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 for Today's Children**

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# Flame

*"Stir into flame the gift of God that has been bestowed upon you in baptism."  
 —Pope John Paul II*

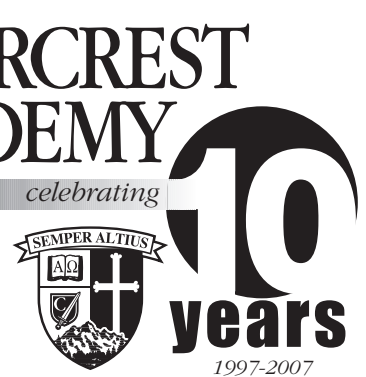
## 10th Anniversary Celebrates Many Successes

Cedarcrest Academy marks its 10th Anniversary this year and is proud to announce its highest enrollment ever—170 students in PreK-8th grade for the 2006/07 school year. Founded in 1997, the school consistently sets higher standards by exceeding student and parent expectations.

As a result of the academic excellence, Cedarcrest has attracted over 400 students since 1997 from over 35 different Twin Cities communities. The school has had many notable

successes over the 10 years; the move from Plymouth to Maple Grove in 2000 accelerated the student population; 70 acre land acquisition on Bass Lake Road for potential new campus; Boys Crusader Basketball League and Girls Crusader Volleyball Tournament Championships; establishments of our Golf Classic, Gala & Auction, a Capital Campaign and Endowment Fund; four graduates are currently attending Catholic seminaries; graduates are now attending such colleges

as Franciscan University (Stuebenville, OH), Benedictine University (Hutchinson, KS), Xavier University (Cincinnati), Michigan State, and St. Thomas University (St. Paul).



As parent's education demands have increased over the years, so too have the programs and curriculum at Cedarcrest,

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**Golf Classic Winning Mens Foursome:**  
 Left to right, Josh Breen, Richard Walker, John Menard, Trevor Matthies

### Eighth Golf Classic Nets \$22,000!

Cedarcrest Academy held its 8th Annual Golf Classic Fundraiser followed by the 10th Anniversary Celebration dinner on September 25 at Rush Creek Golf Club in Maple Grove. Over 100 golfers participated in the day and 150 guests attended the dinner.

It was a beautiful day for golf with sunny skies and temperatures in the 70s! Several golfers came within inches of winning a \$15,000 cruise for a hole in one, and special prizes were awarded for longest drive, closest to the pin, and longest putt.

Posting a very impressive 12 under par score of 61 was the winning foursome of Richard Walker, Josh Breen, John Menard and Trevor Matthies.

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### Cedarcrest 2006/07 Annual Fund Campaign: "Continue the Crusade"

The 2006/07 Annual Fund Campaign's theme "Continue the Crusade" reinforces Cedarcrest's goal of forming today's children into tomorrow's leaders. The Annual Fund Campaign provides an essential supplement to tuition income and provides the resources necessary for an outstanding educational environment for our students. With this in mind, the goal for the 2006/07 Annual Fund has been set at \$125,000 with 100% parent participation.



**Mark and Terri Schoenfelder**

Tuition alone does not fully cover annual operating expenses. The proceeds from the Annual Fund offset the difference between tuition income and operating expenses. The Campaign is especially important as it keeps the tuition at a competitive rate and allows for new program development.

At Cedarcrest Academy, volunteers are at the heart of fundraising efforts. We are very pleased to announce that Mark and Terri Schoenfelder will serve as chair-couple for this year's Fund Drive.

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## Principal's Message

By Tom McInnis



*There was never a truly sincere and generous heart, that was not also tender and compassionate.*

Dear Parents, Grandparents and Friends:

The teachers and I are blessed each and every school day; we are surrounded by many sincere and generous hearts. Those "sincere and generous hearts" are not limited to the students that walk through the school doors each school day. The children simply reflect the "tender and compassionate hearts" of their parents.

As we enter our tenth year, my thoughts reflect back to our inauspicious and simple beginnings in September of 1997; two rooms and 11 bright students housed in an antiquated building in Plymouth on Highway 55. It all began with dedication and a sincere trust that God would smile upon this educational venture called Cedarcrest Academy. I remember well, my first encounter with Mark Vogel, Chairman of the Board of Directors; we had a long discussion and our meeting concluded with these sincere words of wisdom from Mr. Vogel: "Tom, our job is to do the very best we can; we leave the rest up to God". Well, God has certainly lived up to his side of the bargain.

Cedarcrest Academy's growth in student population over a ten year period may be an indication of how pleased God is with the dedication of the families and teachers. As Principal, I continue to be overjoyed with the work of our teachers who continue to expect above average behavioral and academic effort of the students. Professional and enthusiastic, the teachers continue to nurture their students into striving for soaring academic goals so that each individual may reach his/her highest possible academic potential. I also witness the sincere desire of the students to live the designated "virtue of the month" so that each will develop into a principled, caring, generous and productive member of society.

Respectfully submitted,  
James T. McInnis  
Principal

## Cedarcrest Academy Celebrates Another First

On October 6th, Cedarcrest Academy students, along with children throughout the world gathered uniting in prayer, beseeching Almighty God for peace. This was Cedarcrest Academy's first Holy Hour. Students came before the Eucharistic Lord enthroned in the monstrance and offered their simple prayers for peace. The beauty of the afternoon was made possible by the presence of Father Luke Meyer and Father James McConville. Father Meyer has special ties with the school, being the godson of Cedarcrest parent Barbara Janas and cousin of Cedarcrest students Joe and Leo Janas.



## Cedarcrest Curriculum Evening Updates Parents

The attention Cedarcrest Academy gives to communication with parents is one of the school's most special attributes. While communication occurs through a variety of channels, the annual Curriculum Evening provides a unique opportunity to update parents on current, new and future school programs.

This year's Curriculum Evening was held on September 21. Parents were greeted by the principal, Tom McInnis, and introduced to the faculty and staff. Short classroom presentations by the teachers followed. Throughout the evening, parents also enjoyed the opportunity to socialize with each other. The evening culminated with formal presentations by the Deans, representatives of CAPA (Cedarcrest Academy Parent Association), and the Board of Directors.

The Deans' presentations vary each year in order to focus on specific areas of the curriculum. This year, the Deans of Academics, Mrs. Buss and Miss Koehler, provided an in-depth look at Reading Works, the core of the school's language arts program. They explained the research behind this multi-sensory program and how it is used to develop students' reading and writing skills.

Dean of Students, Jason Slattery, gave an overview of the other three areas of formation besides academics: human, spiritual, and apostolic. He mentioned new leadership opportunities students have this year such as the new Student Council, as well as building esteem for character formation with the Positive Conduct Report. Mr. Slattery also welcomed families to attend Mass at the school.

During the dessert reception, it was evident that Cedarcrest parents appreciated this yearly opportunity to "see behind the scenes" of curriculum development and they were clearly inspired by how the school lives out its dedication to Integral Formation® in the daily activities of the students.

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# Deans Add Academic, Virtues Benefits

In schools today, a dean at the elementary level of education is quite rare. Cedarcrest Academy is blessed with three deans. Tina Buss (PreKindergarten-Second grade) and Ann Koehler (Third-Eighth grade) are the deans of academics and Jason Slattery (PreKindergarten-Eighth grade) is the dean of students. Here is an overview of the roles of Cedarcrest deans and why they are important to the success of the school.

## The Deans of Academics

The role of the dean of academics is to establish an environment in which students achieve standards of academic excellence, while reaching their intellectual potential.

Deans meet with their teachers who “map-out” their instruction, which provides a constant awareness of how these teachers are achieving their goals. The deans review teachers’ performance in all areas of the classroom including how they relate to their students’ needs and how they motivate students toward their success. Knowing the entire curriculum, the deans are able to avoid gaps and repetition of instruction and sustain continuity in the knowledge at Cedarcrest Academy.

Ann Koehler says, “Having a Dean of Academics sets Cedarcrest Academy apart from other schools. Too often ‘curriculum’ is defined by an individual teacher’s tastes, or it becomes a matter of simply ‘finishing the textbook.’ At our school, students learn a defined curriculum. Individual teachers are still free to achieve the benchmarks in ways that fit their own style and the needs of their given classes, however there’s no ambiguity about what our students will know and be able to do when they graduate.” Miss Koehler also teaches language arts to grades 5-8.

Tina Buss, who began with Cedarcrest Academy in 1998 as a first grade teacher, watched the school grow from 30 students to 170. When Mrs. Buss taught in other schools, she sometimes felt alone and isolated in teaching. “At times, other teachers would be competitive and not cooperative. But at Cedarcrest Academy, we are all working together in educating the whole child,” said Mrs. Buss.

## The Dean of Students

The dean of student Jason Slattery, who also teaches 5-8th history and religion, has the responsibility for the human, spiritual and apostolic

formation of Cedarcrest students as well as formative discipline.

A primary responsibility of the position is to promote a healthy sacramental and spiritual life at the school as well as planning the activities for feast days and overseeing the religious education, including K4J and the Virtue Dialogue Programs.

Mr. Slattery feels very fortunate that he does not have to deal with a lot of misconduct. Instead, he is able to work with students in finding positive ways to create leadership and character building skills. One example is the Positive Conduct Report that has been implemented to bring praise to students who act as mentors to their fellow schoolmates (see related articles about the new Student Council and K4J Captains Programs in this issue).

Cedarcrest Academy graduates can be sure that during their education, this collaborative group of deans was always looking out for their best interests—to prepare them for high school, college and the years beyond. The deans are very proud when they send Cedarcrest students out into the world as strong and well formed leaders.

# Father Son Camp Out



**Seventh grader Evan Steeves takes Ryan Kielty (First grade), Daniel Steeves (Kindergarten), and Anthony LaFond (First grade) on a hike during the Father Son Camp Out.**

September 30 was a great day for 17 dads and 23 boys who canoed on the St. Croix River starting at Interstate State Park in Taylors Falls. Sons and fathers enjoyed the day’s activity as well as the campfire dinner and games, such as capture the flag. The evening ended with a group rosary and prayers. Some of the youngest boys had to be carried to their tents after canoeing, running and all that fresh air. The event wrapped up after Sunday morning Mass; however, many were inspired to continue their fall colors sightseeing around Taylors Falls before heading home.

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**Cedarcrest Academy Deans (from left to right): Ann Koehler, Jason Slattery, Tina Buss.**

## Notable Events

**Annual Grandparents Day**  
November 17

**Open Houses**  
November 16 and January 25

**Christmas Pageant**  
December 19

**Cedarcrest Academy Annual Gala and Auction**  
March 31, 2007

# Cedarcrest Student News

## Positive Conduct Report

Students are now being recognized for their positive conduct in a more formal manner at Cedarcrest Academy. Students of all grades are given the opportunity to receive a positive conduct report. These cards, which can be written by any teacher, for any student, are awarded to students who portray exemplary behavior at school. Jackie Stone is one student to already receive this extra special recognition. Jackie received this award for how she took it upon herself to welcome new students of the school.



**Jackie Stone,**  
8th grade

## Rogers Tornado Relief

The "Virtue of the Month" for September was Service. This virtue came into play on September 16 when an F2 tornado turned parts of the nearby town of Rogers into rubble. There were 240 damaged houses, one girl was killed, and six others were injured. Hundreds of volunteers went to Rogers to lend a hand. A local church planned several free hot dinners for victims and volunteers who helped with the storm cleanup. Cedarcrest Academy assisted with these dinners by collecting food and beverages. "One goal of Cedarcrest Academy is to educate students in virtues, such as service, so when we become grown up citizens we will respond to the situations that confront us," stated seventh grader Rachel McGrath. It is evident that with this act of kindness that was initiated by the students, Cedarcrest Academy is well on its way to succeeding in that goal.

## Volleyball—Tournament First Place!

The Cedarcrest Crusaders Volleyball team concluded another successful volleyball season this year! Consisting of five 8th graders, four 7th graders, one 6th grade and a foreign exchange student from Guatemala, the team is once again playing in the SSOY League and enjoying spirited competition against other private schools. The Crusaders had a great beginning to their season, winning their first three games. On September 16, they participated with nine other Catholic schools in the first ever St. Therese Volleyball Tournament and learned a great lesson in perseverance. With four teammates gone, the remaining six girls played in 12 consecutive games without the luxury of being subbed out for a much needed rest on the bench. The girls dug deep within themselves for every ounce of strength and that, coupled with their awesome teamwork, gave them 1st place in the tournament. This wonderful attitude stayed with the players, enabling them to perfect their skills and capitalize on their strengths, leading to another successful Crusader season!



**Crusaders Volleyball Team—Front row (left to right) Nicole Pellegrine, Quinci Scherber, Rachel McGrath, Theresa Schrupp, and Monica Kopp. Back row: Felicia Richardson, Beth Vogel, Tori Backstrom, Jackie Stone and Laura Samayoa.**

## Cedarcrest Annual Christmas Pageant

6:30 p.m., December 19

## New Leadership Building Programs at Cedarcrest Academy

### Captains Program

The Cedarcrest Captains Program's primary goal is to promote and encourage younger students to live out each month's virtue.

Four squads were formed amongst the sixth through eighth grade students: skit, promotion, décor and spirit squads. The students in these squads make posters, sing songs, put on skits or find other ways that teach virtuous lessons to the younger students. Seventh grader Tori Backstrom was asked to lead this new program due to her strong organizational and management skills. Tori meets with the squad leaders who come up with the ideas and plans for how they will implement their strategies and reports to the Student Council about the Captains Program activities.



**K4J Captain,**  
**Tori Backstrom**

### Student Council

Cedarcrest Academy's first Student Council comprises five students. These students are working together to find ways the student body can make a positive impact on the growth and support of Cedarcrest Academy. Monica Kopp is the president of Student Council. "Everyone at Cedarcrest works hard with a positive attitude striving towards our motto of 'Semper Altius' which means 'Always Higher.' I am proud to serve as the Chair of the inaugural Student Board for Cedarcrest Academy," said Monica.

These programs are supervised by our Dean of Students, Jason Slattery. "The need for well formed, articulate leaders capable of interacting with others of vastly different viewpoints in a

# and Activities

## Choir and Band

Cedarcrest Academy is proud to have the highest turnout ever for the extra-curricular music programs. Students playing instruments for their first year comprise the Cadet Band, while returning students are in the Varsity Band. Miss Nguyen and Miss Koehler are also impressed with the number of students who joined the Mass Choir.

### Cadet Band



**Cadet Band—Front Row (left to right):** Rachel Haefliger, Cerissa Bennett, Alexa Tkachuck, Kailey McIntyre, Emily Marsh, Meaghen Newman, and Ashley Borland. **Back Row:** Sidney Austin, Stephen Kopp, Jovan Sajady, Carl Stone, Kyle Walz, Isaac Schmitz, Mr. Lundberg, Rebecca Schoenfelder and Mikayla Pellegrine.

### Varsity Band

**Varsity Band—Front row (left to right):** Quinci Scherber, Nicole Pellegrine, Annika Wahlquist, Olivia Steeves, Molly Phelan, Alexandra Kopp, Rachel McGrath, Monica Kopp, and Felicia Richardson **Back row:** David Newman, Sam Kaardal, Andrew McIntyre, Jackie Stone, Mr. Lundberg, Nick Schmitz, Gino Charmoli, Jack Claseman, Sam Pellegrine, Evan Steeves, Ian Scherber, and Leo Kaardal.



### Choir



**Choir—Front Row (left to right):** Rebecca Dykhoff, Miss Nguyen, Olivia Steeves, Miss Koehler, and Sophie Carlson. **2nd Row:** Sidney Austin, Rachel Haefliger, and Cerissa Bennett, **3rd Row:** Anna Schmitz, Quinci Scherber, Annika Wahlquist, Rachel McGrath, Laura Samayoa and Felicia Richardson. **Back Row:** Jackie Stone, Tori Backstrom and Beth Vogel. **Boys at piano (front to back):** John Sester, Ian Scherber, David Newman, Evan Steeves and Andrew McIntyre.

manner marked by dignity and civility is important in today's society. Our commitment to forming Christian leaders is exemplified by each of these fine students on our inaugural Student Council under the exceptional leadership of Ms. Kopp," said Mr. Slattery.



**Student Council—(left to right) Sitting:** Rachel McGrath and Monica Kopp. **Standing:** Nick Schmitz, Joe Janas and Sam Pellegrine.

## CEDARCREST ACADEMY *Gala & Auction* FOURTH ANNUAL An Anniversary Celebration

March 31, 2007

Mark your calendars for the Annual Gala, Saturday, March 31.

Friends and families will gather at the Northland Inn in Brooklyn Park, to celebrate Cedarcrest's 10th Anniversary and *Cherish the Past, Celebrate the Present, and Commit to the Future*. This fourth Annual Gala & Auction, with "An Anniversary Celebration" theme, will feature gourmet dining, entertainment, speakers and live and silent auctions. Watch for more information soon.

For more information or sponsorship opportunities contact Deb Jurek at [gala@cedarcrest.org](mailto:gala@cedarcrest.org) or call at (763) 571-0655

## 10th Anniversary

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with computer/technology classes, Spanish taught starting in Kindergarten, Deans of Academics and of Students, band, and more.

To commemorate its 10th Anniversary, Cedarcrest kicked off the 2006/07 school year long celebration with a special dinner at the 8th Annual Golf Classic in September, has a birthday party planned for students, a "10 Year Review" display is in the school lobby, and the 4th Annual Gala & Auction on March 31 will have an "An Anniversary Celebration" theme.

So, come celebrate Cedarcrest's 10th Anniversary with us and thank God for the many blessings He has bestowed on this wonderful school!

## Annual Fund

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The Schoenfelders have four children, three of which attend Cedarcrest Academy. They have demonstrated strong leadership and support for the school through their involvement in various activities.

The Cedarcrest Founder's Circle is being established this year to recognize individuals who make a gift of \$1,000 or more to the 2006/07 Annual Fund Campaign. The Cedarcrest Academy Board of Directors will host a dinner and a special event honoring the Annual Fund Founder's Circle members at the end of the campaign.

Every gift, no matter the size, benefits all the students at Cedarcrest Academy and helps us to "Continue our Crusade" to form today's children into tomorrow's leaders. If you would like to make a contribution to the Annual Fund Campaign, please use the enclosed envelope or contact our Development Department at (763) 494-5387.

## New Cedarcrest Academy Staff/Teachers



**Emily Nguyen**

### Emily Nguyen

Miss Nguyen is the multi-purpose teacher this year with a list of assignments. She teaches Music to Pre-K-3, Computer to K-8, U.S. History and Geography to grade 6, and Math to grades 5 and 6, and plays flute during school masses.

Miss Nguyen received a BS in Elementary Education from the University of Missouri, St. Louis, and has taken several theology classes. She has had various teaching experiences with children of all age groups ranging from four years to the high school level. She previously taught for over three years in Catholic schools in Missouri.

### Caroline Partoll

Mrs. Partoll, a Cedarcrest parent for five years, has been Cedarcrest Academy's development coordinator for nearly a year. This part-time position requires her to manage the database of donor records and contributions, coordinate the



**Caroline Partoll**



**Jill Austin**

Annual Fund and Capital Campaigns, and provides assistance as needed to the Golf Classic and Gala Committees.

She and her husband Kurt have two boys at Cedarcrest. Caroline graduated from the University of St. Thomas with a degree in communications. She has spent most of her career in the banking and the brokerage business.

### Jill Austin

Mrs. Jill Austin, originally from Brooklyn Park, has three children at Cedarcrest Academy. Jill and her husband Tim were delighted to have found Cedarcrest Academy and are pleased that their children are experiencing a solid education in a warm, friendly and spiritual environment. After volunteering on numerous committees, Mrs. Austin now teaches Physical Education to grades K-4 and to 5-8th grade girls.

As an active person who enjoys boating, bowling and keeping



**Ericka Walz**

busy with her family, Mrs. Austin is excited about previewing a new national program she plans to incorporate into the core physical education curriculum.

### Ericka Walz

Mrs. Ericka Walz is the new director of the Cedarcrest Plus after-school program at Cedarcrest Academy. In their fourth year at Cedarcrest, Mrs. Walz and her husband Roger have six children, the oldest of whom graduated from Cedarcrest last year. They currently have four children at the school and one at home.

Mrs. Walz has brought an extra element of fun to the Cedarcrest Plus program. Each night, a different activity is planned for the students, supported by many new games and toys. One of the most exciting additions is puppets, where children learn to put stories into sequence, build language skills and work out everyday problems.

## Cedarcrest Alumni Update

**Katie Beddor** (class of 2003) is a senior at Providence Academy, where she has lettered for five years (including 8th grade) on the tennis team. Last year she went undefeated in the regular season, and is currently the team's co-captain. Katie has also lettered in softball for three years and sings in the Academy Chorale. She credits a lot of her abilities to the exceptional formation that she received at Cedarcrest Academy. She is grateful for the work ethic Cedarcrest instilled in her that helps her do well in all subjects at school and extracurricular activities. Katie is pondering choices for college and considering a degree in medicine.

**Luke Olson** (Class of 2001) is a sophomore at Xavier University, a private Jesuit college in Cincinnati, majoring in philosophy, with minors in Latin and the Classics. He plans to attend graduate school in theology and obtain a doctorate degree to prepare him to teach in high school or college.

Luke graduated from Providence Academy in 2005 where he was captain of both the basketball and football teams, played soccer and performed in theatrical productions. Speaking on his reflections about Cedarcrest, Luke said, "I absolutely loved Cedarcrest and looking back, the school complimented my family in planting the seeds of knowledge and faith. Cedarcrest's strong spiritually-- prayers every morning, the saint of the day, weekly mass, being an alter boy—definitely gave me a leg up on other students in religion classes. Providence and Xazier are difficult schools and I wouldn't be where I am today without my Cedarcrest background."

## Letter from the Board of Directors

Dear Friends:

Two years ago, I was sitting at my daughter's kitchen table, helping my grandson with his math homework. I remember being amazed that this Cedarcrest third grader was learning math concepts that had only been invented when I was in school! Well, not exactly, but I was kind of a math geek as a kid; I didn't hear about sets and set theory until college! The same was true for the rest of his homework, and I remember thinking that at this rate, when he gets to 8th grade I wouldn't be able to help him anymore!

Besides being impressed with the Cedarcrest Academy education, I received glowing reports from my daughter and son-in-law (Jennifer and Dave Newman) about the school, the teachers, and of course, Mr. McInnis. When I retired a year later, I had the opportunity to learn more about Cedarcrest, the Legionary pedagogy, and the parent community. I was fortunate to join the Board, and get involved with the school on a day-to-day basis in business/administration.

What makes Cedarcrest so successful? Its graduates excel in high school and college, the students do well in standardized tests, and the impact on their faith and personal formation is apparent. Successful organizations have several things in common, which include a clearly defined and articulated set of goals and plans, competent people, and a high level of trust within the organization.

Cedarcrest Academy is successfully focused on these three areas:

1. Cedarcrest is committed to the Integral Formation® of the student using the educational pedagogy of the Legionaries of Christ. The focus is on a Christ-centered spirituality, personalized education for each student, formation of character/values, academic excellence, and social responsibility. The school sticks to the educational plan that this pedagogy presents and every year spends time evaluating how well it's performing against the plan.
2. Cedarcrest teachers are trained in this pedagogy and are committed to its implementation. A key element in the Integral Formation process is that the teacher's dedication for the individual student is a key in motivating them to learn. The staff reviews the progress of each student regularly, not just for educational progress, but to create opportunities for leadership, faith formation, etc.
3. The element of trust is of particular importance in the education of our children and creating a positive atmosphere for learning and growing in faith. Another part of the Integral Formation plan is family involvement as a way to maintain that trust between the staff, the parents and the students. We recognize that parents are the primary and principal educators of our children, and encourage their involvement at school.

Cedarcrest Academy is a special place because of the caring and shared Christian values of the school's parents, teachers, and staff, and the focus on its mission "To Teach, To Educate, To Form."

Sincerely yours,  
Jim Carbonari, Cedarcrest Board of Directors



**Jim Carbonari with his granddaughter, Cedarcrest student, Colleen Newman.**

## Golf Classic

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For women, the winning "fivesome" was Kim Villafana, Mary Bacha, Liz Phelan, Kathy Vogel, and Katie Cormier.

Following golf was the Cedarcrest Academy 10th Anniversary Dinner held in the Rush Creek Clubhouse. Guest speaker, Minnesota Secretary of State Mary Kiffmeyer, spoke about the personal impact of teachers as positive role models in her life. Eighth grader Monica Kopp spoke eloquently on the impact of Cedarcrest Academy in her life, followed by her father and Cedarcrest Board member, Terry Kopp, whose Anniversary talk "Last 10 Years/Next 10 Years" highlighted the many successes Cedarcrest Academy has had in its first 10 years and how bright the future is for our school, students and families.

As a Cedarcrest Academy fundraiser, the school benefited from a silent auction, a live auction, and a very lively dessert auction. Several tables competed for desserts donated by local bakeries, restaurants and schools, with one very special carrot cake going for \$450. (dessert auction proceeds benefit Cedarcrest sports programs.) The 2006 Golf Classic and 10th Anniversary Dinner were very successful, with over \$22,000 raised for Cedarcrest Academy!



**Katie Beddor,  
Class of 2003**



**Luke Olson,  
Class of 2001**



**Winning Womens "Fivesome" at Golf Classic: Left to right, Liz Phelan, Kathy Vogel, Katie Cormier, Mary Bacha, and Kim Villafana.**

## Mission Statement

The mission of Cedarcrest Academy is to provide the highest quality education to our students and to contribute to their integral formation as Christian leaders. The Cedarcrest Academy student should be a young person of integrity and character who commands an appropriate wealth of knowledge of his faith, the humanities, and the sciences. The student should display critical discernment and possess a disposition toward service. Cedarcrest Academy seeks:

- To Teach each student by transmitting a body of knowledge appropriate to each grade level.
- To Educate each student to love authentic values and to develop a sense of what is good, right, noble, just and beautiful.
- To Form the character of each student as the foundation of all virtue and integrity.

Parents, teachers, and administration share a common vision. We strive to create a community in which Christ is known and loved in an atmosphere that fosters unity with the Pope and local bishop.

## Board of Directors

Mark J. Vogel, *Chairman*  
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## Virtues of the Month

November

*Humility*

December

*Patience*

January

*Order*

February

*Be a Real Hero*

March

*Confidence in God*

## Cedarcrest Academy School Calendar

November	16	Open House 6:30 p.m.
	17	<b>Annual Grandparents Day 8:30 - 11:30 a.m</b>
	22-24	Thanksgiving Holiday Break
December	7	Geography Bee
	8	Feast of the Immaculate Conception
	12	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration
	19	<b>Christmas Pageant 6:30 p.m.</b>
	20-1/1	Christmas Holiday Break
January	5	Epiphany Feast Celebration
	13	Mother-Daughter Event
	22-26	Cedarcrest Spirit Week
	25	Open House 6:30 p.m.
February	8	Spelling Bee
	10	Men's Social Evening
	21	Ash Wednesday
	26-3/2	Vocation Awareness Week
March	15	Catechism Bee
	16	St. Patrick's Day / Feast of St. Joseph Skating Party
	31	<b>Cedarcrest Academy Annual Gala &amp; Auction</b>

## All Saints Day



Cedarcrest students celebrated All Saints Day, November 1, by dressing up as their favorite saint.

## Cedarcrest Academy Open House

November 16 • January 25  
 Presentation 7 p.m.

Meet faculty • Preview curriculum • Tour school



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