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SHG: 25 Years in the Making!

Sacred Heart-Griffin High School is celebrating a milestone this year. Twenty-five years ago, the strong faith, academic, fine arts and athletic traditions of Griffin High School (GHS) and Sacred Heart Academy (SHA) combined to form Sacred Heart-Griffin High School (SHG). During that time, many sacrifices and compromises were made, and the spirit of cooperation between the Dominicans and the Viatorians led to combining the two schools into a coeducational

Catholic institution that remains rooted in these same traditions to this day. There have been several celebrations to commemorate this special anniversary.



Mass of Thanksgiving

Sister Mary Paul McCaughey, O.P., principal of SHA and first principal of SHG and Father Robert Erickson, C.S.V., the last principal of GHS and first Vice Principal and Development Director for SHG were honored for their leadership, vision and courage at an Anniversary Gala on February 22 at the Sangamo

Club in Springfield. On Sunday, December 1, a Mass of Thanksgiving was held at SHG's West Campus.



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Athletics

Ryan Held broke two school records at the Boys City Swim Meet. Held finished the 200 meter freestyle in 1:42.68, and the 200 medley relay in 1:41.24. The medley relay won the City Tournament for the Cyclones against Springfield High on January 28.

Fine Arts

Thirteen Sacred Heart-Griffin High School students were selected to perform in the IMEA All State January 22-25, 2014 in Peoria: Ian Davis, David Evanich, Andrew Kinsel-Jones, Ted Luker, Ariel Rhodes and Hayley Tolan have been selected for the All State Chorus. Julie Conrad, Emma Hylin, Caroline McKenna, Riley McManus, Chaepter Negro and Patrick Regan have been selected for the All State Honors Chorus. Missy DeMarco has been chosen for All State Band.

Scholar

Steven Sartore was chosen to attend the Congress of Future Medical Leaders in Washington, DC on Feb. 14-16. This honor is for high school students interested in becoming physicians or pursuing a career in medical research fields. During the three-day conference, Sartore will learn about cutting-edge advances in medicine and medical technology, as well as hear speeches by Nobel Laureates and Ivy League medical school deans. Sartore will represent the state of Illinois. ■

For more student success stories, visit www.shg.org or find us on Facebook!

Best friends and sisters, Nona & Adele Cox leave legacy to SHG

In 1939-1940, Nona Cox spent her freshman year of high school at Sacred Heart Academy. Sadly, her father passed away during that year, and Nona and her sister Adele moved with family to the Chicago area following his death. Flash forward 74 years later, Sacred Heart-Griffin receives two large trust checks totaling over \$337,000 from the estates of sisters, Nona and Adele Cox. Adele died at the age of 88 in 2009, and Nona passed away at the age of 86 in March 2013, both leaving a large portion of their wills to Sacred Heart-Griffin High School. While we may never know the entire story of Nona and



Nona (left) and Adele as young professional women

Adele's affinity to Sacred Heart-Griffin all these years later, we are humbled and most grateful to them for leaving their legacy with us. We do know that Nona was a beloved U.S. History, Political Science and Modern

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China teacher at New T in Winnetka, IL from 19 studying in England and was also the former assessor Adlai Stevenson.



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FRIDAY, APRIL 4 at 7:30 P.M.

SATURDAY, APRIL 5 at 2 P.M. & 7:30 P.M.

SUNDAY, APRIL 6 at 2:00 P.M.

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After 25 years of SHG there is much to be thankful for and over 300 alumni, students, parents, past parents, friends and religious gathered to thank God for all the blessings the past 25 years have brought to SHG. During the celebration, Simon Cory (pictured at left) was recognized for his service to SHG, especially the Kairos program. ■



Adele (left) and Nona in recent years

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China teacher at New Trier High School, a premier high school in Winnetka, IL from 1965-1983. Nona was an avid traveler, studying in England and China, and a life-long learner. She was also the former assistant to the late Governor and Ambassador Adlai Stevenson.

According to Stuart Berkson, the executor of the wills, and a former student of Nona's from New Trier, Adele was the quieter and more conservative of the sisters, but described both sisters as intelligent, progressive women of their time. Berkson is an International tax lawyer and credits his success to Miss Nona Cox, along with his parents and the other extraordinary teachers at New Trier.

What an amazing and mysterious gift from the two sisters, and what a tribute to Sacred Heart Academy, now Sacred Heart-Griffin, that two sisters, who had such passion for education and learning during their lives, would remember the tradition of Academic Excellence in a Community of Faith of SHG in death. ■

For more information about SHG's Bequest Society, call 217-787-9732

On a Sunday in November, a tornado rips through a small rural town in Illinois. The storm levels homes, businesses, trees; nearly everything in its path. One hundred miles away, a football team is preparing for the state semi-final football game, while their opposition is preparing for how to survive the rest of their lives. Almost instantly, rivals become friends and saints to these devastated people. “We’re here,” Coach Ken Leonard tells Washington football coach Darrell Crouch. Crouch first tells Leonard of the need for transportation to the upcoming game. Buses for players and fans are secured. Late Monday, a boil order has been placed on the community of Washington. Tuesday and Wednesday of that week, cases of water on a semi-truck are sent to Washington. The need for money becomes ever increasing, a favor no one wants to have to ask. Donations begin pouring in from all over the state for the devastated community.

What was going to be a generally calm day of football, suddenly becomes a huge event. Food for over a thousand has been donated by friends, strangers, and local businesses. A pre-game ritual has been planned, and a post-game tribute is organized.

How will all these volunteers be handled?



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If you were there, you know that no one person in particular was in charge. Who were these volunteers? They were parents and students, alumni, grade schoolers, football fans and teachers. No one group or individuals planned this response. They simply showed up.

If you were there, you saw courage, commitment, and sportsmanship. Above all, you saw spirit. You saw the best of sports, and the best of people on display in a cafeteria, eating lasagna in central Illinois the week before Thanksgiving.



In the end, none of us wanted those students families to forget their heartache, even if just quarters of a football game. If you were there through donation, your hands on the homemade pasta and meat, your prayers, or telling this story; thank The entire Sacred Heart and Springfield community. We are grateful for you.

As told by an anonymous
Photos by: Jason Johnson/

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Nominations are being the Commencement have graduated from of 25 years ago. Nominee should for the benefit of others, and/ chosen profession. In addition qualifications for the Hall of to:

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School & Year of Graduat
Address: _____
--Academic Degrees: _____
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In the end, none of us really cared what the scoreboard said. We just wanted those students and their families to forget their troubles and heartache, even if just for four quarters of a football game. If you were there through your donation, your hands of help, the homemade pasta and hamburger meat, your prayers, or by telling this story; thank you. The entire Sacred Heart-Griffin and Springfield community thanks you. We are grateful for all of you.

As told by an anonymous volunteer
Photos by: Jason Johnson/Johnson Image



SACRED HEART-GRIFFIN HALL OF FAME NOMINATIONS



Nominations are being sought for the SHG Alumni Hall of Fame. The person(s) selected will be inducted during the Commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 25, 2014. Guidelines for Nomination: Person nominated must have graduated from Sacred Heart Academy, Cathedral Boys High School, or Griffin High School a minimum of 25 years ago. Nominee should be an individual who has distinguished him/herself by sharing their time and talent for the benefit of others, and/or one who has excelled through their contributions to society beyond the scope of their chosen profession. In addition to the questions below, submit one typewritten page in support of your nominee's qualifications for the Hall of Fame Award. Please return the nomination form and supporting page by March 21, 2014 to:

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School & Year of Graduation: _____
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--Academic Degrees: _____
--Career Achievements: _____
--Awards/Honors/Activities: _____
--Contributions to society beyond the scope of their chosen profession including how nominee lives his/her faith: _____
Name of Nominator: _____
Home Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____ Telephone Day: _____
Email: _____

alumni news

1967

Boarders from the class of 1967 gathered in Bloomington to celebrate their 45th + 1 reunion in October. First row: Mary Kelly Jewell, Marilyn Delaney Paulsen, Beverly Major, Michele Allen Winkler and Sue Becker Smith. Back row: Margaret Ahlers Risk, Nancy Ritterbush Jarrett, Karen Haas Martin.



1979

Louise (Phipps) Senft and Gidget (Grady) Freeberg attended the Governor's Conference on Aging and Disability in Chicago December 13. Senft served as the keynote speaker to an audience of more than 500, speaking on the subject of mediation. She is the CEO of Baltimore Mediation, the first such firm in the state of Maryland. Freeberg served as the Conference Chair, and holds a Master's Degree in Gerontology and is a Certified Meeting Professional. She has worked at the Illinois Department on Aging for more than 20 years and serves as lead Training Specialist.

1994

Tim and Rachel (Jones) Kessler welcomed Adela into their family June 7, 2012. Adela joins brothers Andrew, 10, Aidan, 3, and sisters Alicia, 8, and Ava, 6. The Kesslers reside in Webster Groves, MO

1999

Jesse McCarrel and his wife, Jennifer, celebrated the birth of a son on January 6, 2014. Lincoln Jax McCarrel weighed 9lbs.7oz.

2000

Rob Fafoglia and his wife, Sarah, welcomed their first child, Elizabeth Rose, on August 29, 2013. The family resides in Springfield.



2001

Bridget Hansen Milik and her husband, Lucas Propst-Milik, welcomed a son, Jordan Paul, on Oct 22. He was 7 pounds 11 ounces.

2004

JR (Jarrod) Steele is in his last year of law school at the University of North Dakota School of Law. Steele is engaged to Stephanie Syrup, a nursing student at the University of North Dakota. A 2014 wedding is planned in Grand Forks, North Dakota. A Springfield reception will also be held in May of 2014.



2005

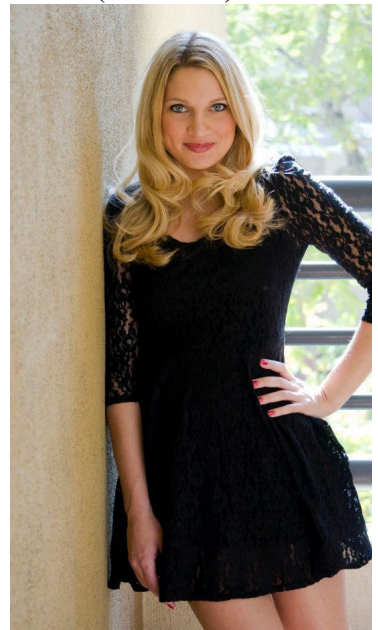
Bridget McDermott moved to Chicago to begin her career with The Chicago Lighthouse as a retail buyer. The Chicago Lighthouse is a non-profit organization for blind and visually impaired adults.



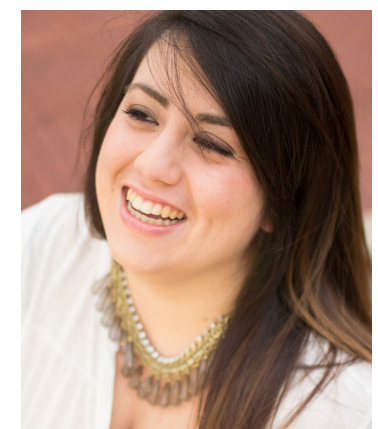
2006

Jordan Roszchart married Christian Viehman on September 21, 2013, at the Biltmore Estate in Asheville, North Carolina. Viehman is a student at Duke Law School, and Roszchart is a Government Audit Coordinator at Cone Health. The couple resides in Durham, North Carolina.

2006 (Continued)



Alecia Steele graduated from SI degree in nursing. Steele is a pr at St. John's Hospital in Interme



What's Your News?

We'd like to know the latest about you, your family, career and activities for the Alumni News section of Visions. Write to Visions, Sacred Heart-Griffin High School, 1200 West Washington St., Springfield, IL 62702 or email fishburn@shg.org

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Elizabeth Smith recently returned to the U.S. from her second international tour performing with Silversea Cruise line. Smith also has been featured on episodes television series such as, “Cougartown,” and “Rake.” She currently is pursuing her acting career in Los Angeles, California.

2009
Sean McConnell received the Benedictine University Radice Award for his efforts to lead a local collection of shoes to raise money to improve water quality in impoverished countries.



Alecia Steele graduated from St. John’s College with a bachelor’s degree in nursing. Steele is a practicing Registered Nurse at St. John’s Hospital in Intermediate Care in Springfield.



2010
Elizabeth Farris performed her Spring vocal recital at Christ the King on February 2, 2014. Musical selections included pieces by Mozart, Leonard Bernstein, and Giacomo Puccini. Farris was awarded the Camerata Music Scholarship from the University of Illinois at Springfield. She is also the acapella music director at UIS.

in memoriam

ALUMNI

- Ann (Conlin) Hogan ‘31
- Louis F. DeMarco ‘34
- Helen (Hunt) Park ‘42
- Mary (May) Lewis ‘42
- Anita (Lucas) Havrilka ‘42
- James Cadigin ‘43
- Tony Montalbano ‘43
- Robert Knoedler ‘45
- Jack Ray ‘47
- Louis (Loretto) Viele ‘47
- Donna Mae Sullivan ‘48
- Cinda Forsyth Gebben ‘55
- Michael Kiely ‘56
- Gregory Kelso ‘64
- Adam Mrozowski ‘67
- Edward A. Ritter ‘68
- William J. Goldstein ‘69
- Barbara (Christine) Morris ‘70
- Marilyn (Bernet) Sheehan ‘76
- Sister Peggy Conway ‘81**
- Timothy M. Warren ‘82
- Justin Sharp ‘06



Sister Peggy Conway, O.P., a Dominican Sister of Springfield for 25 years, and an alum of the Class of 1981, died December

23, 2013. After receiving a Master’s degree in Theology in 2002, Sister taught Theology at SHG until the time of her death. Sister had an instrumental role in shaping the lives of hundreds of students throughout her time as a Catholic educator. A beloved friend and mentor, she will be missed.

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know where you've
moved! Many of you
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parents' address.

reunions

*While we don't have all the details, we do have some information. Contact your classmates for more details!
To list your class reunion information, or to schedule a tour of campus during your reunion weekend,
contact Taylor Fishburn at fishburn@shg.org or call 217-787-9732*

Nifty Fifty Reunion

June 6, 2014

Invitation to follow

1954

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Sept. 13, 2014

Knights of Columbus on

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www.classof1954.net

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1964

June 27 & 28

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1974

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Saturday, June 21, 2014

Long Bridge Golf Course

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Tim Norris: 424-298-5096

1984

Saturday July 19, 2014

Long Bridge Golf Course

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Polly Harvey: 217-971-3227,
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1994

Saturday July 26, 2014

Illini Country Club

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