

Spiritual, Academic, Moral Preparation for the 21st Century

SPRING/SUMMER 2014

The Arts and Catholic Education



On Sunday, April 6th, St. Dorothy School hosted The Arts and Catholic Education Spring Concert, celebrating the arts as an integral part of Catholic Education. Participants from many local parochial and private Catholic grade schools, archdiocesan and private Catholic high schools, and two local Catholic universities filled St. Dorothy Church

with music, dance, and song. Principal Louise Sheehan and Mr. William Mayo, St. Dorothy School Music Director and emcee of the event, welcomed guests. Then Fr. Michael Murphy, Pastor of St. Dorothy Parish, read this prayer written by St. John Paul II to young people involved in music and theatre:

In song and dance, faith is experienced as vibrant joy, love and confident expectation of the Sacred interaction of God. May these various ways of song, dance and instrument deepen with us these gifts so generously shared and encourage us that the praise of God through music is celebrated! I place my blessing upon these young people and thank them for the continuum song and dance of praise.

The concert opened with the magnificent voices of eighty members of The Voices of Gwynedd Mercy University. The Holy Child Academy Hand Bell Choir processed into the church in concert followed by the St.

Andrew School Jazz Band. Caitlin Farren, St. Dorothy School Class of 2015 performed her solo "Human Again" from the school's Spring Musical *Beauty and the Beast JR*. Sacred Heart School's Choir performed next followed by the Neumann University Jazz Band under the direction of St. Dorothy's own Professor Rick Sayers.

After a short intermission, the Sacred Heart School Hand Bell Choir took the stage followed by the St. Andrew School Choir. Under the direction of St. Dorothy's own Suzanne Bruce, Monsignor Bonner & Archbishop Prendergast's cast of *Seussical the Musical* performed "Oh, the Thinks You Can Think" featuring Kevin Farren, St. Dorothy School Class of 2017. Mr. Mayo next directed the St. Dorothy School Music Performers in "I've Got Rhythm" and "Copa Cabana." Rounding out the event was the St. Joseph's Preparatory School Jazz Band playing several numbers, including one written by their director Matthew Schwartz (SJP '02) called "Crimson, Grey and Blues."

Fr. Murphy closed with a second prayer from St. John Paul II, who was canonized later in April, and thanked everyone for the event, including the performers and the school's Development Committee who sponsored the event. The concert's finale featured "Ode to Joy" sung by all the performers with St. Dorothy's own Sr. Thomasina Marie accompanying on the organ.

St. Dorothy represented at Track and Field Championship

It was an outstanding year for the St. Dorothy Track team. The 2014 Archdiocese of Philadelphia CYO track and field championship meet was held on May 31st at the University of Pennsylvania's Franklin Field. Our St. Dorothy Novice Boys 4×200m relay team took home a medal for 3rd place, and the Novice Girls 4×200m relay team took 6th place. Our Novice Boys 4×100m relay team placed 7th, and the Novice Girls 4×100m team came in 13th overall. Kemi Odeyemi made the 100m finals, placing 8th for the Minor girls. Congratulations to all of the runners who proudly qualified for the "Archies" this year!



The novice boys 4×200m relay team display their medals: (left to right) Liam Swanick, Ryan Sharkey, Trey Albanese, and Ryan Matthews.

(Left to right)
Bridget McGuinn,
Sarah Schumacher,
Megan Rayner, and
Emily Camuti ran
as the novice girls
relay team.



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Newsletter purpose

The Newsletter for St. Dorothy Roman Catholic School is compiled by the Development Committee for distribution to alumni, alumni parents, current school families, and friends of St. Dorothy School. Its purpose is to communicate, on a semi-annual basis, the state of our enrollment, happenings of interest, an accounting of funds raised and spent, and to acknowledge contributors to our Annual Fund.

INTRODUCING

Anne Callahan-2014 Annual Fund Chair

Our 2014 St. Dorothy Annual Fund Chairperson is Anne Callahan. Anne is one of seven children of longtime St. Dorothy parishioners Therese and Richard Ashworth. Anne and her husband, Duke, have been members of the parish since 1991. Their three children, Michael ('02), Danielle ('05), and Jake ('10) are all proud St. Dot's graduates.

After graduating from St. Dorothy School and Cardinal O'Hara High School, Anne received a degree in accounting from Temple University. She worked as an accountant and business analyst for the DuPont Company for several years and later worked in

management and sales for a small family business. She currently works part-time as a financial administrative assistant.

Anne enjoyed volunteering at St. Dot's throughout her children's school years. Currently she is a volunteer for Birthright, a non-profit charitable organization that provides emotional and practical support to women facing unplanned pregnancies. She also is a St. Dorothy Parish Aid for Friends volunteer, bringing gifts of food and friendship to people in need.

Anne recently attended her St. Dot's 40th reunion and feels so lucky to still be a member of this

wonderful community.

"It is my great pleasure to serve as Honorary Chair for the 2014 Annual Fund. St. Dot's holds a special place in my heart and has played a significant role in my life. I have many wonderful memories and cherished friendships from my school days. I feel blessed that my children were able to walk the same halls that I did as a child. and I am especially grateful for this opportunity to represent the St. Dorothy School Annual Fund. I believe that, together, we can ensure St. Dot's continues its tradition of excellence for many years to come."



(Left to right) Michael, Anne, Danielle, Duke, and Jake Callahan.



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School





Third Graders Learn About Spiritual & Corporal Works of Mercy

Sister Mary Hasson, RSM visited the third grade classes and talked about the Works of Mercy. The students learned about all the Spiritual and Corporal Works of Mercy but concentrated on a few:

- Feed those who are hungry
- Give a drink to those who are thirsty
- Give clothing to those who need clothes
- Visit those who are sick and those who are shut-ins
- Pray for those who are living and

those who have died

They talked about what they can do even before they are grown-ups, and came up with very good thoughts. Some of their ideas were:

- If I see someone who doesn't have a snack or lunch, share what I have
- Help my mother make dinner for my family
- Take dinner to a neighbor who lives alone
- Send cards to someone who is sick or who can't get out

- If I have two coats give one to someone who doesn't have a coat
- Pray for those who are sick
- Pray for those who have died
- Pray for those who have a relative or friend who has died

The importance of carrying out the Works of Mercy is basic for the education of St. Dorothy School's children, younger and older. This training in Catholic faith and values carries into their lives as adults.

Pay It Forward Service Project

The premise of the novel *Pay It Forward* by Catherine Ryan Hyde is one that any person can implement in his or her own life, at any time. It begins with doing a favor for another person – without any expectation of being paid back. Indeed one would request that the recipient of that favor do the same for someone else: ideally for three other people. The unconditional favors can be large or small. In the novel, the student Trevor's concept of "paying it forward" comes from an extra credit assignment given to him in school. His teacher asks the students to "Think of an idea for world change, and put it into action." As the fictional 12-year-old Trevor observes, "It doesn't have to be a big thing. It can just seem that way, depending who you do it for."

Teacher Mrs. Gallagher challenged her sixth grade students to design their own group projects that include ways to "Pay It Forward" in the community. This is a real world learning experience in which the students find satisfaction while establishing a sense that good can be done when people give selflessly of themselves. Students also see how their efforts and thoughtfulness (no matter how big or small) have contributed in some way to an improvement in society. It is expected that students will develop a keen understanding of the variety and importance of community service that goes on around them. It is hoped that this experience and exposure will teach them how important and rewarding it is to "Pay It Forward."

In their words...

We asked some of the sixth graders to reflect on their Pay It Forward experience this year:

By Kelsey Mehallo and Carly Knowlton

Overall Pay It Forward made us feel good on the inside and out. We really learned the right way to Pay It Forward. We were hoping that we would inspire people and we achieved this goal. All three of our projects helped us carry out the Virtues, Works of Mercy, and Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Some of the things we did, we thought we would never be able to do. Our three projects were collecting money to be donated to the SPCA, making cards for the sick and injured, and making dresses for little girls in Africa. While we impacted others, we also impacted ourselves. Pay It Forward was a great experience that we enjoyed so much and we hope to keep "Paying It Forward!"

By Connor Eagan, Hunter Whitlock, and Matt McKenna

These all were life changing projects and events that showed the value of giving selflessly of ourselves. We think this project was special because we did all of these kind acts for others. To sum up all of our statements this project was very powerful and had an enormous impact on us.

Students Train as Ministers of the Word

Sister Mary has also been instructing students from the sixth, seventh, and eighth grades about the importance of what it means to read at Mass and at other liturgical functions.

They are becoming aware that proclaiming the Word clearly and carefully helps those listening to gain insight into the meaning of scripture. With this in mind, the students learn and practice how to speak slowly, enunciate clearly, and read with expression. The school and parish community are grateful to these students for their dedication to service as Ministers of the Word.



Archdiocesan Choral Festivals

Three sixth graders, Erin Boyle, Pamela Cobaugh, and Montess Trapp, and eighth grader Sophia Cavalli represented St. Dorothy School in these chorus festivals, which were held at Bishop Shanahan High School and Conwell-Eagan Catholic High School. The choral selections represented a cross section of classical and contemporary pieces mixed in with modern selections from Africa. The students were conducted by renowned guest conductors.



Home & School Association Successful Spring Events

Well, it is officially the end of the school year. Where have those ten months gone? The Home & School Association has kept busy all year with social events and fundraising.

Despite the frigid temperatures during Catholic Schools Week, our McPrincipal's Night and Marple Sports Arena outings were well attended. The students enjoyed seeing their principal, Mrs. "Mc"Sheehan, and their teachers working at McDonald's for the evening. At the end of the week, students and their families attended Family Night at Marple Sports Arena for an evening of skating and fun!

We offer a warm, heart-felt thank you to Mrs. Monique Dowd for coordinating her ninth annual "Be Good to Your Heart Day!" Mrs. Dowd hosted an assembly that focused on nutrition, exercise, and healthy eating habits. Afterward, the students were treated to heart smart fruits and vegetables during their lunchtime.

Our annual Book Fair opened Sunday, February 23rd, after the ten o'clock mass. The Book Fair, which was open all week, was held in the school library. Parishioners and students were able to purchase books. Teachers were able to purchase books for their classroom libraries also.

In April, we hosted Grandparents/ Special Persons Day for Grades K-4. The morning began with a prayer service and continental breakfast. The children entertained their special guests with singing and visits to classrooms. What a wonderful day for all involved!

In May we held our first Designer Bag Bingo for the Saint Dorothy community. Three hundred attendees filled the school gym eagerly awaiting the opportunity to call out, "Bingo!" Only sixteen ladies were fortunate to walk home with a new designer bag.

Our Spirit Day was held the end of May at Dermond Field. The students walked from St. Dorothy School with their classmates, teachers, and parent volunteers. The students showed their school spirit throughout the day by participating in a variety of funfilled games, a picnic lunch, dancing, and raffle prize drawing. Thank you to our Spirit Day Committee for an outstanding day! This year the Home & School Association ended the year with a K9 Partners for Life assembly. The students had the opportunity to learn about the organization and even interact with the dog and puppies!

As we end the school year, we would like to thank Fr. Murphy and Mrs. Sheehan for allowing us to host new events and fundraisers. We are fortunate to have our many parents, grandparents, and family members who work tirelessly throughout the year to ensure that Saint Dorothy School is able to do the best for the teachers and your children. We are grateful for all you do for us! Thank you and have a safe and relaxing summer.

Eighth Grade Scholarship Award Winners

St. Dorothy School is proud to congratulate our graduating eighth graders who have been awarded scholarships:

- Thomas Andruszko St. Thomas More Alumni Association Scholarship and Maguire Scholarship to Cardinal O'Hara High School
- Emma Blewett St. Thomas More Alumni Association Scholarship
- Bridget Boyle The Episcopal Academy
- Cali Camuti Cardinal O'Hara High School
- Sophia Cavalli Monsignor Bonner & Archbishop Prendergast Catholic High School
- Tracie Dinh Country Day School of The Sacred Heart
- Brendan Heffernan Saint Joseph's Preparatory School
- Nick Jamgochian Monsignor Bonner & Archbishop Prendergast Catholic High School and St. Thomas More Alumni Association Scholarship
- Riley Matthews Country Day School of The Sacred Heart
- Deanna Osmon Country Day School of The Sacred Heart



- Lucca Pagliaro St. Charles Borromeo Parish scholarship
- Danielle Stevenson St. Thomas More Alumni Association Scholarship
- **Kevin Sullivan** St. Thomas More Alumni Association Scholarship
- Grace Young Merion Mercy Academy

St. Dots-A Family Trad



WOW! What a statement! Pictured are parents and grandparents who have passed along the St. Dots tradition to their children and grandchildren. In addition to those pictured, the following families have also passed along this tradition but were unavailable for the photo: Amoroso, Banes, Burke, Cooper, Eagan, Gevin, Larkin, Paoletti, Santry, Scarpone, and Tecco

Future Class of 2022- James Connolly, Cecilia Corr, Alexandra Gillin, Brinley McCollum, Rebecca Naab, Samantha O'Mara, Lauren Tassoni, Justina Urso. Future Class of 2021- Christa Bello, Abigail Griffin, Keira Healy, Molly Lain, Chase McGarry, Shane McGarry, Lindsay Stratton, Natalie Tassoni. Future Class of 2020- Sofia Burns, Samantha Connolly, Dorothy Naab, Jason Smith, Sophia Urso. Future Class of 2019- Maura Brady, Rachel Fosbenner, Jack Gallagher, Joseph Gillin, Maura Grady, Tara Grady, Jack Habicht, Katia Hemphill, Maggie McCollum, Michael McGarry, Lauren O'Mara. Future Class of 2018-Michael Bello, Bridget Lain, Kyra Santora, Isabella Tierney. Future Class of 2017- Nicole Bello, Julia Funchion, Fran Grady, Michael McCollum. Future Class of 2016- Elizabeth DeStefano, David Fosbenner, Kasey Habicht, Kerrie Habicht, Emma Toner. Future Class of 2015- Shannon Brady, Carly Gerace, Erin Grady, Gretchen Nolan, Dylan Rooney, John Stratton, Alicia Young Class of 2014- Daniel Cellucci, Hailie Fosbenner, Anna Funchion, Abigail Healy. Class of 2001- Brian Smith. Class of 1996- Caroline Flick Corr. Class of 1994- Elizabeth Kelly. Class of 1992-Kate Roche Naab, Daniel McGarry. Class of 1991-Dave Connolly, Joe Gillin. Class of 1990- Christine Palladino Tassoni. Class of 1989- Loretta Young Tierney. Class of 1988-Brian Gallagher. Class of 1987- Lorie Palladino Fosbenner, Mike McCollum. Class of 1986- Jamie Santora, Tricia McCalla Gallagher. Class of 1985- Carl Hemphill, Maria Ardizzi Toner. Class of 1984- Patti DiCandilo Bello, Alicia Dooley Lain, John Burns, Fran Grady. Class of 1981- Bunny Currie Habicht. Class of 1980- Joan Burns Stratton. Class of 1979- Pat Funchion, Amy Gross Nolan, Annemarie DiFelice Cellucci. Class of 1977- Dan O'Mara, Steve Gerace. Class of 1976- Eileen Manning Rooney. Class of 1966- Bernadette Matteo Naab. Class of 1964- Jeannie Guiteras Smyth. Class of 1962- John McGarry, Bryan Smyth, Getrude Reinking Palladino. Class of 1960-Paul D'Emilio. Class of 1959- George Cocco. Class of 1958- MaryAnn Stewart Dearie.





Send us your memories

St. Dorothy School wants to hear from our alumni about their favorite memories of St. Dot's. If you have photos to share we'd love to have them. Let us know at Development@StDots.org.

Alumni Updates

St. Dorothy School wants to know what our alumni have been up to. Has something interesting happened in your life? Have you moved, started a new job or married? Let us know at Development@ StDots.org. Be sure to keep your contact information up to date to stay informed of reunions and other events. Include your graduation year and maiden name if applicable. Also let us know if there are alumni not receiving the newsletter. We're happy to add them to the mailing list.

Dot's Alumni represent at Cardinal O'Hara



St. Dorothy School is well represented at Cardinal O'Hara High School where for the 2013-2014 school year there were eleven alumni on the Student Council. In addition to nine class representatives, St. Dot's graduates filled the role of Vice President and Chief of Staff. Pictured are: Top row (left to right): Jackie Rooney, Molly Grady, Emily Salmon, Alec Funchion, Mary Sheehan, and Meghan Shallow. Bottom row (left to right): Sara Hayes, Jake Callahan (Chief of Staff), Bridget Durkin (Vice President), Devon Greene, and Dan Dwyer.

Attention Business Owners – Give your tax dollars to St. Dorothy School

St. Dorothy School has received more than \$64,000 over the last five years through the Pennsylvania Educational Improvement Tax Credit (EITC). This program allows businesses paying certain Pennsylvania taxes to divert part of those tax dollars to schools to be used as scholarships for students in need of financial assistance. The EITC program has allowed St. Dorothy School to offer tuition relief to eighteen families meeting state financial criteria who otherwise may not have been able to send their children to a Catholic school.

If you are a business owner or employee at an eligible business, please consider participating in this program. The taxes subject to this program are:

- Corporate Net Income Tax
- Capital Stock Franchise Tax
- Bank and Trust Company Shares Tax
- Title Insurance Companies Shares Tax
- Insurance Premiums Tax
- Mutual Thrift Institution Tax
- Insurance Company Law of 1921
- Personal Income Tax of S corporation shareholders or Partnership partners

To discuss your possible participation please contact the Development Committee through Peter McGahey (484-452-6023 or petermcgahey@mac.com).

BEYOND OUR

BORDERS

DOT'S ON THE ROAD

Show your Dot's pride on your travels and send us your photos for possible publication in future issues of the newsletter.



Trey Albanese (Class of 2017) displayed his Dot's pride when he and his sister Aly ('19) visited the spot where Martin Luther King, Jr. delivered the "I Have A Dream" speech on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial in Washington, DC.

We are proud to see our students and our graduates take their St. Dorothy pride beyond the borders of our campus to show the world what they have learned at our school. Their abilities are a testament to the school our community supports.

ROBOTICS



Two of the three St. Dorothy robot competition teams ventured out to compete at the Eastern Pennsylvania FIRST LEGO League competition at the University of Pennsylvania on February 1, 2014. Only 46 of more than 150 regional teams qualified to compete at the event where the DotBots took a second place award in the Gracious Professionalism category.

THEATER



The St. Dorothy performers at the Archbishop's Christmas Benefit for Children with Archbishop Charles Chaput.



Kevin Farren wows the crowds in Seussical the Musical.

Students from St. Dorothy have also been going beyond our borders in the theater. Kevin Farren, a fifth grader at St. Dorothy School, auditioned and earned the role as "JoJo" in Monsignor Bonner & Archbishop Prendergast High School's Spring production of *Seussical the Musical*. What an extraordinary job he did too! Kevin not only enjoyed the performance but loved the time he was able to spend with all the

high school students he now considers friends. Another way many of our students are getting an opportunity to explore their theatrical talents is at a local theater company known as Catholic Community Choir (the CCC). Several of our St. Dot's CCC performers participated in the 2013 Archbishop's Christmas Benefit for Children. Congratulations to all of our performers! Break a leg!!

St. Dorothy students were once again invited to sing the National Anthem at the Philadelphia Phillies's second game of the 2014 season on April 9, 2014 vs. the Milwaukee Brewers. School music director Mr. William Mayo led the booming voices of 100 of our students before the Phillie Phanatic joined the fun with a group hug. Because of the enthusiasm of so many St. Dorothy families and the generosity of an anonymous donor, 500 tickets were purchased by the St. Dorothy community. In turn, the Phillies donated back a portion of our tickets sales and also chose our school to be one of the recipients of a portion of their 50/50 sales at that game, resulting in a donation of nearly \$8,500 to St. Dorothy School.

PHILLIES GAME ANTHEM



Mr. Mayo threw out a ceremonial first pitch to the Phillie Phanatic followed by the debut of our new school video on the big screen.

SCIENCE FAIR



Daniel Fohner displays his science fair project at the Delaware County Science Fair.



William Mayo

(Left to right) Aidan McGahey, Danny Bieter, principal Mrs. Sheehan, and Stephen D'Antonio at the Delaware County Science Fair awards ceremony.

Scientists at St. Dot's

By Daniel Fohner (Class of 2015)

The science fair at Saint Dorothy School is an annual event where the students can show off their skills in all the fields of science in testing theories to make life easier for us today. The Science Fair is a multi-month project during which every student, from fifth through eighth grade, participates in working hard to create a theory, put it to the test and then present their work to the parish. The projects are presented on tri-fold presentation boards set up in the gym where they are judged by guest teachers and others. The winners of our Saint Dorothy School

Science Fair are then eligible to move on to the Delaware County Science Fair, which in our case was located at the Delaware County Intermediate Unit (DCIU).

Five Saint Dorothy students moved on to this Fair, and they were sixth graders Aidan McGahey, Erin Boyle, and Steven DiAntonio, and seventh graders Danny Bieter and Daniel Fohner. We spent our school day setting up our projects and waiting anxiously for the judging. To our surprise, we were all called back for an interview as our chance to progress on to the next level, the regional science fair. At the DCIU county science fair, Aidan took home first place in

the engineering category while I, Daniel Fohner, came home with second place, and Danny Bieter received third place. Stephen D'Antonio took an honorable mention in the medical category. The three of us who placed proceeded to the Delaware Valley Science Fair. There were many other students at this event in the Expo Center at Oaks from schools in Delaware, southern New Jersey, and southeastern Pennsylvania. Aidan received an honorable mention in the engineering category. The science fair, throughout all stages, was a great learning experience for me and my peers who also participated. It was neat to see other projects and to see what lay ahead for us in the future.

The ARTS at St. Dot's



Art teacher Mrs. Theresa Quigley

Mrs. Theresa Quigley joined St. Dorothy School in December as our new art teacher. She lives in Havertown with her husband and daughter and is a member of St. Denis Parish. Mrs. Quigley received her undergraduate degree in Psychology from St. Joseph's University. While at St. Joe's she developed an interest in ceramics, which led her to study it further at the University of Massachusetts, Dartmouth. While attending graduate school, Mrs. Quigley also studied art therapy and earned her degree in early childhood and elementary education. She also has a background in cake decorating.

The students have responded enthusiastically to Mrs. Quigley's

art instruction. With ten years of art and classroom teaching experience, along with her varied interests, she brings a unique style of teaching to our art program beyond formal art instruction. Having been a classroom teacher, Mrs. Quigly has a strong desire to incorporate what our students are learning in other subjects into their artwork so they gain a deeper understanding of and connection to it. For example, as part of their Social Studies curriculum, our fourth and fifth grades studied the tradition of quilt making in Pennsylvania and throughout the United States. The students viewed an antique quilt and observed how it was sewn together from pieces of fabric. Each student learned how to make a paper quilt block to add to a classroom "quilt." Beautiful examples of these student quilts were on display at our school's Spring Musical in May. Paper weavings, salt dough sculptures, winter landscapes and more projects from other grades that hinged on the students' classroom learning were on display

Mrs. Quigley hopes to bring her vast knowledge and experience with clay, ceramics, and sculptural art forms to more of the grade levels next school year. We are happy to welcome her to St. Dorothy School and look forward to viewing the amazing student artwork she has helped the students create.



The Spring Musical was accompanied by a display of student art, such as these kente weavings, created in Mrs. Quigley's classes.



Mrs. Quigley's art assignments include many media.

Variety Show Special Appearance

The fifth grade boys' act in the annual variety show included guest appearances by many of our faculty. How many can you name?



In the Words of Our Students...

Back by popular demand, we present an excerpt from our 2014 student newspaper, *The Dotument*.



Field Hockey

By: Cali Camuti, Emma Blewett, and Danielle Stevenson

The St. Dorothy girls' varsity field hockey team enjoyed a very successful season this past fall. Finishing undefeated, they placed first in their region. "Our success came from our hard work," says Cali C., one of the players on the team. "In practice we always would try our best to prepare for the games and develop a nevergive-up attitude." One of the goals coming into the season was to beat St. Bernadette and St. Mary Magdalen; both goals met! Teamwork was definitely a key component to their success. Danielle S., another player, told

us, "I loved my teammates, it was a great learning experience, and we all worked well together." Cali C. further thought, "Everyone felt that we had great team chemistry, and we would pick each other up after a mistake." This winning attitude enabled the girls to play together as a team. They trusted their teammates and knew they had each other's backs. Team parties and dinners also contributed to the camaraderie and fun. Head coach, Jill Camuti, had this to say, "I try to coach with positive reinforcement, but I would still give corrections to make the girls better." Mrs.

Camuti asked the players to play hard every time they would go on the field and they always met her expectations; sometimes exceeding them. She believes the strength of the team was never giving up, even when they were losing with a minute left, they would work hard to tie it up and eventually win.

Not expected to win their region, the girls' commitment to hard work and determination fueled their success.

Mrs. Camuti summed it up best, "Working hard, having fun combined to make a great season. I'm very proud of the girls!"

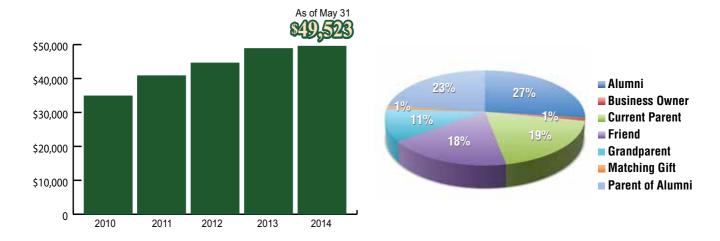


2014 Annual Fund Update

The 2014 Annual Fund campaign began during Catholic Schools Week, and since then almost \$50,000 has been collected. Thank you to all of our donors.

Annual Fund proceeds help keep tuition costs down and enhance our children's educational experience. We still have far to go to meet our goal, and the campaign closes soon. If you have not yet donated, please consider using the enclosed envelope to make you contribution. Or try our new online donation tool (details on page 3).

All donations to the Annual Fund are tax deductible, and many employers will match donations to the school.



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