

# The Soaring Eagle

St. Joseph Academy and Bishop Hogan Memorial School Alumni Newsletter  
August 30, 2010

## From the Principal

Welcome to the start of a new school year. It has been a very busy summer with the changes that have been made to the main building. New floor tile has been installed after the removal of the old asbestos tile in all classrooms on the south side of the hallway including the office, faculty lounge, and computer room.

This summer, the PTO donated money to upgrade the computer lab and equipment used throughout the school. Also this year, with the generous help of the owner, we have purchased the old, abandoned apartment building that sits to the west of the playground. Our plans are to have the building torn down, haul in fill dirt, and seed the ground making a safer area for our students. The demolition of the building will be very expensive. If any alumni would like to help with this cost, please contact me at 660-646-0705 (school) or 660-646-0190 (rectory). Any help would be greatly appreciated.

## The BH staff for the 2010-11 School Year...

Pre-K-3	Kerri Cook
PreK 4 & 5	Pam Luzader
Kindergarten	Toby Minnis
1 <sup>st</sup> & 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Emily Constant
3 <sup>rd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup>	Denise Toole
5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup>	Donna Saccaro
7 <sup>th</sup> & 8 <sup>th</sup>	Brian Murrell
Music/Computers	Mary Garr
Wellness & PE	Krystal Stover
Library	Pat Nichols
Kitchen Master/IT	Craig Myers
School Secretary	Jim Luzader
Custodian	Joe Darr
Parish Administrative Assistant	Kim Murrell
Pastor/Principal	Fr. Tom Hermes

School began on August 17, 2010. Bishop Hogan is a very valuable way for parents to teach how to live the Catholic faith to their children. Every day the school shows and stresses to each student how to be "apostles".

## 2010 Dinner Auction

The 2010 dinner auction was held on May 1<sup>st</sup>. It was a Hawaiian theme-evening filled with excitement and fun. Total for the evening came to \$54,000 which is used for the school's yearly budget. Mark your calendar for the 2011 dinner auction which will be held on April 30, 2011 with a western theme.

(Pictured: Mike Miller of Mike Miller Auction Service)  
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## Octoberfest – Fall Festival

The 2010 Octoberfest/Fall Festival will be held on October 3, 2010 on the church/school grounds. Mark your calendars and plan to attend a neat day of good food, entertainment and fellowship.



## Websites

Check out the school's website—[www.bishophogan.org](http://www.bishophogan.org). Visit the Parish website—[www.stcolumbanonline.org](http://www.stcolumbanonline.org). The websites were created and are maintained by Brenda Fellhoelter of BK Web Works, Chillicothe. The "Soaring Eagle" also appears on the Bishop Hogan website.

## Father Paw Lwin

In 2005, Father Paw served our parish for six months while Father Matt Rotert was on sabbatical. After leaving St.Columban, Fr. Paw served as Pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes in Harrisonville during which time he was able to bring his elderly parents to America from Myanmar (Burma). It has been very difficult for Fr. Paw to take care of his parents and also do his priestly duties. In the Diocese of Orange County, Fr. Paw's family has extended family that will be able to help. With the permission of Bishop Finn, Fr Paw was able to serve on loan the Diocese of Orange County in California.

## New Births

Tanner Jacob Lent, son of Matthew Lent and Stacey Comer Lent, 12/ 24/98  
Nathan William King, son of Ben King and Shelley Comer Norman and Nicholas Norman, 12/9/03  
Cadence Fayth Johnson, daughter of Sam and Heather Potts Johnson, 1/28/10  
Elizabeth Bailey Bonderer, daughter of Doug and Jodi Bailey Bonderer, 3/28/10  
Corbin Potts, son of Clinton and Kelly Diggs Potts, 4/5/2009  
Emma Jane Peery, daughter of Clint and Amy Rosenthal Peery, 11/16/09  
Nicholas Paul Radcliff, son of Paul and Mary Kathleen Lauhoff Radcliff, 1/23/10  
Joseph William (J.W.) Heil, son of Tony and Beth Hinkebein Heil, 4/6/10  
Adrian Logan Trantham, son of Chris and Alyona Trantham, 4/14/10  
Farrah Faith Lauhoff daughter of Clint and Kristy Singer Lauhoff, 4/21/10  
Bentley Paul Lauhoff, son of Kent and Samantha Lauhoff, 6/7/10  
Riggin Lee Isaacs, son of Clinton and Ashley (Hoyt) Isaacs, 6/14/10  
Cole Alan Goad, son of Melanie (Tate) Goad and Justin Goad, 8/10/10

## Weddings

Ross Sissel and Bridgett Pfaff - 7/10/2010  
William Thompson and Holly Burnett - 7/31/2010  
Jonathan Yerby and Kimberly May - 7/31/2010  
Daniel Leatherman and Kayla Riekema - 8/7/2010

## In Memory

- Vernon E. Thom died on 4/27/10, husband of Betty and father of Connie Faria, Debbie Jeman, and Kevin Thom
- Bruce McCoy died on 4/30/10, husband of Peggy and son of Dr. Chad and the late Betty McCoy
- Ryan Anderson died on 5/3/10
- Sister Christelle Conway OSB, a Benedictine Sister of Mount St. Scholastica, Atchinson, Kansas died on 6/21/10. Sister is survived by Mary Louise Haynes of Chillicothe and Caroline Jeffries of Kansas City, MO

## From the Secretary's Desk – Peggy Stottlemyre

I'm not sure if I am qualified to write for the *Soaring Eagle* as I am neither a graduate of Bishop Hogan nor St. Joseph Academy. I grew up in the beautiful, now oil slicked, state of Louisiana. However I've earned my PhD in BHS. Working at Bishop Hogan was the most frustrating and exhilarating (often at the same time) job I've ever had.

Working in a God-based organization isn't just a job; it's a mission, a ministry, and a vocation. I worked for a total of three principals, and I can't begin to remember how many pastors, but the kids were by "boss". I don't mean they ran the school, just that they were the reason we were there. I wish I'd kept a journal!

Being a small, private school without public funds, there was no money for extras such as a school nurse. We did have a visiting county nurse who came in for vision and hearing testing, health screenings, etc. But for the day-to-day first aid, I was it. I bandaged scrapes, took care of nose bleeds, comforted the homesick, took temperatures, handed out Tylenol (with parent's permission), sprinted suspected broken limbs, pulled teeth, took children to the E.R. and stayed with them until the parents arrived, and my all time favorite - checked for head lice. Luckily the sight of blood doesn't bother me, vomit, however is another matter - I always forbid the kids to up-chuck in the office or near me - it almost always worked. All of the above was in addition to my secretarial duties.

Then - there were the unassigned duties of religion or, perhaps, virtue classes - or just being mom. The names of the following kids have been changed to protect them in case their parents never heard these stories. We had a substitute in one of the primary grades. She was a great teacher but came into the faculty room looking a little frazzled. I asked what the matter was, and she said little "Matt" was driving her crazy. It seems she looked over at him in the lunch room and he was spooning Jello into the pocket of his coat. She asked why he was doing that and he said all the other kids were going out for recess and he didn't have time to eat his Jello so he was saving it for later! The teacher said "Have you ever tried to get Jello out of a winter coat pocket?"

One day I entered the school through the employee entrance, which the students were not supposed to use. I noticed a puddle of water on the floor and made a mental note to tell the janitor so he could mop it up avoiding any accident. Just as I turned the corner, I heard a child mumble the Lord's name. I said, "Steve" if you are using the Lord's name you'd better be praying." He said, "Oh I am, Peggy, I'm praying that I don't fall and break my neck." We certainly had quick thinking students at BHS.

I even taught the principals a thing or two. My first year at BHS, Sister Kathleen was principal, and we were learning each other's ways. We were sitting in the office when I heard a boy call a girl a rude, crude and totally awful name. My face must have shown something because Sister K. asked me what was wrong. I asked her if she heard what the boy had called the girl and she said "No, what did he say?" Being the intelligent adult that I am I said "I ain't telling." Well she was my boss so I told her and she said "What does that mean?" Now I knew I was in trouble—have you ever tried to explain and define a word that you would never knowingly use? After I told her in the most delicate language I could, I found out just how fast she could move! Yes, I should have kept a journal!

## Alumni News

The following were found by newspaper articles and various conversations. We apologize if we missed anyone!

**Happy Birthdays**—Ralph (95) and Louise Wilson (90) on August 23, 2010

**Wedding Anniversaries**—Congratulations to...

- Bill and Bonnie Long on the celebration of their 40<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on 4/10/10
- Jerry and Rose Lee Davis on the celebration of their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on 8/20/10. The couple was married at St. Columban Catholic Church on 18/ 20/1960.
- Fred and Velma Kerr on the celebration of their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on 6/17/10.
- Helen and Dick Graham on the celebration of their 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on 5/27/10. They were married at St. Joseph Catholic Church by Msgr. Robert Hogan.

**Retirement**—Steven Svec retired in April. They are now living in the state of New York.

**BHS Graduates**—Mackenzie Barnett, Hannah Boon, Connor Bonderer, Elliott Keller, Nathan Laidler, Taylor Richardson, Jacop Shiflett, Erynn Skoglund, Matthew Sturm, and Therese Taylor

**High School Graduates that graduated from BHS**—Patrick Connor Lindley, Evan Alexander Metry, Leanne Marie Mathew (Valedictorian), Alexander Eugene Poole, Jarek Chay Schmidt, and Spencer Colin Ward

**College Graduations**—Cody Dysart, Allison Conrad, Drew Quinn, Tina Miller, Holly Burnett Thompson, Kent Lauhoff, Clint Lauhoff, Lindsey Jo Cherne, Trevor Lair, Blake Shearer, and Rebecca Kerr

**4-H and FFA Fair Royalty**—Congratulations to Morgan Quinn, daughter of Raymond and Robin Quinn, 2010 Chillicothe 4-H/FFA fair queen winner. Clover princess candidates were Maggie Pfaff daughter of Justin and Jill Pfaff and Carleigh Grace Crawford daughter of Reece and Shelby Crawford. Princess candidate was Bridgett Diane Kieffer daughter of Kim and Jason Kieffer