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St. Mary's School Foundation Charles Barra, Chairman

When a small group of St. Mary's parents were planning the first Mardi Gras 34 years ago, no one envisioned that it would become so successful. This success can only be attributed to the strong support of parents and community who recognize the value of St. Mary's School. Congratulations to the many who worked long and hard to produce the 2004 Mardi Gras celebration,

which contributed over \$80,000 to the school budget.

Thirty years ago, I made the following statement, "In our search to improve the quality of life for children, we look to their education as one of our highest priorities." St. Mary of the Angels Catholic School in Ukiah offers spiritual, intellectual and social development directed at educating the whole child within a Christian community environment, blessed with strong parental involvement.

On February 16, 1984, another small group of parents founded the St. Mary's School Foundation, a non-profit corporation established exclusively for the benefit of St. Mary's School. A completely independent entity, it is managed by a lay board of local people, some of whom have served for over twenty years. The sole purpose of the Foundation is to develop and manage the endowment funds and distribute earned income from the fund to the school on an annual basis. The initial goal was to raise one million dollars through charitable contributions. Presently, the Foundation's assets are at three quarters of that goal. With continued parent and community support, the assets of the Foundation will increase and distributions to the school will also increase.

In order to insure long-term financial viability for the school, the board of directors of the Foundation has adopted a long-standing policy of using only a percentage of the income earned from the assets of the Foundation to fund the school budget. Additionally, the Foundation awards an annual scholarship to a St. Mary's student graduating from Ukiah High School and has helped to fund the school library.

Due to the ever increasing cost of education, it becomes essential that school budgets are managed within existing resources. But to a great extent, the quality of our children's education will be determined by the strong support and involvement of parents and community.

We invite you to join in our endeavor to provide a vibrant educational environment and future for the children of St. Mary's School.

Charles Barra

Charles Barra, Chairman
St. Mary's School Foundation



"Where 'fort' art thou?" Kindergarten!

We would like to thank Dave Brown, owner of Ukiah Lumber, for his generosity in donating lumber for our Kinder fort. We now have a wonderfully fun second story addition to our classroom. Thank you to Dave and our St. Mary's School families for their creative talents in designing, building, painting and decorating our new addition. These wonderful families are: the Merrick Family, the Hunter Family and the Clausen Family. Your time and talents are greatly appreciated.

All donations are valued and every donation will grow over time. Gifts may be made as one-time donations of cash payable through check or credit card, or may be pledged over a period of time. Do not overlook matching gifts offered by your employer. If you are interested in making a gift of stock, real property or a planned gift, please contact the Foundation office, and we can be of assistance to you.



From the Principal's Desk Debra Cabral

From our earliest years our parents taught us to say those magic words, "please" and "thank you". At St. Mary's, while helping with serving lunch, I noticed our youngest students make it a point to say "thank you" and with a grown up air, they add "very much." Then they smile, and off they go to enjoy whatever the lunch may be. Our

teachers, like the parents, are diligent about reminding the boys and girls to use their good manners. This is another characteristic of the St. Mary's School family.

I am grateful that I have this chance to thank you, our Alumni, Parents, and Friends of St. Mary's, who have been so generous in your support of our school. As we look back over the past year, I recognize how determined St. Mary's parents are in their commitment to the school. This was realized with the success of this year's Mardi Gras. I have had parents volunteer to mow the lawns, trim the hedges, and pull the weeds. They have assisted in classrooms, on field trips, and on the playground. Weekly, we have parents at school to help with our lunch program as well as to sell hot dogs and pizza. Just about anywhere I've looked or anywhere there has been a need, our parents have stepped up to give a hand. This is very commendable.

Our faculty and staff work diligently to provide academic experiences for the students that not only rival any public school experience but exceed them. Our alumni have returned to school during the year to praise the work of the teachers at St. Mary's because they found that they were very well prepared for what High School had to offer. The faculty and staff have shared with the students a living message of Christ by their concern and their examples. Many times I have come into the school after hours to find teachers working on lessons and projects for their students as well as their great rendition of the Mickey Mouse Club for this year's talent show. It is with sadness that I announce that Mrs. Howlett and Mrs. Kesey will retire this year. They will be missed.

When I arrived at St. Mary's in August, I found a school with many similarities to the school I had just left and not unlike any other Catholic school I've worked at, one that had serious financial concerns. With the help of our Parish second collection, our parishioners, and the friends of St. Mary's, we have been able to provide a well rounded experience. We have not let dollars dictate whether we will provide for our students.

As we complete this fiftieth year of St. Mary's School, we look hopefully to the next fifty years and to continuing to provide quality Catholic education to the children of Ukiah. Please keep St. Mary's in your prayers, and thank you for all that you have done. †

Campus News & Updates

St. Mary's Students "Jump for Heart"

Congratulations to St. Mary's students on raising \$2,600 for the American Heart Association through the Jump for Heart campaign. To show their understanding of how important it is to exercise to have a healthy heart, St. Mary's students jumped rope on March 17. Mrs. Parrish organized several stations with jump rope activities at each station. Thank you to Mrs. Parrish for organizing the Jump for Heart Program this year.

6th Grade "drive - thru" Chicken BBQ a Success

We are happy to report that our "drive - thru" chicken barbecue was a great success, and we are looking forward to our field trip at the end of April. The field trip, School to Go, will be in the Monterey area, and we will be gone for five days. Thank you to everyone who helped to make this possible. Special thanks to the Savings Bank crew for doing the cooking and to Mrs. Todd for helping organize this fundraiser.

E-Commerce Comes to St. Mary's

St. Mary's School can benefit from several e-commerce programs such as Albertson's Community Partners, Safeway Club card, eScrip, Target Guest, Visa, Mastercards, and Schoolpop.com. Albertson's Community Partners cards are available from the school. When you present your card at the checkout, St. Mary's School receives a percentage of your purchase amount. If you shop at Safeway, you can also register your club card number with eScrip.

If you do any shopping online our school benefits in the same way. Log on to Schoolpop.com and eScrip.com and indicate St. Mary of the Angels School, Ukiah, as the school to receive a percentage of your total purchase amount; then start shopping. In some instances, once you've registered, you don't even have to shop online...just use your Master or Visa card as usual. For more information on how to get started contact the school office.

Mark Your Calendars

May 22 Spaghetti Dinner

In the Parish Hall - the Spaghetti Grandmas are cooking!

May 27 Spring Fling with Teacher Recognition

Dinner 5-6:30, Spring Fling to follow.

Tickets for both events can be purchased in the School or Parish offices

School Registration Now Being Accepted

We are accepting applications for new students to St. Mary's School for August 2004. If you are interested, or know of someone who is, please stop by the school office for an application form. Tuition assistance is available. Share the good news with others.



Counting our Blessings!

There are so many occasions on which parents and other supportive members of our school community give materials and supplies to help enrich our school programs and events. We would like to acknowledge those who have made in-kind donations to the school.

Jack Cox—Sound system for auditorium.

Mrs. Joe Mills—In memory of her husband, Mr. Joe Mills, two \$50 tuition credits to benefit two St. Mary's students.

John McLeod—Printer network equipment and technical support.

Dave Brown, Ukiah Valley Lumber—Lumber for Kinder fort.

Marlin & Patricia Merrick—Building materials and labor for Kinder fort.

Brent & Rhonada Clausen—Building materials, paint, fabric, rug & pad cushions for Kinder fort.

Todd & Maria Hunter—Building materials and labor for Kinder fort.

Robert & Kim Clark—building materials and labor for Kinder fort.

Rhonada Clausen—Easter baskets for each Kindergartner.



Gifts have been made to the Foundation in memory of the following individuals. The St. Mary's School community keeps them ever in our prayers.

Jean Brooks
Angie Frassinello
Irene Hamilton
Caroline Moravec
Betty Tracy



Alumni News

We invite you to share what's going on in your lives. Let us know where you are and what you've been doing...school, work, play. Are you married, have children, grandchildren, pets? You can drop us a note or fill out and return the form on the back page. It's always great to hear from you.

1999 Catlyn Bauman is attending Biola University and writes "I have just added a second major, so I am now pursuing degrees in both Intercultural Studies and Communication Studies. I believe God is calling me to become a missionary overseas, so any prayer in this area would be greatly appreciated."

Scholarship Recipient News

The following letter is from Emily Senff '99 who writes to us from the University of Oregon. Emily is the 2003 recipient of the St. Mary's School Foundation Scholarship.

Hello everyone! I would first like to wish you all a very Happy New Year. Secondly, I would like to express my sincere appreciation for your continued support in my college venture. I am very grateful for your financial support, as it has helped to fund things such as tuition, housing and books. My first quarter at the University of Oregon was quite an adventure. It certainly is a big change for me, but one that I am thoroughly enjoying. The dorm rooms are small and the food is a little less than tasty, but the campus itself is beautiful. I have met tons of new people and have definitely made some very good friends. My classes were very challenging, but went well. I have developed quite an interest in the foreign language program and am thinking about the possibility of studying abroad in Spain, and maybe even Australia in the future. The weather has a mind of its own; one minute it is sunny, the next, pouring down rain. It even snowed one day and stuck for several hours! This next quarter is going to be quite a challenge compared to the last. I am taking Spanish again, a required writing course, Educational Studies and a class called Planning, Public Policy and Management, and yoga. I have been home several times now, and I must say I always love coming back to Ukiah. I hope all of you had a wonderful holiday season, and I wish you health, happiness, and peace for the New Year!

Sincerely,

Emily R Senff





St. Mary's Mardi Gras 2004: "A Masquerade Ball!" was one of the most successful ever! We were able to net approximately \$83,000 which will go directly to the operating budget of the school. The success of this community-wide celebration was due to the hundreds of local businesses, families, and individuals that committed so much time and many resources to the event.

The fabulous costumes, lively gaming, dancing to live band "Gigantic," and the New Orleans inspired decor made this year's Mardi Gras an especially memorable event. Jesters & jokers, and ball gown clad revelers ruled the evening. Sunday's Carnival was heartily enjoyed by the young set and included a new mix of popular activities such as a rock climbing wall, a jumbo sized slide, and a bounce house. The live auction was very successful, and the raffle drawings resulted in many surprises! The truck raffle winner was Bill Lipps of Ukiah, and Kerri Vau won the 3-day cruise on the Mexican Riviera.

All who support Mardi Gras are making an important contribution towards St. Mary of the Angels School and its continued service to the children of our community. Thank you for your generous contributions and continued support!

Next year's date has been set for February 5 & 6, so mark your calendar for another fun event! Persons wishing to donate items for the 2005 Silent and Live auctions may contact Patty Merrick at 707/485-1860.



Live auction sales pitch by fourth grade.



Carnival face painter Cristina Lopez.



Flamboyant jester wins costume contest.



Diners enjoy the meal and await the Wine Auction.

Balloon time on Bourbon St.



Auction item test drive.



Who is that masked...Father Mike?



Revelers enjoying a break in the dancing.



Michael & Diana Lunas



The Masquerade Balls - the punny, perennial Bogner & Frassinello show.



Pope Persky blesses the meal.



Chris "Zorro" & Brigitte Paredes



Royalty Chuck & Kerri Vau



Annie Guzman, Kathy Persky & Mary Carnevale

Save the Date -
Mardi Gras 2005
Feb. 5 & 6

See anyone you know? Help us make contact with the St. Mary's graduates & former students below by forwarding their latest address information to the foundation office! We want to include them in future reunion and school mailings.

LaCrosse, Michael 1965
 LaDelle, Roberta 1974
 Langton, Diana 1974
 Langton, Carolle 1981
 Langton, Michael 1985
 Lanzit, Nicholas 1992
 Larson, Ann 1964
 Larson, Jan 1965
 Larson, Kathryn 1973
 Laugero, Thomas 1963
 Leard, Julie 1985
 Lemke, Jonathan 1992
 Lemke, Nathaniel 1994
 Levy, Jennifer 1978
 Lewis, Mike 1979
 Lincoln, Keith 1985
 Lincoln, Ronald 1981
 Lincoln, Roy 1981
 Lincoln, Virginia 1987
 Long, Robert 1977
 Look, Jamie 1964
 Look, Julie 1964
 Look, Angel 1967
 Look, Jr., William 1963
 Lowery, Lisa 1989
 Lucero, Nicole 1989
 Lucero, Marcellus 1994
 Luiz, Gary 1958
 Lusnia, Paul 1978
 Lynch, Christina 1970
 Lyon, Teresa 1990
 MacDonald, Tim 1979
 MacDonald, Nina 1980
 Macelli, Trisha 2001
 Mahoney, Jonica 1988
 Maimona, Phyllis 1959
 Maize, Andrea 1981
 Maize, Darrell 1981
 Maize, Craig 1982
 Marsh, Sam 1980
 Marshall, Catherine 1961
 Martin, Clover 1991
 Martinez, Gloria 1991
 Mastro, Anne 1973
 May, Chia 1984
 Mayfield, Nicole 1995
 Mayfield, Amanda 1994
 Mayfield, Jeffrey 1988
 Mayo, Jean 1958
 Mayo, Patricia 1959
 McAllister, Petra 2004
 McGill, Michael 1960
 McGraw, Karen 1977

McGuire, Dennis 1975
 McGuire, Cheryl 1976
 McKeon, John 1970
 McManus, Mary 1976
 McMullen, John 1983
 McNally, Phillip 1974
 Mede, Wilhelm 2007
 Mede, AnnMarie 2009
 Medeiros, Jeffrey 1994
 Meek, Christopher 1992
 Mendenhall, Justin 1989
 Mendez, Stephanie 2002
 Mendez, Patrick 2007
 Mergner, James 1979
 Mergner, Patrick 1982
 Meyers, Joyce 1960
 Miley, Terrence 1964
 Miziikowski, Stephen 1964
 Moore, Jason 1984
 Moreno, Angelica 1989
 Morga, Robin 1963
 Moroni, Kenneth 1966
 Morris, Tim 1975
 Morris, Evan 1976
 Morse, Macci 1986
 Murali, Varshini 2001
 Murphy, Patricia 1965
 Musial, Jeff 0
 Musial, Pamela 1964
 Musial, Smith Karen 1962
 Myers, Shasta 1994
 Myers, Steve 1977
 Nelson, John 1961
 Nelson, Elisa 1963
 Nelson, Paul 1968
 Nelson, James 1973
 Newman, John 1960
 Newsome, Deborah 1971
 Nolen, Nikki 2005
 Oakes, Robert 1967
 O'Hara, Penni 1961
 Oliver-Johnson, Sarah 1993
 Omiatek, Francis 1982
 O'Neil, Kevin 1971
 Opperman, Gina 1983
 O'Quest, Meagan 1998
 Osbourn, Don 1960
 Osbourn, Patricia 1961
 Pacini, Samuel 1962
 Parsons, Jacqueline 1978
 Pate, Quentin 1983
 Peabody, Robert 1967
 Pearson, Kenneth 1959
 Perez, Perla 1987



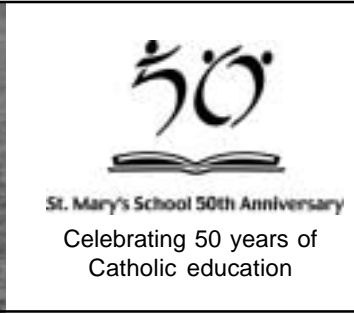
2004 St. Mary's Talent Show:
 Talented teachers Bauman and Coursey join Mouseketeers

routine (above left). Seventh grader Julie Pacheco, Principal Debra Cabral, pianist Danielle Brassfield and singer Izak Cirillo get ready for the show.

Peroni, Michael 1963
 Perrine, Charles 1977
 Peterson, John 1961
 Petsch, Andrea 1995
 Phillips, Bill 1990
 Plichta, Amy 1989
 Plichta, Julie 1992
 Polk, Shaanette 1985
 Polk, Rene 1981
 Pomilia, Frankie
 Prader, Bethany
 Prader, Edward 1979
 Prader, Aaron 1985
 Presnall, Barry 1966
 Presnall, Darryl 1969
 Proctor, Robert 1978
 Proctor, Diane 1981
 Provenza, Rose 1986
 Puser, James 1979
 Quinn, Ashley 2001
 Quinones, Gina 1983
 Radford, Elizabeth 1961
 Radler, Wilfred 1957
 Radler, Kathryn 1960
 Rains, Joshua 1993
 Rangel, Jose 1972
 Rangel, Lupe 1972
 Rebelo, Maud 1964
 Redding, Erica 1995
 Reischman, Steve 1962
 Reveles, Robert 1997
 Reynolds, Chad 1985
 Ricketts, Tami 1978
 Ricketts, Patty 1981
 Riley, Geraldine 1964
 Riley, Shirley 1967
 Roberts, Jeremy 1987
 Robertson, Jeffrey 1992
 Rodriguez, Cecilia 1992
 Rose, Andrew 1990
 Rowley, Shaun 1964

Rubalcava, Rosie 1984
 Rupert, Nathan 2000
 Sallee, Patrick 1963
 Sallee, Douglas 1966
 Sanchez, Jimena 1995
 Saunders, Natasha 1991
 Sawyer, Robert 1978
 Sawyers, Bill 1980
 Sawyers, Spencer 1988
 Saylor, Timothy 1982
 Schafer, Norm
 Schafer, Leonard 1962
 Scherf, Lynn 1965
 Schmidt, Nicole 2008
 Schuette, Mike 1980
 Schuette, Edgar 1983
 Schwenning, Steve 1981
 Scotto, Dale 1957
 Seward, Ellen 1975
 Sexton, John 1974
 Sexton, Marta 1976
 Sharman, R. 1958
 Shepard, Marie 1983
 Shimmin, Gary 1959
 Shortridge, Tammy 1980
 Silva, John 1963
 Simon, Mary 1957
 Simoncini, Paul 1958
 Sisneros, Joseph 1961
 Skower, Barbara 1967
 Sligh, Eric 1992
 Smith, Aaron 2002
 Smith, Allison 2006
 Smith, James 0
 Smith, Richard 1961
 Smith, Sherrie 1977
 Snyder, Carrie 1969
 Snyder, Kathy 1981
 Spacek, Kathleen 1969

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Continued-Missing Alums.

Spaletta, Pamela 1983	Thomson, Andrew 1992	Wann, Heidi 1986	Wiseman, Mike 1981
Stearns, Cathy 1967	Thornhill, Diane 1963	Weagant, Roamie 1980	Wotruba, Arthur 1982
Stegeman, Thomas 1961	Tomlinson, Jill 1962	Webster, Mary Joan 1962	Wright, Donald 1975
Stephens, Melanie 1999	Torkelson, Tonia 1983	Wegesser, William 1966	Yanko, Joseph 1969
Sundquist, Gregory 1973	Travis, Richard 1980	Weslowski, Phyllis 1973	Yanko, Elizabeth 1972
Sutten, Eric 1977	Tucker, Theresa 1979	Wesolowski, Leonard 1980	
Sutten, Mia 1981	Tyrrell, Crystal 1990	White, Victoria 1961	
Swensen, Rory 1992	Vaca, Jimmy 1979	White, John 1965	
Swenson, Maureen 1978	Valdez, Bernadine 1987	White, Carla 1988	
Tenney, Elizabeth 1961	Vandervort, Francis 1957	Willey, Rene 1978	
Thatcher, Cathy 1972	Vandervort, Mary 1958	Williams, Mike 1977	
Thawerbhoy, Waheeda 1983	Vandervort, Michael 1962	Wilshon, Kieren 1963	
Thomas, Cymbre 1999	Veno, Joshua 1983	Wilson, Pamela 1964	
Thomas, Cheryl 1968	Vohs, Phyllis 1961	Wilson, Pricilla 1968	
	Walker, Marcie 1976	Wilson, David 1971	
	Walsh, Michael 1962	Wilson, Joan 1970	



**Upcoming Events -
See inside for details!**

**Sports Award Dinner
May 20, 2004**

**Spaghetti Dinner in
the Parish Hall
May 22, 2004**

**Spring Fling &
Teacher Recognition
May 27, 2004**

**Mass Honoring
Retiring Teachers
May 28, 2004
8:30 AM**

**8th Grade
Graduation
June 4, 2004**



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City _____ State _____ Zip _____

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Alumni/Class of _____ Maiden name _____

What's new - college, job, marriage, children.....

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