

From The HEART

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Opening of Second Floor Completes the Dream!

It seems like only yesterday that I was standing out on Vermont St. west of the school with a few school board members and other interested parents imagining and talking about what a school expansion might look like. But that was actually the late 1990's and not yesterday at all. The next thing we knew property was being acquired through some very generous bequests, gifts and timely business dealings. Lo and behold, an expansion project had taken root.

Time continued to pass and as we entered the new millennium a long range planning committee was in place and designs were starting to take shape in the form of written proposals and sketches. Surveys

By Dr. Mark Register, Administrator, SHHS Class of 1975



were distributed, a needs assessment was developed, and a relatively comprehensive buildings and facilities plan was created.

Finally, in the spring of 2002, The Cosgriff Company of Omaha NE was contracted to conduct a feasibility study to determine whether or not Sacred Heart School and Parish and the Sedalia community would support a new building project. The study indicated that we could generate be-

tween 1.6 and 1.8 million dollars in a capital fundraising campaign effort. We told them that amount was not going to be sufficient, but we would hire them to run a capital campaign if they would work with us to set the goal at \$2.2 million. Cosgriff agreed and the rest, as they say, is history.

The 'Inspired by the Tradition - - Ensuring the Future' Capital Campaign was run in the fall of 2003 with the total amount pledged in monetary and in-kind gifts exceeding \$2.7 million dollars. Even campaign leaders were pleasantly surprised by these results.

On July 27, 2004 groundbreaking ceremonies were held here at the school

with numerous civic, school, parish and diocesan dignitaries on hand. The building project commenced immediately afterwards with SBWE Architects and Septagon Construction providing the professional expertise.

The 2004-2005 school year was not only exciting, but quite interesting as well. The entire school community was able to observe day by day as our new building rose up out of the ground. In the fall of 2005 we began the school year with offices, a music room and a terrific gymnasium and commons all brand spanking new! By design, the second and third floors were left as a shell

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Pictured left are the Sacred Heart families employed by Pro Energy Services here in Sedalia. Pro Energy is owned by Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Canon (Mrs. Canon is the lovely lady standing second from the end on the right side of the picture). The completion of the last phase of the new building project, the middle floor, was made possible by a very generous gift from the company last fall.



Capital Campaign Team

The photo above contains a few of the people who were instrumental in seeing the new building project through from the first feasibility study in 2003 to the present. From left to right:

- Dennis Paul of Septagon Construction - Dennis was the project manager when the building went up during the 2004-2005 school year. Dennis, a member of St. Patrick's Parish, was vital in the planning of the project.
- Jeff Harrelson of Septagon Construction Jeff is a member of Holy Rosary Parish in Clinton and served as construction supervisor.
- Rob and Beverly Rollings of Robert Rollings Architects - Rob has been the primary architect for all phases of this project. He and Bev have been heavily involved in all aspects

of the project from planning to design to fundraising.

- Jeannine Dove - Jeannine served as faculty representative to the steering committee on the project. She was excellent in bringing the teacher perspective.
- Paul Beykirch - Paul and his wife Kathy were co-chairs of the 2003 Capital Campaign. The Beykirch family has been leaders in supporting SH school and parish projects for many years.
- Fr. Jim Betzen - Fr. Jim has been our pastor since July of 2006. He has been heavily involved in the completion of the last two phases of the building project.
- Russell and Julie Childers of Rac-Jac Properties and MR Management Services - Russell and Julie served as co-chairs of the 2009 Capital

Campaign. MR Management Services did the construction work on the third floor and helped oversee the 2nd floor completion.

- Jim Schreiner - Jim served as school board president in the 2003-2004 and 2004-2005 school years. He was the school board representative to the steering committee for the building project.
- Bonnie Diefendorf - Mrs. D served as assistant principal throughout the years in which the project took place. She maintained a strong presence in all phases of the effort.
- Kyle Herrick - Kyle was a leading fundraiser in both Capital Campaigns. His involvement with planning and building design was valuable as well.
- Mark Register - Mark has had the honor of serving as Sacred Heart School administrator since the fall of 1993.

Unavailable for the picture and most notable in their absence were:

- Joe Fischer of Fischer Concrete and Quarries - Joe and his late wife Susan were leaders in every phase of the project from the outset. Much of this project is a tribute to Susan's wit, creativity and intelligence.
- Fr. Tom Albers - Fr. Tom served as pastor of Sacred Heart Parish from 2000 - 2006. His guidance and spiritual leadership were major contributions to the early phases of fundraising and construction.

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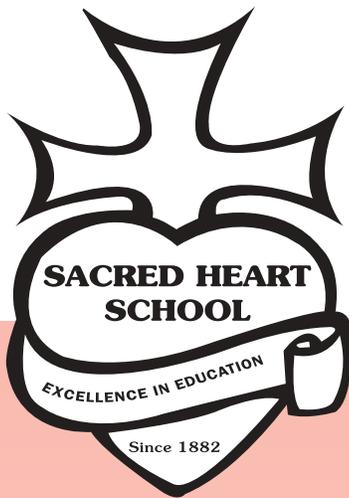
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A word from the new assistant principal

I am excited to be a part of the Sacred Heart faculty as the part-time assistant principal for the elementary school. For the past several years I had the privilege of subbing at Sacred Heart and always felt like it was a place I would like to be. I was most impressed with the dedication of the faculty, the enthusiasm of the students and the successful extra-curricular program. Many times I told Dr. Register how impressed I was with the students and their conduct with each other and toward teachers and staff. Subbing at Sacred Heart was a great experience for me.

By
 Dr. Jim
 Davis
*Assistant
 Principal*



democratic program and a strong faith based experience for your students.

During my tenure at Sacred Heart, I hope that I can convey to students, teachers and parents my desire to provide all a solid educational experience. I will be chairing several school improvement committees. We want to study recent testing data and determine ways to enhance our curriculum to enrich those scores. We are establishing a committee to

My goal has always been to be open and honest with students, teachers and parents.

The family atmosphere here at Sacred Heart is what I love. We have parents who are willing to be a part of the school in every way: painting, cleaning, assisting with recess, attending Mass with their students, supporting the Parish Bazaar, faithfully attending sports events, school plays, grandparents' day. The list could go on forever. Within the parish and business community we have strong support. Check out the Win-Win cards for those businesses that directly support our school. Last but certainly not least, Sacred Heart will be forever grateful to the Pro Energy team who stepped in and finished the second floor, established the hallway between the new and old building and installed the elevator. This truly is a school and community with a gigantic heart!

During my first month, I attended a three day workshop for new principals to the Diocese. There I became thoroughly acquainted with the expectations of a principal in a Catholic school. I had the privilege of meeting Bishop Gaydos and Mr. Don Novotney, Superintendent of the Jefferson City Diocese of Catholic Schools, and other members of the diocesan education

find effective techniques for students, parents and teachers to eliminate bullying. A third committee will be formed to seek ways to diminish the use of worksheets for students and teachers and provide more hands on and real world experiences.

Finally we are so fortunate to have two computer labs for students and teachers to use. I would like to see more technology begin to play an important part of the school day. We are, believe it or not, in the 21st Century and our students are going to be entering an entirely different world of work that most of us found after graduating from high school or college. If you are interested in joining any of these committees, please call me and I will provide more details.

I have been in school administration for many years. My goal has always been to be open and honest with students, teachers and parents. Never hesitate to call me if you have a concern. I am here to serve you and make sure that your student and family have a successful experience at Sacred Heart. My door is always open and I return all phone calls.

New Faces in the Halls of Sacred Heart

By Anna Wendt (Class of 2012)

Eight exchange students and five faculty members help set this year's school theme of "Many and One. Italy, Germany, Japan, South Korea, Venezuela, El Salvador and Mexico are the seven countries represented in the halls of Sacred Heart.

Andres Vaamonde, from Venezuela and Alessandro Pedata from Italy are seniors. Andres is with the Pacific International Exchange Program and his host family resides in Tipton, MO. Andres is looking forward to improving his English and playing football for the first time in his life. Alessandro's host family is Travis Cooper ('89) and his wife Connie, of Cole Camp, MO. They have four children of their own in the household. Alessandro came to the United States on the International Fellowship Program. He mentioned a couple of difference in schools in Italy; first, the students stay in one room and their teachers come to them and secondly, there is always homework to take home, no free time.

Representing the junior class are Jasmin Hartwig, and Andrew Sommer who come from Germany, and Dylan Hoz from Cancun, Mexico. The ASSE foreign exchange program is sponsoring Jasmin and Andrew and Treff is another program that is working with Andrew. Jasmin is staying with Todd and Judy Smith and their three children. She is busy making new friends and enjoying trying out new American foods. She said, "I really like all of my classes and teachers, and am looking forward to learning much this year." Andrew and Dylan are excited about playing soccer and making new friends. Len and Diane Kentch are the host family of Andrew. Dylan's host family is also the Travis Cooper family of Cole Camp, MO.

Yuta Omori, a sophomore from Japan, and David Lorandi, from Chihuahua, Mexico, most look forward to leaning better English. Both

young men are staying with Roger and Tabitha Kehde and their three children, who attend Sacred Heart. The lone freshman, Kyung Taek Oh, is from South Korea. Ky is here though the International Fellowship Program. He, like the other exchange students, shares the enthusiasm for sports and is playing soccer. His host family is Alan and Melinda Strange who have two SH graduates and one son still attending Sacred Heart. Ky hopes to improve his English skills and take home many positive memories from his year in America.

Students are not the only ones with hopes and goals for the school year. The five new members of the faculty are prepared for a great 2010-2011.

"For the past few years, I had the privilege of subbing at Sacred Heart and always felt like it was a place I would like to be," says Jim Davis, the new part time assistant principal for K-8. Dr. Davis expressed one of his major goals for the year, which is to convey to students, teachers, and parents his desire to provide all a solid educational experience.

Ilsi Umana originally from El Salvador is the new Spanish teacher for grades K-12. She commutes from her home in Marshall, MO. Miss Umana holds a teaching degree from Pittsburgh State University, KS. She is very busy making her December wedding plans and hopefully will relocate to Sedalia soon. Her main goal for the school year is to help the students learn about the rich and fascinating Hispanic culture.

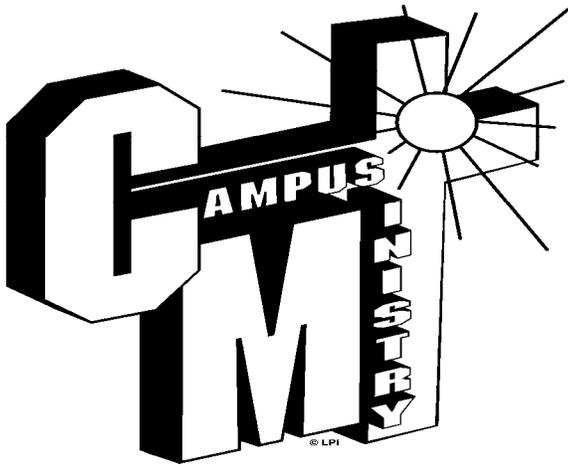
New fifth grade teacher, Sarah Tippie is a '98 graduate of Sacred Heart. She went to Missouri State and is doing graduate work at UMSL. Her daughter, Abby, is enrolled in kindergarten. Mrs. Tippie plans to make her first year with Sacred Heart an educational and fun



filled year.

Mrs. Nancy Edwards comes to Sacred Heart as a part time teacher, building the new band program. She has taught instrumental music programs in the public school systems for thirty-one years before retiring. Ms. Edwards brings a long background in music to Sacred Heart and when asked about her hopes she answered, "I am looking forward to the challenge and expect to see the program grow."

Finally, bringing sports into the picture is Travis Cairer, the new soccer coach, athletic director, and PE and health teacher. He looks forward to being a head coach and hopes to see the team go undefeated in conference, as well winning districts, sectionals, and quarterfinals. Between the new students and teachers, Sacred Heart School is looking at a diverse and successful year with the "Many and One" making 2010-2011 a special year to remember.



Students react after Campus Minister, Debbie Bolin goes down the waterslide at the Back-to-School Splash!



Above: Claire Fischer, Erika Beykirch, Johannah Hohne, Erica Stone, and Olivia Marksberry Attended the 2010 NYCY Event in Kansas City. Below: Liturgical Dance performed at the NYCY.



Wow! Time flies when you're having fun! This is my 14th year of teaching at Sacred Heart School and my 4th year as Campus Minister! I have been truly blessed in this Vocation. I have taken students to five National Catholic Youth Conferences, two Notre Dame Vision Conferences, and our own Diocesan Christ Power Service retreats. We have invited and hosted the National Evangelization teams who help our student's get in touch with God and their spirituality by the example of their lives and witness. Each of our high school students has participated in one or more of these extra-curricular spiritual opportunities! Our Diocese provides several more opportunities for Spiritual growth with two new camps during the summer months; Camp Maccabee for boys and Camp Siena for girls possibly discerning religious life. Life Teen is another program provided by our Diocesan Youth Ministry program which provides mass for the youth, by the youth and social, spiritual, and Eucharistic adoration opportunities. Our Confirmed Seniors are also given the opportunity to become Eucharistic Ministers for our school community masses.

By
Debbie
Bolin
*Campus
Minister*



As busy and successful as our students are, they still find time for community service. Many of our students help with Vacation Bible School and Camp Blue Sky in the summer. We have students who volunteer on a regular basis, doing whatever needs to be done, at Open Door Benevolent Ministries. Our students also volunteer at the Sedalia Senior Center, the Humane Society, CASA, and Honey Bear Day Care. Our younger students are always eager and excited to bring canned goods to our Back to School Splash and help with items for the annual garage sale hosted by Campus Ministry. Some of our sale items are specially requested for and donated to, Show Me Youth Home in La Monte and go so far as New Orleans and Georgia.

Our mission at Sacred Heart is to nurture the spiritual, emotional, and academic growth of each student, and to become productive Christian citizens. That is what we are here for: to show them all of the different, interesting avenues to acquire all of the education and information, in creative ways, and help form them into awesome Christian people. Our job, our call, our vocation is to help them find it, harness it, and make decisions based on knowledge AND faith. Teach them that YES! All of that information is there but teach them moral decision making. That just because we can...should we? What would Jesus do?

Prayer by Oscar Romero

We cannot do everything and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and do it very well. It may be incomplete, but it is a beginning, a step along the way, an opportunity for the Lord's grace to enter and do the rest. We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the Master Builder and the worker. We are workers, not master builders; ministers, not messiahs. We are prophets of a future not our own!

Please continue to keep Sacred Heart in your prayers and know...You are always in ours!



2010-2011 Cheerleaders



2010-2011 Girl Golf Team



Photo by Randy Kirby

2010-2011 Varsity Volleyball Team



2010-2011 Junior High Volleyball Team



2010-2011 Varsity Soccer Team



2010-2011 Football Team

Answering The Call

By James P. Buckley

Willis Arnold received a telephone call from the rectory in June of 1997, when he was asked to assist another Sacred Heart parishioner, who suffered from blindness and needed help getting to weekly Mass as well as to frequent doctor appointments. Without hesitation, Mr. Arnold agreed, and in the process, made a new friend, Geraldine Smith. Over the course of the next several years, their friendship and mutual faith led them to unite in marriage at Sacred Heart Church on October 20, 2002. "He waited 73 years to find the right woman," Geraldine (Smith) Arnold proudly announces to this day.



Willis And Geraldine Arnold

Mr. Arnold was a lifelong member of Sacred Heart Church and member of the Sacred Heart's graduating class of 1949. After an overseas tour with the United States Air Force, he returned to Sedalia, where he was later hired as a field officer for the Social Security Administration, a job position he held for more than two decades.

It was Mr. Arnold's faith in God and relationship with Sacred Heart that provided the bedrock for his daily vocation. "Sacred Heart meant so much to Willis... the priests, the teachers, the church and school, his fellow parishioners and the student body," Mrs. Arnold recalled. "And because

of my husband's faith and devotion, he was a passionate steward seeking the satisfaction and grace which comes from helping others in need," she said. "Whether a lector at Mass, member of the Knights of Columbus, volunteer at the Open Door or guest speaker for Sacred Heart students on Veterans Day, he always found a way to serve."

Pastor Father Jim Betzen came to know Mr. and Mrs. Arnold, who were steadfast in faith and weekly devotion. "They were proud members of Sacred Heart, and it was their dedication and weekly commitment that help make Sacred Heart what it is today," he said.

When Mr. Arnold's health declined several years into the marriage, it was his wife Geraldine who in turn saw to his needs and stood by his side to ensure comfort and companionship until his death in early 2010. "We always said we were good for each other," Mrs. Arnold reflected.

Mr. Arnold is no longer alive to answer the call. Yet his legacy as a faithful and dedicated steward carries into the future. Recently, Sacred Heart's church, school and foundation received three specific bequests from Mr. Arnold's estate. With these gifts, each will carry forward in their respective missions.

"Mr. Arnold exemplifies what Sacred Heart School seeks to instill within the hearts of our students," Principal Dr. Mark Register stated. "Our teachers are committed to providing a quality, Catholic education and meaningful experience - all for an affordable price. We will not forget our friend, Mr. Arnold, and the virtues he quietly taught by example."

Sacred Heart Foundation President John Swearingen also expressed gratitude and appreciation for Mr. Arnold's generosity, which advances the foundation's ability to provide financial support to Sacred Heart School. "It is inspiring to know Mr. Arnold not only recognized the vital role of this foundation, but that Mr. Arnold cared enough to make the commitment."



Welcome Breakfast

Organizers of the Back to School Breakfast, Suzann Jenkins, Sheri Smeltzer and Alice Korey. A bountiful buffet of breakfast treats awaited new and veteran moms back to Sacred Heart School. Father Bill and Father Jim greeted all.

Photo by Susan Mergen

Greetings from the Sacred Heart grant writing office

So many exciting things have occurred since publication of the last "From the Heart". In spite of a poor economy, Sacred Heart was the beneficiary of numerous grant awards and gifts totaling over \$90,000! With this funding, the following needs were fulfilled,

- Thirty-four computers & installation for faculty & staff
- Two Promethean activeboards w/projectors & installation for the Science Lab & Math Department
- Three portable projectors – one for each floor
- Textbooks & software for two, new computer course offerings
- Anti-viral renewals & software upgrades
- Twelve graphing calculators for the Math Department
- Dictionaries & Thesaurus for the English Department
- Literature books for the Jr. High students
- Bibles, bible story DVD's, & bible-themed board games
- Transportation costs for 1st grade field trip to Jefferson City
- Science lab supplies totaling \$1,000
- Art supplies totaling \$1,000

- \$1,500 toward the Superkid reading program consumables
- \$250 award to Sherry Walker, winner of the annual Diocesan Poetry Award

The above items were made possible through awards from the US Department of Education, the Pendegast-Weyer Foundation, the Sedalia Rotary Club, a match by the Active Parents Club with the Kerr Foundation, the local Wal-Mart Superstore, the Knights of Columbus, the Missouri Department of Conservation, and two anonymous donors.

Special recognition goes to the following foundations that responded to requests for funding with contributions to the Capital Campaign and/or the school operating budget,

- Sunderland Foundation
- Orscheln Foundation
- O'Connor-Moseley Foundation
- Boeing Foundation – (Donor Match)
- Verizon Foundation- (Donor Match)

As we start a new school year, please join us in thanking God for the many blessings He has bestowed upon us.

Sue Wise, Grant Coordinator

Complete the Dream

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with plans for future development.

That future development was not quite as quick in coming as we first hoped it might be. Finally, in the fall and winter of 2008-2009 several parishioners again came together and decided to complete the vision. A plan was devised at that time to go forth with a follow up capital campaign. This campaign, titled 'Fulfilling the Dream with Faith', was to be a joint effort to finish the school and finish renovations to our beautiful Sacred Heart parish church.

In this effort a celebration goal was set at \$1.4 million with a challenge goal to reach \$1.7 million. Again the Sacred Heart and Sedalia community stepped up to the plate, eventually reaching the \$1.7 challenge goal! In August 2009 the third floor of the school was completed and put into use. This wing housed English, social studies, math and science classrooms along with a computer lab and interactive television classroom primarily for the high school level.

In the fall of '09 Mr. and Mrs. Jeff and Cara Canon of Pro Energy Services made the final necessary commitment to see the school building project

to its completion. Their pledge was to complete the second floor. From November of 2009 through August of 2010 the Pro Energy workers finished out the second floor by adding an art room, 3 classrooms and an administrative office. They also finished the hallway to connect the new building to the existing one, while financing and overseeing the installation of the elevator.

As of August 2010, and for the first time since the fall of 1997, all classes at Sacred Heart School are being held on the north side of Third St. The parish center will now be designated for a variety of parish uses.

What a beautiful and exciting journey this project has been. Personally, I feel that God has blessed me immeasurably to have allowed me to be part of it from the beginning. Words can't express how thankful I am that my children have been here throughout this process. Thanks to the type of commitment that made this project possible, I can look forward to sitting back and watching my grandchildren enjoy the educational benefits of Sacred Heart School in the future.

We could never begin to adequately thank all of the people who made so many significant and meaningful contributions of time, talent and



The installation of the elevator has made the upper floors of the school handicap accessible for the first time in it's history.

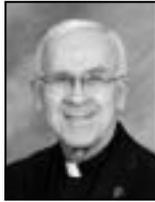
treasure to see this process through. Hopefully, you all know who you are and you have all been thanked many times over. Again, please know that what you have done for the children, families and future of Catholic education in Sedalia cannot be overestimated!

This plan, having now been successfully carried out, goes a long way toward promoting our continuing and long held goal of establishing Sacred Heart as one of the finest small schools in Missouri! Again, thank you so very much for your love and support in making these dreams a reality. May the Lord continually smile upon each of you and remember --- together we make a difference!

Our History

Influence of the Precious Blood pastors

By
Fr. William
Miller,
C.P.P.S.,
Associate Pastor



The history of Sacred Heart School shines with the touch of God through many faith-filled people. Tracing the thread of that history through the Pastors of Sacred Heart Parish inspires one by the teamwork of numerous priests, sisters and lay people. Catholics in Sedalia have held Catholic schools a priority in their parishes, as seen already in the first Sedalia parish of St. Vincent in north Sedalia in 1866 (closed in 1902), as well as the Sister's Academy for girls 1880s and then St. Patrick School.

Fr. Bernard Dickmann, C.P.P.S. was assigned to form a parish for German speaking Catholics in Sedalia in 1882, and gathered his lay Trustees to build the first Sacred Heart Church-School at 3rd & Moniteau that same year. A storm demolished the partially built structure, which was cleared and work begun anew and

completed yet in 1882. It was a 2 story building with church upstairs and school downstairs, and Sisters' quarters in the back. (2 Sisters of the Precious Blood from Dayton, Ohio staffed it.) The present Sacred Heart church on the corner of 3rd & Moniteau with its two towers was dedicated in 1893 Cornerstone laid in 1892).

Fr. Stanislaus Neiberg, C.P.P.S. (1897-1920) replaced Fr. Dickmann. More prosperous times and growing population necessitated a larger School, which in 1907 was built across on 3rd St. It included a Kitchen, Cafeteria, Gymnasium, bowling alley, parish meeting room, as well as classrooms. In the meantime services were held at Keck's Hall, 2nd floor, corner of Main & Ohio Sts. (above the old Archias Seed Store). Fr. Neiberg died in 1930.

Fr. Christian Daniels, C.P.P.S. (1920-1940) succeeded Fr. Neiberg. He had been an Assistant here (1902-1907 and also traveled to outlying Missions, sometimes by horseback, as far away as Laurie, MO. During his 20 years as Pastor he weathered with his people one troubled time after another, WWI, RR strikes, and the great



Sacred Heart School 1907

depression. Numerous lawn socials, dinners, bazaars drew them together. He led them also through great expansion and instilled in them great parish-centered activities. In 1924 a union of Catholics for Catholic welfare, "The Catholic Union" was formed. The Klu Klux Klan fanned religious bigotry. A new rectory (the present one) replaced the old one in 1926. Fr. Daniel died in 1952.

This series on Precious Blood Pastors and Sacred Heart School will continue in the Next edition of From the Heart. Featured will be: Fr. Andrew Brunswick, C.P.P.S. (1940-1948) Fr. Francis Laudick, C.P.P.S. (1948- 1965).

Sacred Heart Class of 2010 Report Card

The Class of 2010 was 27 students strong

Twenty-four of the twenty-seven (90%) took the ACT college entrance exam (One student was a foreign exchange student, not planning on attending college in the United States).

Fifteen of the 27 (56%) completed the requirements of qualification for the College Preparatory Studies Certificate offered by the Missouri State Board of Education.

Class averages for the various components of the ACT test are as follows:

| All Students | | | College Prep Certificate Students | | |
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| Area of Study | Avg. Score (36 Possible) | National Percentile | Area of Study | Avg. Score (36 Possible) | National Percentile |
| English | 25.3 | 82 nd percentile | English | 28.4 | 92 nd percentile |
| Mathematics | 23.2 | 71 st percentile | Mathematics | 26.0 | 86 th percentile |
| Reading | 24.8 | 79 th percentile | Reading | 28.0 | 91 st percentile |
| Science | 22.7 | 67 th percentile | Science | 24.7 | 79 th percentile |
| Composite Score (Total all categories) | 23.5 | 72 nd percentile | Composite Score (Total all categories) | 26.1 | 86 th percentile |

Of the 27 members of the class of 2010, 22 enrolled in one or more dual credit classes amassing a total of more than **400 college hours** while enrolled at Sacred Heart High School.

All in the family Twenters had children, grandchildren at SHS since 1958

Stephanie Hanlon's aunt started first grade at Sedalia's Sacred Heart School in 1958. Since then, there was always at least one child or grandchild of J.W. and Marvella Twenter at the school.

Until now.

This spring, Ms. Hanlon, a daughter of Christine and the late Dan Hanlon, became the last one in her family to join the ranks of Sacred Heart alumni.

For now.

"Fifty-two years of enjoying seeing our children and grandchildren graduat-

ing, many with honors, has come to an end," said Mrs. Twenter. "As we look back on their accomplishments, we are quite proud of them and know that attending Sacred Heart was a boost to their faith and education."



J.W. and Marvella Twenter (left and right), pose with their granddaughter, Stephanie Hanlon, daughter of their youngest daughter Christine, and Judith Ann (Twenter) Buckallew, the first of the Twenters' 10 children to attend Sacred Heart School in Sedalia

Mrs. Twenter attended Sacred Heart from first through 12th grade. She and Mr. Twenter sent all 10 of their children to the school, beginning with Judith Ann (Twenter) Buckallew.



Gremlin Gridiron Tailgate and Spirit Contest

The tailgate fundraiser was also a big success. In the process of raising about \$1,000, we all had a great time! Congratulations to the 'Chain Gang' tailgate crew for bringing home the first ever Silver Spatula. The 'Chain Gang' is made up of the Herrick's, the Hohne's and the Spangler's. Pictured is Darla Spangler and Karen Hohne. Thanks and congratulations as well to Kyle Herrick for winning the King Quad Sports Chair auction.

Sacred Heart Class of 1960 celebrates 50th Reunion

The Sacred Heart High School Class of 1960 held their 50th reunion on June 11-13, 2010.

Twenty-one out of a class of 34 gathered for their 50-year anniversary. The class has lost six to untimely deaths.

The weekend started with a social and barbecue, hosted by Adam and Joyce Fisher, Friday evening at their home. The evening was filled with old memories and renewing old friendships. There were videos, photographs, school yearbooks, and the reminiscing of events and activities from years gone by.

The Ivory Grill at Hotel Bothwell was the scene of a class breakfast Saturday morning followed by a tour of the new and old areas of Sacred Heart School, hosted by Dr. Mark Register. A lot of memories were conjured up in many of the classrooms, as many in the class attended SHS all 12 grades. The halls and the old gymnasium evoked a lot of trivia questions and memories also.

Saturday evening, everyone gathered at the Sedalia Country Club for a great banquet and photos for a memory notebook and CD/DVD.

The class reassembled Sunday morning for 10a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church. After church, everyone talked about old memories here also, and the beauty of the new décor of the church. Will there be a 55th? Who knows, but the questions was discussed. Quite possible.

It was a great reunion thanks to the "reunion" committee's many efforts Thank you Susan Bopp-Norris, Chicago; Beth Staley Brown, Lee's Summit; Cathy Mehl Kippenberger, St. Louis; and Paul Bennett, Sedalia.

Thank you Sacred Heart School for a great education, long lasting memories and never-to-be forgotten friendships.

Alumni Happenings

Births

Jason Houchens ('92) and Christena welcomed Breianne Kaylee on April 27, 2010
 Michael Shoemaker ('95) and Patty welcomed Layla Marie on July 15, 2009
 Jeff Jennewin ('97) and Brooke welcomed Trae Shelton on March 23, 2010

Paul Dick ('99) and Audra welcomed Everett Paul on July 4, 2010
 Dodd Alley ('00) and Maureen welcomed twin sons, John Walter and William Dodd on February 9, 2010

Marriages

Margaret (Hoskins-Bowles '84) to

Larry Ward on July 15, 2010
 Kimberly K. Martin ('00) to Steven J. Thomas on August 29, 2009
 Christopher J. Agnitsch ('01) to Rebekah F. Gilbert on May 1, 2010
 Matt McMullin ('01) to Angela Cote on May 8, 2010
 Courtney Ballenger ('02) to Justin Moon on October 10, 2009
 Matthew Wells ('01) to Breanna Maloney ('02) on October 17, 2009

Christina Bahner ('03) to Tyler Taps on July 24, 2010
 Josh Twenter ('03) to Jessica Jones on April 9, 2010
 Jessica Stewart ('04) to Adam B. Cox on October 17, 2009
 Timothy Twyman Lacey ('05) to Colleen D. Livingston on September 5, 2009

Jessica Kindle ('06) to Adam Himes on September 26, 2010
 Philip M. Staus ('06) to Jessica C. Lamm on April 10, 2010
 Jill (Arnold) to Matthew Jones on May 31, 2010

In Memoriam

Patricia (Martin) Sudduth ('47) died January 5, 2010 in Independence, MO.
 Katie (Bohon) Coffelt ('48) died June 14, 2010 at her home in Pasadena, TX.
 Elizabeth Jean (Brosch) Ward ('49) died April 16, 2010.
 Willis Arnold, Jr. ('49) died March 29, 2010 at Bothwell Hospital. We send our sympathy to his wife, Geraldine.
 Albert Allgaier ('49) died June 5, 2010 in Cincinnati, OH.
 Dan Hanlon ('83) died July 28, 2010 in Sedalia.
 Genevieve (Dick) Withers ('49) died September 17, 2010 in Sedalia.
 The Alumni Association sends their sympathy to the Register family in memory of Bill, who died April 24, 2010.

Names in the News...

1951: Mary Jo McMullin was presented the Friend of the 4-H Award for her 55 years as the R1 Hustlers Leader.
 1953: We send our sympathy to Robert Welliver whose wife, Fay died July 27, 2010.
 1953: Paul Rialti has retired from the Sacred Heart choir after 63 years of faithful service.
 1954: Congratulations to Pearly and Nancy Jett who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 27, 2010.
 1960: Congratulations to Nelson and Shirley (Pabst) Collins who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on August 6, 2010.
 1970: Jim Wanserski was nominated by the United States Department of Justice and approved by a Federal Judge in Washington, DC, to serve as trustee executing a court order and conditions required in USA v. AT&T/Centennial (the acquisition of Centennial Wireless by AT&T). Jim and a management team reporting to him were responsible for operating wireless properties located in MS and LA.
 1978: Congratulations to Elaine (Dooley) Horn who was elected mayor of Sedalia.
 1980: David Dick was chosen vice chairman of the Federation of State Beef Councils during the 2010 annual Cattle Industry Convention and Trade Show held in San Antonio, TX. David also received the annual Republican Party John C. Ryan award in recognition of his service to the party and community.
 1984: We send our sympathy to Chris (Twenter) Hanlon and the Hanlon family on the death of Dan who died July 28, 2010.
 1984: Rodney Collins was honored for 25 years of service to the city of Sedalia, over 21 of them as a police officer.
 1995: Jill Jones (Arnold) received her Doctor of Medicine degree from the University of Kansas School of Medicine on May 15th. She will begin a five-year radiology residency at the University of Kansas Medical Center in July.
 2008: Courtney Simmons graduated from the Paul Mitchell Partner School in Mt. Vernon, IL.



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From the Pastor

It is a few weeks into the new school year and I would like to share some thoughts about the new year. I thank God for the completion of the school and that all classrooms are in one building. It is raining today. Last year, three of our teachers and their students would have had to cross the street and parking lot in the rain and snow to get to the parish center. This year, their classrooms are in the school where they are dry and safe. In fact, all three teachers who were in the parish center last year have classrooms directly across from the rectory. I blessed their 'new' classrooms at the beginning of the year.

I also thank God for the completion of our church. At school Masses, I am conscious that the

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church is more beautiful than last year with newly painted walls and ceiling, new pews and flooring. (The students are learning to raise and lower kneelers quietly on a tile floor.) I think that the commitment that our parishioners put into the renovation of our church is a great testimony of faith to our young people. The seating in the church has also been adequate for the all school Masses that we have had.

Fr. Jim



View of the second floor hallway which shows the lockers utilized by the 5th grade classes.