

# St. Mary's RECALL



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## Class of 1942

### — Celebrate 75 Year Reunion —



The Class of 1942 held their 75 year class reunion on September 29, 2017, at the Lake Villa Fireside Room for their second reunion since their high school graduation. The class was comprised of twenty graduates, including two boys who desired to complete their education. In attendance were (seated): **Adele (Soukup) Goblirsch**, Sleepy Eye and her twin sister **Cordella Soukup**, Sleepy Eye and (standing): **Charles "Chisey" Hansen**, Sleepy Eye; **Bernice (Krzmarzick) Eckstein**, Sleepy Eye; **Monica (Steffl) Hertling**, Sleepy Eye and **Colette (Schilling) Schunk**, Bloomington. Two other classmates who are still living, but unable to attend are **Gerald Lemieux**, Portland, OR and **Esther (Mickelson) Greenburg**, Morgan. The class met for a reunion lunch which happened to be the same meal served at their junior prom: meatloaf. Class president, Bernice Eckstein, recalls this class being very well behaved and quiet: "We didn't speak up very much, we weren't very lively." Many memories were shared at the reunion, including walking uptown during the lunch break to window shop and gas costing 25 cents a gallon at Abe's Gas Station. The girls played basketball and Monica recalled practicing with the boys, which Chisey cleverly referred to as "the beginning of the women's movement!" Because Colette lived 30 miles out of town, she lived at the boarding house (former convent) for four years, paying \$14 a month for meals and supplementing them with produce from the farm. Boarders were allowed to go home for Thanksgiving, Christmas and Easter, but spent weekends at the boarding house. Out of town students also paid \$25 a year for tuition. Although much has changed in the 75 years since this class attended St. Mary's, the blessing of having a Catholic education in Sleepy Eye remains the same!

## MARATHON 2017



St. Mary's Catholic School held their Marathon for Non-Public Education in conjunction with Homecoming on September 29. Each student is responsible for writing letters to alum requesting a donation. This year our goal was \$62,500. Of this amount, our alum have contributed \$18,430 to date. We are grateful to have met our goal thanks to your generous response again this year. Thank you to everyone who participated and/or gave a donation, and to the Knights of Columbus who provided a treat for the students. Your support is wonderful and we truly appreciate it!

## MIKE MAURER AWARD



**Rachel Windschitl** (pictured with **Andrew Bach**) was chosen to receive this year's Mike Maurer Award. Rachel has been teaching at St. Mary's Junior/Senior High School since 2001. She teaches Geography and American History in the junior high, World History to juniors and AP European History in the high school. Rachel also serves as the Curriculum Director. This award is given to a St. Mary's employee who exemplifies Christian values, dedication and loyalty to St. Mary's and its mission, and a love for education. Each year, staff members submit the name of the person who they believe deserves this award and Rachel is truly deserving. *Thank you to **Mike Maurer** who so generously gives this annual award. His commitment to Catholic education and to St. Mary's is truly appreciated!*

## HOMECOMING 2017



Congratulations to **Homecoming Queen Crystal Portner**, daughter of **Tom ('86)** and **Mary and King Luke Miller**, son of **Ron** and **Melissa**. The homecoming court consisted of **Kelsie Kosak**, daughter of **Gary ('88)** and **Shelly (Groebner '89)**; **Danielle Weiss**, daughter of **Mike ('86)** and **Lori**; **Jody Hansen**, daughter of **Craig ('74)** and **Linda**; **Ali Beltz**, daughter of **Jody** and **Vicky**; **Andrick Sanchez**, son of **Sara Sanchez** and **Alejandro Luna**; **Brandon Wait**, son of **Tim** and **Jill (Hoffmann '92)**; **Dalton Meyer**, son of **Ernie** and **Missi**, and **Max Heiderscheidt**, son of **Terry ('86)** and **Shelly**.

## *Congratulations Newlyweds*

**Terry Riebel ('06)** married Misty McColley on April 22, 2017.

**Garett Soukup ('04)** married Stephanie Schmitz on May 6, 2017.

**Dustin Haala ('99)** married Luisa Fernanda Obregon Jacome on May 19, 2017.

**Larry Helget ('80)** married Jennifer Boettger on June 10, 2017.

**Alex Weicherding ('08)** married Kristin Kunz on June 17, 2017.

**Mark Simon ('96)** married Holly Nester on July 8, 2017.

**Amanda Mathiowetz ('03)** married Adam Castle on July 14, 2017.

**Mikayla Mages ('09)** married Billy Bruggeman on July 15, 2017.

**Zachary Salfer ('07)** married Nicole Husfeldt on July 29, 2017.

**Megan Gilliland ('11)** married Thaddeus Van Zandt on August 12, 2017.

**Nicholas Heiderscheidt ('11)** married McKenzie Hopwood on September 2, 2017.

**Sean Mathiowetz ('13)** married **Karlie Heiderscheidt ('13)** on September 23, 2017.

**Brandon Krzmarzick ('03)** married Jessica Weikle on October 7, 2017.

**Patricia (Seidl) Rademaker ('69)** married Kenneth Hinderman on October 20, 2017.

## Peggy A. Tauer's Art Show



**Peggy (Krzmarzick '49) Tauer** displayed 36 works of art at the Sleepy Eye Community Center on September 22, 2017. Her mediums included watercolors, oil paint, pastels, acrylics, graphite and colored pencils. She received a grant from the Prairie Lakes Regional Arts Council with funds provided by McKnight Foundation.

As a child, Peggy spent hours drawing on nearly any surface she could find. Art was not taught at St. Mary's School when Peggy attended, but her sixth grade teacher, Sr. M. Lydia, did oil painting with her students. Additionally, Peggy's class once had the opportunity to paint an English cottage with flowers on a cardboard tile. She fell in love with the odor and beauty of the oil pigments. It was her seventh grade teacher, Sr. M. Malcom who taught her to add dimension and interest to her depiction of a scene.

Peggy continued to take classes throughout her life and entered her work in area art shows, earning various awards. She has sold several small paintings in the last two years. We are grateful she shares her talent!

## Sister Cecily Celebrates 60th Jubilee



**Sister Cecily Schroeffer**, formerly Sister Helen, a member of the Sisters of St. Francis, Rochester, celebrated her 60th Jubilee in July 2017. Sister Cecily graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1954. She professed her first vows in 1957. Sister Cecily received a bachelor's degree in music education, theology and history from the

College of St. Teresa in Winona. She also received a practitioner certification from the Society of Ortho-Bionomy International located in Santa Fe, NM. Sister Cecily spent her career primarily in elementary and musical education, working in Winona, Rochester, Norfolk, NE and Silver Spring, MD. She pursued a career in pastoral ministry, working in Winona and Montana. Sr. Cecily currently provides a healing ministry, working with Crow and North Cheyenne people in Billings, MT and Sheridan, WY.

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## Guatemala Mission Trip by Crystal Portner



Pictured in the front row with the children (left): **Lyndsey Goblirsch**, daughter of **Rob** and **Kathy**; **Natalie Goblirsch**, daughter of **Doug** and **Connie (Strate '89)**; **Crystal Portner**, daughter of **Tom ('86)** and **Mary**; **Mackenzie Nowak**, **Reece** and **Pat Wildt**. Back row: **Mike Ludewig**, son of **Loren ('79)** and **Jeanne**; **Jena Schroeffer**, daughter of **Joel ('85)** and **Marti**; **Grace Steffi**, daughter of **Dan ('85)** and **Lisa**. Also on the trip but not pictured are: **Ashley Meyer ('03)**, **Judy Walter**, **Kathy Goblirsch**, **Hali Soukup**, daughter of **Mike ('71)** and **Jane**; **Jane Soukup**, **Sara Zinniel**, daughter of **Chuck ('74)** and **Lorette**; **Kathy Stokesbary** and **Msgr. Lozinski**.

This summer a group of 26 high school students and adults from throughout the diocese boarded a plane for Guatemala to work at the San Lucas Mission. The activities we took part in ranged from touring the facilities set up by Msgr. Greg Schaffer for the poor in San Lucas, to building houses and purchasing the essentials for widows who needed to feed their families.

Most days began with morning Mass at the church at the mission followed by a delicious breakfast before heading off to work. We were split into groups. One group was sent out of the city about a half hour drive in the back of a truck to work on cement houses digging trenches, tying rebar and moving rocks for families in a nearby village. The other group would stay in town to work on a wood home on rented land moving dirt and helping with whatever needed to be done.

On days and afternoons we did not work, we spent our time touring San Lucas. We saw Santiago, the city where Father Stanley Rother was martyred, and visited Father Sam Perez's home town in San Gabriel. In San Gabriel we had the special privilege of delivering to their church a set of stations of the cross from the former church of St. James in Nassau, MN, which was recently merged with St. John's in Ortonville, MN. It was a particular joy to witness their gratitude for this gift which is a continual reminder of the generosity of the Diocese of New Ulm. Throughout our trip we made many friends, tried to speak the little Spanish we knew and came away touched by the amazing love all the people of Guatemala had shown us.



The **Class of 1957** held their 60 year class reunion on August 5, 2017, at the Servicemen's Club in Sleepy Eye, MN. Pictured in the front row (left): Jan (Seidl) Gallup, Mankato; Marjorie (Hoffmann) Dummer, New Ulm; Mary Alice (Schroepfer) Berberich, Comfrey; Mildred (Seidl) Rosenhammer, Sleepy Eye; Patricia (Remiger) Burns, Fairmont; Patsy (Sellner) Reynolds, Sleepy Eye; Paul Steffen, St. Paul. Back row (left): Ron Zollner, Acton, MA; Jeanette (Huiras) Zollner, Acton, MA; Les Haala, Sleepy Eye; JoAnn (Krzmarzick) Seifert, Sleepy Eye; Delores (Mathiowetz) Helget, New Ulm; Myron Helget, Shakopee; Marianne (Hillesheim) Bianchi, New Ulm; Gerald Braun, Eagan; Patsy (Hittesdorf) Weicherding, Sleepy Eye; Gerard Schnobrich, Hudson, WI and Tim Tauer, Sleepy Eye. *St. Mary's is grateful for \$140 (\$60 for school kitchen project and \$80 for event tables for the parish).*



The **Class of 1962** held their 55 year reunion on Saturday, September 30, 2017, at the Sleepy Eye Golf Club. Pictured in the front row (left): Elaine (Schueller) Berdan, Burnsville; Sr. Clara Marie Schotzko, Rochester; Donna Mae (Suess) Scofield, Backus; Bernadette (Riederer) Johnson, Montevideo; Phyllis (Thul) Heinrich, Elk River; Diane (Schroepfer) Heiderscheidt, Sleepy Eye; Marian (Boettger) Altmann, New Ulm; Phyllis (Helget) Sellner, Kasota; Marilyn (Hoffmann) Hulke, Courtland and Annette (Hillesheim) Helget, Hanska. Second row: Tom Haala, New Ulm; Marlene (Riederer) Johnson, New Ulm; Lois (Huiras) Hines, Alexandria; Karen (Klein) Huettl, North Mankato; Carol (Gulbrandson) Fischer, Rogers; Judy (Johnson) Goblirsch, Bloomington; John Krambeer, Richfield; Franklin Johnson, Waseca; Paul Hoffman, Hanska; Jerome Mathiowetz, Morgan and Alice (Huiras) Hillesheim, Sleepy Eye. Back row: Jerry Piehl, Sleepy Eye; Gerald Sellner, Sleepy Eye; Don Hirsch, Sleepy Eye; John Zschetsche, Mountain Lake; Don Haala, Sleepy Eye; Ronald Krzmarzick, Maplewood; Anthony Krzmarzick, Coon Rapids; Don Mathiowetz, Springfield; Jim Ries, Jackson; Maurice Gent, Bowlus; Gary Goblirsch, Bloomington; Darrel Helget, Saint James; Robert Bruckbauer, Remer and Richard Zinniel, Sleepy Eye. *St. Mary's School is grateful for \$325.00 for the school kitchen project from this class.*



The **Class of 1967** held their 50 year class reunion on September 23, 2017, at the Railway Bar and Grill in Sleepy Eye, MN. Pictured in the front row (left): Mary Baumann, Sleepy Eye; Phil Witt, W. St. Paul; Kathy (Bertrand) Suker, Akeley; Doug Pelzel, Sleepy Eye and Doug Schleisman, Delano. Second row: Clare (Hirsch) Bowers, Kaukauna, WI; Priscilla (Hoffmann) Dudley, Lake City; Carole Steffl, Mound; Carol (Haecherl) Gent, Bowlus; Steve Konz, Sleepy Eye; Stephen Soukup, New Ulm; Dennis Braulick, New Ulm and Larry Sellner, Sleepy Eye. Third row: Nancy (Connors) Brosam, Waseca; Mary Jane (Hillesheim) Price, Spring Park; Arlene (Schmitz) Mages, New Ulm; Diane (Ludewig) Maurer, Sleepy Eye; Carol (Fischer) Waibel, Searles; LuAnn (O'Malley) Schmidt, Burnsville; Darlene (Hoffmann) Bjerketvedt, Plymouth; Deb (Fritz) Harmon, Fridley; Mary Jean (Eichberger) Janni, New Ulm; Sharon (Krzmarzick) Hoffmann, New Ulm and Tony Hoffmann, Sleepy Eye. Back row: Lonnie Spaeth, New Ulm; Duane Helget, St. James; Marv Braun, Sleepy Eye; Neil Steffl, Shoreview; Ann Marie (Sellner) Gifford, Balaton; Bernard Soukup, Sleepy Eye; Paul Soukup, New Ulm; Roger Goblirsch, New Ulm; Alfred Fischer, Eagan; James Wurtzberger, New Ulm; Joe Mangen, Sleepy Eye; Mark Sobocinski, Excelsior; Michael Carroll, Savage and Vern Hillesheim, Sanborn.



The **Class of 1982** held their 35 year class reunion on August 26, 2017, at the Railway Bar and Grill in Sleepy Eye, MN. Pictured in the front row (left): Kevin Schumacher, Hoffman and Jan (Steffl) Dublin, San Angelo, TX; Second row: Brenda (Weiss) Stimpert, Sleepy Eye; Kim (Hoffmann) Krzmarzick, Sleepy Eye; Tim Steffl, Sleepy Eye; Chris (Sellner) Steffen, Sleepy Eye; Dorinda (Kotten) Roiger, Springfield; Sue (Schroepfer) Coners, Sleepy Eye; Lori (Helget) Deibele, Sleepy Eye; Mike Steffl, Sleepy Eye; Stacie (Lee) Falvey, Lake City and Leon Kral, Sleepy Eye. Third row: Brian Braun, Sleepy Eye; Linda (Lochner) Newman, Maple Grove; Sue (Windschitl) Huiras, Sleepy Eye; Annette (Braun) Berkner, Sleepy Eye; Gwen (Riebel) Brey, New Ulm; DeLoy Berkner, Sleepy Eye; Paul Van Keulen, Woodbury; Mary Sue Hansen, Saint Paul; Rick Sellner, North Mankato; Mike Schwartz, New Ulm and Lyle Mangen, Willmar. Back row: Tim Heymans, Saint Joseph; Francis Fromm, Sleepy Eye; Terry Reynolds, North Mankato; Pat Goblirsch, Sleepy Eye; Tom Mages, New Ulm; Bryon Hornick, New Ulm; Jim Sellner, Sleepy Eye; Andrew Baumann, Green Bay, WI and Tony Schmitz, Sleepy Eye.

**UPCOMING CLASS REUNION**

**Class of 1997** - 20 year reunion will be held on Saturday, November 25, 2017, at the Sleepy Eye Event Center. Contact Person: **Dan Koewler** [djkoewler@gmail.com](mailto:djkoewler@gmail.com)



The **Class of 1992** held their 25 year class reunion on August 5, 2017, at the Railway Bar and Grill in Sleepy Eye, MN. Pictured in the front row (left): Liz (Trem) Sobolik, Minneapolis; Michelle (Bauer) Strate, Sleepy Eye; Tricia (Seidl) Tauer, Lafayette; Jenny (Schwab) Minelli, Pleasantville, NY and Jenny (Heiderscheidt) Stevens, Sleepy Eye. Back row (left): Matt Sprenger, Devils Lake, ND; Lee Wendinger, Sleepy Eye; Brian Strate, Sleepy Eye; April (Schroepfer) Wood, Shoreview; Jill (Miller) Kidrowski, Kerkhoven; Mike Huiras, North Mankato and Becky (Wagner) Helget, St. James.

The **Class of 2002** held their 15 year class reunion on September 29, 2017, at the Railway Bar and Grill in Sleepy Eye. Pictured in the front row (left): Geri (Carr) Pelzel, Sleepy Eye; Shelley (Eckstein) Doyle, Edina; Allison (Braun) Hazuka, New Ulm; Jamie (Eickhoff) Schauman, Sleepy



Eye; Ashley (Mathiowetz) Schieffert, Sleepy Eye; Rachel (Mathiowetz) Kucera, Sleepy Eye and Sarah (Haala) Hinderman, Sleepy Eye. Back row: Clint Mack, Jordan; Dustin Mangen, Sleepy Eye; Chad Armbruster, Sleepy Eye and Andrew Wagner, Sleepy Eye.



The **Class of 2007** held their 10 year class reunion on August 5, 2017, at the Sleepy Eye Golf Club. Pictured in the front row (left): Kellie Schumacher, Clements; Jenna Krzmarzick, Sleepy Eye; Melissa (Lax) Pietig, Sleepy Eye; Julia (Solma) Lux, Sleepy Eye; Jessica (Pelzel) Helget, St. Peter; Emily (Seidl) Niswanger, Minneapolis and Leslie (Pelzel) Rodeberg, Montevideo. Back row (left): Shaun Kober, Sleepy Eye; Alex Lux, Sleepy Eye; Cory Kober, New Ulm; Amanda Hoffmann, Sleepy Eye; Tyler Wahl, Mankato; Joe Zinniel, Bloomington; Ryan Sellner, Sleepy Eye and Adam Krzmarzick, Hector.

## HALL OF FAME 2018

### Service Award



**Kathy  
Wichmann**

### Athletic Award



**Ashley  
(Mathiowetz '02)  
Schieffert**



**Fred  
Hoffmann ('52)**

We are excited to announce our 2018 Hall of Fame Award inductees. Please join us as we honor them at our Appreciation Dinner on January 27, 2018. The evening begins with Mass at 5:30 PM, followed by social hour, dinner and a brief awards presentation in St. Mary's Church social room. Tickets are available for \$25 (adults) and \$12 (children 12 and under). You may order your tickets on the Hall of Fame page of our school website, by calling the school office (794-4121) or emailing [cheiderscheidt@sesmschool.com](mailto:cheiderscheidt@sesmschool.com).

### Schmitz Serving On NET Ministry Team



In September, **Jessica Schmitz ('13)** became a part of a NET Ministries parish team with seven other young adults. Her team is stationed in Naples, Florida at St. John the Evangelist Catholic Church. Their goal is to reach the middle school and high school students and the young adults in the parish, challenging

them to embrace the life of the Catholic Church. Jessica shares, "Even in just a couple of months we can see God working in the hearts of the students!"

## ALUMNI AND FRIENDS GOLF TOURNAMENT



Congratulations to the winning team of the 27th Annual Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament held on September 9, 2017 (left): **Judd Walter ('98)**, **Bryan Weiss**, and **Blair Folkens** (not pictured). Second place team was **Cole Owens ('17)**, **Jared Rothmeier ('15)**, and **Jenny Rothmeier ('09)**. Longest drive: **Tony Gazich**, **Sam Armbruster**. Closest to the pin: **Bryan Weiss**, **Jill (Schumacher '92) Weiss**. Longest putt: **Judd Walter**, **Jill Weiss**. Twenty-eight teams participated this year generating proceeds of \$4,082.00 benefiting the athletic department. Thank you to **Dan Schmid ('95)** and **Judd Walter** for helping to organize this event. Thank you to the following businesses for sponsoring this event- \$130 sponsors: Arneson Distributing, Chuck Spaeth Ford, Miller Sellner Implement, Mathiowetz Construction Co., Schwartz Farms and First Security Agency; \$100 sponsors: SouthPoint Financial Credit Union, Kibble Equipment, M.R. Paving & Excavating, Inc. and Sleepy Eye Electric; \$50 sponsors: Americana Bank, Schmid Financial Services, and Schweiss Meats. Thank you to the following volunteers for their help: **Jeanne Tauer**, **Jeff Koewler**, **Jacob Lux**, **Sophie Portner**, **Trista Ibberson**, **Julia Helget**, **Maya Nelson**, **Reagan Severson**, **Jake Heinrichs** and **Owen Weiss**. Thank you to St. Mary's Booster Club and St. Mary's Catering for donating door prizes.

### Jody Hansen "Sets" Volleyball Milestones



Congratulations to senior **Jody Hansen**, daughter of **Craig ('74)** and **Linda**, who had over 1000 digs and over 2000 set assists during her volleyball career at St. Mary's! A starter since her freshman year, she credits hard work and her teammates for this tremendous accomplishment that helped earn the Lady Knights a #3 spot in the play-offs. Unfortunately, the Knights ended the 2017 against a strong New Ulm Cathedral team. Congratulations to Jody and to all of the seniors for their dedication and leadership. The Knights' head coach is **Jen Walter**, assisted by **Cassie Schwartz** and **Wendy Owens**.

***Let Perpetual Light Shine Upon Them...***  
*(Includes obituaries received through October 23, 2017)*

**Margene (Pekas) Mistelske**, 89, died September 28, 2016. Margene graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1945. She is survived by her children, John, Mary Hartz and Patrice Speltz.

**Bernice (Weiss) Seifert**, 92, died November 27, 2016. She graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1942.

**Cecelia (Sellner) Schwarz**, 90, died on February 19, 2017. She graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1946. She is survived by her children, Virginia Kalin, Annette (Bob '71) Broich, Yvonne (Gary) Lager, Mary Beth (Wayne) Johnson, Patrick, Donald (Cathy), Dennis, Joel (Kathleen) and Gerard.

**Frances (Sellner) Gores**, 53, died on April 18, 2017. Frances graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1982. She is survived by her husband, Mark. Her sister Mary Beth Botz is a teacher at St. Mary's High School.

**Dale Abrahamson**, 88, died May 11, 2017. He is survived by his wife, Joan (Braun '49) and his children, Deb (Neal) Pehrson, Darrell (Traci), Brenda and Dennis (Denise); and stepchildren, Jean Schmitz ('70), Stanley ('71) (Linda) Schroepfer, Paul ('74) (Linda Sellner '75) Schroepfer, Beth Schroepfer ('76), Kathy ('79) (Jeff) Mathahs, Karen ('79) (Terry) Galuska, Glenn (Cindy) Schroepfer and Curt ('88) Schroepfer.

**Florence (Pinzka) Wilfahrt**, 91, died May 14, 2017. She graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1943. She is survived by her husband, Donald and their children, Mark, Maybeth (Ed) Sheridan, Julie (Dan) Soehren, Amy, James (Dawn) and Craig (Kristy).

**Maureen (Ganske) DeRosier**, 79, died May 16, 2017. Maureen was a member of the class of 1955. She is survived by her children, Timothy (Jennifer), Colleen (George) Farmer, Renae (Tom) Woellert and Ann (Roman) Tomal.

**Joseph Hoffmann**, 82, died May 25, 2017. He was a member of the class of 1953. He is survived by his wife, Mary Ann and their children, Jackie (Dale '89) Schroepfer and John (Miriam).

**Jane Peichel**, 86, died June 23, 2017. She is survived by her children, Joe ('75) (Kim), Laurie ('76) (Dave) Osberg, Kathy ('77) (Scott) Gilbert, Lisa ('79) (Tom '73) Pelzel, Gini ('80) (Steve) Wegleitner and Jeff ('86) (Sandy).

**Bernard Krzmarzick**, 89, died June 28, 2017. He attended St. Mary's School.

**Margaret (Schumacher) Bauer**, 84, died June 29, 2017. She graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1950. She is survived by her daughters, Mary (Douglas) Schmidt and Paula (Charles) Achman.

**Lucille Hoffmann**, 98, died July 1, 2017. She is survived by her children, Marjorie ('57) (Joe) Dummer, Lorraine ('59) (Jim) Schweiss, Dolores ('60) (Dave) Kokesch, Marilyn ('62) Hulke and Robert R. ('65) (Leslie).

**Gregory M. Steffl**, 67, died July 4, 2017. He graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1969.

**Dianne (Klein) Fischer**, 67, died July 6, 2017. She graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1967. She is survived by her son, Brett.

**John Rosseth**, 80, died July 6, 2017. John graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1954. He is survived by his wife, Rita (Neid '54) and their children, Pamela (Steven) Hirsch and Jeffrey (Janet).

**Jerome Hirsch**, 83, died on July 8, 2017. He graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1952. He is survived by his wife, Barbara (Ubl '53) and their children Debora, Sandra (Brad) Rude, Barbara Davis and Paul (Margaret).

**Janet (Bertrand) Tauer**, 82, died July 16, 2017. She graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1953. She is survived by her children, Bradley (Elizabeth), Douglas (Rhonda), Kathleen ('78) Steffl, James and Lisa ('81) (Merlin) Wahl.

**Joseph H. Sellner**, 60, died August 21, 2017. He graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1976. His sister Mary Beth Botz is a teacher at St. Mary's High School.

**Alice (Goblirsch) Dorn**, 89, died September 10, 2017. She graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1945. She is survived by her children, Christine (Corey) Olson, Michael (Alita) and Jennifer Beyer.

**Agnes Dietz**, 90, died September 29, 2017. She is survived by her children, Robert ('65), Alice ('71) (Michael) Chernich, Mary ('78) (Dennis) Macho, Diann ('84) (Brian) Wiederich.

**Jerome Weicherding**, 79, died October 12, 2017. He graduated from St. Mary's High School in 1956. He is survived by his wife, Pat (Hittesdorf '57) and their children, Tim ('77) (Barb Pelzel '81), Sandy ('80) (Vic '75) Helget, Pam ('81) (Allen) Braulick, Terry ('87) (Pamela), Kay ('89) (Patrick) Davis and Trent ('97) (Rashelle Hoffmann '99).

**REMEMBER ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN YOUR WILL**  
"How shall I make a return to the Lord for all the good He has done for me?" Psalms 116:12



## “NIGHT OF KNIGHTS”

ANNUAL APPEAL KICKOFF DINNER

NOVEMBER 18, 2017

ST. MARY’S CHURCH SOCIAL ROOM

6:30 PM - Social hour followed by a delicious Prime Rib meal prepared by St. Mary’s Catering and served to your table by teachers and students. Entertainment by staff.

MC: Randy Krzmarzick

Guest Speaker: Emily Schumacher  
2014 Alumna

\$35 Per Person

*All guests will be invited to make a generous donation at the end of the evening. These funds are used to satisfy the budgeted salary increase for school personnel already factored in for the 2017-2018 school year. This event promises to be as fun as those in the past. Contact Chris at [cheiderscheidt@sesmschool.com](mailto:cheiderscheidt@sesmschool.com) to make your reservation.*

## Franciscan Sisters Alumnae Reunion



The legacy of the Rochester Franciscan Sisters at St. Mary’s Catholic School is an incredible gift as they served in the school since its inception. Last school year, the final Franciscan Sister to serve at St. Mary’s, Sr. Audrey Goldschmidt, retired and moved to Assisi Heights in Rochester, MN. There, she joined several other Franciscan Sisters who were also alumnae with a special place in their hearts for the school. In total, forty-three women from St. Mary’s answered the call to a religious vocation with the Sisters of St. Francis in Rochester, MN. Of the nine Sisters still living, eight were concurrently present at Assisi Heights, inspiring Sister Audrey to invite them to dinner where they reminisced about their years at St. Mary’s. Pictured around the table (left): **Sr. Audrey Goldschmidt** (‘55), **Sr. Theresa Hoffmann** (‘59), **Sr. Marlene Pinzka** (‘63), **Sr. Nicholine Mertz** (‘40), **Sr. Cecily Schroeffer** (‘54) (currently living in Billings, MT), **Sr. Claren Sellner** (‘53), **Sr. Clara Schotzko** (‘62) and **Sr. Mary Margaret Dapporn** (‘50). The ninth living Sister, **Sr. Phyllis Sellner** (‘59) (not present) resides in Palm Desert, CA. What a blessing these women continue to be to God’s Church! As a school, St. Mary’s thanks them for their years of selfless service and their lasting legacy in initiating Catholic education in Sleepy Eye.

## Dear Alumni and Friends of St. Mary’s School,



This is an exciting year at St. Mary’s; first of all we have a great staff working at St. Mary’s, which sets a wonderful tone for the students. They are committed to providing the best they can for the students. We have wonderful students who are committed to being formed and taught the way to heaven by becoming true disciples of Jesus Christ, Our Lord and Savior. We have supportive parents who wish the best for their children, with whom we are partnering in order to give our children the best.

This is an exciting year as well as we prepare for our MNSSA review visit for a renewal of our accreditation next year. This year will be a lot of extra work with committee meetings and all that is involved with that process, but it is good for the school. Self-examination is always a good thing. It helps us identify areas of strengths and challenges. We ask for your help if we call on you.

As always we are so very grateful for your continued support of St. Mary’s. Your prayers, verbal encouragement and financial support does so much to enhance the spirit and spur us on to become even better as we lay a firm foundation for the future. We are a small educational institution but we are a good educational institution filled with a spirit of faith and caring, second to none. We are proud of what we are doing and at the same time humbled that so many of you have placed so much trust in us.

I pray God’s blessings on each of you and may the name of the Lord always be praised, “at whose mention every knee should bend of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth should bend.” (Phil. 2:10)

Msgr. Eugene Lozinski,  
Pastor-Superintendent

## KNIGHTS OF OLDE ANNUAL REUNION

*A gathering of men who attended or graduated from  
St. Mary’s Catholic School*

### LOST SPUR COUNTRY CLUB

Eagan, MN 55121

Phone: 651-454-2330

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2017

Social: 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Lunch: 12:30 PM

RSVP to **Jim Losleben** - required for meal  
651-686-9547 or email: [leben815@aol.com](mailto:leben815@aol.com)

# St. Mary's Catholic High School - Seniors



**Caleb Berg**  
Chad & Cindy Berg  
Vermillion Community College-Ely, MN



**Sarah Berkner**  
Patrick ('80) & Patty (Spaeth '80) Berkner  
Undecided



**Maleah Berry**  
Brad ('79) & Julie Hoffmann  
Minnesota State University-Mankato, MN  
Minnesota National Guard



**Megan DeMaris**  
Scott DeMaris & Mary Kay Bogue  
St. Mary's University-Winona, MN



**Kaleb Fischer**  
Darrell & Nikki (Hillesheim '90) Fischer  
Ridgewater College-Willmar, MN



**Lydia Goblirsch**  
Randy ('82) & Angela Goblirsch  
University of Illinois-Chicago, IL



**Allison Helget**  
Paul ('82) Helget & Tonya Wendinger  
South Dakota State University-Brookings, SD



**Nicholas Helget**  
Dave ('81) & Tammy Helget  
South Dakota State University-Brookings, SD



**Madison Hoffman**  
Jeff & Amy (Braulick '88) Hoffman  
South Dakota State University-Brookings, SD



**McKenzie Hoffmann**  
Rusty ('91) & Tiffany (Bertrand '94) Hoffmann  
Southwest Minnesota State University-Marshall, MN



**Dylan Ibberson**  
Ryan ('97) & Deanne (Sellner '95) Ibberson  
South Central College-North Mankato, MN



**Mary Joyce**  
Jerry & Kathleen Joyce  
Seattle University-Seattle, WA



**Andrew Kiecker**  
Brad & Cheryl Kiecker  
Ridgewater College-Willmar, MN



**Angela Kiecker**  
Brad & Cheryl Kiecker  
North Dakota State University-Fargo, ND



**Jaden Krebs**  
Shari ('90) Krebs  
Tom & Lori (Helget '82) Deibele  
Undecided



**Noah Krzmarzick**  
Patrick ('78) & Jacque (Ladd '83) Krzmarzick  
Gustavus Adolphus College-St. Peter, MN



**Kayci Kuebler**  
Glen ('80) Kuebler & Chris ('88) Pelzel  
South Dakota State University-Brookings, SD



**Megan Labat**  
Craig & Tina (Schueller '95) Labat  
South Dakota State University-Brookings, SD



**Jennifer Lax**  
Randy & Diane Lax  
Alexandria Technical & Community College-Law Enforcement



**Emily Ludewig**  
Loren ('79) & Jeanne Ludewig  
Ridgewater College-Willmar, MN



**Anna Lux**  
Matt ('88) & Maria Lux  
South Dakota State University-Brookings, SD



**Hannah Marti**  
Dell & Cindy Marti  
South Dakota State University-Brookings, SD



**Cole Owens**  
Steven Owens & Wendy Owens  
South Dakota State University-Brookings, SD



**Isabella Portner**  
Tom ('88) & Mary Portner  
Iowa State University-Ames, IA



**John Rosenhammer**  
John ('80) & Patty Rosenhammer  
Lake Area Tech-Watertown, SD



**Bailey Rutscher**  
Steve & Susan (Paulson '90) Rutscher  
Southwest Minnesota State University-Marshall, MN



**Sean Salfer**  
Ron & Kim Salfer  
Bemidji State University-Bemidji, MN



**Jena Schroepfer**  
Joel ('85) & Marti Schroepfer  
College of St. Benedict-St. Joseph, MN



**Nathan Schroepfer**  
Tom & Mary Jo (Krueger '81) Schroepfer  
Gustavus Adolphus College-St. Peter, MN



**Megan Sellner**  
Eugene & Jill (Haala '88) Sellner  
University of Minnesota-Duluth, MN

# Sleepy Eye Class of 2017 Future Plans



**Natalie Sellner**  
Dean ('80) & Karen Sellner  
Lake Area Tech-Watertown, SD



**James St. Peter**  
Jim & Christasia St. Peter  
University of St. Thomas-St. Paul



**Grace Steffl**  
Dan ('85) & Lisa Steffl  
Mt. Marty-Yankton, SD



**Nicholas Strate**  
Brian ('92) & Michelle (Bauer '92) Strate  
St. Cloud Technical & Community  
College-St. Cloud, MN



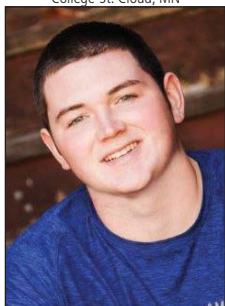
**Kyle Windschitl**  
Jason & Barb Windschitl  
South Dakota State University-  
Brookings, SD



**Alex Woitas**  
Bruce & Mary Woitas  
Gustavus Adolphus College-  
St. Peter, MN



**Megan Ziegler**  
Frank & Desiree Ziegler  
University of Minnesota-Duluth, MN



**Logan Zuhlsdorf**  
John & Traci Zuhlsdorf  
Ridgewater College-Willmar, MN

## Congratulations Class of 2017

Sunday, May 28, 2017 at 2:00 pm  
St. Mary's Catholic Church

Class Color: Green & Silver

Class Flower: Green-tipped White Rose

Class Saint: St. Teresa of Calcutta

Class Motto: "Can't afford not to"

Class Verse: "Forgetting what lies behind and reaching forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal, for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." —Philippians 3:13-14

St. Mary's Parish Service Award: **McKenzie Hoffmann**  
Christian Award: **Sean Salfer, Isabella Portner**  
John Philip Sousa Award: **Bailey Rutscher**  
National School Choral Award: **Megan DeMaris**  
Science Award: **Grace Steffl**  
Sue Windschitl Memorial Scholarship: **Megan DeMaris**  
American Legion and VFW Award: **Jim St. Peter**  
Lion's Club Student of the Year: **Anna Lux**  
Rick ('77) Losleben Memorial Scholarship: **John Rosenhammer**  
Charlie Hale Scholarship: **Nathan Schroeffer**  
We Walk By Faith (from Joe Huiras ('02): **Megan Ziegler**  
Bob Berg Music Scholarship: **Megan DeMaris**  
Miss Sleepy Eye Scholarships: **Megan Sellner, Maleah Berry**  
Denis ('62) and Lynn Goblirsch Memorial Scholarship: **Maleah Berry**  
Kaylie Hogue Scholarship: **Megan Ziegler, Noah Krzmarzick**  
Payton Adams Hustle Award: **Jody Hansen, Cole Owens**  
John Mangen Scholarship: **Alex Woitas, Anna Lux**  
Tyler Hadley Athletic Achievement Award: **Cole Owens, Anna Lux**  
Neubauer Family Award (from Mike Maurer): **Crystal Portner**  
Neubauer Spirit Award (from Dee Dee (Sellner '83) Fried): **Megan Ziegler**  
Esther "Sis" (Wagner '39) Dey Soukup Scholarship: **Kira DeMaris, Gabby Helget**  
Thinking Outside the Box Scholarship Award (from Dee Dee (Sellner '83) Fried): **Jenny Lux**  
Richard ('53) & Mary Lou Mathiowetz Family Scholarship: **Alex Woitas, Sean Salfer, Angie Kiecker, Hannah Marti**  
Charles "Chisey" Hansen ('42) Family Memorial Medical Scholarship: **Maleah Berry**  
Murthy Medical Scholarship: **Megan Sellner, Natalie Sellner**  
Minnesota Drifters Motorcycle Club in memory of Jared Peterson ('09) Scholarship: **Hannah Marti and John Rosenhammer**



Mr. Andrew Bach (center) is pictured with valedictorian **Noah Krzmarzick** and salutatorian **Megan DeMaris**.

# ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL ANNUAL REPORT

July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2017

## Alumni & Friends Annual Appeal Fund Donors

*Our total received during this fiscal year was \$81,145.14. Our goal was \$100,000.00. This money was used to help pay for school personnel salaries. Thank you to the following individuals who contributed to this fund:*

### **Mary, Queen of Peace ♦ Gifts of \$5,000 & More**

Anonymous

Schwartz, Joe '72

Schwartz, John '74

### **Mary, Help of Christians ♦ Gifts of \$2,500 - \$4,999**

Nosbush, Brad & Sara

### **The Immaculata ♦ Gifts of \$1,000 - \$2,499**

Anonymous

Armbruster, Adam '00

Armbruster, Randy & Roxanne

Berkner, DeLoy '82 & Annette (Braun) '82

Bloedow, Steve & Judy

Carroll, Mary '74

Hacker, Candy *in memory of Dean Hacker* '72

Konz, Leo '61

Krzmarzick, Donna '59

Mathiowetz, Mary Lou

Savage, Rex '53

Scheid, Cynthia (Goblirsch) '82

Schroepfer, Robert '63 & Linda (Gehrke) '65

Schwartz, Irene

Seidl, Samantha '10

Sleepy Eye Electric Co.

Tauer, John '89

Walter, Bill and Anita

Woessner, Donald '75

Ziegler, Frank & Desiree

### **The Magnificat ♦ Gifts of \$500 - \$999**

Conrad, Tom '79 *in memory of Dan Conrad* '73

Fredrickson, Marie (Simonsen) '78

Gangelhoff, Greg '78 & Mary (Hoffmann) '78

Huiras, Andrew '02

Koll, Dean '74

Kotten, Larry '77 & Kathy (Schmidt) '79

Kral, Linus '61

Kucera, Rachel (Mathiowetz) '02

Losleben, Jim '58

Lozinski, Msgr. Eugene

McCabe, Russ & Ann

Pietrus, Joseph '57

Portner, Joan (Soukup) '50

Rosenhamer, Patrick '59 & Joan

Rosenhammer, John '80

Rosenhammer, Mildred '57

Ruud, Marjorie (Horvat) '76

Steffl, Mary

Tauer, Robert '59 & Darlene (Boettger) '64

Treml, Edwin '56

Wendt, Carol (Sellner) '75

### **Hail Mary ♦ Gifts up to \$499**

Anderson, Duane & Kris

Anderson, Brenda (Sellner) '80

Arbes, Richard '59

Asfeld, Michele (Neudecker) '81

Barnett, Catherine (Mack) '55

Baumann, Mary '67

Bender, Amanda (Fromm) '04

Berkner, Allan '70

Bertrand, Carolyn (Suess) '59

Bertrand, John '59

Bertsch, Frances (Sellner) '58

Bock, Renae (Berkner) '71

Boice, Marquerite (Schueller) '50

Brady, Alexis (Storm) '65

Braulick, Lorraine

Braulick, Lynne (Schmid) '07

Braulick, Gerald '66

Breuer, Deborah (Sellner) '68

Brey, Gwen (Riebel) '82

Bromenschenkel, Gail & Leo

Bruckbauer, Robert '62 & Jeanette (Steffl) '63

Carr, Mike & Tammy

Carroll, Darleen (Appel) '48

Cibuzar, Carol (Goblirsch) '53

Cook, Wayne '68

Dean, Janice (Laux) '52

Dey, Carol *in memory of Esther Dey Soukup* '39

Dietz, John '62

Dietz, Paul '62

Doll, Diana (Dietz) '57

Eckstein, William '72

Eickhoff, Bob & Joleen

Ericksen, Patricia (Sellner) '91

Fischer, Carol (Gulbrandson) '62

Fischer, Daniel '68

Fischer, Arnolda (Hillesheim) '55

Folkens, Blair & Val

Forst Transfer Inc.

Frassel, Mary Ann (Hirsch) '55

Gangelhoff, Florence

Gangelhoff, Brian '02

Ganser, Pam (Mecklenburg) '99

Gazich, Sue (Eckstein) '77

Glynn, Dorothy (Crouter) '49

Goblirsch, Fr. Robert '51

Goldschmidt, Sr. Audrey '55

Grabow, Gladys (Seidl) '50

Grausam, Kathleen (Piehl) '64

Grausam, Joan '66

Griffin, Mary (Schumacher) '49

Haberland, Susan (Reiniger) '75

Hansen, Steve '74

Hauser, Terry '90

Heiderscheidt, Monte '79 & Chris (Berkner) '81

Heiderscheidt, Diane (Schroepfer) '62

Helget, LaMonte and Elaine

Helget, Becky (Wagner) '92

Helget, Galen '95

Helget, Dean '86

Helvig, Amy (Kral) '93

Hesli, Gretchen (Schwartz) '69

Heymans, Greg '80

Hoffmann, Gary '68 & Marie (Seifert) '68

Hoffmann, Robert R. '65

Hoffmann, Robert W. '65

Hoffmann, Steve '80

Hoffmann, Joan '63

Hoffmann, Sr. Theresa '59

Horvat, Kenneth '81

Huberty, Robert '55

Huberty, John '57

Huberty, Mary Jane '61

Huberty, Kathleen '63

Ibberson, Colleen (Wersal) '49

Johnson, Thomas '56

Johnson, John '64

Johnson, Robert '54

Juettner, Mary Lou (Gilland) '62

Kelly, Marie (Neid) '53

Klisch, Raina (Walter) '04

Kosak, Randy '80

Kotten, Patrick '58

Kotten, Ivan

Krebs, Cori '99

Kruzich, David J. '60

Krzmarzick, James '68

Krzmarzick, Marvin '53

Krzmarzick, Cletus '74

Krzmarzick, Kenneth '66

Kuebler, Margaret (Schreiner) '60

Larson, Dr. Thomas '69

Lax, Mark '05

Leff, Viola (Seifert) '60

LeVoir, Bishop John M.

Liebl, Darrel '53

Little, Ardyce (DeBlicke) '53

Losleben, Randy '75 & Corinne (Lee) '78

Losleben, Lynn '70

Lux, Nick & Irene

Mages, Curtis '78

Mages, Larry '69 & Margaret (Sellner) '69

Mangen, Lyle '82

Marti, Adam '09 & Lisa (Seidl) '11

Mathiowetz, Mitzie (Ebenhoh) '48

Maurer, Diane (Ludewig) '67

Maurer, Scott '98

McMillan, Stephanie (Krzmarzick) '05

McNab, Eileen (Hoffmann) '55

Mecklenburg, Matt '96	Rieke, Mark & Cindy	Sellner, Scott '72
Mecklenburg, Samantha '04	Rubey, Dr. Rubey '65	Sellner, Sr. Claren '53
Mecklenburg, Dave & Ruth	Savage, Linus '56	Severson, Mark '96
Mertz, Sr. Nicholine '40	Scheidnes, Nicole (Schumacher) '00	Soukup, Charles '83
Miller, Barbara (Hoffmann) '76	Schmid, Gloria '69	Staubus, Yvonne
Moldaschel, Lucille (Mathiowetz) '52	Schmidt, Verna	Steffen, Kathleen '68
Moulton, Margaret (Peichel) '58	Schmitz, Paul '81 & Debra (Krzmarzick) '80	Steffl, Joel '75
Neudecker, Phyllis (Hillesheim) '56	Schneider, Donna Mae (Hillesheim) '52	Suker, Rosemary (Simonsen) '69
Newman, Linda (Lochner) '82	Schnobrich, Daniel '59	Tauer, Janet (Bertrand) '53
Neyers, Thomas '64	Schnobrich, Gerard '57	Tauer, Gary '73 & Laurie (Hauser) '76
Niswanger, Emily (Seidl) '07	Schons, Ken & Audrey	Tauer, Peggy A. (Krzmarzick) '49
Olmscheid, Mary <i>in mem of Paul Wurtzberger</i> '62	Schroepfer, Scott '93	Tauer, Joel '75
Olson, Judith (Thul) '64	Schroepfer, Cletus '52	Ubl, David '65
Paulson, Fr. Jerome '61	Schroepfer, Leo E. '47	Vickery, Barbara
Peichel, Jerome '63 & Ginny (Schroepfer) '61	Schroepfer, Paul '74 & Linda (Sellner) '75	Virgin, Kathleen (Murry) '49 <i>in memory Chuck Murry '46, Ken Murry, Bob Stenzel '54</i>
Peterson, Fr. Zachary	Schulz, Irene (Lammers) '52	Willhite, Lynn '59
Price, Mary Jane (Hillesheim) '67	Seidl, James '58	Windschitl, Tim '85
Puckett, Cindy	Seidl, Andy '98	Windschitl, James '47
Rausch, Matthew '74	Seifert-Pederson, Sandra '85	Wurtzberger, Florian '64
Rausch, Mark '83	Sellner, Charles '67	Zinniel, Randy '79
Rausch, Betty	Sellner, Gerald '62	Zuhlsdorf, Gary '70
Reddy, Patricia (Soukup) '58	Sellner, Randy J. '91	
Riebel, Mark '81	Sellner, Gerald V. '58	

### “Gratitude for Catholic Education” Staff Endowment Fund Donors

*The Staff Endowment Fund bonus is awarded to staff members based on years of service. We have received \$26,818.97 in donations this fiscal year. This brings the total of this fund to \$1,293,357.00. Thank you to the following who contributed to this fund:*

#### **Perpetual Members ♦ Gifts of \$1,000 or more**

Anonymous (4)	Hacker, Candy <i>in memory of Dean Hacker</i> '72	Mathiowetz Construction Company
Farrell, J. Patrick '46	Kotten, Ivan	Mathiowetz, Lana (Wendinger) '81

#### **Gifts of \$1 - \$999**

Callanan, Richard '51	M R Paving & Excavating Inc.	Scherer, Cecelia (Sellner) '48
Fischer, Larry '76 & Deb (Mages) '79	Mallak, Fr. Mark	Schons, Ken & Audrey
Fischer, Lois	Maurer, Diane (Ludewig) '67	Schwartz, Irene
Glotzbach, George	Mecklenburg, Dave & Ruth	Steffl, Joel '75
Goldschmidt, Sr. Audrey '55	Reis, Rita	Tauer, Mark '71
Halverson, Syd <i>in memory of James Weiss</i> '61		

### Scholarship Trust Fund Donors

*Our total received during this fiscal year was \$98,852.17 which brings the total contributions to \$331,159.49. This money is invested and the interest is used to assist families who need help meeting the cost of tuition. Thank you to the following who contributed to this fund:*

#### **Gifts of \$1,000 or more**

Anonymous	Hacker, Candy <i>in memory of Dean Hacker</i> '72	Wiltscheck, Rosemary '45
Gajewski, Elaine (Seidl) '74		

#### **Gifts of \$1 - \$999**

Huberty, Robert '55	Kral, Roger '61 & Sharon (Schroepfer) '64	Steffl, Joel '75
Jarmer, Catherine (Hoffmann) '62 <i>in memory of Margaret (Wurtzberger '62) Thiner &amp; Paul Wurtzberger '62</i>	Mecklenburg, Dave & Ruth	Wagner, Matt '00
Konz, John '60 <i>in memory of Paul J. Heymans</i> '45	Olsen, Dr. Ronald '50 <i>in memory of Kathleen (Olsen '56) Bruckbauer</i>	

**Other Major Gifts (\$5,000 or more)** Corey and Pam (Mecklenburg '99) Ganser \$3,000.00 (with matching grant from Apple) \$6,000.00 total for iPads for grade school; Generous Donor Tuition Gift \$25,000.00; Anonymous \$10,000.00 for tuition assistance, SouthPoint Financial Credit Union \$10,000.00 for technology; Anonymous \$10,000.00 for teachers' bonus; Brad & Sara Nosbush \$6,000 for pre-school; Knights of Columbus \$7,317.00 for misc. school needs; two Anonymous gifts of \$10,000.00 for school kitchen project, Mike Maurer \$5,000.00 for high school and Mary Lou Mathiowetz \$10,000.00 for fieldhouse maintenance. ***Thank you to everyone who supports our school with a gift, whether it is large or small, we truly appreciate it!***

# Win a Caribbean Vacation for Two or \$4,000 Cash!

## Join Us for a Caribbean Knight Party

A Can't-Miss Tropical Night with Games, Pull Tabs, Raffles, Friends and

Tropical Food / Drinks

Live Music:

DW3 and Heide & the Good Ol' Boys

Silent Auction and Live Auction featuring Holy Land Trip for Two, SD Pheasant Hunt, Hot Tub, BRP 4 Wheeler and much more!

# Saturday

February 17, 2018

5:30pm—12am

Sleepy Eye  
St. Mary's Field House



2nd Prize Wins

\$1,000

3rd & 4th Prize Wins

\$500

5th-14th Prize Wins

\$100

\$25 / Ticket

Proceeds will go to increasing enrollment and maintaining affordable tuition.

### Purchase Your

### Tickets Today

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### school at

507-794-4121

### and mark your

### calendar

Need not be present to win

## 2017 Caribbean Knight Expenditure Detail

The Caribbean Knight Party was, once again, definitely a "KNIGHT" to remember! The success of this event provides an incredible financial gift to the school and truly demonstrates the commitment of our alumna, parents, parishioners, and our entire community to the ongoing success of St. Mary's Catholic School.

The proceeds of \$116,414.92 generated were astonishing. As of Nov. 1, 2017, the monies have been used as follows:

\$61,000.00 - Tuition Reduction

\$ 5,500.00 - Fairfax/Redwood Falls Transportation

\$ 1,781.35 - Marketing Expenses

The remainder of the balance will be allocated as needed to achieve our goals on continuing to increase enrollment and maintain affordable tuition.

St. Mary's is proud to offer a high quality Catholic education while keeping tuition low and offering tuition assistance as needed. This would not be possible without your support and the unceasing dedication of so many! The committee (**Judd ('98)/ Jen Walter, Tim ('99)/ Cassie Schwartz, Brent/ Rachel (Mathiowetz '02) Kucera and Sam ('00)/ Jess Bloedow**) promise to provide another fun event in 2018 to continue to support the mission and ministry of St. Mary's Catholic School.

## JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT BIZ TOWN



As part of their preparation to attend JA Biz Town (a simulated city that students run for a day), the sixth grade students applied for jobs that they would like while working at Biz Town. Local community members volunteered their time to interview students about their qualifications for the jobs. Pictured here is **Amy Kral ('05)** from Del Monte interviewing **Meriden Andres**, daughter of **Matt and Christina (Braun '96)**. We appreciate the community members for providing this valuable opportunity for the students and to sixth grade social studies teacher **Annette Lux** for her work in organizing the event.

## Stay Up-To-Date with our St. Mary's Facebook Page!



It's time to "like" our St. Mary's Catholic School's Facebook page! Do you wish that there were more issues of RECALL? Now, instead of waiting for your RECALL, you can check out Facebook on a regular basis for all your SMS news! Have a computer? Let your friends or grandchildren show you how Facebook works - it's easy and free. Our Facebook page is one of the best as it is constantly updated with current news and events, thanks to an anonymous alumni volunteer. If you like to receive news as it happens, this is the place to go! It's 2017 so check out facebook.com/sesmschool and like our page today!

## 36th ALUMNI & FRIENDS BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

December 30, 2017



Thirty years ago, the winners of the 1987 tournament were the 1974-76 team. Pictured in the front row (left): **Tom Popken ('75)**, **Ron Haala ('76)**, **Don Woessner ('75)**, **Mike Schmid ('74)**, and **Jeff Cook ('76)**. Back row: **Dave Rubey ('76)**, **Tom Hansen ('76)**, **Glenn Sieve ('75)**, **Joel Steffl ('75)** and **Dean Stimpert ('75)**.



Winning the tournament last year was the 2005-2007 team - front row (left): **Willy Mangen ('06)**, **Chris Ibberson ('05)**, **Alan Woitas ('06)** and **Scott Mangen ('06)**. Back row: **Andrew Woitas ('06)**, **Billy Cook ('06)** and **Jacob Bohnen ('05)**.



Join the fun and get a team together to play in this year's tournament to be held on Saturday, December 30. You may register your team for the 36th Annual Alumni and Friends Basketball Tournament by contacting **Bruce Woitas** at [bwoitas@sesmschool.com](mailto:bwoitas@sesmschool.com).

### Welcome New Staff Members



St. Mary's School is pleased to welcome our new staff members for the 2017 - 2018 school year. Pictured (left): **Diane Fuchs**, 4 year old preschool teacher; **Peggy Tauer**, custodian and **Brynn Braulick ('05)** Mathiowetz, 3 year old preschool teacher. We also welcome our elementary art teacher **Boston Portner ('11)** (not pictured). We wish them and all the teachers and staff at St. Mary's the best this school year.

### St. Mary's Students Take a Stand for the Protection of Life

St. Mary's high school principal, **Andrew Bach**, and teacher, **Neil Kirchoeffer**, prayed the rosary with the 9th and 10th grade students in front of the Planned Parenthood facility in Mankato. This prayerful and peaceful demonstration was part of the "40 Days for Life" prayer campaign to end abortion by offering education to the community and inspiration and options (such as adoption) to women who are struggling with difficult or challenging choices regarding their pregnancy. The primary goal of this prayerful demonstration is to encourage all people to understand the sanctity of human life.



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*Mission Statement: St. Mary's Catholic School exists to assist parents in passing on the Catholic faith while providing a quality education in a safe and positive environment.*

### **Recall Contributors:**

Msgr. Eugene Lozinski, Jennifer Blick,  
Matt Grausam, Jessica Schmitz  
Kay McGuire, Peggy Tauer  
Sleepy Eye Herald Dispatch  
Sr. Audrey Goldschmidt, Crystal Portner  
Class of 1942/Collette Schunk

### **Administrative School Staff:**

Msgr. Eugene Lozinski - Pastor/Superintendent  
Fr. Andy Michels - Senior Associate Pastor  
Fr. Sam Wagner - Parochial Vicar  
Andrew Bach - High School Principal  
Mary Gangelhoff - Grade School Principal  
Marti Schroeffer - HS Admin. Assistant  
Tiffany Hoffmann - HS Admin. Assistant  
Tammy Helget - GS Admin. Assistant  
Bruce Woitas - Athletic/Activities Director  
Matt Grausam - Business Manager  
Karen Helget - Assistant Business Manager  
Marie Bushard - Head Cook  
Rick Gilliland - Maintenance Director  
Chris Heiderscheidt - Development Director

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Michelle Strate, Emily Niswanger,  
Rachel Kucera, Dan Schmid