

# St. Eugene SPIRIT

For the family and friends of St. Eugene School

Fall 2015

## Annual Fund Sets Record in 2014-15 Two Alumni Offer Challenge Grant for 2015-16

Thank you to the generous parishioners, alumni and their parents, and friends who made the 2014-15 Annual Fund Appeal a success. Together, we raised \$104,410.00! For the first time since the "great recession" began, the Annual Fund exceeded \$100,000. We congratulate all who contributed, as well as our dedicated 2014-15 co-chairs, current school parents James (SES '92) and Val Wawrzyn and alumni parents Bob and Alice Streicher.

Of the total raised, nearly \$88,000 was designated for the operating budget, nearly \$1,500 was designated for tuition assistance, and over \$15,000 was added to the Endowment Fund. Roughly half of the over 200 donors were alumni and their parents. Three quarters of the donors were current members of St. Eugene Parish. Of the current school families, 74% donated, and several grandparents also participated. If adding these numbers is causing confusion, remember that many donors fit into more than one classification.

#### 2015-16 Annual Fund adds challenge grant

Two alumni have stepped forward with an exciting offer of a challenge grant for the recently launched 2015-16 Annual Fund. These two anonymous alumni have pooled their resources to offer a \$5,000 challenge grant. They are hoping that during 2015-16, the number of alumni and their parents giving to the Annual Fund will grow to 150. Every gift matters—whether large or small—all will count toward this participation goal. With over 800 on the mailing list of alumni and alumni parents, this goal is attainable. You can also help by sending more addresses our way; please see instructions in the sidebar.

"We believe alums treasure their Panther memories and will respond to the challenge! Every gift helps this excellent school form a new generation of children of faith," said one of the grantors.



Mrs. Tulley guides the next generation at St. Eugene School, including 8th grader Katie Sanicola.

Phil and Sally LaRosa, 2015-16 Annual Fund Chairs, are alumni parents. "The Annual Fund is crucial to providing an affordable, Catholic education. We hope other alumni parents, who built great friendships during countless volunteer hours in younger years, will continue their support with generous donations now."

The 2015-16 Annual Fund follows the parish fiscal year, which means contributions will be gratefully accepted through June 30, 2016. However, if you'd like to make your tax deductible donation before calendar year end, please respond quickly by mail or by using a credit card at www.steugeneschool.com.

#### Help St. Eugene School Earn the Challenge Grant! Seeking Alumni Contact Information!

Please send us your email address. Share email and home addresses for your siblings and other alums. Please send to Development Director Susie Desmond Nettesheim at nettesheims@archmil.org, 414-918-1120, 7600 N. Port Washington Rd, Fox Point, WI 53217.

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