

# Queen of Apostles Alumni Newsletter

## Final 40th Festivities

Our year long celebration of forty years of excellence ended on April 28, 2006 with a special concelebrated Mass, a reception that immediately followed in Hannan Hall and a student assembly in St. Joseph's Gym. Students, former students, alumni, faculty, former faculty, staff, former staff, clergy, formerly-assigned clergy, parents and friends were in attendance. All enjoyed getting reacquainted, catching up on the news between then and now and reminiscing.

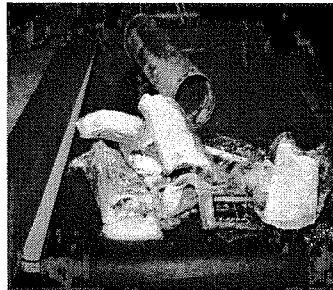


*Mrs. West announcing receipt of our special Papal Blessing*

We received a special papal blessing from Pope Benedict XVI and letters of congratulations from President and Mrs. George W. Bush and our former pastor, Father Daniel Mode.

The Student Council eighth grade students presented a Power Point Retrospective detailing the school's history from 1965 to present day including over 150 photographs with verbal report of reflections of what it was like "back in the day" from interviews the students conducted with alumni and faculty.

During the afternoon school assembly, the student body opened the unearthed, original time capsule, which was buried in 1987. All students, faculty, parents and alumni marveled at the contents



*Unearthed, opened Time Capsule*

which included old newspapers, literary magazines, award-winning school projects, a video, a cassette recording of the school song, "On Eagles Wings," and more! New items from the current student body and alumni were added to the time capsule before it was reburied.



*The contents of the Time Capsule revealed*

The students presented Mrs. West with a scrapbook of memories from the 2005-2006 school year and the Alumni inducted Mrs. West as an Honorary Alumnus with special thanks for all of her support for without her we would not exist!

The year long celebration that ended on one day was filled with a lot of laughter, some tears and definitely warm memories. As we end our Fortieth Year of celebrations, we look forward to the next forty years and more, continuing our tradition of excellence!

Thanks to all who made this celebratory year very special!

**SAVE THE DATE:**  
Basketball Game  
QAS Alumni  
vs.  
QAS 8th Grade  
1/27/2007

# From the Pastor's Desk

Reverend Thomas P. Vander Woude



Dear Queen of Apostles Alumni and Friends,

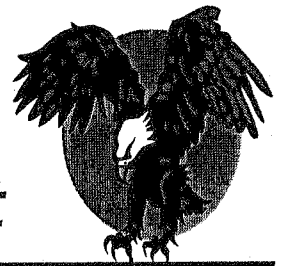
Another school year has begun at Queen of Apostles. As well, many of you have begun new school years at various levels while others are out in the work force. Most of your lives have probably become more involved and committed since your departure from Queen of Apostles, which brings me to the point of this note: Queen of Apostles Alumni Association would like to keep people in touch with each other.

As I have gotten older, one of many positive aspects of life has been becoming re-acquainted with friends from earlier in life. God has us cross paths with certain people in life for a reason. Later in life there will be opportunities to support each other when life can become burdened as well as enjoy various events of life. Most of us have asked the question, "I wonder what Joe or Mary is doing now?" The Alumni Association would like to help answer that question and even provide a means wherein you do not need to ask the question. The Alumni Newsletter will be a start to help Alumni keep in touch with Queen of Apostles as well as with each other. Please be supportive. As well, we welcome your advice and ideas.

God Bless!

Fr. Vander Woude

## On Eagles Wings *The School Now Has A Savings Account*



Along with the inauguration of our new alumni newsletter, Queen of Apostles has established an endowment for the school. The *Eagles Wings Endowment* is an interest-bearing fund, the proceeds of which will provide the school with the resources to continue its mission of providing a quality Catholic education for our children, while the principal will be allowed to grow over time. The fund interest proceeds will provide educational opportunities for needy students, competitive salaries for our excellent faculty and support for any other pressing needs. As with all good investments, a small contribution today will grow into a significant gift for the future of our children.

# Share Your News!

*Queen of Apostles Family, Where Are You? We Want To Keep In Touch!*

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Years Attending Q of A: \_\_\_\_\_

Friend \_\_\_\_\_

Parent of \_\_\_\_\_

Enclosed is my check for \$ \_\_\_\_\_ payable to **Queen of Apostles School** with **Endowment** written in the memo portion of the check.

Mail to: Q of A Alumni  
4329 Sano Street  
Alexandria, VA 22312

I would like to help the students of Queen of Apostles with my tax- deductible gift to the **Eagles Wings Fund**.

- \$250 and up - **First Forty Years Club (2006 only)**
- \$250 and up - **Eagles Wings Society (2007 and forward)**
- \$100 - \$249 – **Progress Club**
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ **Contribution**
- In Honor of** \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ **Please send me information on how I can include Queen of Apostles School in my Estate Planning.**

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to receive the newsletter by e-mail in the future.

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Check us out! We are on the web!

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## 40th Anniversary DVD

The video of our April 28, 2006 Fortieth Anniversary Celebration concelebrated Mass is available for purchase. If you would like to own a copy of this historic school celebration, please contact the school or email us at qofa40@verizon.net. The cost is \$10.00.

Special thanks to Mark Ackerman of Ackerman Video Productions for sponsoring the video and creating a memorable souvenir to enjoy now and in years to come.



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