

HOLY INFANT SENIOR NEWSLETTER



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By: María Dorn



I hope that everyone enjoyed Eastertime and that the chocolate you may have eaten is out of your system and off your hips by now. It is May already and I'm hoping that all these "April showers" will bring the "May Flowers" everyone always tells us they will! All the rain meant almost no golf on Mondays and Wednesdays for me; however, I took a tumble and pulled my hamstring and bruised my ribs and couldn't play even if it didn't rain. Picked myself up and brushed myself off and now am waiting patiently to heal.

I can't believe that my first year on this Newsletter has gone by so fast. I sure must be having a heck of a great time because time is 'a flying'. I've gotten some very nice comments on it and want to say that if it weren't for all the contributors, there would be no newsletter for me to produce. I for one am looking forward to the summer, albeit it will be a very busy one where we intend to travel to Florida with friends, play with the grandkids and move into a new home, right here in the neighborhood. I hope you enjoy your summer. Be safe and happy!!

If you ever have suggestions or an article that you think other members would enjoy, you can send email to mariadorn@hotmail.com. Be sure to put HIS in the subject line. Thanks and I look forward to keeping you 'in the know'.

March's Featured Member -Tom Arnold

Tom Arnold has a sense of humor as you can tell by the bio he submitted. While talking to Tom I found out that he was very active in Acting and Theatre and that he raised Bonsai trees, which takes a lot of patience. I'm sure his serving as our HIS President next term will be very interesting and he is looking forward to it. Tom says of himself "I was born at a very young age in Torrington, Ct, in the foothills of the Birkshire mountains and quickly moved on to old age. Along the way, I married Cathy in 1973. That same year I started work as a broadcast engineer at Channel 4, then KMOX TV. After a brief career, I retired at the end of 2012." Tom told me that he met some famous people like Jack Buck, Ozzie Smith, and even Bob Hope.

Tom and Cathy have two children (Mike, who lives in Louisiana and Melissa who resides in Ballwin) and six grandkids; Jordan, Madison and Hunter in Louisiana and Adrianna, Samantha and Tyler in Ballwin.

"While the earth remaineth, seedtime and harvest, and cold and heat, and summer and winter, and day and night shall not cease."

- Genesis 8: 22



Birthdays - May, June, July, and August

By Carolyn Kraichel

Wishing each of you, and anyone accidentally missed, a very Happy Birthday!

MAY		Carol O'Brien	7/5		
Gail Booth	5/6	Denis Thien 7	7/11		
Barb Hudgens	5/11	Sharon Clemens 7	7/13		
Carol Laupp	5/11	Jim Yettke 7	7/13		
Jerome Quinn	5/11	Tony Dahlia 7	7/14		
Linda Effer	5/13	Tom Arnold 7	7/18		
Jerry Bess	5/16	Pauline Nocifora 7	7/22		
Vivian Buehrle	5/16	Mary Sturm 7/			
Ging Ruiz	5/21	AUGUST	AUGUST		
Tina Kennedy	5/21	Peggy Dahlia	8/2		
Paula Skinner	5/23	Lou Rohrer	8/2		
Linda Gatton	5/25	Barbar Thebeau	8/4		
Mary Weman	5/25	Helen Gozdal	8/5		
		Donna Norris	8/5		
JUNE		Jan Jordan	8/6		
Rosemary Bestgen	6/6	Virginia Arends	8/8		
Tom Dollus	6/7	Marcy Zufall	8/8		
Cathy Arnold	6/8	Ann Goldsmith 8	/10		
Gene Steffens	6/8	A.J. Allemann 8	/11		
Larry Colonna	6/11	Tom Ehlman 8	/12		
Mildred Brenner	6/12	Bob Maloney 8	/14		
Nell Cox	6/17	John Skinner 8	/16		
Josie Valdeabella	6/19	Audrey Dischert 8	/18		
Sherry Stafford	6/22	Carol Komor 8	/18		
Mary Mallery	6/28	Cam DeLancey 8,	/20		
Maureen Maloney	6/30	Mary Jane Zust 8,	/21		
JULY		Carolyn Kraichely 8,	/22		
Pat Bouckaert	7/1	Steven Luecke 8,	/23		
Marge Quinn	7/1	Mary Marzorati 8,	/23		
Gene Hanneke	7/2	Russ Marzorati 8,	/23		
Mary Hutson	7/2	Kirk Richter 8,	/28		

GREETINGS By Pat Bouckaert

Since our last meeting the following greetings were sent or received:

- THINKING OF YOU CARDS— Rosemary Cole
- SYMPATHY CARDS Rosemary Cole and Betty Fischer

ADULTBINGO

Saturday, May 20, 2017 Holy Infant School – Upper Cafeteria 248 New Ballwin Road Doors Open at 6:00 P.M. Bingo Starts at 7:00 P.M.



\$20.00 per Person
Admission includes 15 Games of Bingo
Beer, Soda, Wine and Water
Food available for purchase
Sponsored by the Holy Infant
Knights of Columbus

DIRECTORY UPDATES

By Carolyn Kraichely

One new member joined the HIS in March:

Jackie Lawrence 191 Kehrs Mill Bend Drive Ballwin, MO 63011 636-256-8843 Birthday 9/19 jackielawrence9@gmail.com Three members returned to HIS in April:

John & Paula Skinner 560 Copper Lakes Blvd Wildwood, MO 314-807-3408 Birthday John 8/16 Birthday- Paula 5/23

Vivian Buehrle 353 David Harrison Lane Ballwin, MO 63021 636-394-2439 Birthday 5/16 vivianbuehrle@charter.net

"Ah, summer, what power you have to make us suffer and like it."

- Russel Baker





H.I.S. ANNUAL PICNIC

Thursday, June 1 10:00 A.M. until ????? Bussman Shelter in Bluebird Park

(Map Provided on the Last Page)

While the picnic is free of charge to all paid members, Chairperson Mary Schlemeier needs a head count in order to know how many to prepare for. If you're planning to attend and haven't told her yet, please call her at 391-9556.

Mary asks that you bring chairs and outdoor games from home to be played in the morning. There is a planned "Cash Bingo" for after lunch......and, of course, there is always an opportunity to buy 50/50 tickets. She also wants to remind everyone to bring a donation for the food pantry and a baby item for the Birthright June Shower.

Denis Thien, our photographer, will be bringing albums of pictures he has taken at all our 2016-2017 meetings.

Let's all start praying for the perfect picnic day.....blue skies, warm temperatures, gentle breezes..... you get the idea.

Birthright Collection of New Baby Items By: Linda Thien

You all have been so generous in donating baby items in the past, we will be collecting baby items again for BIRTHRIGHT at the JUNE BIRTHRIGHT shower at our Senior Picnic!

Please bring your donations to the senior picnic!

Clothes, baby bottles, diapers, wet wipes, blankets, sheets, monetary donations etc. - whatever is needed for a newborn!
BIRTHRIGHT is always amazed and most appreciative of your response; they only ask that all items are NEW!



Bring money for honey contributed by Joan Wojciechowski

At the last HIS meeting, Bob Finck, our friendly bee keeper brought a limited supply of honey along for sale. There were requests for more, so he is providing us honey to sell at the June meeting. Bring your money!!!





Prayer Time - New Year's Prayer contributed by Jo Lewis

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

O gracious God, we come to you today.

We thank you for food – and remember the hungry.

We thank you for health – and remember the sick.

We thank you for friends – and remember the friendless.

We thank you for freedom – and remember the enslaved.

May these remembrances stir us to service For our Holy Infant Parish and our community That your gifts to us may be used for others. Amen.



ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

By Kathie Hanneke



RUMMAGE RAMPAGE IS COMING SOON! RUMMage Rampage June 23 - June 25

These rainy Spring days are an ideal time to go through your stuff that you haven't used in awhile and decide what to keep or give away. Consider putting the gently used stuff aside for the Rummage Rampage! The big sale is rapidly approaching!

It is now only TWO months away!
Start now saving the no longer needed stuff for
Holy Infant's big sale in June!
You will gain more space and the parish benefits too!



Celebrate the Fatima Centennial with the Holy Infant Legion of Mary!

Contributed by Mary Sturm

2017 marks the 100th anniversary of the apparition of the Blessed Virgin Mary to 3 shepherd children in Fatima, Portugal. Pope Francis has granted **plenary indulgence** opportunities to celebrate this year. Holy Infant's Legion of Mary is helping you to celebrate this Fatima Centennial Jubilee and gain these indulgences

with special events. Mark now on your calendars the 13th of each month, May to October. Keep a lookout for more in our church bulletin, our vestibule displays, and other announcements about upcoming events for you to learn about Our Blessed Mother Mary, about Fatima, the Jubilee Year, about indulgences, and the **plenary indulgence** available during the Jubilee year.

To find out more about indulgences go to the Catechism of the Catholic Church #1471-1479 and to the website https://www.ourladyswarriors.org/indulge/plenary.htm

SVDP - Very Special Announcement Contributed by Paul Mallery

Saint Vincent DePaul (SVDP) store manager, Jan Falcon (314-881-6034) announced a new program to help provide more money to the local Holy Infant (HI) SVDP Conference #2265. If people (seniors and any and all other HI members) volunteer to work 8 hours per month at the SVDP store, 13986 Manchester Rd, east of the Wiedman Rd turn off to Queen Park, the Downtown Central Office of SVDP, will give 8 dollars to the Holy Infant Church SVDP conference #2265. That will be \$8 per person for each Holy Infant person who works 8 hours at the store per month.

A lot of our people are already volunteering so when you contact the store or enter the store, make sure you check with the front desk that they record your name, parish, and time worked each day that you work. Call Jan at 314-881-6034 if you have questions. By ensuring we check in, more money will be available to help the needy. We have plenty of needy folks and sometimes they have needs that can be costly: housing, utilities, food, medical, clothing, transportation etc. Think of what you spend to cover these needs for yourself and you can guess the costs of others needs especially if they have children, sickness or if they are out of work.



PARISH REMINDERS -

By Sandy Hughes

May 2017

20 7pm

Knights of Columbus Adult Bingo - Upper Cafeteria

"It amazes me that most people spend more time planning next summer's vacation than they do planning the rest of their lives."

- Patricia Fripp



DID YOU KNOW By Jo Lewis

- That if you add a few drops of bleach to a vase of flowers they will last longer?
- That eating your main meal earlier may help your diet? A recent study said people who ate 50% of their calories at lunch and 20% at dinner lost more weight than the reverse?
- It's important to clean your coffee pot with vinegar solution (1/2 water, 1/2 vinegar) once a month?



OUR THANKS GO OUT TO

- Dolores Kaemmerer for graciously stepping into the office of President when Deacon Clemmons had to step down and serving our seniors for the duration of his term. Well done Dolores!!
- Joan Wojciechowski for inviting the 'Bee Man', Bob Finck to teach us all about bees and taste his delicious honey and wine. We are never too old to learn something new.
- The George and Schlermeier couples and their helpers for our 'finger licking good' chicken lunch.
- Kathy Hanneke for the prayer shawl ministry. We've sent them to family members who had losses, and they were so pleased.



TRAVEL TIME

By: Mary Jane Bahr, Rosemary and Gene Bestgen

The Fairmont Park Horse Racing Trip is Tuesday, June 13th. The trip is fully booked at this point. If you want to be put on a waiting list, let us know. The cost is \$41. Meet at the Target parking lot at 10:15 a.m.

The Arrow Rock trip is Friday, July 28th. We currently have one seat left for this trip. The price for this trip is \$85 per person. Includes bus ticket, lunch ticket and a ticket to see the play "Mama Mia". Meet at Target parking lot at 8:30 a.m. Should be back home by about 6:30 p.m. Your \$85 must be paid by June 6th, the day of the picnic. We have a waiting list for this trip, so we encourage to get your money in on time. This will be "first time trip" for H.I.S. and hopefully we will want to do it every year.



Bear One Another's Burdens. . .

In Galatians 6, Paul tells us to "carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ." At Holy Infant our Stephen Ministers have been trained and organized to do just that. They provide one-to-one care, prayer, and support to those who are going through a difficult time.

If you or someone you know might benefit from having a Stephen Minister, you can call Gene, **636 527-5385**, or Patricia, **636 227-0802**.

There is a confidential email > > stephenministryhi@yahoo.com that you can use if you prefer.





Reminders

- Annual HIS Picnic is June 1st. Be there
- Bring new baby items to the Annual HIS Picnic
- There is a link to the HIS Newsletter in the weekly bulletin
- Save your can tabs over the summer for Tom Dollus
- Save your Campbell Soup labels over the summer

2016-2017 H.I.S. Board Members

Tom Arnold Joan Wojciechowski	President Vice President	227-2515 256-2510	Brenda George & Mary Schlemeier	Refreshments	394-2286 391-9556
Marilyn Tarleton Tom Dollus	Secretary Treasurer	227-2348 207-0924	Marie Fox & Marcy Zufall	Sr. Choir	227-2750 394-5540
Tom Dollus	Attendance	207-0924	Eileen Buehrle	Service &	33 1 33 1
Pat Bouckaert	Cheer	391-9368		PAC	230-5435
Kathie & Gene			Rev. Edward Stanger	Spiritual Dir.	227-7440
Hanneke	Graphics 314-913-4230		Gene & Rosemary Bestgen		
Mary Mallery	Historian	391-9716	& Mary Jane Bahr	Trips	458-1580
Mary Weman	Hospitality	227-1254	Carol Wolf &	50/50	227-6214
Carolyn Kraichely	Directory	394-5151	Carol Komor &		
	Membership		Rose Birkner		227-7260
Maria Dorn	Newsletter 314-610-8784				
Denis Thien	Photographer	225-9197			
Jim Yettke	Recycle Coor.	227-8163			

JUST FOR FUN.....

A LITLE PICNIC HUMOR

At a church picnic the priest set out a table of oranges and cookies. On the one side of the table, by the oranges, the priest had placed a sign. "Take only one, God is watching!"

Little Johnny walks up to the cookies and sure enough he starts stuffing his pockets.

Upon seeing him an altar boy exclaims, "Johnny what are you doing?"

"It's Okay," says Johnny, "God's watching the oranges."

