St. Luke Alumni News

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CALENDAR

May 6   Parish Appreciation Party
May 12  May Procession
May 24  Summer Blast
May 31  Principal’s Story Hour - Barnes & Noble
June 13  Graduation - 7 PM
June 14  NETWORK and the Legislative Process—Mary Elizabeth Clark, SSJ
Aug 8,9  Summer Stock - Keswick Theater
Summer  Annual Golf Outing

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In the words of the Connelly Foundation, “factors that influence the review process are strong leadership, stable enrollment, and willingness to advance faculty and students in integrating technology. Equally important was learning about your challenges and accomplishments with technology and the vision for your school.”

St. Luke’s is deeply grateful to the Connelly Foundation for this wonderful opportunity to enhance our school technology.

Bishop Burbidge’s Visit

Bishop Michael Burbidge spent the day at St. Luke’s on 3/29, visiting with students in their classes and meeting with teachers and parish priests. The Bishop truly got to experience “a day in the life” at St. Luke’s, and in turn, St. Luke students were able to get a close-up and personal feel for what’s it’s like to be a priest and a bishop. During a 6th grade “tennis” gym class, the Bishop exhibited his usual charm when he mentioned that all seminarians are required to learn tennis, because “they are called to serve.” He shared many stories with the students, including the events leading to his call to the priesthood, and his appointment as Bishop. Teachers and priests met with the Bishop for a catered luncheon in the church hall.

Bishop Burbidge returned to St. Luke’s the following weekend to say two Sunday masses, and informally met with parishioners after each mass in an outdoor reception.

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Sister William Adele, SSJ and students unpack new laptops

Bishop Burbidge visits St. Luke’s

Summer approaches, and another school year at St. Luke School comes to a close. Before those “lazy, hazy, crazy days” set in, this second issue of the St. Luke Alumni News comes to you with the latest St. Luke happenings! St. Luke’s Development Office officially opened in September, 2005. The Development Office serves many purposes and will take on many roles, the most important of which is to facilitate the meaningful involvement of people in our mission and vision for the future.

Development efforts can reach in countless directions and can take varied forms. The establishment of a strong Alumni Association is vital to all school development efforts. The purpose of this publication is to keep our alumni engaged and informed on alumni and school news.
Alumni Association

Our Alumni Association is taking shape. Our ultimate goal in this area is to develop an up-to-date database of St. Luke Alumni, for purposes of Class Reunions and Special Events. Visit our web page for updates at:


e-mail us at:
Development@StLukeRC.org

OR

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On-Line Donations

St. Luke School is ready to accept on-line credit card donations! Log on to www.saintlukeschool.org, click on Make A Gift, and make a difference in the lives of the students at St. Luke School.

Goodsearch

Goodsearch, a brand new search engine powered by Yahoo, will donate 1 cent to St. Luke School for every web search we do. Log onto www.goodsearch.com, and designate St. Luke the Evangelist School, Glenside PA as your charity of choice. Check out the option to make Goodsearch your home page. Let’s watch those pennies add up!

Neumann Scholar

On March 15, Josephine Mandeville and Christine Connelly from the Connelly Foundation paid a surprise visit to St. Luke School to name eighth grader Todd Stieritz a 2006 Neumann Scholar, and present him with a four-year, full-tuition scholarship to an Archdiocesan High School of his choice. Todd was one of 1350 students who were invited and sat for the Neumann written exam, and was one of 37 students who were awarded a full scholarship (17 students received half-scholarships.) Criteria for selection included the exam and a written essay. Todd is the first Neumann Scholar from St. Luke’s, and is planning to attend Bishop McDevitt.

The Connelly Foundation’s Neumann Scholars Program honors St. John Neumann, the 4th Bishop of Philadelphia and founder of the Philadelphia parochial school system. The Neumann Scholar Installation Ceremony was held on April 30 at St. Joseph’s University.

Paper Recycling

By popular demand, St. Luke’s is now recycling ALL of our School (classroom / office) and parish Paper. We have contracted with Abitibi Recycling who supplies us with a bright green / yellow Paper Retriever Bin free of charge (located in our lower lot), and pays us by the ton for our paper. Not only are we helping the environment, but are also saving on trash removal charges and making a little money too! Each classroom and office have a dedicated recycling container, and our seventh grade students have assumed the task of emptying the containers on a regular schedule. The recycling program is open to all school and parish families.

Reunions

1956 - 50th Reunion - June 3, 2006
Spring House Tavern, Gwynned
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1976 - 30th Reunion - date TBA
Committee forming - Contact Development Office
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Honor Roll

Bishop McDevitt - First Honors
Third Quarter
Joseph Baker, Fiorvante Bucci, Giuseppe Bucci, Matthew Davis, Angela Donatelli, MaryKate Doyle, Nicole Gordon, Michael Jaecks, Jennifer Johnson, Michael Margavitch, Todd Meinke, John Melchiorre, Brian Mitros, Megan O’Sullivan, Lauren Siegfried, Edward Spencer, Courtney Wittek

LaSalle H.S - First Honors
First Semester
John Buonomo, Patrick Cunnane, Joseph Hughes, Matthew Ihlein, Patrick Melvin

Mount St. Joseph Academy
Honors - First Semester
Catherine Dunn, Christine Dunn, Rachel Ford, Karen Hart, Margaret Libonati, Shannon Mahoney, Suzanne Mahoney, Kaitlin Scher, Emily Walters

Roman Catholic - First Honors
Third Quarter
Sean Angiolillo, Patrick Brownsey, Andrew Jacoby, Matthew Johnston, Andrew Regan, Thomas Sinclair

St. Basil Academy - Honors
Third Quarter
Ellen Cox, Joan Croskey, Caroline Hughes, Ashley Junod, Mary McGrath, Colleen Regan, Sheila Watko

Class News

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1987 - Eileen (Simonson) Hiebler resides in MD with husband Charlie and children, Julia (3) and Ryan (2). Eileen retired from a management position at MBNA, and now works from home as a writer for The Merchandiser Newspaper.

1989 - Hank Sharkey is the Manager of Internal Audit and Compliance for Jones Apparel Group in Bristol, PA. He resides in Horsham with wife, Jennifer, and one-year-old son Liam John.

1990 - Kelly Byrne and Patrick Doyle will be married at St. Luke’s on 11/25/06. Reception will be at Normandy Farm.

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1991 - Jocelyn Dean and Andrew Kerekovic were married on 4/29 at St. Luke’s. Sarah Clark ’91 was in the wedding party. Jocelyn is employed by Financial Health Services in Flourtown in Accounts Payable.

1991 - Regina Gallagher and David Knorr were married on 5/12 at St. Luke’s.

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1997 - Jillian Mele accepted a position with WAGM TV-NEWS SOURCE-8 in Presque Isle, Maine. (a CBS affiliate). Her job involves both news and sports reporting and anchoring. Jillian is a 2005 graduate of LaSalle University.

2006 - 36 members of the Class of 2006 were inducted into the St. Luke Alumni Association in early June. This is the first graduating class to be officially inducted into the Alumni Association.

1969 - Pete Siegfried is employed at Gerhard’s Appliances in Glenside. Pete is proud of Gerhard’s new showroom, and invites all Alumni and friends to stop by the “Living Kitchen” for sampling and chef demonstrations. Pete resides in Glenside with wife Pat and children Lauren and Drew.

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We’d like to hear from YOU!

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Tell us what’s new with you: _______________________________
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