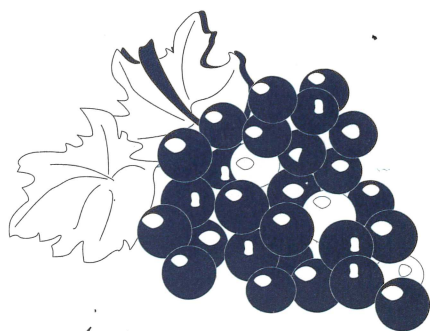


THE GRAPEVINE

The Newsletter for Friends and Alumni of Prince of Peace College Preparatory, Mater Dei High School, St. Mary's High School, Mt. St. Clare Academy and Our Lady of Angels Academy



Alumni Gathering

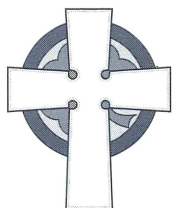
Join us on March 18th at Gil's Ballroom, 2620 Manufacturing Drive, Clinton (behind Clinton Lawn Cemetery) for a gathering of Irish Alumni following the Shootout/Spikeout. Party starts around 8:30 p.m. and includes sandwiches, entertainment and drinks. Admission is \$5 at the door. Sponsored in part by Mike Witt, MDHS 1981 and George Lemke, MDHS 1984.

Class of '86 Reunion

The Mater Dei High School Class of 1986 will hold their 20th class reunion May 26-27. Contact **Jennifer (Lingle) Cady** at 563.242.1459.

The Prince of Peace third grade class poses in front of new windows installed in their classroom in November.

Prince of Peace College Prep



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Wow! New Windows Donated to Prince of Peace Academy

Through the generosity of two families, Prince of Peace Catholic Academy recently installed new energy-efficient windows in the older half of the school. A longtime goal of school personnel, the new windows have made an immediate and

this renovation possible," said Principal Nancy L. Peart, SMHS '69.

Two major gifts, one of \$30,850 from a couple who wish to remain anonymous, and another of \$16,500 from the McAndrews family, funded the project.

Sixth through eighth grade



drastic impact in aesthetics, comfort and noise control. The installation was completed on December 23, 2005.

Sacred Heart School opened the building that is now Prince of Peace Academy on January 5, 1959 and the windows replaced were original to the school.

"We feel so very blessed for the gifts we received to fund the window project. Our students, our staff and our families are deeply grateful to those who made

students, in thank-you letters to the donors, wrote about several advantages, including how much quieter their classroom is with the new windows. Several students wrote about the screens.

"Ever since you've provided the windows, it has been sunnier and cozier in our Language Arts room," wrote seventh-grader Derek Witt. "Also, since we were given screens, the bees and wasps will no longer enter our

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Alumni Shootout/Spikeout Returns



Following a one-year hiatus, the Irish Alumni Shootout/Spikeout will return March 17-18. This annual alumni basketball and volleyball tournament began in 1995. Graduates, spouses and Irish Boosters can play,

with the ideal team from the same class. However, a few consecutive years or a whole decade are allowed. Each team will play two games.

Championship games will be Saturday night. This year, a recreational bracket has been added for the Shootout with that winner crowned Saturday afternoon.

Plan to join the fun to see if the recent graduates can knock off the '98-'01 team in basketball or in volleyball, if someone other than '94 or '82 will see their name on the blue pot!

Following the tournament, an alumni get-together is planned for Saturday night at Gil's Ballroom in Clinton (see left). It is always a good time!

Please form your teams and register by March 3. If you don't have a team, but want to play, we will find a team close to your graduation year. To register, contact Mary Jensen at 563.243.3537 or John Griffin at 563.242.2001 or by email at griff9of9@yahoo.com.

A Letter from the President

Hello fellow alumni.

My name is John Griffin and I have taken on the role of Alumni President. I am a 1982 graduate of Mater Dei. My wife Michelle and I have five daughters, ages 14 to 2, Olivia and Liz (POP 2009), Audrey (POP 2012), Irene (POP 2015) and Sophie (POP 2021).

First I would like to thank Fran Hallinan for serving as President for 11 plus years. We all owe her a debt of gratitude for her many years of work in holding our association together. Next, I would like to ask all of you for help in keeping our association vibrant and useful. We have a very small group of active members and need new ideas and help to implement them. We are planning to hold the 2006 Shootout/Spikeout on March 17th and 18th. It's time to get in shape and get your team ready! In the summer of 2006 we would like to have a golf outing. Several people have suggested this and I would like to see it happen, so if you would like to help with a summer event, please let me know.

We have talked about starting a "Hall of Fame." Many schools have this and a school with such a rich history as ours should have one. If you are interested in helping with this project please contact me or our school Development Director, Anne Dorpinghaus, so that we can get our ball started.

Finally, I would like to ask for everyone to help support our school - it is the main reason for having an Alumni Association. Reflect on the advantages you have in life because of your Catholic education and please remember our school in your thoughts and prayers.

If you would like to contact me, my e-mail address is griffj9@yahoo.com or you may call me at 563.242.2001.

Thank You,

John Griffin



Keaton Fuller of Clinton, a sixth grade student at Prince of Peace Academy, gets a hug from Barb Daniels at The Alverno after receiving the Iowa Health Care Association 2005 Youth Volunteer Award in September. Keaton has volunteered at The Alverno, playing Bingo, visiting and reading to residents, since 2002. Keaton is the son of Randy and Pat Fuller (shown behind Barb). Pat is a teacher and counselor at Prince of Peace.

Windows,

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classroom during a lesson."

Members of the McAndrews family, all St. Mary's High School graduates, include Monica McAndrews Lahey, '49 of Connecticut, Jerome, '51 of Oklahoma, George, '53 of Illinois, Thomas, '54 of North Carolina and David, '57 of Delaware. Two other siblings, Jack, '41 and Dr. Virginia McAndrews Clark, '44 are deceased. Parents of the children were Dr. Patrick and Ruth McAndrews.

- Grand Prize: \$25,000**
- 2nd Prize: \$7,500
- 3rd Prize: \$3,000
- 4th Prize: \$1,000
- 5th Prize: \$500
- 6th Prize: \$250

**Drawing June 2nd
at the Sunset Social!**

Sports Highlights

The 2005 Irish Softball team finished the season with a 32-10 record, claiming the Big East title and the District crown before losing to eventual 1A State Champion Alburnett in the regional final. Then-freshman Lauren Ryan was a First Team All-State pitcher and Kelli Krogman was a Second Team All-State outfielder. The team was coached by Prince of Peace Athletic Director Troy Dodd, assisted by Mike Ryan.

In Cross Country, Isophomore Josh Lawrence went to State. The boys narrowly missed a trip to State as a team. They won the North Cedar Invite, had four boys in the top 12 at the Conference meet and defeated cross-town rival Clinton High three times. For the girls, Senior Kelli Krogman won eight medals and finished sixth in the Conference. Dave Lawrence coaches the runners.

Pot O' Blue & Gold Raffle Tickets Available

Reserve your Pot O' Blue and Gold Raffle tickets for **\$50 each**. Tickets will be mailed after 3-17-06. Return this form to: Prince of Peace Schools, 312 S. 4th Street, Clinton, Iowa 52732. Call the school after March 17 at 563.242.1663 to purchase by phone. Prizes listed at right.

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Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Daytime Phone _____ Number Tickets _____

Payment Method (Tickets are \$50 each, do not mail cash):

Check: Total Amount Enclosed: \$ _____

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Signature: _____

IN MEMORIAM

1920s

Lucille "Lucy" (Finn) Petersen, 95, of Rockford, IL (SMHS 1928) 10-29-05

1930s

Mildred (Lonergan) Reimers, 91, of Clinton (SMHS 1930s) 7-18-05

Helen "Marie" (Mullen) Johnson, 90, of Clinton (SMHS 1933) 9-8-05

Lois (Smith) Donahue, 89, of Sparta, WI (MSCA 1934) 10-14-05

Alice (Chekal) MacAllister, 89, of Clinton (SMHS 1935) 7-30-05

Rita Kenter Anton (OLA 1938) 6-24-05

Mary C. (Feeney) Coleman of Edina, MN (OLA 1938) 11-25-05

Daniel C. Langan, 84, of Clinton (SMHS 1939) 9-12-05

1940s

Jean (Kinder) Tevebough, of Danville, IL (OLA 1941) 1-05

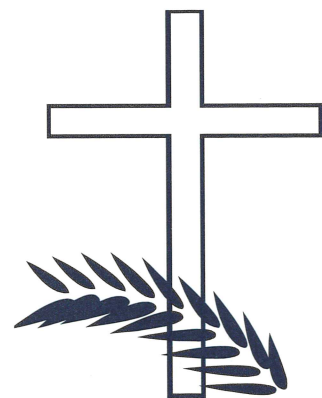
Eileen (Cain) Bly, of Fulton, IL (MSCA 1942) 12-20-05

Louis R. "Dick" Hess, 79, of Clinton (SMHS 1945) 11-26-05

Joseph Cavanagh, 78, of San Diego (SMHS 1946) 11-25-05

Jean (Leahy) Goddard, 75, of Clinton (SMHS 1948) 9-7-05

Robert E. "Rip" Collins, 75, of Clinton (SMHS 1948) 10-31-05



Mary Jacqueline "Jackie" (Morgan) Keister, 74, of Clinton (SMHS 1949) 5-24-05

1950s

Rev. Richard Von Ah, 70, of Davenport (SMHS 1950) 1-3-06

Jean Dwyer Harle, 71, of Tucson (MSCA 1952) 12-22-05

Helen (Gaul) Fisher, 69, of Clinton (SMHS 1954) 8-30-05

Thomas Dever, 67, of Clinton (SMHS 1956) 8-18-05

Catherine "Kay" (Rimmer) Miller, 67, of Clinton (SMHS 1956) 10-23-05

1960s

Joyce (Goddard) Keller, 58, of Clinton (MSCA 1965) 9-3-05

Mary J. Hempel, 58, of Newark, NJ (MSCA 1965) 9-30-05

Anthony Charnoski, Jr., 57, of Clinton (SMHS 1966) 11-7-05

1970s

Patricia "Patti" (Leslie) Kagemann, 52, of Clinton (SMHS 1970) 6-6-05

Faculty and Friends

Catherine Kross, of Clinton, 3-17-04

Dorothy (Humphrey) Benishek Pratt, 97, of Clinton, 3-2-05

Harry J. Pratt, 94, of Clinton, 3-20-05

Paul E. Pfeffer, 52, of Clinton, 6-4-05

Deane V. Peters, 78, formerly of Clinton, 9-23-05

Laura G. Elsner, 83, of Dubuque, former OLA employee, 12-8-05

Thank you to Alma Nichols, OLA '39, who clips obituary notices for The Grapevine. Alumni are also asked to mail or e-mail notification of any classmates' deaths.

Pratts Leaves Over \$50,000 to Prince of Peace Academy and College Prep

Harry J. Pratt and Dorothy Benishek Pratt of Clinton generously remembered Prince of Peace Academy and College Preparatory following their deaths in 2005. In separate bequests, the couple left \$51,834 to the school.

Both were members of Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace Parish.

Dorothy's bequests of over \$16,000 each to the Academy and the high school are designated for scholarships and are given in memory of her and her first husband, Fred Benishek. She died March 2.

Harry passed away 18 days later and he bequeathed over \$19,500 to Prince of Peace. Harry was employed by Northwestern Bell and by Western Electric. His son, Michael L. Pratt, is a 1960 SMHS graduate. Another son, Tommy, died in childhood.

Harry and Dorothy married in 1971. Both had lost their first spouses.

Mary Jo Dopson, SMHS '79, a friend to the Pratts, said the couple were very close.

"They were inseparable. When I visited them at The Alverno, they had two double beds, but had pushed them together to make a single bed," Dopson said.

Dorothy was an English teacher at Washington Junior High School for over 34 years. She loved poetry and the couple enjoyed traveling, according to Dopson.

Michael and his wife, Donna (Garrett), MSCA '65, now reside in Quincy, Ill. Michael said his father also supported Quincy Notre Dame High School was committed to helping students attend Catholic schools who otherwise could not afford to.

"God has repeatedly blessed us with generous friends. We are most grateful and our school will remember Harry and Dorothy in our prayers," Principal Nancy L. Peart said.

Long-Living Alumna

Sister Francelle Farley, OLA 1919, died July 16, 2004 at the age of 103. She was born in DeKalb, Illinois and taught in Illinois, Iowa and Minnesota. At the time of her death, Sr. Francelle was the oldest living member of the Sisters of Charity, BVM.

school and it became Ashford University. The university retains "The Saints" as nickname for its athletic teams and several faculty members remain. Mount St. Clare was founded as a junior college by the Sisters of St. Francis in 1918.

The Mount Renamed

Mount St. Clare College became The Franciscan University in December 2002, but did not retain that name for long. In 2005, Bridgeport Education, Inc. acquired the

Clinton Update

The City of Clinton saw \$9.8 million in new residential projects, \$5.7 million in commercial development and \$33 million in industrial construction in 2005. The city celebrated its sesquicentennial in 2005.

NOTEWORTHY ALUMNI

Bill McDermott, SMHS 1936, resides in West Des Moines. He is a graduate of Marquette University. He served in the U.S. Army in Europe and the Philipines for four years. His three children, all teachers, are Barbara (Iowa), Daniel (Calif.) and Larry (Calif.). Bill was in sales and sales management throughout the Midwest for 40 years before "finally retiring," he writes. His wife, **Gwen (McConnell) McDermott**, SMHS '37, died in 1990.

Cemetery with her husband, Colonel Gilbert Anderson, a Clinton native. Ambrose's wife, **Patricia (Lovejoy) Cavanagh**, OLA 1941, resides in Mich. and has called to visit with us as well. One of Patricia's four sons, Father Robert McCabe, officiated at Ambrose's funeral.

Betty (Wolfe) Coxe, St. Mary's School 8th Grade Graduate 1944, and husband, Jack, reside in Fla. Their daughter, Susan Benton, was the first woman elected Sheriff in Florida and



The Class of 1965 (shown above) held their 40th Reunion Sept. 17, 2005 at the Clinton Country Club. Organizer Maureen Vogel of Camanche said 30 of 52 living classmates attended. It was their first reunion since 1990. Traveling the furthest was Bill Kaffenberger from Snoqualmie, WA and the earliest RSVP award went to Pat Phillips, Maureen's next-door neighbor. Terry Gertson won an award for wearing blue and gold. A trivia contest was held with teams named after Sr. Mary Consolina, Sr. Mary Alice, Sr. Mary Ann Christine, Sr. Mary Lois, Sr. Mary Irenaeus and Coach Merdian. Maureen did report that Tom Quinn was caught cheating during the contest by looking for trivia answers in a 1965 edition of the Clinton Herald. Other reunion planners were Mary (Knight) Clausen and Jeanne (Konieczki) Hintermeister.

Ramona (Cavanagh)

Heinrich, SMHS 1942, made a memorial to the Prince of Peace Alumni Association, honoring her sister, **Mary (Cavanagh) Andersen**, SMHS 1938 and brother, **Patrick Ambrose Cavanagh**, SMHS 1941, both who died recently. Ramona wrote that Mary was entombed at Arlington National

serves in Highlands County.

Mary (Wolfe) Sullivan, SMHS 1940, is Betty's sister.

Msgr. Francis C. Henricksen, SMHS 1946, entertained 14 classmates for a 57th reunion in 2003. He is retired and resides in Tipton, Iowa.

The **SMHS Class of 1950** held a 55th reunion last fall. Five

ladies and seven gentlemen from the class attended.

Marilyn (Dehner) Varnum, SMHS 1953, and husband, Richard, of Newton, Iowa, will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary Sept. 29, 2006. They have two children and two grandchildren. The Varnums are avid dancers and enjoy Ballroom, Square and Rounds. They go south for the winter to dance, which Marilyn reports, keeps them young! Marilyn and Richard are "cradle Catholics," never missing a Sunday Mass.

Judith L. Burken, SMHS 1958, retired from Kellogg Community College in 2001 after 30 years as an English faculty member. Judi was elected to a six-year term on the Kellogg Board of Trustees in 2005. She and her partner, Naomi Barber, reside in Mich.

Terry Thiessen, SMHS 1959, wrote in 2003. Terry is a sales rep for Knights of Columbus, is married to Judy, has two children and "had a great experience fishing for steel-head salmon with classmate Tom Seidl" in a 2003 trip to Oregon.

Joe Dalton, SMHS 1960, retired in 1998 after 15 years as Principal of Wheaton High School, a large public high school in Montgomery County, Md. Joe is a licensed psychologist in private practice. He and his wife, Ruth, have a daughter, Kelly, a son, Jonathan and three grandchildren. Joe's mother passed away Oct. 11, 2004 at The Alverno in Clinton, two days shy of her 101st birthday.

The **SMHS Class of 1960** held their 45th class reunion at Buck's Barn in Thomson, Ill., with 23 classmates attending.

Jean (Kaffenberger)

McLaughlin, SMHS 1961, and her husband, Dr. Richard McLaughlin, of Clinton, donated school supplies to three Prince of Peace Academy and College Prep students. The McLaughlins requested a supply list in August and purchased every item for an elementary, middle school and high school student. The thoughtful gift was most appreciated!

Philip M. Murphy, SMHS 1961, and **Heather A. (Cameron) Murphy**, MSCA 1962, reside in Arizona and celebrated 40 years of marriage in October. They have two children, Bridget and Tim, and four grandchildren. Philip recently retired after 31 years as warehouse manager for the City of Scottsdale. He was a Little League umpire for 17 years, has belonged to the VFW for 40 years and joined the St. Vincent DePaul Society in 2003.

Joseph M. Pesetski of Pewaukee, Wis., dropped by last summer to visit Prince of Peace, where he attended elementary school at Sacred Heart. He shared a 1963 First Communion class photo and a Sacred Heart Parish bulletin dated 3-31-1963 that included information on a St. Mary's High School fundraiser – a Glenn Miller concert with tickets for just \$2 each!

Beatriz (Anderson) Capper, OLA 1964, and her husband Holland, left Chicago and retired to a small town in Michigan in 2001 where they care for Beatriz' godmother. Beatriz would love to hear from classmates. (Please call Prince of Peace at 563.242.1663 for Beatriz' address or e-mail.)

Michael Kuk, SMHS 1967, is Fire Chief in Fort Polk, La.

Don Horst, SMHS 1970, and his wife, Joy celebrated their 30th wedding anniversary on July 20, 2004. Don works at Bemis (DuPont) in Camanche. The Horsts have two daughters, Antje and Mollie. Don is co-owner of Lyons Tae Kwon Do and Fitness Center in Clinton, with sister schools in Keystone, Iowa and Mt. Carroll, Ill. Joy and Don enjoy motorcycling, boating and golfing.

Dan Kaffenberger, SMHS 1971, and **Mary Ann (Kuk) Kaffenberger**, SMHS 1971, moved to Yerevan, Armenia last fall. Dan is a Pastor with the Seventh Day Adventists and the couple will work in Armenia for six years. They have five daughters, Stephanie of Ark., Danielle on the Island of Yap, Sarah on the Island of Palau, and two younger girls.

Mary (Van Nieuwenhuysse) McLaughlin, SMHS 1973, with daughters, Kelly and Carol, made a generous gift to the athletic department at Prince of Peace College Prep in memory of **Joseph P. McLaughlin**, SMHS 1971, who died last year. "Joe was an avid sports fan. He played football for the four years he attended Saint Mary's. Giving to the athletes was something he would have liked to do." Mary wrote. Joe also worked as an assistant coach at SMHS.

Gerry Freudenerg, SMHS 1979, was named Executive Director of Student Services at Ashford University in August. Gerry owned Gateway Vending

in Clinton for many years.

Dr. Geoffrey M. Gabriel, MDHS 1981, earned the Meritorious Service Medal in August 2005 from the 18th Medical Command, Eighth US Army, Seoul, Korea. Geoffrey finished nine years of active duty service with the US Army Medical Corps. He and his wife, Joanne, relocated to Madison, where Geoffrey is an attending physician at the VA Medical Center and a Medical School faculty member at the University of Wisconsin.

Barb (Lingle) Weber, MDHS 1982, was married to Bob Weber in June. Barb, a member of the 1981 MDHS state championship volleyball team, has been the sand volleyball tournament director for Camanche Days for 10 years. She coaches sophomore volleyball for Camanche High School and works for the Clinton County Attorney's



Prince of Peace students perform with the varsity cheerleaders during a home game. The girls basketball team finished the regular season as Big East Co-champs with an 18-3 record and at press time, had one postseason win in their quest for State. Follow the Irish athletic teams at www.clintonherald.com/sports.

office. Barb has three children and one stepdaughter.

Lou Egging, father of **Katiera**, MDHS 2000, and **Bernida**, POPCP 2001, is chairman of the Jesus Christ, Prince of Peace Parish facilities committee. He designed a 16-foot tall, steel cross that was erected at the site of the parish's new church

on May 1, 2005. The cross includes a crown with five doves, representing the five parishes merged to form Prince of Peace. Lou and his wife, Gabriela have six children.

Sean Roling, POPCP 2005, completed cadet basic training at U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

Tell us about yourself or provide new address...

Please send news of special events in your life to share with your fellow alumni. We'd love to hear about your career, military status, educational achievements and family!

Name (include maiden): _____

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School you attended and class year: _____

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History of the Second Grade Float

With a colorful, Peanuts-themed float decked with pumpkin vines, glowing lights and a doghouse for Snoopy, Prince of Peace Academy won first place in the large float division of Clinton's 2005 Mardis Gras parade. Teacher Christi Goldbeck continues a 29-year-old tradition and each year, recruits second grade parents to help create a float for the Halloween parade.

St. Patrick's School teacher Georgene Krogman started the parade tradition in 1976. She said the first year, her class of 30 entered as a walking unit, with each student representing a President or First Lady in honor of the Bicentennial.

"I remember vividly, Eleanor pushed FDR down the street in

a wheelchair as he held his pet dog," she said.

By 1977, Mrs. Krogman was brave enough to attempt a float. A few of her memorable floats were a large rocket made by Art Krogman with the theme, "Put Vandalism in Outer Space," a float with students dressed as Precious Moment characters and when Johannes Egber's dad built a "phenomenal dinosaur and he crawled inside of it, so that as we went down the street, the dinosaur moved his head and breathed fiery smoke!"

Time and again, the students won the grand prize. Mrs. Krogman retired in 1996, but the tradition lives on.

The 1991 parade was rained out, so in October 2001, Mrs. Goldbeck and the second-



graders invited the seniors to ride the float with them, since those students had missed their chance ten years earlier.

Now in Tennessee, Mrs. Krogman still receives newspaper clippings each year from former students, reporting how Prince of Peace's float did in the Mardis Gras parade. She said it brings back memories of standing by her classroom door

the morning after the parade and hearing happy voices announce, "We won!"

Upcoming Events

March 17-18: Shootout/ Spikeout

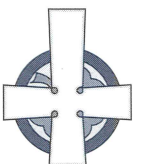
May 26: Prince of Peace College Prep Graduation

June 2: 12th annual Sunset Social at Rastrelli's Tuscany Center with Golf Outing at Valley Oaks; Raffle Drawing

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