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Island is a
Huge Hit**

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Cathy Kilian - 1970



Katie Brummel - 1992



Holly Kuhn - 2011

Rosary's First "Third Generation" Student

Rosary High School's legacy continues with the enrollment of the first "third generation" student. Freshman Holly Kuhn is the daughter of 1992 alumna, Kathleen "Katie" (Brummel) Kuhn, and granddaughter of 1970 alumna Catherine "Cathy" (Kilian) Brummel.

Cathy Brummel now lives in Park City, UT with her husband of 41 years, Don Brummel Jr. (Marmion Class of '69). Their four sons (Don III, Dan, David & Derek) also reside in the Salt Lake City area; their two daughters (Katie & Connie) still reside in Illinois. Cathy works as an office manager at Mountain Family Health in Park City. Cathy & Don are the proud grandparents of 14 grandchildren.

Katie resides in Sugar Grove with her husband of 16 years, Phil (a St. Charles firefighter) and their 3 children (Holly 14, Anastacia 12, and Gabriel 9).

These three "Rosary girls" were asked about their experiences at Rosary High School, and this is what they had to say:

RHS: What activities were/are you involved in?

Cathy Brummel: Drama club, Marmion plays
Katie Kuhn: Choir & Rosary plays
Holly Kuhn: Volleyball & yearbook

RHS: Who was/is your favorite teacher? Why?

CB: Sr. Mary Joseph because she was the sweetest, most understanding teacher I ever had.
KK: Mrs. Spencer because she made learning fun and interesting. She, almost always, had a smile on her face, was understanding and giving of her time.
HK: As of yet, I don't have a favorite teacher. Everything is still so new.

RHS: What is your favorite memory about RHS?

CB: Being able to be myself.
KK: My favorite memories are times spent in and out of school with my friends. I remember laughing a lot with them during school. To this day, my lifelong friends are the girls I met at Rosary.

RHS: In your opinion, how has Rosary changed over the years?

CB: Rosary now offers more ways for young women to excel in academics and in sports.
KK: Rosary has grown in both size and in shape. The new gym, library and auditorium are beautiful and amazing. I am also amazed at the number of clubs Rosary has to offer to the students.

RHS: In your opinion, what has stayed the same at Rosary?

CB: Rosary is a place you always feel welcome.

KK: I love how Rosary still feels like home. The teachers still love to teach and love the girls. The students still love to learn and be a part of the school and family.

RHS: Why did you choose to send your daughter to Rosary?

CB: I wanted Katie to have the Rosary experience like I did and feel like she could be herself and belong.
KK: I want Holly to look back at the next 4 years of her life and have them be happy memories. I want her to be challenged academically. I would love for her to feel like she can be a part of something. I chose Rosary for Holly because I want her to feel like she can do anything and be whomever she wants. I feel Rosary can help her accomplish these things.

RHS: What is your favorite thing about Rosary so far?

HK: I like that there is very little drama and how everyone is so nice to one another.

RHS: What is your least favorite thing about Rosary so far?

HK: I really don't think there is anything I dislike here so far.

RHS: What would you like to do after you graduate from Rosary?

HK: I would love to do something in the medical field. However, I haven't pinpointed a specific area yet. ☺

school life

Welcome New Faculty Members!

► **Ms. Denise Iffland** (*American Government, Sociology, Psychology*). Ms. Iffland previously taught World History, U.S. History, Economics, and A.P Government for 8 years at Mount Assisi Academy in Lemont. She has a Master of Arts in Teaching from Dominican University in River Forest. Ms. Iffland was born in Chicago and grew up on the southwest side of Chicago, and currently resides in Chicago Ridge. "Teaching is my second career. I was a social worker for 13 years working in a domestic violence agency in Tinley Park, where I assisted in providing counseling and case management services to women and children impacted by domestic violence, as well as coordinating a dating violence prevention program provided in high schools throughout the south suburbs."



◄ **Mrs. Laura Ruddy** (*Freshman English, Creative Writing*). "Having the privilege to teach at Rosary feels like I have come back home." Mrs. Ruddy graduated from Rosary in 1984. At Aurora University, she graduated Summa Cum Laude with a Business Communications degree, worked in the public relations field, went back to school and earned her education certification. From there, she worked at Schneider School for 8 years and resigned after her second of five sons was born. She stayed current with the education field by tutoring, working with a publication firm, and substitute teaching at Marmion and Rosary. "I am thrilled to finally get my 'girl' fix by teaching Freshman English as well as working with the upper classmen with Creative Writing. I am an avid reader who would like to encourage my students to embrace this same life-long hobby. My goals for teaching are simple -

I want to teach each of them to think clearly, write clearly, and read clearly!"

► **Ms. Ellen Sass** (*Biology, Chemistry*). Ms. Sass graduated SXU Summa Cum Laude in 2007 with a major in Biology, and a minor in Secondary Education. This is her 5th year teaching science. She loves skiing, walking, and hiking and volunteers regularly at Feed My Starving Children in Aurora. She has two boys, Johnny 20 and Randy 16 and loves spending time with her family. "I am truly enjoying Rosary and am looking forward to a long relationship here with all of the faculty and students."



◄ **Mrs. Kerry Shay** (*British Lit, British Lit. AP, Women's Studies*). Mrs. Shay completed her undergraduate work at St. Norbert College and attended NIU for her post-graduate study. She and her husband, Terry, have three children, Katie (RHS '04), Sarah (RHS '06) and Michael (MA '09). "Being a life-long resident of Aurora and a one time student of Rosary, it is my pleasure to be teaching here full-time this year. I thoroughly enjoy the girls and teaching British Literature and Women's Studies (through literature). I am blessed to be part of this wonderful faculty and Catholic high school community."



Mr. Madsen Presents at Illinois Science Education Conference

Rosary physics teacher, **Mr. Paul Madsen** along with Mr. Jason English (physics teacher at Fremd High School in Palatine) spoke at the first Illinois Science Education Conference in Tinley Park October 27-29, 2011. Mr. Madsen and his colleague discussed the use of household wiring to teach series and parallel circuits and performed demonstrations involving 120 volts (wall outlet power). "What we teach in high school physics in electricity is often on circuit boards that students have no familiarity with. Jason and I will show teachers how to use ordinary appliances (toasters, fans and light bulbs) to illustrate how electric circuits function in their homes. Two kinds of switches operate lights: single switches turn lights on and off; three-way switches can turn the light on at the bottom of the stairs and turn it off at the top of the stairs. If a hall way is long, one can install a four-way switch that can operate the light in the middle of the hall. We will show how these switches are wired. We can set up simple circuits with light bulbs and make measurements of the important flow of electric current, similar to water flow in a pipe, and voltage, similar to pressure of water in a pipe or hose. All of these teaching methods can help to make the understanding of electric properties more familiar to students and teachers alike."



campus ministry

Service Hours

Reflecting the Dominican tradition to “preach with our lives” all Rosary students have an annual ten-hour service commitment.

While the handbook can share logistics for completing and recording service hours (at least five hours must be submitted by Tuesday, December 1) it cannot provide a picture of the impact our girls’ service has on the community. They serve in parishes and in nursing homes, in hospitals and with the Girl Scouts, they help disabled children experience the thrill of riding a horse and serve dinner to guests in a homeless shelter.

See our Rosary website for more information about our service program and to review our list of service agencies.

To add your favorite charity to the list of not-for-profit agencies posted on our website, contact the Campus Ministry Office.

We Enjoy Welcoming Guests! You Are Invited to Pray With Us!



▲ (from left to right) Seniors Megan Fitzpatrick, Amelia Wegman and Kelsey Arnold fill the fountain in the foyer prayer space with holy water from parishes near and far.

Families and friends are always welcome to join the Rosary High School community for our Eucharistic liturgies and prayer services. Your school handbook and website announcements will remind you of upcoming opportunities to stop by school and pray with your daughter and her friends (please use office entrance and pick up a “visitor” name tag). Our plans for the remainder of first semester include:

- Communion Service with Liturgy of the Word: **every Friday** at 10:28 am; 11:16 am; 12:04 pm
- Thanksgiving prayer service: **Tuesday, November 22** at 10:09 am in the auditorium
- Advent wreath lighting: **Monday, November 28** at 7:40 am in the foyer prayer space
- All-school mass: **Thursday, December 8** (Immaculate Conception) at 10:00 am in the auditorium

Our procession for the first mass of the year included a symbol of the places we come from when we journey here to Rosary. Students gathered holy water from the baptismal fountains of the parishes where we worship. The water was carried in procession and then filled the fountain in our foyer prayer space. Included in the water that filled our holy water font is a cruet of water that we brought home from the Dominican Preaching Conference this summer - it is made up of water from the Dominican high schools in the United States and Puerto Rico.

We pray as a community at the start of homeroom each day. Our daily prayer is posted on the Rosary website and on Edline along with our daily announcements.

Dominicans are Preachers

Have you even wondered what the “O.P.” stands for at the end of our Dominican sisters’ signatures? It stands for “Order of Preachers,” a title given to Dominican friars, brothers, nuns, sisters, and lay Dominicans the world over.

The Dominican Association of Secondary Schools sponsors an annual summer conference to connect Dominican high school students from the United States and Puerto Rico. In Spring of sophomore year, students are invited to apply for a spot on the Dominican Preaching team. Each year, faculty moderators Paul and Sandy Iwanski travel to Siena Heights University in Adrian, Michigan to attend the conference with four students who are entering their junior year. Students who are chosen to attend this conference serve on the Dominican Preaching team for two years - which means we always have eight Dominican Preachers in our student body. Our newest Preachers are juniors Aimee Arvayo, Margaret Archibald, Taylor Gibson, and Nicole Filardi. They join seniors, Abby Clark, Sara Helm, Melissa Lifka, and Katie Wolfgram.



▲ (from left to right) Rosary’s newest Dominican Preachers are juniors Aimee Arvayo, Margaret Archibald, Taylor Gibson, and Nicole Filardi

The Dominican Preacher action plan for this school year is to help us learn more about the Dominican Pillars of Prayer, Study, Community, and Preaching. The opportunity to learn to make a rosary was spearheaded by the Dominican Preachers (pg. 5). They will also provide reflections at mass and prayer services.

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SRT (Senior Retreat Team) Prepares for Another Year of Service

Rosary High School's 2011-12 Senior Retreat Team gathered at LaSalle Manor in Plano for a two-day retreat to prepare for a year of serving the Rosary community. SRT plans the one-day retreats for all grade levels, assists at liturgy, and serves in leadership roles throughout the year. In the spring of junior year, girls are invited to apply for this important ministry. They are selected based on their leadership potential and their willingness to share their faith with the Rosary community.

► Pictured from left to right are: (top row) Gina Matsie, Chen Zheng, Katie Minnis, Laura Skaar, Grace Creighton, Taylor Harris, Sara Helm; (middle row): Amelia Wegman, Maggie Bailey, Maddie Kombrink, Katie Wolfgram, Kelsey Arnold, Abby Clark, Jessica Lewis; (bottom row): Emmy Popovich, Megan Fitzpatrick, Melissa Lifka, Courtney Bila, Allison Stephans, Kallie Renfus



Wondering How to Pray the Rosary?



▲ Freshman Claire Knoebel makes her own rosary under the instruction of Sr. Jean Patrick

It's the prayer that names our school and was given to the Church by our very own St. Dominic. We have two "traveling rosaries." We are happy to share one with your family for a week. Each rosary comes with an explanation of how to pray this traditional Catholic prayer, a notebook where you can write your own family's special intentions. The rosary your family will have the opportunity to use is one that was presented to a Dominican sister when she took her final vows. It's a wonderful prayer and an excellent way to learn a little more about why we are named "Rosary High School."

If you would like the family rosary to visit your home for a week, please complete the form you found in your Back-to-School-Night packet or call Campus Ministry.

Freshmen Make Their Own Rosaries:

On October 4th, our freshman Theology classes welcomed Sr. Jean Patrick Ernhart, a Dominican sister of Springfield, who taught our girls how to hand-knot a rosary. Colored twine and tangled fingers soon led to carefully crafted prayer beads as Sr. Jean Patrick, assisted by our Dominican Preachers, helped students make a rosary that is truly their own. The days leading up to our all-school celebration of the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary found freshmen huddled in study hall, at the lunch table, in the library and in the hallway tying knots and showing their friends how to craft a rosary. The Dominican Preachers plan to schedule a workshop for other students who would like to make a rosary of their own.

student spotlight

2011-2012 Scholarship Recipients Named

Rosary scholarships are awarded for academic achievement or a combination of academic achievement and financial consideration. Some scholarships have specific guidelines which must be met. Below are the 2011-2012 recipients of these scholarships.

Bakala Scholarship

Emily Bakala ('14)

Susan Bara Cornwell Scholarship

Hannah Wulbert ('12)

Calbeck Scholarship

Colleen Dorfler ('15)

Katarzyna Kedzierska ('12)

Samantha Mauricio ('14)

Dominican Scholarships

Aimee Arvayo ('13)

Celine Italia ('13)

Melissa Lifka ('12)

Mary Beth Lillwitz ('14)

Kaitlyn Lindgren ('12)

Amalia Mercado ('13)

Lauren Murray ('14)

Suzanne Quinn ('15)

Mallory Rettenmeier ('15)

Ellicia Sanchez ('12)

Dunham Fund Scholarship

Baili Martin ('13)

Angelica Ramos ('12)

Jannessa Ramos-Galvez ('15)

Howard Feltes Scholarship

Katherine Baki ('13)

Cara Cox ('15)

Hogan Memorial Scholarship

Brittany Hamling ('15)

Catherine Hayes ('15)

Tess Joosse ('14)

Anna Ward ('14)

M. Lies Scholarship

Page Graham ('12)

Jessica Juarez ('14)

Katie Mathieu ('12)

Brittany McCullough ('15)

Michaela Ping ('15)

Isabel Trujillo ('15)

Sister Mary Joseph Alumnae Scholarship

Courtney Cox ('13)

Tess Fitzsimmons ('14)

Melissa Lifka ('12)

Genevieve Streich ('15)

Sister Marilyn Scholarship

Alexandra Bennett ('13)

Mallory Rhamy ('15)

Genevieve Talbot ('15)

Teresa Zidek ('14)

NHS Scholarship

Melody Fisher-Lewek ('15)

Alyssa Mertka ('15)

Clarice Nelson ('15)

Isabelle Ylo ('15)

Students Receive Academic Letters

Students earning a 4.0 term grade point average for two consecutive semesters will be awarded a Rosary High School academic letter. Once a student has earned an academic letter, she will be awarded pins for subsequent success according to the same criterion. The 51 students listed below earned term averages of 4.0 in both the Fall 2010 and Spring 2011 semesters and were honored with an Academic Letter (or pin) on Wednesday, October 18th:

Grade 10:

Sarah Bruckner, Amy Cole, Lindsey Danos, Tess Fitzsimmons, Rebecca Fritz, Elizabeth Magalski, Siobhan Midgley, Lauren Murray, Corinne Rechenmacher, Emily Schneider, Taylor Vandenberg, Anna Ward, and Teresa Zidek

Grade 11:

Amelia Anderson, Aimee Arvayo, Jesika Barmanbek, Alexandra Bennett, Courtney Cox, Stephanie Ebert, Kaleigh Ellis, Nicole Filardi, Juliana Froehlich, Madelyn Heinen, Madelyn Hemmerich, Jennifer Hewitt, Celine Italia, Alexandra Joyce, Shannon Lo, Colleen Madlinger, Amalia Mercado, Sydney Price, Marissa Prochaska, Amy Seraphin, and Fabiola Villalpando

Grade 12:

Kelsey Arnold, Devon Bavery, Caroline Belz, Courtney Bila, Samantha Duarte, Megan Fitzpatrick, Gabrielle LaBerge, Melissa Lifka, Kaitlyn Lindgren, Emmy Popovich, Sherry Prichodko, Kallie Renfus, Galilea Sanchez, Melissa Shaw, Allison Stephans, Sarah Sykstus, and Amelia Wegman

student spotlight

Senior Named in National Merit Scholarship Program



Rosary High School is also proud to announce that senior **Melissa Shaw** has been named a Commended Student in the 57th Annual National Merit Scholarship Program.

Approximately 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Commended Students place among the top five percent of more than 1.5 million students who entered the 2012 competition by taking the 2010 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT®).

Commended Students demonstrate outstanding academic potential by their strong performance in this highly competitive program. Melissa will receive a Letter of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation to recognize her scholastic excellence.

2011 Grads Named AP Scholars

Rosary High School is proud to announce that two 2011 Rosary graduates have earned AP Scholar Awards in recognition of their exceptional achievement on AP Exams.



Gray



Hunt

Danielle Gray and Morgan Hunt qualified for the AP Scholar Award by completing three or more AP Exams with grades of 3 or higher.

The College Board's Advanced Placement Program® (AP®) provides motivated and academically prepared students with the opportunity to take rigorous college-level courses while still in high school, and to earn college credit, advanced placement, or both for successful performance on the AP Exams. About 18 percent of the 1.6 million students worldwide who took AP Exams performed at a sufficiently high level to also earn an AP Scholar Award. AP is accepted by more than 3,600 colleges and universities worldwide for college credit, advanced placement, or both on the basis of successful AP Exam grades.

Illinois Music Educators Association District Festival

Senior **Teagan Hiles** (french horn) and juniors **Elizabeth Kupar** (viola) and **Molly Piech** (alto) represented Rosary High at the District IX Illinois Music Educators Association Music Festival on November 15, 2011. They auditioned on Tuesday, October 4, 2011 at Addison Trail High School and were chosen for the festival from a pool of over 1500 music students.

This audition was used to select All-State musicians for the 2012 IMEA Festival in January 2012. All-state musicians will be announced later this month.



Hiles



Kupar



Piech

in school events

Big/Little Sisters



▲ Junior Kate Stefanski (middle) welcomes her little sisters, Angelica Alcaraz (left) and Andrea Perez.

On the first day of school, the freshman class of 2015 and transfer students were welcomed by their Big Sisters from the class of 2013. The Rosary Student Ambassadors were also on-hand to speak with the girls, give tours of the school and most importantly, to make the new Rosary girls feel like part of the family.

The morning started with a great breakfast provided by Parents' Auxiliary and a chance for the Big and Little Sisters to get to know each other. After breakfast, a few of the Student Ambassadors shared their personal thoughts about why Rosary is such a great place for young women. The girls then met the rest of their "family members". This year, girls have been grouped into families which are comprised of 5 or 6 sets of Big and Little Sisters. The families toured the school together and will get together at various times throughout the year. The day ended with a uniform "do's & don'ts" fashion show, which is always a big hit!

Celebrate Seniors Morning

It's a tradition! On September 22, seniors set aside the morning to celebrate the start of their graduation year. Using the Count on Me song as the background, the Senior Retreat Team led their classmates through a review of the years they have already spent at Rosary and invited each student to choose one word that summed up how her Rosary sisters can count on her. The morning had everything you need for a great celebration: we ate, we talked, we shared, we prayed, we sang. This is a great place to discover that you have soul sisters!



Deep Roots - Bold Dreams - Welcome to the Family

Deep Roots-Bold Dreams: Welcome to the Family was the theme of the October 12 freshman retreat. We explored the Dominican pillars of Prayer, Study, Community, and Preaching and looked at how the pillars shape life at Rosary. Through talks presented by the Senior Retreat Team and small group discussions, students looked at Dominican life. The SRT shared stories of what they love about being a Rosary girl.

Asked to choose one word to describe this gathering with other Rosary girls, the freshmen included: family, friendship, sisterhood, acceptance, hope, support. What a great beginning to the high school experience! The retreat ended with the chance to have lunch with their Junior class Big Sisters.



As part of the closing prayer service, each member of the class of 2015 wrote a letter to herself as she responded to reflection questions about her own hopes and dreams for her years at Rosary, and how she experiences God in her life. Today's freshman, like every Rosary girl, will find her freshman retreat letter in the envelope that holds her diploma in May of 2015.

in school events

6th Annual 8th Grade Get-Together



▲ Pictured are Kayla Keating & Claire Schroeder from St. Mary's Sycamore, Emma Vasquez & Neethara Abraham from Annunciation, Kate Jarecki from Holy Angels, and Amy Seraphin & Olivia Doyle from Rosary.

On Thursday, Oct. 6, Rosary hosted 95 girls at our annual 8th Grade Get-Together. The girls in attendance came from over 30 different schools, both private and public. The girls enjoyed a pizza dinner and had the chance to visit with Rosary Student Ambassadors as well as 8th grade girls from other schools. After dinner, they were put into small groups and made baby blankets which were donated to the Pregnancy Information Center in Aurora. "The night was a huge success and the Pregnancy Information Center is always thrilled to receive the baby blankets," commented Karen Ramella, Director of Admissions.

Celebrate Rosary Day!

On October 7, the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, we prayed the prayer that names our school. The rosary is a gift to us from St. Dominic, who received it from the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a contemplative prayer: a gentle prayer that points us in the direction of taking time to reflect ... to be still ... to consider who we are and whose we are ... to think about our life's journey. Using the art of Dominican, Fra Angelico as a backdrop, the entire school community (and several family guests) prayed the rosary together.

Our shared prayer led us right into another community event: a picnic! The courtyard, foyer, and cafeteria provided picnic spots as all enjoyed the chance for hot dogs and a change-of-pace lunchtime. The lunchtime stars were Parent Auxiliary volunteers who prepared and served our delightful picnic lunch.



in school events

SAFE Club Helps Rosary Celebrate Red Ribbon Week

Rosary's SAFE Club planned many activities during Red Ribbon Week (Oct. 23-31) that helped increase awareness and provided the student body with factual information on drug and alcohol abuse. The SAFE Club members began each day of Red Ribbon Week with a prayer and told the story of how Red Ribbon Week came to be. The entire study body signed a 2011 Red Week banner that was then displayed in the foyer next to last year's banner. Other activities included handing red ribbons out to all staff and students to wear all week. Prayers were said for those with addictions and the families and friends affected by addictions. On Wednesday all staff and students were able to wear red in support of a drug free lifestyle. Thursday's theme was "Team up against drugs and alcohol and don't slip" and students wore team jerseys and slippers. Friday's theme was "Living drug free is no sweat" and students were encouraged to wear sweat pants. In addition to Red Ribbon Week, SAFE Club also participated in *Picnic for Peace* at Phillips Park in Aurora on Oct. 22 and will participate in various Snowball and pre-prom activities throughout the year.



▼ Freshmen Joanna Wedge and Elaina Ricci sign the Red Week Banner.

► SAFE Club Moderator Mrs. Sandy Smith, and officers (from left to right) Olivia Cano, Alyssa Fox, Kayla Emory and Page Graham



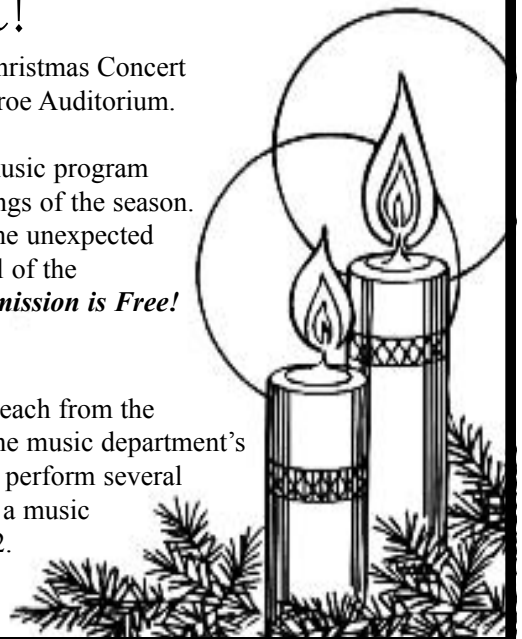
Celebrate the Season!

Mark your calendar for the annual Rosary Christmas Concert
Thursday, Dec. 15 at 7:30 pm in the McEnroe Auditorium.

This concert will feature the entire Rosary music program performing Christmas favorites and other songs of the season. Traditional and contemporary carols and some unexpected surprises await. You are guaranteed to be full of the Christmas Spirit by the end of the night! **Admission is Free!**

Poinsettia Sale

Poinsettias will be available for sale for \$12 each from the music department. Proceeds will help fund the music department's spring trip to Atlanta where the students will perform several concerts. To purchase a plant, please contact a music student or Mr. Jesse at 630-896-0831 ext. 32.



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ONCE ON THIS ISLAND

Rosary High School presented *Once On This Island* on November 4-6. This calypso-flavored musical was a huge hit, and entertained our audiences with this story of hope, faith, and love.

A village of peasants weave this story on a stormy night, to ease the fears of a little girl (Freeman Elementary student Emalie Jones). The villagers take on different roles to tell the story of TiMoune (Jordan Hankes), an orphan girl adopted by Mama Euralie (Katelyn Jassoy) and Tonton Julian (Stuart Kofron). In almost non-stop song and dance, the show follows Ti Moune as she rescues and falls in love with Daniel (Eddie Catich), a wealthy boy from the other side of her island. When Daniel is returned to his people, the fantastical gods who rule the island (Hannah Wulbert, Della Baker, Baili Martin and Javier Andujar) guide Ti Moune on a quest to test the strength of her love against the powerful forces of prejudice, hatred and death.

An ensemble cast of 31 Rosary and Marmion students played the roles of storytellers, Grand hommes, peasants, gossips and gods, bringing a little Caribbean flavor into a crisp November weekend.



1. Tonton Julian (Stuart Kofron) and Mama Euralie (Katelyn Jassoy) adopt Ti Moune - "Little Orphan" (Emalie Jones) as the storytellers (Brian Winkel, Jacob Gilmore, Bethany Vidad) sing "One Small Girl."
2. The Company sings "Why We Tell The Story"
3. Mme. Armand (Annika Strolle) and Armand (Brian Winkel) sing "The Sad Tale of the Beauxhommes."
4. Della Baker, Bethany Vivad and Kellie Deane sing "Waiting for Life to Begin"
5. Daniel (Eddie Catich) dance with a grandhomme (Ryane Jenig) at the ball.

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OUR 2011-2012 "APPEAL" TO YOU!

Over the past few weeks you should have received a mailing from rosary concerning our 2011-2012 "Annual Appeal Fund Drive". This information was sent to everyone on our mailing list!

Mr. Michael Roche, Chairperson of our Board of Directors, addressed our parents at "Back to School Night" explaining the need to support our "Annual Appeal Fund Drive" to the best of their ability. Thus, he asked them to join in with all of our generous donors who give annually!

Mr. Roche continued to explain that the goal for the 2011-2012 "Annual Appeal Drive" is **\$300,000 in unrestricted gifts**. The Appeal Drive is the primary source of income needed to meet our operating needs (salaries, utilities, maintenance, and administrative costs) of the school not met by tuition. Our current tuition is **\$8,100 per student**. The actual cost to educate one Rosary girl this year is **\$10,500**. This is a difference of **\$2,400 per student!** **How do we make up this difference?** The answer is "our Annual Appeal Drive" which we ask all of our Rosary stakeholders to support!

Our goal of \$300,000 was met this past year and we are very grateful to everyone who helped us reach that goal!

With your support we will be able to continue Rosary's mission – to educate and develop strong leadership in our young Christian women in the Dominican tradition. **No gift is too large or too small!** All donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Please read our **Annual Appeal brochure** you received in the mail which explains our **Veritas Society recognition program**. Donations received in excess of \$1,000 (by the end of the fiscal year (6/30/12) are recognized through membership in our Veritas society – Rosary's visible source of inspiration and leadership. Veritas Life Members (\$10,000 or more total lifetime giving) have their name (or that of a loved one) inscribed on our large rose tree displayed on the wall in our foyer.

We thank you for helping us to continue to offer our young women a quality education by supporting our annual appeal fund drive! Please return your donation or pledge in the remittance envelope provided in the mailing. **If you would like to make an online donation via PayPal, please visit:**

www.rosaryhs.com/pages/donate/asp.

If you have any questions or if you did not receive an Annual Appeal mailing, please contact the Development Office at 630-896-0831.

How to Transfer Securities Gifts

Stock Gifts may be transferred to Rosary's Account with (please note new address):

Stifel, Nicolaus & Co.
Attn: Kevin Fitzpatrick
477 South Third St., Suite 210
Geneva, IL 60134
630-845-7900
Account#: B101 7069-5280
Federal Tax ID # 36-2491287
Legal Name: Rosary High School
(A not-for-profit Illinois Corp.)

Please confirm your instructions in writing with your Broker/bank (and include the name and number of shares you are donating) and forward a copy to:

Rosary High School
Attn: Diann Witte, Dir. of Development
901 N. Edgelawn Drive
Aurora, IL 60506

Additional Means for Securing Rosary's Mission

In addition to contributing to Rosary's Annual Appeal, there are several other means of securing Rosary's mission for the future:

Remember Rosary in your will


Establish a Rosary Endowment

Support Rosary through Life Insurance

Establish a Charitable Remainder Trust

We encourage you to consult with your attorney and/or financial advisor prior to making a gift to Rosary.

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Candlelight Ball

Rosary's Tenth Annual Candlelight Ball was a very successful event- both socially and financially! This year 201 guests attended the Ball on September 17th at Piper's Banquets.

Those who arrived between 5:30 and 6:30 were greeted with beautiful music provided by Rosary's Orchestra Musicians and directed by Mr. Tom Jesse. The dining room was elegantly decorated in shades of blue with Eiffel tower centerpieces which were staggered in height for an even grander impact thanks to our extremely talented Decoration Co-Chairs: Amy Kaczorowski and Brenda Cano. Guests were treated to delicious hors d'oeuvres served butler style and an hour of open bar as they started bidding on the hundreds of silent and super silent items that had all been donated for this special 10th anniversary event.

After a delicious sit down dinner, Bill Milne, the auctioneer, started the Live Auction which included some wonderful new items such as a WGN News Visit and Behind the Scenes Tour, a weeklong family getaway for four to Big Cedar Lodge in Branson, MO, (4) One day Park Hopper Passes to Walt Disney World, and a crowd pleaser- the "All in One Handyman" Phil Kuhn donation of 8 hours of labor to complete someone's "Honey Do" list! Thanks to the generosity of our sponsors, item donors and everyone in attendance, Rosary is proud to announce that it raised a net profit of \$42,000 which will be put towards the Annual Appeal's Area of Greatest need!

After the dinner and a successful auction, this year's Ball attendees were truly wowed by the musical talent of Chef Dan and the Appetizers. Everyone was on their feet dancing to everything from Motown to rock and roll hits from the 60's thru today's hits. Vocals were truly outstanding! Many thanks to Chef Dan and the Appetizers who perform only for charitable organizations. Chef Dan is an Executive chef for McDonald's and all band members are associated with McDonald's. They volunteer their time and Rosary is lucky to have drummer Jerry Knauf as a current Rosary parent!

Our special thanks to EVERYONE who worked on this year's event especially Ball Co-Chairs: Jennifer Bennett & Tracy Miller; Acquisition Chair: Colleen Knauf; Basket Co-Chairs: Sue Arnold & Linda Fritz; Certificate Chair: Debbie Olson; Decorations Co-Chairs: Brenda Cano and Amy Kaczorowski; Display & Set-Up Co-Chairs of Silent & Super Silent Auction: Eileen Bakala, Judy Havemann, Patty Stefanski and Vickie Weber; Live Auction Display: Kelly Dickson; Finance & Check-Out Co-Chairs: Gaylene & Bill Baker; Hospitality Committee Chair: Cheri LoDestro; Program Co-Chairs: Michele Kelly and Diann Witte; Reservations: Cheryl Miller; Table Closer Co-Chairs: Erica Cox and Sue Gibson; Signage: Dana Eckberg; Squares Chair: Libby Scanlan. We would like to thank all committee and staff members (too numerous to mention) who worked countless hours to make our Tenth Annual Candlelight Ball such a success!

*We look forward to seeing you at next year's **Candlelight Ball**
which will celebrate the*

Golden Jubilee of Rosary High School!

*This very special event will be held on **February 23, 2013**
at a new venue - the beautiful Regency Ballroom of the
Hilton Lisle/Naperville! Please save the date!*



▲ *Chef Dan & the Appetizers entertained the crowd.*

▼ *Judy Havemann (left), a friend of Rosary, and Colleen Knauf (right) enjoy the one hour open bar at the tenth annual Candlelight Ball.*



▲ *The elegant decorations were provided by Amy Kaczorowski and Brenda Cano, Decoration Co-chairs.*

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Royals Fall Sports Recap



Royals **TENNIS** finishes another great season with a record of 7-1 (11-7 overall), placing 3rd in the SCC Conference. “Team Goyao” (sisters Micah & Andrea, ◀ *pictured at left*) led the way taking 1st place in the Sycamore & Rosary Invationals. This dynamic duo also took home the SCC Conference 1st Doubles Championship, defeating the 1st doubles team from Wheaton Academy(6-3, 6-1) to take the title.

CROSS COUNTRY finished their 2011 season 3rd place in the SCC . The Royals advanced a strong team to Regionals, placing 4th overall,

qualifying the team to Sectionals where the team captured 9th place as a team and qualified Junior **Kara Kalisz** (10th in sectionals, #162 *pictured at right* ▶) to the IHSA Cross Country State Meet. *This is Rosary’s first ever Cross Country state qualifier!* The Fr/Soph saw much success this season winning the 2011 City Meet, and 2011 Royal /Cadet Invite’s. **Elizabeth Nasharr** (#170 *pictured* ▶) led the Royals taking 1st place in the Fr/Soph girls division.



VOLLEYBALL finished another successful regular season with a 6-4 record in the Blue Division of the SCC Conference. Led by Senior **Amelia Wegman** (◀ *pictured at left*) who made school history, posting a career 1000 Kills on Oct. 20th during “Senior Night” vs. Geneva. This amazing feat puts Amelia in an elite club along with former 2005 Alum, Catherine Smale. Amelia plans to continue playing volleyball in college, and committed to play for the University of Houston next fall.

The **GOLF** team finished the 2011 season taking 2nd place in the Regional and made school history advancing the entire team to Sectionals (finished 6th) for the first time ever. The Royals were paced by Maddie Kombrink who posted a 86 on the day. Golf finished the 2011 season with a 4-8 record.

The **BEADS** started their 2011 campaign by dedicating their season to their head coach (Bill Schalz) daughter and '08 Rosary Alum, Kylie Schalz. The team had shirts made in her honor, and all proceeds will go to support Kylie’s ongoing medical expenses. The JV squad placed 3rd overall in the Metro Catholic League, and special congratulations goes out to Junior **Dayna Mohr** who was honored by being named “JV Swimmer of the Meet”. The Varsity posted a 8-2 dual meet record this year, taking home the 2nd place trophy in the Metro Catholic Conference Championships. **Sarah Sykstus** was named “Senior Swimmer of the Meet” and **Grace Miller** placed 1st overall in the diving taking home the conference “Diver of the Meet”. The F/S finished 4th overall in the Metro Catholic Conference Meet. The varsity will now re-focus on qualifying for the 2011 IHSA State Swimming & Diving Meet where they hope to continue their winning ways and bring home another state trophy! The 2011 BEADS are led by senior & defending 100 Breaststroke State Champion, **Molly Coonce**; and seniors: **Rachel Burke**, **Katherine Hare** and **Sarah Sykstus** (all members of the 2010 state champion 200 Free Relay Team).



▲ Swimmers, Sarah Sykstus (left) and Molly Coonce

**Please note: Final results of the Swim Team’s Sectional and State Meets were not available at the time of printing ... to see how the Rosary Beads ended their season, please visit the RHS Athletics 2000 web-site: www.athletics2000.com/Rosary*

Volleyball Hosts "Kills for Kylie"

On October 3, 2011 Rosary Volleyball hosted a "Kills for Kylie" Night fundraiser in honor of '08 Alum Kylie Schalz who was paralyzed due to a spinal cord infarction during a routine surgery this past summer. Kylie spent most her summer in intense therapy at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago relearning how to walk again. Kylie was a stand-out volleyball and softball player at Rosary, setting multiple records for the Royals. The Rosary volleyball program wanted to help with Kylie's ongoing outpatient therapy needs, so they decided to have a fundraiser and get pledges for the cumulative amount of Kills & Aces the teams had during their match vs. Montini. In all the team had 69 Kills & 6 Aces, and raised more than \$3500 to be put in a trust for Kylie's future medical expenses.



Rosary Athletes Sign NLI

The following Rosary athletes signed their NCAA Division I, National Letters of Intent (NLI) on November 9, 2011. By signing a NLI, these athletes have officially committed to play their respective sport for that university or college. We are very proud of the success and hard work these athletes have put in over the past four years at Rosary High School, and we wish them much success in their collegiate careers.

Rachel Burke

Swimming - University of Connecticut

Molly Coonce

Swimming - University of Wyoming

Grace Creighton

Swimming - Duquesne University

Katherine Hare

Swimming - University of Illinois at Chicago

Emily Launer

Swimming - Northwestern University

Sarah Sykstus

Swimming - University of Illinois

Amelia Wegman

Volleyball - University of Houston

Holiday Hoops 2011

Rosary's basketball coaching staff and players will be hosting a basketball shooting camp for girls in 5th through 8th grades.

The camp dates are:
Dec. 26th & 27th

The camp times are:
5th & 6th: 9 am – Noon
7th & 8th: 1pm – 4 pm

The fee for this camp is \$35 (pre-registration) or \$45 (at the door).

All participants will receive a camp t-shirt.

Registration forms can be found in the Athletics section of our website:

www.rosaryhs.com

Boosters Under the Tuscan Sky a Success

The Rosary Sports Boosters held their annual Italian Dinner on October 15, 2011 to benefit the athletic programs here at Rosary High School. More than 225 people came out and enjoyed a night "Under the Tuscan Sky", with dinner provided by Papa Saverios and music supplied by our very own Rosary Orchestra.

Early bird "Lotto" winners were...

Greg Popovich - \$500

Pat Poll - \$100

Bev Becker - \$50

The night was a huge success bringing in more than \$5300 to benefit ALL our Rosary athletic programs!

Plan NOW for the Rosary Sports Boosters ...

The 32nd Annual Super Bowl Party

Sunday, February 5th, 2012

3:00 - ???

Get a group and come tailgate.

Information is available on Rosary's website.



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Past recipients for the Dominican Alumnae Award for Service are:

- '98: Mary Kathryn Waegner ('66),
Jeanne Fitzsimmons ('80)
- '99: Jeanne Wehling Fitzpatrick ('68),
Patricia Garrity ('75)
- '00: Mary Lou Solfisburg Scanlon ('67)
- '01: Not Given
- '02: Cindy Marsh Nagis ('66),
Nancy Rettig ('80)
- '03: Sr. Ann Brummel, O. P. ('66),
Charlene Bolly Dwyer ('70),
Marlene Bolly Erdman ('70)
- '04: Not Given
- '05: Ann Rhoades Edwards ('70)
- '06: Anne Nardone ('94)
- '07: Dr. Diane Fabrizio ('76)
- '08: Amanda Gierhart ('93)
- '09: Anne Parker Krause ('86)
- '10: Not given
- '11: *Service* - Molly Carey Smith ('82)
Professional Excellence -
Dr. Mary Fox ('71)
Spirit - Barb Guzauskas
Hamsmith ('68)

Send in Your Nominations for the Dominican Alumnae Awards

The Rosary High School Alumnae Association is currently accepting nominations for the Dominican Alumnae Award for Service, Spirit, and Professional Excellence. Nomination forms can be completed online at:

www.rosaryhs.com/pages/alum_award_form.asp

What is the Dominican Alumnae Award? The purpose of establishing the Dominican Alumnae Awards is to recognize graduates who model the mission of Rosary High School and who live the truth (Veritas) as taught by Jesus Christ.

What is the criteria? Nominees must have graduated from Rosary High School at least 10 years ago. These graduates may be one of great standing in their community or one who serves others through their quiet dedication to Christian ideals. **Service Award:** This nominee must exhibit service that goes beyond their job, over and above what is required of them in their lives. **Professional Excellence:** This award is based on recognition from professional organizations / peers, education, leadership and must have strong values and morals. **Rosary Spirit:** This nominee demonstrates loyalty to Rosary by Service, Pride, Initiative, Responsibility, Integrity, and Teamwork and is awarded to an alumna in recognition of Rosary High School support.

Who can nominate a Rosary High School Graduate? Rosary alumnae, parents, past parents, supporters, faculty and students, may make nominations. Nominations are due Monday, January 2, 2012.

The selection is made by a panel of faculty and staff without the knowledge of the candidates' identity. The recipient will be honored at Rosary's Candle Rose Honors Convocation on Friday, May 18, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. If you have previously nominated an alumna, who did not win, please submit another nomination with current information.

Deadline for the nominations is January 2nd. If you know someone who should be nominated for this award, please take a few moments to fill out the Dominican Alumnae Award Nomination Form. Contact Debbie Olson, Director of Alumnae (630)896-0831 ext. 19 if you would like additional information.

Do You Have a Daughter?

Do you have a daughter in 5th to 8th grade? Are you considering Rosary High School for her? If you would like to have more information about attending Rosary High School or if your daughter is in junior high and is not receiving information from Rosary High School's Admissions Office, please visit our website to request information:

www.rosaryhs.com/pages/admissions_request.asp

DATES TO REMEMBER:

Placement Exam: Saturday, January 14, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. The *Sr. Mary Joseph Scholarship* is given to the alumna's daughter receiving the highest test score at the Rosary Placement Exam. Registration details can be found at:

www.rosaryhs.com/pages/exam.asp

7th Grade Fun Night: Tuesday, March 20, 2012 from 7:00-8:30 p.m. This **FREE** night is for 7th graders who may be interested in attending Rosary. The girls will participate in various fun activities, meet some current Rosary students and enjoy a delicious dessert buffet. To sign up for is event, please fill out the online registration form at: www.rosaryhs.com/pages/7th_grade_event.asp

12th Annual 5K Run/Walk

Save the date for the 12th Annual Rosary High School Alumnae Association's Road Scholars 5K Run/Walk.



Sunday, May 20, 2012
Rosary High School
901 North Edgelawn Drive
Aurora, IL 60506

8:00 Registration / 9:00 Run/Walk Start Time

Sponsors and volunteers are needed!

For more information, please check our web site: www.rosaryhs.com/alum_race.htm or call Debbie Olson at (630)896-0831 ext 19. Proceeds benefit the Sister Mary Joseph Scholarship fund and Rosary High School through the Alumnae Association.

Class News & Notes

Class of 1974

Dr. Susan M. Kies, a veteran administrator who has held positions at the University of Illinois for nearly two decades, has been appointed Secretary of the Board of Trustees and of the University. Since 2004, Susan has served as Associate Dean of Academic Affairs/Curriculum Management for the College of Medicine in Urbana-Champaign. The College of Medicine is based on the UIC campus. Susan was responsible for helping coordinate curriculum and providing faculty support for undergraduate medical education. She is also an adjunct associate professor in the Department of Internal Medicine and a clinical associate professor in the Department of Pathology in the College of Medicine in Urbana-Champaign. Susan earned her bachelor's degree from the Urbana-Champaign campus in 1978 and later earned her master's and doctor of education degrees from Oklahoma State University.

Class of 1976

Susan (Houck) Snyder emailed an address update. She and her husband, Jeffrey moved to a new home in Georgia.



▲ **Jeannie Ament Fichtel** was named in the Top Women in Finance by Finance & Commerce in Minnesota. This award honors outstanding efforts of women who are making notable contributions to their professions, their

communities and society at large throughout Minnesota. During Jeannie's 16 years with U.S. Bank, she had held several leadership positions including her current title of Executive Vice President of 24-hour banking and financial sales. The fifty honorees received their awards November 10 at the Hyatt Regency - Minneapolis in downtown Minneapolis. "The honorees represent a very strong showing of some of the top women in the Minnesota business community." Jeannie resides in Mendota Heights with her husband and their three children.

Class of 1982

Molley Carey Smith (pictured below ▼) went on a mission trip this summer and wrote in about her experience: "(Below) is a picture of my daughter, Natalie, and I on a mission trip this summer in Guatemala. We worked at the Children's Malnutrition Center in San Juan, Guatemala. The center meets the needs of children suffering from malnutrition. Natalie and I did everything from bathing, feeding, reading, educating and other activities for 7 days. There were 80 children that lived at the center. My son, Pierce, helped build a 600 square foot

home for a family of 11. Upon completion of the home, the family came with just the clothing they were wearing. My son asked me why the moving van never came? - Big teaching moment!"

Class of 1986

In June 2011, Chief Deputy District Attorney **Dawn Weber** of the Denver District Attorney's Office obtained a murder conviction from a 1980 homicide. Chief Weber investigated, filed charges and tried this 30-year-old case against defendant Roderick Elias. The case concerned the 1980 murder and sexual assault of a 22 year old Denver woman. The defendant was sentenced to a term of life in prison. In August 2011, Chief Weber investigated and filed another homicide case dating from 2004. That case involved the murder of a 27 year old Denver woman. It was solved based on a DNA match from saliva from a bite mark the attacker left on the victim's wrist. Chief Weber is also the Chief of the Justice Review Project. This is a federally-funded project that has reviewed more than 1100 Denver cases to see if post-conviction DNA testing can exonerate any wrongfully-convicted inmates.



Save the Date:

Rosary & Marmion Sock Hop

Saturday, Nov. 17th, 2012

7:30 pm

Celebrating Rosary's 50th Anniversary

◀ *Molly Carey Smith (2011 Dominican Alumnae Award winner for Service) and her daughter, Natalie, at the Children's Malnutrition Center in San Juan, Guatemala.*

Class News & Notes (cont'd)

Class of 1991

Bridget (Budnick) McCormack emailed in an update. She and her family have moved to Bogota, Colombia for her husband's job. Jeff is a Major in the United States Marine Corp and works at the American Embassy in Bogota. "I hope to take my kids to visit all those places I learned about in Spanish class with Senora Rebensdorf!"

Class of 1992

Laura (Lopez) Venegas emailed an update. She is married to Gabriel Venegas and they are living in Texas. Laura is working for Dally Varden Management as an Assistant Manager. Gabriel is employed in airplane maintenance.

Class of 1994

Sandra (Ferson) Young and her husband, Victor announce the birth of their son, Zachariah (Zack) Thor on 5/28/2011. Zack weighed 9 lbs. and was 22 inches long. Zack joins 2 year old brother, Nicodemus (Nick) in the family home in Naperville, IL. Sandra is an Attorney in the Law Offices of Sandra Young, P.C. She focuses on family law, real estate and estate planning. Victor is a Chief Operations Officer.

Class of 1996

Stacy Robinson Schuble and her husband, Todd welcomed their daughter, Alexander Harper on 7/19/2011. The baby weighed 6 lbs., 4 oz. and was 20 inches long.

Class of 1997

Andrea (Bastian) Baldwin wrote to update her exciting year! She finished up her clerkship with Judge Wilson of the Middle District of Florida and is working at the law firm of Butler Pappas in Tampa. She is married to Matthew Baldwin and their daughter, Lucy, turned 1 on

October 2, 2011.

Katie (Stull) Lannan and husband, Jeremy, welcomed a baby girl, Evelyn Mae, on 7/11/11. Her big brother Jeremy thinks she is wonderful!

Class of 1999



▲ **Katie (Barry) Gilbert** and her husband, Matt welcomed their daughter, Leah Catherine Gilbert, on 5/15/2011. She joins big brother Noah who turned 2 on 7/15/2011. "Having 2 children 22 months apart is hectic but wonderful all at the same time!" The family is living in Somonauk, IL. Katie sent a family picture of Leah, Matt, and herself. The pictures with Noah were all blurry because he's a busy 2 year old that can't sit still for too long!

Class of 2000

Meghan (Wollangk) Whelan and her husband, James announce the birth of their son, Jackson Cole on 4/27/2011. Jackson weighed 8 lbs. and was 20.5 inches long. Meghan is a Physician Assistant. The family lives in Elgin, IL.

Alissa (Ewan) Martin and her husband, Lee emailed a baby announcement. They welcomed Barrett Thomas on 9/1/2011, weighing in at 6 lbs., 7 oz. and 19 inches long. The family is living in Nashville, TN.

Kelly (Cunningham) Wietsma and her husband, Tristan announced the birth of their son,

Jack Henry on 10/31/2011. Jack weighed 9 lbs., 13 oz. and was 21.5 inches long.

Class of 2000

Megan (Zilly) Thakkar and her husband, Ray welcomed their son, Lucas Hansraj on 12/30/10. Lucas weighed 8 lbs., 1 oz. and was 20.5 inches long. Megan is a stay at home mom. Ray is an Executive Account Manager. The family lives in Aurora, IL.

Class of 2003

Dr. Jordan Rullo, a Clinical Psychologist specializing in Sex Therapy and Sex Research, returned from interring at The Centre for Addiction and Mental Health Teaching Hospital in Toronto, Ontario Canada and is now working at the University of Minnesota, School of Medicine. You can contact Jordan at: jrullo10@umphysicians.umn.edu

Kate (Latta) Bennett and her husband, Peter announced the birth of their son, Nicholas Samuel on 9/26/2011. Nicholas weighed 7 lbs., 4 oz. and was 20.5 inches long. Kate and Peter are in the insurance field and lived in St. Charles, IL.

Class of 2003



▲ **Sonya Lo Destro** married Tim Kolowski 8/6/2011 at Holy Angels Church in Aurora, IL. Sonya is a graduate of Illinois State University and is a Math teacher at Yorkville High School. Tim is a graduate of Western Illinois University and is a

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Class News & Notes (cont'd)

Yorkville Police Officer. Maid of Honor was Chana Lo Destro (Class of 2008) and Lead Bridesmaid was Brina Lo Destro (Class of 2013).

Becca Happ married Jake Barto on 7/16/2011 at Holy Name Cathedral in Chicago. Becca is a 2007 graduate of Western Illinois University and is employed at Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago. Jake is a 2003 graduate of Marmion and a 2007 graduate of the University of Iowa. He is employed with Quick Leonard Kieffer, an executive search firm in Chicago.

Class of 2004

Joanna Pelletier is currently living in Chicago and working as a writer/designer in the Marketing Communications field. She is also in the process of launching her own firm, Reve Media Group (www.reve-mediagroup.com),

which will specialize in Web design, print layout, Social Media, advertising, and copywriting.

Ashley Grahovec married Robert Pyne of the Marmion Class of 2004. Bobby and Ashley were high school sweethearts that tied the knot on 5/29/2011 at St. Patrick Catholic Church in Yorkville, IL. The reception was held at the Danada House in Wheaton, IL. Ashley graduated from Carthage College and is working for the University of Wisconsin, Madison Athletic Dept. as an Athletic Trainer. Robert is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, Madison and is working at Epic Systems in Verona, WI as an Implementation and Applications Manager for their health card software systems.

Class of 2007

Elizabeth Danner is graduating from Benedictine College in December with a B.M.E., French horn concentration.

Whitney Elder is engaged to marry Steven Warren. Whitney is attending Aurora University and is currently a secretary there. Steven graduated from Plainfield High School in 2001 and is attending DeVry University taking Computer Forensics. The wedding will be held in October 2012.

Class of 2008

Molly King, daughter of Anne Readey King '76 is beginning her studies at the University of Illinois College of Veterinary Medicine this fall. Molly attended Augustana College for 3 years before receiving early acceptance into the U of I program.

ALL CLASSES:

Please email dolson@rosaryhs.com to include your information in the next Rosary Review Magazine (make sure you state "include in newsletter/web site")

OR
go to the **Alumnae section** at www.rosaryhs.com and fill out an **Announcement Form** or **Update Form**.

We would like to hear what's happening in your lives.

Pictures (that include alumna) are accepted and will be included in the Rosary Newsletter as space allows.

Calling Rosary Classes of 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010 & 2011

"Welcome Back Grads" Ice Cream Social

Join us for an afternoon of fun, teacher visits and ice cream. We are meeting in the Rosary foyer on Wednesday, January 4, 2012 at 2:30 p.m. Come in the office door entrance and say "hello" to your favorite office staff. Then head to the foyer for a gathering of your classmates. You know the routine – bell rings at 2:45 and you can greet current Rosary students getting ready to head home. As soon as the classrooms clear out, head to your favorite teachers' rooms to visit. Then join us in the cafeteria for FREE ice cream with all the toppings and pop at 3:45. Party ends at 4:30. **Please RSVP** through the website listed below so we know how many are coming!!!

http://rosaryhs.com/pages/alum_rsvp_form.asp





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Celebrating 50 Years 1962-2012

Golden Jubilee

Rosary will be celebrating 50 years with the start of the 2012-2013 school year.

Please join us in celebrating Rosary's Golden Jubilee:

*Sunday, September 9, 2012
2:00 p.m.
Opening Liturgy for Golden Jubilee Year*

*Saturday, February 23, 2013
Golden Jubilee Candlelight Ball*

Please mark your calendar now for these very special events.

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