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Sisters of Charity
of Cincinnati

Mission Statement

Urged by the love of Christ, and in the spirit of our founder, Elizabeth Ann Seton, we Sisters of Charity of Cincinnati strive to live Gospel values. We choose to act justly, to build loving relationships, to share our resources with those in need, and to care for all creation.

Sisters of Charity Sponsored Ministries

Bayley – a continuing care retirement community that offers a full spectrum of health and wellness lifestyle options.

Mount St. Joseph University – a coeducational, Catholic liberal arts university.

DePaul Cristo Rey High School – a Catholic, college preparatory high school for young adults with economic need.

Seton High School – a comprehensive, Catholic high school for girls.

St. Joseph Home of Cincinnati – a residential and respite center for children and adults with severe developmental disabilities.

Seton Strong

By S. Annette Paveglia and Christy Schutte

“Seton Strong” is Seton High School’s theme this year – and it is being taken seriously! You find it in the day-to-day interactions at school, the healthy relationships fostered, the connections continued among the proud alums, in those working on the resourceful advancement team, through alumni activities and distinct academic expectations, and in the determined efforts by all to be strong. “God is continually incarnating; fully at work in creation at every stage” (Diarmuid O’Murchu). Several recent gatherings are focused on in the following article, reminding us to be aware of God’s creative gifts in the people we interact with every day.

Seton High School hosted an Alumnae Father-Daughter Dance for the first time in a decade, and the evening was a huge success with more than 250 alums and their fathers making memories and enjoying dinner, dancing and photo booth fun.

“The enthusiasm from our alums is always amazing, and the Alumnae Father-Daughter Dance was another example of this,” said Seton President Kathy Allen Ciarla, whose own father came to the dance. “It was a blessing to see everyone relishing in the opportunity to spend this quality time together back in Seton’s gymnasium.”

Seton hosted alums at the dance ranging from the Class of 1957 to the Class of 2016. Among the many beaming fathers and daughters, the Heidel sisters felt very fortunate to be with their 101-year-old father, Charlie, who had recently celebrated his birthday. “All of these alums and their fathers are a great example for Seton,” added Ciarla.



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Among those attending the Seton High School Alumnae Father-Daughter Dance, the Heidel sisters brought their 101-year-old father, Charlie.

Seton also recently hosted an Alumnae Painting Party for alums and their daughters. Thank you to Sarah Bonhaus Hellmann from Art for All People who taught our guests, step-by-step, how to create their masterpieces. It was a great night of mother-daughter bonding as well as raising awareness of our service to others.

In addition to these two events, Seton High School offers various opportunities throughout the year to engage alums. There is always a strong alumnae presence at Setonsation and Girls Night Out, and this year there was a Home for the Holidays event in January for young alums to come back and visit with teachers and classmates.

“Our alums have always been very generous in giving back,” said Ciarla. “This year we initiated a Seton Alumnae Super Saint Scholarship where alums donated money and received a beautiful zip-up fleece, and we were overwhelmed with the support. Seton was able to offer scholarships to several students in the Class of 2021, as well as to several of our current students.” In addition, Seton’s 31-Women Scholarship continues to be sponsored by many in the community, including alums and the Sisters of Charity. “We could not be Seton Strong without this love and support,” Ciarla added.

Good News From ...

Bayley as it anticipates the 14th annual George Knittle Memorial/Bayley Golf Outing on Monday, May 22 at Western Hills Country Club. The Sisters of Charity are one of the generous supporters for the event that raises funds to assist Bayley residents and Adult Day members in need.



Trains are coming to Bayley's Wellness Center June 23-25. The Greater Cincinnati Modular Railroad Association has offered to set up their display at Bayley that weekend for residents, families and the general public to enjoy. Come see these HO scale trains and meet the association members who will gladly answer questions about the mechanics and set construction. The display takes three to five hours to assemble and each section will offer different landscape and surroundings. With three trains running at all times throughout the weekend, there will be plenty for everyone to see.



(From left) DePaul Cristo Rey senior Carlos Familia, Senior Admission Coordinator Yasmeeen Khan, and senior Lizette Hernandez

DePaul Cristo Rey High School where two students and a staff member were honored at the English Language Learning Foundation, Inc. (ELLF) annual Recognition Breakfast in February. Senior Admissions Coordinator Yasmeeen Khan was recognized as Educator of the Year for her work with English language learning families. Senior Lizette Hernandez was named Student of the Year, an award that recognizes a student who has overcome challenges while achieving academically. Lizette has consistently achieved the honor roll at DPCR while balancing the demands of the school's Corporate Work Study Program and serving as a student

ambassador. Senior Carlos Familia was honored with an ELLF Scholarship to use when he enrolls in college in the fall of 2017. Carlos has been accepted to three colleges and plans to study graphic design. He will be the first in his family to enroll in college.

Mount St. Joseph University where, working through the Ozanam Center for Service, part of the St. Vincent de Paul Society, some Mount students, during Spring Break, served meals to guests at Our Daily Bread, and listened to Guatemalan immigrants tell their stories. "This was an experience of building bridges for peace," said Campus Ministry Coordinator Charissa Qui.



The Mount is one of seven institutions of higher learning who signed agreements that will provide students clear and seamless pathways from Gateway Community College to four-year schools. Gateway offers 40 pathways to the seven schools for the students to succeed in any school they choose to continue their education.

Remember to circle the dates, April 27-29, when Dr. H. James Williams will be installed as president of Mount Saint Joseph University. If you do not attend any of the programs, please keep Dr. Williams and the Mount in your prayers for continued success and God's blessings.



St. Joseph Home as it prepares to celebrate the 20th anniversary of the Incline to the Finish Line 5k, which has grown and become a much anticipated event in Greater Cincinnati. Hundreds of runners, walkers and rollers will take on the challenge on Saturday, April 22. Last year's race raised more than \$30,000 to support adults and children with developmental disabilities who have complex support needs and use a wheelchair for mobility. Sherry Okromansah and Harold

Boyd, of the SJH Respite Center, have been able to experience first-hand the positive impacts that the 5k success provides for residents, respite guests as well as race participants, "The 5k helps to build relationships between staff, families and the community. It strengthens the support system for our residents and connects them with opportunities for inclusion into the community". For more information or to register visit www.stjosephhome.org.

Words of Wisdom



"Charity is the cement which binds communities to God and persons to one another."

- St. Vincent de Paul



"The support we owe one another should prevent us from noticing the weaknesses of [each other]."


- St. Louise de Marillac



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