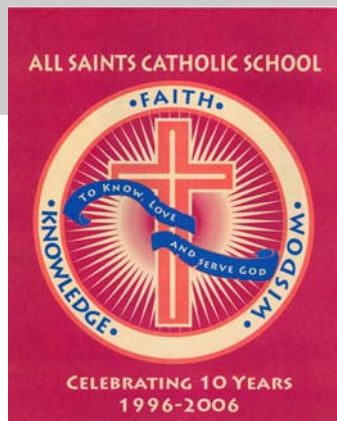


# Calling All Saints!

All Saints Catholic School

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## Mission Statement

*All Saints Catholic School exists to teach children to know, love and serve God through academic pursuits and service to others.*

## It's Time to Build a Gym!

Over the past year, parents, teachers and volunteers have worked hard to begin fundraising to complete the next phase of our school. For years, it has been obvious that our school is in need of a large multi-use space for physical education classes, athletic practices and events and school and community gatherings. Now that our enrollment has surpassed 405 students, a large gathering space is needed more than ever.

Physical education classes at All Saints are currently held outdoors during good weather and inside a portable building on bad weather days. The portable building is not large enough for physical education activities. In addition, the school has no

practice facilities for athletic teams, and must use gyms at St. Joseph's as well as Norman Public Schools.

A portable stage, lighting and sound system is also included with this project so that our Fine Arts Department can use the space for performances.

An additional parking lot is planned to help provide a safer drop-off and pick-up area as well as 90 additional parking spots.

Also planned is new and improved space for the fine arts program and library.

Over the past several months, \$300,000 has been donated to support this project. Fundraising will continue until 100% of



the necessary monies is collected.

The Norman Catholic Community is invited to help support this project. The space will not only benefit ASCS students, but the entire Norman community as well. A donation form is in this newsletter for your convenience.

For more information, please contact Leslie Schmitt or Theresa Bragg at 447-4600.

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## Help Pave the Way to a Healthy Future . . .

The Norman Catholic community is invited to purchase engraved pavers to support the All Saints Phase II construction project. The pavers will be used to create an entry way into the new gymnasium.

Pavers may be engraved with family names, corporate or business names, or as a memorial to loved ones. What a lasting tribute to family members!

Various pieces of art work are also available for engraving

for an extra \$5 charge. The cost of a 4"x8" paver is \$50 and a 8"x 8" paver is \$150. The order form is enclosed within this newsletter. Please order all pavers by March 15th.

Order forms are to be returned to the school office. Payment may be made by cash, check, Visa or Mastercard.

If you have questions, please contact Carolyn Schmidt at 360-7174. Thank you for

supporting All Saints Catholic School and paving the way for a healthy future for our children.



## Roman Holiday 2007- Stepping Out With the Stars

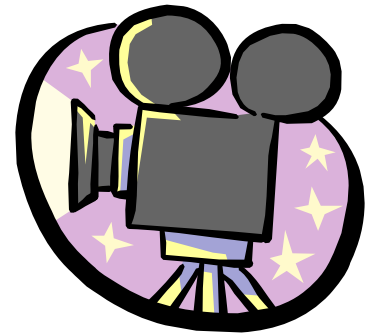
Tickets are now on sale for the 2007 Roman Holiday. Our annual dinner-dance-auction will be held at the Postal Training Center Marriott on Saturday, February 17th. Tickets are \$50 each or \$95 per couple. Dress is "After 5."

Each year, the auction proceeds benefits the children of All Saints Catholic School. Last year, approximately \$80,000 was netted to support the work of the school.

This year's auction items include vacations to Kansas City, Florida, Napa Val-

ley and Beavers Bend, art work, jewelry, gift baskets, OU football and basketball memorabilia, class projects and scrapbooks, fur, Notre Dame signed football and basketball, puppies, a ride on the OU Sooner Schooner, parties, dinner for six with Barry Switzer and a Hearts on Fire Diamond Necklace.

The last day to purchase tickets is February 9th. Tickets are available by calling 447-4600 or visiting the school office. ASCS accepts Visa, Mastercard, checks or cash.



## Donna Wynn: ASCS Teacher Visits the Ukraine

Recently, Donna Wynn, ASCS Grade 5 teacher returned from a trip to Kiev, Ukraine. Mrs. Wynn was part of a United States delegation to tour the former Communist region. She participated in the exchange program November 30-December 10, 2006 with two other Oklahoma teachers and a University of Central Oklahoma professor.

The delegation spent three days in Washington D.C. attending an orientation. During this time they studied economic development, protocol and Russian history. During the exchange, they visited schools, historical sites, churches, and areas near Chernobyl.

Mrs. Wynn said that the enthusiasm and eagerness of the teachers in the Ukraine inspired her. Having always worked and lived in a free market economy, this is a subject that she and many of her peers have taken for granted. "Not only did I meet and make new, good friends in the women from Oklahoma that I traveled with, but I established what I hope will be

life-long connections with new friends in Kiev. In addition to expanding my knowledge of economic education in the United States and in foreign economies, but I have been fortunate enough to forge new professional relationships with peers not only in Oklahoma but in the Ukraine. This was one of the most life changing, professional enhancement, personal growth experiences of my life" Wynn said.

## ASCS Students Excel in Academic Competitions

All Saints students and alumni have continued to excel in various academic competitions. During the past few weeks, our science team placed second overall at the Bishop McGuinness Science Fair in Oklahoma City. Individual first place awards were won by Jose Gambarelli, Sarah Hake,

and Morgan McCalmon. Second place winners included Emily Taylor and Ashley Robinson. Andres Hernandez placed 3rd. Our science team will continue competition at the Regional Science Fair at the University of Central Oklahoma and at the Oklahoma Junior Academy

of Science at USAO.

Continuing on to the next level of the National Geographic Bee is Matthew Walsh. He won the local Bee in the past few weeks. First runner-up is Justin Calloway.

Kathryn Pickens, ASCS graduate and Mount St.

Mary Senior is a National Merit Semi-Finalist.

The ASCS Mathcounts team will begin competition on Saturday, February 3rd at Oklahoma City Community College. Stay tuned for more achievements as the year progresses.

## ASCS Completes Accreditation Process

Over the past year, ASCS staff members worked hard to complete the self-study for the Oklahoma Conference of Catholic School Accrediting Association (OCCSAA). The visiting team arrived on November 5th and remained on campus through November 8th. The team, comprised of Tulsa Diocese principals and teachers, observed classrooms, and interviewed teachers, students, School

Advisory Council members, Pastors and school administrators. In addition, student and staff files were reviewed, as were handbooks, crisis plans and lesson plans. Visiting team members also inspected the facilities for safety and health concerns.

We are excited to say that All Saints achieved full accreditation through 2014. The accrediting team was quite

complimentary of our students, staff, facilities, academic program, parental support and crisis management program. Their suggestions of building a gymnasium and creating a permanent home for the library are being addressed in our phase II campaign.

The school would like to thank everyone who made this process so successful.



## 2007-2008 Enrollment Process Underway!

Enrollment for the 2007-08 school year has begun. Openings are expected in all grade levels. Families wishing to apply for admission should complete the enrollment packet and provide the necessary documents required (birth certificate, immunization records, baptismal certificate, previous report cards (applicants for Grades 1-8), and testing re-

cords. Applications are available on the school web site at [www.allsaintsnorman.org](http://www.allsaintsnorman.org) (under the administrative tab).

Students entering Pre-K must be 4 by September 1, 2007 and be completely toilet trained. Kindergarten students, must be 5 by September 1, 2007. Screening sessions for

both grade levels will be held shortly.

Students entering Grades 1-8 will have an admission interview with a school administrator.

Families wishing to schedule a tour, may call the school office at 447-4600 and ask for Cathy or Pat. We invite you to consider Catholic Education for your children.



## ASCS Students Score High on Standardized Tests

Over 50% of our Grade 8 students scored in the top 10% in the nation on subject matter areas of the ACT Explore Test. These students have been named Regent Scholars by the Oklahoma State Department of Education. This is the second year that over 50% of our graduates have achieved such status.

All students in Grades 2-8 take the Iowa Test of Basic Skills (ITBS) each fall. Again this year, our overall scores placed All Saints in the top 10% in the nation. We have applied for Blue Ribbon School status from the U.S. Department of Education and

the Council for Private Education. In the coming months, the final selection will be announced.

Teachers use the standardized test scores to help guide daily lesson plans. Because All Saints, as well as the Archdiocese of Oklahoma City, tests in

the fall, the teachers are able to adjust curriculum accordingly.

Overall, students in all grade levels scored well above the national averages. We are proud of our students!