ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL **ALUMNI** MAGAZINE

# CONNECTION

SPRING 2011

## MEET OUR 2011 **FR. THOMAS F. MAHAR OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARD** RECIPIENTS

FR. JAMES REYMANN V42

PATRICIA OSTROSKI M65

STEPHEN PHILLIPS VM75

THEODORE WALTER VM77

MARCY SMITH VM86

MICHAEL MCDONALD VM97

## IRISH CRUSADER AWARD RECIPIENT

• CLASS REUNIONS • ADVANCEMENT FOCUS • IRISH NEWS

# SAVE THE DATE

**FEBRUARY 17, 2011**
Booster Club Reverse Raffle – Guy's Party Centre

**FEBRUARY 25, 2011**
Car Raffle Ends – Drawing at half-time
STVM vs. Canton McKinley Varsity Basketball game

**MARCH 5, 2011**
Parents' Club St. Patrick's Day Party –
STVM Student Center

**MARCH 22, 2011**
Seventh Grade Visitation

**MARCH 27, 2011**
Open House

**MARCH 31, 2011**
Annual Mahar Banquet – Tangier Restaurant

**APRIL 8, 2011**
3 on 3 Tournament – STVM Gymnasium

**APRIL 11, 2011**
Annual Memorial Mass – STVM LRC

**APRIL 14 – 17, 2011**
Spring Musical "Thoroughly Modern Millie"

**APRIL 19, 2011**
State of the School Address/Open Forum

**APRIL 22 – 29, 2011**
Spring Break

**MAY 9, 2011**
Annual Family & Memorial Scholarship Reception

**MAY 19, 2011**
Jim Kelly V50 Reverse Raffle – Guy's Party Centre

**MAY 26, 2011**
Senior Farewell Mass & Alumni Pin Ceremony

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Baccalaureate Mass / St. Bernard-St. Mary Church

**JUNE 4, 2011**
Graduation / EJ Thomas Hall

**AUGUST TBD**
School resumes

**SEPTEMBER TBD**
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**SEPTEMBER TBD**
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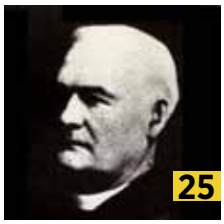



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# Maintaining the Memories

As you will read in this issue of the Connection, our Alumni are integral to keeping the spirit of our school intact. Whether through their good deeds to one another and the community at-large, by donating their time or artifacts to the school, joining together to reminisce, or attending a school event, their commitment to STVM is the foundation upon which the future of our school will be built.

## WELCOME TO THE **SPRING 2011 EDITION OF ALUMNI CONNECTION**

Dear Alumni, Family and Friends,
Please join me in congratulating the 2011 Father Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award Recipients and Irish Crusader Award Winner.

The spring issue of the Alumni Connection is dedicated to the 2011 Father Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award recipients. Each year, the impressive successes of some of our alumni are spotlighted throughout this special award. Nominated by their peers, friends, family or workmates, the alumni award recipients are selected based upon their accomplishments in ministry, service to youth, service to school, service to community and/or professional achievement.

In addition, the STVM Alumni Council is pleased to present the recipient of the 2011 Irish Crusader Award. This award was established in 2008 and recognizes individuals who are not graduates from our school(s) but who have a long-standing and positive relationship with St. Mary, St. Vincent and/or St. Vincent-St. Mary High School.

Congratulations to our six Fr. Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni recipients and our 2011 Irish Crusader. Our annual dinner honoring the Alumni award winners and the Irish Crusader Award recipient will be held March 31, 2011 at Tangier Restaurant. For more information on this event and this year's recipients turn to page 25. All are invited to attend this event and celebrate the special achievement of our alumni, our friends, our family and our school. Please contact the STVM Alumni Office for more details and an invitation.

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

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

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# ALUMNI OFFICE CELEBRATES GRAND OPENING

The STVM Alumni Office has a new location! For those of you that remember the "good old days" when the school was first built – the STVM Alumni Office is located in the original bookstore location. More recently, the office space housed the Athletic Office. The Cosgrove Center now is the new home for the STVM Athletic Office and STVM Athletic Director, Andy Jalwan. The STVM Alumni Office is now located in the STVM Student Center right next to the gym. This new space allows us to display our treasured memorabilia, yearbooks and archives.

The STVM Alumni Office welcomes your archive items! Recent donations include wonderful memorabilia received from:

Bill Klotz M53 delivered St. Mary High School newspapers and photos dating back to the 1950s and 1960s.

The family of the late Rita Krummel Malecky V40 donated Vincentians dating from 1937-38 and 1940.

Since the grand opening in October, the STVM Alumni Office has hosted a variety of meetings ranging from alumni, reunion teams and current students. The window displays currently feature a scrapbook dating back to the 1920s open to a page of basketball players – both girls and boys! The STVM students have been enjoying seeing the athletic uniforms sported by our 1923 teams.

Contact Kathy Holaday, STVM Alumni Director to schedule a visit! Kathy can be reached at 330-253-9113 x120 (or via e-mail kholaday@stvm.com).

# A Recorded History

The STVM Alumni Office greatly appreciates and gladly accepts the donation of archive items.

A recent delivery to the Alumni office included a note from Joe Cornecelli V69 as well as wonderful St. Vincent High School archive items (plaques, varsity letters, and a varsity sweater). Joe included his varsity sweater and explained how he earned the "stripes" on the sweater! He was selected to be a team manager and student trainer for football and basketball and varsity "lettered" which earned him the stripes on the left arm of the sweater.

Another special thank you goes to Nelson Gorbach, husband of the late Clare Tucker Gorbach V61. Nelson is the Instrumental Music Instructor at Walsh Jesuit High School and sent wonderful memorabilia from the 1959 – 1961 timeframe including Sports Programs and Vincentians (St. Vincent High School's student newspaper) dating from September 1959 through May 1961.

## TEXTBOOK AND YEARBOOK SEARCH!

**St. Mary Religion Book**

Patricia Kramer Latham M68 is hoping someone among our readership can help her find copies of the St. Mary Religion Book - "Our Quest for Happiness" published by Mentzer Bush. Pat has "Number 2" from her sophomore year but would like to acquire Book #1, Book #3, and Book #4. Please contact Pat is you are able to provide any assistance (330-825-0309).

**Yearbook**

Jim Kane V59 and Carol Casey Kane V60 are looking to acquire St. Vincent High School Yearbooks, specifically 1956, 1959 and 1960. If anyone has a copy available for sale or knows someone who would like to sell their copy, please contact Jim via e-mail at: jkanejr@adelphia.net.

Rita Mills Marsh VM76 is looking to acquire a copy of the 1976 STVM yearbook. If anyone has a copy available for sale or knows someone who would like to sell their copy, please contact Rita at (330) 592-0570.

Dan Grueter VM83 is looking to acquire a copy of the 1983 STVM yearbook. If anyone has a copy available for sale or knows someone who would like to sell their copy, please contact Dan via e-mail at: tucker123@earthlink.net.

## WE NEED YOUR HELP

The photo to the right was found in our School Archives, but we are unsure of its relevance. It was taken in front of St. Vincent Church. If you have any information on the group or individuals featured, please contact Kathy Holaday, Alumni Director, at 330-253-9113 x120 or via e-mail at kholaday@stvm.com.

# Come Home for Homecoming 2010

The 2010 Come Home for Homecoming Alumni Reunion was an enjoyable event. It was wonderful to see so many of our alumni from St. Mary High School, St. Vincent High School and STVM. Special thanks go to the Alumni Council for taking part as our tour guides for the evening!

The attendees enjoyed refreshments, tours of the school and entertainment by our very own STVM Cheerleaders.

Look for this event to be incorporated into one of our "winter sporting events" during the 2011-2012 school year!

Alumni from St. Mary High School, St. Vincent High School and STVM gather with family and friends to enjoy the Come Home for Homecoming Alumni Reunion in the Student Center

# Mary Howard M68 Retires After Illustrious Coaching Career

In her 35 years of coaching, Mary Howard accomplished far more than the average coach – but then, she's not your average coach. Mary repeatedly built strong, competitive teams and taught young ladies the importance of intelligence and hard work both on and off the volleyball court. It was her own work ethic that earned her many awards and honors over the years – among them Ohio High School Volleyball Coaches Association Coach of the Year and member of its Hall of Fame, as well as the Summit County Hall of Fame.

Of her coaching resignation, Mary said, "I've spent 35 years coaching a sport that I love. I've had the honor of coaching some amazing student athletes over the years! I came to STVM in 2000 and take great pride in the stability I was able to bring to the Irish program. I'd like to thank STVM for the opportunity to return to my alma mater to teach and coach. In the 35 year coaching career we accomplished some amazing numbers. Presently, I top the Ohio High School Volleyball leader board with 631 varsity victories. After 35 years and reaching a ripe old age for a coach, it is time to step down as a head coach."

**COACHING AWARDS**

Akron Beacon Journal Coach of the Year (1988)
Akron Touchdown Club Coach of the Year (1988, 1990, 1991, 1992, 2007)
Akron Touchdown Club Youth Award (2003)
Akron Women's History Project (1984)
Archbishop Hoban Athletic Hall of Fame (1994)
Dapper Dan State Volleyball Coach (1991)
Ohio High School Volleyball Coaches Association (OHSVCA) Coach of the Year (1991)
OHSVCA Achievement Award (1985, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1992, 1995)
OHSVCA Hall of Fame (1997)
Summit County Hall of Fame - Volleyball Coach (2000)
St. Vincent–St. Mary High School Fr. Thomas Mahar Award – Outstanding Alumni Award (2005)
500th Career Varsity Victory, September 20, 2003 vs. St. Thomas Aquinas @ Rootstown Tournament
600th Career Varsity Victory, September 26, 2008 @ Firestone Tournament

**VOLLEYBALL SEASON RESULTS**

State Champion: 1980 "AA"; 1990, 1991, 1992 Division II
State Runner-Up: 1987, 1988
State Final Four (Regional Champions): 1979, 1980, 1982, 1984, 1987, 1988, 1990, 1991, 1992
District Champions: 13 times
Sectional Champions: 24 times
20 or more matches won each season 1980 - 1992

**OVERALL RECORD: *631 – 232**

Hoban 448 – 149
STVM 183 – 83
2002, 2003, 2004, 2007: 20 or more matches won each season
*631 Career wins – places Mary Howard at the top of leader board in Ohio high school records

# We Are Always Happy to See Our Alumni...

Our St. Mary, St. Vincent, and STVM alumni are always dropping by the school to speak to current students, volunteer, or just to say "hi." To follow is a recounting of some of their most recent visits.

## SISTER DIANA CULBERTSON **V48**

Sr. Diana Culbertson, a graduate of St. Vincent High School Class of 1948, a member of the Dominican Sisters of Peace of Akron was a guest speaker in Mrs. Merrylou Windhorst's religion classes, "Christian Lifestyles."

Sr. Diana presented a historical summary of the women religious in America from 1856 to the present. Her knowledge of the sister's roles during these years reflected the changes from the Catholic School being almost totally staffed by Sisters to today's place the Sisters serve. Members of her community, Our Lady of The Elms, serve as missionaries, college professors, prison chaplains, lawyers etc., wherever God calls these women of God today. She stated that the role of teacher is now the responsibility of the laity.

(L-R): Merrylou Windhorst, Sr. Diana Culbertson V48, Anne Wise Bickett M67

Sister has taught at the University of North Carolina and is retired from Kent State University where she was a professor for 25 years and is presently Professor Emerita of English and comparative literature. Sister Diana is well known throughout the Unites States for her lectures on Biblical literature and theology in seminaries, diocesan in-service programs, Scripture seminars and adult continuing education programs. Sister remains a writer, editor, and, in the truest tradition of Dominican scholars, a pursuer of truth. We were blessed and enlightened to have Sister share the history of women religious and encourage young people today to hear the call to priesthood and religious life.

Sr. Diana Culbertson is a Father Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award Recipient (2004).

## COLLEEN SNYDER CAHILL **V50** ROBERTA SNYDER BROWN **V54**

During the past few months, many alumni have stopped in to see the wonderful archives that have been placed on display. In some cases, alumni have made an appointment in order to research the items on file to locate photos of loved ones.

That was the case with Colleen Snyder Cahill V50 and her 2 sisters. Colleen, Roberta Snyder Brown V54 and Marilyn Labbe (grandmother of Ben Musci VM10) visited the STVM Alumni Office in the hopes of uncovering photos and memorabilia dating back to the 1920s. Their parents attended St. Vincent High School — Florence Baker Snyder V21 and John Snyder V20.

Unfortunately, the Alumni Office does not have copies of any of the yearbooks during that timeframe and questions if one was even printed! However, the sisters were delighted to see a photograph hanging on the new alumni office wall that is dated "St. Vincent High School 1921" and to realize their mother, Florence, was pictured in the **V21 graduation photo** (below).

## KAREN VINCENT **V63**

Another visit to the Alumni Office occurred in December when Karen Vincent V63 delivered reunion favors from the St. Vincent Class of 1939's 40th Reunion celebration. Jane McCormish Sparhawk V39 and Karen's father, Raymond V38 were good friends during school, attended the 1938 Senior Prom together but had unfortunately lost track of each other over the years. Five years ago, Jane included her e-mail in the Alumni Alley section of the Alumni Connection Magazine in the hopes of reconnecting with classmates and friends. Raymond contacted Jane and they renewed their friendship. Jane felt that Raymond would enjoy the V39 reunion beer mugs so she mailed them to Raymond in Akron, Ohio. Raymond's daughter, Karen, brought them to the school to be included in our Alumni Archive Display.

Jane was living in Port Angeles, Washington when she passed away in 2009.

KAREN VINCENT V63 DELIVERED REUNION FAVORS FROM THE ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1939'S 40TH REUNION CELEBRATION

## DR. ELIZABETH BENDER **VM83**

Dr. Elizabeth Bender VM83 visited St. Vincent-St. Mary High School on December 15th to address more than 60 students who are interested in the medical field. It was wonderful for our students to have this opportunity and we look forward to having Dr. Bender involved in a future Speaker Series event.

Dr. Bender is a General Surgeon on staff at Summa/Akron City Hospital. As a general surgeon, her specialties are as follows: breast, colon, thyroid, appendix, hernia, gallbladder and skin lesions. Summa/Akron City Hospital is a Level one Trauma Center and Dr. Bender serves on the Trauma Staff, taking trauma calls on a rotational basis.

Dr. Bender graduated from The University of Akron, Summa Cum Laude, in 1987 with a degree in Biology. She then attended Wright State University, School of Medicine, in Dayton, Ohio. After graduating in 1991, she went on to pursue her surgical training at Mercy Hospital in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. She has been in private practice since 2001.

Dr. Elizabeth Bender VM83 (center) with STVM Students

Members of Strange Familiar with STVM Headmaster David Rathz. Frank Freeman VM03 is on the far right

## FRANK FREEMAN **VM03**

The STVM Students enjoyed a concert by Frank Freeman VM03 and his band "The Strange Familiar" on September 30, 2010.

The band had just appeared on the "Las Vegas round" of the "America's Got Talent" show in July and had advanced to the Top 48 "Live in Hollywood round." The show aired to 20 million viewers.

The quote from The Strange Familiar's promotional materials is notable: "Growing up, we were fortunate enough to participate in band, choir, plays, musicals, and music classes. Music has shaped our lives in a positive way. Many schools are forced to cut spending which often begins with music and the arts. For all that music has given to us, we would like to give 'Back to the Music.' One way we are demonstrating our commitment to this goal is by giving 50% of all merchandise profits back to each of the schools' music programs. We'll be working closely with students and faculty to raise money and awareness, all while putting on a fun, interactive and inspiring concert performance. This will be an assembly the students will never forget."

The band sang "Happy Birthday" to Frank's dad, Jim and on hand for the concert were members of Frank's family: parents Jim and Kyle Hillery Freeman VM73, aunt Kelly Hillery Seiberling VM76, and grandparents Tom V51 and Joellen Wargo Hillery V51.

St. Vincent-St. Mary was the only local high school to permit The Strange Familiar to perform!

## IRISH WEDDING BELLS
## **MICHELLE WESIG VM01**

Michelle Wesig VM01, daughter of Mark Wesig, Sr. VM73 and Ginni Kolb Wesig VM74, married Stjepan Jukanovic of Willowick, Ohio (2001 Graduate of Notre Dame Cathedral Latin) on November 13, 2010 at St. Vincent Church.

Michelle and Stjepan met at The University of Dayton. The bridal party and guests included many STVM classmates and family members!

Also many alumni aunts and uncles from both the Kolb and Wesig side were in attendance. Michelle comes from a long line of alumni including her grandparents: Ann Kemple Kolb V31, Robert Kolb V30 and Frank Wesig V49.

Bridesmaids: Rachael Yeager Wesig VM01. Erin Fish Wesig VM98, Colleen Buck VM01 Elizabeth Kolb Caponi VM01, Jennifer Kolb VM02, and Rebecca Kolb VM06. Ushers (Not Pictured): Mark Wesig, Jr. VM96, and Matthew Wesig VM98

## PLEASE VISIT THE **"ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY ALUMNI (OFFICIAL)" SITE ON FACEBOOK**

In 2010, the STVM Alumni Office created a Facebook page so that our alumni could stay connected in the ever-growing on-line community! This new Facebook site, "St. Vincent-St. Mary Alumni (Official)," will replace the e-Connect community that was established in 2008.

Over 200 people have "liked" this new site – so don't delay - Become a "friend" of the St. Vincent-St. Mary Alumni (Official) site!

# Four Years For a Lifetime

The education received at St. Mary, St. Vincent, or STVM prepared our Alumni for the challenges that awaited them. We are proud of the accomplishments and successes they have experienced as they became citizens of the world. Read on to learn what your classmates have been up to...

## KATHLEEN MICHEL **VM81**

PHILADELPHIA, PA (July 14, 2010) – Kathleen Michel, senior nurse executive and director, Branch Clinics at Naval Health Clinic Great Lakes in Great Lakes, IL, graduated from the Johnson & Johnson - Wharton Fellows Program in Management for Nurse Executives, an intensive three-week management education program held at The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania. Michel was one of 38 senior nurse executives selected to participate in the program, which provides participants with critical business and management skills that enables them to be effective leaders in the ever-changing health care industry. This year's participants are from the United States, Australia, and Canada.

(L-R): Jeanne Kreiser (J&J), Kathleen Michel (Participant), and Greg Shea (Wharton Nurse Program Academic Director)

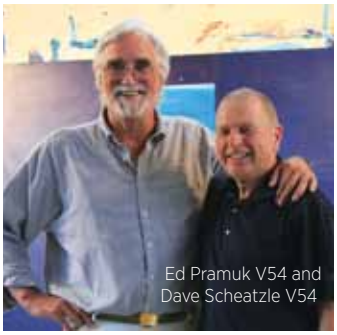
The Johnson & Johnson - Wharton Fellows Program has been enhancing the leadership capabilities of nurse executives for more than 25 years. The program recognizes the important and influential role nurse executives have in strategic planning within their own health care institutions and in shaping health care policy issues regionally, nationally, and globally. Their input and influence have added significance today, given the serious nursing shortage that threatens the quality of health care in the U.S. and abroad.

Wharton Executive Education competitively selects nurse executives to study strategic, financial, managerial, and leadership approaches to organizational development. During the program's Executive Forum, nurse executives collaborate with their health care institutions' chief executive officers to analyze the role of nursing in hospital management and strategic planning.

"As a military nurse executive, I have not been exposed to many of the financial aspects of truly making decisions that determine the trajectory of a healthcare institution," said Michel. "As I will be retiring within the next 5 years, my exposure in the program regarding the bottom line and financial considerations is invaluable to my future in the civilian healthcare sector."

Captain Kathleen Roman Michel VM81 received the Fr. Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award in 2008.

*Excerpts from a Johnson & Johnson Press Release*



Ed Pramuk V54 and Dave Scheatzle V54

## ED PRAMUK **V54**
## DAVE SCHEATZLE **V54**

Ed Pramuk V54 and Dave Scheatzle V54, recently met in Baton Rouge, LA in September 2010. It had been 52 years since they had seen each other. Both retired as professors at major universities. Ed retired as Professor of Art from LSU and Dave retired as Professor of Architecture from Arizona State University. After graduating from St. Vincent High School they both graduated from Kent State University.

Ed and Dave had both worked together at the Akron Beacon Journal while attending Kent State. They had/have a lot of mutual friends. Dave spent 20 years in the Air Force, before starting a second career at ASU. Dave earned a Masters Degree from ASU in the 60's and a Doctorate Degree from Michigan. Ed is featured in a book, "Treasures of LSU." – LSU Press 2010

## KATHY ZEHENNI HOLADAY **VM77**
## SEAN WALTER **VM89**

Sean Walter VM89 and Kathy Zehenni Holaday VM77 received special recognition from St. Sebastian Parish in September 2010. Sean was awarded "Coach of the Year" and Kathy was awarded "Volunteer of the Year" during the special "Oscars" presented at the annual gala fundraiser, September Spectacular 2010, "A Red Carpet Affair."

Awards were presented to the Outstanding Teacher, Outstanding Coach, Outstanding Volunteer and Outstanding Innovators.

## VINCENT MORBER **VM88**

Lt. Vincent Morber of the Barberton Police Department has been appointed to the position of Chief of Police and received the oath of office on October 28, 2010.

Vince has been with the Barberton Police Department for 16 years and has lived in Barberton, Ohio his entire life. His background with the Police Department includes: Patrol Bureau, Detective Bureau, Staff Services and SWAT. His promotions include Sergeant in 1999, Lieutenant in 2007 and recently he was a Patrol Shift Commander.

Vince attended The University of Akron and earned his Bachelor of Science Degree in Education and then earned a Masters Degree in Public Administration from Kent State University. In addition, he is a graduate of the Police Executive Leadership College.

## BRIAN KENNY **VM92**
## JAMES MATTY **VM94**

On September 20, 2010, James Matty VM94, was hired as General Manager of local landscape company Edenscape, Inc. owned by Brian Kenny VM92.

"It sounds cliché but we met each other on Facebook," Brian recalls. "We have some common friends

James Matty VM92 Brian Kenny VM94

and interests." Those interests include designing and building award winning landscapes.

Jim recalling his first meeting with Brian said, "At first I thought Brian wanted to put a name with a face but after about an hour I realized I was in the middle of an interview. It turns out, I was looking for a more exciting opportunity and Brian had one to offer."

Brian was looking for an individual with a wide array of industry knowledge and Jim had the credentials, graduating from The Ohio State University with a Bachelor of Science in Horticulture and a minor in Agriculture Economics. His experience also includes owning and operating his own landscape design-build and estate maintenance firm, as well as holding leadership roles with multi-million dollar companies.

## THERESA ATTALLA **VM06**

After graduating in June 2010 from Ohio State University, I decided to travel back to my hometown to do a year of service with AmeriCorps. Through this government funded program, I am connected to a non-profit agency with the hope of making a difference in my local community. This year, I am serving with Children's Hunger Alliance, a statewide non-profit agency working toward long-term solutions to fighting childhood hunger. I am rediscovering Akron and am shocked by the poverty in our city.

CHA works with schools, child care providers, youth-serving and faith-based organizations, elected officials, and other policy makers, business, and individuals to improve each child's opportunity to be well-nourished, healthy and thrive. CHA utilizes their AmeriCorps members to teach the Healthy Kids, Healthy Communities program which focuses on nutrition and physical activity for children grades K-8. Last year, nearly 400 children participated in this program in the Cleveland area. With the Food Folks and the Coordinated Approach to Childhood Health (CATCH) curriculum, we focus on healthy behaviors for the kids.

As a child and a young adult, I was lucky enough to have a breakfast and lunch every day and be surrounded by a nurturing environment, both at home and at STVM. Some kids aren't so lucky and I think it's extremely important to stop hunger, and I believe it all starts with our local community.

If you'd like more information, visit www.ChildrensHungerAlliance.org or call 614-341-7700. Also if you want to look into volunteer and fundraising/donation opportunities for the Akron area, email me at tattalla@childrenshungeralliance.org.

Kellyn Murphy VM04, Mark Murphy VM11, Kara Murphy VM07, and Kate Murphy VM05

## KARA MURPHY **VM07**

On November 21, 2010, Kara Murphy and her University of Akron teammates sponsored an awareness/fundraising event. Kara sustained a severe concussion/spinal cord injury while playing basketball at STVM four years ago. She is now completing her education and final basketball season at The University of Akron. She and her teammates decided to make one of the last games an awareness/fundraiser event for people who have had a head injury.

During the home game at The University of Akron against Niagara University, Kara and her teammates conducted a concussion awareness event called "Keep Your Head in the Game." The concussion awareness videos were featured during half-time of the game and representatives from Akron Children's Hospital were on hand with materials and information.

Fans received free admission to the game when they purchased the special "Keep Your Head in the Game" T-shirts. The proceeds benefitted Akron Children's Hospital's Head Injury Program.

Jason Thomas VM04 and Nick Thomas VM08

## NICK THOMAS **VM08**

Wayne State University's Nick Thomas VM08 was nominated for AFCA Good Works Team

"To honor the distinguished group of college football players who stand out for the positive influence they have in their communities, Allstate Insurance Company and the American Football Coaches Association (AFCA) announced the 112 student-athletes nominated for the Allstate AFCA Good Works Team®. Wayne State University junior linebacker Nick Thomas (Akron, Ohio/St. Vincent-St. Mary) is WSU's 2010 nominee. This is only the second time a Warrior/Tartar football player has earned Good Works honors. In the areas of giving back and volunteerism, the Allstate AFCA Good Works Team® represents the 'best of the best' among more than 50,000 student-athletes participating in the sport at all four-year institutions."

Nicholas J. Thomas VM08 is the son of Jim VM74 and Martha Graf Thomas VM74. Nick's older brother Jason VM04 was a First Team All-GLIAC selection in 2008. Nick is a junior, majoring in Finance and has been named to the Athletic Director's Honor Roll (G.P.A. 3.5+) for Fall 2008, Winter 2009, Fall 2009 and Winter 2010.

*Excerpt taken from the Wayne State University website: www.wsuathletics.com*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**1955**

**RICHARD ROESCH V**
Retired and living in The Villages, Florida with my wife.
E-mail: rroesch@thevillages.net

**1956**

**SR. MARIAN DURKIN M**
Living in Lakewood, Ohio
E-Mail: smd@srsofcharity.org

**1960**

**JEANNE HERMANN MCBURNEY V**
Living in Munroe Falls, Ohio with my husband, Donald. We have one daughter and 2 grandchildren.
E-mail: mcbjupiter@aol.com

**1965**

**PATRICIA "TRISH" OSTROSKI M**
Trish Ostroski wrote and directed the play, "For Better...For Worse" which was produced as part of Women in The Arts in Palm Springs, California in November. Submissions and participants came from all over the country and included literature, film, plays and more.
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**1966**

**RICHARD WEIGAND V**
Living in Holden Beach, North Carolina with wife, Marsha. We have 3 children and 1 grandchild.
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**1968**

**TOM MARIOLA V**
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**1972**

**RITA SINES SEMENIUK M**
Living in Salinas, California.
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**KATHLEEN PATTERSON V**
Working as an Intervention Specialist and living in North Canton, Ohio with my 3 children.
E-mail: pattersonkathy@lake.stark.k12.oh.us

**JOHN TOMEI V**
Retired and living in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio.
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**1976**

**RITA MILLS MARSH VM**
Living in Akron and retired from General Tire. Proud mother of 3 children and 5 grandchildren. Rita is looking for a copy of the VM76 yearbook – hers was misplaced during a recent move. Please call Rita at 330-592-0570

**1977**

**CHRIS GARNER VM**
Working as an accountant and living in Lancaster, Ohio.
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**1980**

**DIANE THORNBURG LAUGHLIN VM**
Working as an educator and living in Akron, Ohio with husband, Donald.
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**1982**

**LIBBY LOVELACE HEINTZELMAN VM**
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**1985**

**THOMAS BROWN VM**
Newly relocated to Cleveland, Ohio in new role as Director of Global Marketing for Philips Healthcare. In this role, Thomas leads the downstream marketing activities for their Computed Tomography & Nuclear Medicine medical scanners for North & Latin America, Asia-Pacific and Europe.
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**CHRISTOPHER CALLAHAN VM**
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**KATHRYN CLAPP DICKERSON VM**
Living in Huntersville, North Carolina.
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**1988**

**DAVID CASE VM**
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E-mail: djcase1@yahoo.com

**JEFF GORMAN VM**
Jeff D. Gorman has published on Associated Content, "Trick or Treat Street Returns to I-X Center."
To view the article, please visit: http://www.associatedcontent.com/article/5946832/trick_or_treat_street_returns_to_ix.html

**VANCE SANFORD VM**
Vance VM88 and his wife, Sarah Baughman Sanford VM92 recently welcomed a new baby into their lives. A feature article in the Akron Beacon Journal on January 4, 2011 includes photos of their son, Jude and his Buckeye helmet as well as a "quote" from Coach Tressel of Ohio State University. To read more about Jude's journey, view the article on Ohio.com

**1989**

**SUZY HADLEY MCBRAYER VM**
Currently working with the Archdiocese of Cincinnati on special projects including Master Teacher Program, External Validation Chair for Accreditation with OCSAA and planning team for the 2011 OCEA Convention. Living in Mason, Ohio with my husband, Bill, and our two children.
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**1991**

**KELLY CHATMAN JOHNSON VM**
Working in Social Services and living in Akron, Ohio with husband, Corey and our two children.
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**1992**

**REBECCA GORMAN O'NEILL VM**
Living and working in Denver, Colorado for 11 years. Currently working at the Metropolitan State College of Denver – just received tenure as an English Professor and also teach Dramatic Writing, Drama, and Cinema Studies. In December 2010, I married Dan O'Neill who is also a teacher and is a native of Iowa.
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**CLINTON SMITH VM**
Self employed and living in Alliance, Ohio.
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**CHRISTINE KEE TAUSCH VM**
Living in Virginia Beach, Virginia with my husband, Donald and our 6 children.
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**1993**

**JEANINE SEIB ALBERT VM**
Moved to California with my husband, Mort and our children in November 2009 and currently working for Rady Children's Hospital as an Emergency Pediatric RN. Work for Mission Estancia Elementary School as a School RN, part-time and volunteer with various activities including coaching our son's soccer teams.
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**1996**

**TODD SCHROMM VM**
Living in Kent, Ohio with my wife, Rachelle and our 3 children.
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**1997**

**MICHAEL MCDONALD VM**
Congratulations to Michael McDonald VM97 for being named a "Great Educator" from Akron Life & Leisure Magazine! Mike's interview and picture is featured on page 48 of the October 2010 issue. The October 2010 issue honors teachers for igniting creativity, inspiring confidence and modeling perseverance in their classrooms. Mike was one of six local teachers chosen for this honor.

**ANDREW OBRAZA VM**
Working as an Insurance Broker for Hall-Green and living in Kent, Ohio with my wife, Julie Monbeck and our 2 sons.
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**1999**

**JULIE WALTER STUMM VM**
Working as a teacher and living in Chicago with husband, Jack and our new baby boy born in November 2010.
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**2004**

**CYRUS WEIGAND VM**
Cyrus VM04 is currently serving in AmeriCorps as a VISTA (Volunteers in Service to America) with Habitat for Humanity of Summit County. A native of Summit County, Weigand was officially named the Youth Program Coordinator of the program's new youth initiative Youth United in August of 2010. Through Youth United, area students, ages 5 to 25, have the opportunity to get involved with Habitat's mission by working to sponsor and build a Habitat house in their community. The chapter was recently awarded a national State Farm Matching Grant which will be used to fund current projects for youth aimed at raising awareness for poverty and substandard housing in the community. Cyrus is a graduate of Bluffton University.
E-mail: cyrus.weigand@gmail.com

**2006**

**JANNA PEARSON VM**

Janna was featured in a Cleveland Plain Dealer article for her involvement with the "Continental Cup" hosted by John Carroll University for the International Youth Sports Festival during the weekend of July 4th. Janna studied abroad for six weeks in Mexico and for six months in Ecuador while attending Ashland University. Janna studied Spanish for 4 years at STVM as well as the 4 years in college which definitely came in handy during the time she hosted the Columbian Team for the Continental Cup festivities.
This article can be viewed at http://blog.cleveland.com/metro/2010/07/hosts_at_the_sports_festival_h.html

**2010**

**RICHARD BRADLEY VM**

Richard was featured in the September 2010 issue of Cleveland Magazine for his commitment to community service. During his 4 years at STVM he accumulated over 4000 hours (25 hours per year each year is the STVM requirement). View the article at www.clevelandmagazine.com by going to the archives and selecting September 2010 issue.

**ALLYSON DEWELL VM**

Allyson included this note to Joanne Wiseman (Director of Admissions): I just started my college classes at Ohio State-Mansfield campus and I had chemistry today and the beginning notes were basically a review for me. STVM prepared me well. I just wanted to send a big thank you to everyone!
Email: adewell1@yahoo.com

**MICHAEL RINGER VM**
**HALLE MCENTEER VM**

In October of 2010 Michael Ringer VM10, a freshman at OU, participated in "Walk A Mile In Her Shoes" at Ohio University. This event was sponsored in part by Michael's fraternity, Phi Kappa Tau, to raise awareness of violence and assault to women. The men had to wear women's shoes that were too small and uncomfortable and walk a mile in the shoes to experience and acknowledge discomfort and pain in order to be made aware of the growing rate of abuse to women. Halle McEnteer VM10, also a freshman at OU, supported Michael and cheered him on during his walk.

**MATTHEW STREET VM**

The STVM Alumni Office received a phone call from Mr. Brian Walsh – Head Coach Team Ohio when he returned from the International Martial Arts competition in Orlando, Florida in November 2010. Mr. Walsh reported that Matthew Street VM10 scored very well. Matthew earned a Gold in grappling and also in jujitsu and earned the Silver in combo.

# ALUMNI AND FRIENDS' **VOLUNTEERISM RECOGNIZED AS KEY TO OUR CONTINUED SUCCESS**

Dave Brennan V49 (Former STVM Board Chairman), who established the first Volunteer Center in 1992, is pictured with Jerry Kelly VM08 Irish Crusader/ Honorary (Volunteer Coordinator)

Volunteerism like loyalty, pride, spirit, and tradition is synonymous with St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. Although it has always been important, the significance of and key role played by volunteers was formally acknowledged as the school became independent in the summer of 1991. As the STVM Board of Trustees noted at that time, volunteers represented the key ownership in STVM as a private, independent Catholic school. Even 20 years on, this ownership lies with all alumni, current and past parents, grandparents, and friends.

Jerry Kelly VM08 Honorary, who became Volunteer Coordinator at the recommendation of Bob Meeker V62 in 1992, has been honored to have volunteered with so many wonderful members of the STVM community. When Kelly was elected to the STVM Board of Trustees in August 1991, she described the renewed focus on volunteerism and its role in keeping costs low. As a result, Dave Brennan V49, then Chairman of the STVM Board of Trustees, saw the important role that volunteers would continue to play at STVM and formally established the first Volunteer Center in 1992. With a festive grand opening on September 23, 1992, the STVM volunteers gained their very own space off of the STVM Student Center to carry out their important work. In the 1990s, the volunteers assisted with endeavors such as the Bookstore, Bingo, Showcase, Irish Items mailings, bulk mailings, as well as answering the main phone line and assisting with visitors to our campus.

In the early 2000s, the school created a new food delivery option by opening the Shillelagh Shack. The concept of helping our students while increasing funds for operating was initiated by Joanne Zaratsian, then Director of Major Gifts. and the Volunteer Office moved next door to make way for the Shillelagh Shack. All could see the benefit of healthier food options, concession sales during games, and enjoy the enhancements to the Student Center, Athletic Office, and Bookstore. The renovations were made possible through the support of G.I. Zaratsian, Sr., the Rickus Family, and Jerry Kelly. The move next door did not slow down the STVM volunteers and the volunteer center remained one of the busiest places in the school. In fact, from 1991 through 2004 one STVM volunteer was honored annually in the Diocese of Cleveland Southern Region along with volunteers from other Catholic schools.

It is often said that the third time is the charm. In the spirit of Dave Brennan V49, Tom Carone VM77, Chief Operating Officer, suggested the move to the new office location. This past summer the STVM Volunteer Office moved for the third time and is very proud of its new spot next to the Bookstore. According to Jerry Kelly, the location is excellent and provides a professional, larger space for the volunteers. Volunteer efforts are clearly important and recognized as a priceless asset to the operations of STVM.

Then and now, volunteering at STVM is a way to underwrite the operation of the school. Jerry Kelly welcomes, in a special way, alumni to visit the Volunteer Office. She hopes that they will consider volunteering their time with a number of projects including bulk mailings, Showcase, Car Raffle, and Irish Items. As Jerry Kelly can personally attest, it is a wonderful way to give back and ensure the Irish tradition stays alive!

# Building New Traditions

Whether gathering to share old stories or to catch up on the latest, with just a few classmates or the entire class, Alumni Reunions are a special part of our tradition.

## MINI REUNIONS **V53, V54** AND **V59**

(L-R): Bill McGuigan V54, Ed Dannemiller V54, Terry Coyle and Dave Scheatzle V54

*Dave Scheatzle V54 reports....*

High School and Grade School friendships are alive and well for this foursome that would meet for golf periodically in LaQuinta, California as well as Phoenix, Arizona. This photo depicts the "grudge match," when the 7th graders (Bill and Dave) played against the eighth graders (Terry and Ed). Featured in the photo are four St. Sebastian Parish Grade School Alumni who went on to St. Vincent High School: Terry Coyle, Ed Dannemiller V53, Bill McGuigan V54, and Dave Scheatzle V54. (Terry attended St. Vincent High School until his family moved to Phoenix in 1951).

Here's an update on the foursome: Terry and Dave live in the Phoenix area, Ed lives in LaQuinta, California and all were saddened by Bill's death in April 2010.

Clockwise from top left: Hank Bertsch, Dick Parker, John Fuller, Tom Scheatzle

*Hank Bertsch V59 reports....*

The St. Vincent High School Class of 1959 enjoyed a mini reunion at Cape Cod on September 8-12, 2010.

## **ST. VINCENT 1940** 70TH REUNION

Members of St. Vincent Class of 1940 reunite. (L-R) Bucky O'Connor, Madge McAlonan Leary, Fritz Graf, Jean Ahern Staudt, Jim O'Neil, Dick Walter with wife Janet.

**ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1950**

1st row (L-R). Colleen Snyder Cahill, Toni Azar School, Angie LaPenna Ryan, Kay Gresock McCarty, Marlene Poje Dunford, Pat Minkel Mueller, Annette Karg Brady, Nancy Karg Maloyan, Sue Myers Lynch. 2nd row: Mary Lou Schellin Linnen, Mary Lou Ringlein Gaffney, Joan Hummel Johnson, Martha Thome Gessler, Margie Krunich Aumiller, Cissy Moran Dugan, Lucille Sidella Woody, Marilyn McCloud Stallard, Jane Wolfe Vaughn. 3rd row: Fr. Tom McGovern, Pat Gannon, Fr. Bill Dettling, Bob Rett, George Dujanovic, Leo Walter, Dave Carlos, Jack Haag, Steve Vargo, Gil Aumiller, Fred Ost

## **ST. VINCENT 1950** 60TH REUNION

*Marlene Poje Dunford V50 reports....*

The St. Vincent High School Class of 1950 celebrated their 60th Reunion at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School on September 10, 2010. We had a wonderful turnout with 29 classmates attending (45 total in attendance). Mass was celebrated in the STVM Theater by 2 of our classmates: Fr. Tom McGovern V50 and Fr. Bill Dettling V50. The Mass was in memory of the 45 classmates who have died and each individual name was read during the liturgy. Classmates and guests enjoyed a tour of the high school after Mass and then our dinner, catered by Mark DiFeo, was held in the LRC.

During the course of our reunion celebration, we were entertained by the STVM Marching Band and the Cheerleaders. A few of our V50 classmates went to the John Cistone Field/Green Street Stadium to watch the football game while the remaining classmates stayed in the LRC to socialize. Memories were shared after dinner along with greetings from 5 classmates that could not attend. Classmates travelled near & far to attend with one classmate travelling in from California.

Attention V50 classmates! Plan to meet us for lunch on the 2nd Tuesday of every OTHER month. There will be different locations so please contact Marlene Dunford 330-633-4985 or Fred Ost 330-666-3548 for the meeting place and time.

***Since the V55 Reunion did not include a photographer, the STVM Alumni Office is providing this photo for a "remember when?" moment*** Featured in photo: First Row: Annette Hetzel Poska V55, Martin Collins V54, Diane Roach Roman V56, Larry Arway V55, Mary Ellen Doran Quine V55, Bill Fongheiser V56, Peggy Sherman Sheahen V55, Dennis Fagan V55, Marnelle Gorbach Lucas V56, Jerome Rohaley, Peggy McCloud Brunamonti V54, Roger Sherman V54, Maureen Spearman Scanlon V55, Paul Hayden V54, Anne Walter Morgan V55, Middle row: Ed Pramarik V54, Margaret Wiolland Costello V54, Second Row: Therese Seman Pyke V55, Jackie Ringlein Youmans V54, Janet Fraturra Long V55, Marilyn Rett Bradach V55, Chuck Smith V54, Barney Gannon V55, Pat Ink Hinson V55, and Mariana Garcia Deitle V55

## **ST. VINCENT 1955** 55TH REUNION

*Gerald J. (Jerry) Donnelly V55 reports...*

V55 celebrated our 55th Reunion on October 23, 2010. The graduating class made this 55th reunion a one night affair. This seemed appropriate following the lengthy gala of the 50th. The evening began with 5:00 Mass at St. Vincent celebrated by Father Gordon Yahner. Father Yahner was long ago made an honorary member of the class. This was followed by cocktails and dinner at Fairlawn Country Club.

There were some 78 classmates and guests in attendance. The graduating class originally numbered 206. By last count there were 40 members deceased.

Music before and during dinner was provided by Vince Didado and Jerry Donnelly emceed the event. The main activity of the reunion was visiting and conversation was lively and loud! It was concluded that there would definitely be a 60th and it would probably be earlier in the Fall or even summer to accommodate the snowbirds.

**ST. MARY CLASS OF 1960**

Row 6: Martha Lieberth Starr, Barbara Zoker Lauter, Therese Eckerman Falter, Tom Mickunas, Duane Ausetts, George Huffman, Dan Kirven, Ann Reedy Kirven, Judy O'Bryan Maisano, Bill Raymond, and Bernie Blevins
Row 5: Judy McGuire Davis, Doreen Valentine Chester, Dianne Krieger Demko, Sandy McInturff Gish, Marilyn Gardiner Argenio, Kathy Kernan Taylor, Ruth Krietz Harbert, Patricia McCulligan Kindel
Row 4: Victor Estafen, Mary Ann Gradisher Humble, Diana Ciccarelli Walbeck, Dave Masa, Joanne Seibert Koza, Mary Ann Weigand LaRocca, Ken Troutman, Tim Rainey, Regis Korba, Frank Hegarty, and Larry Lauter.
Row 3: Dolores Estafen Ohmer, Barbara Hufnagel Orris, Penny Sabolesky Roush, Madelynne Kavulla Horak, Deanna Brooks Parker, Karol King Frazier, Kay Heisser Starr, and Paulette Maurer Cottrill
Row 2: Tony Braccio, Marilyn Siemasko Schultz, Dick Attalla, Veronica Brown Misbrener, Mary Ann Nahas, Dan Mickunas, Mary Lou Carver Goodhart, Cecilia Rehmann Rutledge, and Patrick Maximovich
Row 1: Suzie Lantz Stanik, Patricia Nash Butke, Marie Deli Cooley, Patricia Mollica Drapcho, Bonnie Haddad Dallas, Marilyn Snyder Dickel, Madeline Klein Brown, Elaine Joseph Engle, and Judy Schoenstein Stilwell
**Picture taken by Gary Robinson*

## **ST. MARY 1960** 50TH REUNION

*Marilyn Snyder Dickel M60 reports....*

The St. Mary Class of 1960 50th reunion was held on September 24th and 25th at the Sheraton Suites in Cuyahoga Falls.

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**CLASS REUNION**

The STVM 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 Kathy Holaday, Alumni Director, at 330-253-9113 ext. 120 or via e-mail kholaday@stvm.com to **get started**.

## **ST. VINCENT 1960** 50TH REUNION

*Micki McCool Trenta V60 reports.....*

The St. Vincent Class of 1960 held their 50th reunion on the weekend of September 24-25, 2010. The reunion weekend began with an informal gathering on Friday evening at St. Sebastian Zwisler Hall. Classes from Our Lady of the Elms and Hoban joined with us for a super celebration. Classmates were surrounded by memorabilia and listened to music from the 50's and 60's while enjoying pizza, wings, and other snacks. Lively, energetic conversations and much reminiscing were shared by the 200 guests who attended.

Saturday's activities included a golf outing at the Barberton Brookside Country Club. In the afternoon several classmates were given a tour of the high school campus by Alumni Director, Kathy Holaday. They were very impressed with the quality educational and athletic opportunities currently available to all the students at St. Vincent–St. Mary and admired the wonderful environment and buildings, especially the new Cosgrove Center.

Saturday evening's celebration started with a 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Vincent Church which was concelebrated by Father Joe Kraker and Father Ray Horley, who was stationed at the parish when we attended high school. After Mass there was a delicious buffet dinner at the Fairlawn Country Club which was attended by 63 of the classmates and their spouses/guests. Tom Dangel served as the Master of Ceremonies for the dinner and program. We first honored our 34 deceased classmates with a moment of silent prayer. Then Tom entertained us with the facts and fun results tabulated from our class surveys. After dinner, more sharing of memories and catching up on 50 years of friendships topped off the evening. It was wonderful to see classmates who returned from California, Oregon, Arizona, Texas, Florida, and several other states as well.

Very special thanks go to Kathy Holaday, St. Vincent–St. Mary Alumni Director, for all of her assistance as our committee planned for this reunion. Her help made it all possible.

**ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1960**

Row 1: Pat Murdock, Donna Pace Neman, Shannon Ahern Galloway, Pauline Robert Chase, Marsha Ann Gantous Altwies, Ann Conway Pipoly, Mary Ann Benninger, Carol Keith Gargus, Valerie Guenther Kriz, Marilyn Brady Heinl, Judy Moneypenny Walters, Suellen Theis Bergdorf

Row 2: Nellie Bertsch Lehman, Jennie LaRocca Mehigan, Barbara Kemper Arbogast, Jeannie Metzler, Joan Miller Tersigni, Carol Casey Kane, Marle Slivka Olbrysh, Kathleen Bayman Lux, Patricia Rich Zucherman, Bunny Dirrig Johnstone, Cathy Conway Mehok, Sue Shaul McDonald

Row 3: Pat Chisholm Roberts, Rose Mastrolonardo Vitatoe, Joan Ruff Buback, Velda Boudreaux Blanc, Carol Ink Witwer, Mary Alyce Steinmetz Dentici, Catherine Gless Schafer, Ruth Ann Stitz, Alice George Viviano, Stephanie Markovich Epler, Barbara Lynch Bennett-Standridge

Row 4: Ellen Ost McAvoy, Donna Rich Palko, Micki McCool Trenta, Mary Alice Murty Wyatt, Jeanne Volkmor Falanga, Mary Helen Penrod Fox, Karen Tsaloff Karis, Christine Kolb Luecke, Carolyn Butler Crook, Susan Adelman Nupp, Cathy Wahl Evans

Row 5: Terry Penrod, Robert O'Brien, Tom Dangel, Jack Doran, Clyde Watson, John Sadler, Larry Tynan, Denny Neman, Martin McKoski, Paul Schmitz, Brian Williams, Joe May

Row 6: Jef Florin, Tony Franjesh, Dave Ahern, Pat Deagan, Bob Lewis

## **ST. MARY 1964** SUMMER OUTING

*Lorrie Taylor Haddox M64 reports....*

The Class of 1964 continues to meet regularly for dinner about once a month (or every 6 weeks). Last summer we went up to Lake Erie for a day, and this coming summer we're looking forward to an overnight experience somewhere close by... where doesn't matter as much as the who...so if you are interested in joining us, please contact Lorrie Haddox at either donlorh@att.net or lhaddox@stvm.com

Front Row: Jeanie Blubaugh Fletcher, Mary Ann Reitz Geary, Rita Baumgartner Shisler, Joan Racco Lewis, Maria Habyan Hall, Donna Kandes Faber (also in attendance but not featured, photographer Lorrie Taylor Haddox)

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# Combined Reunion for Class of 1965

A combined Class of 1965 Reunion was held for St. Mary High School, St. Vincent High School, Hoban and Our Lady of Elms on Saturday, September 25th at InfoCision Stadium.

The response from the schools was amazing and the classmates had a wonderful time visiting and renewing friendships. An unexpected, but delightful visit from Coach John Cistone V50 helped to make the evening even more enjoyable! The InfoCision Stadium 5th Floor was a wonderful location to enjoy watching the victorious STVM Fighting Irish enjoy their 4th win against Hoban.

(L-R): Lynne Wall Peters M65 and Maureen Schafer Earle M65

(L-R): Larry Vuillemin V66 (husband of Carol Vinciguerra Vuillemin V65), Coach John Cistone V50 and Joe Pappano V61 (husband of Lyn Ivers Pappano - Elms 1965)

Members of St. Vincent Class of 1965 who attended the combined Class Reunion

## ST. MARY 1965 45TH REUNION

*Lynne Wall Peters M65 reports....*

The St. Mary High School Class of 1965 Christmas get together was held on December 27, 2010 at the Top of the Tower party room.

**ST. MARY CLASS OF 1965**
First row (L-R): Mary DeCastro Rosneck, Trish Ostroski, Lynne Wall Peters, Rosie Jordan Federico, Kathy Dyer Dempsey, Joan Arison Second row (L-R): Alice Wood, Judy Watson, Barb Sibbio Ford, Nancy Livigni Straw, Donna Procaccio Dowler, Mellany Myers Horvath, Barb Alekna Ciancio, Mary Jo Alexander, Marianne Albanese Elliott

## ST. VINCENT 1965 45TH REUNION

*Carol Phillips Lieb V65 reports...*

It was a great year for the St. Vincent High School Class of 1965. We had so many opportunities to get together! From our 45th Reunion on July 17th at the Barley House all the way through the Combined Reunion event in September and right through the Christmas season with our Annual Mini-Reunion on December 26th at the Barley House. Great to see so many classmates at all our events.

**ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1965**
Front Row: Kathy Borrell Jent, Marci Gmerek Bisesi, Carol Vinciguerra Vuillemin, Carol Phillips Lieb, Jill Gardner, and Frank Jessie Second Row: Jan Dixon Watts, Chuck Myers, Barb Trotter McCarthy, Sam Bisesi, Larry Dolensky, Steve Thompson, Bernie Kress, Larry Kus, and Victor Joseph
Also in attendance but not pictured: Tom Jent, Henni Johnson, Pat Gazdik Ehrenfried and husband, John

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**ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY ALUMNI (OFFICIAL)**

## **ST. MARY 1966** 45TH REUNION

*Dolores Mollica Olechnowicz M66 reports....*

Here are pictures from our 1966 Class Get Together we had at Papa Joe's in the valley. We had 27 attend and it was a terrific time. Everyone took turns to share a memory from our 4 years at St. Mary High School – funny stories!! Papa Joe's food and staff were wonderful. Hopefully, in 2011 we will have a bigger turnout for our 45th reunion!

**ST. MARY CLASS OF 1966**
Bottom Row (L-R):: Terri Heller Heinzen, Elaine Cardina Swan, Jeanette Hutchison Kuenzi, Dolores Mollica Olechnowicz, Connie Haines Corey, Kathy Oreskovich Myers, Flo Jesser Liedel. Middle Row: Maria Barbieri McClellan, Linda Cassidy Vinciguerra, Ruth Kapper Saal, Paula Karam Whitacre, Rose Gingo Richardson, Patty Kerekes Hrabusa, Mary Lynn Walters Rizzo, Darlene Hartz Carlos, Chris Kraker, Laura Robinson Crane. Back Row: Harriet January Calcagno, Kathy Yeager Stollar, Ann Gannon Ling, Betty Luxeder Haugen, Barb Elmore, Colleen Meagher Hager, Mikki Bause, Mary Bettes Winland, Kathy Horinger Foote, Rita Vargo Hunt

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## **ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY 1975** 35TH REUNION

*Kathy Belany Devus VM75 reports....*

The Class of 1975 held a tailgate at the STVM Homecoming Game on October 1, 2010. Later that evening, the classmates went to the Tangier to visit and socialize. On Saturday, some classmates had a golf outing and in the evening, we continued our reunion at the 365th Fighter Group Restaurant in Canton, Ohio.

**ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY CLASS OF 1975**
Front row (L-R): Nancy Farmer Dziak, Lynne Spagnuolo Callahan, Mary Jo Messmore Mohlmaster, Rosemary Buehrle Floccari, Sue Headley Young, Nancy Selby Carson, Kathy Dugan McVey, Vicki Sandy Orndorff, Kathy Belany Devus. Back row from left: Provie Tomei, Pat Gaffney, Steve Gallagher, Beth Sullivan, Joe Lambright, Bob Huddleston, Jim Helmkamp, Jim O'Neil, Kevin Darago, Dave DeLapa, Chris Ruth, Art Sunday and Bob Salsky

## **VM75 PRESENTS SPIRIT BLANKET** TO 2010 FIGHTING IRISH FOOTBALL TEAM

The VM75 class celebrated their 35th reunion during the weekend of October 1, 2010. In addition to the tailgate event hosted by the reunion team, a special blanket was presented to the 2010 Fighting Irish Football Team. The Senior Football Players are featured in the photograph accepting the blanket which contained ribbons for each of the players on the roster, signatures from the Class of 1975 as well as the following inscription:

"The Luck of the Irish says....Take down a ribbon. Call out a name. Your thoughts that are driven will win you the game."

**ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY CLASS OF 1980**
VM80 enjoys visiting and reminiscing during their 30th reunion

## ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY 1980 30TH REUNION

*Eileen Walter Moats VM80 reports....*

The St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1980 held their 30th reunion on the weekend of September 10, 2010. The reunion weekend began with an informal gathering on Friday evening during the Alumni Association's Annual Alumni & Friends Tailgate Party. Classmates enjoyed the event and gathered to chat and visit in the tent that was reserved for them. VM80 continued the evening enjoying the football game and then on Saturday, the classmates attended Mass at St. Vincent Church then gathered at Zwisler Hall for an evening remembering their class trip to Bourbon Street with New Orleans selections prepared by our classmate, "Chef Marc," Marc D'Antonio of Acme Catering. A great time was had by all who attended.

**ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY CLASS OF 1990**
From Left to right, starting with bottom row: Matt Loos, Susan George Viviano, Jim Porcaro, Mike Gerst, Chad Melnik, Jeff Palmer, Paul Hummel, David Sims, Jim Waltz, Vince Palko, Bob Leone, Ben Olechnowicz, Brian Butash, Colleen Wood Wertz, Matt Graham, Sue Gardner, Samantha Crimaldi Campbell, Sandi Bertsch Leyden, Julie Stocker Rudowsky, Ellen Kramer Seder, Gina Bisesi Walker, Karen McEvoy Stepic, Maria Donatelli Petersen, Rachel Mullen Manias, Dan Cotter, Tiffany Cookro Gatto, Jen Gilbride Brown, Mark Gohara, Adam Hammer, Bob Hanley, Jerry Arney, Dom Morber, Shannon Davis, Kathy Filipovic Dech, Maggie Baughman, Molly O'Neil Byrne, Colleen Smith Parsons, Roger Morgan, Ryan Strobel, Kim Walter Peeples, Brian Bernert, Paul Merlitti, Jen Pirri Gyorffy, Jason Thomas, Ben Williams, Greg Varga, Joe Dunn, Traci Carmany Hagen

## ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY 1990 20TH REUNION

*Tiffany Cookro Gatto reports....*

The Class of 1990 had their 20th reunion on the weekend of July 30 – August 1, 2010. The weekend started with a tour of STVM and the new Cosgrove Center on Friday evening. Classmates enjoyed reminiscing about our school days. We also enjoyed commenting on how much the inside of the building had changed. Saturday morning started with a golf outing at Valley View Golf Course. Nine classmates and two spouses participated. Our main event was held that evening at the Cleveland House of Blues. We booked the Cambridge Room for the event. Fifty classmates attended the festivities along with thirty-five spouse/significant others. Many old friendships were renewed and many new friendships were started. The reunion weekend finished with a family picnic on Sunday afternoon at Cascade Valley South Metro Park in Akron. The children had fun meeting new friends and discovering a water faucet near the picnic shelter!

**ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY CLASS OF 2000**
Photo Id: Michael Michalec, Bryan McKee, Patrick Leitner, Annie Haney, Catherine Oliverio Williamson, Becky Babin, Katie Costigan, Keri Cavanaugh, Amy Kulp, Ryan Rimedio, Mary Beth Fresh, Danielle Stasik Macejko, Jenny Congrove Dinkins, Dan Marks, Annie Ochsenhirt, Elizabeth Kenny Mosher, Rob Mosher, Ed Smith, Samantha Fickes, Danielle Marino, Ed Zamora, Laura Gedelian, Amanda Shorder, Anthony Lancianese, Molly Hallgren, Anton Green, Anna Wendall Allen, James Lua, Kristina Greising, Richard Fornier, Molly Paul Usner

## ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY 2000 10TH REUNION

*Catherine Oliverio Williamson VM00 reports....*

The Class of 2000 celebrated our 10th reunion on Friday, September 3, 2010, and Saturday, September 4, 2010. We started off our reunion festivities Friday afternoon with a tour of the high school and then proceeded to enjoy a tailgate before the STVM Fighting Irish Football Team played Akron North. On Saturday, classmates met at the Barley House where we spent time catching up and sharing memories. A special thanks to all of those who participated and the Reunion Committee for all of your hard work!

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JOIN YOUR CLASSMATES FOR

# BREAKFAST/ LUNCH/MASS

**ANNUAL MASS**
**ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1945**
The Annual Mass for the living and deceased members of the St. Vincent Class of 1945 will be on Sunday, October 30, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at St. Vincent Church. Please call Jeanne Marie McGuigan Latham V45 330-666-8556 with any questions.

**MONTHLY LUNCH**
**ST. MARY CLASS OF 1948**
Join your M48 classmates on the 2nd Thursday each month at 11:00 a.m. for lunch.
Location: Dontino's Restaurant (Cuyahoga Falls Avenue). For more details, contact Narita Arnold Linn 330-825-7733

**MONTHLY LUNCH**
**ST. MARY CLASS OF 1949**
Join your M49 Classmates and spouses on the second Thursday of every month at Noon at Papa Joe's Restaurant for lunch. For more details, contact Jeannette Pittinger at 330-523-0009 or via e-mail pittmomofeight@yahoo.com

**MONTHLY LUNCH**
**ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1950**
Join your V50 classmates on the 2nd Tuesday of every other month for lunch at 12:30 p.m. Location to be announced. For more information, please contact Marlene Dunford 330-633-4985 or Fred Ost 330-666-3548

**MONTHLY LUNCH**
**ST. MARY CLASS OF 1951**
Join your M51 classmates on the 2nd Monday of each month at 11:00 a.m. for lunch.
Location: Frontier Restaurant, 418 E. Maple, Hartville, Ohio

**MONTHLY LUNCH**
**ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1951**
Join your V51 classmates at our bi-monthly (every other month) lunches on the second Wednesday of the month at 12:00 a.m.
Location: Papa Joe's. RSVP to tagraham@neo.rr.com

**MONTHLY LUNCH**
**ST. MARY CLASS OF 1953**
Join your M53 classmates each month when we meet at 11:00 a.m. for lunch at Dontino's (Cuyahoga Falls Avenue). Call Dick Linn 330-825-7733 for more details.

**MONTHLY BREAKFAST**
**ST. MARY CLASS OF 1959**
Join us for our monthly breakfast on the 2nd Monday of each month at Amber Restaurant on Canton Road at 9:00 a.m. Contact Jerry Rotunda for details suzannerotunda@att.net

**MONTHLY BREAKFAST**
**ST. MARY CLASS OF 1960**
Monthly breakfast for St. Mary High School Class of 1960 is held the first Monday of the month at 9:00 a.m. at the Waterloo Restaurant on Waterloo Rd in Akron. Please join us. Email Mary Ann Weigand LaRocca at larocca@sssnet.com if you want to receive a reminder by email.

**MONTHLY BREAKFAST**
**ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1958**
Join your V58 classmates at 10:00 a.m. every month for breakfast at The Akron Family Restaurant (250 W. Market, Akron, Ohio. Phone 330-376-0600). For more details contact Anne Steinmentz Berrodin anneberrodin@gmail.com or 330-659-4117

**MONTHLY DINNER**
**ST. VINCENT CLASS OF 1963**
Join your V63 classmates each month for dinner. Contact Bill Price 330-923-4312 to find out the restaurant location, date and time for this month's dinner.

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# UPCOMING **REUNIONS**

**60TH REUNION**
**ST. VINCENT HIGH SCHOOL**
**CLASS OF 1951**
June 25-26, 2011
Saturday, June 25, 2011 – "Icebreaker Cocktail Party" begins at 7:30 p.m. at The Sheraton Suites. Sunday, June 26, 2011 – Reunion Mass at St. Vincent de Paul Church at 11:00 a.m. and then plan to join the V51 classmates for the reunion brunch immediately following at 12:30 p.m. at Sheraton Suites. Please refer to the V51 Class Newsletter for the full details and reservation information. Please contact Tom Hillery 330-836-6116 or Carl Dangel 330-873-1202.
See you there!

**55TH YEAR REUNION**
**ST. VINCENT HIGH SCHOOL**
**CLASS OF 1956**
October 1, 2011
Mark your calendars for our 55th Reunion celebration to be held on October 1, 2011. Enjoy a celebratory Mass at St. Vincent Church at 5:00 p.m. followed by a reunion gathering – more details on location and venue to come! For more information or to join our reunion planning team, please contact Carmen Crawford (carmenc3@aol.com) at 330-929-8881 or Dick Lang (r-lang@att.net) at 330-896-3117

**55TH REUNION**
**ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL**
**CLASS OF 1956**
September 10, 2011
The 55th reunion of St. Mary's Class of 1956 will be at Papa Joe's on September 10th, 2011 at 6:00 p.m. A mailing will be sent in late Spring of 2011 with details and reservation form. For further information contact Don Utrup at 330-334-4495 or at dardonu@gmail.com

**50TH REUNION**
**ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL**
**CLASS OF 1961**
September 3, 2011
The 50th Reunion for the St. Mary Class of 1961 will be held on September 3, 2011 at Ohio Prestwick Country Club (3751 Glen Eagles Blvd., Uniontown, Ohio 44685, 330-492-4190 or 330-699-3991). For more information, please contact Barb Belcich Braccio at (330) 244-0891 or jbubbles6166@neo.rr.com

**50TH REUNION**
**ST. VINCENT HIGH SCHOOL**
**CLASS OF 1961**
August 19 & 20, 2011
The committee has been working very hard to make this an extraordinary event and is hoping everyone will plan to attend. This is a unique opportunity to renew friendships whether you've come to other reunions or not -- don't miss out!! Friday, August 19, 2011 we're going to the Fairlawn Country Club for appetizers and a lovely meal. Saturday, August 20, 2011, we'll attend mass at St. Vincent Church and then go to STVM High School Student Center for a catered meal with a "50s/60s theme" and lots of memorabilia to share. Classmates make sure you update the alumni office with current contact information - or contact Cathy Myers Deagan 330-699-5660, cdeagan@ameritech.net

**50TH REUNION PLANNING**
**ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL**
**CLASS OF 1962**
The St. Mary Class of 1962 is ready to start planning our 50th reunion. If you would be interested in being on the reunion team or have any questions, please contact Jean Carver Riegler M62 at either 330-666-2342 or via e-mail bjriegler@roadrunner.com

**ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL**
**CLASS OF 1964**
Monthly Get-togethers
Plus a Summer Getaway is being planned!
Who gathers regularly to Remember... to Celebrate... and to Dream??? The St. Mary's Class of 64 "Boomers." That's who! If you loved our last reunion and want to continue where it left off or if you wanted to come but were otherwise tied up with other plans, or if you'd just like to meet up with some fantastically ornery young at heart people you knew a 'few' years ago... PLEASE consider joining us

– we are trying to meet monthly! Plus we are planning a summer getaway. If you have any ideas or want to offer suggestions for our destination, give us a call. Hope you can join us! Contact Lorrie Haddox (lhaddox@stvm.com) for more details.

**45TH REUNION**
**ST. VINCENT HIGH SCHOOL**
**CLASS OF 1965**
V65 Annual Mini Reunion - Mark your calendars now for our annual Mini-reunion on December 26, 2011 at 7:30 p.m. at the Barley House in Akron. For more details, contact Carol Lieb (clieb@kent.edu).

**45TH REUNION**
**ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL**
**CLASS OF 1966**
August 6, 2011
Classmates of St. Mary High School Class of 1966 will gather on August 6, 2011 at Dolly Perry Shocklee's home for a picnic. Please contact either Nancy Connor Boito (330-645-9040 or donsnancy@aol.com) or Elaine Cardina Swan (330-923-2239 or jswan25@neo.rr.com) with your RSVP.
We hope you can join us in August. Please contact us with any address updates, so that we can inform you of our "mini reunion" gatherings that take place two or three times a year.

**40TH YEAR REUNION**
**ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL**
**CLASS OF 1971**
May 28, 2011
Join your St. Mary 1971 classmates on May 28, 2011 at the 356th Fighter Group Restaurant in North Canton, Ohio. For more details, please contact: Vicki Campailla Hughes 614-582-6605 or bvh86913@embarqmail.com or Diane Primerano Brown at 561-414-7949 or dibrown@me.com
Also, plan to join us at a "classmate only" party on Friday night, location to be determined.

**30TH REUNION**
**ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY**
**CLASS OF 1981**
November 26, 2011
The class of VM81 is planning their 30 year class reunion which will be on Saturday, November 26, 2011. There will be a mass for all classmates who would like to attend at St. Vincent Church at 5:00 p.m. with a cocktail reception to follow at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School Student Center. For more information and to confirm any address changes please email Phil Lombardo at lombardop@firstenergycorp.com

**30TH REUNION PLANNING**
**ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY**
**CLASS OF 1982**
St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1982 is planning our 30th reunion for 2012. If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please contact Judy Garritano Ware 330-966-1551 or via email at LWARE2@NEO.RR.COM

**25TH REUNION PLANNING**
**ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY**
**CLASS OF 1986**
St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 1986 is planning our 25th reunion for 2011. If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please contact Marcy Smith via e-mail at chefms68@aol.com

**20TH YEAR REUNION PLANNING**
**ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY**
**CLASS OF 1991**
The STVM Class of 1991 is planning our 20th reunion. We are hoping to combine the reunion with Hoban and Walsh. Tentative plans include: tour of STVM, Friday night trolley from the school after the tours and pub crawl with the other schools, golf outing, family picnic, evening dinner/dance.
For more information or to help with the planning, please contact Michael Murphy michael@chgomarket.com or Jill Johnson McMullen at Jiller327@aol.com

**10TH REUNION PLANNING**
**ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY**
**CLASS OF 2001**
St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 2001 is planning our 10th reunion for 2011. If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please contact the STVM Alumni Office (330-253-9113 x120 or via email at kholaday@stvm.com)

## ALUMNI RAISES FUNDS FOR **GIRLS AND BOYS BOWLING TEAMS**

In the Summer of 2010, Basil Galati V71 contacted STVM to see if he could assist with raising funds in order to provide the Girls and Boys Bowling teams with new uniforms.
*Basil Galati writes...*

Dear Kathy,
The fundraiser for the Girls and Boys Bowling teams was a success! We were able to raise over $1000 and **I would like to thank the alumni listed below for their contributions.**
Also a special thanks should be given to Herb Waidmann and his staff at Talk of the Town Sports apparel for their expediency and assistance in placing our order for Bowling Shirts for both teams.
Sincerely,
Basil L. Galati V71

**THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING ALUMNI WHO CONTRIBUTED**

Marlene-Cook Beckley V71
Fran Pozuc Booker V71
Chris Fiocca Boutee V71
Dan V70 & Ann Souers Brennan V70
Jean Stampfli-Brennan V71
Joann Boos Cottell V70
Judy Sigmund Crater V71
Barb Colpo Daigneau V70
Doc Dies V71
Marilyn Pappano Dimauro V70
Thomas Enright V71
Tony Galati V69
Ann Shaul Garber V70
Paul Grote V71
Jim Hart V71
Bill V71 & Deb Henry Helmkamp V71
Andy Kalgreen V71
Jim Leslie V71
R. James McGowan V71
Joe V71 & Diane Fisher Mellion V70
John Noethen V71
Mike V71 & Pola Mackey Ochsenhirt V71
Thomas Owen Poppenhouse V71
Teresa Crano Purcell V71
Lynn Sehika V70
Frank Spinelli V71
Fred Tomei V69

STVM Bowling Teams have new jerseys thanks to our Alumni.

# ALUMNI COUNCIL CORNER

Dear Alumni, Family & Friends,
One of the goals for the 2010-2011 STVM Alumni Council is to better acquaint you with the happenings of your Alumni Association. The Alumni Connection magazine is a wonderful vehicle for achieving that goal and features a number of the events sponsored by the Alumni Association and hosted by the STVM Alumni Council including:

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

In addition to the programs and events listed above, we have started an Alumni E-mail Newsletter. If you would like to be added to our distribution list, please e-mail the STVM Alumni office (kholaday@stvm.com).

The STVM Alumni Council Officers and members have made a commitment to become more involved and more active in the STVM High School philanthropic projects. So far this school year, we have participated in the monthly Market Day pickups and have once again adopted a family as part of the STVM Adopt-a-Family project during the Christmas season. In addition, the STVM Alumni Council has "adopted" the planters that border the Learning Resource Center (LRC) and are accepting donations of household (indoor) plants to complete the "project planter" effort!

JOIN TODAY

Please stay connected with us. It is always good to hear from you! We have included a form so that you can update your current address and pay your annual dues for the coming fiscal year (2011-2012). Alumni Dues are still only $10 per year (July 1, 2011–June 30, 2012). Please make your check payable to STVM Alumni Association.

As of January 25th, we have 145 dues paying members from our alumni classes of 1938 through 2009. Please complete the form on page 21 and become a member today!

Sincerely,
Marcy Smith VM86
President, STVM Alumni Council

# Sharing Our Past, Our Present, Our Future

The Alumni Association sponsors a number of events that provide an opportunity for our Alumni and friends to visit, worship, and celebrate together. To follow is a recounting of some of the most recent events.

## WINTER **ALUMNI & FRIENDS**

The 2010-2011 STVM Alumni Council hosted the Annual Alumni & Friends Winter Night on December 21st after the Fighting Irish vs. Glenville Basketball Game. Many fans gathered together and enjoyed the light refreshments in the Student Center. Thank you for attending and we hope to see you at the 2011 Winter Night!

## **CANNED FOOD** DRIVE

The STVM Alumni Association extends its appreciation to each of you that donated items for our Canned Food Drive! We delivered a large quantity of canned and boxed food items to the St. Vincent de Paul Food Pantry and they were so appreciative of our efforts. Thank you again for your support and generosity!

STVM Students enjoy the refreshments provided by the STVM Alumni Association at the 2010 Winter Alumni & Friends Night

## ANNUAL **MEMORIAL MASS**

The Alumni Association will host the Annual Alumni Memorial Mass on Monday, April 11, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the STVM Learning Resource Center (LRC).

All St. Mary, St. Vincent, and St. Vincent-St. Mary alumni and family members who have passed away during the 2010 calendar year will be remembered at this service. Alumni, family and friends are encouraged to attend.

There will be a short reception immediately following the Mass in the LRC of the High School.

Please RSVP to the Alumni Office (330-253-9113 ext.120) by April 7, 2011.

## ST. VINCENT-ST. MARY HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MISSION STATEMENT:

The purpose of the STVM Alumni Association is to foster a continuing spirit of friendship, tradition and loyalty among the alumni of St. Mary, St. Vincent, and St. Vincent-St. Mary High Schools, and to sponsor and direct activities which will further the interests of its members and St. Vincent-St. Mary High School.

## ALUMNI COUNCIL **SUPPORTS STVM STUDENTS**

Once again in 2010, The Alumni Council and the team of Alumni Association members were excited to participate in the STVM Adopt-a-Family project sponsored by the STVM Campus Ministry. Alumni Council officers and members had a wonderful time shopping and collecting items for the Adopt-a-Family project. During the first week in December, the Council collected and donated items for the 7 member family which included 10 year-old triplets! "We were so fortunate to have Christ Child's support our event — we asked and they agreed to provide hats, coats and gloves for each member of this family enabling us to concentrate on not only helping to make Christmas a little warmer but also a little brighter for this mom and her children," remarked one Alumni Council member.

STVM Alumni Council was assigned a family of 7 (a mother and 6 children) for the 2010 Adopt-a-Family

## 6TH ANNUAL **ALUMNI & FRIENDS TAILGATE PARTY**

The STVM Alumni Association was please to host the 6th Annual Alumni & Friends Tailgate Party on Friday, September 10, 2010. This has quickly become an annual favorite by those that attend! Attendees enjoyed affordable prices, prime location and good conversation all while anticipating a football game featuring our favorite team.... The Fighting Irish!

The evening was delightful with the wonderful fall weather and over 200 alumni, students, friends and family gathered for good food and good conversation. Entertainment was provided by the STVM Marching Band and Cheerleaders. Reunion teams from V50 and VM80 enjoyed celebrating their reunions on campus. The Class of 1980 attended the Tailgate Party and enjoyed their reserved seats in the VM80 tent.

In addition, the STVM Alumni Association held the annual "Freshman Night at the Football Game" and incorporated that event into Tailgate Party. The VM14 Freshmen were treated to a free tailgate meal and game ticket courtesy of the STVM Alumni Association. This event will continue to be held in conjunction with the Tailgate Party since it was met with such success.

Clockwise from top: VM80 begins their 30th Reunion celebration at the Alumni Council Annual Tailgate Party. Alumni, family and friends gather at the Tailgate Party

VM14 Freshmen enjoy a free tailgate meal and football game ticket at the Tailgate Party

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## Annual 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament

Come join the fun on Friday, April 8, 2011 and be a part of the Annual 3 on 3 Basketball Tournament sponsored by the STVM Alumni Association and hosted by the STVM Alumni Council. The Annual 3 on 3 Alumni Tournament has been an enjoyable and well-attended event since it's inception in 1993!

The 3 on 3 will be held in the STVM Gymnasium on Friday, April 8, 2011 starting at 6:00 p.m.

**For more details and to register a team, please contact Al Graf VM76 330-620-1639 (agraf@neo.rr.com)**

**When:** **Friday, April 8, 2011 at 6:00 p.m.**
**Where:** **STVM High School Gymnasium**
**Cost:** **$60 per team**
**Who:** **Open to alumni & faculty**
(register as a team or as an individual)

# ALUMNI ASSOCIATION **DUES AND MEMBERSHIP FORM**

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

**2011-2012 MEMBERSHIP YEAR**
7/1/11-6/30/12

## 1. Contact Information (PLEASE PRINT)

LAST NAME | FIRST NAME | "NICKNAME" | MAIDEN NAME

CLASS YEAR SCHOOL: ❍ M ❍ V ❍ VM

STREET ADDRESS | CITY | STATE | ZIP CODE

HOME PHONE | CELL PHONE | E-MAIL

## 2. Marital Status/Children

❍ MARRIED: SPOUSE'S NAME _____
❍ SINGLE ❍ DIVORCED ❍ WIDOWED

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

## 3. Occupational/Professional Information

OCCUPATION

❍ PRIEST ❍ SISTER ❍ BROTHER ORDER _____

❍ MILITARY
BRANCH OF SERVICE | RANK/NEC/MOS

DATES OF SERVICE | CURRENT AND/OR FORMER COMMANDS

## 4. Membership/Dues/Etc. (make checks payable to: STVM Alumni Association)

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

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

❍ ADDRESS ABOVE IS A NEW ADDRESS. PLEASE UPDATE RECORDS

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

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

❍ DO NOT PUBLISH ANY OF THIS INFORMATION

## 5. News

Include a separate sheet with information you might like included in the next Alumni Connection Magazine.
Also, on a separate sheet of paper, please list your "Family Tree" information — the family members that attended St. Mary High School, St. Vincent High School or St. Vincent-St. Mary High School and their relationship to you. Thank you.

# IN OUR PRAYERS

## HONOR AND MEMORIAL GIFTS

*Paying tribute to our friends and family with prayer and stewardship.*
*June 1, 2010 through December 31, 2010*

**IN MEMORY OF:**
Lenora Buzzelli
Maggie Castrigano
Ned Endress
Michael Fenwick
Marie Fritsch
Brian Glennon
Catherine Kovalcik
Larry Lavery
Leo Longville
Jackie McDonell
Denis Mehigan
Frank Mellion
Raymond Namsick
Charlotte F. O'Connor
Tim "Buck" O'Connor
John Reece
Daniel F. Steiner
Thomas Welsh

**IN HONOR OF:**
Ray Tricomi Memorial Scholarship
Joseph F. Trecaso Memorial Scholarship
Paul and Marianne Bertsch Family Scholarship
Ann Noonan Haag V49 Memorial Scholarship
Anne Marie Stephenson Special Education Scholarship
Nick and Eileen Antonino Family Scholarship
Bader Family Scholarship
Bernard Gallagher Memorial Scholarship
Paul and Marianne Bertsch Family Scholarship
Brian Heslop Memorial Scholarship
St. Vincent Class of 1950
St. Mary Class of 1971
Class of 2010
Daniel F. Steiner Memorial Scholarship
David R. and Rita George Social Service Scholarship
Frattura-Waltz Family Scholarship
Henkel Family Scholarship
Julie Randall
Beth Dodd
Kevin Randall
Jack Fitzpatrick V44 Scholarship
James and Elizabeth Hart Memorial Scholarship
Jim Kelly Memorial Scholarship
Jim Pier Memorial Scholarship
Joseph F. Trecaso Memorial Scholarship
Leo B. Mills Family Memorial Scholarship
Lynch Family Scholarship
Lynda Utrup Schafer Memorial Scholarship
Mike Dangel
Mike Sullivan V53 Scholarship
Peter Piglia Family Charitable Fund
Ralph L. and Florence A. Bernard Memorial Scholarship
Ray Tricomi Memorial Scholarship
Robert C. Staudt Memorial Scholarship
Sandy Singleton Smith Memorial Scholarship
St. Vincent Class of 1964 Memorial Scholarship
St. Vincent-James V. Vinciguerra Scholarship Award
St. Vincent-Leo and Margaret Walter Scholarship
Thomas and Margaret Antonino Memorial Scholarship

Please remember our departed alumni and friends in your prayers.

Thank you to all who inform the Alumni Office of departed classmates.
*July 1, 2010 – December 31, 2010*

**Kenneth F. Bradford, Sr.**
Husband of Carol. Father of Kenneth, Margaret Murphy, Lloyd Bowers, Keith, Angela Landis, and Hope Coleman. Brother of Bernard, and Janet Johnson M61

**Margaret Ann Clark M61**
Daughter of Willie (deceased) and Bernice. Sister of Franchell Riley M61

**Ann Grismer Durkee M58**
Wife of Paul. Mother of Kathleen Beck (deceased), Patrick, Paul, Vern, Carol Wiley, Jeanne Savage, and Irene Mangus. Sister of Lois Johnson (deceased), Leonard (deceased), Patrick M60, and Frank M54

**Anne Nauer**
Wife of Paul M42 (deceased). Mother of Donna Magner M66, Dorothy Dies M67, John, Mary "Vonny" Herstich M71, Susan Norci VM76, and Karen Richardson VM78, Sister of Mike (deceased), Eugene V55, Mary Karadin, Julia Archer, and Kathleen Beskitt

**Helen Tyszka**
Daughter of Joseph and Stella. Sister of Alexander V61

**Mary "Billie" Crosley**
Wife of Edgar (deceased). Mother of Kenneth, JoAnne Potok M66, Jan Wonnell M68, and Jean Turley

**William Donald "Don" Cook**
Husband of Jane. Father of Bill, and Marc. Brother of Richard (deceased), Eleanor Cook Carracher V37 (deceased), and Robert (deceased)

**Catherine Schmidt**
Wife of Jacob (deceased). Mother of Jacob, Kathlyn Mathis, and Mary Ann Beeson M64

**Lawrence "Larry" Lavery V65**
Son of Bernard M26 (deceased) and Catherine (deceased) Lavery. Brother of Catherine Anne Finigan Donahue V58 (deceased), Al, Paul V68, Brian V70, Veronica Oravec V71, Mary, Elizabeth "Liz" Klein VM77, and Loretta Bodnar VM78

**John W. Frost**
Husband of Ruby. Father of Peter, and Stephanie Filing. Brother of Winifred Frost V26 (deceased), Vera (deceased), and Mary (deceased)

**Hazel Buzzelli**
Wife of Arthur Buzzelli V30 (deceased). Mother of Larry Primm, and Henry Primm

**Donna A. Daugherty**
Wife of Tim. Mother of Jenna VM07, Colin VM11, and Faith VM14

**Anna Mae Catalano**
Wife of Joseph. Mother of Cheryl M70, Maria Gmerek, Michael, Joseph, and Tina Goodson. Sister of Joe Anich (deceased), and Frank Anich M41 (deceased)

**Martha Kurtz**
Wife of Paul (deceased). Mother of Barbara Sanderson V64, Kathy Perfect V66, and Susan Miller

**Gary Allen Rhoades**
Husband of Beth Dierker Rhoades VM81

**Doris Marie Capan M54**
Sister of Teresa McAvinew M65, and David

**Marie M. Fritsch**
Wife of George (deceased). Mother of Thomas V70

**Angela DiDomenico**
Wife of Albert (deceased). Mother of Dan, David, and Diane Dalton VM74

**Dorothy L. Anderson**
Wife of John (deceased). Mother of John VM80, Nancy Mastadonna V71, Mary Patton, and JoAnn Crawford VM79

**Thomas P. Welsh**
Father of Megan, Lauren VM07, Caitlin VM10, and Matthew. Former husband of Kathy Kalaman Welsh V70

**Judith Sherman**
Wife of Ted. Mother of Lisa Popa, Susan Melvin, Ted, Michael, and Andy VM87

**Tony Massa**
Father of Karen, Krissie VM74, Toni VM79, and David VM82

**Alvin Yahner**
Husband of Frances Gillen Yahner V49. Father of Julie Panis, Jean Rakich, Mary Hassing, Ann Anderson, and Catherine Murdock

**Melvin P. Wagner**
Husband of Ruth. Father of Joan Csora M72, Mark, Martha Sprow, John, and Lynne Garrett

**James A. Gaffney**
Husband of Mary Kathryn Gaffney (deceased). Father of Kathleen M67, Barbara Hogan M69, Patricia, Noreen Dimmerling, Brigid Wagner, James, and Timothy

**Theodore C. Schaetzle**
Husband of Doris (deceased). Father of Mary Strickler V67, Janine Strasser V68, Cathy Herd V69, Martha Taucher M71, Theodore VM74, Stephen VM76, Margaret Goodman VM79, Barbara Lenway VM83, and Andrew

**Larry Joseph Shay**
Husband of Mary. Father of Maureen, and Joe VM93

**Virginia Kilway Curry V60**
Mother of Joe, Warren, and Marie VM91. Sister of Marie Rodeman V42, Jim V51, Jack V53, Kate V58, Paul V43 (deceased), and Richard V46 (deceased)

**Ruby Clark**
Wife of Francis J. Clark V34. Mother of Rebecca Bayonnet V58, Francis V63, Thomas V66, Stephen V68, Dennis V70, Margaret Schmitt VM73, and John VM82

**John Tkacik**
Husband of Evy. Father of Debi M71, Joy VM73, Chrissy, Mary, and Casey

**Ralph H. Speck, Sr.**
Husband of Debra Anne Kacsanek V71. Father of Lisa (deceased), Georjette Thomas, Paul Danish, and Ralph

**Marilyn Ferguson Stringfellow V39**
Wife of William (deceased). Mother of Bill, and Linda Potter

**Mary Moffitt Vaughan V39**
Wife of William (deceased). Sister of Anne Kelliher V38 (deceased), Helen Zink (deceased), Frank (deceased), Tom V47 (deceased), Agnes Schmidt, Bill, Jim, Tim, and Mike

**Jacqueline Maroon Doney V55**
Wife of David (deceased). Mother of Nathan, and David. Sister of Betty V51 (deceased), Connie Pratt V60 (deceased), and Charles

**Stanley Filon**
Husband of Mary Ann. Father of Paul, Peter, Steve, John, Tom, James, Mary Prokopius VM92, and Susie Brooks VM94

**Josephine DiMascio**
Wife of Albert (deceased). Mother of Onofrio M61 (deceased), Phillip M59 (deceased), Joseph, and Alberta Gahera

**Louise Jenkins Holtzapfel M42**
Wife of Ralph (deceased). Mother of Anne Cafarelli M67, and John

**Theresa Reder Litten M72**
*(April 5, 2010)*
Mother of Amanda. Sister of Jeanette Speedy M69, Kathleen, Marie, and Patricia

**Gerald Ford**
Husband of Regina (deceased) and Jacqueline. Father of Gerald V70, Moira McNeill VM73, Brendan VM76, Kevin, Stephen, and Jeannie

**Lynn A. Curley**
Mother of Theron Dannemiller, Kaitlyn Reynolds, and Kurt Guthrie. Daughter of Richard Curley M52, and Shirley Casper

**John W. Reece**
Husband of Jane. Father of Elizabeth Coombs VM78, J. Christopher VM81, and Timothy VM85

**Joel S. Regallis**
Father of Angela. Son of Joseph M42 (deceased) and Madge

**Urban John Labbe**
Husband of Thelma (deceased), and Carol (deceased). Father of Christine Maher M65, Kathleen Horvath, Jonathan, Margi Byers, and Kathleen Russell

**Joseph Pancar**
Husband of Marie. Father of Marcy Sovacool M71, Ann Lukezic, Therese Suliks, Cynthia Morgan, Joe, and Joanne Randolph

**Jean Adelman**
Wife of Carl (deceased). Mother of Susan Nupp V60

**Lorenz Hanich**
Husband of Katarina (deceased). Father of Theresa Feld V60 (deceased)

**Bruno Niewierowski**
Husband of Catherine. Father of Brad, and Michelle McNichols. Brother of Joan Niewierowski M72 and Kosh Zabur

**Katherine Daymon**
Wife of Harley "Jay" (deceased). Mother of Toni Kelly, Sandra Freshwaters, Mary Allen, Patricia Boyd, James, John, and Robert VM88

**Paul Palermo**
Son of Norma Marzialla Palermo V41 (deceased) and Salvator Palermo (deceased). Brother of Toni Longville, Sam V66, Michael, and John

**Nona Magoolaghan V52**
Wife of John (deceased). Mother of Sharon, David and Stephen

**Rosemarie Michalec**
Wife of Michael (deceased). Mother of Kathleen Weber V61, Patricia Williams V63, Paul V67, Michael, Stephen VM73, and Lawrence VM78

**Jeanne M. Herbstreet M70**
Sister of Robert V61 (deceased), Mary Ann Lawson V67, Joyce Gannon VM73, and Paula Hoch

**Louis Caporaletti II**
Son of Louis V55 and Judith Maloy Caporaletti M59. Brother of Jennifer VM79, Monica Murray VM80, Christine Tabbert VM81 Stephanie D'Abrosca, Jessica, and Bridget VM84

**Mary Josephine Mollica**
Wife of Anthony (deceased). Mother of Tony (deceased), Michael, Loretta Carlisle M58, Patricia Drapcho M60, Carolyn Eisenhut-Compton M53, Kathleen Tyrrell M61, Theresa Holden M62, Mary Jo Loos M64, Dolores Olechnowicz M66, Eileen Mollica M67, Anne Marie Carroll VM75, and Gina Koncz VM77

**Paulyne Dieringer**
Wife of Richard (deceased). Mother of Sue Williams, Linda Pastor M65, and Sally Spindler

**Edward John Glassner**
Husband of Diane. Father of Melissa Harmon, and Michelle Hammond. Brother of Marilyn Montgomery M53

**Mary Robb Berger VM73**
Wife of Mike (deceased). Mother of Matt. Daughter of John V44 (deceased), and Frances Hibinger Robb V49. Sister of Catherine Shew VM74, Martha Perry VM80, Paul, Mark, and Bruce

**Paul S. Rossi V48**
Husband of Carol (deceased). Father of Steven, RaLinda Ginocchio, and Tracy Kirincic

**Scott Matthew Hammer**
Son of Ralph and Beverly. Brother of Margaret (deceased), Andrew VM88 (deceased), Mark, John, and Timothy

**Kathryn Goldin King M42**
Wife of Charles (deceased). Mother of Sandra Taylor, Kelli Barash, Thomas, and David

**Robert D. Schobert**
Husband of Lynn (deceased), and Sally Burns Schobert V54. Father of Susan, and Peggy. Stepfather of Mary Beth Alleman, Anne Marie Linn, Eddie Alleman, and Bernie Alleman, Jr.

**Ronald J. Abraham**
Husband of Jacquelyn. Father of Ron, Lori Rush, and Daniel. Brother of Marilyn Malick V53, Patty Morin V55, Janice Johnson, Marguerite (deceased), Barry (deceased), and Jackie (deceased)

**Marian Wise**
Wife of Richard (deceased). Mother of Richard, Linda Evans, Barbara, and Nancy Schuck. Sister of Marjorie Merzweiler Wise V51

**Eloise C. Dodson**
Wife of Leo Dodson M56 (deceased). Mother of Mildred Hilton, Mary Gerak, William, and Theodore

**Robert P. Dies, Sr.**
Husband of Ina (deceased). Father of Mary Sprance V69, Stephen, Ina Freudeman, Robert, and David

**Patricia Bean Albanese V53**
Wife of Charles V52 (deceased). Mother of Andrew, Daniel, William, and Timothy. Sister of Jerry V54

**E. Fred Ritty M48**
Husband of Ann. Brother of Andrew (deceased), Anna (deceased), Frances M48 (deceased), Charles (deceased), Paul (deceased), and James M44

**Joseph Bellassai**
Husband of Mary. Father of George, Anne Newman M72, Martha Feldmeier M70, Joseph, Mary Sanders VM76, Christine Bye, Frances Evans, and John VM84

**C. Edward McSweeney V39**
Husband of Barbara (deceased). Father of Kathryn Chakos V67, Edward V68, Ellen, Kevin, Mary Anne Parker, and Peggy Penberthy VM76. Sister of Mary Helen Cox V42

**Louise Winters**
Wife of Paul. Mother of Valerie Peavey, Paul VM76 and Penny/Lauretta

**Raymond J. Namsick M48**
Husband of "Betty Jane" Elizabeth Burns Namsick V53 (deceased). Father of Raymond VM77, Mark VM80, Michael VM85, Kim Jones VM74, Kathy Koesling VM75, Colleen Swain VM76, Lisa Schillinger VM81, and Jennifer VM90. Brother of Edward, and Barbara Corcoran M57

**Evelyn Churchwell**
Wife of Paul (deceased). Mother of Joyce Ramos V67, Jane Groh V68, and Jim

**Cecilia Tomasik**
Wife of Stephen. Mother of Martha M67, Daniel, Gerard, and Elaine

**L. Frederick Gillespie**
Husband of Laetitia Knepp Gillespie M51. Father of Gil (deceased), Timothy (deceased), Laetitia Hight VM77, Gregg V72, Gery, and Aimi Zajac VM91

**Margaret Casey**
Wife of James (deceased). Mother of Carol Kane V60, Deborah, Marianne Oberg, Mickey, Terry, and John

**Lewis Tubo**
Husband of Bonnie. Father of Lisa VM79 (deceased), Jeff VM86, and Lori Spotleson VM81

**Cynthia Ann Gorbach Mernagh VM75**
Wife of Dan. Mother of Michael, Clare, Jane, Patrick, Joseph, Timothy, Thomas, and Philip. Daughter of Carl M45 (deceased) and Agnes (deceased). Sister of Greg V70, Christine V72, Steven VM73, Timothy VM74, Carol Melchioris VM77, Peter VM78, Jeff VM80, Colleen Dyko VM81, and Charlene Tabata VM86

**Hilary "Bud" Labbe**
Husband of Patricia Goehler Labbe V50 (deceased). Father of Richard (deceased), Barbara Conroy, Elizabeth Flohr, Katherine Mundy, Jean Andrea, Carolyn Burdette, and Thomas

**James L. Allman V56**
Husband of Elizabeth. Father of David (deceased), Sandra Dunn, Joe, Don, and Larry. Brother of John V56 (deceased), and Catherine V53

**Karen F. Croy**
Wife of Gary. Mother of Michael, Kristin Hoffman VM91, and Mark

**Brenda "Betty" Stadelman**
Wife of Ray (deceased). Mother of Marilyn Spitznogle M69, Ken, Don, Janette Beckwith, Andy, Lynn, and Larry

**J. Roger Beatty**
Husband of Verne (deceased), and Theresa (deceased). Father of Linda Faris, Alice Beatty, Catherine (deceased), and Reverend James H. Beatty V66

**Stephen Drozda**
Husband of Cathy Bujorian Drodza VM77. Father of Keeley, Stephen, and Shelly

**Doris MacDonald M21**
passed away at the age of 106 years old. Featured in the Alumni Connection Magazine in 2009. Wife of Levi A. MacDonald (deceased). Daughter of George (deceased) and Agnes (deceased) Lawler

**Albert E. Brunner M40**
Husband of Mary (deceased) and Elizabeth Hill Brunner V47. Father of Suzanne Elliott M68, John, James, Patricia Moyer, and David. Brother of Robert, Rosemary Scichilone M48, Erv M32 (deceased), Bill (deceased), Art M45 (deceased), Dick M51 (deceased), and Dolores Pelyhes M37 (deceased)

**Johanna E. Stork**
Wife of Alfred V50. Mother of Laura DeShane, and Eric

**Margaret Boswell**
Wife of William (deceased). Mother of Charles (deceased), William, and Kelle Laspisa VM74

**Frank O. Enright V38**
Husband of Ethel. Father of Patrick, Michael, Timothy V63, Jeffery V70, Maureen Locher VM77, and Mary V68 (deceased)

**Marie Scolaro Smith M66**
Wife of Michael. Mother of Sherry, Christopher, and Nicholas

**John "Bud" Seiler, Jr. V39**
Husband of Betty. Father of Jeff, Mark, and Eric. Brother of Marie, and Alberta V34 (deceased)

**Robert Brunton**
Husband of Mary Jean Vielhaber Brunton V50. Father of Beth Woods, Alan VM80, and Martin VM83

**Robert Coudriet**
Husband of Betty. Father of Michael, John, Stephen, and James. Brother of Betty Pavlin V44, Jewell Brightbill V44, Marcella Judy V47, and Bernard V46

**James "Rick" Tomer**
Husband of Kathy Vargo Tomer M67. Father of Brian, Sarah, and Emily

**Gladys Moledor**
Wife of Leo M45. Mother of David, Mark, and Paul

**Virginia "Allwin" Baldacci**
Wife of Paul (deceased). Mother of Paul V51, Louis V52, Thomas V54, and Peter

**Catherine Szary**
Daughter of Leo (deceased) and Dorothy Gudenus Szary M40 (deceased). Sister of Leo

**Marie Leitch Wylie M48**
Mother of Edward, John, Peggy Cooper, Patrick, Kathleen Garner, James, and David. Sister of Agnes McGurr M51, and Peter

**Charleen Lintner Sandmann V67**
Wife of Harold. Mother of Greg (deceased), Jeffrey, Mark, Carla Collmar, and Becky Carpenter

**Catherine M. Kovalcik**
Mother of Catherine Sulak V49, John V50, Lawrence V52, Regina Petit V56, Martha LaGuardia V61, and Joe

**Carmella V. Mollica**
Wife of Joseph (deceased). Mother of Annette Sutter V68 (deceased), Kathy Sullivan M53, and Darleen Florin V63

**Patricia Weidlich Wozniak V56**
Mother of Mark, Joan, and Michael. Sister of Ruth McCauley V64, Jean Riegler V59, and Charles. Daughter of Ruth Wilhelm Weidlich V31 and Charles

**Sally Flohr Melton M49**
Wife of Harry (deceased). Mother of Richard, and Deborah Warner

**Sir Peter Bonnell, CGSJ**
Father of Peter, Linda Schurr, Michael, Hallie Thompson VM83, and J. Brian. Brother of Martin M58, and Lucille Horkan

**Barbara Pangburn DuPlantis M57**
Wife of Harold (deceased). Mother of Donna Quinn, Diann Smelko, and David Devereux. Sister of Joe M55, Helen Spaulding M51, and Betty M50 (deceased)

**Ruth Stadtmiller Hieber V29**
Mother of Ed (deceased). Sister of Rosemary Marco V30 (deceased), Bernadine Graf V32 (deceased), Jeanne Gill V45, Elizabeth Hardt (deceased), Albin V27 (deceased), Irene Krupp (deceased), and Annamae Bianco Thompson

**Mary Markowich Kolar V35**
Wife of John (deceased). Mother of John V60, Mary Ann Barnett, Thomas, David V69, Coleeta Tittle, and Carolyn Borkowski VM78.

**Richard Wilsterman**
Husband of Mary (deceased). Father of Barbara Leasure M68, Donald, Timothy, Richard, David, and Mark.

**Jean O'Neil**
Wife of M.G. O'Neil V39 (deceased). Mother of Patricia Bowman, and step-mother to Cynthia Thomas, Terry Bowman, Jeff, Kell, Greg, Shawn, Julie, Nancy O'Connor, Susie Adgate, Karen McRae, Debbie Cook, Jan Cook, Danny Cook, Kevin Cook, and Beth Ann Cook

**William P. Wood V49**
Husband of Zara Hamad Wood V53. Father of Chip, Anne Stark, Angela Rorie, Janet Read, and Chris Wood

**Frederick J. Breiding**
Husband of Joanne. Father of Matthew VM99. Brother of Mary Ann Rowan V58, Martha Nix, V60, Marilyn, Bill, Tim, and Claudia (deceased)

**Georganne Burton Marchand M61**
Wife of Russell (deceased). Mother of Christina, and Russell. Sister of Frank M60

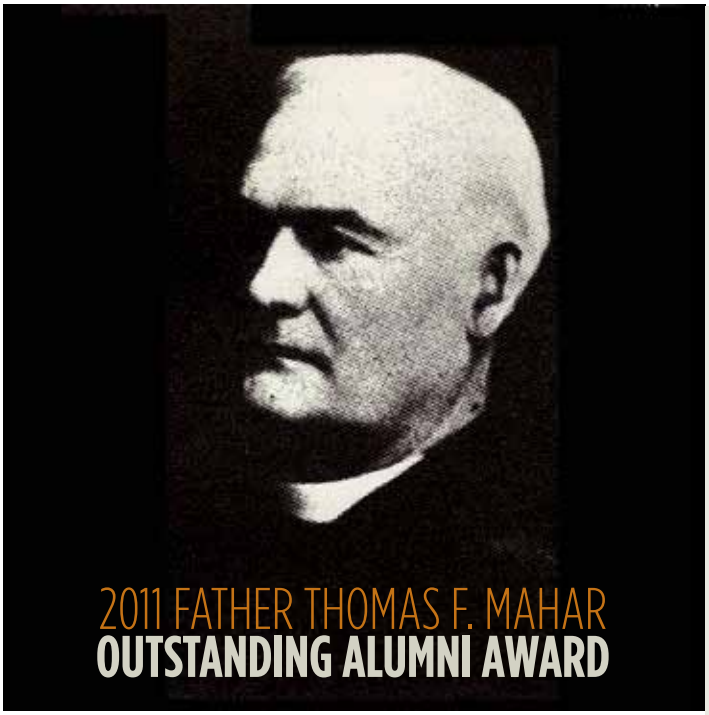
**Mary Jacqueline Farrar McDonnell V43**
Wife of Raymond McDonnell V43 (deceased) and Edward Vielhaber (deceased) V43. Mother of Raymond, John, Mike, Colleen Bililngs, Tim Vielhaber and stepchildren: Tom, Dennis, Steve, and Karen. Sister of Gloria Flenner V42, Ray (deceased), Bob (deceased), and Donna Klingensmith V49 (deceased)

**The Alumni Council of St. Vincent-St. Mary High School invites you to the Annual Alumni Memorial Mass**
on Monday, April 11, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. in the Learning Resource Center (LRC) of STVM High School, 15 North Maple Street, Akron, Ohio.

All St. Mary, St. Vincent, and St. Vincent-St. Mary alumni and family members who have passed away during the 2010 calendar year will be remembered at this memorial mass. Alumni, family and friends are encouraged to attend.

A short reception in the LRC will follow the Mass.

We would appreciate your RSVP to the STVM Alumni Office (kholaday@stvm.com or call 330-253-9113 ext. 120) by April 4, 2011



# 2011 FATHER THOMAS F. MAHAR OUTSTANDING ALUMNI AWARD

In 1887, Reverend Dr. Thomas F. Mahar was commissioned by the Cleveland Diocese to establish a Mission in South Akron to be known as St. Mary Church. The parish was formally established in 1896 and in the fall of 1897, the first Catholic high school opened its doors to students. The first class to graduate from St. Mary High School was in 1901.

St. Vincent High School opened in September of 1907 and was also founded by Reverend Dr. Thomas F. Mahar who had been the pastor of St. Vincent Church since 1880. The first class to graduate from St. Vincent High School was in 1910.

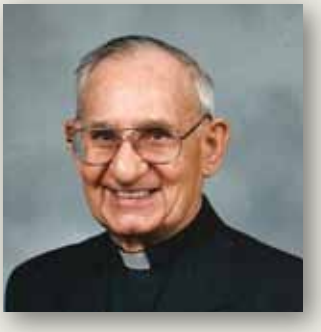
The St. Vincent-St. Mary High School award to honor outstanding alumni was established in 1979 in honor of Fr. Thomas F. Mahar who was the singular person involved in the beginnings of the two high schools that merged into one in 1972.

This excerpt taken from the Summa Health System website might be of interest to our readers....
"St. Thomas Hospital in Akron, Ohio, now a part of Summa Health System, was founded in 1922 through a bequest from Charles Deering of Cleveland. The name "St. Thomas" was chosen in memory of Rev. Thomas F. Mahar, pastor for 34 years of St. Vincent Parish in Akron."
Source: http://www.summahealth.org/common/templates/contentindex.asp?ID=596

**ANNUAL FR. THOMAS F. MAHAR BANQUET**
**RECOGNIZING OUR 2011 OUTSTANDING ALUMNI**
**AND IRISH CRUSADER RECIPIENTS**
March 31, 2011
Tangier Restaurant
6:00 p.m. Cash Bar / 7:00 p.m. Dinner and Awards Ceremony
RSVP by March 21, 2011
For further details, please contact:
STVM Alumni Office 330-253-9113 x120

**Nominate Now** for the 2012 Fr. Thomas F. Mahar Outstanding Alumni and Irish Crusader Awards. Go to www.stvm.com and visit the Alumni section. The latest revision to the nomination form can be found in the Awards & Scholarship part of the STVM Alumni website section.

# FR. JAMES **REYMANN V42**



When I look back over these many years that the Lord has blessed me with, I am constantly amazed at how truly gifted I have been. At every stage or major event of my life, I have been sustained, enabled, encouraged with the gift of friends and mentors. Of course, it all began with my parents. I became their fifteenth child, Tom, my only younger brother, came along six years later. My Mom not only knew how to raise great kids being Alsacian--that is of French/German decent--she was a gourmet cook. We always ate well, worked hard, enjoyed life on our eight acre farm.

My Dad learned his trade as a foundry man in his native city of Mertzwiller. Along with several of his countrymen, he formed a foundry which they named from the ocean they crossed, The Atlantic Foundry. He loved his home and family. Took great delight in the wine he made each fall from his half acre of grapes. A man of great personal integrity he cherished his friendships with many of the industrial leaders of his day.

We younger kids all went to Annunciation grade school. In good weather, we often walked the three and a half miles home just to save a four cent car fare. The four years at St. Vincent High School were packed with great memories. We broke in the Akron Dominican Sisters and they in turn taught us well. Lots of outstanding students in the class of 1942. The group I chummed around with all took the same subjects--math, chemistry, physics, English--which served us well as college prep.

After one semester at the Jesuit University of Detroit, my Uncle Sam said he wanted me to join him in the Army. Stationed in almost every southern state, I trained as a radio and radar operator before qualifying as an Air Corps cadet. Coming from a large family, I readily adapted to military life, even becoming quite good at K.P. Following the months of navigation school, I received my wings and a commission as a 2nd Lt. in the Army Air Corps. The Air Force did not yet exist.

Assigned to a B-29 crew of eleven men, we learned what desert sand was like in the rocky, bleak area of Clovis, New Mexico. Our crew of six officers and five enlisted men in just a few short weeks became a highly skilled, well functioning crew. On July 21, 1945 we departed California in a factory fresh B-29, on its first flight over salt water.

The flight to Oahu, Hawaii was at night. We encountered a violent storm most of the way which did in our radar and radio. After landing at Hickam Field we reported the radio trouble to the ground crew and headed for a good night's sleep. The following morning, well rested, the crew boarded the plane for the next leg of our flight to Guam only to find, to our utter dismay, that NO equipment was even touched. We had to head to the tiny island of Kwajalein--it's only a couple football fields in size--flying over thousands of miles of ocean, and me navigating with only the sun and the waves to guide us, just as Columbus did centuries earlier in coming to the U.S.A.

Was I scared, worried, concerned--you name it--that I was and much, much more. I checked and rechecked every sun sighting and wave reading while praying like mad. As the arrival time drew near, the pilot asked me what we should do.

I told him to let down while I figured out what we should do should the island not be in sight. If you've ever flown around the Pacific, you'll know that there are puffy little clouds all over the place. A beautiful scene if no one is shooting at you or if you know what you're doing. Now to draw this story to an end, let me tell you that very shortly, as we neared the water surface, there, DIRECTLY in front of the plane was this beautiful coral island of Kwajalein. "Man," I said, "I have a darn good Guardian Angel." From that moment on, whenever I asked the pilot to make any flight correction, he responded immediately. You see, he was an "old" man of almost thirty years, and the rest of the crew were youngsters, barely over twenty. And yes, I delighted in taking advantage of my new prestige.

The ten months on the Navy controlled island of Guam were marked by a number of significant events. Our crew flew the last bomb mission of the war. The new plane we flew over in was given to an older, lead crew and was lost in its first mission. It got a direct hit to number three engine and went down over Tokyo. After the Japanese offered to surrender, our crew was selected to fly out of Iwo Jima with a group of photographers aboard to take pictures of every major Japanese city, of special interest were Hiroshima and Nagasaki. We also flew right down on the deck over a POW camp. It was beautiful--everyone on the ground waving to us.

Let me jump ahead thirty some years. At this time, I am pastor at St. Pat's and I get a call to visit the hospital in Oberlin. An old fellow is dying and wants a priest. After doing all the good things a priest does at such a time, I find out that this man had spent five years as a Japanese prisoner of war, and he was almost certainly at that POW camp when I flew over. We became dear friends. A few years later I was honored to celebrate this saintly man's funeral Mass.

Now back to Guam. Two other flights might be of interest. One was an eighteen hour display of force flight to the DMZ line in Korea. On the way back we mistakenly flew directly over a Navy carrier. A real no-no in war time. They sent a plane up to check us out. The last memorable flight was over Tokyo Bay while the peace treaty was being signed on the battleship Missouri. With hundreds of our planes in that area it was not a good place to be in. There are always some jock happy pilots around.

The summer of 1946 found me happy to be back home in Akron eager to continue my college education. At John Carroll University for the next two years I was blessed to have as a dorm prefect a dynamic Jesuit, Fr. Charles Costellano, who guided me as spiritual director for the next thirty years. A Latin and Greek scholar, his hobby was landscaping, which he did at JCU and several other Jesuit schools. While there I began to feel drawn to a priestly vocation. A Jebbie father asked me if I wanted to join their ranks. I answered no. If I become a priest I want to work in a parish not be a teacher. Years later I found out God has other plans for me.

While at Carroll, a group of my buddies and I decided to complete our college years at Notre Dame in Indiana. They were all accepted--I was turned down. This rejection turned out to be a tremendous blessing as I applied to and was accepted at Case Institute of Technology in Cleveland. There I joined the Newman Club living in an upstairs room next to our Chaplain, Fr. Paul Hallinan, a N.D. graduate, an Army Chaplain, a fantastic director of young college age students. Through him a number of us realized vocations to the priesthood and religious life. In the fall of 1958, the same year I was ordained, Father Hallinan was ordained a bishop. Ten years later he died in Atlanta, Georgia, their first Archbishop.

After ordination my first assignment was an eighteen year "temporary" one to develop the science department at Borromeo Seminary. They needed a science prof for their state accreditation. I was it. Good years, I worked with gifted priests and eager students. I also acquired my first Boxer pup who rapidly became my constant companion and the school mascot.

Now I was entering my middle age years. It was time for me to move on or decide to stay put as a seminary prof. I was encouraged to seek the pastorate of St. Patrick Parish in Wellington. Their present pastor was on sick leave, they needed to build a new church, and the powers that be thought it would be a good fit for me. Now, some thirty-five years later, it does seem that they were right.

Bishop Hickey asked me to strive to do a number of things like building a new church, an ecumenical community, an education program. I had just taught a class on the documents of the now completed Vatican Council. The challenge of putting them into practice was an inviting one. With the Lord's always supporting grace and a whole gaggle of marvelous laity, I hope we have met with some success.

Fr. Reymann's niece, Phyllis Reymann Bruno M51 writes, "Father is the spiritual advisor to the Charles and Salome Reymann Foundation which provides three homes for physically challenged adults. One of the homes is his childhood home located across the street from St. Matthew Church in Akron. Fr. Reymann is currently the oldest active pastor in the Cleveland Diocese and celebrated his 50th anniversary as a priest in 2008."

## PATRICIA "TRISH" **OSTROSKI M65**

Patricia "Trish" Ostroski was the second of eleven children born to Edmund and Kathleen Considine M40 Ostroski. All eleven Ostroski children graduated from St. Martha in Akron's North Hill for a total of more than 15,000 days of education and 15,000 meals in the crème de la crème St. Martha cafeteria. While in grade school, Trish participated in basketball, softball, and choir. She obtained both the Curved Bar and Marian Awards in Girl Scouts in the eighth grade.

Following family tradition, she ventured to high school at St. Mary High School, her mother's alma mater. At St. Mary High School, she worked on the Crusader (newspaper) and Bluebook (yearbook). She was active in Girls Athletic Association (GAA), Publicity Club and held offices and memberships in other school organizations. During her senior year, she was fortunate to be involved in the initial year of Akron's Junior Achievement.

Trish participated in intramural sports and also played for the Crusaders in Akron's first girls' interscholastic basketball league. She helped the St. Mary Physical Education teacher, Mrs. Dorothea Harris, in planning the league which included several of Akron's

high schools. A sports fan, Trish enjoyed cheering for the Crusaders' state champion football team.

Trish holds an AA in Business and a BA in Communications from The University of Akron and while at UofA was a member of Theta Phi Alpha sorority. In addition, she has an MA in Organizational Leadership from Gonzaga University and thus is one of few people who can claim to be both a *Zip* and a *Zag*. A strong believer in lifelong learning, she studied at UCLA and is an honors graduate of the Hypnosis Motivation Institute where she became certified in hypnotherapy in 2005.

While in Akron, Trish was a union representative for the City of Akron, and active in the employee blood drive. She served as the first girls' athletic director for St. Martha parish, establishing its initial track and volleyball programs while developing the first junior varsity teams in all girls' sports. In CYO, she volunteered as a league director and was a member and officer of the Women's Athletic Board. She encouraged the inclusion of girls in the CYO annual Turkey Day Cross Country run and the St. Martha girls inaugurated the event by trotting to first place. She was also a mentor to teenagers at the Juvenile Detention Center.

In the mid 1980's, Trish moved to Los Angeles and established a career in advertising and communications. She has been the recipient of more than 20 awards for writing, speaking and production including the Aurora, Communicator and Brass Ring. She has written several hundred articles that have appeared in newspapers, magazines and books, and produced corporate and community award winning video productions. Her first book will publish in 2011.

A 1997 graduate of the Valley Leadership Institute (VLI), Trish partnered with fellow grads and pursued some personal community projects as well. These included programs for the American Cancer Society, Meet Each Need with Dignity (MEND), Valley Family Center, Adopt-a-Family and others. In partnership with Tierra Del Sol, an organization that assists mentally and physically disabled individuals, she established the first working crew for Tierra clients located in an office environment at Precision Dynamics Corporation, her employer in 1998. She further promoted this program by making presentations at area events. Over the years she has been a sponsoring "parent" for several children in foreign lands through child-centered organizations.

As part of a Junior Achievement outreach, Trish taught in the Los Angeles public schools at the elementary, middle and high school level. Furthering opportunities for college education, she led teams that established college scholarships for graduating high school seniors. She continues to enjoy the opportunity to teach, as she instructs adults in self-development topics.

Her church and religious activities have included: Eucharistic ministry, establishment of a faith sharing group, and facilitator in the Entertainment Fellowship. Active at St. Monica Church in Santa Monica, California, she is an organizer in the Cornerstone program, served on the communication team, and remains involved in the Art of Living. In 2009, she traveled to Belfast, Northern Ireland as part of a group participating in a build for the International Habitat for Humanity. Serving a year as an Ignatian Volunteer in 2008, she worked on special projects for Catholic Charities in Glendale, CA.

In this century, she became both a leader and a creative force in the Los Angeles theatrical arts community. She has been a stage director on several productions, and has penned hundreds of theatrical reviews for a decade, a journey that has taken her to more than 100 venues. Over this time she expanded her performing and directing talents as well, and more recently, her work as a playwright was recognized with staged productions in Hollywood and Palm Springs. She has been on a number of judging panels evaluating a variety of media and served in that capacity for the 2011 Los Angeles Women's Theatre Festival.

As a former President/CEO of Women in Theatre (WIT) a 501 © 3 non-profit, Trish advanced the organization artistically and financially by creating, producing, and writing WIT's Red Carpet Awards. The event honors individuals and organizations for their involvement in the live theatrical arts and has included celebrities such as Joan Van Ark, Bonnie Franklin and Lainie Kazan. In its seven year history, the Red Carpet has distinguished itself as a prestigious honor in the greater Los Angeles theatrical community.

Currently, she is the President of Motivated Toastmasters in Sherman Oaks, California. She is also a director and trustee for the Hypnotherapists Union and has served in leadership capacities in a number of organizations.

Trish enjoys sports, theatre, and travel and has been to all 50 states and a number of foreign countries. She still remains a hopeful Cleveland Indians fan. She is humbled and thankful for being honored and shares this recognition with the rest of her family, plus her St. Mary family and especially her mother whose birthday is the same day as the Mahar Awards Banquet (March 31st).

## STEPHEN "STEVE" **PHILLIPS VM75**

Stephen G. Phillips VM75 was the third of four children (two boys and two girls) born to Horace and Patricia Phillips. His family resided in West Akron for all of his life. Catholic education started at the home with Pat and Phil raising their children with a faith in God and attending weekly mass. They also put all their children through Catholic schools from first through twelfth grade: MaryEllen V70, John V72, Peggy VM76. After graduating from St. Vincent-St. Mary in 1975, Steve went on to The University of Akron to study Criminal Justice. From 1977 through 1979 he was employed by the FBI and attended the University of Maryland.

Steve remembers his high school days fondly at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School and remarks on the teachers and their commitment to the learning environment, especially Mrs. Wojno. She definitely shared her passion of math with her students. Steve marvels as he remembers the wrestling coach, Bruce Brubach and his unorthodox disciplinarian style.

Other fond memories include the fun times with VM75 classmates, Steve Lucas and Tom McDowell. Especially the memory of Tom's "Dog." Tom had a **Dodge** van, a rather

old Dodge van and some of the nameplate letters fell off. Without the second d and the e – well you get the idea!

Steve was on the football team all four years and recalls the grueling two a day football practices. Even with that memory, Steve always encourages students to enjoy all the extra-curricular activities that STVM has to offer in order to take advantage of the full high school experience.

In 1984, while attending the Summit County Sheriff's Office Police Academy, Steve received the Academic Award for Top Student, the Firearms Proficiency Award and the Notebook Award. After working for a year with Summit County, he then worked as a police officer for the Fairlawn Police Department. After that, Steve went on to follow in his father's footsteps and became part of the Akron Police Department where he has been for the past 24 years. He is currently a lieutenant in the Safety-Communications Center. He was ranked number one in his police academy class of 1986.

It was through his younger sister Peggy VM76, that Steve met his wife Lori. They were married in 1987 and in 1990 their first child, Shannon VM08, was born. Three years later their second child, Emily VM13, was born. From the example established by his parents, Steve wanted his daughters to be brought up in a Catholic education. Steve and Lori have been unified in this goal as evidenced by the STVM high school experience of their daughters. Shannon, graduated from STVM in 2008, has attended Catholic schools all her life, even in college, where she attends Walsh University as a junior. Emily VM13, is currently a sophomore in Mr. Lancianese's class at STVM.

One of his most enjoyable "dad moments" that Steve can recall includes being active in the Indian Princess program. When the girls were little, Steve participated in Indian Princesses, which is where dads and daughters spend the weekend at Camp Y Noah, and various other activities throughout the year. One of his favorite activities was designing and painting the derby cars. For anyone that knows Emily's favorite Sesame Character – you can rest assured that there were many Elmo themes for Emily's derby cars.

Like many families in these economic times, and in order to fund the Catholic education of his two daughters, Steve works numerous extra jobs: night shift at Psychiatric Emergency Services, weekend check points, and other odd jobs. Steve's strong work ethic stems from his devotion as a father and the time he puts in to being a police lieutenant.

Steve is committed to Catholic Education and the excellent academic and spiritual environment at STVM High School. As a parent, alumnus and hired employee, he has contributed and given back to STVM in a variety of ways – some simple and some a little more complicated. Not only has Steve helped his daughters sell car raffle tickets, he collects toner cartridges from work and aluminum cans for the benefit of the band. He also gathers newspapers and cardboard to be recycled in the container in STVM's parking lot. Steve previously worked as head of security at STVM and continues to support his alma mater by volunteering his time at fundraisers, and various school events including the freshman picnic and the band show.

Steve recently joined the Knights of Columbus chapter at St. Vincent de Paul Church where he received the Blue Coat of the Year Award. He is currently a Third Degree Knight. Steve helps out with pancake breakfasts and attends meeting when his work and family schedule permits.

For the past year, his passion has been competing in sprint triathlons which his cousin, Tom McDowell VM75 got him involved in. Steve and Tom met on a cold wintery day on the run for the homeless and Tom got him interested and intrigued with the idea of participating in a "triathlon." The triathlon that caught Steve's interest, includes a half mile swim, 15-18 mile bike course and a 5K run. One thing led to another and Steve has been running sprint triathlons ever since.

As exhibited through his successes and continued dedication, Steve is more than just a hard worker. He is a devoted father, brother and friend to those in need. He knows how to take action and get things done. He is always more than willing to help out. Through his faith and strong sense of loyalty to others, Stephen Phillips is more than happy to assist in whatever way he can for the benefit of others. He often says "Actions speak louder than words."

## THEODORE "TED" **WALTER VM77**

Theodore "Ted" Walter, STVM Class of 1977, was born to Leo V50 and Mary Kay Walter in West Akron. He was the second oldest of five children. His brother, Leo III VM76 was the oldest followed by Ted, Frank VM79, Eileen Moats VM80 and Sean VM89. He attended St. Vincent Grade School and was active in football, basketball and baseball. He had great friendships with classmates and teammates: John Staudt, Tom Carone, Frank Mellion, Don Dages, and a host of other STVM alumni.

Ted attended STVM High School and played basketball and football. He was fortunate to receive a football scholarship to the University of Wisconsin. His memories of high school are many but he is very thankful for the stewardship of teachers and coaches like Mrs. Richardson, Mrs. Tennyson, Mrs. Wojno, Mr. Naymick, Mr. Conlon, Sr. Benita (and yes he did carry her books to the convent and wash her walls in hopes of passing her class), Mr. Halaiko, and the greatest head coach, John Cistone, as well as many others too numerous to list.

Ted double majored in Finance and Real Estate and graduated with a bachelor's degree in 1981. While he was there he was an active member of the Knights of Columbus and St. Paul's Catholic Center on campus. During his college days, one professor stands out and left a lasting impression, James Grasskamp, the Chair of the Real Estate Department who also happened to be quadriplegic. He was an inspiration to all the students and a brilliant man, teaching them that there is no time to quit.

Ted coached freshman football at the Holy Name Seminary as he was interviewing for jobs. He left Madison, Wisconsin to join Centran Bank of Akron in 1982 in their management training program. His first position was as the Branch Administrator for the main office in Akron. He moved into commercial banking and rose to the rank of Senior Vice President with Key Bank responsible for Business Banking for Akron, Canton and Youngstown. While working, he received his MBA in Finance

at The University of Akron. In 2001, he moved to Bank One, now known as JPMorgan Chase, as a Senior Vice President for Commercial Banking. Within a couple of years, he was promoted to President of the Akron, Canton and Youngstown Markets. He recently has been given additional responsibility for Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania for Commercial Banking.

Ted has been active in the community as inspired by the legacy of many STVM alumni including his Dad and brother Leo and mother Mary Kay. Leo III encouraged Ted to join the Akron Jaycees shortly after returning to Akron. Ted's involvement included both marshalling and course set up (pounding stakes) at the World Series of Golf, All American Soap Box Derby, Roofing cabins at Camp Y Noah and Project Santa Clause (playing Santa is always the best when giving gifts out to needy kids). Their motto is one that has been a life-long inspiration; "service to humanity is the best work of life."

Ted continued to be involved in many community organizations including The Community Hall Foundation, Akron Civic Theatre, and Easter Seals of Northeast Ohio. While on the board of these two organizations, he worked with a team to establish golf outings that raised over $200,000 over several years. Other board involvement included the United Way of Summit County and CYO & Community Services. Ted is proud to have also coached more than 25 teams and to be a recipient of their Hall of Honor award. Ted's current involvement and board responsibilities include: The Greater Akron Chamber, The Youngstown Incubator, Institutional Member of The Stark Community Foundation, Cascade Development Corporation, Stark Development Board, St. Vincent Church finance and development committees, and an active member of the St. Vincent Knights of Columbus, and the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Ted has been fortunate to follow in the footsteps of Jerry Fulkerson in coordinating delivery day to needy families each holiday.

Ted met the woman of his dreams, Barbara Koshel, working across the street from where he lived on Ardmore Avenue. They have been married for 24 years and have four lovely children, Jillian VM06, Olivia VM10 (a National Merit Finalist), Natalie VM11 and Bradley VM14. Both Bradley and Natalie are currently attending STVM. Ted and Barb have been active supporters of the Shamrock Society, STVM Capital Campaigns and Showcase for more than 20 years. They are proud to support the Mellion Scholarship in honor of beloved STVM and St Vincent grade school deceased classmate, Frank Mellion VM77. Frank embodied all the best and brightest of the 1977 class and was a great father, husband, classmate and friend.

Barb and Ted have recently established an educational endowment fund at the Akron Community Foundation. This fund is to support Catholic Education at St. Vincent Grade School.

Barbara and Ted value the hard work and dedication of the teachers, coaches, staff and the continued generosity of the St. Vincent-St. Mary great alumni and friends. Together we can all make a difference in children's lives with this great Catholic education. The legacy of St. Vincent-St. Mary School will live on in our Alumni as they achieve and share their time, talent and treasure. Ted thanks the nominating committee for this most prestigious award.

## MARCY **SMITH VM86**

Marcy was the second of five children born to Sandra Singleton Smith V60 (a 2005 Fr. Mahar Outstanding Alumni Award Recipient) and Mike Smith V60. Marcy grew up in West Akron and attended St. Sebastian Parish School.

Catholic education was extremely important to Marcy's mother and she made many sacrifices to send her children: Michele VM84, Marcy VM86, Barry VM88, Bryan VM90 and Brant VM91 to STVM High School. The Fighting Irish Tradition was strong and constant in the Smith family and Marcy became a huge fan of the Fighting Irish and attended many games (regardless of the sport!).

Marcy graduated from STVM High School in 1986 and went on to attend The University of Akron where she earned a degree in Hospitality Management. While attending college, Marcy worked at West Point Market, Hunky Dory Pastries and the Akron Senior Resource Center as a cook/server providing meals to senior citizens and other mentally challenged individuals. After graduation, Marcy went on to become a cook at The University of Akron's Robertson Dining Hall as well as The University Club (now know as the Paul Martin University Center) and worked her way up to manager of the Creamery in the Student Center.

As a young alumna, volunteering was a common component in Marcy's life. During her high school years, she became interested in her cousin, Sister Jordan Haddad's philanthropic activities with the Hunger Center. Up until a few years ago, Marcy volunteered her time weekly at the Good Samaritan Hunger Center. Plus, Marcy recalls her mother, Sandy, volunteering the two of them to cater the 1st Showcase Preview Party – two years in a row! She also remembers many fun evenings spent helping at STVM Bingo with Patty Burdon and Barb Wood in the kitchen and on the bingo floor both at STVM and at the "Children's Palace" hall.

Family has always been at the core of Marcy's attention and focus. Not to mention the "family care" that Marcy has provided to her family members: maternal grandmother, and her own mother, Sandy. Marcy remembers caring for her grandmother until she passed away and the special bond she developed with her grandfather – especially every Monday night when they would have dinner together. Marcy's special bond, memories and love for her mother remain with her to this day. Marcy's nieces and nephews have been blessed with Marcy's attention as well – from overnights to special outings, Marcy enjoys being the "main support beam" for her family.

In 1998, Marcy began her career at Akron Children's Hospital as the Catering Coordinator. She was promoted to Buyer at Children's Hospital Medical Center of Akron for the Food Service and Nutrition Departments in 2002 making her responsible for all food, paper and formula purchased by the department in Akron and also the Food Service Department in Mahoning Valley. It is not unusual if there is a call-off to find Marcy cooking breakfast in the kitchen for the patients or upstairs in the

Cafeteria getting breakfast for the hospital's visitors and employees. In addition to her regular duties, Marcy works with her vendors to get donations for the Children's Hospital Employee Fun Run which is an annual event that raises money for the hospital.

Marcy is an active volunteer in the community. Marcy joined Christ Child in 2007 and very quickly became a member who stepped forward working on service projects and fundraisers. During the last two years, Marcy has co-chaired the Clothing Center. This is the Christ Child Society of Akron's main service project which provides uniforms, coats, and underwear to children in need in the Akron area. Marcy and her co-chair Kathy Kuebel, coordinate the packing of orders on a weekly basis. Kathy Kuebel commented, "Marcy has such a great personality - possibly the reason why we have such loyal packers. I used to call her the "Center Greeter" because she routinely greeted packers as if she were welcoming them into her home - warm, friendly, funny - you can't help but love her."

An active member of St. Sebastian Parish Church in West Akron, Marcy is also a Eucharistic Minister and assists with the Children's Liturgy of the Word. It is not unusual to find Marcy walking with her new puppy, Snickers, the campus of St. Sebastian Parish... picking up trash along the way.

Marcy is a 'die hard' Irish fan and quickly will admit that her years as a student at STVM High School were the "best time and the best fun she has ever had." Marcy feels fortunate to have met so many wonderful friends and to have developed such special and lifelong friendships. For the senior superlatives during her senior year at STVM, Marcy was voted the "most spirited." To this day – that is not a surprise to any that know her! She has traveled as far as California to see the Fighting Irish play. To be around her, if you are a fan of any other team, can be quite intimidating, as she lets you know in no uncertain terms that you are rooting for the wrong team. She is an active member and Secretary for the Athletic Booster Club and is also President of the Alumni Association. Marcy's dedication to the St. Vincent-St. Mary community is a constant in her life and is a reflection on the generous, giving spirit of her personality.

Marcy has shown her support of Catholic education by all she does to help at STVM High School with various events sponsored by the Alumni Association or the Athletic Booster Club. She demonstrated how important and necessary an education at STVM is by helping to send her niece, Chevonne Smith VM03, to school at STVM.

Marcy is nothing short of a dynamo, anyone who has the pleasure to come in contact with her is rewarded by a warm greeting and a feeling of true genuineness. She is generous of her time, talents, and treasures. She supports STVM with donations and helps to support a scholarship that was started and funded by herself and family members in memory of her mother, Sandy Singleton Smith V60.

Marcy has been an exceptional reflection of STVM and an alumna that exemplifies the spirit of the award: service to school, service to church, service to community and service to youth.

## MICHAEL "MIKE" **McDONALD VM97**

Michael P. McDonald was born to Randy and Pamela McDonald on March 15, 1979 in Akron, Ohio. Due to his father's job, Michael, along with his family, moved several times during his childhood. The "Great Move" began in Akron, then it was off to places such as Louisville, Kentucky; Mustang, Oklahoma; Gaithersburg, Maryland; Wyomissing, Pennsylvania and then they finally settled in Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. With each new home his family made, Michael learned many lessons and applied these lessons to his life. Before he went to a Catholic school, his family instilled in him Christian values and ethics. His Catholic education started at St. Peter School in Olney, Maryland in 4th grade. He remembers clearly taking a test to gain entry into the school, where, upon entrance, he quickly fit in. Later that year, his family moved to Wyomissing, Pennsylvania. His family enrolled him at Saint Ignatius School. Michael has many fond memories of this school, specifically of his 5th grade teacher, Mr. John Calvaressi, who had a rapport with each of his students. Mr. "J" was the first teacher that helped Michael realize that teaching was for him.

The next year was a fun-filled and busy ride, when his father moved his family once again to Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio. His family enrolled him at Immaculate Heart of Mary in Cuyahoga Falls after Easter of his 6th grade year. Mike has fond memories of IHM because of the school staff and the family connection that he felt at the school. He graduated from IHM in 1993 and wished to continue his Catholic education. He knew what his parents sacrificed to ensure that he and his brother would be able to attend Catholic schools to further their faith-based education, as well as provide a strong academic foundation for his future. Upon his graduation from IHM, Michael began his studies at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School, where he enjoyed playing soccer, running track and cross country, being a peer minister, and Eucharistic minister, as well as a variety of other extra-curricular activities. He decided upon STVM High School due to a strong family history with the school, having had many of his aunts, uncles, and grandmother Annabelle Wheeler McDonald V52, graduate from the school.

While attending STVM, Michael was involved in SEARCH at Camp Christopher, and he continued working as a Camp Christopher counselor for many years after that first experience. He has given personal witness to his friends, family, and students, and he has served as a sponsor for several 8th grade students during their Confirmation process.

Having received a superior academic, spiritual and social formation during his four years at St. Vincent-St Mary High School and with his family's support, Michael attended Mount Union College. There, he studied Elementary Education with plans of becoming a teacher. During his time at MUC, Michael swam on the college swim team where he served as a team captain his senior year. His many friends, both from high school and college, were always aware of his passion and desire to help others.

During his freshman year, Michael helped reestablish and re-charter the service fraternity, Alpha Phi Omega, which operated under the principles of scouting. Since Michael has

a passion for volunteering and was an Eagle Scout, this only seemed fitting. Michael, along with others, volunteered their time, talent, and service for the community, the campus, the nation and the youth. As a founding member, he pushed for increased student involvement, ultimately leading the chapter to become the largest student organization on campus today.

He is passionate about volunteering and service, and believes that the younger someone gets involved, the greater the reward. During his freshman summer, Michael helped coach an age group team at Water Works. He immediately fell in love with coaching swimming and knew that, beyond teaching, he wanted to coach! He was also involved in FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) and ran a weekly Christian radio show throughout college. He was hopeful to help give people breaks in their life and be thankful for the simple things. He went to a Teaching Job Fair in April of 2001. Many of his friends went to the big school districts, but not him. He immediately visited with the smaller, Catholic elementary schools and interviewed with Mr. Scheetz from St. Sebastian School. Though teaching is not known as a money-making profession, Michael believes in "paying it forward" to students with what he was given during his years in Catholic school. Two days after his college graduation, he signed a contract with St. Sebastian School. From then on, the rest is history!

Each day is an adventure with his students. Michael teaches 6th grade Life Science, Language Arts, Health and Religion. In his daily lessons, he always tries to make it "real" for the students by using his own stories and experiences from his life. Michael wants the best for his students and wants to help them realize their true potential.

During October of 2001, a few young men came to his house and were interested in having Michael coach the Cuyahoga Falls High School swim team. Having already coached swimming during high school and college, Michael whole-heartedly accepted the position. He has coached for 10 years and has served as a mentor to hundreds of student-athletes. He has also worked with the CFYN Age-group swim team where he helps to mold the lives of his young swimmers.

While at college, Michael met his love, Deidre. Their lives often crossed paths while at college and Michael asked Deidre out during his senior year in college. He proposed to Deidre in September of 2002 on the "Kissing Bridge" at Mount Union College. They were married at St. Sebastian Church where Michael teaches and where he was baptized, as well as where Deidre later became Catholic in April of 2009. In their spare time, they enjoy hiking, biking, and running. While home, they enjoy spending time with each other, and with their two cats Anastasia and Bartok, and their beagle Harper. They apply Catholic values to their marriage and have been married for over 7 years.

Michael has been nominated for awards but quickly points the credit to his upbringing and his students. Though Michael has only been teaching for 10 years, he has already been named Teacher of the Year for St. Sebastian School in 2003, has represented all parochial schools on the Summit County All-County Teaching Team in 2008, and has been featured as a 2010 Akron Life & Leisure "Great Educator." As a swim coach, Michael was one of two people nominated for an Ethics in Coach Award out of over 300 coaches. Several of Michael's students have also won awards under his direction for art, writing, and science. Michael is a phenomenal teacher and an outstanding coach. It's not only his coaching style, but the way he relates to his swimmers. Michaels's students and swimmers look to him to mentor and guide them through life. His ability to relate and inspire the children he encounters on a daily basis is extraordinary.

"I like teaching because each day is an adventure. I love to see my students 'get' a lesson and see the light bulb go off. Teaching to me is cultivating the young minds of tomorrow. To me, teaching is an experience that never gets old because the kids are always changing."

Michael is thankful to his parents and family for his Catholic upbringing. Michael is proud to be a STVM graduate and wants to express his appreciation to the selection committee for this honor.

# 2011 IRISH CRUSADER AWARD

## PAMELA "PAM" GODSHALK

Pam Godshalk was born in Akron, Ohio, the oldest of five children of Ruth and Russell Godshalk. Her father's job took the family to Cleveland and later Steubenville but eventually back to Akron where Pam attended grades 5-8 at St. Martha School. In her class were future STVM teachers Anne Wise Bickett M67 and Carol Gill M67. Like all the eighth graders, she took the Catholic high school entrance test and was accepted at her first choice high school, St. Vincent High School. However, her parents, typical of others in the '60's, decided it was time "to move to the burbs," and so purchased the "King Arthur" model in the subdivision of Stow known as "Camelot." Unfortunately, since Stow at the time was "way out in the boonies," the only public transportation available to downtown Akron was the Greyhound bus. Pam's parents decided that she would have to be one of those "public school kids" that had been vilified by peers at St. Martha's and attend Stow High School. Pam graduated from Stow and earned a scholarship to Kent State University's College of Education and Honors College. Majoring in secondary education with specialization in both History/Political Science and English, she graduated with honors and a Bachelor of Science degree in 1971.

Pam's career path to become a teacher seemed destined from an early age. Her mother told her that her kindergarten teacher at Portage Path Elementary School had her pegged as a future teacher because she loved to write on the board, read to the class, and hang papers on the bulletin boards. During summer vacations she would even "play school," but she always had to be the teacher and was known to throw an eraser or two at a less focused sibling. While at Stow High School, she was an active member and officer of the Future Teachers of America Club. Club members tutored in the Stow elementary schools, and working with struggling readers at Woodlawn Elementary convinced Pam to pursue a degree in education,

assisted by a scholarship from the Stow Teacher's Association.

Ironically, even though Pam did not attend St. Vincent for high school, her career journey brought her back to "St. V" when she was hired in 1971 fresh out of college and just as the St. Mary and St. Vincent merger was taking place. "I remember being interviewed by the St. Vincent vice principal, Herb Lock, who asked me why I would like to teach at St. Vincent. I told him that my dream to attend St. V had been derailed, and this would be a chance to get back on track." Because she was dual certified in both history and English her teaching schedule was always an interesting combination of both. "My first rookie year was really a challenge. I was assigned to team teach American history with two veteran teachers, Terry Smith and Sr. Josette—all without a textbook. They were doing an innovative program producing all their own teaching materials. Sr. Josette had me in the convent basement almost every weekend cranking out handouts using the old mimeo machines. We probably sacrificed a rainforest or two that year, but I did have two great mentors. "The second year was even more challenging as the two schools were officially merged and operated from both campuses. I can remember having to teach 75 and 100 minute classes, driving across town at noon every day since I taught both upper and underclassmen, trying to find a parking space in the St. Vincent High School parking lot, and often missing lunch. The satisfaction, though, was looking across Market Street to see the new STVM High School building being constructed and knowing that the inconvenience was only temporary."

Over the years, Pam's career at STVM has evolved. In 1976, Pam created the first advanced placement course in the Social Studies Department, AP United States History. In 1983, she was selected from educators across the country to participate in a National Endowment of the Humanities grant funded program called, "The Age of Franklin Roosevelt." Educators spent the summer studying and working with archival documents at the Roosevelt Presidential Library in Hyde Park, New York. Pam's project entitled "The Great Depression, New Deal, and Youth: A Collection of Teaching Lessons Using Primary Source Documents" was presented at the Organization of American Historians Conference and later published by the NEH with other educator projects. In the mid 1990's Pam also developed an interdisciplinary program for honors juniors at STVM called Advanced Placement American Studies (known affectionately by students as "APAS") integrating AP U.S. History with AP English: Language and Composition. With interest in the course growing over the years, she began team teaching it with STVM Drama and English teacher Gerard Neary. Earning her Masters Degree in Library Science at Kent State University and acquiring certification as a library media specialist, Pam gave up some of her teaching duties to become the director of the Learning Resource Center (LRC) in 1995. She oversaw the massive project to "bring the library into the 21st century." This meant dismantling the traditional "card catalog" and paper circulation system and transitioning to a completely electronic system. It also meant downsizing the "book room" and study carrels and adding computers and software. Currently, in addition to teaching the "APAS" class and directing the Learning Resource Center, Pam also chairs the Social Studies Department and co-chairs the Steering Committee for the school's accreditation processes for both accrediting organizations: Ohio Catholic Schools Accreditation Association and the North Central Association. "My day is definitely busy, but wearing so many 'hats' means that every day is going to be a little bit different, and I am always learning new things."

Extra curricular activities and other committee assignments have also been a part of the mix of Pam's responsibilities. Over the years, she has advised organizations such as the ski club, school newspaper, senior class, speech and debate team, and Academic Challenge Team, but the one organization that she has advised since her first year teaching is the National Honor Society. "I have always enjoyed advising this group because I get to work with some of the most talented, motivated, and dependable students in the school. Even though it also means I will probably be writing a zillion college recommendation letters, I am always proud of how much this group gives to the school and community in terms of service." Currently, Pam also serves on the school's Curriculum Committee, Technology Committee, and the Local Professional Development Committee. For the past two years, she has also served on the Cleveland Diocesan Social Studies Curriculum Committee, a committee that has been charged with revising and writing the social studies curriculum for all the Diocesan high schools.

During her tenure at STVM, Pam has been recognized for her teaching performance. In 1988, 1998, and 2005 Pam was selected by her colleagues as the school's "Diocesan Teacher of the Year." She has been recognized by Ohio Magazine, Who's Who in American Teachers, and Denison University as an "outstanding teacher." She also wrote the nomination that earned STVM the "Catholic Schools for Tomorrow Innovation in Education Award" presented at the National Catholic Education Association's annual conference in 2007. In her spare time, she enjoys reading (she's a charter member of the faculty book club), traveling to visit siblings and their families from coast to coast, golfing, and "perpetually searching for a new condo to buy." She also enjoys spending time with her brother, sister-in-law, niece and nephew who live close by in Medina. She is a member of St. Eugene Parish in Munroe Falls.

"St. Vincent-St. Mary holds a special place in my heart. I am grateful for the opportunity I have had to work with so many wonderful young people and adults. My students may learn from me, but I also know that over the years I have learned much from them. When people talk about STVM being a family, I have experienced that first hand. When I was diagnosed with cancer some years back, I know that one of the major factors in my recovery was the support and encouragement I received from students, staff, and STVM families. I am so honored to be a recipient of the Irish Crusader Award and the honorary alumni status that goes with the recognition so that I can truly say that STVM is my "alma mater."

Joanne Coletta Wiseman V69 included this information in her nomination of Pam Godshalk for the 2011 Irish Crusader Award. "I had actually worked at STVM for 2 years before I realized that Pam was not an alum but a very dedicated teacher and colleague. It's obvious that Pam has made STVM her life! Daily, she shares her passion of teaching and being there for students and colleagues. She goes above and beyond what is expected and is a perfectionist in every sense of the word. She has been a tremendous asset to us in Admissions as she enlists the help of STVM student tour guides for our multiple Open Houses, Eighth Grade Scholarship Dinners, and Seventh Grade Visitations. She takes time out of her busy schedule, many times working through her lunch for an entire week to help us each year with the many student-intensive events we offer. Pam does it all and we do appreciate that she gives her all for STVM! She is a tremendous asset to our STVM family!"

# HEADMASTER'S ADDRESS

Dear Alumni, Family and Friends,

I continue to be so impressed by our families and our students as they use their four-year experience at STVM to practice their faith as they develop their skills at learning and living. Ministry among our students has always been high, and the newest student group is a superb example of how high school students can have a very significant impact on the lives of others.

The Arimathea Society was established this year at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School to provide pall bearers to any family who has neither the persons nor the resources for their loved one's funeral. Glenn Griffin teaches religion and organized our students for this very worthwhile cause. The first call for assistance came in January. We congratulate Nick Codrea, Neil Edwards, Chris Motley, Jackie Murray, and Olivia Myers for giving their strong backs and their caring hearts.

The report back to us from Holy Cross Akron Cemetery was that the son of the deceased "was so overwhelmed by the compassion and respect that these students had for him and his small family, he was fumbling for words. He couldn't get these kids out of his mind. It meant more to him than even if he had his own family to do it. He said they treated his mother's body with the most respect, and stood so reverently at the graveside during the graveside service even though it was snowing and he couldn't afford a tent. They gave him a card, which they all signed, and each one of them hugged him before they left. It was heartwarming to him to see that there are teenagers...out there who would even consider doing something like this." We, of course, know that we have so many wonderful teenagers who are so willing.

Let us continue to be thankful for the many blessings that God has given us. We are fortunate as a school community to continue to grow in grace, "inspiring the soul."

Sincerely,
David V. Rathz, Headmaster

# CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER'S ADDRESS

Dear Alumni, Friends, and Family,

St. Vincent-St. Mary High School has enjoyed a successful first half of the school year. Spirits are high as the students, faculty, and staff here at STVM are immersed in a multitude of academic, spiritual, social and athletic activities. Our school is alive with energy.

My hope is that our school's contagious energy and spirit will grow and thrive as the year progresses. The desire to do so is clearly visible, but the ability to continue to advance, in some regard, hinges on all of us supporting the needs of our school.

We ask with great appreciation, that all of our alumni, friends, and families, who are currently giving to our legacy, not only continue to support STVM, but to take their generosity a step further by getting involved on our campus. We need your skills and expertise to serve on committees to help ensure that we provide our faculty and staff the very best resources so they are able to continue to engage, enlighten, and educate our students; today, tomorrow, and for decades to come.

We hear the words "time, talent and treasure" at every turn and we have been blessed with many alumni, parents and friends who are actively and generously giving on all three fronts; but they represent only a small percentage of the total. To continue our legacy, we need to increase the gifts of giving throughout our entire community. When you actively give, you remain connected to the STVM community through common bonds, experiences, and memories. Your legacy continues as you return to campus for class reunions, keep in touch with former classmates, and ultimately enroll your own children at STVM. I encourage each and every one of you to please take time to visit STVM High School and see for yourself all of our excellent academic programs and campus activities. I promise you will be impressed, and proud to say you are an alumni, parent or friend of our school.

On a personal note, when I look back and reflect on the generosity that made it possible for me as well as fellow classmates to attend STVM back in the 70's, I am amazed to see some of the same donors are still quietly giving today. Please thoughtfully consider joining this legacy of giving so we may provide for the STVM students of today, tomorrow and the future.

Thank you and Irish blessings to all of our alumni, friends and family,
Thomas M. Carone, Chief Operating Office / Director of Advancement

ANNUAL FUND

## NEW FOCUS FOR THE GREEN & GOLD ANNUAL FUND INVEST IN THE FUTURE OF STVM

Dear Alumni and Friends,

As a member of our community, you understand and recognize the value of the education and environment that STVM High School provides to its students.

Like all independent schools and colleges, our tuition never fully covers our operating expenses. In fact, the cost to educate each child exceeds the cost of tuition by 15%, assuming that every child pays full tuition. When we factor in the amount of financial aid and scholarships, we are only charging 75% of the actual cost to educate each student.

We also know that we must remain affordable for the families we are called to serve,while sustaining our traditions of academic excellence.

Our annual appeal will now be know as the **Green & Gold Annual Fund** because it is more than a yearly fundraiser. It is our lifeblood. Because we must rely on donations for every additional penny needed to educate our students, the monies raised through the **Green & Gold Annual Fund** are critical for the day-to-day operations of our school. These funds are put to work right away for our general operating budget, tuition assistance and scholarships.

Every gift to our **Green & Gold Annual Fund**, no matter how large or small, is important. Your support will help ensure we continue to provide the highest quality curriculum, hire outstanding teachers and attract the best and brightest students. You will also be making a worthy investment in the future of our school and in the future of our children.

May God bless you and your family,
Thomas M. Carone,
Chief Operating Officer / Director of Advancement

*Note: Annual gifts of $1,000.00 or more will qualify you for membership in the Shamrock Society, a distinguished donor level of some of our most dedicated and generous supporters.*

## **SHARE THE VISION** CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

As reported on page 40 of the Spring 2010 Alumni Connection Magazine "From Vision to Reality" article, the Share the Vision Capital Campaign successfully concluded with the opening of our Student Activity Center, The Cosgrove Center on September 25, 2009.

A donor wall, listing all of the generous contributors and donors, was created for the Share the Vision Capital Campaign and the blessing of the Donor Wall occurred at the 2010 Shamrock Society Mass held on September 3, 2010

For a full recap of the impressive and notable Share the Vision accomplishments and milestones, please refer to magazine article or view the Spring 2010 magazine on-line by going to the STVM website — (http://www.stvm.com/files/pdf/alumni/AlumniConnections-Spring2010.pdf)

Pat Hart V68 (Executive Board Chair) and Tom Carone VM77 (Chief Operating Officer) unveil the Share the Vision Donor Wall

## SHOWCASE 25 **CELEBRATING OUR SILVER ANNIVERSARY**

More precious than silver — gold! And we struck gold with this year's Annual Showcase Dinner and Auction on Saturday, October 23, 2010. The night was filled with glamour and glitz from the moment you walked through the gymnasium doors.

Guests were treated to a Taste of Excellence! The caterer's for this year's dinner did not disappoint. Dinner was served by our students and everyone enjoyed the elegant surf and turf menu. Brian Campbell, STVM Band Director and the STVM Jazz Band provided the music which set the mood for the evening.

The Live Auction began with Auction Item Number One! Ralph Bernard Jr. and Nick and Eileen Antonino donated a $50,000 matching gift for all bids to Fund-a-Scholar. The paddles began to fly. After it was all said and done, this one auction item raised nearly $170,000.00

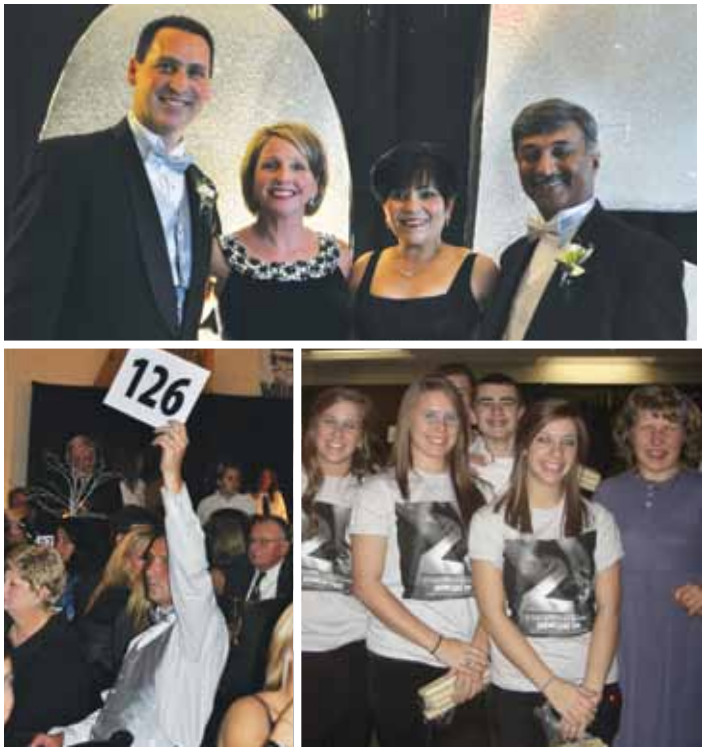
This year's event was spearheaded by Jennifer Jesser Ringer, Special Events Coordinator, along with chair couples Jim VM80 and Denise Bowen and Santosh VM78 and Anitha Kanakkanatt.

Be sure to visit the Photo Gallery to see all the wonderful photographs from our Showcase 25 (www.stvm.com – Advancement – Photo Gallery – Showcase 2010).

Showcase 25 showed a net-profit of $267,412 which includes the amount referenced above from the Fund-a-Scholar matching gifts.

500 guests attended our Silver Anniversary. Thank you for your continued and generous support.

**SAVE THE DATE – SHOWCASE #26 - OCTOBER 22, 2011**
For questions or to volunteer, please contact Jennifer Ringer 330-253-9113 x143




Clockwise from top: Chair Couples Jim VM80 and Denise Bowen, Santosh VM78 and Anitha Kanakkanatt; STVM students prepare to distribute The Dash poem; Bidding commences for Oral Auction Item #1

## BOB SERPENTINI'S GENEROSITY **HITS MILLION DOLLAR MARK**

In 2002, St. Vincent–St. Mary High School approached successful car dealer Bob Serpentini about donating a car to raise operating revenue for the school. The school was kicking off its first annual car raffle – which, of course, required a car. Bob's affirmative response was responsible for the raffle netting over $90,000 that year. He has since donated a car annually to STVM and this year's 9th Annual Car Raffle will surpass the million dollar mark.

Although Bob's sons have already graduated from STVM (Bob VM06 and Ryan VM08) and have moved on to college, he continues to give back to their alma mater. In addition to the raffle, Bob supplies transportation for students to travel long distances to mission retreats. Bob Serpentini says it is because of his sons and their experience at St. Vincent–St. Mary that he is one of its biggest supporters.

"We wanted our sons to get an excellent education in a real world atmosphere. STVM offered a family environment with a student population that is diverse in every sense of the word. My kids still have close friends from high school and these are who they will walk through life with --- and for this, I am thankful."

Thank you Bob for your continued support and commitment to STVM High School!

THE 9TH ANNUAL CAR RAFFLE DRAWING WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 25, 2011. RESULTS FROM THE DRAWING WILL BE REPORTED IN THE NEXT ISSUE OF ALUMNI CONNECTION MAGAZINE.

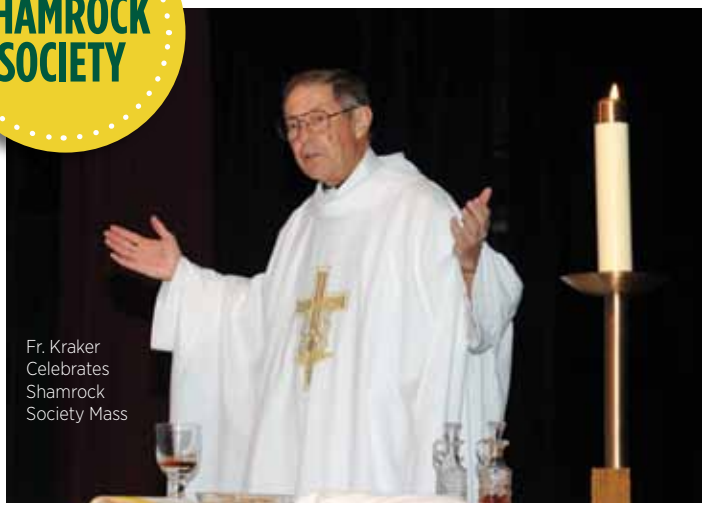
SHAMROCK SOCIETY

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUING SUPPORT

On Friday, September 3, 2010, Father Kraker celebrated the Annual Shamrock Society Mass of thanksgiving in the STVM Theater. Classmates ranging from 1939 through 2014 celebrated along with friends, family, faculty and staff. Invited guests included all Shamrock Society members and Share the Vision donors. Following the liturgy, Father blessed the Share the Vision Donor Wall that is now on display in the Cosgrove Center.

Members of the Shamrock Society play an integral role in the STVM High School community. These donors are making a difference with their ongoing support. Members receive an official donor recognition key that provides free admittance for two people to all theater and band performances as well as athletic events held on the STVM Campus.

This listing represents Shamrock Society donors who made contributions in the current fiscal year. The names of new and renewed donors from July 1, 2010 - December 31, 2010 appear in **bold type**. The members of this distinguished group donated $1,000.00 or more annually to our school in support of general operating, tuition assistance, endowment, capital campaign, and scholarships.



Fr. Kraker Celebrates Shamrock Society Mass

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## ALUMNI AND FRIENDS CAN ENSURE STVM'S FUTURE

PLANNED GIVING IS A PERFECT WAY TO SECURE THE LONG-TERM GOALS OF STVM

Join your fellow alumni & friends and help ensure STVM's future
**M. Teri Lynch V70, Marlene Poje Dunford V50, Leo VM76 & Mary Ann Walter, Jack Fitzpatrick V44 —** and more!

St. Vincent-St. Mary High School has established a Planned Giving program to help secure the long-term future of the school. The four most common planned giving opportunities include the following:

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

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

**GIFTS OF LIFE INSURANCE:**
If you own a life insurance policy that is no longer needed, it may be the perfect vehicle for a gift. To receive a charitable deduction for this type of donation, name St. Vincent-St. Mary High School as both the owner and the beneficiary of the policy. If the policy has cash value, you can take a charitable deduction approximately equal to the cash value at the time of the gift. In addition, if annual premiums are still to be made and you continue to pay them, those premiums will become tax deductible each year. Please check with your insurance agent for details on which forms to complete.

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

For more information, contact the STVM Advancement Department at 330-253-9113 x142.

## REQUEST MORE INFORMATION ON **PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM**

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- OUTRIGHT GIFT OF CASH OR PERSONAL PROPERTY
- OUTRIGHT GIFT OF STOCK
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I would like additional information on:
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Mail this form to: St. Vincent–St. Mary High School 15 N. Maple Street Akron, OH 44303 ATTN: Advancement Department or
Fax: : 330-996-0000

## NEW DEPARTMENT
## NEW FOCUS ON THE FUTURE

There is a new focus at STVM and it is centered around the Advancement Department. Tom Carone, Chief Operating Officer and Director of Advancement is excited about this renewed focus on buidling a team and mission centered department. Team members include: Joanne Coletta Wiseman V69, Director of Admissions; Kathleen Zehenni Holaday VM77, Director of Constituent Relations; Jan Giles, Advancement Services Manager; Jennifer Ringer, Special Events Coordinator; Patty Dyer Burdon M69, Public Relations; Peggy O'Connor McDonald VM73, Administrative Assistant to Advancement; and Pat Kokoczka, Administrative Assistant to Admissions.

A full overview of the Advancement Department and each focus area will be published in the next Alumni Connection Magazine.

## IT'S A GREAT DAY FOR THE IRISH STVM PREVAILS OVER HOBAN 20-0

All Irish eyes were smiling for the Green & Gold at The University of Akron's InfoCision Stadium on Saturday, September 25th when the STVM Irish defeated the Hoban Knights for the fourth straight year. Nearly 70 guests were hosted in the Presidential Suite thanks to the generosity of Ann and David Brennan who donated the suite once again for this year's Holy War.

Linda Hart, Chris Dougherty Marks V72 and Tom Marks V72 enjoy the STVM vs. Hoban Football Game.

## Come Sail Away With STVM Booster Club

Royal Caribbean® INTERNATIONAL

The Booster Club has reserved 50 cabins on Royal Caribbean's Majesty of the Seas that will sail from Miami on June 20, 2011. Itinerary includes Bahamas, Key West and CocoCay Island. Contact Jim Hillery for more details (jimhillery11@gmail.com).

Join us for Booster Club meetings the third Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m. on the STVM campus. For more information on the STVM Booster Club and our meeting or events, please log onto www.stvm.com and select Athletics – Athletic Boosters

BOOSTER CLUB IS ACCEPTING MEMBERS!
Contact Mike Neag at neag@msn.com for more information

ENDOWMENT

# Opportunity Through Investment

STVM's Endowment funds student scholarships, supports outstanding teachers, maintains facilities, and sustains a myriad of other noble purposes.

## STVM ENDOWMENT **ELECTS NEW OFFICERS**

Endowment Board Officers (L-R): Tom Presper VM79, Jerry Kelly VM08 Honorary, Dee Hanlon, and Susie Wallace VM91. (Richard "Dick" Waltz M54 not pictured)

At their regularly scheduled meeting on September 20, 2010 new officers were elected to the STVM Endowment Board. The new STVM Endowment Board Officers are Tom Presper VM79, President, Dee Hanlon, Vice President, Jerry Kelly Honorary VM08, Secretary, Susie Gaebel Wallace VM91, Treasurer, and Richard "Dick" Waltz M54, Assistant Treasurer. The newly elected officers will focus on further strengthening the work of the standing committees and conducting a five year governance review. Don Utrup M56 and Morris Laatsch V66 who recently ended their terms as officers were recognized and thanked for their service.

After the Endowment Board meeting in September, Don Utrup M56 was presented with an engraved gavel to commemorate his leadership over the past 10 years. Don will now chair the Endowment Scholarship Standing Committee which oversees the Family & Memorial Scholarship Program. Don M56 and Darlene Utrup are actively involved with their late daughter's endowed scholarship, the Lynda Utrup Schafer Memorial Scholarship.

Above: Don Utrup M56, Chair of the Endowment Scholarship Committee, toasts M. Teri Lynch V70 at the conclusion of the dedication ceremony

Right: New Family & Memorial Scholarship Program wall display

## **FAMILY & MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM** DEDICATES NEW WALL DISPLAY

There was additional reason to celebrate at Showcase 25 on October 23, 2010. The STVM Endowment Board dedicated the new Family & Memorial Scholarship Program wall display which is located in the STVM Student Center. The wall display contains pictures and recipients lists for the academic year 2010-2011 as well as a podium with details about past recipients for each scholarship.

The idea for a scholarship wall goes back a number of years and ties directly to M. Teri Lynch, St. Vincent Class of 1970. She strongly believed in proudly sharing the strength of our scholarship program and the many, many students who are helped each year to attain and to afford a Catholic education at St. Vincent-St. Mary High School. We are thankful to Teri for her leadership and vision with regards to Endowment and scholarships. She is greatly missed and this project is dedicated in loving memory to Teri.

Through the new wall display we memorialize those to whom the scholarships are dedicated, we honor those who generously fund these scholarships, and we recognize the worthy student recipients. We also celebrate in a special way the strength and size of our scholarship program. This is a great accomplishment and we have the largest scholarship program of any high school in the region.

A special thank you is extended to Don Utrup M56, Endowment Board Past President and Scholarship Committee Chair, for his vision and passionate pursuit of this project, to the STVM Endowment Board, to the STVM Advancement Office, and to PFI Displays (The Tricomi Family). If you have not yet seen the new Family & Memorial Scholarship wall display, please stop by school.

# New Scholarships

Three New Family & Memorial Scholarships were recently added.

## ANN NOONAN HAGG V49
## HONORED WITH SCHOLARSHIP

In honor of Ann Noonan Haag V49, STVM Special Education students will receive ongoing support. Ann (1931-2007) and her husband Jack Haag V50, and their family have been long time supporters of Catholic education, STVM, and the Hattie Larlham Foundation. Early on, Ann and Jack taught their six children to show kindness and compassion toward those with special needs. They are pleased to honor her memory with this scholarship which will be awarded for the first time in 2011.

## NEW SCHOLARSHIP HONORS
## LEO P. LONGVILLE V49

In the Fall of 2010 a new scholarship was established in honor and memory of Leo P. Longville who had sadly passed away earlier in the year. This new annual scholarship will be awarded to a STVM student with special needs. Leo, along with his brothers and sisters graduated from St. Vincent High School as did his wife, Sally, and her six brothers and sisters. The six children of Leo and Sally graduated from STVM as did two of their grandchildren. Leo's family is pleased to be able to express his love of and loyalty to the school through this new scholarship which will be awarded to a deserving student for the first time in 2011.

## DANIEL F. STEINER
## MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

The Daniel F. Steiner Memorial Scholarship was established in 2010 after Dan passed away following a courageous battle with cancer. This new scholarship honors his enthusiastic support of STVM, its students, and in particular the STVM Special Education Program. Although Dan was a graduate of Woodridge High School, he came to adopt STVM as his alma mater. Dan and Carla Bouschere Steiner VM77 (parents of Sean VM02), twice chaired Showcase and were involved in numerous capital projects at STVM. This scholarship will be awarded to a Special Education student who is also very involved in extra-curricular and community activities.

## 10TH ANNUAL **MATT KAUFFMAN MEMORIAL 5K**

On August 7, 2010 the 10th Annual Matt Kauffman Memorial 5K was held at Goodyear Metro Park. This race is hosted by the STVM Cross Country Team and is a friendly warm-up to the fall cross country season. This year, 2010, marked the largest race to date with 150 participants!

In addition to the STVM Cross Country Team families, it was exciting to see record attendance by STVM alumni who came to run, to walk, to volunteer, or to share in fellowship at the wonderful lunch held at the conclusion of the awards ceremony. Jonathan Dewitt won the overall men's race while Maria Arnone VM11 won the women's race.

Mrs. Marian Kauffman, mother of the late Matt Kauffman VM97, was on hand to assist Coach Dan Lancianese with the awards ceremony. There was also a new alumni award inaugurated this year. In memory of Dan Steiner, a long time supporter of STVM Cross Country, a new annual award will be given to the highest finishing alumnus (Mike Mion VM04) and alumna (Molly Miloscia VM10). Carla Steiner VM77, Sean Steiner VM02, and the entire Molinelli and Bouschere families were present to witness the inaugural award.

Plans are already underway for the 2011 race which is slated for August 6, 2011.

Matt Kauffman 10K Participants (top photo); Bottom photo (L-R): Erin Molinelli VM03, John Molinelli, Kyle Molinelli VM17, Kara Molinelli VM13, Patti Bouschere Molinelli VM79, Sean Steiner VM02, Molly Miloscia VM10, Mike Mion VM04, Carla Bouschere Steiner VM77, Kevin Molinelli VM11, Mary Bouschere

## **STVM** FAMILY & MEMORIAL **SCHOLARSHIPS**

A GIFT OF EDUCATION

Nick and Eileen Antonino Family Scholarship
Thomas and Margaret Antonino Memorial Scholarship
Bader Family Scholarship
Ralph L and Florence A. Bernard Memorial Scholarship
Bertsch Family Scholarship
Breiding Family Scholarship
Burr Brown Memorial Scholarship
Christine Clark Memorial Scholarship
Msgr. Conry Scholarship
Leo "Mox" Engler Memorial Scholarship
Jack Fitzpatrick V44 Scholarship
Fongheiser Family Memorial Scholarship
Frattura-Waltz Family Scholarship
Freshman Marching Band Scholarship
Bernard Gallagher Memorial Scholarship
Van L. Garber Family Scholarship
David R. and Rita George Social Service Scholarship
Graf Family Scholarship
Thomas Gulka Memorial Scholarship
Ann Noonan Haag V49 Memorial Scholarship
Hanlon Family Scholarship
James and Elizabeth Hart Family Scholarship
Henkel Family Scholarship
Newt Henry Memorial Scholarship
Brian Heslop Memorial Scholarship
IHM / St. Joseph Alumni Grant
Matt Kauffman Memorial Scholarship
Jim Kelly Memorial Scholarship
Harry Kidder Memorial Scholarship
Krause Memorial Scholarship
Leo P. Longville Memorial Scholarship
Ed Lynch Memorial Scholarship
Lynch Family Scholarship
Pauline Meeker Memorial Scholarship
Dr. Frank Mellion Memorial Scholarship
Metzger Family Scholarship
Leo B. Mills Memorial Scholarship
Robert O. V39 and Annamae V39 (Gifford) Orr Memorial Scholarship
Jim Pier Memorial Scholarship
St. Vincent Class of 1964 Memorial Scholarship
St. Vincent de Paul Elementary School Scholarship
St. Vincent-St. Mary Class of 2010 Scholarship
Patrick Sansonetti Memorial Scholarship
Lynda Utrup Schafer Memorial Scholarship
Sandy Singleton Smith Memorial Scholarship
Robert C. Staudt Memorial Scholarship
Daniel F. Steiner Memorial Scholarship
Anne Marie Stephenson Special Education Scholarship
Mike Sullivan V53 Scholarship
Joseph F. Trecaso Memorial Scholarship
Ray Tricomi Memorial Scholarship
VanDevere/RTL Scholarship
Richard M. Wynne Memorial Scholarship

**St. Vincent-St. Mary High School Family & Memorial Scholarships** represent a vital aspect of our tuition assistance program and help to ensure that Catholic education remains affordable. The majority of our scholarships are endowed and are invested in the St. Vincent-St. Mary High School Endowment Fund. Donor families have established these scholarships in honor of a family member or out of a desire to give back to St. Mary, St. Vincent, or St. Vincent-St. Mary High School.

(L-R): Ralph Bernard, Jr., Judi O'Neil Hamilton VM78, and Adam Bernard VM88 enjoying Showcase 25

## **SCHOLARSHIP CHALLENGE** AT SHOWCASE 25 **EXCEEDS EXPECTATIONS**

Showcase 25 was a wonderful success and marked by the outstanding response to Oral Auction Item #1. This item directly benefits St. Vincent-St. Mary High School students through scholarships and tuition assistance. Nick Antonino V56 and Ralph Bernard, Jr. represented the lead donors for this auction item which commenced the oral auction bidding at the Silver Anniversary of Showcase.

We are thrilled to report that Oral Auction Item #1 raised nearly $170,000.00. This is a substantial increase over the $119,000.00 raised through the 2009 Ralph Bernard, Sr. Scholarship Challenge. Donor response at all giving levels during Oral Auction Item #1 attests to their support of STVM students and to their desire to keep a Catholic education affordable and attainable. Just prior to bidding on Oral Auction Item #1, STVM student scholarship recipients circulated throughout the room and thanked donors for their support of Catholic education. STVM students also shared with all Showcase attendees the poem, *The Dash* by Linda Ellis. This poem was a favorite of the late Ralph Bernard, Sr. who had initiated the now annual scholarship challenge with oral bidding at Showcase.

We are very thankful for the leadership shown by Nick Antonino V56 and Ralph Bernard, Jr. Their lead donations not only motivated and encouraged others to donate, but also highlighted the importance of continually raising funds for scholarships and tuition assistance. Get ready to raise those paddles in 2011!

## **JIM KELLY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP** REVERSE RAFFLE AND MINI-SILENT AUCTION

The Jim Kelly Memorial Scholarship Reverse Raffle and Mini-Silent Auction is scheduled for Thursday, May 19, 2011 at Guy's Party Centre.

You won't want to miss this enjoyable event which brings together both old and new friends of our Irish community. This popular fundraiser, for the benefit of our Endowment Fund, is always a sell-out so plan now for an evening of delicious food and spirited bidding of unique gifts.

This reverse raffle has become known as a "reunion" of many of our longtime, as well as new, supporters. Mark your calendars! The Jim Kelly Memorial Scholarship of the STVM Endowment Fund has helped eased the tuition burden for over 100 STVM students since 1989. For more information, call Jerry Kelly at 330-253-9113.

# Mind, Body, Spirit

Our students, faculty and staff work each and every day to meet the high standards of a STVM education. Read on to learn of their many accomplishments.

## STVM **FOR FAITH... FOR LEARNING... FOR LIFE**

The STVM Admissions Department is having a busy and exciting school year. Eighth grade applicants will receive their acceptance letters on February 11, and March 1 is Registration Night for the incoming freshman class. This group will be a great addition to our high school family and will be officially recognized as the STVM Class of 2015!

On Tuesday, March 22, we are expecting almost 700 seventh graders, their parents, and teachers as they visit us for STVM Seventh Grade Visitation Day on Tuesday, March 22, 2011 from 9:00 a.m. to 1:15 p.m. This is a fun-filled, exciting, and informative day when our administrators, faculty, staff, students and parents show our guests all that we offer in Religion, Academics, and Co-curricular activities! It's a day when many seventh graders decide that STVM is the choice for them! Our Sunday, March 27 Open House is scheduled for any families interested in visiting us and meeting our teachers and coaches while touring our campus with STVM students.

Then on Friday, April 15, 2011 at 9:30 a.m., we welcome sixth graders and their teachers to enjoy our spring musical, *Thoroughly Modern Millie*. Our 426 seat theatre is always filled with enthusiastic students for this wonderful production that highlights the talents of our STVM cast, stage crew, sound crew, and band. The performance runs from April 14 through April 17 and you may contact the school for tickets.

Don't forget to visit our website to keep up-to-date on our accomplishments and activities! Summer Camps for elementary/middle school students will be posted in February.

Our students are being challenged to reach their potential, are learning to lead and serve others and are making us proud as they represent our school. STVM is the place to be For Faith....For Learning....For Life!

Joanne Coletta Wiseman V69

*WELCOME CLASS OF 2015*

IT'S HAPPENING HERE

## **BOOKS FOR BAHAMAS** EXCEEDS GOAL!

National Honor Society says "Thank you, STVM Community" for the inspiring results of our annual "Books for the Bahamas" children's book drive. Our final tally reached an amazing 5,300 books, more than triple the goal.

NHS members asked students and staff to donate new or gently used children's books to be contributed to the Bahamas Library Project. Elementary schools on some of the impoverished islands there do not have libraries, so these books will help the schools to build library collections. Jasmine Wyatt, NHS vice president, was in charge of the project, assisted by fellow officers Nick Codrea, Jon Bashor, and TaLeitha Varner and advisor Ms. Pam Godshalk. Math tutor Mr. Paul Wagner helps coordinate the shipping and delivery of the books to the Bahamas.

In the "doughnut day" competition the winning homerooms were Seniors — Mrs. Anderson; Juniors — Mr. Brownfield; Sophomores — Mrs. Gorman; Freshmen — Mr. Boarman; and Special Homerooms — Mrs. Arbaugh.

Every homeroom contributed at least a few books. Also, all four classes— 2011, 2012, 2013, and 2014 beat Class of 2010 alumna Abby Tanner's challenge. She donated over 600 books and challenged each class to do the same or better.

The National Honor Society is very grateful to the STVM community for their generosity.

Featured in the photograph are members of St. Vincent de Paul Society from St. Hilary Church, one of the local parishes involved in the STVM Adopt-a-Family project:
Frank Fearon, Ann Welty, Bob Conroy, Dale Ryba, Dave George V59, Tom Dangel V60, Lou Maglione V58, Ron Zumpano, Jim Lambright, Howard Mehigan V54, and Bill Stiller

## SCHOOL COMMUNITY PARTICIPATES IN **ADOPT-A-FAMILY** PROGRAM

The entire STVM school community actively participated in this year's Adopt-a-Family program. According to Ken McDonald, STVM Campus Minister, 29 local families were supported during this holiday season.

Peer Ministers at STVM, juniors and seniors, help to organize the program and are assisted by a number of our local parishes in identifying needy families.

## SOPHOMORES CELEBRATE **RING CEREMONY**

The STVM Sophomore Ring Ceremony was held on Thursday, December 9, 2010. Campus Minister, Ken McDonald led the ceremony and Headmaster, David Rathz provided this Spiritual Reflection to the students....

*Excerpts from the ceremony...*
"Tradition.....We hear this word many, many times.....especially here at St. Vincent-St. Mary where our tradition runs rich and deep. These traditions rest upon the experiences of hundreds and hundreds of young women and men that have come before us and have taken part in these very same rituals and activities; young men and women who have gone on to carve their niche in the world...making a difference in our society...making the world a better place. Indeed, our tradition at St. Vincent-St. Mary is one that truly runs rich and deep!

I challenge you to wear your ring proudly...to remember in your prayers those who have worn this ring before you and those who will wear this ring in the future...that they may be living examples of the love that Christ has for each of us...that they may be shining symbols of the values that St. Vincent-St. Mary stands for...truth, honesty, love, excellence, faith...and that they may continue to call others to live as Jesus lived.

And so, as you enter into this long and rich tradition, recognize the step you are making. Recognize the commitment you are announcing publicly - to grow in the Spirit of the Lord; to grow in your relationship with God; to join with thousands of others before you in this spiritual path of Godliness.

As you consider these truths in relationship to your own spiritual life, I hope you come closer to finding the blessings you seek."

Class of VM13 receive their class rings at the Sophomore Ring Ceremony

## **IRISH FOR LIFE** MARCH FOR LIFE IN WASHINGTON, D.C.

On January 23 and January 24, 2011, the St. Vincent-St. Mary High School "Irish For Life" group traveled to Washington D.C. to participate in the annual March for Life.

Since 1974, this March for Life is held on the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade. STVM participated in this year's anniversary event and 44 Irish For Life students traveled to D.C. to honor the silent voices and victims of this Supreme Court ruling.

The Irish for Life students traveled by charter bus and stayed at the National 4-H Youth Conference Center. STVM attended the celebratory mass held by the Summit County Pro-Life Chapter.

The students had a wonderful trip and also participated in break out sessions educating them on pro-life issues and the actual case of Roe vs. Wade. In addition the students toured the city by bus, visited the Lincoln Memorial and also visited the Holocaust Museum.

Irish For Life students attended the March for Life in Washington, D.C.

## INTERNATIONAL THESPIAN SOCIETY PRESENTS **BLITHE SPIRIT**

The STVM International Thespian Society (ITS) delighted the audience in November with the production of Noel Coward's "Blithe Spirit."

Director Gerard Neary produced the show with the assistance of Peggy Murphy technical, scenic and lighting designer. Mike Murphy provided the master carpenter function and Mark Schwenning assisted with the sound system. Andrea Fliegel was in charge of the bake sale and parent volunteer efforts and Rae Presz provided the costume design. Rae is the parent of two STVM alums (Jessica Presz Beal VM97 and Amanda Presz VM02) and is still helping after all of these years!!!

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

In February 2011, ITS performed the Murder Mystery Dinner Theater production of "Trouble at the Talent Show."

"Blithe Spirit" cast members delight audiences in November

**ITS WILL PERFORM "THOROUGHLY MODERN MILLIE" FOR THE SPRING MUSICAL IN THE STVM THEATER ON APRIL 14-17, 2011**

# Inquiring Minds

Our award-winning Center for Science & Technology is a hub of creativity and inquiry-based research.

## STVM **LOCAL SCIENCE DAY** SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 16, 2011

The Ohio Academy of Science and St. Vincent-St. Mary High school announced that the STVM Local Science Fair will be held on Wednesday, February 16, 2011. Participating students from all science courses and levels will be showcasing their Science Inquiry Project at the fair.

Projects will be represented in one of the following categories: Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science and Physical Science. All projects will be judged and awards will be rewarded to the top inquiry project in each category. Superior rated students from the St. Vincent-St. Mary local science fair may attend the 63rd Western Reserve District 5 Science Day at The University of Akron on Saturday, March 19, 2011, an event also sponsored by The Ohio Academy of Science.

Selected student projects will also be entered into the Intel Northeast Ohio Science and Engineering Fair to be held March 14-17, 2011.

## STVM **STUDENTS FEATURED ON WKYC** AS PART OF POLYMER RESEARCH PROGRAM

In the Fall of 2009, the STVM /UA Partners in Progress Partnership, under the leadership of Project Director, Mary Jo Chionchio, initiated the Research Experience with the UA College of Polymer Science and Polymer Engineering. In October of 2010 this story of 11 STVM students and 8 STVM Science Teachers joining with 10 Polymer Scientists attracted the attention of Akron-Cleveland TV media.

On October 4th and 5th, WKYC (Channel 3) and WEWS (Channel 5) filmed our students and teachers at the UA Polymer Laboratories participating in cutting edge real world research projects with UA Scientists. The Research Experience seeks to promote the research literacy of both students and teachers. Teachers bring their new-found knowledge back to the STVM classroom to raise our science curriculum to yet one more level of excellence. Student researchers develop enhanced science projects which will be presented at local and state competitions.

To view the televised special featuring our STVM students and teachers, please visit: http://www.wkyc.com/video/default.aspx?bctid=624263639001

Screen Shot of STVM story on WKYC.com

E.C.C. members Pauline Klein, Maddie Winer, Katelyn Holaday, Mrs. Joanna Price, Isabella Sparhawk, Marie Guillard, Maddie Bishop, Larissa Prince, Sarah Brown, Mrs. Emily Knapp, Brigid Graham. Maria Skora

## STVM **ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION CLUB** FEATURED IN WEST SIDE LEADER

The St. Vincent-St. Mary High School's Environmental Conservation Club (E.C.C.) was featured in the West Side Leader on December 30, 2010. The E.C.C. is promoting awareness of the current state of our environment and educating its community on how to go "greener." The club is open to all students interested in making our community a healthier place.

The E.C.C. also collects used magazines and donates them to local shelters, and would like to organize a school-wide rummage sale with proceeds used to provide clean drinking water to developing countries. Future plans include selling aluminum water bottles to stop the use of plastic all together and collecting used cell phones for proper recycling. They are planning to take a field trip to clean up a local park and go hiking, canoeing and kayaking. The club will end the school year with a school-wide collection of gently used school supplies and donate these supplies the following school year to students in need.

Emily Knapp and Joanna Price, advisors to the E.C.C. are excited about the growing student interest at St. Vincent-St. Mary. They say, "Our club is in its third year and we feel we as a group have made STVM a much greener place. One of our main goals was to get the plastic recycling program up and running and we have been able to do that this fall." Mrs. Knapp and Mrs. Price were also pleased that the E.C.C. members took part in the stadium cleanup at InfoCision Field following the annual STVM vs. Hoban football game.

To view the entire article, please visit: http://www.akron.com/editions/Akron-Ohio-News-2010-December-30/STVM_club_focused_on_going_greener.asp?aID=11235

### CALLING ALL PARENTS, ALUMNI & FRIENDS! SAVE THE DATE FOR... THE EARLIEST & BEST ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARTY IN TOWN

**STVM Parents' Club is pleased to present for your IRISH enjoyment – The Earliest & Best St. Patrick's Day Party on Saturday, March 5, 2011**

RSVP information and invitations have been posted on the website!
www.stvm.com-Parent Info-Parents' Club-St. Patrick Party
If you are interested in attending or have questions, please call Molly Friess (Parents' Club President) at 330-836-9534 or parents@stvm.com

(L-R): Pam Godshalk, Talitha Varner, Jasmine Wyatt, Velda Hofacker VM79, Nick Codrea, Jon Bashor

## **NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY** INDUCTS 72 NEW MEMBERS

The St. Vincent-St. Mary High School chapter of the National Honor Society inducted 72 new members on Monday, November 22, 2010. 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 joined the 59 current senior members. Chapter officers including President Nicholas Codrea, Vice-President Jasmine Wyatt, Secretary Jonathan Bashor, and Treasurer TaLeitha Varner conducted the traditional candle lighting ceremony that emphasized the ideals of NHS. Guest speaker for the Induction Ceremony was Ms. Velda Hofacker, STVM Class of 1979. She is presently a Senior Assistant Attorney General for the State of Ohio. The chapter advisor is Ms. Pam Godshalk.

New members inducted include seniors Simon Beskitt, Matthew Jost, Maria Lingle, Annie Nañez, Kelly Schuerger, Erin Thrower, Ashlee Unrue, Chelsea Whitely, and Kylie Woyat. New junior members include Nicole Almenar, Maria Alvord, Abigail Bashor, Tyler Bischof, Jessica Blankenship, Abigail Burke, Trevor Chopko, Chelsea Christian, Hannah Comeriato, Lorenzo Cugini, Justin Dages, Meghan Dannemiller, Samantha Daugherty, Anne Davis, Ian Edgley, Salvatore Faetanini, Erin Farrell, Audrey Fliegel, Katherine Fox, John Friess, Ryan Gaffney, Jasmine Gao, McKenzie Gerzanics, Kathryn Graff, Kaitlin Heard, Kyle Hochevar, Christine Howe, Michael Hurley, Rachel Hutson, Johnathan Johenning, Elijah Justice, Samantha Kirk, Rose Klein, Sasha Kovalchick, Scott Leonard, Austin Manna, Rachel Martin, Matthew Matuska, Alexander McGrew, Andrew Menich, Ashley Miesle, Michael Muzilla, Mary Neugebauer, Noah Nicholas, Patrick O'Brien, Katherine Paydo, Matthew Perry, Alexandra Pianalto, Sean Poholski, Lydia Presper, Alexandra Pressman, Mitchell Ratliff, Hannah Roberts, Taylor Seikel, Daniel Shisler, Hannah Sims, Ashley Smith, Stewart Smith-Thomas, Alexander Stavroff, Jasmine Thompson, Tessa Weigand, Gavin Wilcox, and Miranda Yeaton.

Kathleen "Kathy" Shoenfelt directs Fighting Irish Marching Band during halftime of Buchtel game

## **FORMER BAND DIRECTOR** LEADS BAND

Kathleen "Kathy" Shoenfelt, STVM Band Director from the 1986/87 school year until the 1992/93 school year, attended her 30th Reunion with the VM80 Class on campus at STVM. Kathy was invited to lead the STVM Marching Band for the National Anthem as well as the Alma Mater at the beginning of the STVM vs. Buchtel Varsity football game on September 10, 2010.

## **STVM SYMPHONIC BAND** IS COMING TO CHICAGO

The STVM Symphonic Band will be performing in the morning (tentatively at 10:30 a.m.) at the Field Museum of Natural History in Chicago, Illinois on Thursday, April 28, 2011.

Attention Chicago-based Alumni! Wouldn't it be great to have a "little taste of home?" Come and see the STVM Symphonic Band! For more details, please contact Kathy Holaday, Director of Alumni (kholaday@stvm.com).

# Newsworthy

## **ELLEN ROCHFORD** VM11

Congratulations to Ellen Rochford VM11 who was featured in the Universe Bulletin on December 10, 2010 for receiving the Youth Justice Award at the Annual Bishop Cosgrove Dinner sponsored by the Catholic Commission. One Catholic high school student is selected annually for this prestigious honor. Ellen's resume of academics and activities are so very impressive and we are proud of her accomplishments.

She was nominated by both Fr. Kraker and Mrs. Haddox.

## SCHOOL CHAPLAIN **FR. GORDON YAHNER**

Congratulations to our School Chaplain, Fr. Gordon Yahner! In September 2010, at the 50th anniversary of St. Hilary School, the school soccer field was christened "Yahner Field" in honor of Fr. Yahner.

## OHIO MAGAZINE HONORS **"TEACHERS OF EXCELLENCE"**

Once again this year Ohio Magazine is recognizing "Ohio's top private high school teachers." In the March 2011 issue, five of our St. Vincent-St. Mary High School teachers will be introduced as outstanding teachers who are making a difference and contributing to Ohio's commitment in achieving Excellence in Education.

Please join us in congratulating Dave Dages, Joanna Price, Brooke Arbaugh, RB Brownfield and Susan Miller. These five honorees join the 2010 recipients: Nanette Roberts, Naman Alniemi, Dan Lancianese, Joanne Kropf, and William O'Neil.

## **MICHELLE BARBARICH** JOINS STAFF

A big Irish welcome to Michelle Barbarich, who has been hired in our Accounting Department. Michelle spent eight years as the staff accountant at St. Hilary Parish, and brings a wide range of experience to STVM.

Her responsibilities will include, accounts payable, purchase order processing, PSAS as it relates to financial aid, as well as, many other aspects of the accounting function for the school. Michelle and her husband Jeff, reside in Fairlawn. Please join us in welcoming Michelle to St. Vincent–St. Mary High school.

# Fighting Irish

A tradition rich with championship teams, highly decorated athletes, and, most importantly, good sports-men and -women.

## 2010 FALL SPORTS REVIEW

### CROSS COUNTRY

The cross country team had another championship season this fall. The girls team composed of seniors Maria Arnone and Anna Mion; juniors Annie Davis, Tessa Weigand and Sam Kirk; sophomores Marissa Rosetti and Amanda Sollenberger; and freshman Irene Presper, won the Division II OHSAA State Championship. This is the girls team second straight state championship. The team raised their new state championship banner in the gym this winter. The boys team also had an excellent year. The team made their third straight state championship appearance. The team finished in second place this year behind a strong effort from seniors Jacob Swords, Isaac Cabe, Ian Walsh and Dylan Garritano; Juniors Patrick O'Brien and Mike Hurley; and sophomore Mick Iacofano.

### GIRLS SOCCER

The girls soccer team had an outstanding season under second year head coach, Rob Young. The team finished as the OHSAA district runner-up. This year's squad was led by three great captains: seniors Jessie Neumann and Anna Chicchinelli and Junior Miranda Yeaton.

### BOYS SOCCER

The boys soccer team had a great season and finished as the OHSAA district runner-up. The team this year was led by seniors Chris Motley, John VanDevere and Joe Demboski.

### FOOTBALL

This year's varsity football team finished with a record of 7-5 and returned to state playoff competition for the second straight year. Unfortunately, the team's season ended in the OHSAA regional semi-final against Cardinal Mooney High School. Highlights from this season included a 20-0 victory over rival Archbishop Hoban. The game was played at Infocision Stadium on the campus of The University of Akron. The attendance for the game was close to 12,000 people. The team this year was led by captains: Oliver Hildebrandt, Doran Grant, Mark Murphy, and Michael Greissing.

### BOYS GOLF

The boys golf team this year was led by new coach Tom Kilbourne. Working with seniors Hakmat Hero, Jay Dean, and Tyler Rice the team finished very strong this year. The most improved golfer award was given to Andy Farrell.

### GIRLS GOLF

The girls golf team this year was led by second year head coach Chris Minear. This is the fourth year girls golf has been offered as a varsity sport at STVM and we had a record number of participants. The team competed again in the newly formed Greater Akron Girls Golf Conference. This was the second year for this conference and the team won the conference championship. The team only graduates one senior, Alex Balough, so the future is bright for this program.

### GIRLS TENNIS

The girls tennis program competed against one of the toughest schedules in the area. The girls traveled all over Northeast Ohio taking on the best competition. The squad was led by seniors Maddie Winer, Taylor Wedlake, April Zaratsian, Melissa Ford, and Danielle VanDevere.

### GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

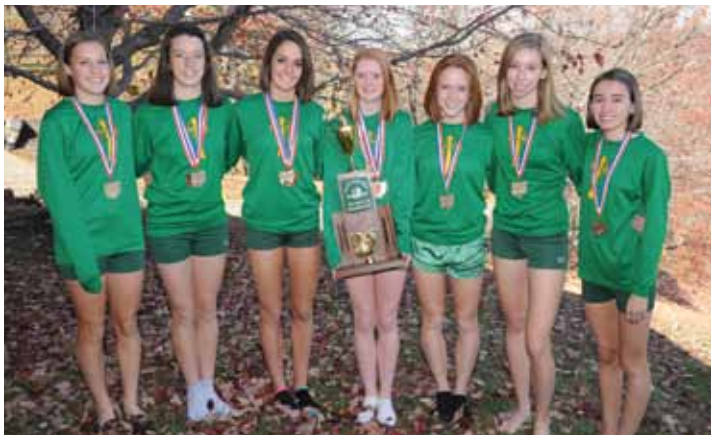
The volleyball team was led this year by head coach Mary Howard, who decided to retire from her position after her 35th season of coaching. The leaders of this year's team were seniors: Melissa Foster, Meghan Weber, Ashlee Unrue, Natalie Walter, Annie Nanez and Ashleigh Stevens.

## GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY TEAM **DONATE HAIR TO LOCKS FOR LOVE**

St. Vincent–St. Mary High School Girls Cross Country team not only repeated as State Champions in November 2010, but also fulfilled a commitment the entire team made to each other earlier in the season. When setting their goals all agreed to get their hair cut in a "bob" if the team won the state championship.

After the boys won the runner-up award and the girls won the championship at Scioto Downs in Columbus, Ohio, there was a lot of celebrating for the runners, fans and their families. There was pizza, pasta and lots of desserts, but the girls took their celebration a step further than most. On a Sunday in November, the 14 girls gathered at the home of junior Samantha Kirk. Fortunately, Samantha's mother, Beth, is a beautician. All fourteen girls cut off their long locks to donate their hair to Locks for Love. When they arrived at school in the morning for a congratulatory assembly, the girls showed off their new look.

"We have always been proud of the kids on this team, but when the girls showed up with their hair cut and we found out what they had done – well, there just isn't a word to describe our pride," said STVM Headmaster David Rathz.



Girls CC State Champions (L-R): Irene Presper, Tessa Weigand, Maria Arnone, Anna Mion, Samantha Kirk, Amanda Sollenberger and Marissa Rossetti

## **DORAN GRANT VM11** APPEARS ON COVER OF ESPN

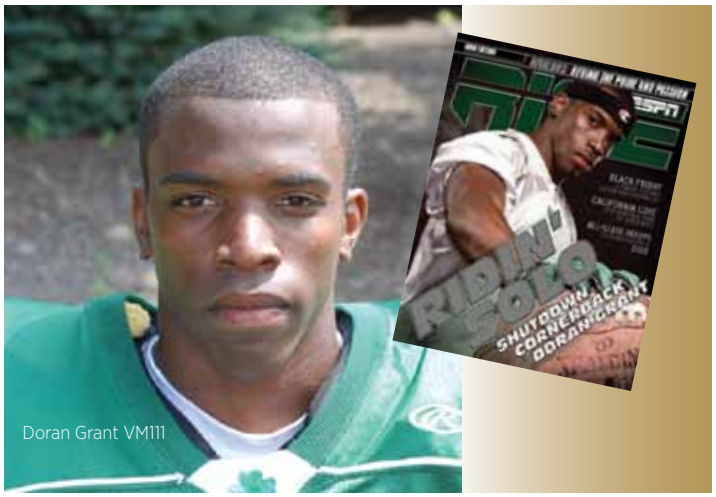
On November 4, 2010, Doran Grant VM11, St. Vincent-St. Mary High School cornerback graced the November, 2010 cover of ESPN's Ohio Edition of Rise magazine. Writer Jon Mahoney interviewed Grant's parents, football coach and trainer to get insight into this young man's drive and work ethic.

'The 5-foot-11, 180-pound Grant is a star cornerback, wide receiver and kick returner for the Irish. Projected to play corner in college, he's rated the No. 3 player nationally at the position and is the No. 65 overall recruit in the ESPNU 150. He is one of the 64 elite players who participated in the Champion Gridiron Kings this past summer in Lake Buena Vista, Florida., as part of the ESPN RISE Games Presented by Target.' Excerpted from the Rise article.

Doran's athletic career has been watched very carefully this school season, not to mention the excellent grades that he maintains and the fact that he is consistently on the Merit Roll.

Doran made the announcement on January 5, 2011 that he plans to attend Ohio State University in the fall. Doran shared these thoughts when asked why he selected OSU....Doran stated, "It was the best fit. Plus it is located close to home. OSU has a diverse community and looks like an exciting place to be!" Doran is looking to major in Communications with a possible sports broadcasting emphasis.

Doran will be honored at the February 2011 "Dapper Dan" awards night as the Dapper Dan Man of the Year. Of his years at STVM, Doran stated, "STVM has been a life-changing experience. It is neat how so many different cultures and backgrounds can come together and you can end up being best friends. This is something you can't get anywhere else."




## **IRISH ATHLETES, TEAMS HONORED** BY DAPPER DAN CLUB

The Dapper Dan Club of Akron recognizes the area's top athletes and coaches each year at their annual banquet. This year, STVM will be honored multiple times as our athletes and teams earn recognition. This year award recipients include: Doran Grant will receive the Dapper Dan Man of the Year Award; Mark Murphy will receive the Dapper Dan Service Award; and the STVM Cross Country State Championship Team will receive special recognition.

The Dapper Dan Club of Akron for Youth Charities is a non-profit organization established to generate monies for youth sports and clubs that provide boys and girls the opportunity to learn life skills.

## **JACK UECKER VM10** AND **SAL FAETANINI VM12** ALL-DISTRICT

The Northeast Ohio Baseball Coaches Association notified area high school coaches in November 2010, of their All-District selections for the 2010 season.

St. Vincent–St. Mary baseball coach Anthony Boarman expressed pride in Sal Faetanini (sophomore 09-10 year) and Jack Uecker (senior 09-10 year) on their achievements. Sal Faetanini was selected 2nd Team All-District Division II and Jack Uecker was selected Honorable Mention All-District Division II.

Boarman stated, "Jack and Sal provided stability in our lineup on a game to game basis, something which was indispensable to us. Both of these young men played an integral role on our team and any success we had as a team revolved around their consistent play."

**JACK UECKER** 77 AB, 28 Hits, 18 RBIs, 4 2Bs, 2 3Bs, 10 BBs, .364 AVG

**SAL FAETANINI** 83 AB, 33 Hits, 19 RBIs, 3 2Bs, 1 3B, 1 HR, 13 BBs, .398 AVG

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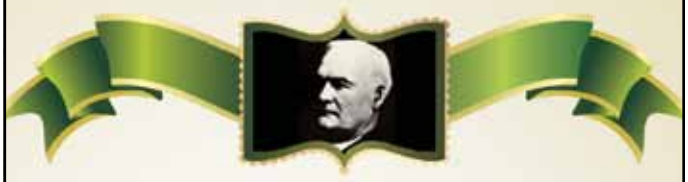

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