

ST. LUKE ALUMNI NEWS

Fall, 2006

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CALENDAR

- Sept 30** Parish Picnic
Oct 20 H&S Parents' Fall Social
Nov 9,10 Christmas Craft Fair
Nov 14-17 Middle States Visit
Nov 25 Alumni Association Kickoff Event
Dec 14 Family Carol Nite

Class of 1956 Reunion

The Class of 1956 held their 50th Reunion on Saturday,



June 3 at the Spring House Tavern. The event was coordinated by **Maria (Luca) Della**

Greca '56, who reported that nineteen graduates attended, and the event was "a great success." Attendees included **Sister Grace Patrice, SSJ**, who taught the class in 3rd and 4th Grade and **John Lehman '56**, former Secretary of the Navy. The Class of 1956 made a donation of \$200 to St. Luke School in memory of two of their deceased classmates, Nicholas Ciocca and Margaret Tague.



St. Luke School Class of 1956

86th "Back-to-School" at St. Luke the Evangelist

As St. Luke the Evangelist opens its doors this fall for the 86th year, it also opens its doors to some exciting improvements and changes. To accommodate growth in enrollment, St. Luke's opens a second Kindergarten class, and welcomes four new teachers to the ranks of dedicated professionals at the school: Kelly Gaynor (Kindergarten), Debra Baehr (Grade 5), Dianne McGeer (Grade 6), Gillian Smietana (Grade 7). St. Luke's computer program has been recently updated with a Wireless Laptop cart, including 16 laptops for classroom use, a laser printer and Microsoft Office. A Spanish language program for the primary grades will be instituted at the school this fall, which will enable the children to learn Spanish through video lessons. Along with all this, the school is entering its final phase of the Middle States Reaccreditation process, which will be completed in November, 2006. The work towards Reaccreditation began in August, 2005, and involves an extensive examination of the school and its standards through a process known as "Renewing the Vision: Strategic Planning for School Improvement." A Middle States Accreditation is a distinction earned by schools which meet rigorous standards, and can be completed every 10 years. This is St. Luke's third Accreditation.



Reunions

1976 - 30th Reunion
November 24, 2006
Knights of Columbus, Glenside
contact: **Kathy (McGrath) Davis**
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Classes of: '42, '47, '52, '57, '62, '67,
'72, '77, '82, '87, '92, '97, '02

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NEW Alumni Bulletin Board

Our Alumni Association is taking shape. Visit our new **On-Line Alumni Bulletin Board** at

<http://StLukeRc.org/AlumniBB>

The Bulletin Board will serve as a clearinghouse of information on Class Reunions, special events and the whereabouts of St. Luke Alumni. Please log on - your comments, suggestions, questions and new topics of discussion are welcome!

Also visit our web page at www.StLukeRc.org or www.saintlukeschool.org and click on "Alumni" or e-mail us at: Development@StLukeRc.org



Sandy Grunfeld - Nancy McDonald - Marge Mullin - Sister Alice

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.

Paper Recycling



St. Luke's continues to recycling ALL of our School (classroom / office) and parish Paper. **Abitibi Recycling** supplied us with a SECOND 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 money too! For the first 6 months of 2006, we have earned \$320, saved 70 cubic yards of landfill space and 87,000 kwh of electricity. This is enough electricity to heat a home for 10 years. The recycling program is open to all school and parish families.

Fond Farewells

Saint Luke School Community bids fond farewells to four fine educators who have devoted decades of their time and talent to educating children at St. Luke's. These four women have a combined 144 years of teaching experience, 115 of those years at St. Luke School. **Sister Alice Patricia Waters SSJ** has been a teacher for the past 56 years, 15 of them as a Kindergarten Assistant at St. Luke's. Sister Alice specialized in the primary grades, and has taught in the dioceses of Philadelphia, Wilmington and Allentown. **Mrs. Anne (Nancy) McDonald** has served at St. Luke's for 24 years, teaching fifth grade and participating in many key school committees including Chairperson of the Math Department. Nancy also sits as a member of the Math Committee for the Archdiocese of Philadelphia. **Mrs. Margaret (Marge) Mullin** completed her 20th year at St. Luke's this year. Marge has worn many hats at St. Luke's, including serving as Chairperson of the Science, Religion and Integrated Language Arts Departments. Marge has served for several years as Reading Olympics Coordinator, and any student who knows Mrs. Mullin will tell you that it is this teacher who has given them a love of reading. **Mrs. Sandra Grunfeld** has been an educator for 36 years, and has been a School Counselor assigned to St. Luke School by the Montgomery County Intermediate Unit for the past 21. Mrs. Grunfeld provided programs for the students dealing with divorce and separation, loss and grieving, bullying and building self-confidence, and has become an integral part of the St. Luke family. Congratulations to these women on a job well done, and best wishes in their retirement.

Honor Roll

Bishop McDevitt - First Honors Year-End

Fiorvante Bucci, Giuseppe Bucci, Matthew Davis, Angela Donatelli, Nicole Gordon, Jamie Hendel, Michael Jaecks, Jennifer Johnson, Michael Margavitch, Todd Meinke, John Melchiorre, Brian Mitros, Lauren Siegfried, Joseph Smart, Edward Spencer, Courtney Wittek

LaSalle H.S - First Honors Year-End

Dean Bounomo, John Buonomo, Colin Conway, Patrick Cunnane, Joseph Hughes, Matthew Ihlein, Patrick Melvin

Mount St. Joseph Academy Honors - Second Semester

Catherine Dunn, Christine Dunn, Karen Hart, Suzanne Mahoney, Melissa Waters

Roman Catholic - First Honors Year-End

Sean Angiolillo, Patrick Brownsey, Andrew Jacoby, Matthew Johnston, Brian McBeth, Andrew Regan, Robert Sinclair

St. Basil Academy

Not available at time of publication

St. Joseph's Prep - First Honors Second Semester

Michael Nedbal, Thomas O'Malley, William Sharp, Shaun Slusarski

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1978 - Maureen McDermott is Account Director for AstraZeneca Pharmaceuticals in New York City. Maureen lives in Freehold, NJ.

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

1990 - Beth Ann (Klady) Tinari recently celebrated her 7th wedding anniversary with her husband Andrew. Beth and Andrew live in Worcester with their 3-year old daughter Victoria. Beth works for Montgomery County, and is Assistant Director and Preschool Teacher at the HSC Child Care Center in Norristown

2001 - Jackie Newns completed her freshman year at The University of Scranton. Through her close involvement with the Campus Ministry office, she made 2 week-long, life-changing, service trips to New Orleans, (1/06 and 6/06) volunteering with Catholic Charities Operation Helping Hands in the Hurricane Katrina relief effort. This summer she worked teaching Folklore at Camp Overbrook, a program for inner-city children, run through the Archdiocese's Office for Youth and Young Adults. This fall at Scranton, Jackie will be running a freshman program as a Resident Assistant entitled "Cura Personalis," or "care of the whole person," one of the Jesuit ideals. The program focuses on living in community with concerns for faith, service, peace, and justice.

GoodSearch
 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. Watch those pennies add up!

2002 - Carey Smith made the All-Southeastern Penna Boys' Track and Field Second Team for 400 meter hurdles this past June.

Alumni Hall of Fame

St. Luke's wishes to recognize its graduates who by their outstanding achievements and continuing commitment to Catholic values have inspired others by their example, and have embodied moral traits that are embraced and taught at St. Luke School. Please submit your nomination for the *first ever* HALL OF FAME. Induction will take place at the first Alumni Association Kickoff Event. All Alumni are invited to attend.

Nominee _____ Class of _____
 Address _____
 Phone _____ E-mail _____
 Reason for Nomination _____

Submitted by _____ Phone _____

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We'd like to hear from YOU!

Name _____ **Class of** _____

Maiden name (if applicable) _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Tell us what's new with you: _____

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