



The Legacy

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As volunteers for Habitat for Humanity, Rivet seniors spent their 2015 spring break building a home for a family in Cleveland, TN.



A NOTE FROM THE CEF PRESIDENT



On behalf of the entire CEF Board, I want to thank all of our donors and friends for their continued support of the Christian Educational Foundation. Thanks to this continued support, the Christian Educational Foundation had a very successful year. The sole purpose of the CEF is the financial, spiritual, and physical support of the Vincennes Catholic Schools. We once again were able to provide the VCS with funds for operations, multiple families with grants and scholarships, and various school teams with donations.

Our mission: The CEF is a non-profit organization dedicated to raising funds to support the Vincennes Catholic Schools in Vincennes, IN. We have a goal of raising \$200,000 annually through direct donations and various fundraisers. Monies raised go towards educational programs and providing scholarships and grants. The CEF exists to help support the VCS continue their purpose of providing students in Knox County and surrounding areas the opportunity to experience a quality, parochial education at an affordable cost. We strive to educate students in a well rounded manner; intellectually, physically, socially, emotionally, spiritually, and morally; paving the groundwork for our students to become successful, productive members of our community. With the assistance of the CEF, the Vincennes Catholic Schools are able to welcome students of all faiths and a variety of social-economic statuses. All of this is made possible with the help of our friends and donors.

Thank you in advance for your continued support of the Christian Educational Foundation.

Debbie Thomas, President

FACTS ABOUT THE CHRISTIAN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION AND FISCAL YEAR 2015 SUPPORT PROVIDED TO VCS

The Christian Educational Foundation has been in service to the Vincennes Catholic Schools for over 40 years. The CEF was founded and incorporated in 1971.

To raise funds for our Vincennes Catholic Schools, the CEF annually sponsors the Fall Gathering, Casino Night, The Patriot Sausage Booth at the Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous, a Golf Outing, Knox County Fair Food Booth, Germanfest, 2 Mega Bingo's, Sunday Night Bingo and the Gift Card/Scrip Program. The CEF has one individual employed in a clerical capacity. Many other individuals volunteer their time and perform a variety of tasks organizing, promoting, and making sure all these events are a success. For the year ended August 31, 2015 the CEF volunteers gave over 3,200 hours in support of these events. In addition to those who support the CEF with volunteer hours, countless others support the CEF by attending our events, buying raffle tickets, buying auction items and making cash and noncash donations.

As a result of the support the CEF receives we are able to:

- Provide at least \$171,000 in direct financial support of the annual budget of our Vincennes Catholic Schools.
- Provide \$30,000 in scholarships and financial aid each year to families who desire a Catholic education for their children but who may struggle with the cost of tuition.

Contributions from the CEF to our Catholic Schools have a direct effect in reducing the local parish assessments.

LOCAL ALUMNI PARTICIPATE IN CEF FUNDRAISER, ANNUAL GOLF OUTING



Marvin Keller - Central Catholic '55, Caden Ellis, Ricky Ellis, Therry Shaw

On May 8, 2015, the CEF held the Annual Benefit Golf Scramble at the Country Club of Old Vincennes. This year the event had 24 teams and raised almost \$10,000 for the Vincennes Catholic Schools! We would like to thank all of our supporters—hole sponsors, golfers, donors and volunteers—that contributed to making this year’s event our most successful ever. In particular, we would like to thank our Hole-in-One Sponsor—Uebelhor & Sons of Vincennes; our Patriot Hole Sponsors (\$500)—First Vincennes Savings Bank, Herman Family Dental, Kemper CPA, Rusch Pioneer Seed Service, Shirt Print Avenue, and The Original Company; and our Gold Hole Sponsors (\$250)—Dixon & Dixon, Fortner Pest Control, Good Samaritan, Henderson Transfer Co., and Marvin Keller Trucking.

The Golf Scramble is always a fun event – a great time to reconnect with other alumni and friends and a wonderful way to support our schools. Mark your calendars for Friday, May 6, 2016!



Garrett Emmons
Rivet '04



Tom Claycomb, John Teising,
Kevin Day ('73 Lincoln), Pat Roberts
Rivet '72



Dan Herman & Chad Thomas
Rivet '85



Justin Turner - Rivet '02, John Minderman
Central Catholic '69, Jim Minderman - Rivet '74,
Kevin Minderman - Rivet '03



Pat Herman
Rivet '88

Germanfest 2015

Germanfest took place on August 7th and 8th, and was very successful this year. Several Rivet alumni classes came out and celebrated their class reunions. Food was delicious and we were able to use the Highland Woods Community Center to serve meals to families with younger children. A big thank you to “Major O’Bryan” and “Probst” for the great entertainment. Looking forward to seeing you next year!



Major O’Bryan



Class of 2012

Don't Forget to Reserve Tables for Your Class Reunion Next Year at Germanfest

bis zum nächsten Jahr in Vincennes!
See you next year in Vincennes!



Class of 2010



1971 — 2015 CHRISTIAN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

Supporting the Vincennes Catholic Schools for over 40 years.

RECENT SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS



This year the 2015 Mr. Ralph Holscher "Up & Beyond" Freshman Scholarship was given to two students receiving \$500 each. It was an honor to award the 2015 Mr. Ralph Holscher "Up & Beyond" Freshman Scholarship to Colten Mouzin & Austin Thomas.

It was also an honor to award the 2015 Mr. Ralph Holscher "Up & Beyond" Teacher Award to our Flaget Principal Mrs. Lori Wissel, Rivet graduate 1980.

The 2015-2016 Noland & Elizabeth McClure Foundation Scholarship was awarded to the family of Gerald & Ashley Burton.



Beautiful Wooden Catholic Church and School Replicas

Available for purchase in the Rivet school office. Cost is \$20.00 each. Proceeds go to the Rivet PTO. Call the Rivet office at 812-882-6215.

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Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, Thursday,
Friday 8:00 a.m.-3:45 p.m.
(Closed on Tuesday)

Meetings held 1st Monday of the month at
7 pm in the CEF office.

Save the Dates:

- Mega Bingo - Sunday, November 8, 2015
- Casino Night - TBD
- Mega Bingo - Sunday, March 6, 2016
- Golf Scramble - Friday, May 6, 2016
- Rendezvous - Saturday & Sunday, May 28-29, 2016

Class Notes

.....from Legacy issue January 2013 to September 2014

Ralph and I played against each other in High School, he at Oaktown and me at Freelandville. They beat us by 1 point in the Vincennes Sectional in 1943. When he got tired of fooling around with us, he would hold the ball up as high as he could reach and none of us could reach it. One of the great men I got to know. -Bob Jones

Class of '66. Retired around beautiful Lake Lanier, Gainesville, GA doing part time and volunteer work to keep active. Follow and attend Thunder Valley Nationals in Bristol, TN. Losing Coach brought back memories of a man who wouldn't give up on a wild teen. Just wish I was able to say thank you in person. Condolences to his great family. -John G. Fielder

I am the mother of 10 children which all attended Rivet. -Mildred Pea

Thanks Ralph for the year I got to teach with you. -Mike Giddings (Brother Michael)

Larry Combs class of '57. Living in Georgia, playing golf, bridge and helping the K of C local council. Started in the K of C Council 712 in Vincennes. 2 children, Cleveland, OH and Lansing, MI, each with a young "grandson" 10 & 8. Still see & keep in touch with "cousin" Jim Quinn CCHS class of '53. Ralph coached me his first year at CCHS. -Larry Combs

Now working at the Aspen Institute. -Thomas Duesterberg

'Class Notes' are from Alumni that would like to share what they have been doing and where they are now. The 'Class Notes' above came from our last Legacy issue which featured Mr. Ralph Holscher. If you would like to share your information, please use the attached envelope in this issue and we will feature it in the next issue that is published.

"MAGIC MID BUS"

By Gretchen Lehman and Christy Pea

Hop on the Magic Mid Bus with Mrs. Pea and Mrs. Lehman and you will take exciting adventures around Indiana. That is the theme we used when we started our excursions four years ago. The summer program is offered to the incoming 3rd grade through outgoing 5th grade students at Flaget. The first fourteen children to sign up are chosen to take 3-4 trips with us on the "Magic Mid Bus." Some of the places we have visited include:

Mesker Park Zoo, Tour of Toyota's Plant, Howell Wetlands, Wesselman Park Nature Center, we took a tour of Main Street learning about the structures of the buildings in Vincennes, and then on to V.U. for a dip in the pool. Some of the favorites were visiting Angel Mounds, Blue Spring Caverns, Spring Mill State Park, Wonder Lab in Bloomington, the Military Museum and making their own Pizza at Procoppio's. This year several of our Flaget graduates, whom went on to Rivet, wanted us to take them on another trip. Many of them have traveled together since our first tour in 2012. So with excitement we planned a canoe trip down Pigeon Creek and a "bouncing" good time at Skye Zone for the 6th graders.

It was a very fun day spending time and hanging out with the children during our "Magic Mid Bus" reunion. Of course, one of the highlights is when we surprise them and drive the bus through drive through at Wendy's for Frosty's! That always puts a big smile on their faces. We really enjoy touring Indiana with the students and spending fun educational trips with them. Outside of the school setting we get to know them in a different way and see a side of their personalities that is amazing. We already have "our wheels turning" to plan next year's Magic Mid Bus excursions for another "Magical" summer!!





In Memory RECENTLY DECEASED ALUMNI

Olive Egloff LeClaire – 1931
Audrey Shappard Fleck – 1932
Dorothy Shaw – 1933
Helen Frisz Hauck – 1937
Charlotte Nardine McCarthy – 1939
Leone Lasher Craney – 1941
Rosemary Yocum Johns – 1941
Mary Margaret Bouchie Dollahan – 1942
Rita Dolkey Bedner – 1943
Geneva Raney Harnett – 1944
Bertha Hunckler West – 1946
JoAnn Scheirmann Kohlhouse – 1947
Carolyn Simon Thompson – 1949
Patricia Stangle Carroll – 1950
Mary Rumer Hadley – 1950
Betty Doll McDermont – 1950
Donna Thompson – 1950
Paul Bouchie – 1951
Robert “Whitey” Clauss – 1951
Jerome Niehaus – 1952
Robert Shepard – 1952

Barbara Shaefer Stangle – 1952
Ralph G. Bouvy Sr. – 1954
Shirley Bouvy Kitchell – 1954
Janice Laue Reilly – 1955
Willard Bultez – 1958
Kathryn Kelso Clack – 1958
Ethel Bauer Heilman – 1958
Phillip B. McCormick – 1958
Edward J. Klueh – 1959
Sister Sarah Summers SCMM – 1959
Harriett Wade Waldroup – 1959
Charles Wolfe – 1959
Ginger Hopper – 1960
Tony Yochum – 1964
Janet Kotter Perry – 1965
Donald Claycomb – 1966
Kathie Westfall Mattox – 1966
Dennis Shappard – 1966
Becky Elkins Lehman – 1967
Timothy Biggs – 1971
Eric Myers – 1971
Sue Todd Roellgen – 1972
William J “Bobe” Coffman – 1980
Mary Kern Long – 1980
Terence L. Speth – 1985
Natalie Fortner Bratcher – 1998
Amber Tedrow-Webster – 2011
Brother Raphael (Father Martin Toolis) – Faculty

Donations to CEF In Memory of

Paul Bouchie	Shirley Ray
Paul Brunson	Steve Thais
Patricia Carroll	Martha Thompson
Robert Claus	Peggy Toth
Bobe Coffman	John & Dorothy
Barbara DeBoer	Ueding
Gene Edwards	Christine Welton
Virginia Hopper	Bertha West
Bert Kolehouse	Gary Williams
Mike Kopp	Fred Wright
Rick Myers	Tony Yochum

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

The Central Catholic Class of 1959 made a donation to the Vincennes Catholic Schools in memory of Edward Klueh, a fellow classmate who adored Central Catholic and the Christian Brothers.

ALUMNI *Review*

Angela Adley

Author, Speaker, Fatherless Daughter Advocate



Rivet Class of 2005 graduate, Angela Adley, has recently published a children's book, *Growing Up Without My Daddy*. She shares her personal story with other little girls growing up with unavailable, unattached, or absent fathers in the hopes that they will be able to heal their own daddy wounds through love and faith-based healing. "I want to remind little girls that they are love, loved, and lovable." Adley said. The book is colorful, interactive, and provides a platform for parents to discuss the topic with their daughters. For more information, visit: <https://www.facebook.com/lovelovedlovable>.



Kelly (Lane) Clauss

RIVET RECORD HOLDER, ELKS HOOP SHOOT CHAMP CLAUSS ENTERS HALL OF FAME

Insert comes from the Vincennes Sun-Commercial, July 15, 2015 by Tom Graham

It may have been 19, or 31, or 48.

It was a number that Bill Lane came up with on a particular day. It was a number of consecutive free throws that his daughter, Kelly, had to make before they could leave the gym.

No matter the number, Kelly made them. She made them too in the Elks National Hoop Shoot Free-Throw Championships, becoming the first shooter to win back-to-back titles as a 12 and 13 year old in 1978 and 1979.

Kelly (Lane) Clauss just turned 50 years old last week, is married to her husband John Clauss, and lives in Washington. She is the Vice President of Medical Practice Management and Support Services at the Jasper Memorial Hospital.

Basketball isn't the most important thing to Clauss anymore, but the Vincennes native and Rivet graduate received a reminder this past year how good she was. The Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame called to tell Clauss that she was among the 11 to be inducted in the 2015 class.

"It came out of the blue for me. I was humbled," Clauss remembered when she received the call. "When I realized that it's just the women's 14th induction class and to be among the best of the best in the state, I didn't feel deserving."

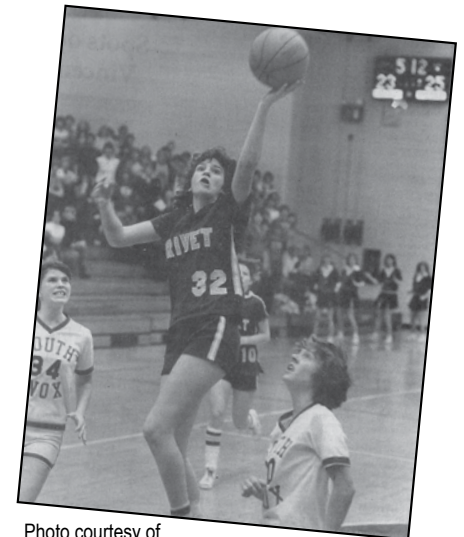


Photo courtesy of
Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame

A Time of Innocence, A Time of Confidences

By Debbie (West) Rose

High school is a time like no other. It's a time of making friends, forming bonds, and creating wonderful memories. But on graduation day, in spite of the tears, hugs and promises to stay in touch, life takes over and often we never see those friends again. However, on September 13, 2014, forty-five years after the SRA class of '69 graduated, all that changed.

Nearly 30 of us met at the SRA building that September evening to have our picture taken on the front steps, just as we did all those years ago for our senior picture. Then we piled into cars and headed to Lake Lawrence.

It was truly a magical evening, as old friends and new gathered together under the trees to grab a glass of wine, a plate of food, and catch up with each other. Laughter was the music of the night and the music never stopped.



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*Class of 2000
15 Year Anniversary*



*Class of 2005
10 Year Anniversary*



*Class of 2010
5 Year Anniversary*

We would like to acknowledge these graduate classes on their milestone year!!