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Robert “Bobby” Hebert ’39 and his wife, Helen, celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on October 14.

Bill “Red” Lindsey ’45 received the Spring Hill College Outstanding Alumni Award for Professional Achievement. The award recognized his 35 years of service as a diplomatic officer with the United States Department of State. During his career, he served on five continents in nine American Embassies. While on active duty he twice received the Department’s Superior Honor Award.

Donald Songy ’51 and his wife, Bernice, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary October 13, with a family dinner at the Baton Rouge Country Club.

Gayle Hatch ’57 is serving as the LSU Tigers’ strength and conditioning coach. Gayle is a member of several weightlifting and strength and conditioning halls of fame.

Charles Barbre ’65, author of “LSU: A Legacy of Leaders,” spoke about LSU’s history and contributions of people for whom campus buildings are named when Quota International of Baton Rouge entertained prospective members at the LSU Faculty Club.

Harry “Skip” Phillips Jr. ’68, a partner at Taylor Porter, has been named a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers. Fellowship is extended by invitation to experienced trial lawyers whose careers have been marked by the highest standards of ethical conduct, professionalism, civility and collegiality.

Scott Deumite ’80 is president of Deumite Construction, LLC, a general construction firm performing commercial building construction and development in the Baton Rouge and surrounding areas.

Andrew Adler ’82 was named executive vice president for State Bank & Trust Co.

Bill Gauthier ’82 has been named vice president and managing partner of Deumite Construction.

Brent Melancon ’88 has been named senior director of Global Pricing and Contracting with Medtronic Inc. in Santa Rosa, Calif.

Davis Hotard ’89 performed in the Baton Rouge Little Theatre’s Forever Plaid: Plaid Tidings in December. Hotard played Smudge, the bass, in the show.

Gary Keyser ’90 holds the rank of captain in the Louisiana Air National Guard and has accepted a position with Louisiana Machinery.

Capt. Tim Welborn ’92 is serving with the US Army in Baghdad, Iraq. He is the commander of the Headquarters Support Company, 769th Engineer Battalion, which is based out of Baton Rouge. The battalion is deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom with the 4th Infantry Division from Ft. Hood, TX. He is scheduled to return from Iraq in the summer of 2008.

Eliot deGravelles ’93 teaches community psychiatry and runs a home psych clinic for the University of Texas. He was selected as one of the outstanding professors of medicine by the medical school students.

Patrick Coogan ’93 is one of six friends who helped Pete Bush combine their belief in Baton Rouge and charitable giving with their love of wine to bring to fruition the Baton Rouge Uncorked. Their goal is to provide young professionals an opportunity to enjoy good wine and “pass a good time,” all while helping support a meaningful local cause.

Eric Borne ’96 has joined the ExxonMobil Baton Rouge Projects Department as a senior engineer and will be working on capital projects at ExxonMobil’s Baton Rouge area plants. He also passed the Professional Engineering Exam and is now licensed in the state of Louisiana.

Brian Thomas ’99 was hired as head strength and conditioning coach at Nicholls State University. Brian lettered four years as a member of Nicholls’ football team from 2000-2003.

William deGravelles ’03 is working in the Everglades and is awaiting a position in the Wetlands graduate school at University of Florida to start next August.

Morris LeBlanc ’03 helped design an animated agent named
AVARI, which stands for Animated Virtual Agent Retrieving Information. AVARI is able to recognize any voice and is capable of having a natural conversation with a human using a database to help her answer questions. In September, Morris was one of 11 student-athletes from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte who visited James Martin Middle School to give an inspirational talk on the importance of education as part of the Communities In Schools, a dropout prevention program.

Eric Couper ’05 is majoring in International Relations and Cognitive Studies with a minor in Latin American studies at Tulane. He studied this past summer in Chile. He is involved in resident hall government and in coordinating two symposiums for students to share their policy related research with politicians.

Christopher Laynes ’06, a sophomore at Xavier University in New Orleans, was invited to Case Western Reserve University School of Medicine in Cleveland, Ohio this past summer to study their pre-med program. He was also chosen by the Foot Locker shoe store to do a commercial for The United Negro College Fund and was granted a scholarship. The commercial will air in stores throughout the country during February 2008.

Lance Cpl. John David Pitchford ’06 is with the Battalion Landing Team, 1st Battalion, 5th Marine Regiment stationed in Camp Pendleton, Calif. He is on his first deployment overseas attached to the 11th Marine Expeditionary Force with the Navy. He is on the USS Germantown, one of three vessels in the fleet along with the USS Cleveland, and the USS Tarawa.

Brad Sanchez ’06 was assistant stage manager for the Baton Rouge Little Theatre’s performance of Forever Plaid: Plaid Tidings. Mark Primeaux ’07 performed in the Baton Rouge Little Theatre’s Forever Plaid: Plaid Tidings in December. Primeaux played Sparky, the baritone, in the show.

Catholic High Seeks Nominations for Delario Eames Courage Award

By Jan R. Breen

Catholic High School is seeking nominations for the Louis Delario Eames Courage Award.

Eames, a graduate of the class of 1973, was a distinguished student at CHS and was considered by all who knew him to be a person of great integrity and courage. He attended Louisiana Tech on a track and field scholarship and earned a degree in aviation in 1977. He then enlisted in the United States Navy and served as a carrier-based fighter pilot until February 1981 when he was killed while participating in a training exercise over the Pacific Ocean.

The Eames Courage Award will be presented to a student, graduate or friend of Catholic High School, who by his or her actions, has demonstrated the mental and moral strength to confront, resist and overcome significant danger, opposition or hardship. A selection committee, chosen from the Catholic High School community, will review the nominations for the award and make a selection. The award will be presented before a school-wide assembly in May 2008 and the recipient will receive a Golden Bear, the most prestigious honor bestowed by Catholic High School.

Deadline for nominations is March 1 and should be sent to Catholic High Principal Brother Barry Landry, SC at bblandry@catholichigh.org.
Father Trey Nelson ’80 Inducted into CHS Hall of Fame

By Jan R. Breen

Father Trey Nelson ’80 was inducted into the Catholic High School Hall of Fame on December 6, 2007.

A 1980 graduate of CHS, Father Trey holds a degree in communications from the University of St. Thomas in Houston, Texas and a Master of Theology from the Notre Dame Seminary Graduate School of Theology. He was ordained a priest by Bishop Stanley Ott.

Father Trey has served in many roles in his 19 years as a priest. He was the associate pastor of St. Isidore, St. Jude and Most Blessed Sacrament parishes; chaplain of St. Michael the Archangel High School and Catholic High School; spiritual director of the Office of Youth Ministry; facilitator of the Diocesan Council for Youth Ministry Development and a member of the Diocesan Committee for Child Protection. He currently serves as pastor of Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Church in Plattenville, pastor of St. Anne Church in Napoleonville and pastor of St. Philomena Church in Labadieville.

In addition to his priestly duties, Father Trey has authored several books including “Stand on the Promise: Daily Prayers for Busy Teens,” “To Be a Pilgrim Companion: Roles and Boundaries in Youth Ministry” and “8 Qualities for Healthy, Holy Relationships in Ministry with Minors,” to name a few.

At Catholic High, Father Trey has directed faculty and staff retreats, celebrated liturgies and participated in student retreats. He also provides spiritual assistance to school personnel and students.

Father Trey, the oldest of seven children, is the son of Yvonne Nelson and the late Caye Nelson Jr., a 1953 CHS graduate.

Following the Hall of Fame presentation, CHS Development Director Hal Dupuy ’73 honored Perpetual Founders Mr. and Mrs. Louis B. Gaudin and Mr. and Mrs. J. Gerard Jolly ’70. Perpetual Founders have generously donated $100,000 or more to Catholic High School during their lifetime.

Pat Shingleton served as the master of ceremonies of the 23rd Annual Founders Banquet and Gerald Tullier, CHS president, inducted Father Trey into the Hall of Fame.

Dupuy recognized the National Honor Society, Alumni Association and 2006-2007 Mothers’ Club President Joanne Roberts and 2006-2007 Men’s Club President Rudy Valenciano for their contributions to CHS. Dupuy also acknowledged Cary and Rolfe Miller, 2006-2007 PAGE chaircouple, for their leadership with the annual appeal. Additionally, members of the Catholic High School Board of Directors presented plaques to the new CHS Founders.
Improvements to Baseball Field Provide Opportunities
Alumni Baseball Game Set for February 16 ‘Under the Lights’

By Jan R. Breen

Catholic High has begun improvements to its baseball field which will provide students, parents, coaches and moderators additional opportunities to be a part of the athletic and extracurricular programs. Additionally, plans are under way for the first alumni baseball weekend set for February 15 and 16, 2008.

Improvements to the field include leveling and re-sodding the outfield, a new backstop with netting and the addition of lights to the baseball field.

Lighting the field will allow the coaching staff extra time to give each player the personal attention he needs to develop his skills. The lights will also give the junior varsity and varsity squads time to practice together, which will also strengthen the program. Additionally, the marching band will have extended time for practice.

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Catholic High hopes that more parents will be able to see their sons participate in these activities because the school can start games closer to the end of a work day.

“This marks a new era in Catholic High baseball. I am pleased that we are honoring all who have been a part of our program in the past by continuing to build a quality program for the future,” commented CHS Principal Brother Barry Landry, SC.

Catholic High hopes to make additional improvements on the baseball field including a concession stand, press box and restroom facilities.

“The improvements to the baseball facilities represent Catholic High’s commitment to excellence in all areas. I am excited to be a part of the outstanding CHS baseball tradition. I will do everything I can to continue to improve the program and to build on the successes of the past,” commented Head Baseball Coach Kyle Achord.

The improvements to the field will be inaugurated ‘Under the Lights’ for an alumni baseball game on Saturday, February 16, 2008. This game will highlight a weekend of activities for the first baseball reunion weekend set for February 15 and 16, 2008.

On Friday, alumni can gather at noon at Drusilla Restaurant to hear Mel Didier ’44, former CHS baseball and football standout and head coach of the 1953 State Baseball team, speak.

Friday night there will be a baseball alumni stag player draft at the law office of Moore, Walters and all baseball alums are invited to attend. On Saturday, CHS will host a high school baseball jamboree beginning at 10 a.m. and the day will conclude with the alumni baseball game at 5:30 p.m. Before the start of the alumni game, members of the 1953 and 1976 State Baseball Championship teams will be honored along with past head baseball coaches.

Chris Jones ’95, a former CHS and Tulane baseball player, is chairing the alumni baseball reunion weekend. Assisting him are Patrick Coogan ’93, Keith Constantino ’73 and Josh Eby ’99. Alums will be contacted about the weekend and a brochure will be mailed in mid January 2008 highlighting the two-day event with registration information.

If you are interested in helping with the weekend or serving as team captain to contact your teammates contact Chris Jones at cjones@kcwlaw.com or the CHS alumni office.

From the Archives
1952 Letterman Blanket Latest Addition to CHS Archives

By Barbara Camp

The latest item contributed to the Archives is a CHS letterman blanket donated by Daryl Whitty ’52. According to Whitty, in 1952 the blankets were given out to those students who had lettered in two sports for a period of four years each. Whitty was a four-year letterman in baseball and basketball during his tenure at Catholic High. The blanket was presented to him by his coaches.

Other blankets donated to Catholic High are two cheerleader blankets, one given by Firmin LeClercq Bozeman ’42 and the other donated by Farley Day ’42.

The Catholic High Archives contain a variety of interesting memorabilia that represents many phases of the rich 113-year history of CHS.

If anyone is interested in viewing items in the Archive collection or has an item he/she would like to donate, please contact the Catholic High School Alumni Office at (225) 383-0459.

BLANKETS. 1952 letterman blanket and two 1941 cheerleader blankets donated to CHS Archives.

1953 STATE BASEBALL CHAMPIONS. Members of the 1953 team will be honored February 16, 2008. They include (top, l to r) N. “Blondy” Millet, C.J. Payne, W. McGraw, A. Bryant, D.R. Atkinson, A. "Whip" Bertrand, and R. Hoover, manager. Middle row, (l to r) are Coach M. Didier; R. Hernandez; W. Barfield; T. Barfield; W. Bourdier; C. Albritton; Cooper Harrell, manager; E. Ruiz; and R. Songy. Bottom row, (l to r) include A. Ackman, J. Miller, Redfield Bryan, D. Fetzer, J. Zimmerle and M. Millet. (photo and caption from 1954 Brum.)
Children, Alumni Gather for Breakfast with Santa

The 14th annual Breakfast with Santa and Celebration of the Birthday of Jesus was held on December 15, 2007, in the Catholic High Courtyard and Union. One hundred and forty children and their families enjoyed the morning festivities sponsored by the CHS Alumni Association.

In the Union, the children visited and had their pictures taken with Santa’s helper represented by Terry Orillion ‘77. The souvenir pictures were provided by Wade Labat ‘63 of Ami Photography.

A live nativity scene was set up. Children were asked to bring gifts for needy children and place them at the feet of baby Jesus. The gifts were donated to the children at the Bishop Ort Women’s Shelter.

Magician Craig Boudreaux, and “Silly Nilly” the Clown, Juanette Benigno, also entertained the children. Breakfast was served and each child received a collectable bear.

“It is great to see this event double in attendance over the last two years and to see alumni return to campus to see classmates while their kids get a chance to know each other,” commented Matthew Graham ‘99, Breakfast with Santa committee member.

Committee members Sam Losavio ’66, Denny Vicknair ’63, David Beach ’96, Billy Bourdier ’55, Jeff Tanguis ’77, Patrick Hannie ’86, Graham and Dixon McMakin ’05, along with Katherine Ellis and Glen Randow from the Office of Alumni Relations, helped coordinate this event.

(Top) SANTA. Visiting with Santa Claus were (l to r) Brennan Uter ’91, his daughter Adeline, wife Ashly and daughter Emily.

(Bottom left) CLOWN. Silly Nilly the Clown (top center) entertains Emily and Ben Day ’94 and daughter Avalyn at Breakfast with Santa.

(Bottom right) COLORING. (l to r) Candice Daigle and John Harleaux ‘93 watch over Caleb and McKenzie Daigle as they color pictures to take home.

Eighth Annual Alumni Taste Fair
November 11, 2007

The 8th Annual Alumni Taste Fair were (l to r) Gus Pagulato, Sammy D’Agostino Jr., Dustin DeBenedetto, Cherie D’Agostino and Sammy D’Agostino Sr. ’70.

(Top right) TASTE FAIR. Enjoying the food at the 8th Annual Alumni Taste Fair were (l to r) Frankie Fresina ’85, Ross DiNicola ’83 and Pete Tulley.

(Bottom left) REUNITING. Reuniting at the Taste Fair were classmates David Fargason ’85 (far left) and Paul Waguespack ’85 (second from right) with their wives, Donna Fargason (second from left) and Glenda Waguespack (right).

(Bottom right) EATING. Enjoying the food and fellowship at the 8th Annual Taste Fair were (l to r) Missy Rockenbaugh, Rock Rockenbaugh, Marianne McIntyre, Marsha Arrighi, Shirley Arrighi ’72, Brad Rhorer and Trini Rhorer.
Alumni Feature

André du Broc ’86 Shares Laughs through Cards

By Jennifer J. Rouse

André du Broc ’86 - actor, musician, writer, director, teacher, comedian and even clown - has had a winding career path that has now led to a job in sharing smiles across the globe.

du Broc has taken skills learned in theatre, the circus, teaching, directing and his own comic personality and made a career writing greeting cards for Hallmark Cards, Inc.

After attending Marymount Manhattan Theatre in New York and Webster Conservatory of Theatre Arts in St. Louis where he studied Music Theatre with

HUMOR. André uses alternative humor as a senior writer for Hallmark Cards, Inc.

a minor in Music Composition, du Broc went to work in Florida an improvisation comedian at Busch Gardens and performed in several professional theatre companies in Florida.

Continuing on an ever-changing path, du Broc’s next step began with an audition for Ringling Brothers and Barnum & Bailey clown college which led to a life as a traveling circus clown.

du Broc eventually returned home to share his talents in the Baton Rouge theatre. Barry Kyle with Swine Palace brought him into the arts scene in Baton Rouge by making him director of Education and Outreach and resident music director. While working with Swine Palace, du Broc founded the theatre department for the Baton Rouge Center for Visual and Performing Arts. He also taught drama at Baton Rouge Magnet High School and East Jefferson High School in New Orleans before leaving to pursue a career as a freelancer.

André has combined his talents and is now using his humor and acting skills as a senior writer for Hallmark Cards, Inc. du Broc uses alternative humor for his greeting cards for Shoebox, Saturdays, Fresh Ink, and is a regular contributor to the Shoebox blog www.tinylittledivision.com. He has even had the opportunity to write and perform many voices for Hallmark e-cards. In December 2007, du Broc began a rotation as editorial director for Hallmark Innovations where he will work with new formats and technologies in the greetings industry.

While a student at Catholic High, André participated in drama and choir under the direction of Charlie Stewart, where he played the piano for many functions and eventually received two Golden Bears for drama and choir his senior year.

“I had a group of teachers that really invested their time and played a huge role in my development through high school such as Nancy Nalls, Beverly Wilson, John Hopkins and Charlie Stewart,” commented André.

“I would tell current students to pay attention in English class and do what you love. Be open to paths changing. You don't have to choose one path," added André.

2nd Alumni Quarterly Luncheon

All alumni are invited to Drusilla Restaurant

Friday, February 15, 2008

12 p.m.

Cost is $12 per person

Guest speaker will be Mel Didier ’44

Contact the CHS Alumni Office to RSVP chsalum@catholichigh.org or (225) 383-0459.

Wedding Bells

Tracey C. Derrick and Corey A. Butler ’85...Jennifer Ashley Broussard and Trent David Folse ’96...Rachel Marie O’Malley and George Wilton Town Jr. ’99...Anna Mechling Perkins and Brian Patrick Wolf ’99...Elizabeth Paige LeBlanc and Eric Paul Jean Fauveau ’02.

Baby Bears

Mary Elizabeth Macdonell, daughter of Kathy and Robert Macdonell ’83...William Charles Healy, son of Melissa and Emmet Thomas Healy ’83...Graham Joseph Waguespack, son of Glenda and Paul Waguespack ’85...Charlotte Grace Alexander, daughter of Amy and David Alexander ’88...Peter Gregory Beyer, son of Sherri and Greg Beyer ’88...Brent Joseph Melancon, son of Mendy and Brent Melancon ’88...Luke Alexander Alvarez, son of Amy and George Alvarez ’89...Josephine Anne Balhoff, daughter of Amanda and John T. Balhoff II ’89...Harrison Christopher Connolly, son of Kelly Stuart and Brian J. Connolly ’89...Lucy Rose DiVittorio, daughter of Kim and Scooter DiVittorio ’89...Ainsley Haze Brignac, daughter of Sara and Haze Brignac ’90...Abby and Emma Keyser, twin daughters of Claire and Scooter DiVittorio ’90...Brian Patrick Wolf, son of Glenda and Paul Waguespack ’92...Gibson Lee Shearer, son of Dana and Alan Shearer ’93...Kate Elizabeth Mattessino, daughter of Kelly and Jonathan S. Mattessino ’95...Kate Michel Hebert, daughter of Andrae and Rory Hebert ’97...Weston Scott Jones, son of Aubrie and Donnie Jones ’99.
23rd PAGE Program Generates Interest with Phonathon

By Joni Owens

Led by Parents Annual Giving Event (PAGE) Chaircouple Matt and Gwen Cotton, parents of Sean ’09 and Jacob ’11, and PAGE Phonathon Chaircouple, Brian and DD Dubreuil, parents of Matthew ’10, CHS completed its second annual and successful PAGE phonathon.

Sophomore and junior parents gathered in the Union on October 21 and eighth grade, freshmen and senior parents on October 28 to make personal contact with as many parents as possible to request their participation in the 23rd annual PAGE program.

“The festive atmosphere of the PAGE phonathon makes the task of making calls much more enjoyable. Callers enjoyed the ‘friendly’ competition and organization of the evening,” commented DD Dubreuil.

PAGE is an opportunity for parents to contribute to their son’s education on a tax deductible basis. In 2006-2007, 642 of 876 (73.3 percent) families gave over $312,000 to PAGE. All PAGE gifts are free-will donations. However, it is hoped that 100 percent of the families will participate because 100 percent of students directly benefit from gifts to PAGE.

“Our primary focus this year is participation. Every gift, great or small, is essential. Last year’s participation record was outstanding, but we hope that CHS parents will help us to take it to the next level again this year,” said Matt Cotton.

As a Brothers of the Sacred Heart school, CHS wants to remain affordable for as many students as possible. Because of regular donations from parents, alumni and friends, tuition increases can be minimized.

Other members of the PAGE leadership team this year are Russell and Valerie Primeaux, parents of Philip ’10, and Fermin and Becky Montes de Oca, parents of Anthony ’08.

Gifts to PAGE may be made by clicking on “donate online” on the Catholic High School home page (www.catholichigh.org) or by contacting the Development Office at (225) 389-0978.

(Top) PAGE PHONATHON. Brian Dubreuil (right) celebrates with his wife, DD, over a successful phone call. The Dubreuls served as this year’s PAGE Phonathon chaircouple.

(Right) CELEBRATES. Carol Hill shakes her pom pom because she received a PAGE commitment.

Rings Donated to the Catholic High Class Ring Program

1913 Joseph H. Arbour Sr. - (St. Vincent’s Academy)
1915 Lee Laycock - St. Vincent’s Academy alumni medal
1931 William W. Hannaman
1932 Alcee F. Altazain or Averill A. Aucoin
1937 Sanders R. Cazedessus
1938 George Kadair
1939 P. Leslie Bordelon
1940 Ralph F. Dupuy
1942 James Cazayoux
1944 Gordon Fisher
1945 William H. Lindsey Jr.
1947 Louis McHardy and P.J. Marino
1955 C.G. Mouch, Salvadore Messina, Patrick Couvillion
1956 John A. Commagere III
1957 Anthony Pecoraro
1958 John Ribes
1962 Leonard Kleinpeter
1963 Denny Vicknair
1970 John Bergeron
1974 David Whatley
1977 Andrew Robichaux, Rick Lea
1983 Dwayne Honoré
1986 Greg Sepeda
1987 Mark Emonet
1993 Tommy Screen

Louis McHardy ’47 (top left), Denny Vicknair ’65 (above, at left) and David Whatley ’74 (bottom, right) have donated rings to the Ring Display Program. Accepting the donations were Glen Randow, CHS director of alumni relations and David Beach ’94, ring display chairperson.
Scholarship Established To Honor Brother Adrian Gaudin, SC

By Hal Dupuy ’73

The Brother Adrian Gaudin, SC Scribe Scholarship has been established by Louis and Fran Gaudin to honor Louis’ older brother who served as Catholic High principal. The scholarship was fully funded by Louis and Fran through a “tax free” donation made from their IRA account as a result of The Pension Protection Act of 2006. Louis and Fran are “Charter Founders” who have made founder level gifts of $1,000 or more for the last 23 years. As a result of this year’s donation, the Gaudins were recognized as new Perpetual Founders at the CHS Founders Banquet in December. Perpetual Founders are donors with cumulative contributions to CHS of at least $100,000.

Another part of their gift helped the school in its efforts to fully fund the Brother Gordian Udinsky, SC Science Center. Brother Gordian taught all four of Louis and Fran’s sons as freshmen and seniors at Catholic High. Each of the Gaudins’ sons described Brother Gordian as his “favorite teacher.”

Through the Brother Adrian Scholarship, the Gaudin family wishes to encourage those students who, like Brother Adrian and his nephew, Dr. Ben Gaudin ’80, have a love of and dedication to writing, editing and producing quality publications, and communications in print and other media.

Brother Adrian, known as “Dick” Gaudin before he joined the Brothers, was the 1951 editor of The Aloysian, a publication of St. Aloysius High School in New Orleans. In 1980, Ben was editor of Bearly Published, the student newspaper at CHS.

In selecting recipients for the Brother Adrian Gaudin, SC Scribe Scholarship, Catholic High administrators will consider and be guided by the following criteria:

- Financial need as determined by the CHS administration and the financial aid application process.

In selecting recipients of this scholarship, the recommendations of faculty and staff moderators of school publications will be considered.

“This is a magnificent gift from Louis and Fran,” commented Gerald E. Tullier, president of Catholic High. “Their interest in honoring Brother Adrian and assisting students with financial need to attend CHS is an outstanding example of the spirit of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart. Also, their willingness to assist us in fully funding our campus facilities, specifically the Brother Gordian Science Center, advances the academic excellence of our school. We are so blessed to have benefactors like our new Perpetual Founders, Louis and Fran Gaudin,” added Tullier.

Anyone interested in establishing an endowed scholarship or making a contribution to the Second Century of Excellence Campaign may contact CHS Director of Development Hal Dupuy ’73, at (225) 389-0978 or hdupuy@catholichigh.org.

Brother Adrian Gaudin, SC

Brother Eldon 5K Run
Set for February 23

Plans are under way for the annual Brother Eldon 5K Run and One-Mile Fun Run/Walk/Jog set for Saturday, February 23, 2008. All alumni, friends, family and kids are invited to participate to help benefit the Brother Eldon Crifasi, SC ’39 Endowed Scholarship.

The one-mile fun run/walk/jog will begin at 8 a.m. and the 5K Run will begin at 8:30 a.m. Awards will be given to the overall male and female winners as well as to various age groups and unique categories. Refreshments, door prizes, a T-shirt and a great fun will follow.

The 2008 race chairman is Chris Jones ’95.

“Over the years the Brother Eldon 5K has grown and we are seeing more and more participants returning year after year. Once again, we expect this event to attract more runners than the last. It is a great race and supports a great cause. Please join us again this year,” commented Jones.

Committee members are Jeff Tanguis ’77, Matthew Graham ’99, Randy Ellis ’65, Brian Hightower ’97, Ben Cherbonnier ’63, Ryan Perry ’95, Brother Eldon Crifasi, SC ’39, Katherine Ellis and Glen Randow.
Class of 1982 Latest To Fully Endow Scholarship

By Hal Dupuy '73

How very fitting that during the week of Thanksgiving, CHS received the final installment of the Class of 1982 Endowed Scholarship. A group of 1982 graduates got together for lunch to present Catholic High with a check to fully fund their $30,000 endowed scholarship.

Andy Adler '82 and Sonny Chastain '82 remember initial discussions taking place at their 10-year reunion. Upon learning that other classes were establishing scholarships, they discussed the idea and believed they could do it as well.

"Because we are a close knit group we figured why not us, and our hope was that it would inspire other classes to do the same," commented Adler.

At the time, they were starting their business careers but were able to raise some early dollars.

"Every one of our classmatess is proud to know that the money they raised will aid a student who otherwise may not have had the financial ability to attend CHS."

They kept pushing forward at each subsequent reunion (15-year, 20-year and 25-year). The list of contributors has grown. A total of 58 members of the class have made donations toward the funding of their scholarship.

At their 25-year reunion this past summer, they discovered they were less than $3,000 away from fully funding the scholarship, and decided it was time to complete what they had started. They played golf as a group on the Saturday of their reunion and raised the balance when 27 classmates made contributions at that event.

"We were all thrilled when the final tally showed we had done it. Every one of our classmates is proud to know that the money they raised will aid a student who otherwise may not have had the financial ability to attend CHS.

In addition to his priestly duties, Father Trey has authored several books and continues to devote many hours to Catholic High as a leader of student, faculty and staff retreats.

"We are so excited about having Father Trey Nelson '80 as the speaker for our annual Alumni Prayer Breakfast. He is a member of the CHS Hall of Fame and an example for us all to follow. His words of wisdom will give each of us an opportunity to grow spiritually and will enrich our prayer lives. This is one Prayer Breakfast you don't want to miss," commented Alumni Fellowship Breakfast Chairman Michael Acaldo '85.

Drusilla Seafood Restaurant and Drusilla Place Catering will provide breakfast.

Tickets are $10 per person ($8 for dues-paying Alumni Association Members) and can be purchased with a check or with a credit card by visiting the website at www.catholichigh.org/alumni. For more information, please contact the CHS Alumni Office at (225) 383-0459.

VATICAN CITY. Christopher Berry '93 (center) is serving as the director of Liturgical Music at the Pontifical North American College in Vatican City State, Rome. Paula and Joe Melancon read with great interest the article in the October Bear Facts II on Christopher as they were planning a trip to Rome. The Melancons had lunch with Christopher at the Pontifical North American College. Christopher was very happy to see someone from home and they shared great conversation.
Alums Gather for Blood Drive, Tailgate Party and Book Signing

(Top left) TAILGATERS. Tailgating for the CHS Homecoming Football Game on October 25 were (l to r) Dr. James Hannie '52, George Cutrer '52, George Gelpi '52, and (seated l to r) Greg Landry '52 and John Averette '52.

(Top right) SIGNING. Mel Didier '44 (left) signs a copy of his book, “Podnuh, Let Me Tell You a Story” for (l to r) Auburn Bryant '53 and Jules “Pie” Gaudin '48 at Didier's book signing held at Catholic High on December 10, 2007.

ANNIVERSARY TEAMS. Representing each anniversary team recognized at the 2007 CHS Homecoming Tailgate Party on October 25, 2007 were first row (l to r) Frank Culotta '59, 1957 team; Gerald Didier '50, 1947 team; Joe Ellis '48, 1947 team; and Bobby Hebert '39, 1937 team. Back row (l to r) Eddie Vollenweider '78, 1977 team; Todd Hebert '88, 1987 team; and Trey Eyre '98, 1997 team.

BLOOD DRIVE. The CHS Alumni Association hosted the first Alumni Blood Drive on October 1, 2007 in celebration of the founding of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart. Donating blood were (above, l to r) Steven Berthelot '92, Blood Drive chairman, and Scott Ritter '93. If you were unable to attend, you may still donate at Our Lady of the Lake Blood Center in the name of the CHS Alumni Association.

Austin Nola Signs To Play Baseball with LSU Tigers

Austin Nola '08 has committed to play baseball at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge. Nola, a three-year letterman, played short stop on the CHS 2007 District Championship team. He was named All-District for three years, All-State in 2007 and All-State Honorable Mention in 2005 and 2006. His freshman year, he led the varsity team in hitting.

“I grew up watching LSU. It was always my dream to play for the Tigers,” commented Nola.

“I knew from his freshman year that Austin was a special kid with a special ability. He is one of the most humble, Division I players we have had in this program,” commented former CHS Head Baseball Coach Gerry Garidel. Nola plans to major in Business at LSU. He is the son of Stacie and A.J. Nola.

Gerry Garidel (standing) congratulates Austin Nola '08 for his commitment to LSU. Garidel coached Austin his freshman, sophomore and junior years.

“Jazz It Up” at the 2008 Mothers’ Club Auction

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Silent, Live and Online Auction
$5 Raffle for 2008 Saturn Vue
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“Mama Lou” James Retires as CHS Director of Food Service

By Barbara Camp

Mary Lou “Mama Lou” James retired as director of food service effective December 31, 2007 after 35 years of dedicated service to Catholic High School.

Following in the footsteps of her mother, the late Anna May Ribes, Mama Lou has given unselfishly of her life and her love to literally thousands of boys who have passed through CHS on their way to becoming men.

Her first memories of CHS were as an eight-year-old child in the days when the lunchroom was next door to the old weight room and her mother served sandwiches every day as a volunteer. Mama Lou grew up at Catholic High and later walked back and forth to the Academy as a young student. She believed that the Brothers on campus were her brothers because they ate together every day after school.

As a young adult, she assisted her mother in the lunchroom until 1971 when the student body of 400 grew too large to accommodate the small room and the decision was made to construct the current Student Union. At the opening of the new building, the position of Food Service Director was created and the baton was passed from Mrs. Ribes to her daughter.

Mama Lou began in the new lunchroom serving only sandwiches and fried chicken because there were no plates and no dishwasher. The fried chicken soon became the most popular lunch meal and remained the favorite for 35 years.

As a young mother, she literally raised her children on the lunch room counter. She remembers being involved in almost every aspect of CHS from preparing meals to chaperoning, attending every sporting event, substituting in the classroom and even scouting with the coaches, providing brown-bag lunches for the trips.

“I remember cheering for the football team when they lost every game and watching the Catholic High band when it was so small they could only spell out the letter ‘C.’ The small faculty of which Jan Breen, Pete Boudreaux, Glen Randow, Emily Terracina and Mitch Billings were a part, lived and breathed CHS and did everything together as a family,” commented Mama Lou with a familiar chuckle.

The main theme that permeates her memories is her deep love for the boys, past and present. Many come back to see her and she encounters them in the most unusual places. “That’s why I never wear a swimsuit on the beach! I can’t escape! I was even approached by an alumnus while touring in Italy,” commented Mama Lou.

She mentions many young boys whom she fed that went on to be outstanding leaders such as Greg Brandao ’73 and Warrick Dunn ’93. “When Greg became the principal of CHS I couldn’t believe that I had fed him as a student. He said ‘yes ma’am’ to me and years later I said ‘yes sir’ to him.”

About Dunn, she said, “I’m amazed that I fed a future NFL football player! Just look at what cafeteria food will do for you!”

One of the most touching things said to her by a student was just recently when a young man asked her this question, “Have you really been here that long? Wow, did everybody love you as much as we do?”

Mama Lou served with seven different principals and two presidents during her tenure at CHS.

She worked with Brother Francis David, SC when he was the principal and later the president of Catholic High School from 1983 to 2006. She recalls nervously counting money from the lunch sales as Brother Francis looked on.

“Brother made me so nervous I would have to start over again and again. It was a joke to him but torture for me!”

She has great admiration and respect for Brother Francis. “He always expected our best so we tried to give it to him,” she commented endearingly.

From the early days of 400 students in the sandwich line to a thriving student body of almost 1,000 young men, a staff of five and several thousand hot meals a week, Mama Lou sums it all up with this statement, “The boys like full plates, so you fill the plates with food and fill their hearts with love.”
Annual Grandparents Day Celebration Set for January 28

By Joni Owens

On Monday, January 28, 2008 Catholic High School will welcome grandparents and great-grandparents of eighth through 11th grade students for its annual Grandparents Day celebration.

The program will begin at 1:45 p.m. in the gymnasium. Guests will be entertained by the CHS band and chorus, participate in a prayer service led by the CHS student ministry team and hear several prose and poetry presentations written by CHS students about their grandparents.

Following the program, grandparents are invited to tour the campus with their grandsons and enjoy a reception hosted by the CHS Mothers’ Club in the Union.

“Grandparents are such an important part of the lives of our young men. It is an honor to have them on campus to witness firsthand the accomplishments of their grandsons,” said Hal Dupuy ’73, CHS director of development.

Grandparents will receive invitations in early January. More than 900 have attended every year and the CHS faculty, staff and students look forward to welcoming these special guests once again in 2008.

(Top) GRANDPARENTS. Sean Tessier ’10 (center) proudly escorted his grandparents, Rose and John Tessier ’44, around campus at Grandparents Day in February 2007.

(Bottom) GRANDSON. Russ Guidry ’10 (center) took his grandparents, Diane and Tommy Duncan ’61, on a tour of campus.

From CHS Band to LSU Tiger Band

LSU TIGER BAND. Twelve former Catholic High School and St. Joseph’s Academy students and Band and Bruinette members are participating in the LSU Tiger Band and LSU Golden Girls. Members of the LSU band are (top photo) back row (l to r) Matt Gray ’07, Bryce Bourque ’07, Timothy Kwan ’06, Adam Landry ’06, Allen Beal ’07 and Stephen Brouillette ’05. Front row (l to r) are Mark Assad ’07, Erin Barrilleaux (SJA) and Taylor Barbay (SJA). (Bottom left) Additional Tiger Band members are (l to r) Kyle Vallot ’06 and Matthew Menard ’06. (Bottom right) Kellie Geoffrey (SJA) is a member of the LSU Golden Girls.

In Memoriam

As of November 29, 2007, the following alumni and friends of CHS have died since the last issue of Bear Facts II. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.

Sister J. Randall “Randy” Barton Jr.  
Patrick Vincent “Pat” Bonanno  
John T. “Jay” Bozant  
Estelle Jordan Brousseau  
Sally Ann Ratelle “Sassee” Brown  
Patrick Caldwell  
Lydia Champagne  
Gerald “Gerry” Coutinho ’52  
Shirley Delise Dellaune  
Evy Simmoneaux Dille  
Edward Henry Ferzer  
William J. “Mr. Bill” Gallegos  
Kathryn Thompson “Kathy” Garner  
Ivy Joseph Garon 

James Arthur Gremillion ’51  
Carl William Gremillion Sr. ’52  
John Adam “Johnny” Guerin  
William Philip “Bill” Hackney, M.D.  

Russell William Hicks ’45  
J. Clifton Hill Sr. ’28  
Scott Ryan Himmel  
James E. “Jim” Hodges  
Margaret Ethel Harelson Jones  
Lillie Mary Joseph  
Brother Alfred Kolb, SC  
Toni Elizabeth Pope LaBorde  
Ernest John “Sonny” LaMotte  
Hilda R. (Cobb) LeBlanc  
Anthony Joseph “Tony” Lombardo ’45  
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Montagnino, M.D.  
Margret Mai Taylor Morgan  
Robert Vernon “Buddy” Pendarvis Sr.  
Gustave Anthony Piazza Sr.  
Grace Smith Pitts  
Kathlyn Welp Reynolds  
Rev. Hilton L. Rivet, S.J.  
Grace Heitz Roussel  
Linda Ann Schmidt  
Frances Noel Gordon Selser  
Issac G. “Zookie” Shaheen  
Vickie Rose Shelton  
Kalil Joseph Sliman Jr.  
Rev. Kenneth Albert Smith Jr. ’54  
Harry Frank Stabler  
Kitty Barry Strain  
Treg Thomas Tremont ’86  
David Coleman Vidrine ’76  
Nell Ward  
Warren Joseph Wilder
CHS/SJA Band, Bruinettes and Choir Receive Honors

By Barbara Camp

Members of the Catholic High/ St. Joseph's Academy choir received 43 of the 80 spots for District Honor Choir.

CHS students selected to the District Honor Choir were Gregory Judice, Adrian Wintz, Andrew Loreno, Josh King, Hunter Smith, Cameron Moore, Sanders Davis, Will Jenkins, Joe Brousseau, Marlon White, Louis Kearny, John Darnall, Barrett Dick, Jim Parks, Jordan Krouse, Kyle Anderman, Rob James, Brennan Herrmann, Gerald Songy, John Robert Butler, Gordon Newman, Philip Vincent, Philip Primeaux, David Attenhofer and David Benedetto.

Named to the All-State Honor Choir were Gregory Judice, Adrian Wintz, Andrew Loreno, Cameron Moore, Sanders Davis, Jim Parks, Jordan Krouse, Kyle Anderman, Gordon Newman and Philip Vincent.

The Band had three students named to the All-State Band. Students named were Mark Rolfsen, Ross Starks and Nathan Bush.

The Marching Band preformed at the Louisiana State Festival of Marching Bands held at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. The band was named Class AAA Champion. The Bruinettes took home the second place trophy in Class AAA as an Auxiliary. In the overall competition, the Bruinettes placed 8th, the percussion section placed 9th and the Drum Majors placed 6th. The band score representing all sections (percussion, winds and Bruinettes) placed them 4th out of 32 bands, making this the best placement since 1998.

Band officers include Chris Demas, president; Jasmine Glasper, vice president; band managers, Amanda Bergeron, Wesley Zeringue, Daniel Grammer and Daniel Brignac; senior drum major, Aaron Caffarel and junior drum major, John Peno. Mr. Duane LeBlanc is band director.

Choir officers include John Robert Butler, co-president; Knox Kelly, secretary; and Gregory Judice, treasurer. Mr. Stephen Galliano is choir director.

Men’s Club 72nd Barbecue Draws More Than 1,200

(Top left) STEAKS. Preparing the steaks for the 72nd Annual Men’s Club Barbecue were (l to r) Jimmy Boyce ’85, Richard Lieux ’79, Rick Capdevielle, Kevin Brian ’86 and Russell Politz ’86.

(Top right) DINNER. Enjoying the Men's Club Barbecue were (l to r) Ben Gaudin ’80, Michael Bergeron ’84, Frank Bergeron and Paul Bergeron ’81.

(Bottom left) GATHERED. Gathered for the barbecue were (l to r) Michel Fourrier ’69, Bob McAnelly, Walter Comeaux and Ernie Gremillion ’54

(Bottom right) REMINISCE. Reminiscing at the annual barbecue on October 13, 2007 were (l to r) Joe Terminii ’38, Gene Terminii ’42, Frank Terminii ’43 and Victor Terminii ’48.
Memorial and Honorary Gifts

There are many special occasions during our lives when we choose to memorialize or honor in a special way those we hold dear. The following are acknowledged for their gifts to Catholic High School from September 13, 2007 through November 27, 2007 in honor or memory of loved ones. Please remember these alumni and friends, as well as their families, in your prayers.

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By David Butler ’77

Over the past 60 years, Mel Didier ’44’s coaching career has taken him to the upper echelon of multiple major league baseball teams. Long before his days with the Montreal Expos, Seattle Mariners, Los Angeles Dodgers, Arizona Diamondbacks and his current position with the Texas Rangers; his desire to coach baseball came to the forefront his senior year at Catholic High.

It was during that senior year that Didier suggested to Brother Ralph that the school form a high school baseball team. Didier noted: “We had 14 to 15 of us who had been playing American Legion baseball. Back then that was the big thing. During the summer we had played as the Didi-Winks, sponsored by Frank Winkler, who owned a sporting goods store.”

Brother Ralph acquiesced and Catholic High’s first baseball team was born. Didier actually coached the team and was acknowledged by the local media as the coach. Brother Ralph came to the games and sat on the bench.

Somewhat surprisingly, Catholic High advanced to the state playoffs along with Jesuit, Sibley, Marrero, Peters and Holy Cross. The state tournament was held at City Park in Baton Rouge. In the opening game Catholic High faced Marrero. Russell Hicks was the starting pitcher for Catholic High but had to be replaced due to costly errors. Mel Didier ended up throwing 6 2/3 innings of the 7 inning contest. For his effort, Didier had 11 strikeouts. Catholic overcame a four-run deficit and won the contest.

Immediately after defeating Marrero, Catholic High faced Holy Cross. Didier was called to pitch the second game and simply ran out of gas as the Bears lost 11-2. Both pitcher, Didier, and center fielder, Stan Heine ’44, were elected to the All-State team.

The formation of the baseball team in 1944 laid the groundwork for Didier’s return to Catholic High School in an official coaching capacity when his team captured Catholic High’s first baseball state championship in 1953.

“It was wonderful for the Brothers of the Sacred Heart to let us start a baseball team. The baseball program created quite a bit of excitement and opened doors for so many. Malcolm Landry ’48 signed with the New York Giants. Ed Fetzer ’48, Al Ackman and my brother, Gerald ’50, signed with the Brooklyn Dodgers. I signed with the Detroit Tigers. Tommy Barfield ’53, Charlie Albritton and D. R. Atkinson ’53 went on to play in college. Baseball gave so many opportunities that they otherwise would not have had,” reflected Didier on his days at Catholic High.

Didier has published a book, “Podnuh – Let Me Tell You a Story,” which highlights his 54-year career in the world of baseball.

Parents: If your son no longer lives at home, kindly send us his new address. If you also wish to receive Bear Facts II at no cost, please phone (225) 389-0978 and let us know. Many thanks.

Sports In The Past

1944 TEAM. Front row (l to r) were Bobby David and Gerald Didier. Second row (l to r) were Jerry Marchand, Joe Babin, Malcolm Landry, Bum Akenhead, Russell Hicks, E.A. Ackoury and Nat Jackson. Third row (l to r) were Leo Cavell, A.J. Marchand, Tommy Day, Stan Heine, Al Heroman, Mel Didier and Bobby Tuminello.

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