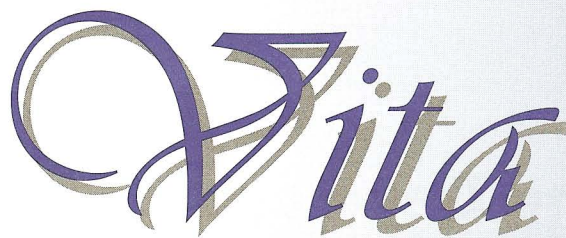




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Strategic Planning Retreat Maps Future of Mater Dei

The Mater Dei community came together last November to review, assess and plan the future direction of the institution. This process was anchored by the fourth Strategic Planning Retreat of Mater Dei's fifty-year history. Principal Dennis Litteken chaired the planning process, which was made up of faculty members, board members and parents of current students. The committee was divided into three sub-groups, namely Curriculum Development, Mission Effectiveness, and School Profile. The work of these groups was studied by the full group at the strategic planning retreat. The weekend retreat was held on April 22 and 23, 2005, at Mater Dei, and was facilitated by Sr. Mary Tracy from the National Catholic Education Association. Through this process, the 38 member committee developed five major objectives which were then approved and prioritized by the Mater Dei School Board at its June board meeting.

The five objectives that came out of the Strategic Planning Retreat are listed below in the order in which the Mater Dei School Board deemed the most urgent. The Mater Dei School Board rated the goals in the order of importance as follows:

1. To develop an Office of Institutional Advancement, including hiring a director.
2. To develop a long range plan for capital improvements in regards to the school building.
3. To continue to expand and evaluate the effectiveness of the mission of Mater Dei.
4. To continue to review and monitor the curriculum of Mater Dei, assuring that the needs of the students are being met today and in the future.
5. To develop clear job descriptions and establish the governance model which meets the needs of the Mater Dei Community.

The Building Committee of the Mater Dei School Board has been empowered to work on the second goal, to develop a long range capital improvement plan, as part of

its work this school year. The committee will be making a five year list of objectives that will then go to the finance committee to look into how to pay for the recommendations. Al Varel, head of the building committee, will be chairing the capital improvement committee. Some of the recommendations include new exterior doors, new heating and cooling options for the school building, roof replacement, cafeteria improvements, including the enclosure of the patio area, upgrading the athletic and band fields, and a wireless network throughout the entire Mater Dei campus. As plans become complete, details will be announced.

The Mater Dei Faculty Council has been given the responsibility to review the work of the Curriculum sub-committee and develop a long range curriculum improvement plan. The Faculty Council will be monitoring the needs and the expectations of our students and will determine the direction of the curriculum at Mater Dei. The Faculty Council has recently recommended an increase in the graduation requirement for Math, from two credits to three credits. This recommendation has been approved by the school board and will go into effect with the Class of 2009. All of the members of the current senior class have at least three years of Math even though they are required to have only two years. The Faculty Council will also be reviewing our vocational education options for our students and making recommendations into that area of our comprehensive curriculum plan.

The Mission Effectiveness committee continues to monitor the mission's effectiveness throughout the entire school community. The sub-committee found that the mission of Mater Dei is being lived throughout the school environment and was encouraged by the effectiveness of that effort. Currently the committee is looking at all aspects of the mission and is preparing its 2005-2006 mission effectiveness review.

The School Profile sub-committee looked at the school finances and economic outlook, the demographics, enrollment patterns, the physical plant features, and the governmental structure of the school.

The Development of the Office of Institutional Advancement (OIA)

The Early Years (1988-2001):

With the establishment of the Mater Dei Foundation in 1988, the development of a comprehensive plan for the financial future of the school began. Carol Hustedde, through the newly formed Foundation, began the Annual Fund Drive. Norb Ottensmeier was hired to work to establish a development program for the school and discovered that the most overwhelming task to be faced was the establishment of a database from the several sources that were in operation at the time. In 1991, Catholic School Management was hired as a consulting firm by the Diocese and the schools were encouraged to sign on. Mater Dei took advantage of the opportunity and after an audit by CSM, a Development Office was in place by the 1992-1993 school year. Fred Rakers was named Development Director and one of his first improvements was developing the Phon-a-thon as an addition to the Annual Fund Drive. He also began the VITA newsletter and Silver Knights. He ran a summer Softball / Volleyball Tournament for alumni that ran for several years in conjunction with a BBQ. He also instituted the memorial card which is still used at funeral homes in the area as a tribute made to the Mater Dei Foundation in memory of the deceased. Prior to the establishment of the Development Office, Bill McTaggart was the person most responsible for organizing alumni events and helping classes plan reunions. In 1996, Kathy Huelsmann was hired part-time to help in the Development Office and in 1998, her position became full-time.

President/Principal Years (2001-2004):

Catholic School Management suggested the introduction of a new administrative approach in the President/Principal structure. This structure had been found to be successful for many Catholic secondary schools. The role of the President was to be the connection between the school and the community it served, as well as to coordinate the fund raising and special events held by the school. The Principal would be involved in the everyday, on location school matters. Ray Kauling also began working with the Calendar Drive, Bingo and several special events.

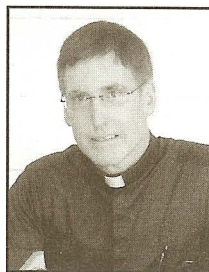
It was during this period that Mater Dei held a successful capital campaign which secured funds for a new practice gym, weight room, band facilities and science lab renovations.

An Interim Year 2004-2005:

With the resignation of the President and no replacement, the work of development fell to Principal Dennis Litteken and Kathy Huelsmann with the continued assistance of Ray Kauling with the Calendar Drive and Bingo.

The Office of Institutional Advancement is created on July 1, 2005:

Of the five needs which came out of the Strategic Planning process in the spring of 2005, the hiring of a full-time director and the establishment of an Office of Institutional Advancement was the top priority. On June 1, 2005, Fr. Chuck Tuttle was named Director and hired full-time for the position.



Fr. Chuck Tuttle 2005:

I had been teaching at Mater Dei over the course of twenty-seven years, beginning in August of 1975. I spent three years at Gibault High School from 1982-1985. I taught both full-time and part-time during those years in both the Religion and Social Studies Departments. I was Class Advisor to the Class of 1981 for its four years and the Class of 1985, its freshman year. I was pastor of St. Augustine's, Breese, and St. Anthony's, Beckemeyer, a position I had to relinquish when I took the position at Mater Dei. I continue to serve the two parishes as a Sacramental Minister in residence at St. Augustine's.

The first thing that I found myself doing was attending a Graduate Program in Catholic School Development that was held at Notre Dame in South Bend. This program introduced me to the various aspects of development and advancement. It was a very enlightening learn-

ing experience put on by Catholic School Management. Upon returning the OIA put together the Golf Tournament Results Newsletter, which reported the tournament results and acknowledged sponsors, and then sent a copy to all who participated in the 2005 Golf Tournament.

The first big project, which is to be a yearly process, is putting together the Comprehensive Development Plan. This multi-paged document gives an overview of the OIA and then details the events and activities in which the office is involved. It is a working document that gets modified from day to day as we work on the planning and execution of activities and is reviewed by the Administration, School Board and Foundation. Copies are available for review in the Advancement Office.

The Office of Institutional Advancement has put together a web-page linked to the Mater Dei home web-page (www.materdei.breese.il.us). From our OIA page you can link to a calendar of events, alumni and reunion information, a copy of the current VITA and Annual Report (pdf format), and information about Planned Giving. There is also an Office Personnel section to introduce visitors to the OIA and to Kathy and me. It's a way of getting to know us and how to reach us.

In the Calendar of Events section we will list all the special events and their dates. It is a good resource to help you plan your calendar, so you won't miss Mater Dei's fund raising and promotional activities.

In the Alumni section we are trying to list the information concerning five-year increment reunions. We are also instituting a Principal's Trophy that will be given annually to the class in the five-year increment that has the highest percentage of participation among its members for the Annual Fund Drive. If you are planning a reunion please call the OIA so the information can be placed on the web-page.

Did you misplace the last VITA? You will find a copy on-line. It is posted to further spread the news of who we are and what we are doing as a school community.

The 2004-2005 Annual Report can also be found on-line. This lists all the alumni (by class) and friends of Mater Dei who contributed to the Annual Fund Drive for that year. The Annual Fund Drive is a great source of revenue for three areas: general school expenses; tuition assistance for our students and contributions to the Foundation, which is the endowment that helps to secure the

future of the school.

The OIA is beginning a historic giving and legacy society that is called "The Mother of Perpetual Help Society." A link to that information can also be found on the OIA's web-page. The historic giving will be calculated from 1988, when records were first posted to the database. There is also a link on the Mater Dei home-page as to information regarding different types of Planned Giving. This information can be very useful when doing your estate planning.

And finally, there is a link to a Donor's Bill of Rights which indicates the ethical standards that we in the Office of Institutional Advancement at Mater Dei High School pledge to you, the donor.

We hope that you find this overview to be both interesting and informative. Perhaps it is the Social Studies influence, but I think a historical overview is always important since you can only understand the present by knowing the past. It is my desire during my tenure as Director to continue to build upon the excellent foundation of the past to help secure a brilliant future for Mater Dei High School.

Fr. Chuck Tuttle,
Director of the Office of Institutional Advancement

Did you know...

that Mater Dei had its first Read-In on October 21, 2005? To celebrate Teen Reading Week, library staff members Mrs. Carl Bandre and Mrs. Donna Goetz initiated the before school activity to encourage students to read for fun. The event was so successful that another Read-In is being planned for December.

Mission Effectiveness Committee Enhances School Identity

The Strategic Planning Retreat affirmed that the Mission Effectiveness Committee is charged with keeping the mission of Mater Dei in the forefront. The goal is to expand that mission to every department in the school. The first Faculty Spirituality Day for all three diocesan schools was held at the start of this school year. This will be an annual event and lays the foundation for continuing to educate and deepen the faculty's understanding

of our mission.

The committee is also looking at ways to make the Catholic identity of Mater Dei more visible through the use of Catholic symbols, religious art and icons, and a visible prayer wall. Currently, prayer needs are listed each week in the faculty bulletin and placed in public areas. The committee is also planning a place where all prayer needs can be displayed.

Students will continue to be

trained as liturgical ministers and leaders in the Church. The Mission Effectiveness committee is always looking for ways to deepen the commitment of our students to their parish, realizing that we are in a partnership with our feeder parishes.

The Mission Effectiveness committee includes Jim Darr, Judy Kampwerth, Marian Leitner, Carol Wiegmann, Vicki Korte, Deb Schumacher and June Koentz.

Faculty Council Assesses Curriculum

The Mater Dei Faculty Council is made up of the academic department chairs as well as the Registrar, Assistant Principal and the Principal, who chairs the committee. This year, the Council has adopted three main goals for its focus points. The goals are to perform a comprehensive curriculum review, course by course. This will be done by each department as they map the Illinois Learning Standards to our course offerings. The second goal is to establish a schedule for at least four to five department meetings throughout the school year. The third goal is to make sure the needs of all our students are being met. These goals will guide the council as it goes through the school year. The council meets on the third Wednesday of each month in the school library.

The first task of the Faculty Council will be to review the current curriculum, using the Strategic Planning Process findings as its guide. The Faculty Council has been reviewing curricular issues on an annual basis for over four years, giving the school the flexibility to adjust areas which can benefit the students.

Statistically, over 94% of our students will attend a

two-year or four-year college after high school. With this in mind, the Council will look at the expectations of the collegiate world and make sure Mater Dei graduates are well prepared. The average ACT score for the 140 Mater Dei students who took the test in 2005 was 22; the average ACT score for Mater Dei students who are considered to have taken the core subjects was 23.3. There were 81 students that made up the core test group in 2005. The benefits of reviewing these results help determine if our academic programs are preparing our students for their post-secondary educations.

Plans are currently underway to renew our commitment to a comprehensive high school. This commitment drives us to upgrade our vocational education program within the next year. *Options 2006* is a program which will allow us to provide a new home for our shop classes, new curriculum opportunities for our vocational track students, and a proper work and planning area for our Building Trades program. More details about *Options 2006* will be coming in early January.

Mater Dei Holds Open House

In order to give prospective students and parents an idea of the academic and extra-curricular opportunities that Mater Dei has to offer, the Mater Dei administration, faculty and staff hosted an Open House on Sunday, November 6, 2006, from 12:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Tours of the school were given



by Students Ambassadors and demonstrations of EDLINE were presented every half hour. Information booths were set up in the new gym and were manned by department chairmen and faculty members. Prospective students and parents were able to talk with teachers about specific programs and class offerings, to view examples of finished class projects and art work,

to discuss athletic opportunities with various coaches, and to examine examples of the Lance, Knight, and Science Club projects.

According to Assistant Principal Maria Zurliene, the

Open House was well attended, with a number of families in attendance from outside of Clinton County.

If you were unable to attend the Open House or would like more information about the academic and extra-curricular programs at Mater Dei, please join us at the Parent Information Night on Thursday, January 5, 2006, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.



Did you know...

that the 140 seniors from the Mater Dei Class of 2005 who took the ACT test had an average composite score of 22.0, which was higher than the state average of 20.1? The 81 seniors who took core courses averaged 23.3 on the ACT.

Nominations Sought for Mater Dei Hall of Honor

The Mater Dei Hall of Honor Selection Committee is seeking nominations for consideration for entry into the Hall. Anyone who has either graduated from Mater Dei, St. Dominic's High School of Breese or St. Mary's High School of Carlyle at least 20 years ago or who has been actively involved with Mater Dei in an important capacity for at least twenty years can be nominated.

Past inductees have included alumni, former faculty and school supporters. These people have distinguished themselves and their devotion has aided the school's religious and academic mission.

Nomination forms are available from Mater Dei High School by calling (618)526-7216. Nominations are due by February 1, 2006.

KNIGHT CLUB – 2005 – 2006 DIAMOND CIRCLE

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Comprehensive Care Pharmacy,
Breese, IL
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Aviston, IL
Frey Photography,
Highland, IL
Geriatrics First, Linda G. Uhrig,
MD, Breese, IL
Chip Haag, Benhoff Insurance
Agency, Breese, IL
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Breese, IL
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New Baden, IL
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Clinic, Breese, IL
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Breese, IL

NACO Printing & Advertising,
Greenville, IL
Norrenberns, Pat & Esther,
Carlyle, IL
Quad-County Ready Mix Corp.,
Okawville, IL
R & B Plumbing, Heating &
Air Conditioning, Inc.,
Breese, IL
Darin & Tina Revermann,
Breese, IL
Stricker Electric, Breese, IL
TechKnow Solutions, Aviston, IL
The Timmermann Group,
Breese, IL
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Carl's 4-Wheel Drive &
Performance Center,
Bartelso, IL
Dairy King, Inc., Breese, IL
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Centralia, IL
Excel Bottling Company, Inc.,
Breese, IL
First Bank, Breese, IL
First National Bank in
Carlyle, IL
Fuehne's Tavern,
Damiansville, IL
Germantown Trust &
Savings Bank
Gerstner Plumbing Co.,
Breese, IL
Haag Food Service, Inc.
Breese, IL
Hansen Foods, Inc., (Hardees),
Breese, IL
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Heiligenstein, Carlyle, IL
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Breese, IL
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New Baden, IL
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Inc., Albers, IL
LRB Construction, Inc.,
Breese, IL
Moss Funeral Home, Breese, IL
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Belleville, IL

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Albers, Leon & Ruth
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Beckemeyer, Dave & Mary
Beckemeyer, Doug & Julie
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Becker, Dan & Karen
Beckmann, Alfred & Helen
Beckmann, Randy & Lori
Beer, Darlene S.
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Berndsen, Tom & Phyllis
Boeckmann, Monica
Buehne, Randy & Michelle
Connelly, Kevin & Diane
Cook, Greg & Norma
Crocker, Dick & Carolyn
Davis, Mr. & Mrs. Gary
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Diekemper, Leroy
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Eilermann, Rich & Lynette
Engelmann, Mark & Cheryl
Essenpreis, Dale & Helen
Etter, Craig & Penny
Etter, Jack & Mary Alice
Etter, Jim
Etter, Mark & Fran
Eversgerd, Ron & Bets
Ferris, Don & Debra
Fischer, Fr. Henry
Fischer, Joseph & Mary Lou
Foppe, William & Denise
Frey, Susan K.
Fuehne, Roger A.
Fuehne, Ron & Sue
Furlow, Gary & Debbie
Garber, Bill & Lynn
Garcia, Jack & Lois
Garcia, Mrs. Lori
Gebke, Glennon & Wanita
Gebke, Mike & Mary Kay
Gerstner, Rick & Barb
Gilbreth, Dan & Judy
Gonzalez, Ben & Janice
Gonzalez, Bryan & Krista
Grappnerhaus, Dave & Diane
Gray, Ronald & Roberta
Haar, Joe & Louise
Haas, Dan & Shirley
Haas, Greg & Tina
Halstead, Brad Rochelle
Hampel, Barry & Ann
Harper, Lawrence & Colleen
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Hitpas, Patrick & Carol
Holthaus, Norbert & Sharon
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Kleber, Ed & Jean
Kloekner, Del & Gerry
Kloekner, Roman & Doris
Klostermann, Leann
Knebel, Rich & Deb
Knolhoff, Stewart & Brenda
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Korte, Vickie
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Lien, Hilmer & Ertamae
Litteken, Bob & Donna
Litteken, Dennis & Rita
Loepker, Jerry & Patty
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McNamara, Joe & Barb
Middendorff, Dennis &
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Voss, Jerry
Voss, Joe & Joan
Voss, Ray & Bernice
Voss, Ted & Laura
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Winkeler, Tom & Darlene
Winter, Terry Lee

Office of Institutional Advancement Seeking Class Representatives

The newly formed Office of Institutional Advancement has as a major goal to generate more alumni involvement. The first step to achieve this goal is to establish Class Representatives, which would be one, two or three people from each graduating class recruited to act as contacts between the OIA and the alumni from that class. With representatives in place, communication concerning alumni and alumni events would be much more manageable. Class reps would work with the OIA director to recruit volunteers, help with the Annual Fund Drive, be consulted on alumni events, obtain updated alumni information through the Internet, be the liaison between reunion committees and the OIA, and more.

If you would like to offer your services as a Class Representative for your graduating class, please call the Office of Institutional Advancement at Mater Dei.

2006 Mater Dei Calendar Order Form

Your Name: _____

Your Address: _____

Your City: _____

Your State/Zip: _____

\$21,150 will go to Mater Dei Calendar Winners in 2006. Every day someone or as many as five people will win cash prizes: \$30 each day, plus \$100 & \$500 on the last day of each month, plus \$1,000 & \$2,000 on December 31, 2006. Price of calendar: just \$25.00.

Name of student to receive credit for calendar: _____

Make \$25 check payable to Mater Dei High School. Please send to Mater Dei High School, c/o Ray Kauling, 900 N. Mater Dei Drive, Breese, IL 62230.

Thank You.

Did you know...

that 15 members of the Mater Dei faculty have earned a Masters Degree?

Mater Dei Plans Alumni Directory

Mater Dei has contracted with Harris Connect to produce a new alumni directory to coincide with the 50th Anniversary of Mater Dei High School. It has been 15 years since the last alumni directory was issued and the Mater Dei administration decided a new directory was needed so the classes from 1990-2004 could be included.

The first phase of the directory process is sending a survey by mail to all alumni. Please look for the form in the mail and take a few minutes to fill it out and mail it back to the specified address. The new Office of Institutional Advancement has as one of its goals to have

a more active alumni base and an accurate database is needed to achieve this goal.

You may also submit your directory information on-line. The first step is to call Harris Connect at 1(800) 877-6554 and ask for your personal Directory ID# and then go to: "https://www.alumniconnections.com/alumni_members/update/" and fill out the information survey.

You may contact Harris Connect for more information at customersvcolq@harrisconnect.com

Mater Dei Foundation – Investing in the Future

The Mater Dei Foundation exists to provide long-term financial support for Mater Dei Catholic High School and to ensure that Mater Dei is able to sustain a high quality, value-centered education for young men and women at an affordable cost. These young people will provide leadership within our Church and community in the future.

An endowment is an institution's financial foundation and the avenue by which it can attain a margin of excellence. Endowment funds are held in trust and when wisely invested yield earnings that provide a dependable source of income and a stable resource upon which to plan and build.

Donations to the Mater Dei Foundation may include:

- Wills and Trusts
- Gifts of IRA or Retirement Benefits
- Gifts of Stock or U.S. Savings Bonds
- Charitable Gift Annuities
- Remainder or Lead Trusts
- Gifts of Real Estate or Farm Property
- Donor Advised Funds

Please contact Mater Dei Catholic High School or a Foundation Board member for more information.

Foundation Board Members for the 2005-2006 School Year

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