

# MATERNITY B.V.M. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

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**BVM**  
Catholic School

*The Exceptions*, a legendary local band, is returning to B.V.M. to help raise money for our School. Members will bring their “blue-eyed soul” to our Parish Hall on Saturday, November 3, from 7 to 11 PM.



The show includes a catered buffet dinner with at least four entrees, dessert, coffee, soda and water (cash bar for wine and beer). This provides a great event for class reunions; we'll reserve the tables you need. Tickets are now available by contacting Cathy Boyle, 267-446-0482 or Denise Voisard at the Rectory during office hours, 215-673-8127. For more on *The Exceptions*, visit their Web site at [exceptions.com](http://exceptions.com).



## Inaugural B.V.M. Golf Outing

Our first Golf Outing was a major success, thanks to a dedicated group of volunteers: alumni, parishioners and friends under the leadership of Cathy Boyle and John Mauro. Participants enjoyed a great day golfing at the Bensalem Township Golf Club, with all heading back to our Parish Hall for an amazing Banquet. The event raised an incredible \$19,500. This year, proceeds were ear-marked for our 150th Parish Celebration. The Second Annual Golf Outing will be held Saturday, May 4, again at the Bensalem Township Country Club. All future proceeds will be directed to Maternity B.V.M. School. If you'd like to be involved in the outing or be a participant, contact Cathy Boyle at 267-446-0482.

## Deepest Thanks, Brian and Jackie!

A huge thank you to Brian Sokolowski and Jackie Mairano Venneri for their dedication and service to the Alumni Association. For the past three years, Brian served as President and Jackie as Vice President.

Under their leadership, the Committee has grown, raised much money for the School and raised awareness of the Alumni Association.

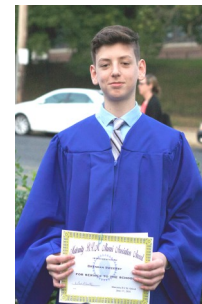
*Our Newly Elected Officers are: President: Cathy Boyle; Vice President: Frank Atkinson; Secretary: Joe Cifelli; Parish Liaison: Denise Voisard; School Liaison: Michael McDonough; Ways and Means: Rita Anderson, Brian Cohen, Robert Drennen, Lisa Marshall and Rose Weinman.*

***We welcome all Alumni and Friends of Maternity B.V.M. School to join our Board. Call Cathy at 267-446-0482.***

## SCHOOL NEWS

### *Eighth-Grade Graduation*

The Class of 2018 graduated on Wednesday, June 13. Forty-three students received diplomas. At the Graduation Mass, students receiving high school scholarships were recognized; their combined total was an amazing \$376,235! Achievement Awards were also presented. The Alumni Award for Outstanding Service to the School was presented to Anisa Pocari and Brenden Sweeney (pictured below).



### *Walk-A-Thon Hits Its Stride*

The Annual School Walk-a-Thon raised \$7,500. Money raised is helping to support the new Media Center. We are grateful to the Alumni who donated over \$700 towards the fundraiser. The next Walk-a-Thon will be on April 5, 2019.

### *Students Hit the Airwaves*

Check out our students' weekly TV show at [www.maternity-bvm.net](http://www.maternity-bvm.net); the School's Facebook page, [Maternity BVM School](https://www.facebook.com/MaternityBVMSchool); or the School's own YouTube Channel, [Maternity B.V.M. Catholic School](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC...). The Media Center is new. For a tour or to donate, contact Advancement Director Michael McDonough at 215-908-3329.

## **Congratulations to Our Alumni Who Achieved Eagle Scouts!**

**Stephen Boyle '15**

Project: The beautification of Maternity B.V.M. Church grounds

**John Huttick '16**

Project: The construction of all new flower boxes in front of Maternity B.V.M. Church

**Harsh Jhaveri '15**

Project: Painting two classrooms at Central High School

Eagle Scout is the highest Rank of Scouting.

**We are B.V.M. Proud!**

### **Calling All Young Alumni**

Starting in October, the Alumni Committee would like to meet for regular fun activities for our Alumni under 21. If you are interested, please contact Cathy Boyle at [kitcat3628@aol.com](mailto:kitcat3628@aol.com).

## **The 35th Annual Parish Carnival**

was successful despite bad weather: five of the six nights had rain or the threat of it. But our dedicated volunteers came out nightly, along with all our patrons. At the end-of-year Volunteer Appreciation Dinner, the Carnival Committee presented Fr. Quinter a check in the amount of \$163,360, which included proceeds from both the Carnival and Raffle.

### **REUNION PACKAGES ARE AVAILABLE AT B.V.M.**

Planning a B.V.M. class reunion?  
Call the Rectory for details for reunion packages at 215-673-8127.

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**Web sites:**

**[www.maternitybvm.net](http://www.maternitybvm.net)  
[www.maternitybvmchurch.net](http://www.maternitybvmchurch.net)**

## **The Geator Returns to B.V.M.**

The Geator with the Heater is coming back to Maternity B.V.M. Parish Hall on Saturday, April 27. Jerry Blavat just makes everyone want to get up, dance and love life with family and friends. Last year's event was a quick sell out; so buy your tickets early. Tickets are \$40 and include a delicious catered dinner, dessert, coffee, soda and water. Cash bar for beer and wine. For more details and tickets, please contact Cathy at 267-446-0482 or Denise at the Rectory during Office Hours at 215-673-8127.

*(A great venue for Class Reunions!)*



## **Maternity B.V.M. Parish: 150th Anniversary October 2019-October 2020**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!**

We are gathering memorabilia, pictures and articles from past years to be used for our Anniversary Book, Powerpoint Presentations and other displays. All items may be dropped off/mailed to the Rectory. Put your name, address and phone number on them so they can be returned. Pictures/information can be E-mailed to [dvoisard@maternity-bvm.net](mailto:dvoisard@maternity-bvm.net). For more, call the Rectory at 215-673-8127.

## **36th Annual Parish Carnival, May 13-18, 2019**

**RAFFLE TICKETS ARE NOW ON SALE!**

**This Fundraiser Benefits:**

**SCHOOL TUITION COSTS CONTROL AND  
MAJOR OLD CHURCH REPAIRS**

**Tickets are \$5 each!**

Cash Prizes include Grand Prize Winner of \$10,000, one \$5,000 winner, one \$2,500 winner, five \$1,000 winners, and three \$500 winners.

**Send a check to the Rectory & tickets  
will be mailed to you anywhere on the planet,  
or just stop by the Rectory Office.**

## **SPONSOR-A-STUDENT Program**

**Maternity B.V.M. School**

Consider a much-needed gift of Catholic Education for a child in this Parish!

*Sponsor-A-Student* provides tuition assistance for deserving children of our Parish who desire a Catholic Education.

All donations are tax-deductible and can be made monthly, quarterly or annually.

Contact Fr. Quinter, 215-673-8127, with any questions.

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