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2006 Business Appeal Surpasses Goal

Thanks to the hard work and dedication of more than 80 volunteers, the Xavier Foundation 2006 Business Appeal was a success. Volunteers visited with area business leaders to share with them the benefits of Xavier High School to the community, area businesses, and today's youth.

Currently, more than 85 area businesses have donated \$87,142 to this year's campaign, surpassing the \$85,000 campaign goal. Gifts contributed during the business appeal account for almost 15% of the money raised by the Foundation throughout the year to provide funding for Xavier High School. These funds assist Xavier's 700 students as they are educated in the tradition of mind, body and spirit within the values-based curriculum Xavier is proud to offer.

Leading this year's efforts were appeal chair **Kathleen Kleiman (L82)** of Simmons, Perrine, Albright & Ellwood and associate

chair **Pat Deignan** of Bankers Trust. "We are grateful to our business community donors and volunteers for their continued support of Xavier High School through the 2006 Business Appeal campaign," Kleiman stated.

A special thanks goes out to the appeal's team captains who helped make the campaign a success by recruiting volunteers, disseminating information, and motivating team members. The following individuals led this year's charge: **John Cleavenger**, AEGON; **Tom Ekland (L78)**, Seltec Sales; **Jeff Kaiden (L72)**, Principal Financial; **Jim McPartland (R75)**, TrueNorth Companies; **Dan Meloan (R63)**, Skogman Realty; **Kirk Sadilek**, Principal Financial; **Diane Salat**, Skogman Realty; and **Dr. John Wollner**.

2006 Hall of Fame Honorees Inducted



The 2006 Alumni Hall of Fame awards were presented on January 21, 2006. This year's inductees were (from left): Susan Kuncl Flaherty (L76), Frank Martin (R90), Thomas Renner (R77), Joshua Rank (L96), Anne Cunningham, Robert Campagna (L67) and Jeff Henderson.

On January 21, 2006, seven new members of the LaSalle-Regis-Xavier Alumni Hall of fame were inducted.

Robert Campagna (L67) is a photographer, writer, publisher and teacher. He is also owner of Abbe Creek Gallery in Mt. Vernon. Bob has created and taught more than 250 photography-based workshops for youth, adults, college and community groups throughout the U.S., as well as in Nicaragua and Scotland. He is the recipient of two Iowa Press Association photography awards and the Cedar Rapids Area Peace with Justice Network Award.

Anne Cunningham served for 12 years as Executive Director of the Regis-LaSalle Foundation and the Xavier High School

Foundation, retiring in 2003. She spearheaded the successful capital campaign to build the Xavier High School campus and guided the Xavier Foundation's efforts in major gifts, annual giving, endowment development, gift planning and student scholarships. Anne's current volunteer activities include the All Saints Parish Foundation, Boy Scouts of America, Downtown Rotary and Mercy Medical Center Auxiliary.

Susan (Kuncl) Flaherty (L76) is a district associate juvenile court judge for the Sixth Judicial District of Iowa. She attended Loras College and the University of Iowa College of Law, and was admitted to the Iowa Bar in 1983. Sue strives tirelessly to protect the interests of children and families in the juvenile court system, as well as volunteering in our Catholic schools. She is a member of the Foundation's Heritage Society and has served on the Holy Family School Board and the Regis-LaSalle Foundation Board.

Jeff Henderson was principal of Xavier High School from 1998-2004. He served as a leader in secondary Catholic education in Cedar Rapids for 13 years. Beginning as principal of LaSalle High School, Jeff went on to serve as Chief Administrator of Regis and LaSalle High Schools and then as Xavier High School's first principal. He was instrumental in bringing the LaSalle and Regis communities together to create a united Xavier community. Currently Jeff is the Superintendent of Schools for the Archdiocese of Dubuque.

Frank Martin (R90) distinguished himself in football, wrestling and band while at Regis. He was 1st Team All State and 1st Team WaMac Conference in football, and two-time state qualifier and

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Xavier in the Spotlight

Renee Dietrich Making a Difference

Director of Advancement for the St. Joseph's Family

It has been said that LaSalle, Regis and Xavier alumni graduate with a strong sense of community and a desire to make a difference. Renee Dietrich (L87) is an example of just that. Renee graduated from the University of Iowa and embarked on a career in journalism and photojournalism. After 10 years of working at various newspapers throughout Iowa and Minnesota and receiving several awards, Renee felt called to a new purpose.

"I really wanted to do something that I believe in and thought made a difference," Renee said. She had traveled to Haiti on mission trips several times since graduating from high school with St. Jude's Parish in Cedar Rapids, and loved the people of Haiti. With the hope of relocating there, she contacted the St. Joseph's Family for disadvantaged children in Haiti to see how she could bring her existing talents to the organization.

Renee's conversations with St. Joseph's founder Michael Geilenfeld led her to a brand new career. "In our discussions, we came to see that me working for the St. Joseph's Family was something that we were both ready for," she explained. "For my part, it would be a way to do something meaningful for an organization I really believe in, and for Michael, it was an opportunity to have someone come in and help him with the fundraising and communication aspects of the organization."

In her own words, Renee described her position:

I am the Director of Advancement for the St. Joseph's Family. We are made up of three homes for disadvantaged children in Haiti.

We do not refer to ourselves as 'orphanages' because we are not looking for families for our kids. WE are their family. If someone feels deeply called to adopt one of our children, we do not block that, but we also do not actively seek that.

Our three homes are: St. Joseph's Home for Boys, Wings of Hope, and Trinity House. St. Joseph's, in Port-au-Prince, and Trinity House, in Jacmel, are homes for former street boys. Wings of Hope is a home for mentally and physically challenged children.

The kids at St. Joseph's and Trinity all spent part of their young lives living on



Renee Dietrich (L87) is pictured above with children from Wings of Hope, one of the three homes in the St. Joseph's Family for disadvantaged children in Haiti.

the street or as restaveks (child slaves). There is a big street kid population in Haiti because when families can't care for their children because they don't have money and jobs, there is a tradition of purposely 'losing' them on the street or giving them to another family in hopes that the other family will care for them. However, most of those kids aren't cared for by the other family, but rather go to work for the other family as unpaid and abused servants.

Wings of Hope serves physically and mentally challenged children with dignity, love and respect and we are unique in Haiti in that way.

Disabled people in Haiti are seen by many as manifestations of evil spirits and aren't treated well, if they are allowed to exist at all. The lucky ones find their way to us.

As Director of Advancement I do a little bit of everything. I work on finding funding for our homes and projects, do a lot of communications work (mailings, newsletters, website, etc.), book guest house reservations, mentor the leadership of the homes, coordinate volunteers, etc.

Renee recently told the Xavier Foundation that growing up in the LaSalle and St. Jude's families was her inspiration for choosing this path. "Giving back to the world around us is something that we [LaSalle students] just did and it's something that all of us, in our own ways, continue to do."

If you would like to learn more about the St. Joseph's family or make a donation, visit their website at www.heartswithhaiti.org.

two-time district champion in wrestling. Frank earned a BS degree in Biology from Buena Vista College and an MAT degree in Science Education from the University of Iowa. Currently, he is chemistry/biology teacher and assistant varsity football coach at Geneva High School, Geneva, Ill.

Joshua Rank (L96) was an outstanding athlete at LaSalle. He earned eleven varsity letters in basketball, football, baseball, golf and track. He was a three-year starter in basketball and football, and captain of the varsity football and basketball teams. He attended Iowa State University on a football scholarship, graduating in 2000 with a BS degree in Finance. Currently Josh lives in West Des Moines and is Director of High Yields Bonds for Amerus Capital Management.

Thomas Renner (R77) is president and owner of Steadman Graphics in Cedar Rapids. An outstanding athlete, he was the first Regis wrestler to qualify for State and the first Regis wrestler to place at State. Tom's other honors include the Kiwanis Citizenship Award, Coaches Award in football and 2nd Team All-Metro in football.

Xavier Hall of Fame Nomination

Please return anytime during the year to: Xavier Foundation, P.O. Box 1394, Cedar Rapids, IA 52406. **To be considered for the 2007 awards, nominations must be received by September 11, 2006. A complete listing of Hall of Fame inductees is available on the Foundation's website.**

Nominee _____

School _____ Class Year _____

Please check area of consideration:

- Academic Scholar
- Athlete
- Coach
- Faculty
- Fine Arts
- Outstanding Alumni
- Supporting Contributor/Volunteer

Nominated by _____

Date Submitted _____

Address _____

Phone _____

School _____ Class Year _____

List below the reasons this person should be considered for induction into the Hall of Fame. Include as much specific information as possible.

The Alumni Association of LaSalle, Regis, and Xavier High Schools is collecting nominations for the Annual Hall of Fame. **Athletes, academic scholars and fine arts** nominees must be graduates and must have received recognition as outstanding in these areas. **Coaches** nominated will be considered on the length of career, concern for the welfare of his/her players and outstanding achievements since coaching at LaSalle, Regis or Xavier. **Supporting contributors/volunteer** nominees must show outstanding service to Catholic secondary education. Outstanding alumni must be graduates. After graduation, candidates must have made outstanding contributions to society through involvement in career or community service. All candidates must show good moral character and citizenship, and it must be at least five years since graduation from high school.

By the Numbers Xavier High School

- 100% of Xavier students are involved in community and parish service
- 100% of Xavier students take four years of English
- 96% of Xavier graduates plan to pursue postsecondary education
- 94% of Xavier students are involved in co-curricular activities (78% are involved in three or more co-curricular activities)
- 90% of Xavier students complete four years of science
- 58% of faculty have an MA or PhD in their area
- 21 students is the average class size
- 14 is the number of years that faculty members have devoted to Catholic education
- 24 is the average ACT score for 2005 graduates (compare to national average: 20.9)

Alumni News

1960's

Rick Burton (R69) has been named the 2006 President of the Southwest Chapter of the Homebuilders Association of Greater Chicago.

1970's

Kevin Dolan (R71) and **Deb Frese (R79)** announce the adoption of their son, Alexander Patrick Dolan, December 1, 2005. Alexander's date of birth is October 30, 2003.

Susan (McAleer) Metzger (R72) is a volunteer nurse with Mission of Mercy – traveling in small towns around Arizona.

Michael Hook (R73) and spouse Carol have two daughters and one son. Their son graduated from the University of Bellevue Nebraska, their oldest daughter is a junior at the University of Nebraska and their youngest daughter is 15 years old.

Frank Maher (R73) and spouse Susan have been married for 27 years. Frank is running the Twin Cities Marathon in October. This will be his 7th marathon.

David Brost (R75) opened new offices for Brost Architects in Hiawatha in November 2005.

William Davis (L75) and spouse Valerie are first time grandparents!

John Dowd (R75) and spouse Linda have three children, ages 15, 14 and 8. They reside in Eldridge, IA.

Sheree (Whitters) Havlik (R75) published a book, "Because we love them. Fostering a Christian Sexuality in our Children." Sheree volunteers for the Diocese of Dallas Pro-Life programs.

John Kokontis (R75) and spouse Elaine have a daughter, Claire who is 8 years old. They reside in Chicago.

Carol Riha (L75) has been appointed Associated Press chief of bureau in Des Moines. Carol, most recently AP's Iowa news editor, joined the AP in 1983.

Micki (Schillig) Feldmann (L79) and spouse Dennis announce the birth of their son, Mac, on April 14, 2005.

Dave Ruhs (L79) and wife Sandy have two children. Their daughter graduated from Purdue in Industrial Engineering and their son will be attending Purdue in the Fall of 2006. They reside in West Des Moines.

1980's

Anthony Satariano (R80) and Jo McClintock Steen exchanged wedding vows on August 13, 2005, in Cedar Rapids.

Scott Sanborn (R82) and wife Donna announce the birth of their son, Ryan, on November 12, 2005. He joins sister, Emily, age 2.

Bret Burkhart (L83) and Valerie Kestler were married on October 23, 2004. They reside in Austin, TX.

Tracy Wilkin (R85) and Todd Anderson were united in marriage on June 23, 2005 in Burnsville, MN.

Ron Seifried (R86) and wife Shelley announce the birth of their son, Joel Thomas, on October 7, 2004. They reside in St. Paul, MN.

1990's

Friends and classmates since kindergarten, two Regis alumnae each gave birth to twins, only five days apart.

Sara (Rettig) Borders (R92) and husband Mike, welcomed daughter Megan Marie and son Logan Allen on November 1, 2005.

Stacy (Canady) Kirk (R92) and husband Ty, welcomed daughter Helen Mae and son Owen Frank on October 27, 2005.

Kristana (Bloom) Johnson (R91) and husband Ed announce the birth of their son, Nikolaus Andrew, on August 20, 2005. He was welcomed home by his sister, Svea, age 2.

James Martin (R91) was elected shareholder in the law firm of Polsinelli Shalton Welte Suelthaus PC. Jim concentrates his practice in commercial and business litigation in the firm's St. Louis office.

Julie (Schons) Felderman (L93) and husband Jason announce the birth of their daughter, Danielle, on November 12, 2004.

Dennis Fratella (L93) and Yvonne Svoboda were united in marriage on September 17, 2005 in Cedar Rapids.

Laurie Dunkel (L94) and Mark Phillips were united in marriage on October 22, 2005. They reside in Vacaville, CA.

Charles Schimberg (R94) and **Lisa Rupp (R96)** exchanged marriage vows on August 13, 2005 in Cedar Rapids.

Heidi Northland (R95) and Gene Formanek were united in marriage October 8, 2005. They reside in Cedar Rapids.

Mary Beth Yurko (R95) and **Elizabeth Streit (R95)** completed the Freescale Austin Marathon and Half-Marathon respectively on February 19, 2006 in Austin, TX. Elizabeth completed the half-marathon in 2 hours 12 minutes and Mary Beth completed the marathon in 4 hours 40 minutes.

Kathleen Wendling (R95) and **Brian Dunkel (L96)** were united in marriage on August 20, 2005 in Cedar Rapids.

Shantel (Wallerich) Zoss (L95) and husband Benjamin announce the birth of their daughter, Madeline on July 9, 2005.

Kelly Glass (L96) and Russell Cox were united in marriage on November 19, 2005 in Austin, TX.

Catherine Metz (R96) was recently nominated for the Chancellor's List as a result of the work that she is completing toward her master's degree through UNI. She is a 2nd grade teacher for Cedar Rapids Community Schools.

Angela Scholbrock (L96) and Matthew Moos exchanged marriage vows August 27, 2005 in Cedar Rapids. They reside in Chicago.

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Joshua Burger (R97) and Megan Schuster exchanged marriage vows on September 16, 2005 in Marion.

Matthew Baragary (R97) and wife Paula have a daughter, Emma, age 2.

J. J. Dilger (R97) and wife Kelly announce the birth of their child, Kady, 5 months old.

James Teahen (R97) and Jacqueline O'Hara were united in marriage on September 9, 2005 in Cedar Rapids.

Daniel Corbett (L98) and Sarah Maerschalk exchanged wedding vows on July 9, 2005 in Cedar Rapids.

Jill Hathaway (R98) is attending Iowa State University and working towards an MA in English Literature. She is engaged to marry Shane Wheeler of Winterset on August 11, 2007.

Gretchen (Cutter) Handfelt (X99) and husband Cory announce the birth of their son, Griffin Tate, on June 25, 2005.

Martin DeCamp (X99) and **Tabitha McVay (X99)** exchanged marriage vows July 30, 2005 in Cedar Rapids.

Andrea LaKose (X99) and Eric Casey exchanged marriage vows on June 11, 2005. They reside in Hiawatha.

Karen Weber (X99) and Andy Rippel were united in marriage July 23, 2005 in Cedar Rapids. They reside in Mt. Auburn, IA.

Marie Zach (X99) and Christopher Fry exchanged marriage vows August 6, 2005 in Cedar Rapids.

2000's

Nicholas Miller (X00) and Dawn Davidson were united in marriage August 20, 2005 in Cedar Rapids.

Laine Rozeboom (X02) and Benjamin Boesenberg exchanged marriage vows July 2, 2005 in Center Point.

Anna Reyland (X03) is studying Professional Tennis Management at Ferris State University in Big Rapids, MI. She was awarded the Zakov Family Scholarship, for students who have overcome challenges to receive an education.

Reunion News

Regis Class of 1961

Keep this date open! The 45th Class Reunion date is set for October 14, 2006. More information will follow.

Contacts: Barb Henderson, bhendy@execpc.com, 319-393-9515, Lori Neblung, 319-396-7808, Pat Murphy, 319-365-9839. If you have a change of address or email, please notify us. Help locate classmates: Bob Douglas, Bill Driscoll, Carlota M. Duarte, Nathan D. Frink, Linda Lund Harris, Sandra Crowley Jacobson, James Knapp, Mary Jane Manly, Joan Nemece, Ronald W. Sutton, Mary Margaret Greene Watson, Susanne (Schuler) Winders, and John S. Wright.

LaSalle Class of 1966

Weekend of September 23, 2006

Contacts: Steve Krumbholz, stephen-krumbholz@uiowa.edu, 319-354-3191, Becky Picard, rpicard3@yahoo.com, 319-378-9750.

Regis Class of 1966

July 15, 2006 Elmcrest Country Club

Reunion contacts: Anne Marie (Lane) Murphy, Murphy.Timothy@mcleodusa.net, Teri Weiland Clarke, (319) 364-4206. Visit the class website www.Regis66.net. Help locate classmates: Pat Moran, Gary Nowlin, Connie Haunsperger Paone, Judy Gruver Wolf and Allyson Dixon.

LaSalle Class of 1973

Please contact Pat (Cornwell) Balk at talk2pat@centurytel.net and share your e-mail address and other contact information so you can receive information about your 35th reunion plans.

LaSalle Class of 1976

Friday, November 24, 2006, 6:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. LaSalle Middle School (formerly LaSalle High School).

Hot/cold hors d'oeuvres will be served from 6:00 – 9:00 p.m.

Cost is \$15.00 per person. Beverages available all evening. Reservations are needed by 10/1/2006. Send check to Kathy Long, 3923 Roxbury Drive NW, Cedar Rapids, IA 52405.

Include your name, current address, phone number and email and a little about what you have been doing the last 30 years. Please send a current picture of yourself and your spouse or your family if you wish to be included in a commemorative CD. Feel free to bring any memorabilia to share.

Contact: Kathy Long. kpl62758@mcleodusa.net

Regis Class of 1976

Friday, July 28, 2006, 6:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus Council 909 Hall, 716 A Avenue NE, Cedar Rapids.

Drinks and appetizers

Saturday, July 29, 2006, Golf outing plans in the works

Saturday, July 29, 2006, 6:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m., St. Pius X Parish Center (New), 4949 Council Street NE, Cedar Rapids. Dinner and dancing

LaSalle Class of 1981

Friday evening, June 30, Mixer location to be determined

Saturday morning, July 1, Golf Tournament, contact Mike Young, myoung@paneraiowa.com

Saturday night, Main Event, Banquet Dinner at the Marriott Hotel on Collins Road, Sunday, July 2, Picnic/Lunch/Family Gathering at Ellis Park Overlook Pavilion

For more information or to tell us you plan to attend, contact Tim Sippy, thesippys@netzero.com, Phone: (319)294-9075 or Marsha (Scott) Sabotta, pdsabotta@aol.com, Phone: (319)393-9079.

LaSalle Class of 1986

Friday, August 11, Social at the Sweet Corn Festival

Saturday, August 12, Dinner at the Clarion Hotel

For more information contact Lisa Whitten, l.whitten@mchsi.com or (319)-378-4015.

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Regis Class of 1986

Saturday, July 29 the Crown Plaza Hotel, downtown Cedar Rapids Contact: Rachel (Donnelly) Ipsan, ripsan@hotmail.com

LaSalle Class of 1996

Friday, July 21, 2006, 7:00 p.m. – Meet at Brick's
Saturday, July 22, 2006, 11:30 a.m. Bring the family to Ellis Park for food and fun. Contact: RSVP to Andrea Klostermann, andrea_klostermann@hotmail.com, 651-462-0552, or Lindsay Lange, lindsaym@mchsi.com, 319-362-2977.

Regis Class of 1996

Friday, June 16, 2006, 5:15 p.m. -- Cedar Rapids Kernels game
We have the pre game tent and picnic area reserved.
Cost \$19.00 for adults and \$16.00 for kids 5-12 and kids under 5 are free. Cost includes general admission game ticket, and food and drink from 5:15 p.m. – 7:15 p.m.
Saturday, June 17, 2006, 6:30 p.m. – CR Chophouse, 200 1st Avenue NE, Cedar Rapids, IA. Social Hour 6:30 p.m. and Dinner at 8:00 p.m. Order from menu – prices range \$15.00 - \$50.00
We have reserved a block of rooms at the Crowne Plaza Hotel for Friday and Saturday nights. Special rate of \$79.00 per night.
Please contact Mike Steichen for more information regarding the reunion Phone: (801) 712-2269 or Email: msteichen29@yahoo.com or Lisa (Rummel) Haugen Phone 319-389-9365 or Email: Lhaugen13@hotmail.com

LaSalle Class of 1997

Visit www.LaSalle1997.com and share your e-mail address and other contact information so you can receive information about your 10th reunion plans. Or contact Shawn (Murray) Wiesenhofer, guiltytam@aol.com or (319)390-7598.

Alumni Annual Appeal kicks off



*Kathy (Ennis) Richards
(L64)*

Local LaSalle, Regis, and Xavier alumni graciously gave the Xavier Foundation the gift of time in March and April, calling former classmates for the annual alumni phonathon.

This annual phonathon helps update alumni records, raises money for Xavier, and gives alumni the opportunity to catch up with each other. The goal for this year's alumni appeal is to raise \$80,000 in support of Xavier High School. Money raised will be

used to pay outstanding bonds, fund student scholarships, and provide for special projects.

Alumni have responded generously to the appeal so far, raising nearly \$59,000 in the phonathon phase of the campaign. Thousands of alumni not reached by phone will be receiving a letter in the coming weeks with the opportunity to support Xavier.



Jennifer Koczko (X00)



Pictured above are five of the participants in the 2006 Alumni Basketball league. From left: Nick Miller (X00), Chris Miller (L98), Kevin Joens (X99), Brad Joens (R96) and Dick Breitbart (R83).

2006 Alumni B-ball League

The LaSalle-Regis-Xavier Alumni Association's basketball league for 2006 is underway. This annual event contains six men's teams that compete on Wednesday evenings in the Xavier gymnasium. "The point of the league is to have fun, and get people involved," said Ted Borelli (R88), vice president of the alumni association.

The league also serves as a fundraiser for the alumni association. Each team pays an entry fee of \$150 to be part of the league. This is one of the largest fundraisers that the alumni association holds, and all of the money raised supports the alumni association. The funds are used to reach out to alumni throughout the year by hosting various events, honoring outstanding alumni, and supporting a variety of Xavier student activities.

This year's annual tournament was held in April.

Jeanne (Dessert) Eichler (R73) was the top caller, raising more than \$6,000 from her classmates and fellow alumni. Mark Behounek (R84) was the winner of the drawing for an overnight stay at the Cedar Rapids Marriott.

Special thanks to Tom Carfrae (R69) for donating pizzas from Tomaso's each night of the phonathon and to Len (L69) and Kathy (Spaight) Skvor (R69) for donating gift certificates to all phonathon callers. Thanks to the following for donating prizes given to volunteer callers throughout the phonathon: Cedar Rapids Symphony, Cork 'n' Fork Deli, Country Kitchen, HyVee Drugstores, Joensy's Restaurant, Kathy's Pies, Leonardo's, Marriott Cedar Rapids, Pierson's Flower Shop, Spring House, Theatre Cedar Rapids, Tomaso's Pizza, and Zio Johno's.

If you have not made a gift to this year's appeal, please respond generously when you are contacted. Ten percent of the money provided to Xavier High School from the Xavier Foundation is donated by Regis, LaSalle, and Xavier alumni. With your help, the campaign will reach its goal, and continue strengthening education for the 700 students who attend Xavier.



*Lesley (O'Toole) Panos
(R88)*

Xavier Remembers Dear Friends and Alumni

Louise (Malloy) Behling (L66) of Madison, WI, died January 4, 2006. She is survived by her husband Ron; two sons, Ryan and Ross; five brothers, Thomas (L81), Kevin (L73), Gene (L71), Dan (L79), Tony (L81); and three sisters, Teresa Fuller (L74), Pam Miller (L76) and Denise Leas (L78). She was preceded in death by her parents; sister Frances Lemanske Malloy (L65); and brother Lawrence Malloy (L68) She worked as a nurse from 1969-1982, when she left for 14 years to be a stay-at-home mom. Since 1997, she was employed as a nurse medical case manager.

Julie Margaret "Marge" (Weldon) Luense (R67) of Marion, died January 28, 2006. She is survived by her husband Steve; sons Andrew and Brandon; father Jack Weldon; and sister Joanne (Weldon) Fickel (R65). She worked at Rockwell as a software librarian for many years.

Kathy (Clemens) Maier (R76) of Cedar Rapids, died January 17, 2006. She is survived by her husband Dean; two sons, Philip and Andrew; her mother Olga Clemens; and a brother, Patrick (R70). Kathy was employed by All Saints Catholic School.

Monica (Flood) McCarroll (R70) of Flagstaff, AZ, died January 27, 2006. She is survived by her husband Rob; two sons, Michael and Ryan; mother Kathleen McCain; and three sisters, Sharon McCain, Kelly Dvorak and Jamie Flood-Cruise. She and her husband owned R&L Developments, where they created and designed custom homes in Colorado and Arizona.

Richard Nassif (R60) of Hiawatha, died April 1, 2006. He is survived by two brothers, Douglas and Joseph; and six sisters, Alberta Rogers, Mary Batenhorst, Linda Nassif (R62), Jeanne Amosson (R67), Shirley Hunter (R68) and Christine McCann (R76). He worked as a property manager for various properties in Cedar Rapids for the last 25 years.

Robert Zipperer (L65) of Crescent City, CA, died January 15, 2006. He is survived by his parents, Wilfred and Lillian; a sister, Sheryl Eaton; and a brother, David (L75). He was a teacher at Taft Junior High prior to entering the service. He was an officer on the aircraft carrier Kitty Hawk until 1982. He then graduated from law school and practiced law in Crescent City, CA.

Gwendolyn "Gwen" (Zabokrtsky) Rumbo (L85) of St. Charles, MO, died March 11, 2006. She is survived by her husband Todd; father Terry; mother Glennice Peck; two sons, Ethan and Alexander; daughter Mary, brother Joel Zabokrtsky (L81); sister Molly Peck, and grandparents George and Bernice Becker. She was a homemaker.

Mary Catharine Flaherty of Fairfax died November 26, 2005. She is survived by her daughter-in-law, Margaret Flaherty of Fairfax; two grandsons; three great-grandsons; a great-granddaughter and numerous nieces and nephews. The Xavier Foundation was named as a memorial recipient for contributions given in her memory.

Helen Catherine Kaup of Cedar Rapids died February 16, 2006. She is survived by two sons, Robert (R66) and Michael (R72); two daughters, Barbara Ullrick (R71) and Patricia Adams (R76); five grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, three sisters; two brothers; and several nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents, husband Harold, a daughter Helen Kaup Carnes (R67); two sisters and a brother. She worked in the accounting department at National Propane for 25 years. She was a long-time volunteer for the Xavier Foundation and a member of the Foundation's Heritage Society.

Generations of Students to be Displayed



The Schulte family joins 37 other families who will illustrate the strong legacy of Catholic high schools in Cedar Rapids in a pictorial display at Xavier in May. Steve graduated from LaSalle in 1972. Karen (Buresh) graduated from Regis in 1975. This year, their son, Nate, will graduate from Xavier.

Parochial high schools in Cedar Rapids have a rich history and a strong legacy. More than 20% of this year's graduating seniors have parents who are alumni of LaSalle or Regis high schools.

This year, a new display will be created at Xavier, honoring families who have been a part of LaSalle, Regis and Xavier for generations. The display will include photos of 38 Xavier seniors and high school photos of their parent(s) who graduated from LaSalle or Regis.

The display demonstrates these families' commitment to Catholic education and the rich history from which Xavier High School was developed. The display will be exhibited at Xavier during the month of May.



Stations and Soup

In honor of the Lenten season, Campus Minister Father Steve O'Brien and Xavier High School students walked in the footsteps of Jesus on the Xavier campus March 21. Students reflected on Christ's final days as they walked Xavier's courtyard where each of the stations is engraved. Following the program, students shared a soup supper.

Return Service Requested

cellence in Teaching Award Debuted

XPX (Xavier Parents for Xcellence) is a newly formed parent association at Xavier High School. It is their intent to support and promote the mission of Xavier High School. In addition to assuming responsibility for the high school's Saints Shop and thanking faculty and staff for their hard work throughout the year, the association recently recognized outstanding teachers with an awards ceremony.

Harriet Kalinsky, English instructor, and Andrew Last, vocal music instructor, were presented with the "XITA Award" on April 9. This award, which debuted this year, recognizes teachers who have made a significant impact on their students by challenging them with high expectations and assisting them in meeting those expectations. These teachers have also demonstrated a commitment to students, Xavier High School, and Catholic education. They are professional in their behavior and serve as Christian role models. Nominations were received from students, parents, faculty, alumni and administration for this award.

In addition to the XITA Award, the winner of the St. Francis Xavier Award was honored at this event. This award has been presented to a special Xavier teacher annually for several years. The recipient is determined by the Xavier administration. This year's recipient of the St. Francis Xavier Award is World Languages Instructor Julie Brannaman.

Also recognized at this event were teachers, administration and staff who have demonstrated their commitment to Catholic education by serving the Archdiocese of Dubuque for five or more



Julie Brannaman, Caroline Cavanaugh, Harriet Kalinsky and Andrew Last were honored during the first annual XITA Award ceremony.

years. Approximately 25 people were recognized for this outstanding achievement.

In addition, Harriet Kalinsky and Caroline Cavanaugh, Reading Specialist, were recognized for their commitment and wished a fond farewell. They will be retiring from 29 and 30 years, respectively, of service to Catholic education at the end of this school year.

This was the first year XITA Awards were presented. The association plans an annual tradition of honoring deserving teachers with the awards.