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Dear Friends,

The end of the school year is always an exciting time of year. As everyone prepares for the warmth and fun of the summer months, those within the school community are already beginning to plan for next year. As educators, this is a great time to reflect on the previous year. Teachers often ask themselves questions such as: "What's next?" "What went well in my classroom this year?" and "What will I do differently next year?" It is important that we take this time to reflect on our teaching, as education is continually changing. With the constant improvements in technology come the continual changes in how we gather, learn, teach and therefore retain information. Change is inevitable. Change is constant. Change is necessary. However, change can also be scary.



It is human nature to dislike or avoid change. We hold on to the traditions and the dependability of things in our lives because it is comfortable. Often times it is the comfort of knowing what to expect that helps us to continue moving forward. So in our society where change is constant, I think it is very reassuring that although some things have changed, who we are and what we are about has stayed the same. Yes, we have changed, we have adapted and we have modified, but for more than 150 years Marquette has stayed true to our mission of high quality Catholic education!

In Reinhold Niebuhr's The Serenity Prayer one asks that "God grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change; courage to change the things I can; and wisdom to know the difference." I think these words ring so true not just in education, but also in our lives today. Over the last four years I have learned many things, but the most important is that change is not something to be feared. Instead, it is something we should welcome and embrace; for without change, nothing in this world would ever grow or blossom. Without change no one would ever move forward to become the person they want to become. I have seen this first hand in our students. It is so gratifying to watch our students as they grow into well rounded, highly educated, socially responsible and fully capable Catholic adults.

I truly believe that now is an exciting time to be a part of education! Things are moving and changing daily and it is our responsibility as educators to keep up with these changes and determine how we will move forward in the presentation of information to our students. But, as Catholic educators we have an added responsibility of not only forming our students' minds, but also their faith. This formation of the whole student; the physical, mental and spiritual is what Marquette Academy is all about.

Now is a great time to be a part of education, but in my opinion an even better time to be a Crusader!

Respectfully yours,

Brooke Rick, Principal

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Plans Underway for 32nd annual Marquette May Merriment

The 32nd Annual Marquette May Merriment dinner/auction gala will be held this year on Saturday, May 3rd. The theme for this year's event is

RHINESTONE RODEO!

General chairmen Tom '82 and Sherrie (Durdan '88) Martini, Dennis '80 and Debbie Allen, Dave and Renee Rhoades and honorary chairs Josephine (Donahue '59) and Bill Parrott are predicting a rip roarin' time. After 32 years, May Merriment remains the most successful fundraiser at Marguette, and is still one of the premier social events in the Ottawa area. A main component of the event is the Big Cash Raffle. This is an opportunity for those of you who live a great distance away to participate in the event. For a donation of only \$100 you can have a-one-in 750 chance to win the top prize of \$25,000 as well as five additional prizes totaling \$12,500. To request a ticket before they sell out, send your \$100 check with a note stating "Big Cash Raffle". We will enter you in the drawing and send the stub to you.

Honorary Tribute Program

Don't forget- Marquette Academy has an Honorary Tribute program. You can make a monetary contribution to Marquette to honor or recognize someone for such occasions as wedding anniversary, graduation, retirement, promotion, induction, athletic or academic achievement, milestone birthday, etc. We will supply you with a greeting card to send to your tribute and your monetary contribution will be acknowledged and applied to your lifetime giving for the Living Donor Memorial Wall. The tribute will be listed in our Annual Report. Contact us for more information at: dwhalen@marquetteacademy.net.

"...on behalf of the K of C Council 790, Streator, we would like to present this check for \$1,000 to Marquette in honor of the real "Cal", the real "Iron Man", Cal Flavel, in honor of his 50th year starting this fall at Marquette. Not only is Cal a cherished member of our council, he is a personal friend of mine. Cal is a catholic gentleman in every sense of the word. Like hundreds (probably thousands), I feel very blessed to have Cal as a part of my life! And so it is with great pride and honor I am sending this check in honor of Cal...God Bless you and Marquette." - Ron Wackerlin, Grand Knight, Council 790

Editor's note: Cal Flavel began his teaching career at Marquette in 1964 and "retired" in 1998. Since that time he has continued to serve as a permanent substitute every Monday and as needed. Yes, Mr. Wackerlin, thousands of people learned their keyboarding skills from him and are thankful that he was a part of their lives too.

Thank you Mr. Flavel!

Let us know what's going on!

Help us tell the entire Marquette Academy family YOUR story, where you are, and the amazing things in your life today! Look for FOOTPRINTS, on our web site and Facebook.



REUNIONS & CELEBRATTONS

The MHS Class of 1953

met at Pitstick Pavilion on September 28, 2013 to celebrate the 60th anniversary of their graduation. Class President Eugene White welcomed the 27 class members and 18 guests. Following dinner, a presentation was given by Dr. Joan (Looney) Wiegers of Denver as a tribute to the 31 deceased and most of the 57 living classmates. Also presenting memories and laughs were Don Scherer and Isabel Smith. The remaining funds from the reunion were donated to the school.



Submitted by Committee member Janet Mennie Brown:

Class of 1968 45th Reunion

The reunion was held on September 14, 2013 at Dayton Ridge Golf Club. Classmates attended a mass at St. Columba. Senior class president Patrick Graham sang for the mass. Prior to mass, a memorial balloon launch was dedicated to the deceased classmates. Fr. David Kipfer read the names of each person as a balloon was released. During social hour, classmates enjoyed hors d' oeuvres compliments of classmates Tony Small and Joseph O'Brien. The 62 classmates and spouses enjoyed a power point presentation consisting of many photos from their high school days. After dinner, the class played a trivia game hosted by Ruth Halm and prizes were awarded. Sue (Monterastelli) English led the singing of the school pep song. Classmate and author Tony Small presented his book titled Golf is God's Game to president Pat Graham.



The Class of 1973 celebrated their 40th

reunion on August 2nd and 3rd, 2013. The gathering began at Bianchi's Famous Pizza on Friday where classmates visited and exchanged photos and memories. On Saturday, classmates celebrated mass in the Marguette chapel, toured the building and then met at Prairie Lakes for dinner. A beautiful stained glass blue and gold wall hanging made by class member Jerry McConville was raffled off. A balloon launch was done in memory of the six deceased classmates. Among the honored attendees was Mr. Cal Flavel who was one of their teachers. The class presented a check for \$500 to the Art Department in memory of their deceased classmate Mike Pozar who was an accomplished artist.

The Class of 1973

represented by Mary Ganiere and Nancy Goble presented Mrs. Linda Malley with a print of Marquette, painted by their classmate Charles Funk, to honor her retirement. Mrs. Malley began her career at Marquette with their class in 1970.



Student Spotlight!



Carolann Jeanette Wackerlin

Carolann is the daughter of Russell, a self-employed farmer and Beth, Principal at Northbrook Elementary School in Mendota. She resides in Leland. She is the baby with one sister and two brothers. Her siblings refer to her as the "spoiled little brat", but Carolann prefers to think that her Mom and Dad merely stopped after they reached perfec-

tion! Carolann is a member of the Crazy Cru, Order of the M, Scholastic Bowl Team, Student Council, Cheerleading and Track. She has also participated in the Fall Play and Spring Musical, Key Club, Cross Country, Bowling, Basketball, Softball, WYSE Team and Prom Committee during her high school career. Her academic achievements are many. She is an Illinois State Scholar, Commended National Merit Scholar, National Honor Society, IVCC Phi Theta Kappa Member, Teen Columnist, Adam Kinzinger Summit Attendee, Student of the Month, received the Illinois Principals' Association award and maintains a GPA of 4.0. In May, Carolann will graduate from Marguette with a high school diploma and an Associate's Degree from IVCC in Science and Arts having been a successful student of the Marquette/IVCC Running Start Program. In addition to her school work and activities, Carolann enjoys working on the farm with her father where she raises her own steers for the market. She is proud to say that she can shovel grain bins, move cattle, toss hay bales and drive a tractor as good as any boy, if not better. Her greatest goal and aspiration is to become a Veterinarian with particular emphasis on working with cattle and the beef industry to provide affordable, efficient and reliable service to farmers and ranchers. A part-time job at the Earlyille Veterinary Clinic is helping to prepare her for that career path. In her spare time, Carolann serves her community by volunteering at her church in the many events that they host. She also volunteers at the food pantry in Somonauk and spends many hours working with Eye-Care, Int'l. that involves refurbishing used eyeglasses for people in need in third world countries.



She is a seven time blood donor through the Red Cross.

After graduation, Carolann plans to attend Texas A&M University to begin Veterinary School.



Jacob Andrew Martini

Affectionately known as "Skippy", Jacob represents the epitome of an all-around catholic high school gentlemen and student. He is always polite and respectful to both his classmates, and the adults around him. Jacob is the middle child of Tom '82 and Sherrie (Durdan '88) Martini. He is a third generation Crusader. Since his freshman year, Skip has

participated in nearly every Club at Marguette and has been a three sport athlete every year. He has been a member of Student Council for four years, Order of the M, God Squad, Key Club, Crazy Cru, Prom Committee Chairman, National Honors Society, Retreat Leader, Drama Club and Fine Arts Club. Some of his many honorary achievements and awards have included; Youth Leadership Conference, HOBY Representative, Boys State Representative, Student Ambassador, IVCC Phi Theta Kappa, Virtue of Religion Award, Blessed John Paul II Achievement Award and top honors awards in English, Spanish, History and Chemistry. Jacob has performed as an outstanding athlete for the Crusaders as well. He has participated in Bowling, and JV and Varsity Football, Basketball and Baseball and has been chosen as an All-Conference Player and Player of the Game and All-Area Team in football. In addition to loving sports, Skippy has a passion for the stage. Since his 7th grade appearance on the high school stage in The Sound of Music, he has performed in every musical production at Marquette. In the spring, he will make his final appearance as Gingy (the gingerbread man) in Shrek, The Musical. Jacob volunteers in many service projects through the school and serves as a grade

school tutor. In the summer, Skippy works with the youth sports teams in the area. He has been an altar server at St. Patrick's Parish since fourth grade. As a participant in the IVCC/Mar-

quette Running Start program, Jacob will graduate in the spring with a high school diploma and an Associate's Degree from IVCC. He loves math and science, and as the son of two math majors has decided to pursue a career in engineering.



Faculty Spotlight!

Long time teacher to retire in 2014



Linda Malley, affectionately known as simply Malley, began her career at Marquette High School in the fall of 1970.

She graduated from Western Illinois University with a degree in History Education and then earned her Master's degree in Secondary Education from Northern Illinois University. She took a full time hiatus from, 1977-1985 to raise her two small children, but substituted that whole time. That makes her total time at Marguette 40 years this year. She has decided that it is time to retire so that she can spend more time with her family, especially her two grandchildren and do some traveling. Linda is married to Joe Malley '67. She was introduced to him by her college roommate who was from Ottawa. They have two children; Joe Jr. '97 and Becky '99. Her two grandsons are the light of her life.

Linda has taught nearly everything at Marquette at one time or another and was in charge of the library for many years. She became Guidance Counselor in 2002. Her favorite class to teach has always been Psychology.

When asked what her favorite memories have been over the years, Linda said that her top ten are:

10. Moving the entire library from the old building to the new building (6,000 books).

9. In the library in the old building, when the wind blew it got very cold in there, so I bought a space heater. When I plugged it in, the lights went out, so I could have heat or lights but not both.

8. Going on the Pro-Life trip to Washington D.C. four times. What a great experience!

7. Going to state in basketball, football and baseball. What an exciting finish to the 2nd in state basketball game in 1974!

6. A few years ago some of the faculty won some money playing the lottery. The priests had not given any money for that time, but some thought we should count them in anyway. I did not. That

night a terrible storm came up and struck a telephone pole right outside of our window. I said "OK, God, the priests are in." I learned my lesson.

5. The beautiful picture of Marquette High School that the Class of 1973 gave to me. I will treasure it always.

4. Wondering why a group of senior football players signed up for my Interim crochet class. When they came to the class I found out that they thought it was croquet.

3. In the old building, the teacher's lounge was also the nun's living room. I came in and sat down one morning and looked across the room to see that they were waking a dead nun. It scared and surprised me so much that I literally ran out of the room!

2. I am so proud of all of the exceptional students that I have taught in the last 40 years. They are the very best students and people in the world.

1. I will always treasure the wonderful friends that I have made in my years at Marquette. There have been so many memories, too many to write down here. I will always love this place.

We will always love you too, Linda ~ and we will miss you. Enjoy your retirement!



Milestones

BIRTHS

October 31, 2013 was an exciting day for the Wackerlin and Calkins families. Born to Capt. Benjamin '04 and Kristen (Calkins '04) Wackerlin was a bouncing 9 lb. 9oz. baby girl. Grace Kathleen was born on the base at Ft. Benning, Georgia where her father was stationed. Proud grandparents are Russell and Beth Wackerlin and Ken and Kathy Calkins.

Baby "Joe" Giuseppe Mangiapane was born on August 2, 2013 to Roberto and Concetta (Evola '01) Mangiapane. Giueseppe entered the world at 7 lbs. 10 oz. He is the grandson of Joe and Caterina Evola and Maria and Giuseppe Mangiapane and resides in Cinisi, Italy.

Kooper Leigh Rick was welcomed by sisters Kealey and Kinley on July 26, 2013. She weighed in at 8 lb. 12 oz. and 20 in. Kooper is the daughter of Brooke (Schneider '99) and Justin '00 Rick. Brooke is currently the Principal of Marquette Academy. Our summer, 2013 issue missed this one! Baby Ty Daniel Hopkins was born on April 12, 2013 to Katherine (Bute '03) and Todd Hopkins. Ty was 7 lbs. 3 oz. and joins his sister Hunter and his brother Tate.

Gannon Michael Hall was born on September 28th to Mike '02 and Holly Hall. Gannon was 10 lbs. and 20 in. He is welcomed home by his big sister Lily.

Breckyn Leigh Jobst was born on May 14th to Jim '92 and Jen Jobst . She was welcomed home by her siblings Kallin and Finley. Grandarents are Joan and Mike Jobst and Kayla and Ken Pierce.

Editor's Note: Kooper, Ty, Gannon and Breckyn are all children of current Marquette staff members. It was a busy year!

ENGAGEMENTS

Brett Worsley '03 was engaged on December 14, 2013 to Andie Marsel. They will be married on July 5, 2014 in Breckenridge, Co.

We Are Marquette Academy!

Here, traditions are embraced, dedication is the norm, and excellence is the expectation.

Alumni Spotlight!

Angela Elzer, Class of 2012 has been chosen by the National Residence Hall Honorary committee as one of the top 1% of campus leaders in the nation. There are 15 students nominated and only 10 chosen. Angela is a student at Western Illinois University.

The Class of 2002 inducts two outstanding athletes into the John Pocivacek Hall of Fame.

Katie (Yedinak '02) Burton: Katie is ranked 3rd on the all-time girls basketball scoring list. She holds the single season scoring record along with the all-time three-point field goal career record, the three-point field goal single season record and the three-point single game record. Katie also holds the single game scoring record. She was named the team MVP all four years at Marquette and was the Ottawa Daily Times girls basketball player of the year for the 01-02 season. In 00-01 and 01-02 she was selected to the Illinois Basketball Coaches Association All State team. In her senior year, Katie was named to the AP Class A All-State Team. Katie continued her basketball

> career at IVCC and The University of St. Francis. Katie is married and has one 3 year old son. She currently works for Exelon Nuclear.

Kim (Fowler '02) Sawall Kim holds the Tri-County Conference Cross Country record at 2.5 miles. At the time of her graduation, Kim held the one-mile and two-mile school records. In her senior year, she finished 72nd at the IHSA State Cross Country meet while running on a bad leg. Kim was an academic and athletic Tri-County performer in her junior and senior years. She was the first Marguette athlete ever to gualify for state in cross country and track and field. Kim gualified for two events at the IHSA State Track meet in each of her sophomore, junior and senior years. In 2002, Kim earned a spot on the IHSA State medal stand with an 8th place finish in the 3200 meter run. After graduation, she studied at Marquette University in Milwaukee where she earned her Bachelor's Degree in Exercise Science and later obtained her Doctorate in Physical Therapy.

She currently works at St. Francis Outpatient Center in Milwaukee as a Multiple Sclerosis Certified Specialist She treats patients with neurological disorders.

> PRESENTED TO EIMITERLY (FOWLER) SAWALL Selected as a member of the John Porivasek Hall of Fame

PRESENTED TO KATIE (VEDINAK) BURTON Selected as a member of the Decision Decision Hall of Fam



The Circle

A dark blue circle with the words 'MARQUETTE ACADEMY' in white on the upper half and 'Catholic Education Since 1859' in white on the lower half is the main symbol of unity for the Catholic parishes who belong to the Marquette Academy family.

With regard to the name, it is justly chosen as there are 16 letters in the name of Marquette Academy and 16 parishes and missions who are a part of the Academy's service area.

Between the words are two small Jerusalem crosses, one on the right and one on the left. The Bible, the foundation of our faith, includes the Old and New Testament. Fittingly, these crosses are reminders of our Catholic educational purpose. They symbolically support the words Marquette Academy, just as the Catholic community will do with the school.

There are three gold rings that surround the dark blue circle. The two closest to the blue circle, one on the inside and one on the outside, serve as reminders of God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. The third ring of gold, often seen last, and possibly the most important, completely encompasses all aspects of the Academy and student and is symbolic of God the Father.

The Shield

The shield is a heather style shield similar to those carried by the Crusaders of the Middle Ages. The cross on the front of the shield, a Jerusalem cross, is the same style cross which adorned the Crusaders' shields. The cross has the French fleur-de-lis at each of its four points. The fleur-de-lis used here has many important meanings both to our Catholic faith and to us locally. The words translate from French as "lily flower". In the early church it was often seen as a symbol of Mary, as she was referred to in the Song of Solomon as the "lily among thorns". This symbol was again used in 14th century France as a religious symbol representing the Holy Trinity, as well as virtues of faith, wisdom and chivalry. One can see the direct connection between our Academy and these virtues as well; our Catholic faith, wisdom from education and chivalry in service to our neighbors and community. The fleur-de-lis' use and symbolism has expanded locally as the basis of the logo of the Boy Scouts of America, whose founder was from Ottawa. Additionally, in the Academy's home city of Ottawa, the fleur-de-lis is the center point of its city flag. It represents the heritage and pays homage to the early French explorers. It was Fr. Jacques Marguette and his fellow explorer Louis Joliet who helped to bring the Catholic faith to this area. Thus, it is fitting that we pay respect to this early Catholic missionary and priest with the naming of our school: Marquette Academy.

"Whenever I discuss the trip it's hard for me to stop because it touches you in a way where you can truly only understand when you've done it yourself. I hope to make this trip every year of my life until the Roe v Wade decision is reversed or the law is changed." John Haines

The week of January 20th marked the 12th year that Marquette Academy High School students have made a **pilgrimage** to Washington D.C. to take part in the annual **Pro Life Rally** and March. Thirty nine students and seven chaperones made the trip.

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"Ever since starting high school at Marquette I have wanted to go on the March for Life. It seemed like it would be something absolutely amazing to be a part of, and it definitely was. I also went because I wanted to stand up for what I believe in and deepen my faith." ~ Lauren Meyer

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Send us your email address, along with accomplishments and experiences. The Advancement Office maintains a database of all alumni for reunion purposes. Please drop us an e-mail with your current contact information including mailing address, cell phone and e-mail. We will keep you up-to-date!

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