



Nazareth Academy Grade School

OUR MISSION IS FAMILY

The Class of 2011

Grow in the grace and knowledge of Our Lord

2 Peter 3:18



The Class of 2011, pictured above, left to right: Front Row: Suzanne Cassidy, Thomas Villante, Andreana Manto, Alex Halas, Veronica Zin, Eric Steinberg, Danielle Talbot, Emil Berbakov, Marann Mullen. **Second Row:** Sr. Mary Ann Allton, Principal; Amanda Gentry, Mary Frances Driscoll, Samantha Simon, Regina Duesler, Patrick Gilbert, Michael Brown, Caroline Cacchio, Maureen Rankin, Dana Doherty, Nicolette Wons, Mrs. Cathy Achilles, 8th Gr. Teacher. **Third Row:** Andrew Moreton, Elizabeth Gougler, Sullivan Conway, Desiree Cudeyro, Sarah Fox, Michael Perri, Kennedi McStravick, and Colin Murtha.

Following a joyous Graduation Liturgy on June 6, 2011, our Eighth Grade class received their diplomas and turned their tassels on their caps. With that swift movement, they joined the ranks of Nazareth Academy Grade School alumni!



Principal Sr. Mary Ann Allton stated, "Your time at Nazareth Academy has come to an end. We thank you for your presence among us and for being 'God's gift to us' in many varied ways. You have grown in wisdom, grace and age, and in so doing, have also enriched each other's lives. My wish is that you each continue to become all that you are meant to be, so that the life you live will always be your unique individual gift to God!"

The early years lay a foundation for lifelong learning. Our graduates have grown academically through a fine elementary curriculum and activities that promote the development of artistic and athletic talents. Having received over \$120,000.00 in grants and scholarships, the Class of 2011 will enter their chosen high schools with confidence, courage and competence!



Graduation Dance photos, page 18.

Principal's Message



Dear Friends,

Our school's environment is the thread that connects the multitude of activities that take place every day. In many respects this thread is almost invisible, yet our students experience its influence during assemblies, class time, recess and extra-curricular activities. Positive social relationships and attitudes about school are as important to the environment as are safe and well-kept buildings and grounds. A safe and clean school can foster school connectedness, which in turns boosts student and staff health as well as our students' educational achievement.

The summer renovations in the Multi-Purpose Room have proceeded as scheduled. After forty-four years, the original tables and benches had certainly served our students well. We were fortunate to discover that the folding table units are still being manufactured with improved safety and operational features. Due to the heavy daily activity in this area, the tile floor also needed to be replaced. As I write, the new tables are in place and the flooring is being installed.

All of this was made possible through the efforts of our school community through fundraisers, Annual Giving and a DCED grant. I am very grateful for your continued support in creating and sustaining a healthy school environment for our students, faculty and staff.

The 2010-2011 school year ended with a daily flurry of activity. With so much happening at once, I am grateful for the involvement of so many parents, teachers and families in executing several events, while also focusing on our mission in education. In particular, I would like to recognize Fran Kelly, AP, '06, and Board Member, in his efforts to help Septa's "Stop Hunger at Your Station" Food Drive. His enthusiasm and "can-do" attitude has resulted in overflowing shelves at Philabundance's headquarters. NAGS is proud and honored to have participated as the Kick-Off school by collecting canned goods prior to the official start of the campaign.

This summer, our community suffered a devastating loss. I am saddened to inform you of the loss of Jennifer (Culp) Roman, a 1987 NAGS graduate, mother of Michael in Grade 4 and daughter of Honors Math teacher Kathleen Culp. Throughout Jennifer's battle with cancer, her courage and faith has truly been an inspiration to us all. So many lives have been touched by this incredible giving woman who has affected us in a way that will never leave our hearts.

May God continue to bless you and your families!

Sincerely,

Sr. Mary Ann Allton, CSFN

Principal



Above: Board member Fran Kelly, and niece Madison Pristera, Gr. 6 at the "Stop Hunger at Your Station" Food Drive Kick-off for Philabundance.

Below: Students cheered Septa's food drive during a photo op for the "Northeast Times."



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Sr. Mary Ann Allton, CSFN, *Principal*

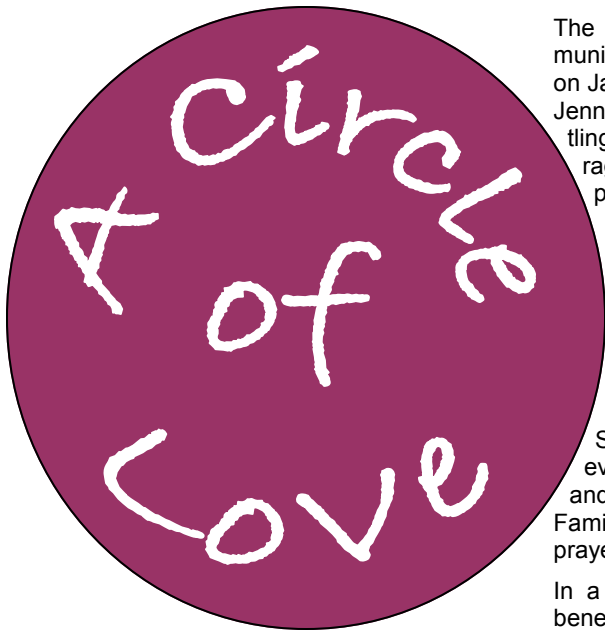
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The NAGS and Alpha House school communities coordinated a Family Pasta Dinner on January 23, 2011 to benefit the family of Jennifer (Culp) Roman, '87, who was battling cancer at the time. Despite her courageous fight with the disease, Jennifer passed away on July 11, 2011.

Jennifer's mother, Kathleen Culp, is the Honors Math teacher for grades 4 - 7. Jennifer and Michael Roman's son, Michael, is in the fourth grade class at NAGS and their daughter Allison attends Kindergarten at Alpha House.

Sr. Mary Ann stated, "I want to thank everyone from the bottom of my heart and thank you on behalf of the Roman Family. I ask for your continued love and prayers for them during this difficult time."

In a reflection written by Jennifer for the benefit, she stated, "I think one of the things I love most about NAGS is the feeling of Family, which transcends across decades." The faculty "and many others in the Nazareth Family have helped me grow into a strong woman. They taught me love, compassion, perseverance and faith. They may not have understood the impact of what they were doing at the time, but their teachings have blessed my life."

Jennifer continued, "Every day I am amazed by the kindness and generosity of other people. I am so humbled by the love and kindness I have received from my Nazareth family. It is through the example of Blessed Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd, the Mother Foundress, that I find my spiritual strength. 'Thy Will Be Done,' is the Mother Foundress' motto."

We are grateful for the efforts of NAGS parents Bridie Tobler, Kim Gretzula, Bernice Duesler, Sally Unger, Connie Dema as well as Mary Becker, Alpha House Director, who helped organize the event along with the help of parents from NAGS and Alpha House.

Jennifer's bravery in undergoing groundbreaking treatment was a testament to her inner strength and faith. Her devotion to her children and family was an inspiration to us all. We ask our entire school community to join us in a circle of prayer for the Roman and Culp families.



Jennifer (Culp) Roman
May 17, 1973 - July 11, 2011

Frances Siedliska
Mary of Jesus The Good Shepherd
Foundress of the Congregation
of the Sisters of the
Holy Family of Nazareth

PRAYER

O God, may your Servant Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd, Frances Siedliska, by the light of her example, by the warmth of her love for you, and by the generosity of her charity in the service of others, be an inspiration to us in all that we do. For your greater glory and for our spiritual benefit, we ask you to grant us, through her intercession the grace we need.

Glory be to the Father.... (3 times)

Kindly notify the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth, Via Nazareth, 400-00166 Roma, Italia of graces received through the intercession of Mother Mary of Jesus the Good Shepherd.



Above: Emily Culp-Bryzcki, '98, Sr. Mary Ann, Kate Culp-Knowski, '96 and Maggy Culp, '92

Below right: Kathleen Culp with Karen Rankin, Megan Rankin, '08, and Kerry Rankin, '06.

Below center: Michael, Gr 4, is pictured second from left with his aunts, uncle and grandfather, Bob Culp



Class Notes

The year was 1947. Harry S. Truman is President. The average cost of a house was \$6,600 and a gallon of gas was 15 cents. The now-classic movie "Miracle on 34th Street" was released and "Diary of Anne Frank" was published. Also in that year, eleven graduates of Nazareth Academy Grade School set their sights on high school. *Standing from left to right are:* Frances Pratoski, Loretta Wieckowski Sucharski, Catherine Siffel, Theresa Zielinski, Theresa Matecki, Marlene Banaszek, Florence Lempfi, Florence Zingler D'Allesandro. *Kneeling are:* Stanley Jakubowski, Carl Grzeskowiak Gregory, James Rogalinski. *Photo courtesy of Loretta Sucharski via Carl Gregory.*



1989

Richard Mikula, PhD, '89, was honored at NAGS as the 2011 Distinguished Graduate. Dr. Mikula is the Assistant Professor of Mathematics at Lock Haven University. See page 20 for additional photo.

2001

Anthony Gault, '01, is a Choral Conductor at an all girls academy in Cleveland, Ohio.

2002

Alexander Sharkey, '02, continues to produce environment-themed movies focused on sustainability and protection of the atmosphere and ecosystems.

2003

Scott Ferrante, '03, graduated from Penn State University, Smeal College of Business with a BS in Finance. He is attending Wilkes University for his MBA in Financial Accounting while working for Peak Resorts.

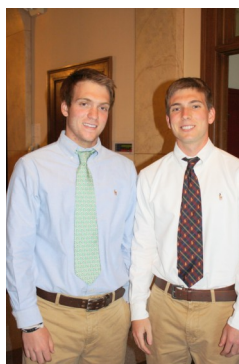
2004

In his senior year at University of Scranton, **Adam Gault, '04**, (above right, second from left) is looking forward to exercising his duties as Student Government Presi-



dent. Adam is a Political Science and Communications major. **Capri Mancino, '04**, (third from left) is majoring in Physical Therapy at Arcadia University. Adam and Capri chatted with Sr. Martin and Sr. Anita.

2004, 2006



Left: on right, **John Cacchio, '04**, and **Andrew Cacchio, '06**, attend the NAGS graduation of their sister, **Caroline Cacchio, '11**.

2005

Cara Cannon, '05, is entering her Junior year at University of Pittsburg.

2007

Steven Duzinski, '07, a student at La-Salle High School, was honored at Montgomery County Invitational High School Art Exhibition and Competition. Steven received a "Certificate of Excellence" and Honorable Mention in the Drawing category. Over 150 pieces were submitted to the competition.

Holy Ghost Prep Theatre Company staged the musical "Guys and Dolls" in April with many NAGS alumni in the cast. **Daniel Marcel, '07**, played the character Nathan Detroit and **Julia Marcel, '10**, portrayed Save, a Soul Missionary. The production also featured the talents of **Matt Wajda, '07**; **Alex Wajda, '10** and **Krysta DiKun, '07**.

Congratulations to **Margaret Borski, '07**, for receiving a Presidential Scholarship and Athletic Grant at Bloomsburg University!

Alyssa Daily, '07, will be attending Bloomsburg University in the Fall.

Krysta DiKun, '07, has set her sights on Drexel University to further her studies.



Emily Janda, '07, will attend Arcadia University. Emily is pictured above on right with **Jenna Jester, '07**.

Following his graduation from La Salle College High School, **Nick Dema, '07**, will continue his studies at Holy Family University. Pictured below, Nick helped out at the Graduation Dance along with **Alex Varley, '09**.



Below, Sr. Anita wishes **Christian Gregory, '07**, much luck as he begins his Freshman year at LaSalle University in September.



Recently inducted in NAHS Mu Alpha Theta Society, **Jenna Jester, '07**, will call Penn State, University Park her home away from home!

Kyra Krass, '07, is looking forward to her freshman year at Penn State, University Park.

Briana Mody, '07, will begin her freshman year at Penn State, Altoona.

Alex Nudd, '07, will study at Temple University, School of Engineering.

Danielle Sosalski, '07, a National Honor Society inductee at NAHS, will move to sunny Florida to attend college at Jacksonville University.

Virginia Waters, '07, graduated from Kennett High School and has been accepted to Penn State University Park.

Receiving Cumulative Distinguished Honors for the High School Class of 2011 at NAHS were: **Krysta DiKun, '07**; **Jenna Jester, '07**, and **Kyra Krass, '07**. **Kyra Krass** was also named 2011 National Merit Scholarship Commended Student.

Lots of luck to all of our recent High School Grads! Keep in touch!

2008

Nazareth Academy High School students **Alexandra Durkin, '08**; **Melissa Fluehr, '08**, and **Jessica McPhillips, '08**, were inducted into the National Honor Society on April 19, 2011. **Jessica McPhillips** was also inducted into the Tri-M Music Society and the Mu Alpha Theta Society. In addition, **Alexandra Durkin** was inducted into the Spanish Honor Society.

2009



Congratulations to **Maria Palantino, '09**, pictured above, on earning the *Moore College of Art and Design Young Artists Workshop Artistic Merit Scholarship*. The workshop is offered to artists in Grades 1 - 12 and includes a Certificate Program for high school students who are passionate about art and design. Maria shared her talents early at NAGS in designing our theater costumes, her own clothing and most recently, the beautifully embroidered chair protectors for Mrs. Smith's Story Chair in the Library, pictured at right.



Deanna Stephens, '09, excels on and off the soccer field at Villa Joseph Marie where she is entering her Junior year. Deanna also plays for Yardley-Makefield Soccer Club. Deanna recently attended Pennsylvania's Free Enterprise Week at Lycoming College.



Left to right, above, Back to visit Sr. Anita are **David Kasperowicz, '10**; **George Vaccarino, '10**; **Sr. Anita**, **Kevin Kerr, '10** and **Matthew Unger, '10**.

2010

Below: **Emily Wash, '10** and **Gabrielle Pristera, '10**, visit following a morning of final freshman exams at Nazareth Academy High School.



2012

Vicky Hughes, just entering 8th Grade this coming fall has a green thumb! Vicky entered tulips and daffodils in the Philadelphia Flower Show and received six ribbons consisting of 1st, 2nd, 3rd place and two honorable mentions and class commendation for hard to force bulbs. Vicky was under the direction of Trevoise Horticultural Society. Vicky's parents, and the NAGS community are very proud of her efforts!



ATTN: Class of 2004

With the 10 year anniversary of 9/11 approaching, we are asking the Class of 2004 to write a card or letter to LING YOUNG. The special relationship your class established with Mrs. Young following her injuries suffered that fateful day continues to flourish. Send your cards to **NAGS, ATTN: Ling Young**.

Faculty News



Congratulations to Seventh Grade teacher **Maribeth Kane** and her husband Lenny, who welcomed son Rocco Anthony into the world on February 9, 2011. Rocco joins little brother of Nicholas, age 3. Rocco is pictured above.

Best wishes to NAGS teacher **Maura Fox** and her husband Patrick who are expecting their "bundle of joy" on December 7, 2011.



We bid a fond farewell to 8th grade teacher **Cathy Achilles**, who retired from teaching in June. We will miss you Mrs. Achilles!



Summer wedding bells will ring for Second grade teacher **Rachel Smyth** and Technology teacher **Erin Bateman!** At left, brides-to-be support each other after being surprised with a Bridal Shower planned by the Faculty.



At left, second grade teacher **Rachel Smyth** married Matthew Merryman on July 23, 2011 at St. John Cantius Church. Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Merryman!



Following the ceremony, NAGS teachers joined in the celebration: left to right, Maribeth Kane, Heather Martello, Kristy Cusick, Bride Rachel Merryman, Molly Fox, Maria Maddox and Mai Dang.

Photos of Ms. Bateman's wedding to be held on August 20, 2011 will be included in our next issue!



Please join the school community in remembering our beloved departed.

Bridget Coyle ~ Grandmother of Sarah Aitken, '10

Elizabeth Conley ~ Great grandmother of Michel Roman, Gr. 4

Constance Culp ~ Mother in law of Mrs. Kathleen Culp, Grandmother of Jennifer Culp-Roman, '87, Kate Culp-Knowski, '96; Emily Culp-Bryzcki, '98, Maggy Culp, '92 and great-grandmother of Michael Roman, Gr 4.

Jennifer Culp-Roman, '87 ~ Mother of Michael Roman, Gr. 4, sister of Kate Culp-Knowski, '96; Emily Culp-Bryzcki, '98 and Maggy Culp, '92.

Suzanne Delia ~ Aunt of Giovana Delia, Gr. 6

Daniel Duffy, '79 ~ wife of Caterina Duffy and father of Daniel, Sean and Emma Duffy

Jacqueline Dugan ~ Grandmother of Molly Dugan, Gr. 3

Bernice Feeny ~ Grandmother of Ryan Foley, '05 and Kristen Foley, '10,

Edward Hamm ~ Grandfather of Erik Lindemann, Gr. 6

Thomas J. Holt, Sr. ~ Father of Thomas Holt, '77; Leo Holt, '78; Melissa (Holt) Fluehr, '79; Joan (Holt) Rybas, '81; Michael Holt, '87. Father in law of Angela (DiBello) Holt, '76. Grandfather of Melissa Fluehr, '08; Madalyn Fluehr, '10; Michael Fluehr, Jr., Gr. 8 and Molly Fluehr, Gr. 7.

Margaret M. Hughes ~ Grandmother of Vicky Hughes, Gr. 8

Linda J. Krayger ~ Aunt of William Singmaster, '08, Brian Singmaster, '09, Angelina Singmaster, Gr. 4

Honora Lawfer ~ Sister of Mrs. Kathleen Achilles

Antoinette Manto ~ Grandmother of Andreana Manto, '11 and Jeffrey Manto, Gr. 7

Joseph Macauley ~ Grandfather of Rachel Macauley, Gr. 8 and Sarah Macauley, Gr. 4

Harold MacNichol ~ Grandfather of Rachel Macauley, Gr. 8 and Sarah Macauley, Gr. 4

Ronald Nicgorski ~ Grandfather of Desiree Cudeyro, '11 and Paige Cudeyro, Gr. 7

George Niamonitos ~ Grandfather of Miss Maria and Uncle of Mrs. "H"

George Sacidor ~ Grandfather of Julianne Cassidy, '02; Matthew Cassidy, '05; Peter, '09 and Suzanne Cassidy, '11

Helen Sullivan ~ Grandmother of Caitlyn Sullivan, Gr. 8 and Nicole Sullivan, Gr. 4

Edward Ward ~ Brother in law of Sister Martin Duffy, CSFN

Marilyn Anne Ziemer ~ Aunt of Miss Kristy Cusick, Third Grade teacher

Taking Action in the Community

The Student Council officers and members spearhead several service activities during the annual celebration of Catholic Schools Week. The theme of the week was “A+ For America, Catholic Schools.” Our students received a A+ for their efforts in collecting baby items and formula for **Blessed Margaret Castello Home for Crisis Pregnancies**. Pam Barnett, Director, sent her heartfelt appreciation for the truckload of donations that was delivered by NAGS parent John Lubinski, pictured at right with students. In addition \$700.00 was raised for **Sr. M. Celeste Memorial Scholarship**, \$300.00 was donated to the retired Sisters of **Mount Nazareth** in honor of the 125th CSFN Anniversary and \$225.00 was collected for **Aid For Friends** breakfast bags. *We are grateful for the leadership of Student Council Moderator Mai Dang, the Student Council and the entire community who overwhelmingly supported the Catholic Schools Week efforts.*



The Sixth and Seventh Grade students focused their efforts this year to raise money for **Autism Speaks**. Teachers Heather Martello and Maribeth Kane explained, “Autism spectrum disorders are diagnosed in one in 100 children; one in 70 boys in the USA. Contributions will help fund global biomedical research into the causes, prevention, treatments and a cure for autism.”



Above and at right: The entire school participated in a Dress Down Day and colorful Ribbon photo shoot to mark the kick-off of **Autism Awareness Month** in April. FOX 29 was on hand to film the students’ activities that were later aired on several newscasts. The two classes also sponsored a Bake Sale during school hours. In total, \$500.00 was raised for the **Autism Speaks** organization!

Congratulations to the twenty-one students who participated in the education-based **St. Jude Math-a-Thon**. The students improved their math skills while raising funds for **St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital**. The top two students were Sarah Affatato, Gr. 2, who raised \$180.00 and Katie Harmon, Gr. 1, who collected \$125.00. We commend the efforts of all the students who collectively raised \$1,065.00.



The sounds of Irish music filled the halls of **River’s Edge Nursing Home** in March as our 8th grade class provided entertainment for the residents of the nursing home. Eighth grade teacher Cathleen Achilles accompanied the students on their service trip.



Bugsy MALONE JR.



The annual theater presentation took place on March 18 -19, 2011 and was directed by Mrs. Carol Greco. "Bugsy Malone Jr.," is a slapstick musical comedy that follows the rivalry of two half-witted street gangs and the washed up boxer who tries to take control of their gang-related activities.

Our NAGS students enthusiastically joined the ensemble to participate in the musical. We commend their efforts, as well as the efforts of the parents and alumni who volunteered to help with the many facets and details of a musical production.

Congratulations to Mrs. "G" for directing a musical worthy of a Broadway stage! Mrs. Greco stated, "Not only was it a lot of fun to learn the "sound" of the music of this era, and the dance steps of the day ~ like the Charleston, the actors also learned some of the vocabulary and jargon that was popular then. It was a little history lesson!"



*"You give a little love
And it all comes back to you.
You're gonna' be remembered
For the things you say and do."*

Cast in order of appearance

Bugsy Malone	Emil Berbakov and Colin Murtha	Fat Sam's Gang	Emily Beck, Sam Hellings, Vicky Hughes, Michael Kennedy, Ruby Malak, Nancy Montanez, Michael Perri, Angela Rynkiewicz,
Roxy Robinson	Joseph Wons		Joseph Wons
Bronx Charlie	Colin Murtha and Emil Berbakov	Knuckles	Michael Perri
Yonkers	Jacob Riti	Doodle	Zachary Vittorelli
Dandy Dan's Gang	Marne Brown, Mary Kate Gould, Carolyn Marcelis, Tracy Marcelis, Shannon O'Neill, Jacob Riti, Madison Schwegler	Paperboy	Madeline Pontarelli
Flash Frankie	John Bonfini	Radio Announcer	Sam Hellings, Natalie Santucci, Rachel Macauley
Blousey	Desiree Cudeyro and Ava Roberts	Louis	Joseph Wons
Waitress	Julia McPhillips	Snake Eyes	Sam Hellings
Fizzy	Joseph Wons	Opera Singer	Julia McPhillips
Fat Sam	Donnie Vittorelli	Oscar DeVelt	Jacob Riti
Tallulah	Andreana Manto and Caitlyn Sullivan	Violinist	James Duesler
Dandy Dan	John Duesler	Lena Marelli	Nicolette Wons and Madeline Pontarelli
Louella	Marann Mullen		
Tillie	Nicolette Wons		
Bangles	Rachel Macauley		





Bugsy Ensembles and Cast

“Lena’s Show Biz” Ensemble

Paige Cudeyro
 Giovana Delia
 Rachel Macauley
 Julia McPhillips
 Madeline Pontarelli
 Natalie Santucci
 Nicolette Wons

“Fat Sam’s” Tap Ensemble

Giovana Delia
 Rachel Macauley
 Julia McPhillips
 Madeline Pontarelli
 Natalie Santucci
 Nicolette Wons



Eighth Graders: Emil Berbakov, Colin Murtha, Michael Perri, Desiree Cudeyro, Dana Doherty, Andreana Manto, Marann Mullen, Nicolette Wons

Seventh Graders: Vicky Hughes, Rachel Macauley, Julia McPhillips, Madeline Pontarelli, Ava Roberts, Angela Rynkiewicz, Natalie Santucci, Caitlyn Sullivan

Sixth Graders: Emily Beck, Marne Brown, Paige Cudeyro, Mary Kate Gould, Taylor Jennings, Lauren Stride, Donnie Vittorelli, Joseph Wons

Fifth Graders: Michele Anzabi, Lauren Cantwell, Giovana Delia, Riley Eisler, Alexandra Graff, Samantha Lorenzo, Ruby Malak, Carolyn Marcelis, Tracy Marcelis, Nancy Montanez, Chloe Roberts, Shannon O’Neill, Madison Schwegler, John Duesler, Sam Hellings, Jacob Riti, Zachary Vittorelli

Fourth Graders: James Duesler, Shane McQuaid, John Meyer, Derek Swider, Megan Bozarth, Julia Davis, Helen Dotchel, Meaghan Gould, Abigail Hague, Lindsay Long, Jessica Scipione, Angelina Stride

Third Graders: Isabelle Anzabi, Maura Budd, Haley Crowley, Molly Dwyer, Annalisa Hansford, Morgan McCaffery, Catherine Monteith, Lauren O’Neill, Katherine Tereshko

Second Graders: Liam Barnes, John Bonfini, Carmine Cantwell, Shawn Trush, Hunter Vignola, Caleigh Bristow, Malia Cipolloni, Joan Dotchel, Molly Dugan, Keely Gallagher, Brooke Ginley, Morgan Lewis, Brynn Lynch, Courtney Schwegler, Sydney Scott, Lauren Yost

First Graders: Ryan Burnside, Tyler Juskalian, Elizabeth Bowe, Sarah Burns, Gianna Galanti, Kathleen Harmon, Annalisa Hencck, Alexandria Lattano, Amber McQuaid, Sophia Montanez, Logan Riti

Stage Crew: Michael Brown, Michael Fluehr, Alex Halas, Eric Kasperowicz, Jasmine Kelly, Kennedi McStravick, Dante Palantino, Ryan Schneider, Darby Showers, Danielle Talbot, Gabe Unger, '10 and Matt Unger, '10.

The Big Jump!

Jump, Jump, Jump! Did you feel a seismic event on the morning of Friday, April 15th? Science moderator Molly Fox directed our NAGS students in “*The Big Jump*,” an experiment that took place in schools, playgrounds and parking lots around the Philadelphia area from 11:00 to 11:01 A.M.

To participate in the event sponsored by the Philadelphia Science Festival, students around the city continuously jumped for one minute. Standing by to measure any seismic activity were scientists at Temple University Seismograph at the Ambler Campus.

A seismic event occurs when seismic waves are detectable. The waves travel through the earth as a result of an earthquake, explosion or some other geologic process.

Although the experiment did not trigger a seismic event, *The Big Jump* was a success in that it drew attention to the collaborative nature of science and what can happen when students share a common interest in investigating a scientific question.



Ready, Set... Read! READING OLYMPICS

Many of our 7th and 8th grade students committed themselves to read a multitude of books for the Middle/Junior Level of the Reading Olympics at William Penn Middle School on April 13, 2011.

The following day, members of our 5th and 6th grades competed in the Elementary Reading Olympics at Bucks County Technical High School.

The goal of Reading Olympics to two-fold: To increase students' reading for enjoyment and to increase reading skills. Students “train” for the competition by reading forty to fifty pre-selected book titles.

Principal Sr. Mary Ann stated, “I am grateful to Mrs. Achilles and Mrs. Dang for encouraging these students to read the list of selected books and for acting as score keepers on both evenings. In addition, I thank faculty members Mrs. Martell and Mrs. Vaccarino for chaperoning the event.”

Congratulations to ALL our students who participated!

SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVEMENTS

The American Scholastic Achievement League sponsors a **Scholastic Challenge** each year for grades 6 and 8. The challenge consists of 100 questions based on Math, Science, History, Geography, Language, Literature and General Knowledge. A score of 60% is considered exceptional. We are proud of all of our students who scored well in the

Ava Roberts, Gr. 7 was named the **GEO BEE** Champion and Sarah Fox, Gr. 8, was named Runner Up. We appreciate the efforts of Mrs. Molly Fox for organizing the competition.

Congrats to Ryan Ngo and Petra Wash who were named National Student Winners in the **National Social Studies League** Gr. 2 contest. Questions regarding American studies, US Government and Geography were featured on the test.

Congratulations to Michele Anzabi and Chole Roberts, who received High Honors in the Johns **Hopkins Center for Talented Youth** test. We commend all

of the following students for taking the time to explore their academic abilities through the Center for Talented Youth:

- Michele Anzabi, Gr. 5
- Riley Eisler, Gr. 5
- Chloe Roberts, Gr. 5
- Matthew Ruester, Gr. 5
- Jessica Scipione, Gr. 4
- Natalie Santucci, Gr. 7

Six students won awards at the annual **George Washington Carver Science Fair** held at Temple University. The winning scientists were: Madeline Pontarelli, Ava Roberts, Caitlyn Sullivan, Emil Berbakov, Elizabeth Gougler and Veronica Zin. Madeline Pontarelli also went on to compete in the **Delaware Valley Science Fair**.

Congratulations to Ava Roberts for winning a Special Award from **Cobbs Creek Community Environmental Center** at the 2011 George Washington Carver Science Fair. Ava was presented with a Certificate of Merit and a check for \$100 at an event held at the environmental center.

The Carver Fair is jointly sponsored by Temple University, Academy of Natural Sciences, School District of Philadelphia, and Archdiocese of Philadelphia. Thanks to Mrs. Heather Martello for organizing the school's participation in this event, as well as our parents for their support!

Chick Hatching Project



The Second Grade class participated in a warm, cuddly and cute educational project this spring!

Quiver Farms, located in Pennsburg, PA, sponsored the Chick Hatching Project which featured 12 incubated eggs, the use of an incubator and a brooder box. After one week under the warm lights of the incubator in the classroom, the chicks pecked out of their shells one by one. Second grade teacher Rachel Smyth instructed the students on moving eggs in the incubator and holding the newborn chicks.

In the span of one week, the children watched the chicks grow and as the chick's personalities formed, the students chose names for them, such as: Omelet, Lola, Peep, Harry Potter, Nugget, Pooky and Shadow.

Second graders Caleigh and Courtney Bristow stated, "We thought the project was a lot of fun. It was exciting to come in to school each morning and watch the chicks hatch. We even took some pictures and video!"

After one week of peeping and attracting much attention from the whole school, the chicks were returned to Quiver Farms where they are now free to roam!



EXPLORING MOON PHASES AND FOSSIL EXCAVATION



Mrs. Julia Roberts, mother of Ava and Chloe Roberts, brought Merck's educational hands-on science kit to NAGS once again! The students explored MOON PHASES AND ECLIPSES by utilizing a bright light (the sun) and several scaled planet models. At left, the sixth grade students watched intently as their classmates demonstrated the process of moon phases and eclipses.



Right: Third graders were treated to a chocolate chip cookies... not to eat but to excavate! Teacher Kristy Cusick instructed the students on the painstaking and delicate process of excavating bones and fossils. As the children chipped away at the cookie base, chocolate chip "fossils" were revealed! Although tempted, the students did not eat the "archeological finds!"



Living Stations of the Cross



The greatest focus of Holy Week is the Passion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Eighth Grade class led the school community in prayer through their moving presentation of The Living Stations.



Under the direction of Mrs. Cathy Achilles, 8th grade teacher and Ms. Sue Trotter, Music teacher, the students reverently portrayed respect for Christ's sacrifice for our sake.

There is truly no better way to begin Holy Week than to see sacred scripture come to life!

Philadelphia Police Surprise Students



Thanks to District Eight's Philadelphia Police Officers, the first grade class was treated to a special pizza lunch and visit from the Easter Bunny! NAGS was chosen as one of several schools for the district's community service project.

Led by Captain Debra Kelly, officers distributed Easter baskets donated by Frankford Candy to our excited students. It was an experience for our young students to meet some of "Philly's finest" who risk their lives everyday to serve and protect the community!
THANK YOU DISTRICT 8!



Memories of the Holocaust

Manya Perel visited our 8th Grade once again to share her riveting and emotional story about the Holocaust. Through the courtesy of CORA counselor Jen Gulczinski, Mrs. Perel has shared an afternoon with our students for the past four years. Sister Mary Ann stated, "Her visits with the students are invaluable as she attests to the history of the material they are learning. Mrs. Perel is committed to sharing the atrocities of that time in her life so that what happened will never be forgotten and, we pray, will never be allowed to happen again the future."

Our thanks to Mrs. Perel and Jen Gulczinski for taking the time to offer this unforgettable life-lesson to our children.

At right CORA counselor Jen Gulczinski and Holocaust survivor Manya Perel



Below, Sr. Mary Ann, 8th grade students and Manya chat after her presentation



Play for Tay

Fundraisers in Honor
of Taylor Steinberg, '08



On April 11, 2011, the NAHS Varsity and Junior Varsity Lacrosse teams sponsored a fundraiser in honor of **Taylor Steinberg**, a 2008 NAGS graduate. Taylor, entering her senior year at Nazareth Academy High School, was diagnosed with acute promyelocytic leukemia, a rare cancer of the blood.

In March, Taylor began a course of chemotherapy treatments at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia. Taylor and her parents, Dave and Gina Steinberg, learned that doctors were prescribing a two year treatment plan to combat the loss of mature red blood cells.

Taylor stated, "I think all of this definitely made me stronger. I'm staying positive and I'm not going to let it bring me down." Her positive attitude has already helped her overcome thyroid cancer as an eighth grader.

Taylor plays on the NAHS soccer team, lacrosse and golf teams. The high school raised awareness for their friend and team mate by hosting a blood drive and selling hats, ribbons and wristbands at the lacrosse game. To show their support, Taylor's teammates friends and those of her brother, **Eric Steinberg, '11**, sported orange shirts and hats in solidarity. Proceeds were donated to the Steinberg Family and Coaches' vs. Cancer, a program sponsored by the American Cancer Society.

At NAGS, students also wore Taylor's wristbands and our Parents Association organized a fundraiser at Joe Santucci's Original Square Pizza at Knights and Woodhaven Roads.

At right, Eric's eighth grade classmates proudly showed their support, shouting "Pray for Tay!" Let's all join our students in remembering Taylor in prayer throughout her treatment at Children's Hospital.



PRAY
FOR
TAY

Current and past NAGS parents at left, left to right: Rick Borish, Dave Steinberg, Gina Steinberg, Sr. Mary Ann, Pat Borish, Connie Dema and Missy (Fluehr) Holt, '79.

Photo of Taylor, above, reprinted with permission of Catalano Studios.

A Hawaiian Luau Auction



Above: Let the bidding begin! Alumni parent, Board Member and Auctioneer Fran Kelly begins the Live Auction.

Palm trees, tropical foods, grass skirts, flowers and fruity umbrella drinks call to mind the sights and sounds of Hawaii. Guests were treated to all this and more on April 2, 2011 at Nazareth Academy Grade School Parent's Association Annual Auction at the Maltese Room in Bensalem. Thanks to Co-Chairs Lisa Bristow and Jenn Gallagher as well as Patti Bozarth and Cristi Keares, the evening was an overwhelming success in raising \$52,000.00 for the school. The many prizes included Phillies tickets, autographed memorabilia, limo ride, and a bicycle shown by Sr. Mary Ann, below.

The main attraction of the evening was the Eighth grade "Thriller" portrait and individual Class Portraits by Jeani Grady and Lisa Varley of Catalano Studios! Our gratitude to Catalano Studios, our donors, participants and volunteers for a fabulous event! Auction photos by Lou and Christine Farinella



Above, guests eagerly enter their bids on the auction items.

Auction photos by Lou and Christine Farinella



Below: In preparation of the unveiling of the 8th Grade Portrait by Catalano Studios, Lisa Varley and Mrs. Achilles oversee the 8th grade autographing process.



Quarter Quest for Tables!

We're on a quest for quarters you see!

Quarters from you and quarters from me

From grandma and grandpa, aunts and uncles, too

For lunchroom tables and new floors for you!

So bring in your quarters, shiny or not,

that you got for change or found in a pot

Each quarter has value and they add up quick!

Five or ten from you might do the trick!

In every classroom will be a jar

Check the couch cushions and the seats of your car

Bring them to school and you'll be a star!

So what are you waiting for? Have you found quarters yet?

To collect them quick is your best bet!

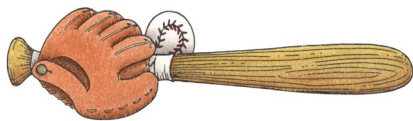
So every class get ready! Every class get set!

A party with pizza the winner will get!!!



Have you ever seen \$1,600.00 in quarters? Our students have! They collected six thousand four hundred quarters to help reach our Annual Giving goal for new Multi-Purpose Room tables through a Quarter Quest fundraiser organized by NAGS parent Christine Cerquetelli. Christine is the mother of Dino Cerquetelli, Gr. 5 and Santina Cerquetelli, Gr. 2. For several weeks, each class donated quarters and Mrs. Cerquetelli tallied up the results and reported the standings of each class. Dino and his classmates came in first place by collecting \$368.41, winning the special Quarter Quest Pizza Party.

Mrs. Cerquetelli stated, "The kids did a great job and are to be commended for collecting \$1,600.00 in such a short amount of time!" We are grateful for the enthusiasm of ALL our students and for Mrs. Cerquetelli's weekly efforts in collecting and processing the coins. In honor of the students' generosity, a plaque will be placed above a table unit in the Multi-Purpose Room.



**THIRD
ANNUAL**

BAT-A-THON



NAGS parents Jeff Manto and Joseph Cipolloni co-chaired our Third Annual Bat-a-Thon on January 7, 2011. Thanks to all the players and parents who collected donations and came out to *Extra Innings* in Bensalem to test their abilities in the batting cages to raise funds for the school through pledges. *Pictured above left*, Sr. Mary Ann gets ready for the first pitch!

Special surprise guests were made by former MLB players who met and signed baseballs for the Bat-a-Thon participants. *Pictured at above right, left to right*: Val Pascucci, NY Mets, and Phillies players Larry Anderson, Gene Schall, Dickie Noles and Marty Bystrom.

The Royal Wedding

Tea, anyone?

At right, the Administration, Faculty and Staff did not receive an invitation to the wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton, but that did not stop them from dressing for the occasion. With hats, white gloves and dresses worthy of a royal wedding, the staff surprised the students in full regalia before assembling for morning prayers.

Later, the staff sipped tea and dined on petit fours, scones and tea sandwiches during lunch as footage of the wedding was aired over the internet.



John Paul II: One Step Closer to Sainthood

Pope Benedict XVI moved his towering predecessor one step closer to sainthood on Sunday May 1, 2011, at a celebratory Mass that drew more than one million people to Rome.

Following the Beatification ceremony for John Paul II, NAGS Faculty commemorated the event by wearing the papal colors of yellow and white. The school community also participated in a prayer service held by Student Council Members.

We now pray for the additional miracle that is required for canonization, the next step after beatification.

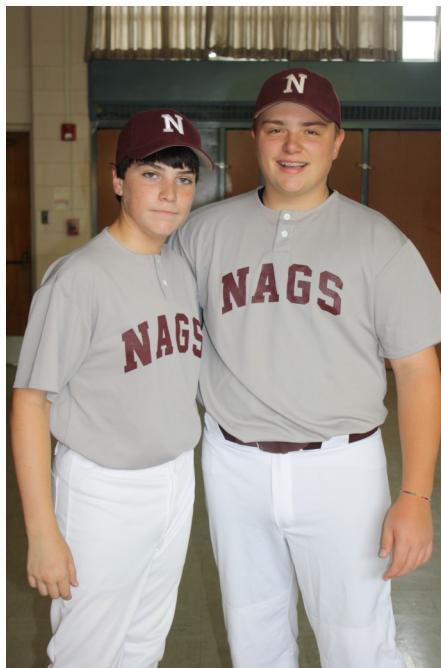
Nazareth Family Foundation

Supports Athletic Program

We celebrate the generosity of the Nazareth Family Foundation for the support of our Athletic Program during the 2010-2011 school year.

The funding covered skyrocketing transportation costs, uniforms for student athletes, sports equipment. At right, 7th grade students Dane Palantino and Eric Kasperowicz show off the new uniforms before a baseball game.

In addition, a portable defibrillator. In the event that the school is faced with an emergency situation, NAGS will be prepared! At far right, Athletic Director Sally Unger, '81, shows the defibrillator Giovanna Delia, Gr. 6, and Kevin Sheppard, Gr. 8.





Math Class... in the Kitchen?

Math teacher Maribeth Kane stimulated her 5th grade class in the kitchen for some hands-on learning! With pizza crusts, sauce and cheese in hand, the students quickly made their own creations and discussed fractions while eating the delicious pie slices!



Artists In the Making!

When faced with a blank canvas, our students are always up to the challenge to explore their creativity under the expert guidance of Art teacher Maria Niamonitos, pictured at left.

The NAGS Art Program is flourishing while many schools are facing the unfortunate decline of Art instruction.

An Arts Festival held each year features the musical and artistic talents of our students. At right, huge butterfly murals made by the fifth grade will be framed and preserved for the enjoyment of all in school. Other artwork featured were self portraits, flowers made by stamping vegetables, Campbell's soup cans made "Andy Warhol" style, and mirror image signatures of our students.



First Holy Communion



The Third Grade class received their First Holy Communion on May 7, 2011. The day marked the beginning of their special relationship with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. Prior to receiving the Sacrament, the students attended a retreat of St. Katherine Drexel Shrine.

Sr. Mary Ann congratulated Ms. Kristy Cusick for preparing the students so well and thanked the parents who practice and model a faith-filled life for their children.



"From the Eucharist comes strength to live the Christian life and zeal to share that life with others." ~ Pope John Paul II

Dedication of Prayer Garden



When **Christopher Pearce, '07**, proposed his plan to install a statue of Mary along with a beautiful garden, Principal Sr. Mary Ann was enthusiastic and supportive. The garden was designed and planted with the help of Chris' father David Pearce and fellow scouts for his Eagle Scout project. Chris raised the funds with a series of fundraisers to purchase the supplies and statue. Chris is the brother of **David Pearce, '02**, and **Amanda Pearce, '04**.

The May crowning and garden dedication took place on May 6, 2011 on a warm and sunny day with Chris and his parents in attendance.

During the May Crowning, the First Grade class led the school in song as Patrick Driscoll and Annaliese Hencck placed a crown of flowers atop Mary's veil.

We are grateful to Chris for his initiative, creativity and hard work. Congratulations Chris for getting one step closer to your Eagle Scout rank!



Sr. Martin Award for Service

*"The best thing about giving of ourselves
is that what we get is always better
than what we give."*

~ Orison Swett Marden

The 2011 **Sister Martin Duffy Awards for Service** were presented on June 1, 2011. At right left to right, Sr. Martin recognized the long-term involvement and contributions of **Christopher and Joanne Cassidy, David and Gina Steinberg and John and Alison Cacchio,'72.**

We are extremely grateful for the many years of volunteering and for the many efforts to further the school's mission. Although these families are now "alumni," they will always be part of the NAGS family!



"Speak Up" Forensic Award Established in Memory of Mrs. Smith



A special award in honor of former eighth grade teacher and long-term Forensics Moderator Kathleen Smith was established by Henri and Susan (Poserina, '74) Marcel. Their son Daniel Marcel, '07, who recently graduated from Holy Ghost Preparatory School was present at the Graduation Ceremony to announce the award.

Daniel stated, "Mrs. Smith was my coach and guide and taught me to have a lot of confidence. It is an honor to present the **Speak Up Award in Memory of Kathleen Smith** to Danielle Talbot for excellence in Forensics."

The Forensics program continues to flourish as our students earn top awards in local competitions. Public speaking is an important skill in communicating knowledge and expressing ideas to groups of people. It is a primary medium for presenting and selling your products and ideas. Being able to verbally communicate effectively to other individuals or to groups is essential in school and business as well as your personal life.

On behalf of the NAGS community, we extend our thanks to the Marcel Family for their generosity and time given to ensure the success of our students in public speaking.



Pictured above, Daniel Marcel, '07 announces the recipient. Below, Danielle Talbot accepts the award.





THE BEACH BALL



After months of covert preparation, the theme of the 8th grade dance was out of the bag... out of the beach bag that is! The 7th grade parents and students hosted a "Beach Ball" for the semi-formal graduation dance. Many hands pitched in to create an event featuring sun, sand, beach balls, blue sky, seagulls and boardwalk stands for games, snacks and decal printed t-shirts! Outside an amazing miniature golf course was set up on the patio to complete the boardwalk experience.

The DJ kept the 7th and 8th graders engaged and dancing all night long. Later, the graduates performed a specially choreographed "Thriller" dance with the help of 8th grade teacher Cathy Achilles. We applaud the efforts of all of our 7th grade parents and students or planning and executing such an exciting celebration!



Above, scenes from the "Boardwalk" and miniature golf course.



Best of luck to the Class of 2011 as they enter High School!

Emil Berbakov, III ~ Archbishop Wood High School
 Michael Brown ~ Holy Ghost Preparatory School
 Caroline Cacchio ~ Villa Joseph Marie High School
 Suzanne Cassidy ~ Nazareth Academy High School
 Sullivan Conway ~ Holy Ghost Preparatory School
 Desiree Cudeyro ~ Saint Basil's Academy
 Dana Doherty ~ Nazareth Academy High School
 Mary Frances Driscoll ~ Nazareth Academy High School
 Regina Duesler ~ Nazareth Academy High School
 Sarah Fox ~ Saint Basil's Academy
 Amanda Gentry ~ Archbishop Wood High School
 Patrick Gilbert ~ Father Judge High School
 Elizabeth Gougler ~ Nazareth Academy High School
 Alexander Halas ~ Saint Joseph's Preparatory School

Andreana Manto ~ Nazareth Academy High School
 Kennedy McStravick ~ Saint Basil's Academy
 Andrew Moreton ~ New Foundations Charter School
 Marann Mullen ~ The Arts Academy at Benjamin Rush
 Colin Murtha ~ LaSalle College High School
 Michael Perri ~ Father Judge High School
 Maureen Rankin ~ Saint Basil's Academy
 Samantha Simon ~ Saint Basil's Academy
 Eric Steinberg ~ Saint Joseph's Preparatory School
 Danielle Talbot ~ Saint Hubert's High School
 Thomas Villante ~ Father Judge High School
 Nicolette Wons ~ Villa Joseph Marie High School
 Veronica Zin ~ Mount Saint Joseph Academy

2011 Distinguished Graduate Richard Mikula, Ph.D.

At the graduation ceremony, the Class of 2011 and their families gave a warm welcome to Dr. Richard Mikula, Nazareth Academy Grade School's Distinguished Graduate. Dr. Mikula graduated from NAGS in 1989 and is the brother of Lisa Mikula, '87.

The award is presented to an alumni member who has made significant contributions to society, which reflects favorably on the education that person received at his/her Catholic elementary school.

Dr. Mikula graduated Summa Cum Laude with Distinction in Mathematics from Temple University and went on to earn his doctorate at Rutgers University. He has written several articles that have been published in Mathematics periodicals and is presently writing a textbook entitled, "*An Introduction to Real Analysis: From Advanced Calculus to Lebesgue integration.*" Dr. Mikula, is an Assistant Professor of Mathematics at Lock Haven University in Lock Haven, Pennsylvania.

In addressing the graduates, Dr. Mikula stated, "Be grateful for the opportunity you have had to attend Nazareth Academy. Be thankful for the sacrifices your families have made, and be thankful to your teachers as well."

Dr. Mikula explained that he had changed his college major several times before choosing the challenging field of Mathematics. "Whatever path you take, I cannot underestimate the value of education and working hard. Judging from the awards presented tonight, I can see that you already value the opportunities given to you at Nazareth."

Following the graduation ceremony, the distinguished graduate and his guest, Alyce Baker, toured the school and new addition. Clearly, it computes: The roots that Dr. Mikula had planted at NAGS have helped his pursuit of knowledge and success in life and in his field of Mathematics.



Joseph Brancato Memorial Scholarship Awarded

Blessed by the generosity of many benefactors and alumni of NAGS, the school awarded the *Joseph Brancato Memorial Alumni Scholarships* to seventh grade student Michael Fluehr at the Awards Ceremony on June 9, 2011.

Michael was chosen by the faculty and staff for having demonstrated remarkable qualities of character, service, generosity and positive attitude. Angela (Marano) Carp, Susan (Zajac) Mordan, and Sally (Gaughan) Unger, all members of the Class of 1981, were part of the team that established the scholarship, along with the Development Office.

At right, Michael beams after receiving the award from Sr. Mary Ann. Below, Michael is joined by: Angela (DiBello) Holt, '76; Joan (Holt) Rybas, '81; Joe Rybas, Michael Fluehr, father; Michael Fluehr, Missy (Holt) Fluehr, '79; Molly Fluehr, Gr. 6; Melissa Fluehr, '08; Joan Holt, Joanie Rybas and Madalyn Fluehr, '10.

In addition to receiving the scholarship, Michael was thrilled to hear that he had been elected President of Student Council for the 2011-2012 school year!

We ask all of our alumni to support this cooperative effort to help students pursue their education at NAGS. Please join us by making a donation to the *Joseph Brancato Memorial Alumni Scholarship*. Donations can be made online at www.nazarethacademy.net, click Development, and "Donate now."



Sharing the *Spark* of Excellence 2011 Annual Fund



We at Nazareth Academy Grade School are firm believers in igniting a spark of excellence in all things!

Nazareth Academy Grade School has upheld a vision of excellence for the past 70 years. As educators, we embrace our role as teachers and share the vision, spark and access to excellence with all of our students every day. Each student is a unique child of God and we strive to help each grow to his/her full potential to lead successful and fulfilling lives.

One of the most important ways to support this special school comes from the contributions made to the Annual Fund. The participation and support from families, grandparents, alumni, faculty, staff and friends helps continue the legacy of excellence, spiritual growth, leadership and character development critical to the education of its students.

It is only through your Annual Fund gifts that we are able to make our vision of excellence a reality. Tax-deductible donations provide every student with the exceptional education resources required for a premier Catholic grade school experience.

The extraordinary 70-year commitment and generosity of our community has enabled NAGS to flourish and grow as a well known and respected educational institution.

Each year as we continue our work with the wonderful children of Nazareth Academy Grade School, we feel a renewed appreciation for everything that makes this school so vibrant and successful. Each year we build upon prior efforts of the Sisters of the Holy Family of Nazareth as we continue to grow and nurture our children. Please join us in ensuring that the Annual Fund continues to be part of the secure bedrock upon which NAGS will build its future.

"We are what we repeatedly do.

Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit."

- Aristotle

Thank You

We are energized by the commitment and support of *so many* in our school community! As a result of your generosity to the 2010-2011 Annual Fund, over \$35,000 in donations and grants was received to help enhance learning and faith development on every grade level, replace the Multi-Purpose Room tables, benches and tile floor, augment faculty development and support salaries, and keep tuition costs to a minimum.

Igniting the Spark

This is a special appeal for you to reconsider and renew your commitment to NAGS and thereby continue helping to preserve the traditions upon which the school was founded.

We are grateful to the many hard-working men and women who continue to support the school financially and donate their time to NAGS. *We hope that everyone will support this important Annual Giving initiative!*

GIVING BACK HAS NEVER BEEN SO EASY!

Each gift, combined with the gifts of others, will make an immediate impact on the life of today's students.

Donations can be made securely online at: www.nazarethacademy.net. Click "Development" and "Donate Now."

We invite our entire community to participate in the Annual Fund and become members of the following giving levels:

Blessed Frances Siedliska Society*\$5,000 and above
Pope John Paul II Society.....	\$2,500 to \$4,999
Family Circle.....	\$1,000 to \$2,499
Principal's Circle.....	\$500 to \$999
NAGS Club.....	\$100 to \$499
Maroon and Gray Club.....	\$1 to \$99

* Perpetual membership

Name: _____

If alumna, Maiden Name: _____

Class of: _____

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Telephone: _____

Email: _____

DONATION: \$ _____ Check Enclosed: \$ _____

Please make checks payable to "NAGS" or bill my  or  :

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Number: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Optional - This gift is given in memory of, or in honor of:

My/Spouse's company will match this gift. The matching gift form is enclosed.

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Please make checks payable to "NAGS" and mail to:

Nazareth Academy Grade School, ATTN: Development Office, 4701 Grant Avenue, Phila., PA 19114

While contributions may be outright gifts, there are other options in donating to Nazareth Academy Grade School. For more information, contact: Patricia McGarvey, Development Director, at 215-637-7777, Ext. 206, or email: nagsalumni@aol.com.

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A "Phanatical Phield" Day

As Field Day began with the traditional games and competitions, the students were unaware that a big green furry monster would descend upon them to wreak havoc. The event, organized by Gym and Grade 4 Religion teacher Terry Vaccarino, features a number of competitions in which students compete for team points.

The morning calmly began but erupted in excitement as the *Phanatic* visited each group and tried to "help" by competing himself. His big furry paws grabbed hockey sticks, baseballs, basketballs, and quite a few heads of our students!

Thanks to the Swider Family for arranging the Phantastic Phanatic appearance at "Phield" Day and to Christine Farinella for photographing the madness!

