserve your own piece of the legacy today. You can also email the form information to jbeyeler@stvm.com

DO NOT DELAY. -- QUANTITIES ARE LIMITED!

STVM Legacy Puzzle Form Return form with check/money by (attn: Joanna Beyeler)

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8 X 10 inches (42 pieces)		$15.00	
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You can pick up your orders upon payment in the front office or stop by room 248.

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STV Class of 1970

The St. Vincent Class of 1970 held their 35th class reunion at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. The evening started off with mass at St. Vincent Church and the celebration continued it in conjunction with the blessing of the newly refurbished John Cistone Field and the football game between the Fighting Irish and Roger Bacon High School culminating with a fine meal in the Student Center. Classmates agreed that it was great having food, music, and camaraderie at the school. Special thanks to Teri Lynch and Tim Killian for hosting the reunion!

Submitted by: Kathy Kalaman Welsh

Kathy Kalaman Welsh, Dick Costigan and Jane Nixon Waterman

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STVM CLASS OF 1980

The STVM Class of 1980 held its 25th Reunion at the Radisson Hotel in downtown Akron on October 8, 2005.

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Back Row (L-R): Mary Howard, Larry Sutter, Kevin McDonald, Al Letta. Front Row (L-R): Dick Lang, Hank Mancino, Harold Jenkins and Pete Cistone (inset).

Volunteer (vol en tir'), n. one who offers oneself for some special purpose or enterprise

Spotlight On Volunteers

ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL HAS A STRONG HISTORY OF VOLUNTEERISM. Words cannot begin to describe the value we place on our volunteers. A huge thank you to the army of Irish volunteers who give of their time and talent for our "special purpose and enterprise"-the students of St. Vincent-St. Mary High School.

A special thanks goes to Jerry Kelly, Volunteer Coordinator, who started volunteering at the school when her daughter was a freshman. Thirty years later, she is still here, in charge of dozens of volunteers who do what Jerry asks them to do. Jerry's late husband, Jim, was a 1950 graduate of St. Vincent High School. In addition to the countless hours she spends coordinating the volunteers and volunteering herself at STVM and Annunciation-St. John Elementary School and parish, Jerry started the Jim Kelly Memorial Scholarship in memory of her husband. She credits her involvement with the school to Jim who was totally devoted to the school and the #1 booster. Through her many volunteer efforts and the scholarship program, Jerry feels that she is doing what everyone is put on the earth to do—serving others.

Another group of extraordinary volunteers are our ambassadors of good will and devoted gate-keepers of our athletic events. Thank you to these loyal folks who night after night greet the throngs and maintain control of the incoming fans with hospitality and keen eye.

Update on the STVM Capital Campaign
Moving Forward

Jim Conlon

Bill Costigan

Leo Walter III

WE HAVE GREAT NEWS and we have more challenges ahead. The great news first… We have completed the first four phases of our capital campaign and each phase has been better than expected.

PHASE ONE

The Center for Science and Technology is a first class facility that has extraordinary potential for distance learning opportunities for our students. In addition to the exceptional physical facilities, this Center has helped to foster a unique educational relationship between St. Vincent-St. Mary and The University of Akron.

PHASE TWO

Although less obvious than the Center for Science and Technology or the renovations of Green Street Stadium and John Cistone Field, we have undertaken and completed significant capital repairs and replacements to the classroom building. These capital investments range from a new roof to a supplemental HVAC unit to new metal flashing on the east side of the building. Nothing with a lot of sizzle, but definitely necessary repairs and replacements that were long overdue for our thirty-four year old building.

PHASE THREE

Another one of the unseen benefits of our Share the Vision Campaign has been the increase in our Endowment Fund. Prior to the onset of the campaign, in April 2004, our Endowment Fund totaled $2,897,000. As of December 31, 2005, the fund had grown to $6,252,000. This fund provides long term investment income that is used to defray both operating expenses as well as to provide tuition assistance to students that meet established criteria. This fund is ongoing and will continue well after the campaign is completed, both as a funding resource for the school and as a scholarship option for deserving students. It will also continue to exist as a wonderful option for donors hoping to make a difference in our students' lives.

PHASE FOUR

The Green Street Stadium and John Cistone Field renovations constitute Phase Four of our Capital Campaign. Most of us can't help but smile when we turn the corner and see the remarkable changes to this historic facility. These renovations exemplify the philosophy of sharing the vision with another long term investment in the future that will serve the students of St. Vincent-St. Mary for many years to come.

PHASE FIVE

Most of the property has been acquired. The concepts are evolving into plans and the budgets are being refined. St. Vincent-St. Mary's expanded presence on West Market Street with a new multi-purpose student center and a true campus setting is close to reality.

This brings us to our next challenge. With all of the successes that have been described, we still need the support of our generous alumni body to complete the vision. So far our alumni have been the largest group of campaign donors and yet the over-all alumni participation is less than 10% of our total alumni population. Those who have participated have been very generous and we heartily thank you. We are making the final phase of the campaign a grass roots campaign. If everyone donates to the campaign in some way, we will meet our goal quickly. We have the momentum working for us. We have accomplished our first four phases. Join your fellow alumni and jump on board for Phase Five!

Sincerely,

Jim Conlon	Bill Costigan	Leo Walter III
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Susan Swaney
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Twelve years completed

First Alumni Signing Great Success

IN LESS THAN TWO YEARS, a great deal has been accomplished toward our Capital Campaign. Excitement has been generated by the creation of the Center for Science and Technology and the renovation of the Green Street Stadium. The backing for the campaign has been great thus far. Years from now our grandchildren will take great pride knowing that we stepped up. We are now preparing to enter the next phase of the campaign and continue to need your support. We also ask for your help in another way.

We are looking for a few more good men and women to help us reach out to their classmates. This simply involves signing prepared letters and adding a post script.

On February 17th, a group of alumni gathered for a "signing party". Many thanks to Janet Zwisler V68, Ralph Trecaso VM79, Chris and Tom Marks V72, Bill Costigan V67, Leo Walter II VM76, Tom Carone VM77, Jim Bennett VM76, and Bill and Debbie Helmkamp V71 for helping the Capital Campaign with a simple signature. Also special thanks to Teri Lynch V70, Charles Crowley VM78, Eileen Moats VM80, Rich Hofacker VM77, and Nareene Beck VM74 who have agreed to sign letters from home.

More "signing parties" will be held at the school. We hope that you, too, will join us. Please contact us directly: Bill Costigan, Jr. at 330-864-2808 or billcostigan@neo.rr.com or Leo Walter III at 330-571-3152 or jwalter478@aol.com. We look forward to hearing from you!

WE REMEMBER...

Jack Wack V41
Decorated WWII Veteran

JACK WACK V41 was a decorated WWII veteran who lost both legs on a minefield in Italy and then became a weapons engineer and activist in the Landmine Survivors Network. He was awarded the Purple Heart. In 2000, Jack joined the survivor network in working for the passage of the International Landmine Treaty and improving assistance to landmine survivors worldwide. He lobbied Congress and the State Department, spoke to the United Nations in New York and joined an international and intergenerational group of landmine survivors, as well as former Beatle, Paul McCartney, and Heather Mills McCartney at a 2002 U.N. landmine conference in Geneva.

Born in Troy, Ohio, Jack attended Harvard University and graduated from Catholic University in 1951. He was elected president of the School of Engineering and Architecture. As well as having a successful career teaching mechanical engineering at Howard University, he was involved in nuclear weapons development programs and received the Bernard Smith Award from the Naval Surface Weapons Center in 1985. During the Vietnam War, Jack participated in morale-boosting program visiting disabled veterans at Walter Reed Army Medical Center.

Jack passed away on December 29, 2005.

HONOR / MEMORIAL GIFTS

ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY IS THE RECIPIENT OF GENEROUS GIFTS IN THE MEMORY OF:

Pauline Meeker	Jackie Bryon
Belle Leibowitz	Patrick Sansonetti
Dr. Frank Mellion	Frances Ruthenberg
Crucian Rizzandi	Charlotte O'Connor
Darlene Fahrer	Mabel Brown
Vicki Miller Fleet	Kirk Gingold
Mr. & Mrs. Gordon Shaffer	John Conroy
Mr. Jim DeBona	Pat Conroy
Rita Vuillemin	Eileen Conroy

IN HONOR OF

Ed & Maureen Russell

Ed & Jackie Vielhaber

PLEASE REMEMBER OUR DEPARTED ALUMNI AND FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS.

Judith Burch Pickering V57
Sister of Keith Burch V59, Jerry Burch V64
Rita Vuillemin
Mother of Edward V65, Lawrence V66, John, Frederick VM73, Mary Ann VM76
Andrew Misbrener
Father of Martin V59, Mary Hehn
Pauline (Polly) Meeker
Mother of David V57, Robert V62, Patricia Labbe V65, Grandmother of Christine Lange VM80, Elizabeth VM83, Brendan VM88, Colin VM02, Dan Labbe VM87, Jennifer Labbe VM92
Cecilia M. Walter M32
Ethel R. Metzler (Coffman)
Mother of Robert, KennethV69, Donald, David V71, Joe, Nancy Wighten M57, Kay Coddington M58, Mary Rodgers M65, Judy Bender M67, Anne Richards M68, Shinny Griffin VM73
Michael Csonka VM79
Rev. Robert Hilkert V34
Brother of William V39, Rita Botzum Graf V40, Mary Lou Botzum Davis V45
Thomas J. Hummel V66
Son of former St. V teacher, Charlotte Hummel, Brotherof Frances Hickey V57, Mary Bowman V64
Daniel R. Schubert V38
Father of Daniel V61,Ronald, Richard, Jane, Laura
Civita E. Noethen
Mother of John VM71, David VM74, Mark, Diane Kalgreen, Grandmother of Elisa Rowland VM05, Erika Rowland VM06
Richard A. Krummel
Son of Jerry V53 & JoAnn Krummel
Sr. Jeannette Walter, IHM M47
Rose Mary Mills Wagner V46
Sister of Betty Mills DeChant V48
Ronald Sutterluety V54
Louis J. Vassalotti
Father of Patrick, Joseph V61, Louis A. V65, Grandfather of Louis C. VM90, Kari Johnson VM93
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Sister of Sr. Eleanor Wack V46
John M. Wack V41
Sister of Sr. Eleanor Wack V46
Vicki Miller Fleet V69
Sister of Pamela Drinkard V70, Gayle V71, Lawrence, William, Theodore, Timothy, Lorna Henderson
Mathias S. Nyeste V32
Lawrence A. Karg V52
Frances Ruthenberg
Mother of Julie Marie Wigent VM99, Amy
John R. "Bob" Scholl V50
Husband of Ann, Father of Robyn Bergman, Susan VM85, Tim
Margaret Mary Meyer
Mother of Bill V69, Jim VM73, Kevin VM74, Beth Murray
Esther Aumiller Smee V59
Mother of Suzanne Young VM84, D. Andrew Smee, Sister of Gilbert Aumiller V50, John Aumiller V51,
Genevieve B. Mars
Mother of Mary Ann Kyle V49, Jean Schrader V52, John V54
Mother Amato Rose
Sister of Joseph Granata M39
Rosemary Burns Zurzolo V48
Sister of Joanne Schultz V48, Sally Schobert V54, Bernadine Warzinski
Elaine Caston Brown V71
Wife of Tim, Sister of Max Caston V70, Jeff Caston VM73
Agnes Heffelman
Mother of Sandy Lowry V62, Janet Louise Gray V63, Laura Martin V67, Robert VM73, Daniel VM80
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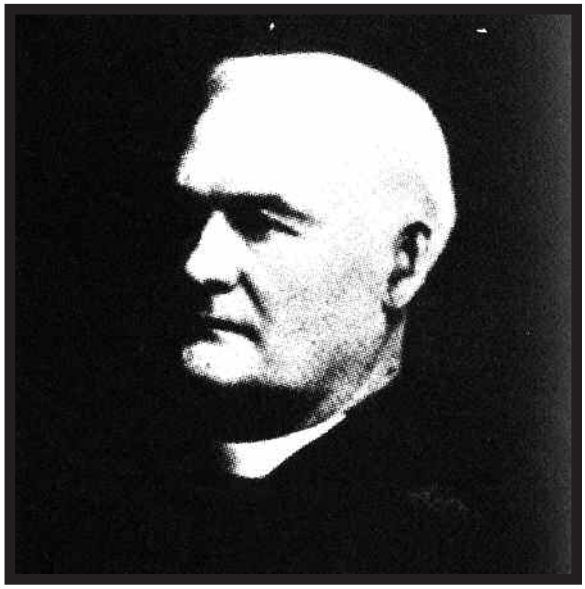
Robert H. Elrod, Sr.
Husband of Gail Shand Elrod V58
William J. Knafel
Father of John VM81
Jenny Bisheimer
Wife of Peter M42, Mother of Richard V66, Bernie V67, Gerald V71, John, Mike
Margaret Mary Russ Lord V53
Sister of Mary Ann Sullivan V49,
Rose Mary Trenka V49
Robert F. McCloud V52
Brother of Peggy Brunamonti V54, Dottie O'Rourke V56, Marilyn Stallard V50

Thank you to all who inform the Alumni Office of departed classmates.



FR. THOMAS F. MAHAR OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARDS 2006

THE FR. THOMAS F. MAHAR OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARD HONORS LIVING GRADUATES OF ST. MARY, ST. VINCENT, AND ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOLS WHO EXEMPLIFY THE SPIRIT AND VALUES OF CATHOLIC SECONDARY EDUCATION IN ONE OR MORE OF FIVE RELATED AREAS: MINISTRY, SERVICE TO YOUTH, SERVICE TO SCHOOL, SERVICE TO COMMUNITY, AND PROFESSIONAL ACHIEVEMENT. SINCE ITS INCEPTION IN 1979, THIS AWARD HAS BEEN PRESENTED TO EIGHTY-TWO OUTSTANDING ALUMNI OF OUR SCHOOL.

DON WALTER V38

Don Walter graduated from St. Vincent in 1938. He is described as having an infectious personality. His positive forward thinking and optimistic attitude is attributed to his great family as is his striving to always be his best, work hard, and do what is right. What his family instilled in Don, was again reinforced during his years at St. Vincent High School.

Don and his wife, Dorothy (deceased), raised four children, Tim (deceased), Gary, Randy, and Debbie. They relocated from Akron to Youngstown where Don made his mark in the business world. At the age of 52 years, Don started Don Walter Kitchens where he employed as many as fifty people. He has provided a great sense of community for his employees and a caring environment according to the Christian principals he learned early in life.

Although Don's activities both professionally and in servitude to his fellow man can make an impressive inventory of accomplishments, the quiet things he has done to touch people's lives far exceed what can be included on a list. After graduation from high school, Don became a member of the U.S. Army Air Corp and served as a weather forecaster from 1942-1945. He then went to work as Operations Manager for Carlton Coal & Supply. During this time, Don pursued a degree in business from The University of Akron and graduated in 1947. He then moved on to Appliance Wholesalers as Operations Manager of Kitchens. In 1972 he started Don Walter Kitchens where he currently serves as owner and president.

Don has been actively involved with many professional organizations such as the National Homebuilders Association (HBA) where he served as a member of the Board of Directors. He has earned the Life Spike Award for recruiting over 200 members to HBA. The Don Walter Associate Award, an annual award given in his name, was awarded to Don for exemplary service to the HBA. He also received numerous other HBA awards including 35 plus years of service.

Generosity is another quality of Don's. He has been a generous financial supporter of various community groups in the Youngstown area including United Way, American Cancer Society to name a few. Don has also given back in a big way to his alma mater. Thanks to Don, the faculty/staff room had a major and much needed face lift including beautiful cabinetry and new kitchen appliances. He has been a loyal and avid supporter of important school events that give back directly to the students.

PATRICIA ALDRICH MASCOLO V52

Patricia Mascolo has over thirty years experience in the education, community relations and development fields. Pat's most recent career as a Project Specialist Consultant began just two months ago after her retirement as Development Director of Visiting Nurse Service and Hospice Development Foundation in December 1999. In the spring of 2000, she returned to hospice development work as Task Force Coordinator for a collaborative community dialogue project for Hospice of Visiting Nurse Service, Hospice of Summa, and PBS Channel 45/49. In 2002, Pat worked with the ARC of Summit and Portage Counties to develop their initial Department of Development. In 2004, Pat accepted a consultant position with Loyola of the Lakes Jesuit Retreat House, working to increase their development efforts. Pat has been the featured speaker at many community events including Kiwanis and Rotary meetings, and The Association of Fundraising Professionals. She has been recognized both nationally and locally for community volunteer efforts.

Pat is an Akron native. Widowed in 1989, Pat was married for 32 years to Bob Mascolo V49. She is the mother of three children,

>> DON WALTER

>> PATRICIA ALDRICH MASCOLO

>> PEGGY AND BILL MALTARICH

Tom, Kathy VM79 and John. She has sixteen grandchildren. Her grandson, Andrew Brunn, is a junior at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School and her granddaughter, Katie Brunn, will be a freshman in September. Pat's brothers, Tom, Mike, and Jim Aldrich were also graduates of St. Vincent High School along with her sisters-in-law, Patti Mills Aldrich (deceased), Mary Alice Mundy Aldrich, and Irene Mellion Aldrich. Pat's mother, Bernadine McGuire Aldrich, graduated from St. Vincent High School in 1926 and is a past recipient of the Fr. Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award.

PEGGY M65 AND BILL V64 MALTARICH

Peggy and Bill Maltarich retired from their corporate careers and currently reside in Bonita Springs Florida. They are principals in Maltarich Consultants a small, human resource and tax professional services firm.

Peggy is a graduate of St. Mary's high school (1965) and earned an Accounting degree from Akron University (1980) and a Masters of Business from Central Michigan (1984). She is also a licensed and Certified Public Accountant in both Ohio and Florida.

Bill is a graduate of St Vincent's high school (1964) and has a BA in Sociology (1969) and a BA is Psychology (1975) from Akron University. He also earned an MBA from Baldwin Wallace College in 1978.

Peggy and Bill were married in 1968. They have two married sons and two grandchildren. Bill, Laurie Collyer and Willie live in Brooklyn, New York. Mark, Kathleen and Zoe live in Madison, Wisconsin.

After receiving her accounting degree, Peggy joined the firm of Cooper's and Lybrand as an auditor. She held positions in accounting and tax at McDermott, Babcock and Wilcox and TRW. She was Vice President of Taxation at LDI Corporation in Cleveland and Director of Tax at RJF International in Fairlawn. She retired in 2003.

After serving three years in the Army including two years in Germany, Bill worked at Babcock and Wilcox in Barberton Ohio. He was promoted to Corporate Director and Training and Development for Babcock and Wilcox's parent company, McDermott International, in New Orleans. In 1984 Bill accepted a job offer at TRW in Cleveland, Ohio where he eventually was appointed Vice President of Human Resource Management for the $25 billion organization. He held this position for twelve years and retired in 2003.

Peggy has served as secretary, vice president and then president of the Cleveland Chapter of the Tax Executives and treasurer and later president of her Hudson neighborhood homeowners' Association. She was appointed by Governor Voinovich as one of fifteen members of the Commission to study the Ohio Economy and Tax Structure. The report from that nearly three years of work was a blueprint for the tax changes that are still taking place in Ohio today.

In 2000, Peggy was awarded the Dr. Frank Simonetti Award as an Outstanding Business School Alumnus from the University of Akron.

Bill has served on the Barberton and Cleveland United Way Allocation committees and was a board member of the National Business Roundtable, the Executive Board of Employment Policy Foundation in Washington, D.C., Summit Tool Company, the University of South Carolina HR Advisory Board, the University of Akron College of Business Advisory Board, and Trustee of the Great Lakes Science Center. He was selected to attend Leadership Cleveland in the Class of 1997. He also served as basketball and soccer coach for his son's teams.

Bill and Peggy have established the Peggy and Bill Maltarich Foundation in order to financially support selected organizations. This has included being founding contributors to the Great Lakes Science Center, supporting St. Vincent/St Mary's High School and sponsoring expansion of The Cleveland Metro Zoo. They also established an endowed scholarship fund at The University of Akron School of Business.

Today in Florida Peggy volunteers with the AARP Free Tax Preparation Program and serves as treasurer of her new neighborhood association. She spearheaded her St. Mary's class of 1965 fortieth reunion, which was held in August 2005. Bill currently is in a leadership role with the Senior Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) in Naples Florida.

CAROL GILL M67

Carol Gill was born in Akron, grew up on North Hill, and has lived in this area all her life. She attended St. Martha's grade school and then went on to St. Mary's High School graduating in 1967. Carol also has three sisters who attended St. Martha's grade school. Three Gill sisters graduated from St. Mary's and the youngest sister

>> CAROL GILL

>> LEO WALTER III

>> TIM RICKUS

graduated from St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. The Gill family has a long tradition with the school.

While at St. Mary's, Carol was a member of Sodality, the Math Club, and Future Teachers of America. She attended The University of Akron and graduated cum laude with a Bachelor of Science in Education in 1971. She was a member of Sigma Chapter of Theta Phi Alpha Sorority while at The University of Akron.

After receiving a Bachelor's of Science degree in Education, she returned to her alma mater to teach. Carol was hired as a business teacher and began her career teaching shorthand, typing, and office practice. She taught at St. Mary High School one year before St. Mary and St. Vincent were merged to form one school.

Carol later returned to the University of Akron and earned a Master's Degree in Technical Education. For a number of years, Carol was head of the business/computer department and taught several classes in computers. She patiently worked through the advent of computer technology and was instrumental in helping to develop the computer department at STVM. She became the Technology Coordinator and began teaching part-time while devoting the remaining time of the day to the technical needs of the school. In the early 1990's, she began using her expertise as the school's intervention specialist and coordinating students' class schedules. She has been in her present capacity as Academic Advisor since 1996. Under Carol's guard, cutting edge programs such as Gradequick, Edline, and Homework Hero were brought to the school easing the burdens of teachers, informing parents, and assisting students. Under Carol's guard, many students were spared from "falling through the cracks".

Carol has dedicated her entire professional career to education. She has devoted her entire career to St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. In addition to her time spent in the classroom, she has served at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School as Department Head of Business/Computer Department, Registration Committee, Sophomore Class Advisor; Administrative Council; 7/8th Grade Visitation Team; Technology Committee, Retention Committee, Leadership Team and Administrative Team.

Carol received Teacher of the Year Award at STVM 1994-1995.

LEO WALTER III VM76

Leo was born the eldest son of Leo V50 and Mary Kay Walter on March 14, 1958. He attended St. Vincent Grade School and St. Vincent –St. Mary High school along with his 3 brothers and sister, Ted VM 77, Frank VM 79, Eileen Walter Moats 80, and Sean VM89. Leo's parents believed in a Catholic education. They also believed in hard work and helping those who are less fortunate. His parents, brothers, sister, spouse and children have continued that tradition.

While attending STVM, Leo was a member of the cross country team, track team freshman basketball, booster club, and National Honor Society. He also was an assistant CYO baseball coach. Additionally he played on the St. Vincent CYO High school basketball team. He credits several teachers at STVM for his success. Those include Mrs. Aman who taught him a love of reading in World Literature, Mrs. Richardson in Western Culture, Miss Godshalk in American History, Bob McDonald, and Jim Conlon who was one of his religion teachers and became a life long friend.

Leo also felt lucky to have such a close group of classmates and other alums who continue to remain his closest friends. This bond to STVM was sealed during his high school experience.

After graduating from STVM in 1976, he went to Akron University where he pursued a degree in finance. While attending Akron University he joined Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity. He held several offices including Rush Chairman twice and Athletic Director. He was named outstanding athlete in 1979 and outstanding alumnus in 1989.

In 1977 Leo became a certified head coach for the CYO program. Since then he has coached baseball, softball, flag football, six man tackle football, soccer, volleyball and his favorite sport, basketball. He has coached kids of all ages and thoroughly enjoys the opportunity to serve as a coach and allow the participants the chance to work together as a team to meet common goals. Being a small part in the maturation process of these young men and women over the last 30 years has been truly a great reward.

While completing his degree at Akron University, Leo started working as an independent Insurance Agent for the Akers Hartenstein Insurance Agency (acquired by Frank B. Hall and subsequently Aon Risk Services). After graduating in May 1980, he began fulltime employment. He also married his college sweetheart Mary Ann O'Brien in June1980.

In late summer 1981 his cousin Mike Morgan convinced him to coach the Cross Country team at STVM since the coach took a new job. Leo had an understanding boss Jim Hartenstein who allowed him to leave for practices and meets. He also convinced Bernard Rochford VM76 and Gary Lovelace VM75 to assist. Fortunately, Bernie and Gary took over in 1982 on a full time basis. During the 1981 season, Leo and Mary Ann welcomed daughter Julie VM97. She was followed by Colleen VM99, Leo IV VM05, and Cory VM07. He is most proud of his children. Julie and Colleen have both graduated from Miami University and live and work in Chicago, IL. Leo is attending Ohio University and aspires to be a writer. Cory is a member of the STVM soccer team and allows his dad to continue coaching in the CYO HS boys division.

Leo and his family are members of St. Vincent parish where he has been a past President of Parish Counsel and has been a commentator. He served as a member, trustee and board member with the Akron Jaycees from 1982 until he "retired" in 1998. He still helps with Project Santa Claus every year. Additionally he has been past president of the Independent Insurance Agents Association of Summit County in 1992.

He has been honored as a member of Aon Risk Services Excellence Roundtable many times throughout his career. His success has been accomplished through the efforts of his colleagues at Aon and his family, especially his wife, Mary Ann.

Besides his family and faith, his true passion is STVM. He has held offices in the Alumni Association and Endowment Board. Leo and Mary Ann were Showcase Chairman in 1997 and 2004. He is currently a co-chairperson of the Share the Vision Capital Campaign.

His greatest hope is that all alumni will continue to support their alma mater both spiritually and financially. Today's students are tomorrow's leaders. STVM has made a difference in his life and many others. With the help of the alumni, STVM will continue to turn out students who want to make a difference in their community and world one day at a time.

TIM RICKUS VM80

Tim Rickus, son of Bernie Rickus V56 and Margaret Sorg V57, is a 1980 graduate of St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. While attending high school, he was active in sports for the Fighting Irish, namely football, under the coaching of John Cistone. He went on to coach the freshmen football team in the mid-1980s.

In 1984, Tim married fellow classmate, Teresa Schmidt. He is the proud father of four daughters, Caitlin, Hannah, Gabrielle, and Emma. Caitlin and Hannah currently attend St. Vincent-St. Mary High School as a senior and freshman respectively. Gabrielle and Emma attend St. Francis DeSales School where Tim and his family are parishioners. In 1989, after working for thirteen years in the Teamster Union #348, Tim and his wife started TMR & Associates which owns and operates several Subway Restaurants and rental properties in the Akron area. Tim enjoys dabbling in construction and is project motivated. Through this avocation, he became an integral part of the creation and development of the Shillelagh Shack and remodel of the Bookstore and Student Center in 2001. Furthering his passion and dedication to St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, Tim took a position in the Athletic Office as Business Promotions Manager during a time in which the boys' basketball team was receiving national media attention. It was his intention to ensure St. Vincent-St. Mary was portrayed as such to uphold the standards in which the school believes.

Beyond St. Vincent-St. Mary, Tim quietly donates to organizations, individuals, and good causes. Tim's number one priority in every decision and action is family. He demonstrates this everyday, but none so much as on August 2, 2000. With a family history of polycystic kidney disease, his sister, Theresa VM78, was diagnosed and in need of a kidney transplant. Upon subsequent testing and donor matching, Tim was able to donate his kidney to her. He believes it was a small price to pay in return for not having the disease which he could have passed on to his daughters.

Tim has and continues to support St. Vincent-St. Mary High School in any way possible through the feeding almost every group and volunteering his time to benefits and events. He would like to thank all those individuals and the Alumni Association for believing and affirming his actions and support through the years and for many more to come.

Nominate Now for FR. THOMAS F. MAHAR OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARD 2007

The Alumni Office welcomes the nominations of living graduates of St. Mary, St. Vincent, and St. Vincent-St. Mary High Schools for the annual Fr. Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award. Nominations must be made in writing and can be sent via regular mail, e-mail to alumni@stvm.com or faxed to 330-996-0000.

Nominations must include the full name, school, graduation year and contact information of the nominee and information as to why the nominee is deserving of this honor. A resumé of accomplishments may be included. Testimonials from others, press releases and other pertinent forms of information are welcome.

The Fr. Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Awards Dinner will be held on Wednesday, April 26, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. at Tangier Restaurant

$27.50 per person / Chicken Francaise
6:00 p.m. Cash Bar / 7:00 p.m. Dinner
Call 330-253-9113 ext.20 to make phone reservations

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Mail letters of congratulations for the honorees to the Alumni Office. They will be delivered at the awards ceremony.

Commitment is acknowledged

Teach Your Children Well

Back Row (L-R): Mary Howard, Merrylou Windhorst. Front Row (L-R): Pam Godshalk, Shawn-Paul Allison and Luanne Richardson

OHIO MAGAZINE'S 2006 EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION-Private High Schools recognition program has acknowledged the following teachers for their commitment to education. This special recognition is being given to Ohio's top private high school teachers as a result of being acknowledged by a faculty member or administrator. Congratulations to this year's recipients!

Shawn-Paul Allison	English
Pam Godshalk	English & Social Studies
Mary Howard	Physical Education
Luanne Richardson	Social Studies
Merrylou Windhorst	Health & Family Studies

Friday, March 31, 2006 6:30PM

Cost: $60 per team (3-5 players)

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NATURAL BORN TEACHER

Luanne Richardson celebrates.

LUANNE JENKINS RICHARDSON V59 was inducted into Alpha Sigma Nu National Jesuit Honor Society at John Carroll University on November 15, 2005. This honor society recognizes individuals who have distinguished themselves in scholarship, loyalty, and service through their intellectual, civic, religious, professional or commercial pursuits. She was nominated by former students Bill Costigan VM02 and Andy Costigan VM04. >>Luanne has spent her nearly forty year career instructing, mentoring, encouraging, and applauding the students of St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. As a Social Studies teacher, she has been described as an expert in the subject matter. In the classroom, her methodology engages students and stimulates their thinking. She is one of those teachers who students remember as their favorite for her natural rapport that makes her approachable and her advocacy of promoting the accomplishments of her students. And her classroom is "fun". Luanne has been known over the years for her willingness to advise student organizations so that students have an opportunity for well rounded experiences. >>She has played a major role in the development of the STVM curriculum, especially in the Social Studies department. Her involvement in the school has not been limited to the classroom. Luanne has served in many leadership positions for strategic planning, accreditation reviews, alumni affairs, and numerous committees. In 1992, she was named "teacher of the year" by her colleagues and she was selected as a Fr. Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award recipient in 1999. >>As for the future, although Luanne has changed the length of her work day, "retire" is not yet a word in her vocabulary. She continues to be a driving force that has earned the school a reputation for excellence.

Coach of the Year

Dan Lancianese

DAN LANCIANESE, ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY HEAD COACH FOR CROSS COUNTRY and Track and Special Education teacher, was named The Cleveland Plain Dealer's Boys Cross Country Coach of the Year.

The team had a mission to make it to the state meet in Columbus and run well to pay homage to their beloved assistant coach, Bill McCormick, who died from lung cancer in 2004. Mission was accomplished with a runner-up finish in the Division II state meet. This Cinderella team surprised everyone after third-place finishes at the district and regional meets. Lancianese said that the secret to the sport is running hard as a group, to run as a pack and to run with intensity. This team ran without a featured star runner like in past years. It was a balanced team without a superstar who ran with determination.

Dan also founded the All-Star Training Club, a nonprofit club for both handicapped and non-handicapped athletes.

Franz Dool
Heed the Call

RELIGION TEACHER, FRANZ DOOL, has been on a spiritual journey. After a life-changing conversion while on retreat during his junior year of high school, Franz has felt the call to the priesthood. He felt the religious vocation following him throughout college and employment always answering the call with "Later, later, I will listen later". Franz feels that God lets us follow our own plan for a while until we realize that God's plan is what will lead to true happiness.

Franz is entering a five-year program at St. Mary Seminary where he will continue to discern God's will in his life. Should this be the will of God, he will receive the Sacrament of Holy Orders at St. John's Cathedral, home of the Diocese of Cleveland.

Through his journey, Franz has found that God has an amazing plan for everyone. If you think of what you envision for yourself, God's plan is beyond what you can imagine. Prayer is essential to hear the voice of God. It only leads to peace. And if the call is answered, it leads to true freedom. God's plan doesn't mean restriction and limitation. It is liberation. Franz has no romantic dream of where the priesthood will take him. His only mission at this time is to help people understand the gift of faith and the reward of freedom that comes from heeding the call of God.

Staff comings and goings
Hello, Goodbye

HELLO COACH!

Coach Ryan Wiggins

The Fighting Irish have a new head football on board for the Fall football season.
Ryan Wiggins is a graduate of Columbus St. Francis DeSales High School and Capital University. He finished his degree and certification at Eastmoor Academy and two Catholic elementary schools in Columbus. He then returned to his alma mater to teach and coach at St. Francis DeSales. Wiggins is all about Catholic education and loves the tradition. An extraordinary number of coaches have given the "thumbs-up" that Ryan will be a real asset as head coach. With his combination of youth and experience, a future of the football program has been secured. In addition, he will be part of the Health & Physical Education faculty.

GOODBYE CHERYL!

Cheryl Murphy

Our loss is Child Guidance Center's gain as Cheryl Murphy departs STVM as Development Director to become Development Director of this established children's mental health organization where she has been a long term volunteer. Cheryl remains committed to the future of STVM and will continue to help us grow by serving on the Campaign Steering Committee. In addition to being Development Director, she has served many years as chairperson of Showcase. Cheryl has recently been responsible for implementing many programs and was never shy about rolling up her sleeves. We will miss her and wish her the best of luck in her new position.

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THE CORRECT E-MAIL ADDRESS IS MOLSOPHANA@AOL.COM.
PLEASE INCLUDE STVM IN THE SUBJECT LINE OF YOUR E-MAIL

(L-R) Katherine Demeter, Nicole Edwards, Ashley Freeman, Kathleen Fresh, Kelsey Rosen

44 new members inducted
National Honor Society

THE ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL CHAPTER OF THE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY inducted 44 new members on Monday, November 21. A faculty council selected these students based on their accumulative point averages (a minimum 3.5) and faculty evaluations of their character, leadership, and service to the school and community. These new members join the 54 current senior members. Chapter officers including President Therese Pirie, Vice-president Stephen Marks, Secretary Christine Glendon, and Treasurer Max Shaul conducted the traditional candle lighting ceremony that emphasizes the ideals of NHS. Guest speaker for the Induction Ceremony was Mr. Bernard Rochford, STVM Class of 1976. Mr. Rochford is a licensed attorney and the Executive Vice-president of Oriana House, which provides chemical dependency treatment and community corrections services. He is also the co-chair for Junior Leadership Akron. Parents Club has provided the funds for the pins that new members will receive from Headmaster David Rathz. The chapter advisor is Ms. Pam Godshalk.

The newly inducted members include seniors Bryan Bishop, Katherine Demeter, Nicole Edwards, Ashley Freeman, Kathleen Fresh, Kelsey Rosen, Denise Spencer, Elizabeth Thompspn; and juniors Kelly Baugh, Kelly Bennett, Jacqueline Boltik, Nora Bryan, Courtney Colarik, Brittany Dixon, Megan Edwards, Telisha Galizio, Raina Henderson, Elizabeth Herron, Michelle Hetson, Alexander Hildebrandt, Andrea Jackson, Nicholas Koesling, Anne Lackney, Kristen Lecerf, Courtney Malick, Charles Michalec, Erica Mullins, Kara Murphy, Bridget Nickol, Allison Oborn, Alissa O'Neill, Shannon Oswald, Ryan Pelini, Jacquelyn Podrasky, Lauren Rossi, Cali Roth, Katelyn Sickels, Kevin Smyth, Stacey Spicer, Christopher Stavroff, Katherine Wheeler, Carley Whitney, Anna Wilson, Shelley Wyzynski.

ROSEN ATTENDS NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM

In October, 2005, senior Kelsey Rosen attended the National Youth Leadership Forum in Washington D.C. The forum involved a week long educational program on the topic of "Defense, Intelligence, and Diplomacy." In addition to hearing prominent speakers, touring some federal agencies including the CIA facilities in Quantico, VA, and learning about career-related fields, one of the highlights of the week was a simulation in which participants acted out assigned roles to develop a national security strategy in response to a mock diplomatic crisis involving Nigeria. Kelsey's role was to serve as the President's National Security advisor. Other students took on such roles as President, Vice-president, Secretary of State, and other members of the military and diplomatic corps. Kelsey stated that the week was very "intense," but that it was a great way to learn about how government functions and how foreign policies and defense strategies are designed.

JUNIOR STATESMEN OF AMERICA

St. Vincent-St. Mary High School chapter of Junior Statesmen of America has earned many distinctions. First the STVM chapter boasts the largest membership of any school in the area with 94 "tax paying" members. The chapter is part of the Great Lakes Region of the Ohio River Valley State which includes schools from Ohio, Indiana, Kentucky, Tennessee, and West Virginia. At the ORV Convention last spring in Washington, D.C., senior Jane Killian was elected to the position of Lt. Governor, the second highest position in the organization. Her responsibilities are extensive an involve much of the programming for the organization. Senior Allison Rochford, who is president of the STVM chapter, also holds a regional position as Vice-Mayor of the Great Lakes Region. Seniors Ryan Konn and Kelsey Rosen serve on the regional cabinet. The four students as well as other STVM chapter members recently hosted a Great Lakes Regional Conference at the Summit County Courthouse. Over 100 students from several schools in the Great Lakes region sent representatives to the convention where participants engaged in debates and "thought talks" related to the convention's theme of "Judging Justice."

Junior Statesmen of America is the largest student-run high school organization in America, with over 16,000 members throughout the U.S.A. and Canada. It is a non-partisan group filled with members that are interested in politics, government, debate, the law, and education. What makes JSA so special is that students organize every aspect of it, from the school chapter level to the national administration.

STUDENT JOURNALISTS
Jessica Johnson VM07 and Alissa O'Neil VM07

Faith in action
Penny Wars

THIS PAST FALL THE STUDENTS of St. Vincent-St. Mary put their faith into action when they heard about the devastation caused to the South by Hurricane Katrina. Students participated in a school-wide penny war to raise money for needy high schools in Mississippi that were devastated by the hurricane. Overall the school raised $1300 which was sent to St. John's High School in Gulfport, Mississippi and Mercy Cross High School in Biloxi, Mississippi. The schools were both extremely grateful and the money was put to good use as funds for new school supplies and other educational materials.

Mercy Cross High School especially needed the money as their school was completely destroyed and they were forced to move to a new building. They lost many of their students as families were forced to relocate and some were no longer able to pay the tuition due to damages caused by Katrina. Mercy Cross's financial contributors (parishes in the area) were no longer able to give money as their damages from the storm took precedent. The school relocated to the former Sacred Heart Girls' School, also located in Biloxi, which had recently been renovated into a parish life center for Mercy Cross. The students and staff made a video of the damage their school underwent as well as their journey to rebuild their school and their lives. The Mississippi school sent STVM a copy of this video and it was played for the students on the morning announcements.

"The video really made me think about how fortunate I am," commented junior Cassie Ausperk. "It really made me want to help those affected by Hurricane Katrina."

BY ALISSA O'NEIL

Devestated classroom at Mercy Cross High in Biloxi, MS

Mercy Cross High in School has something to cheer about

Doddridge County, W.V. resident and Ben Bozsik team up to get the job done

Nazareth Farm
Sharing Oneself

ON FEBRUARY 12, EIGHT SENIORS, Steve Marks, Hillary Presper, Heather Carone, Alana Valle, Ben Bozsik, Jessica Koly, Chelsea Dulaney, and Katie McCarthy, and advisors Mr. McDonald, Campus Minister, and Ms. Beyler, left to go to West Virginia to Nazareth Farm to help the poor and sacrifice many of their every day pleasures.

Every year eight seniors are selected out of 30 to 40 applicants. The students journey to West Virginia to help build new homes for the poor, or repair old ones. On each application the student must fill out why they wish to attend the trip. In selecting the seniors, Mr. McDonald looks for students who are willing to share themselves.

During the duration of the trip, students make many sacrifices in order to really experience life as a poor person. In the end it all turns out to be worth it, but some of the sacrifices may include living without heat, or even taking only two showers during the week.

"The whole week is physically challenging, but the hardest part of the week is leaving," commented Mr. McDonald.

BY JESSICA JOHNSON

Congressman Tim Ryan (second from left) with students.

Tony Manna and J.D. Brookhart

Ryan and Brookhart Speaker Series

AS THE KEYNOTE SPEAKER for the Brennan, Manna & Diamond, LLC and St. Vincent-St. Mary High School Speaker Series on January 17, 2006, Congressman Tim Ryan stressed the importance of creativity to the future success of schools, corporations, and the political strivings of our country. Mr. Ryan stated that American workers continue to be the most creative and the best team players. Mr. Ryan attributes this in large part to the well-rounded education that American students receive. His concern is that this scenario will change for the worse as funding for schools' art, music, theatrical, and athletic programs continues to erode in spite of scientific studies that prove that exposure to these activities improves learning of all subjects, especially reading, math and science. Mr. Ryan reminded those in attendance that each person does make a difference, that goals and expectations should be set high, and that all work is noble whether you are recognized for it or not.

On March 7, 2006, J.D. Brookhart, Head Football Coach of The University of Akron spoke to a full house.

The next speaker in the 2006 series will be held on May 23, 2006 and will feature James B. McCarthy, Summit County Executive. If you are interested in attending or want more information, please contact Joanne Zaratsian at 330-253-9113 ext.12.

ST. BRIGID'S FIRE

"WHATSOEVER YOU DO FOR THE LEAST OF THESE, MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS, THAT YOU DO FOR ME." (MT. 25)

Dear Alumni, Students, Families, & Friends,

On behalf of the voiceless, I thank you, from the bottom of my heart! You donated 213 pairs of gloves to the homeless in the Akron area. Our goal was surpassed by 63 pairs of gloves!

There are so many opportunities to reach out and make a difference... please say yes, wherever and whenever you are called to do so. Without you and your selflessness, your compassion, your love, someone, somewhere will not be o.k. You are their hope for a better tomorrow. Please say yes!

Love, Mrs. Lorrie Haddox M64

Students make presentations It's Scientific

ST. VINCENT – ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL SCIENCE DEPARTMENT sent ten students to make a special presentation to more than 160 students from The University of Akron, Cleveland State University, Kent State University, Youngstown State University, Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine, and the Cleveland Clinic Foundation. STVM was the only high school represented at the 2005 Conference on Undergraduate and Graduate Student Research hosted by The University of Akron in the Student Union on November 15, 2005.

Mrs. Mary Jo Chionchio, STVM Science Department Head and a 2005 recipient of The University of Akron Distinguished Education Alumni Award, has taken numerous students to the state level of Science Inquiry Competition at The Ohio State University every year for the past several years – receiving the Harold C. Shaw Outstanding School Award for the third time this past May.

St. Vincent – St. Mary High School was recognized by The University of Akron as a regional innovator in science education, incorporating the inquiry/constructivist model of teaching in its science curriculum since 1994. It was in December, 2002 that a Joint Resolution on Partners in Progress was signed between STVM and The University of Akron – a program that gives the high school's teachers access to resources available at the University and the opportunity for students from the College of Education to gain experience teaching high school students using the inquiry-based/constructivist model methods for teaching science.

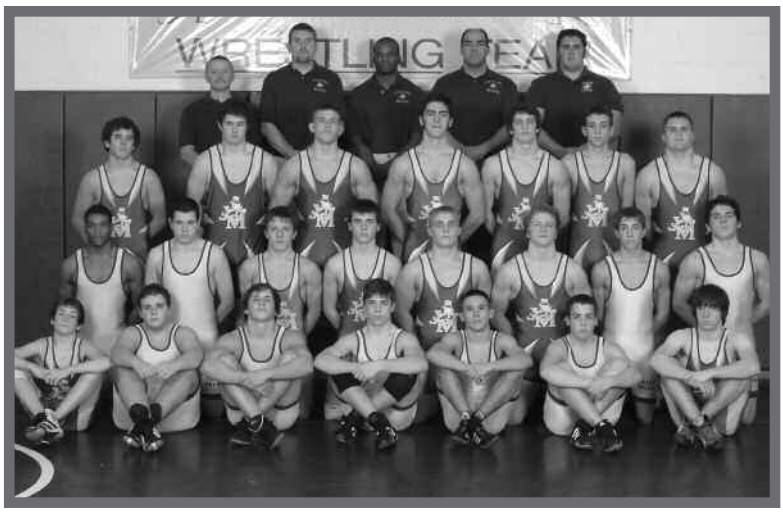
The University of Akron is the only public university in Ohio with a science and engineering program ranked in the top five nationally by U.S. News & World Report.

FRENCH CLUB WREATH

THIS IS THE THIRD YEAR that the St. Vincent-St. Mary French Club has contributed a wreath to the annual Children's Hospital Tree Festival. Members of our French Club volunteered their time after school for about one week to put together this year's wreath entitled "Joyeux Noël!" The students responsible for its design and creation are John Wilson, Kristen Bennett, Jane Walter, Alicia Sovacool, Anna Wilson, Steve Herron, Jane Killian, Mamie Williamson, and Bob McClure.

Basketball, Wrestling, Cheerleading, Bowling

Winter Sports Review

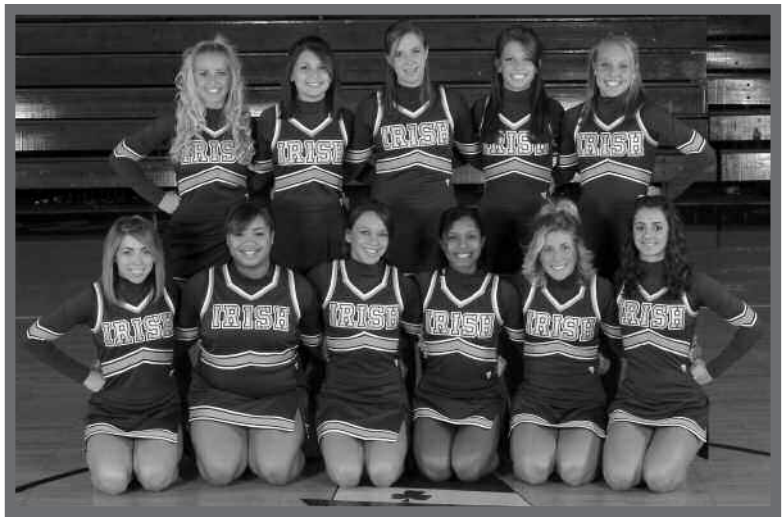


BOYS BASKETBALL:
The team is headed for Columbus for the Division II final four after defeating the undefeated Willard in the regional championship game in Toledo on March 18th. Senior Marcus Johnson leads the team in scoring, in rebounding, and steals. Marcus has already signed his letter of intent to play basketball at The University of Dayton. Junior Cameron Joyce is the teams assist leader. Pat Nygaard, Brian Glasper, Cameron Joyce, Anthony Anderson and Greg Preer are all averaging 8 points per game in a true team effort.

GIRLS BASKETBALL:
The girls lost a heartbreaker in the sectionals and finished with a 14-7 record. Junior Kara Murphy leads the team in scoring, assists, steals, and is second in rebounds. Sophomore Chelsea Ciptak is the teams rebounding leader and is second in scoring. Seniors Krista Kirn and Angie Ciarrochi have provided outstanding leadership.

WRESTLING:
The team finished 2nd in the sectionals and won the Firestone district. Five wrestlers went to state with 3 runners-up: Josh Rohler, Jamie Srock, and Nick McMullen. Brian Dean finished 4th. Josh will sign early to wrestle at Penn State. Josh also finished second at The Ironman tournament, one of the toughest in the country. The team won the small school division in the Catholic Invitational. Jamie Srock at 189 lbs. has been outstanding all year. The team also defeated Cloverleaf and Holy Name in dual matches.

CHEERLEADING:
Our cheerleaders and coaches will conduct the 2006 STVM Cheerleading Clinic to be held in the school on March 25th. The elementary school girls and pee wees will learn chants, cheers, perfection of motions and skills, jumps, a dance, and games. STVM Cheerleaders also have individuals and a stunt team competing at the American Cheer Power national competition in Columbus. Becca Kolb, Marisha Daniels and Gabby Trifiro will compete as individuals. Our stunt group is comprised of Alana Valle, Becca Kolb, Marisha Daniels, Lauren Welsh, Malloree Miller and Gabby Trifiro. Congratulations to our senior captains, Tanesha Walker, Alana Valle, Marisha Daniels, and Becca Kolb for a wonderful season!



BOYS BOWLING:

The Boys Varsity Bowling team is currently 5 and 5, and 5th in the conference after 10 matches. The team is led by Senior Alex Marshall with a 190 average, and Sophomore Chris Dremann, with a 186 average.

The team competed in the Sectionals on February 11th at Bill White's AMF Lanes and finished sixth in the sectionals. The Boys JV team is currently 6th in the conference.

The Boys are coached by 5th year coach, Mr. Lowell Knight, assisted by Ms. Kathy Dremann.

GIRLS BOWLING:

The Girls Varsity Bowling team is currently 8 and 3, and tied for third, with Hoban, in the conference after 10 matches, and only one game behind conference leaders Ellet, and one Walsh. The team is led by seniors Tammy Millmier, Thesesa Attalla, Tawanna Young, Kate Fresh, Amy Bisesi, Kelly Buschko, and Heather Carone. Sophomores Colleen Conrad, and Olivia Mathews, have also contributed throughout the season.

The girls competed in the sectionals on February 11th at North Lanes.

The girls finished forth, and advanced to the district championships at Canton's Hall of Fame Lanes, February 18th where they finished 11th in the district. The girls team have two matches remaining, and have a good chance of reaching the conference championship, if they can win their final two matches.

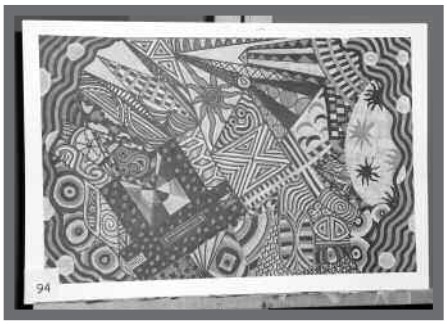
The girls JV team is currently 2nd in the conference, and have a chance to complete for the JV conference championship.

The girls are coached by 7th year coach Mr. Tom Carone, assisted by Mr. Steve Buschko.

"REUNION" AT UA

Award recipient, Merrylou Windhorst, visits STVM alumni Chad Mraz VM02, Dru Joyce VM03 (top photo) and Romeo Travis VM03 (bottom photo) at Summit Co. Sports Hall of Fame recognition night at the UA basketball game

2nd Annual Art Show
Express Yourself



THE 2ND ANNUAL CREATIVE EXPRESSIONS ART SHOW was held on March 21st. Once again, the talents of elementary school children from area private and parochial schools were in the spotlight. The artwork of 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th graders showcased their drawings, paintings, sculptures, and 3-D renderings using various medium such as paper and textiles. The artwork was produced as part of a classroom assignment and expressed the creative abilities of blossoming young artists.

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Box office will open approx. 1 hour before performances

Bookstore News

Please visit the Bookstore and the STVM website to check out all the latest in spirit wear. We have new items arriving for Spring. We have a three pack t-shirt combo, which consists of a white, grey and green t-shirts. Each of the shirts has a unique graphic design promoting STVM SPIRIT. We also have a two-pack combo which includes a white long sleeve tee, and a dark green short sleeve tee, layer them together or wear them separately. We have a designer golf shirt in celery green with a tone on tone VM IRISH logo on the sleeve. We have a variety of youth hoodies and track jackets for the grand-kids, the next generation of STVM graduates. Stop in and pick up some spirit-wear and thunder sticks to cheer on our teams.

JOIN THE FUN!

CHRISTMAS CHOIR FILLS THE SCHOOL WITH HOLIDAY SPIRIT

RING CEREMONY: Headmaster David Rathz presents Lauren Epner with ring.

MOTHER'S NIGHT OUT: Moms and volunteers, Carolyn Joyce, Betsy Lucas, Debbie Destafano, Mary Corpus, & Debbie Chiarrappa

PRINCIPALS' BREAKFAST REUNITES ST. MARY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ALUMN: Greg Williams VM08 & Gabe Pirie VM08 with principal, Kathy Allio

STUDENTS EXPERIENCE PARENTHOOD IN FAMILY STUDIES CLASS

THE WILSON FAMILY ENJOY CHRISTMAS IN NYC: (L-R) Curtis VM83, Taylor, Deborah, and Curtis.

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