



A NOTE FROM THE CEF PRESIDENT



Hello again! I am happy to be back as our Christian Educational Foundation President, but also saddened to share with all of you, we lost our very dear friend, wonderful supporter, President and an amazing person Julia Ann "Julie" Marchino on November 13, 2018 to a short illness. There is a very big heart and even bigger shoes to fill for CEF and in supporting our Vincennes Catholic Schools.

I met Julie many years ago in our Ralph Holscher Gymnasium while I was cheering on our basketball teams, she was smiling and playing in our great adult pep band! Little did I know then, we would spend many years together striving for the same goal -- To help CEF raise money for our continued support of the Vincennes Catholic Schools and the Catholic education in Vincennes.

Julie had the special gift of writing from her heart and spreading the good word of God. She would remind me many times of the importance of having Faith, praying each morning for God's help in facing each day and then thanking him each night for his love, help and blessings. The past Monday night meetings are priceless to me, after we would finish with the regular CEF meetings, we'd then stick around and visit for many hours for the "after meeting", laughing, crying, and helping one another with whatever we needed. Julie did not have any children of her own but she loved her niece & nephews dearly, along with all of the children in our Vincennes Catholic Schools family. She would even parent me, by making sure I always text her after our long meeting night visits, to make sure I had made it home safely. I sure would love to get one of those text now, see her beautiful and bubbly smile or hear that sweet voice and great laugh.

On my last visit with Julie, she reminded me of the many needed, unfinished projects we had previously discussed for our school buildings and of her many dreams for the schools. I promised her that we would move forward and continue her wonderful love and

support each day to our Vincennes Catholic Schools. I know that with all of our great volunteers and supporters, we can continue this promise to Julie and have the best Vincennes Catholic Schools she dreamed of.

When you walk through the glass doors of our Old Catholic School Building - Annex - CEF Office, smile and think of Julie, for the new purple signage on the doors was her last great accomplishment for us. Please join me in always keeping Julie and her family in our

prayers. My very dear friend will always be loved and missed.

I would like to thank our CEF officers and each of you for joining our group in helping make the best decisions for bettering and

continuing our financial, physical and prayerful support to our Vincennes Catholic Schools.

Please enjoy our Legacy, for you will read and see the many great things that have been happening with our "Family" of the Vincennes Catholic Schools and Christian Educational Foundation. Great works of God happen when working together.

Thank you so much for your continued prayers, love and support for our Vincennes Catholic Schools.

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Debbie Thomas, President Christian Educational Foundation **2019 CEF UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Golf Scramble Rende May 10 May 25

Rendezvous Germanfest May 25 & 26 August 9 & 10 Fall Gathering September 14 Mega Bingo November 3



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Office Hours:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday (Closed Tues) 9:30am - 3:45pm Closed for lunch 11:15am-12:15pm 8:00-9:30am available by appt only

CEF Meetings: 1st Monday of the month - 6:00pm

CEF holds monthly board meetings the first Monday of each month at 6:00pm. *All are welcome to attend.* The office is located inside the "Old Catholic School" across the parking lot from Rivet. Come and join us in our support of our Vincennes Catholic Schools!

Fond Farewell Mrs. Evans



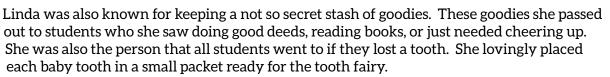
Mrs. Linda Evans was a member of the Flaget staff for 28 years. She began as a Kindergarten assistant in 1990. She continued that position until 1997 when she took the position of Flaget secretary. During her time at Flaget, she became a very valued member of the staff. The office is the first-place visitors go and Linda Evans was the kind, loving person that helped make Flaget such a family atmosphere.



On any given day, a visitor may have witnessed Mrs. Evans taking a temperature, helping students check out books, or listening to a kindergarten student read. She knew everything about Flaget. Students and parents alike loved to talk to Mrs. Evans. She was able to solve problems or get the backstory to help make decisions. She was a lifesaver in many situations. Most of those situations involved helping make a student feel good about themselves or help make their day successful.

Linda made the job of the administration and faculty easier. She organized fieldtrips, events, and schedules. To say she was organized was an understatement. This trait made everyone else's job easier as she knew where to find anything that a teacher needed.

Throughout her years at Flaget, she became part of the safety team. She was the gatekeeper and the first line of defense at the school. The safety of the Flaget students was always of utmost importance to her. She kept track of who went in and out of the building.



Flaget was truly blessed to have had such a wonderful secretary. She was the biggest supporter of the school and promoted the school's mission. We miss her beautiful smile but congratulate her on her retirement.

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The Sophomore and Junior religion classes have participated in many service projects this year. They helped clean up Main and Second streets during the United Way Day of Caring, read to children at the Civitan Children's Center, walked dogs at the Pet Port, and visited BridgePointe and Fox Ridge nursing homes.









RIVET CHESS TEAM PLACES 2ND

A Chess team was started at Rivet last fall. In November, the team, consisting of Charlie Niehaus, Coleton Adams and Luke Weiss, competed in a chess tournament in Evansville and they earned a 2nd place team finish. The team is coached by Jillian Herb.



Tribute to Mr. Ed Schnautz

From 1963 to 2005, Mr. Ed Schnautz was a teacher of Art, yearbook, photography, and videography, as well as the Rivet Middle and High School tennis coach.

I first met Mr. Schnautz as my art teacher at South Knox Elementary in Monroe City many years ago. In 2002, when my daughter told me a Mr. Schnautz came to school asking the fifth grade students to play tennis, I knew exactly who this man was. From that day on Mr. Schnautz had not only influenced my younger self, but my daughter as well and I will forever be thankful he was a part of our lives.

Mr. Schnautz had said at one time, "to me, painting is not a pastime, it's a priesthood. I feel like a servant of the man going abroad in Matthew's parable in the Bible. I must not buy my talents, I must invest them." In 2003, his art was shown in a gallery where he shared a part of himself with the community, including his Rivet students.

One particular painting was created from a daydream of his, which also inspired him to write a poem about the fight to keep the Catholic schools open. The following is an excerpt from his notes for his gallery tour:

"...The last painting that I shall discuss was produced in the years 1995 and 1996. It was painted in response to a poem (a ballad if you will) that I wrote in 1992. The superintendent of our Vincennes Catholic Schools was Doctor Arthur Politz, a rather austere, ex-military man who I, non the less admired greatly. We were talking one day when he, with some amusement, admitted one of his students (he taught one math class) had caught him daydreaming while the class was working problems. He even told me what he was daydreaming about. He imagined himself as a German U boat commander in World War II in the North Atlantic. Up periscope! We laughed. But later that evening, I got to thinking, was that me too? Nah! He had probably been watching the German movie "Das Boot" (The Boat) produced in 1981. My daydreams centered around a much earlier movie called Beau Geste - produced in 1939. The setting is not the North Atlantic but North Africa, specifically the Sahara Desert. Beau Geste and his brother have joined the French Foreign Legion and are stationed at the remote Fort Zindernoff. The garrison has repulsed

repeated attacks by the native "Toregs" and the Legion commander has been killed. They are now commanded by the brutal and sadistic "Sergeant Markoff". During a lull in the fighting Beau Geste and his brother watch as Markoff places the bodies of dead Legionaries at the wall to give the appearance that the fort is fully staffed, Beau observes "you and I may hate him, but he's probably the best soldier we will ever see."

And so, I recorded my daydream in a poem, and later in a painting, I vowed that I would never read the poem until I really needed to and so far I haven't needed to.

Until today.

Right now I am proud in power. And lord it in my little hour And flesh and bone now both are strong. What better time to sing this song.

I call it "The Wall".

I look at this old French Fort, Gibault, Flaget, Rivet, they gave their lives to spread the faith, and start a bright new day. And now we mercenaries man the wall, such a diverse and motley crew, we are here and it is now, only this we know is true.

There must be thousands now, against our thin white line. according to our corporals count we're exactly twenty-nine!

> A guiet pall, hung overall, till Holscher raised his head. "They'll not take this wall. 'less this old man is dead!"

The troops they hear, and raise a cheer, and bless his leathery hide. when old familiar death is near, they want him at their side! Their gunners finally have our range, they've cut our flag to tatters, but flags are only symbols here, its us below that matters!

The ladders now, they're quick to scale our wall, my musket finds another use, helping them to fall! One more ladder yet to push, I'm set to do the deed, a sabre flash, a dreadful pain, and I begin to bleed.

I look up to see the foe, by God, he looks like me! Everything in me that's bad, and that I don't want to see. I push the ladder as he strikes again, the face disappears, leaving only the pain.

I see my blood now, and it's pouring fast. sorely out, I sink at last. So if this, this little fort of folly falls Markoff, Markoff, Markoff, here's another body, for the wall.



As is true with many, high school was somewhat of a difficult time for me. Mr. Schnautz seemed to intuitively know that, as a struggling kid, I needed a little bit of encouragement. I will never forget visiting his Art Show. He led me personally through the gallery. explaining the methods he used and the meaning behind each work. I reflect back on this act of kindness, particularly since it came from someone who was in the midst of such an intense fight for health, as a profound mark of generosity which was characteristic of his nature.

-Nicole Lao Coomer, 2005









Where does the money go?

Each year, CEF hosts a number of annual fundraisers, receives donations, memorial gifts and even the occasional estate gift. Perhaps you are wondering where the money goes, but were afraid to ask! Take a look at how CEF assisted the Vincennes Catholic Schools and families in 2018:

General operations		\$200,000	
Grants for student tuition	ons	\$35,704	
Student Scholarships		\$7,905	
Teacher Scholarship		\$1,000	(personal use)
2nd Mid Bus Donation		\$50,000	
Student Tuition		\$2,000	(for families with emergent circumstances)
Building Structures		\$12,017	
Teacher Classroom Equ	ipment/Supplies	\$3,939	
Gift Card/Scrip Payout f	for Student Tuition	\$3,517	
Assorted Donations		\$7,789	(for assorted programs and needs)
TOTAL:		\$ 323.871	

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Some of the donations to CEF are gifted by families for a particular use, such as the Noland and Elizabeth McClure Scholarship, the Ralph Holscher Scholarship and the Dr. Karen Nutt Fund. But CEF still raises enough money to contribute to Rivet and Flaget for many other substantial ways, as you see above.

If you donate to CEF, know someone who does, or maybe don't know why you should; hopefully you'll find the above information enlightening. **We invite one and all to join CEF in our mission to support the Vincennes Catholic Schools.** For questions, to make a donation, volunteer your time or for more information, please contact CEF at 812-882-5889!

Many thanks to the individuals who donated through the Legacy envelope: September 2018 - February 2019

Michael & Julia Beaman Raymond & Joan Beckwith Sue Claycomb Mary Ellen Coates James Jackson Marvin & Carolyn Keller Michael Kirkwood

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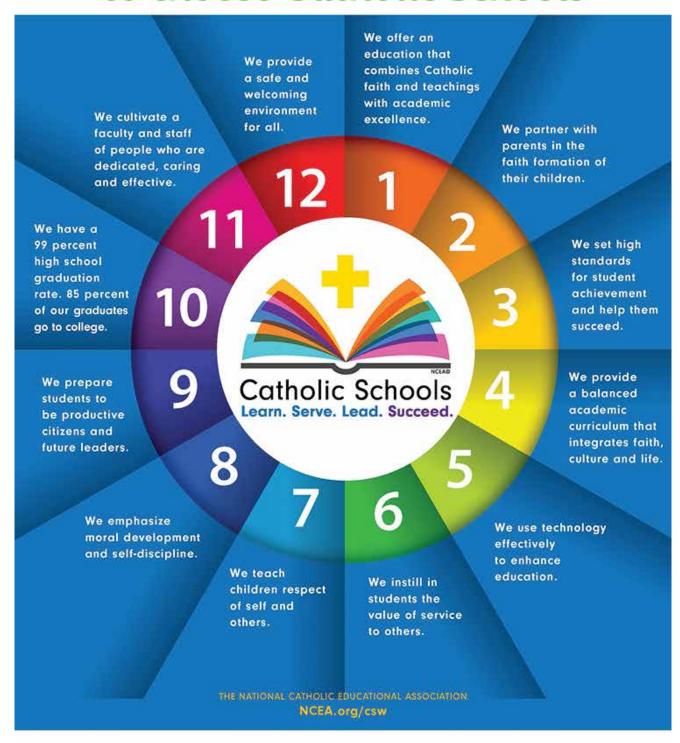
YOUR HELP IS GREATLY APPRECIATED



The envelope attached in the middle of the booklet is for your use! Please consider donating to the Christian Educational Foundation. We can also accept donations through PayPal on our website, **www.vincennescef.org**. Your donations will help us meet our monthly obligations to the Vincennes Catholic Schools. We truly appreciate your support.

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to choose Catholic Schools





RHS Outstanding Athletes

GRACE WAGGONER

RECEIVES LILLY, SIGNS WITH IU

Rivet senior, Grace Waggoner is the recipient of the 2019 Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship. This scholarship provides 4-year, full-tuition scholarship to selected students from each Indiana county. Each scholarship must be used to pursue a baccalaureate degree at any accredited public or private Indiana college or university. Grace has been accepted into the Kelley School of Business at Indiana University where she will attend in the

fall. She has also signed as a preferred walkon to the university's women's basketball team following graduation in May.

During this basketball season, Grace became the Knox County all-time leading scorer, also making her the highest scoring Patriot in school history. She ends her high school season with 1,843 points. Waggoner is the daughter of Charlie & Kristi Waggoner. We congratulate Grace on her achievements and wish her good luck in her future endeavors.





MOUZIN HITS A THOUSAND

Colten Mouzin joined Rivet's 1,000 Point Club during basketball this season! He ends his high school season with a total of 1,236 points. A senior at Rivet, he plans to attend Indiana University. Mouzin is the son of Dennis & Cathy Mouzin. Congratulations to Colten on his many great accomplishments and good luck in the future!







Little SIGNS of Kindness

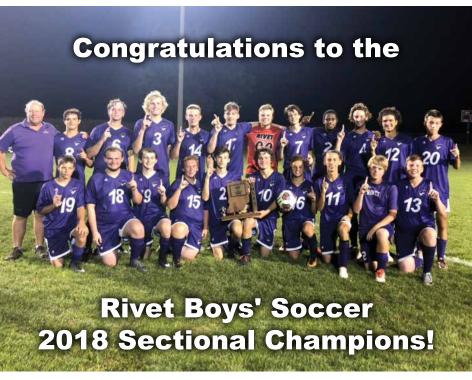
"Rivet students behind inspirational messages" was the heading in the Vincennes Sun-Commerical, December 2018. Jenny McNeece ran a story about our very own Jillian Herb and her religion classes when they took political yard signs and transformed them into messages of love and kindness. These signs, which included messages such as, "Smile more, laugh often" and "Just Breathe" were placed around Vincennes in hopes of spreading good will.

Make Today





YMCA!





Alumni News

Dear St. Rose Alumnae,

This year will be our 25th St. Rose Academy Alumnae Reunion!!! We are proposing some changes. The reunion will be held on Saturday, October 5, 2019.

You will have 3 options ...you can attend Mass only at 9:00 AM at Old Cathedral; you can just attend the luncheon and program at Green Activities Center on the VU Campus (doors will open at 10:00 AM)....or you can make it a day!!! Mass at 9:00 and following Mass head to Green Activities for plenty of visiting time followed by lunch and a short program. The luncheon at Green Activities Center is for St. Rose Alumnae only.

Mass at 9:00 AM at Old Cathedral with the Mass Intention being for all deceased alumni of the Vincennes Catholic Schools. We would like to invite everyone in the community – but especially the alumni of the Vincennes Catholic Schools. We would like to have some special music and include as many classes as possible to assist in the liturgy.

...LET'S FILL THE CHURCH...

Following Mass, St. Rose Alumnae will leave for Green Activities Center to continue their celebration and reunion This will be for St. Rose Alumnae ONLY – and paid reservations must be made in advance. NO MONEY will be taken at the door. There is so much planning for such a large group, that we cannot make exceptions. Booklets have to be printed several days ahead, nametags must be made, and seating arrangements have to be completed, to assure that everyone has a reserved seat with their class. Also, the total number attending has to be turned into the caterer a week ahead. This past year we had reservations for 185 – next year in celebration of our 25th Reunion - we would like to see 200 reservations!!!

The Luncheon will begin at noon followed by a short program. The cost will be \$20.00 Registration forms will be in the mail the first of June. For more information please contact Mary Ann Thacker - 812-890-2902 or marypearl66@ yahoo.com



Germanfest - August 9-10, 2019

Class of 1979 - 40 years Contact - Libby McClure Pond

Class of 1999 - 20 years Contact - Jolie DeLisle Parrish Homecoming - October 4-5, 2019

Class of 1959 - 60 Years

Contacts - Tom Ernst & Gayle Martin
Bledsoe

Class of 1964 - 55 Years

Contacts - Morris Carie & Karen Bezy
Day

Class of 1969 - 50 Years

Contacts - John Evans & Carol Catt Williams



Homecoming

Congratulations to Rivet High School Homecoming

Queen Molly Niehaus, daughter of Butch & Tina Niehaus

& King Dawson Sparks, son of Chip & Dawn Sparks



2019 Senior Class at Homecoming

In Memory OUR RECENTLY DECEASED ALUMNI

Betty Rubrecht Schultz – 1945

Mary Lou Wilkes Kramer - 1951

Barbara Wetzel Murphy – 1952

Kay Gallagher Niehaus - 1952

Patricia Messel Kramer – 1955

Pat Ryan - 1955

Nancy Jaussaud - 1960

Pat Heinz Hagedorn - 1961

Mike Prullage – 1961

John Ostendorf – 1962

James J. Westfall – 1964

Jacque Scott Clements - 1965

Darlene Gartner Odette – 1967

Richard Cardinal - 1968

Richard E. Fane – 1968

Dick Dognaux - 1969

Debbie Rubrecht Winkler – 1969

Richard Kramer - 1973

Sean Greubel - 2007

(Brother) Michael Giddings - Faculty

Donations to CEF In Memory of

September 2018 through February 2019

Hubert Adams
Mary Herman
Dan Herman, Sr.
Joe Hunckler
Doris Madison
Julie Marchino
Ransom Mengedoht
Bob & Kathyrn Rinsch
Verda Robinson
Beth Snyder
Mary Spurgeon
Robert Steimel Sr.

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.

Return Service Requested

