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The Crusader Band of Angels Appeal



This spring the Central Catholic Foundation with Bishop William Dendinger launched the Crusader Band of Angels Appeal.

The Central Catholic Foundation Endowment has provided an average of \$250,000 a year for the last ten years. Because of the downturn in the economy, the Endowment is unable to produce the necessary funding for the school.

The goal of the Angel Appeal is to raise \$300,000 for GICC.

To date the Crusader Band of Angels consist of:



2009 GICC Graduate Sammy Salyvongsa turns her tassel at the Commencement Ceremony

80 Pledges

For a total of: \$ \$85,743

Including:

- Foundation Board Members 9
Board of Education Members 5
Current Parents 10
Others 55

The Grand Island community is blessed to have a Catholic school. GICC saves the Grand Island community millions of dollars in taxes each year. Central Catholic doors and grounds of Central are open to the community day and night.

Gifts to the Angel Appeal will insure a quality education rich in Catholic tradition for the many young people who will follow in the footsteps of the GICC Class of 2009.

Angels come to us in many forms.... Let your light shine and join the Crusader Band of Angels!

\*\*There were 52 angels behind this story when it began earlier in April. It is our sincere hope that at least 250 angels will come forward to provide the funds necessary for Central Catholic during the 2009-2010 school year.

April Memorials

- Jim Cassey
Robert "Bob" Fagan
Jean Marie Johnson
Norman Kube
Lavern Lukasiewicz
Lori Olesen
Mary Trejo

Stop by the Foundation Office to see the Crusader "Book of Memories".

These albums remind us of those we have loved and honor.

Central Catholic Development Foundation Mission Statement

The mission of Grand Island Central Catholic Development Foundation is to promote the understanding and support of the school's mission among all constituents and obtain charitable gifts for Central Catholic Schools through friend and fund raising.

## Central Catholic Foundation Board

Bishop William Dendinger  
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*Central Catholic Board Members serve three-year terms with a maximum two terms.*

*Thanks to our Foundation Board Members for their unwavering dedication, care and concern for Central Catholic.*

# Foundation News

- ◆ The Central Catholic Foundation will forward the Bishop Paschang Endowment payment for 2008-2009 in June. The balance of the Bishop Paschang Endowment is: \$483,378.10. This year's payment to Central Catholic from the Paschang Endowment will be \$20,168.
- ◆ Coach Bill Gavers has stepped up to coordinate the Alumni Basketball Tournament. The next tentative date for the tournament is Saturday, December 26th.
- ◆ The second round of "bricks" were installed before graduation to the Wall of Honor in the new Athletic Center for new pledges to the *Building the Faith* Capital Campaign. Thanks to Bill Ziller! Remember... a new round of bricks will be prepared before the 2010 graduation ceremony. It's not too late for you or anyone you know to be included on the Crusader Wall of Honor.
- ◆ 2009 Alumni Reunions include:
 

1959	50 Years	August 14-16	Rich Maciejewski
1969	40 Years	July 10 - 11	Mike & Sandy Tipton
1979	30 Years	August 14-16	Shawn Farrell
1989	20 Years	June 20-21	Susie Sisson
1999	10 Years	June 26-18	Matt Rempe

 See the Foundation website for additional plans.
- ◆ The Class of 2009 was welcomed into the Central Catholic Alumni Association during graduation rehearsal on May 6th. Karen Robison and Cathy McMullen presented the graduates with Alumni pins.
- ◆ Special thanks to Cathy Brown '73 Howard who spoke on behalf of the Alumni Association at the 2009 Graduation Ceremony.
- ◆ Crusader Calendar Winners are posted on the website at: [centralcatholic-development.com](http://centralcatholic-development.com)

**Race to the Finish  
Line...  
Building the Faith**



**Challenge Goal**                    **\$4,000,000**  
**Pledged or Paid to Date**    **\$ 3,707,611**  
**To Complete Challenge**   **\$ 292,389**

**642 Pledges to Date**

Do you and your loved ones have your "brick" yet on the Crusader Wall of Honor?

## The 2009 Knight Dinner & Auction

The Knight 2009 will be held on Saturday, November 21st at the Fonner Park Heartland Event Center.

This year's chair are Ryan and Laura Dexter with Greg and Kim Jarecke.

The theme for 2009 is "The Knight in Paris"..

Corporate invitations will be mailed in May.

**Visit the Central Catholic Foundation Website to view a copy of the 2007-2008 Annual Report**