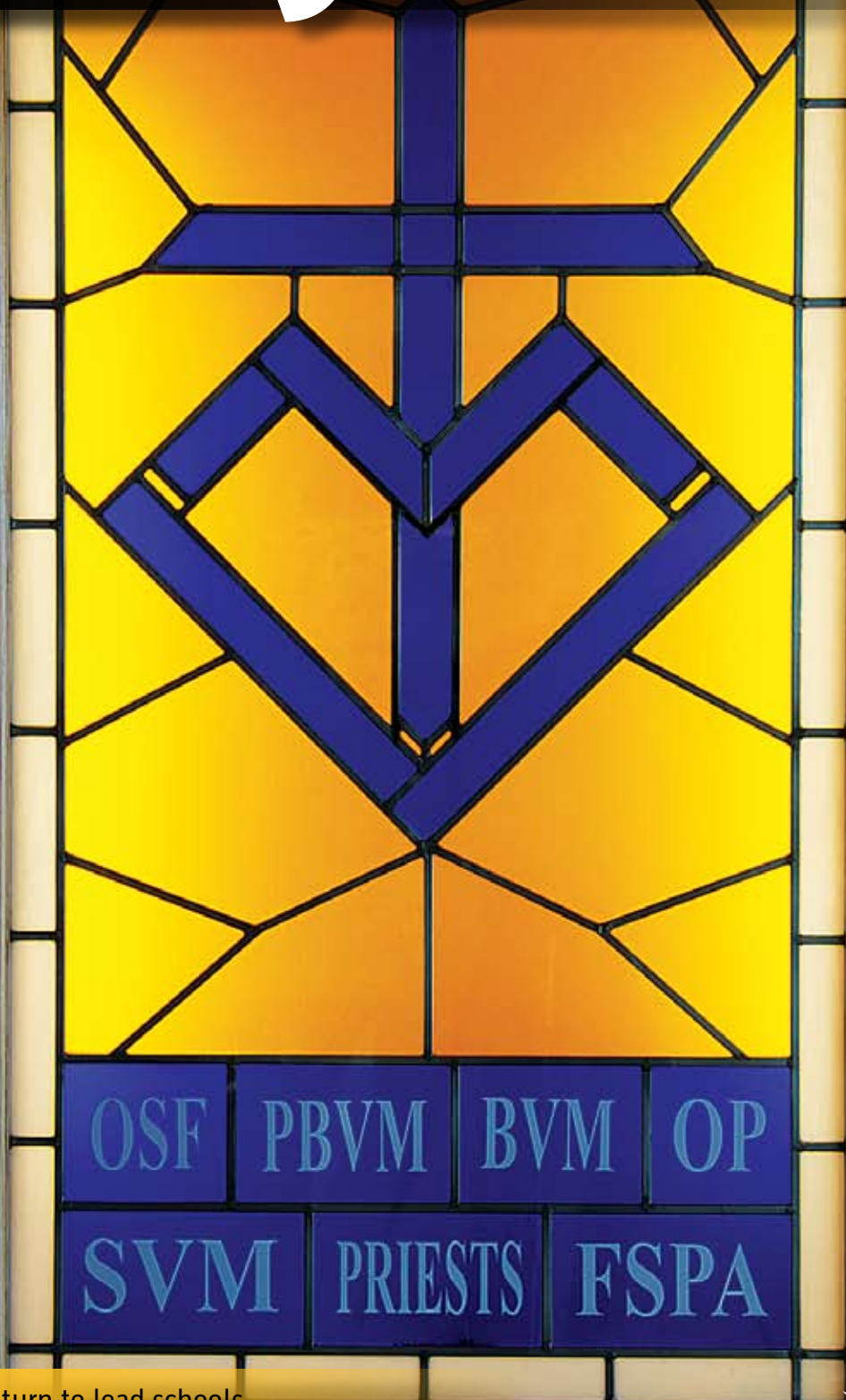


# Family Times

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## INSIDE:

- Two familiar faces return to lead schools
- Nationally recognized staff and schools
- Family legacy inspires support of Holy Family



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# A Message From the Chief Administrator

## A Time of Returns

Spring is a season of returns: tax returns, the return of warm weather, a challenge to return to faithfulness during Lent. In keeping with the season, Holy Family is seeing a number of returns as well, and we want to make sure you know about all of them.

You'll notice that this edition marks the return of a refreshed *Family Times* magazine. It gives you an insider's look at what's going on at Holy Family Catholic Schools and helps you stay connected to old friends, teachers and memories.

One of the features in this magazine describes the return that Wahlert Catholic's principal, Ron Meyers, and I made to Dubuque and to the Holy Family system. Like my classmate, I never thought I would be back, but I'm delighted that I made the move. After all, not many administrators have the opportunity to work with two National Blue Ribbon Schools (Resurrection and St. Columbkille elementary schools), a National Catholic Honor Roll Top 50 High School (Wahlert Catholic) and a National Catholic Education Association Distinguished Principal (Mazzuchelli Catholic's Kim Hermesen '85). Add in the 10th anniversary of Our Lady of Guadalupe, our Spanish immersion school, and a surge in enrollment at Holy Ghost, our downtown school, and you'll begin to see why I couldn't say no to returning home to Holy Family. There's a passion for Catholic education here in Dubuque that drives our success, and it's exciting to be part of that.

But the most important return is the return on investment that occurs daily for all of our stakeholders. The ROI for the more than 1,800 students who attend Holy Family is an outstanding academic program rooted in the Catholic faith. Parents see their ROI in the partnership that exists between them and their children's schools and in the solid preparation for life's challenges that their children receive. Because research continues to show that Catholic school graduates are significantly more likely to be active in their parishes as adults, our parishes' ROI comes from supporting the development of the leaders of tomorrow's Church.

As you will see in this edition of *Family Times*, great things are happening at Holy Family, but I want to assure you that we are not satisfied. In fact, I've set a goal that we will be the top academic system in the state in five years. We'll begin the process of getting there by increasing expectations and instituting new programming, including one-to-one computing, Project Lead the Way engineering curriculum, Stanford Math, Daily Five™ reading curriculum and The Leader in Me™. We are committed to keeping a laser-like focus on faith and academics as we pursue this goal. After all, our students deserve the best.

I encourage you to return to Holy Family as well by stopping by one of our schools for a visit or by keeping track of our progress on our website, [www.holyfamilydbq.org](http://www.holyfamilydbq.org). We are grateful for your support and especially for your prayers as we continue the proud tradition of Catholic education in Dubuque.

Sincerely,

Carol Schmidt Trueg '79  
Chief Administrator

**"I've set a goal that we will be the top academic system in the state in five years."**



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# 2011-2012 Business Appeal

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## ON THE COVER

The stained-glass window bearing the Wahlert Catholic High School crest pays tribute to the priests and religious orders who have served Wahlert Catholic through the years.

The design of the window was initiated by the staff two years ago for Wahlert Catholic's 50th anniversary. Larry Tranel '83 played a major role in raising money through his Holy

Hoops youth basketball tournaments to fund the project. The window hung in senior hall for several years and was just recently moved to a more prominent location in the high

school lobby. Thank you to Holy Family maintenance members Ron Smyth and Doug

Jansen for your work framing and lighting the window.

## Family Times





# WHO SAYS YOU CAN'T GO HOME

As they sat in their caps and gowns among the 464 members of the Wahlert Catholic graduating class of 1979, neither Ron Meyers nor Carol Schmidt Trueg expected their life journey to bring them right back to the hallways of their alma mater. In the past two years, Meyers has joined Wahlert Catholic High School as principal, and Trueg has joined Holy Family Catholic Schools as chief administrator.

## What is it like to be back in Dubuque serving as leaders at your alma mater?

**RM:** It's strange. I've been asked often if I thought I'd be back, and the answer is no.

**CT:** It certainly was a surprise to me as well. As I walk the building, I can remember certain events that took place or things that were said in each place.

## What has or hasn't changed over the years?

**RM:** One of the things that hasn't changed is the tradition. The generations have changed, the activities may have changed, but the expectations and the quality of students we turn out haven't changed.

**CT:** There were so many religious here at the time—priests and sisters who were on the faculty. Everywhere we turned, there was a priest or a sister. I think our responsibility now as lay people is to carry on that mission of making sure our students are prepared to be active members of their faith.

## What did you do after high school?

**CT:** I attended Clarke College, where I was an English major. I started teaching at Don Bosco in Gilbertville for three years and then went to Cedar Rapids at Regis and Xavier for 20 years, teaching English and journalism and coaching. Then I was assistant principal and technology director there. I went on to Beckman in Dyersville as principal and then spent three years at Iowa City Regina as president. I haven't left a Catholic school since I started first grade.

**RM:** My route was interesting. I went to Loras College for elementary education. I met my wife my senior year, and she was from Long Island, N.Y. We headed out there the summer

"I remember those seemingly continuous trips to Des Moines for state tournaments. I remember, vividly, sitting in the gymnasium in the mid-70s listening to McArthur Park, the jazz band, and the basketball team's blue and white striped warm-ups.

**Ron Meyers, Wahlert Catholic principal**

after graduation and got married. I worked upstate as a probation officer, of all things. When we had the opportunity to come back to Iowa, I ended up in Des Moines. I taught elementary in Des Moines Public Schools for 10 years. Once technology really started to take off in schools around 1998, I took an interest and was offered a technology leader position. Eventually I became the director of technology for Des Moines Public Schools. After 10 years, I got the calling to Catholic school. I was asked by Dowling Catholic to be the dean of students. Three years later, I came here.

## Ron, you're known as the "change guy." What types of things have you changed?

**RM:** One of the things I noticed since the first day I walked in here was that we just needed to reestablish our direction. It had to be student-centered. When I saw students being pulled from class frequently for

extracurricular activities or leaving school early because they had a choice between study hall or leaving early, it didn't line up with our goal to prepare them for postsecondary education. Whether it was a schedule change, the clothes that we wear, the number of courses we require or the rigor, all those things had to be looked at. ...

The block schedule has been big. Our staff, students and parents somewhat questioned the move to the block schedule, but now they talk about how much they prefer the 90-minute classes over the 45-minute classes. Overall, it's been accepted very well.

## What do you consider to be your most important responsibilities day to day?

**RM:** Relationships with kids, without a doubt. Not only during the day, but also the evenings. I try to get to as many of those activities as I can. The kids need to know you care about them.

## What are your hopes for the future of Wahlert Catholic?

**RM:** Now it's about stabilization. I think we've got the direction set, and the direction is absolutely to be the best academic faith-filled center in the tri-state area, if not the entire Midwest. Our students, our faculty and our parents are worth it. I won't be done until that's done.

## Carol, in your first year on the job, what are your major goals?

**CT:** Setting and communicating the vision. I've set the goal for the system that we will become the top academic system in the state in five years and maintain a laser-like focus on faith and academics. As we look at this year, 10 percent of that time has elapsed, so it's a marker for where we need to be. Getting to know people in the community and sharing the word of the great things we have going on in our system is another big goal. People need to know what good things we have going on.

"My fondest memories are the friendships I made. I walked away with a really nice group of friends. It's been fun to stay connected with them over the last 30 years.

**Carol Schmidt Trueg, chief administrator**

## What response have you received from constituents, parents and students?

**CT:** I've been so pleased with the response. There's an incredible energy and passion for Holy Family in this community.

## What are your hopes for the long-term future of the Holy Family system?

**CT:** There's no doubt I want us to be the best. I want increased expectations and new programming. I want to look at what kind of education we can expose our kids to so that they are as strong academically as they can be. I also want our students to be good Catholics going forward, to contribute to their church but also to have faith be a cornerstone of their life. And I want to tell our own story that great things are happening here.

>> [Hear more from Carol Trueg and Ron Meyers at www.holyfamilydbq.org/familytimes.](http://www.holyfamilydbq.org/familytimes) <<

## The Future of Learning at Holy Family

### >> One-to-One Computing

When Carol Schmidt Trueg started at Holy Family Catholic Schools in June 2011, one of her major goals was to take a serious look at one-to-one computing for students in the middle and high schools. The initiative, which will put a laptop in every student's hands by next school year, was originally presented to the board of education in November and was approved in February. Extensive research was done into evolving trends in education, implementation at other schools in the nation and Midwest, and the possible benefits of providing a more personalized, immediate and engaging learning experience reflective of today's world.

And this isn't where the advancements stop: A grant from the Dubuque Racing Association made possible 32 Nook™ e-readers at Holy Ghost Elementary, and donations have brought interactive whiteboards to all classrooms throughout the system. Who knows where we'll go next!



# 2011—2012 YEAR IN REVIEW



## NEW FACES IN ADMINISTRATION

In June 2011, Carol Truog began her new position as chief administrator of Holy Family Catholic Schools (see Pages 4–5), and Chris McCarville stepped on as the new director of institutional advancement. Chris came to us from Jesuit College Preparatory School of Dallas where he served as director of constituent relations. He will oversee all fundraising and advancement activities for Holy Family.

## NATIONAL MERIT SEMIFINALISTS

Wahlert Catholic senior Claire Castaneda was named a 2012 National Merit Scholarship Semifinalist, and senior Luke Berning was named a National Merit Scholarship Commended Student.

## HOMECOMING

It was another great year for homecoming, with Wahlert Catholic Golden Eagles football beating Waterloo East 28–14. Mark your calendars for next year: Sept. 21, 2012!



## WAHLERT CATHOLIC SERVICE DAY

Wahlert Catholic High School's annual service day was Oct. 24, 2011. Students and staff set out to assist residents and organizations throughout Dubuque. In total, over 150 service projects will take place throughout the Holy Family system by the end of the school year.



## HONOR CHOIRS

Seniors Chandler Flynn and Melissa Nuti were selected for the 65th annual Iowa All-State Choir. Also, the Iowa Choral Directors Association chose seven Wahlert Catholic High School students and four Mazzuchelli Catholic Middle School students for the 2011 OPUS Honor Choir.

## THEATER

The Wahlert Catholic Theater Department performed *Brighton Beach Memoirs*, *Spring Awakening*, *Crimes of the Heart* and *The Stinky Cheese Man*, and, coming up at the end of April, they will perform *Xanadu*, an 80s musical. Also, on Sept. 17, 2011, theater students teamed up with the Dubuque Senior and Dubuque Hempstead high school

theater departments to raise \$2,500 for Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS.

## OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE CELEBRATES 10TH ANNIVERSARY

This school year marked the 10th anniversary of the inception of the Our Lady of Guadalupe Spanish Immersion Program. Our Lady of Guadalupe provides a full-immersion Spanish program to students in pre-K through fifth grade.

## MAZZUCHELLI MOCK TRIAL

In October, Mazzuchelli Catholic Middle School mock trial team one took first place at the Iowa State Bar Association Middle School Mock Trial Competition held at Loras College. This qualified them to compete at the state level in Des Moines in November, where they finished 15th out of 32.



## ALL SAINTS DAY

All Saints Day, Nov. 1, was celebrated throughout the Holy Family system in different ways. Wahlert Catholic High School and Mazzuchelli Catholic Middle School each held a special Mass and prayer service to honor loved ones, alumni, benefactors and friends who had died. The elementary schools each held a Mass where they dressed up as important saints and learned about their impact on the world. Our Lady of Guadalupe celebrated with a play depicting the traditional altar preparations for the Mexican holiday Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead).

## TURKEY TROT

It was another wildly successful year for the 39th Annual Thanksgiving Day Turkey Trot. The holiday foot race was hosted by the Wahlert Catholic track and cross country teams on Thanksgiving Day. Almost 1,600 people turned out to run either the 2.5 mile or 7.5 mile race and to vie for the coveted prize—a frozen turkey.

## ADVENT NIGHT

At the end of November, Holy Family Catholic Schools' religion and mission committee hosted a family Advent night. The evening was designed to help families discover fun ways to celebrate Advent with their loved ones and overcome the challenges of living out Advent in our culture.

## FIFTH-GRADE SCIENCE FAIR

In November, Wahlert Catholic High School students hosted tri-state area fifth graders for a very exciting science fair. The high school students set up 28 science stations covering different principles, and the fifth graders excitedly participated in the interactive demonstrations.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Students, faculty, staff and parents celebrated the 39th annual National Catholic Schools Week Jan. 29–Feb. 5, 2012. Each Holy Family school hosted special activities and events throughout the week to celebrate our mission, build awareness and show appreciation to our communities through service. Each school also held a special Mass, and the entire Holy Family community came together on the final Sunday to enjoy a waffle breakfast and celebrate the gifts of our students during a music and art fair.

# SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

## SUMMER 2011—WINTER 2012

### CROSS COUNTRY

The Wahlert Catholic girls cross country team captured their third straight state title for Iowa Class 3A. The boys team finished third at the state meet in Iowa Class 3A.

### FOOTBALL

The Wahlert Catholic football team advanced to the first round of the Iowa Class 4A state playoffs.

### SWIMMING/DIVING

Seniors Betsy Osterberger and Rachael Schaefer advanced to state diving, where they placed 10th and 35th respectively. Sophomore Madelaine Thomas placed 22nd at state in the 100-yard breaststroke. The girls 200-yard medley relay team placed 18th at state, and the girls 400-yard freestyle relay team placed 24th at state.

Seniors Buddy Franson and Brien Nugent each competed at boys state swimming through their co-op with Senior High School and Hempstead High School respectively.

### VOLLEYBALL

The Wahlert Catholic volleyball team advanced to the semifinals of the Iowa Class 3A State Volleyball Tournament.

### BASKETBALL

The girls basketball team earned the Mississippi Valley Conference Mississippi Division title and advanced to the quarterfinals of the Iowa Class 3A Girls State Basketball Tournament. Coach Kris Spiegler also received coach of the year in the Mississippi Division of the conference.

### BOWLING

Junior Kristina Hochrein bowled a 391 in the district tournament to earn her place at the state bowling tournament. She finished 12th, bowling a 381.

### DANCE

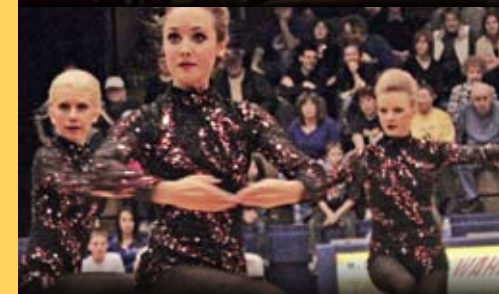
The Wahlert Catholic dance team earned first place in the lyrical category at the Iowa State Dance Championships.

### WRESTLING

Seniors Greg Vance, Adam Knier and Shane Broderick earned a trip to the state tournament, with Knier and Broderick each placing 7th in their weight classes. Also, all three joined William Kelly '95 in the 100-career-wins club, and Vance clinched the school wins record at 129 wins.

## NATIONALLY RECOGNIZED COACHES

Cindy Wagner, the Wahlert Catholic girls cross country coach, and Jerry Roling, the Wahlert Catholic boys baseball coach, were each nominated by the National High School Athletic Coaches Association for National Coach of the Year honors in their respective sports. Official coach of the year announcements will take place in Fargo, N.D., on July 25.





# Mazzuchelli Catholic Middle School Principal Receives NCEA's Top Honors

It was a Christmas present come a little early: On Dec 16, 2011, Kim Lex Hermesen '85, Mazzuchelli Catholic Middle School principal, was informed she would be a recipient of the 2011–2012 Dr. Robert J. Kealey Distinguished Principal Award from the National Catholic Education Association.

“I feel honored, but I also feel humbled,” Hermesen says. “I know that all educators and support staff work very, very hard. It’s a nice personal recognition, but it’s something that feels more like I’m representing everybody that does this job.”

Hermesen is one of 11 Catholic school principals in the nation to be honored this year. Brother Robert Bimonte, FSC, executive director of the NCEA Department of Elementary Schools says, “Our award winners demonstrate inspirational leadership, dedication to academic excellence and a strong commitment to offering their communities quality faith-based education. These distinguished principals embody the very best of Catholic education in this country.”

## Kim Hermesen: Career Timeline

**2006:** First principal of the new Mazzuchelli Catholic Middle School

**2005–2006:** Seventh–eighth grade principal at the former Holy Family Middle School at the Nativity Campus

**1999–2005:** Principal at the former St. Joseph the Worker School

**1998:** Received master’s degree in educational administration from Clarke College

**1989:** Received bachelor’s degree in middle school education from the University of Northern Iowa

**1985:** Graduated from Wahlert Catholic High School



# PRIDE & PRINCIPAL

The Archdiocese of Dubuque, which covers the entire northeast quadrant of Iowa, receives only one nomination a year. They nominated Hermesen for her creative leadership, inspiration to staff and students, and the impact she has made on her school and community.

“Kim worked carefully to build the vision of what a Catholic middle school could be for the students, parents and parishes of the Dubuque area,” says Jeff Henderson, superintendent of schools for the Archdiocese of Dubuque. “All she does, every decision she makes, regardless of the situation, is to do what is best for the kids. With that philosophy as her driving force, she has led Mazzuchelli from its very beginning into a Catholic school juggernaut.”

Hermesen helped found Mazzuchelli Catholic Middle School and supported the vision of a shared middle school, which was a new approach for the Holy Family system at the time. She has been a champion within the school system for the inclusion of students with special needs and has helped develop a system of accommodation plans to coordinate and meet the varying needs of individual students.

Brianna Gourley, a seventh grader at Mazzuchelli, thinks Mrs. Hermesen is a pretty great principal: “She always says ‘Hi, Brianna,’ in the hallways, and she’s very respectful and kind to all of her students. And she believes in Christ.” Brianna’s twin brother, Ben, agrees: “She will get strict sometimes, but that’s just what principals are meant for.”

Hermesen will be honored at an awards ceremony during the NCEA’s annual convention and exposition in Boston, Mass., April 11.

>>>In her own words: Principal Hermesen talks more about her award at [www.holyfamilydbq.org/familytimes](http://www.holyfamilydbq.org/familytimes).<<<



## St. Columbkille Celebrates a Blue Ribbon Year



In 2009, another Holy Family Catholic school, Resurrection Elementary, was honored with the National Blue Ribbon Schools Award. The honor extends for five years before a school can reapply. Chief Administrator Carol Trueg says, “Having both Resurrection and St. Columbkille schools named Blue Ribbon Schools—in addition to Wahlert Catholic achieving Catholic Honor Roll Top 50 status—provides external validation that our system is delivering an exceptional educational experience to our students.”

When Barb Roling, principal of St. Columbkille Catholic Elementary School, was notified in the fall of 2010 that her school qualified to apply for the 2011 National Blue Ribbon Schools Award, it started the ball rolling on about four months of preparation and eight months of anticipation.

At last, on Sept. 15, 2011, it was announced that St. Columbkille was among only 255 public and 49 private elementary, middle and high schools to receive one of the most prestigious awards bestowed by the U.S. Department of Education.

“This award is wonderful affirmation of the effective teaching practices we have implemented to assist our students in achieving at an outstanding level,” Roling said at the time of the announcement.

The students at St. Columbkille collectively tested in the top 10 percent nationally as measured by their performance on the state assessment. This earned them a nomination from the Council for American Private Education to simply apply for the

award. With Roling at the helm, a committee of staff and a few mentors spent an approximate 40 hours completing the intricate application.

## Celebrating Hard-Earned Success

In November, Roling and her school guidance counselor, Jennie Weber, accepted St. Columbkille’s official award at a ceremony in Washington, D.C., where all of the 2011 Blue Ribbon Schools were honored.

“We [the award recipients] were charged with a heightened responsibility to our school, our community and our nation going forward, and to share with other institutions what works for us in enhancing student achievement,” Roling says.

In January, during national Catholic Schools Week, St. Columbkille celebrated their award locally with friends, family and former staff. A few special friends even came to help, including Patrick Kerr, director of communications and outreach for region seven of the U.S. Department of Education; John Murphy, a representative of Iowa Congressman Bruce Braley; Iowa Rep. Patrick Murphy; Dubuque Mayor Roy Buol; and Jeff Henderson, superintendent of schools for the Archdiocese of Dubuque.



# Family Legacy Inspires Support of Holy Family

When you talk to Ivan Gruhl and listen to the appreciation in his voice for Holy Family Catholic Schools and Dubuque, it's easy to assume he was born, raised and educated here. Rather, his wife, Kathleen Kunnert Gruhl '82, encouraged him to move to Dubuque in 2001 to raise their growing family after living for several years on the East coast.

"This Midwest girl was yearning to get back, even if just to Chicago," Kathleen says. "But Ivan was able to make a deal to get back to Dubuque of all places."

## God's Unexpected Plans

The couple were reacquainted in 1991 when Ivan moved to Chicago. Coincidentally, Ivan had been college roommates with Kathleen's older brother, John Kunnert '78, at Iowa State University in Ames, Iowa, where they both played basketball. Years after college, Ivan ran into John at a University of Washington vs. Arizona basketball game, where he was watching his former Iowa State coach, Lynn Nance, coach for Washington.

"We talked about my moving out to Chicago for a change of pace, and John told me his sister managed a high-rise apartment building out there," Ivan says. "She helped me find an apartment and the rest was history."



Ivan was employed with Lehman Brothers at the time and the couple found themselves moving back and forth a few times between Chicago and the New York City area. By August 2001, they had five young children, and they were ready to take advantage of an opportunity to move back to the Kunnert family home.

Ivan planned to begin working out of a satellite office by the end of 2001 and, until then, commute to Manhattan from Dubuque on the weekends. "Then the next significant event was of course 9/11," Ivan says. "I was in the building across the street from the World Trade Center towers and witnessed the attacks first-hand. That sped up the process of setting up my office in Dubuque."

Ivan worked in institutional investments and fixed income research for Lehman Brothers from his office in Dubuque until his position was eliminated just before the company folded in 2008. He then went into similar work with AVIVA in Des Moines for a few years and is now employed with Honkamp Krueger Financial in Dubuque.

## Investing in the Future of a School, a Community and a Generation

Since their return to Dubuque, Holy Family Catholic Schools has been blessed to have the support and loyalty of the whole Gruhl family. In addition to entrusting Holy Family with their children's education, they've been generous supporters.

"I am honored to be a part of a community that believes in each other and in the future of Dubuque, and as a group is extremely generous in giving their time and talents," Ivan says. "If I could influence any philanthropic thinking, I would tell people to support education and arts at the K-12 level. In my way of thinking, these are the formative years, and giving at the Holy Family level is most meaningful in helping to positively influence the next generation."

Ivan and Kathleen keep busy following their kids' activities. Their twins Jackie and John, 14, are ninth graders at Wahlert Catholic, and their youngest sons Ivan II, 12, and Sam, 11, are students at Mazzuchelli Catholic Middle School. Their oldest son, Marcus, 18, is a 2011 Wahlert Catholic High School graduate and is currently studying engineering at Iowa State University.

# CLASS NOTES

## May 2011–February 2012

### 1960s

#### Marriages

John Noel '64 and Rose Derks, June 5, 2011  
Daniel Dodds '67 and Diane Lochner, Oct. 21, 2011

#### In Memory

Judith Simon Healy '61  
Thomas Pitz '63  
John Lammer '65  
Paul Berg '66  
Katerine Hammel Dean '66  
John Walker '66  
John Vrotsos '67  
Michele Beadle Breitbach '68  
John Walachy '69

### 1970s

#### In Memory

Michael Finn '71  
Kathleen Clemens Pickering '71  
Gerald Roth '71  
Patrick Kennedy '76  
Brett Buse '77  
Michael Sabers '77  
Tim Zillig '78

### 1980s

#### Births/Adoptions

Jeffrey Doty '80 and Cindy Duehr Doty '83, boy  
Kyle Cox '82 and Barbara Cox, boy  
Daniel Hilkin '83 and Cindy Hilkin, girl  
Joseph Bitter '84 and Katherine Snodgrass Bitter '87, boy  
Jeffrey Fluhr '85 and Heidi Fluhr, girl  
Joseph McMahon '85 and Gail McMahon, boy  
David Dalsing '87 and Jeni Dalsing, boy  
Christopher Luedtke '88 and Mary Broderick Luedtke '89, girl

#### In Memory

Catherine Reynolds Remakel '81

### 1990s

#### Marriages

Benjamin Sigwarth '97 and Mary Ella Kenefake, Sept. 24, 2011

#### Births/Adoptions

Rebecca Fabricius '91, girl  
Jodi Payne Sigwarth '91 and Paul Sigwarth, girl  
Erin Noonan Tomkins '91 and Russ Tomkins, girl

## In Remembrance

We prayerfully celebrate the lives of those who served Holy Family Catholic Schools.

- Anita Davison
- Martha Hutchins
- Daniel Krapfl, clergy
- Joseph O'Brien, clergy

## Have You Met Our Director of Constituent Relations?

Stephanie Burgmeier Ludovissy '00 joined the Holy Family development staff in September. As director of constituent relations, Stephanie plans and coordinates alumni and Holy Family community events. Stephanie resides in Bellevue with her husband, Jon Ludovissy '99, and their three kids. Stephanie can be reached at (563) 582-5456, Ext. 255, or [sludovissy@holyfamiydbq.org](mailto:sludovissy@holyfamiydbq.org).



Jamie Mootz '92 and Tricia Mootz, boy  
Kevin Oldham '92 and Venita Oldham, boy  
Stacy Wainwright Stechman '95 and Chris Stechman, girl  
Christopher Wahlert '95 and Shelby Wahlert, girl  
Jeremy Schmidt '96 and Rebecca Seyer Schmidt '97, boy  
Emily Duehr Hoelscher '97 and Benjamin Hoelscher '97, girl  
Wendy Howard McKeman '97 and Rob McKeman, boy  
Katie Cooper '98 and Will Hoyer, girl  
Abby Gantenbein Kluesner '98 and Marty Kluesner, boy  
Krista Dodds Lebeck '98 and Kirk Lebeck, girl  
Tony Sheehan '98 and Stacy Sheehan, girl  
Matthew Stierman '98 and Katie Stierman, boy  
Krystal Link Grady '99 and Rodd Grady, girl  
Sarah Burbach Harris '99 and Jay Harris, boy  
Jennifer Hirsch '99 and Josh Robbins, boy  
Julie Biver Ivanov '99 and Michael Ivanov, boy  
Melissa Behnke Ochocinski '99 and David Ochocinski, boy  
Rodney Schumacher '99 and Jessica Schumacher, boy  
Jon Ludovissy '99 and Stephanie Burgmeier Ludovissy '00, boy

### 2000s

#### Marriages

Michael Spalla '00 and DeAnne Wall, July 22, 2011  
Bradley Weitzel '01 and Meaghan White, Sept. 3, 2011  
Nicholas Schmerbach '02 and Emily Jo Hayes, Sept. 3, 2011  
Lisa Heitkamp '06 and Matt Neyens, May 14, 2011  
Sara Timmerman '06 and Aaron Kellogg, May 21, 2011  
Beau Vesely '06 and Bridget Smith '07, June 18, 2011

#### Births/Adoptions

Abby Mueller Klein '00 and Scott Klein, girl  
Emily May McGuire '02 and Scott McGuire, boy  
Sarah Kies DuBois '03 and James DuBois, boy  
Lisa Donnelly Hendrickson '03 and Justin Hendrickson, girl  
Meghan Brown Monroe '03 and Brandon Monroe, girl  
Amber Hein Griswold '04 and Michael Griswold, girl  
Erin Freiburger Runde '04 and Tony Runde, boy  
Gabriel Sacco '06 and Amanda Sacco, girl  
Sarah Spahn '06 and Calob Schminkey, girl  
Rebecca Kremer '08 and Ryan Kremer, boy

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### Upcoming Holy Family Events

#### Circle of Celebration

Saturday, April 14, 2012  
Grand River Center, Port of Dubuque

#### Graduation

Sunday, May 27, 2012  
Wahlert Catholic High School Gymnasium

#### Homecoming 2012

Friday, Sept. 21, 2012  
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