



# SADDLE NEWS

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## Congratulations Regina High School Class of 2009



**Katherine McAlpine** has been named Co-Valedictorian for the Class of 2009 with a career grade point average of 4.3.

As a student at Regina, Katherine has been recognized for many of her academic achievements. She competed for three years as a member of the Prep Bowl Scholastic All Catholic Team and was invited to be part of the Regina High School Honor Guard.

Katherine has been involved at Regina High School in Peer Ministry, and Eucharistic Ministry. She has been a member of National Honor Society for three years and was a two-year member of the Science Club. Katherine began her roles in student government by being elected Junior Class President and currently serves as the Senior Class Historian.

While maintaining her academic excellence, Katherine has participated in a wide range of extracurricular and community activities. In her four years at Regina, Katherine was a member of the Freshman Basketball Team, and a two-year member of the JV. Volleyball team. She played Varsity Volleyball and has been a member of the Varsity Tennis Team for three years. She has been recognized as Junior Varsity Volleyball Captain, Varsity Tennis Captain and was named All-Academic in Varsity Volleyball. Katherine competed on the First Team

All-County Varsity Tennis, was selected for MHSAA's 2007 Captain's Clinic Series, and was nominated last year for the Women in Sports Leadership Conference. This year, Katherine was chosen for as WXYZ-Channel 7's "Brightest and Best" Scholar for Regina.

Outside of school, Katherine has been busy maintaining a job and clocking in over 155 hours of community service. She has worked as a Counselor in Training at YMCA Storer Camp. In the fall, she will attend Villanova University, near Philadelphia. She will major in the sciences and plans on working in the health and medical fields.



**Kelsey Meier** has been named Co-Valedictorian for the Class of 2009 with a career grade point average of 4.3.

Throughout her academic career, Kelsey has been recognized for many academic achievements. She has been a member of National Honor Society since her sophomore year, served on the Honor Guard her Junior year, and has received the Alliance Francais Award for French I, II, and III.

Kelsey has also participated in many athletic endeavors. She has danced for over 12 years and has participated on travel teams in Volleyball and Softball. Kelsey has competed for Regina High School in Freshman Softball Basketball, Freshman and Junior Varsity Volleyball, played quarterback for Powderpuff Football, and even volunteered at Regina's Summer Sports Camps.

In addition to proving herself as a team player, Kelsey has proven herself as a leader. She has supported the school in organizations like Student Council and Peer Ministry. She served Sophomore Vice-President and National Honor Society President. She has completed over 80 hours of service to the community.

When she is not in school, Kelsey works part time at Hollister Company. She will attend the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor this fall, where she will study Political Science and International Studies.

**Stephanie Rupinski** has been named Salutatorian for the Class of 2009 with a career grade point average of 4.28.

In addition to maintaining a stellar academic record, Stephanie has involved herself in a wide array of extracurricular activities. She has been a member of Drama Club, National Honor Society, Science Club, and Student Council at Regina High School, and has participated in De La Salle's Wig and Mask Society. She participated in powderpuff and showed leadership as Junior Class Secretary and Development Committee Head on Student Council, organizing service projects for the girls. Stephanie has dedicated much of her personal time to Regina, as well, volunteering for many annual events such as Regina High School's Open House and Dinner and Auction.

Stephanie has also given her time and talent to causes in the community. She was a teen volunteer at Henry Ford Macomb Hospital. She is also a devoted member of St. Peter Catholic Church's Right to Life Group and was recently recognized by the parish with a Timothy Award.

Along with the work and time Stephanie has given to her school and community, she also has worked hard to develop her musical skills. Stephanie has played the piano for much of her life. For the past six years, she has participated in the Federation of Music Competition, playing solos and duets. Stephanie's talent has been recognized by the Federation and she has earned "Superior" ratings. Stephanie has also been recognized by the American Guild of Music, and in their Great Lakes Regional contest, she earned 1st place for solo and 2nd and 3rd place for duet.

Universities have taken notice of Stephanie's gifts and talents. She was accepted to be part of the Broad Freshman business program through Michigan State University's Eli Broad School of Business. Stephanie has chosen to attend Grand Valley State University and has been selected for the Honors College and Seidman College of Business.



# SADDLE NEWS...Transforming Girls

## Principal's Message



One of the greatest issues in education today is parental choice. We are beginning to see the establishment of more and more Charter Schools both in the public and the non-public sector. One can go on-line and check out MEAP scores and MME results, school by school. All of the statistical data, confirms that Catholic schools provide a superior product with excellent results.

The 111 Graduates of the Class of 2009 are a testimonial of Catholic education. They achieved many honors, and numerous awards and scholarships that will be the foundation for their future goals and aspirations. Our teachers challenged them, encouraged them, helped them, celebrated with them, shed tears with them, prayed with them. We believe that a major source of the success of our students comes from our combination of academics, religious formation, community service, various leadership opportunities, athletics, and school and family spirit. We sincerely believe that one of our greatest assets is being able to give our students "roots" and "wings." A strong foundation and the means to succeed in any future endeavor. We know that the Class of '09 will achieve great things.

We need to preserve our Regina qualities and continue to offer this educational opportunity to many more young women in the Archdiocese of Detroit. To make this possible, we ask that you continue to partner with us to help make our mission a reality for future women leaders. Your continued support in all our activities, events, fundraisers, and donations is matched by the gratitude of our teachers, students, administrators, and staff. The true beneficiaries will be the students who will learn and share, imagine and achieve, dream and become.

God bless!

Sister Mary Leanne, SSJ-TOSF  
Principal

## Letter From Senior Class President, Melissa Raffoul

***I don't believe an accident of birth makes people sisters...it makes them siblings, gives them mutuality of parentage. Sisterhood...is a condition people have to work at. – Maya Angelou***

My name is Melissa Raffoul and I have been honored to serve as Regina High School's Senior Class President this past year. As the Class of 2009, we were lucky enough to experience two years at the Harper Woods location and two years at the Warren location. But no matter where we were, the Regina spirit lives on. Now with the end of our high school experience, not only comes graduation, but also the honor of becoming alumnae of Regina. The girls I have met over the years here are loving, respectful, kind, and the best friends I have ever had. There is such a bond between the sisters of Regina High School, past, present, and future. To be alumnae of Regina is such a prestigious honor and we don't even know it yet! Thanks to the education and guidance given to us throughout our years here, we all have bright futures ahead of us. Even though we are all going off in different directions, I know that we will stay connected through the strong Alumnae Association present at Regina. I am so excited that I will be able to call myself a true Regina Alumna and be included in such a privileged association that includes so many strong, independent, beautiful, kind-hearted women. I can only hope that I live up to the achievements that so many successful Regina women have attained. Nobody knows what the future holds, but I am eager to see where this life journey takes us all. God bless the Class of 2009 and all graduates of Regina High School.



Love from a sister,  
Melissa Raffoul  
2009 Senior Class President

## Our Prayers are with You Graduates

*"For I know well the plans I have in mind for you," says the Lord, "plans for your welfare, not for woe! Plans to give you a future full of hope. When you call me, when you go to pray to me, I will listen to you. When you look for me, you will find me. Yes, when you seek me with all your heart, you will find me with you."*

*-Jeremiah 29:11-14*

## School Honors

Summa Cum Laude	38
Magna Cum Laude	18
Cum Laude	17
GPA 4.0+	12
Phi Beta Kappa	35
Michigan Promise Award	61
Community Service Hours	12,601.25
Scholarships Awarded (to date)	\$3 million
President's Education Award	33

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## Letter From Student Council President, Gina Valgoi

*Like as the waves make towards the pebbled shore, so do our minutes, hasten to their end.*  
– William Shakespeare

Waves crash on the shores and slowly pull back. The cycle keeps going and never ends...it is infinite. Regina High School, much like the ocean, has that power. A class of girls comes each year and crashes into the halls. They bring all types of unique treasure with them. And when it's time, they leave the same way they arrived – all at once. The wave cannot stay forever, and it is the same with the girls. Life pulls them back and they move on back into the ocean. As my days in plaid dwindle to an end, I realize just how precious each moment at Regina is.

Pulled between the "lasts" of high school and the "firsts" of what's next, I find myself looking back.

My time on the "Regina Shore" holds a special place in my heart. I realize that Regina is so much more than calculus and psychology. It is a step, a safe place to grow, and a place where I could figure out who I am and all of the possibilities of who I could be.

The opportunities given to me at Regina have been nothing

short of a blessing...

I was given the chance to learn in an all-girl environment. Not everyone gets this chance to go to school each day and not worry about asking the wrong questions in class or of feeling uncomfortable. At Regina I never had to compromise who I am to fit into the idea of "what a girl should be".

I was given the chance to be a leader. I was entrusted with responsibility. This gave me the opportunity to be gracious in my success and humble in my difficulties. I was inspired by the fact that I could be a role model. I want all of the girls I have worked with to be confident, to know why they are doing what they are doing, and to know that they have the power to affect and change things. I want people to look at them and know that they are living with their whole heart.

I was given the chance to be an athlete, to be a part of a team and feel that I belong, and to practice endlessly and tirelessly with a group of friends to accomplish our very best.

I was reminded each day of

my faith and the importance of starting your day with a prayer. I learned to know that God has a plan and to understand that even if His plan isn't always clear, I can always turn to Him for answers.

I was given friends. Friends can mean a lot of things. To me, my Regina Friends are the tin box full of handwritten notes that I keep on my dresser. They are the laughs that are so uncontrollable that they make my belly hurt. They are wishes and stars and dreams and songs on home-made CDs. The girls that make me smile and who I call for help. They are my support system that will be moving on with me next year. They will forever remind me what I learned at Regina – to be full of faith, confident, and true to myself.

Somewhere between plaid and saddle shoes, I found myself. The Class of 2009 is being swept back into the sea, but maybe it's not the same way we arrived four years ago. We leave strong, confident, and prepared – a class ready to take on the ocean.

Gina Valgoi  
2008-09 Student Council President

## Regina Students Display Cemetery of the Innocents

In a beautiful display of Pro-Life conviction, Regina's student organization Teens for Life joined together this April with other members of the student body to erect a Cemetery of the Innocents. Crosses were planted into the ground to symbolize the 50 million deaths by abortion in the 36 years since Roe v. Wade.

An entire generation has grown up in the wake of this landmark Supreme Court decision. Although the students involved in this project have only lived post-Roe v. Wade, they recognize the issue of abortion to be very much alive in the world around us.

For two weeks, the crosses were displayed in front of the building for all members of the school and outer community to see. For members of our neighborhood, it was an inspiring sign of activism from the young ladies of Regina. The school received letters and emails praising our students for taking a public stance on a polarizing issue.

Teens for Life continues to advocate through prayer and action for Pro-Life issues.



Regina High School students take Pro-Life action in the Cemetery for the Innocents Display



# SADDLE NEWS...Women of faith & vision

## Alumnae Updates

**1960 Carole (Helka) Krol** lives in Livonia with her husband Ted. She volunteers at her church and with The ARC of Northwest Wayne county. She has five children, nine grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

**1964 Mary (Janchar) Bronson** is retired in St. Clair Shores. She enjoys Crosswords and Classic Movies and is proud of her children Michelle and Jerry.

**1965 Marie (Sepos) Manofsky** lives in Warren with her husband Jerome. She enjoys gardening and reading and is proud of raising her two beautiful daughters Denise and Renee.



Former RHS teacher Julie Aemisegger spends time with Linda Karam Stasek '84 and Jolynne Schneider '84 at the Annual Alumnae Basketball Game

**1966 Susan (Thompson) Young** is a Manager for Chase Bank. She lives with her husband Bernard in Warren. She enjoys sewing and walking trails and is proud of raising her three wonderful sons Matthew, Michael, and Christopher.

**1967 Colleen Maloney** is a Receptionist for Mt. Calvary Family Community Center. She enjoys traveling, music, and reading books and is proud of being a lector at Mass for over 30 years.

**1968 Christine (Trzeciak) Doan** retired from Human Resources at Chrysler Corporation. She enjoys cooking and reading, and has enjoyed her travels to Australia, New Zealand, Spain, Ireland, France, Switzerland, Germany and Italy.

**1970 Jeanne (Sind) Christie** is a Registered Nurse for St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. She lives in Ann Arbor with her husband Donald and her children Mary Beth and Julie. She enjoys bowling, exercising, and antiquing and is proud of her family and her career of over 30 years as a nurse.

**1971 Marlene (Groesbeck) Violassi** is a Registered Nurse for Oakland County Health Division. She is a breast cancer survivor and is proud of her enduring friendship with former classmate Carol (Vetere) Mezzenga.

**1973 Susan O'Connell-Magno** lives in Gurnee, Illinois with her husband Jose and their

two children Joseph and Rebecca. She works as an Oncology Clinical Specialist for Alexion Pharmaceuticals.

**1974 Loretta (Palleschi) Cognetto** is a manager at Villa Restaurant. She lives in Sterling Heights with her husband Domenico and her sons Frank and Orlando. She enjoys gardening and fundraising for Breast Cancer awareness and is proud of her family. **Mary (Nagel) Price** is an Occupational Therapist for St. Joseph Mercy Hospital. She lives with her husband Fred in Willis and would love to hear from any alumnae from the class of 1974, especially Marie O'Donnell or Michele Brodeur. **Pamela (Wasko) Murray** lives in a new 34 story high

rise condominium in downtown Grand Rapids. She has a great view of the city, wonderful neighbors, and enjoys being able to walk wherever she goes!

**1977 M. Marie (Collins) Hebler** is a self-employed Human Resource Consultant in California. She is proud of founding her family foundation which supports initiatives in education, her successful career, and raising two healthy teens, Matthew and Sarah. **Mary Martin** is a

nurse living in Grosse Pointe Woods with her husband Stephen and her children Joshua and Alicia '12. She is proud of her family and her career. "The places that nursing has taken me throughout the years are wide reaching, beyond what I had originally thought nursing would or could have been!"

**1978 Mary (Hallman) Rupinski** lives in Macomb with her husband John and her three daughters Stephanie '09, Theresa '12, and Elizabeth. She is proud of raising her three beautiful daughters and being active in Right to Life of Michigan and other Pro-Life groups and women's ministry. **Ida Marie (Panella) Carlough** is a lives in Lewisburg, Tennessee with her husband Christopher. She worked overseas in Singapore and Thailand for three years to help build the GM Thailand Manufacturing Plant in Rayong, Thailand and has travelled, additionally, to Hong Kong, China, Indonesia, Malaysia, Austria, Germany, England, Italy, Venezuela, and Spain. She enjoys raising, training, and riding Tennessee Walking Horses.

**1979 Karen (Sobak) Boesch** is a Psychiatrist for Washington University in St. Louis. She lives in Missouri with her husband Jeffrey and her two sons Zac and Alex.

**1980 Kathleen (Gerbe) Konal** is a Registered Nurse at Henry Ford Macomb Hospital. She enjoys scrapbooking, making jewelry, and

attending Grand Valley State University football games, where both of her daughters are students. She lives in Clinton Township with her husband Christopher, Class of 1979 at Notre Dame High School and her high school sweetheart.

**1983 Antonina Valenti** lives in Potomac Maryland with her husband George and their two children Anna and Lucas.

**1984 Mary (Blocki) MacDonald** is an Engineering Manager for General Motors Daewoo - Korea.

**1985 Julie Ann (Onderik) Tsatsos** teaches 1st Grade at St. Lawrence School. She lives in Macomb with her husband Paul and her sons Darryl and Ryan. She enjoys reading, shopping, and walking and is proud of being married for 17 years and having two beautiful sons.

**Christine (Latorre) Pickett** lives in Roseville with her husband Roger and her three children Donovan, Sarah, and Josh. She is enrolled at Baker College to become a Veterinary Technician and has recently started a no-kill animal rescue called A New Leash On Life ([www.anewleashonliferescue.org](http://www.anewleashonliferescue.org)). She loves spending time with her kids. **Elizabeth (Latter) Paredes** is a social worker for St. John Hospice. She lives in Warren with her husband Roger and her children Anthony and Jacqueline. She is proud of her two wonderful children, her successful marriage, and a Master's Degree in Social Work.

**1986 Kimberly (Pierfelice) Coppock** lives in Texas with her husband Shawn and her two sons William and David. She has retired after 20 years of service in the US Navy and is now working for GE Healthcare.

**1987 Justine (Witkop) Gorman** lives in Gaylord with her husband Paul and her children Alexandria and Jeremy. She is a receptionist at Otsego Memorial Hospital and enjoys Karate, running, knitting, and quilting. **Kim (Wyniemko) Amico** is a Registered Dental Hygienist for Roger W. Black, DDS and lives with her husband Nicolo and her children Alexis and Darion in Warren. **Kristin (Karschnia) Casalou** lives in Novi with her husband Rob and her children Julie, John, and Emily. She enjoys Yoga, Reading, and event planning and is proud of her kids and her degree in Civil Engineering. **Kim Horn** is a Physician living in Collinson. She enjoys traveling and has been to Australia, Argentina, Brazil, Finland, France, England, Uruguay, Amsterdam, and India.

**1988 Anna (Hooper) Jones** is a Commercial Services Manager for Mars Petcare US. She lives in Franklin, Tennessee with her husband Doug and her children, Sebastian, Ian, and Ryan. **Laura Ludwig** is a surgeon living in Clinton Township. She enjoys drawing, painting, writing, and playing piano.

**1992 Kathleen (Chase) Harville** is a librarian in Clinton Township. She and her husband Josh have three dogs and love spending time up north. They enjoy traveling and have recently spent two weeks in Scotland. **Alicia (Tarnowski) Merline** lives in Chicago and is a Senior Research Associate for the American Academy of Pediatrics. She enjoys traveling all over the USA and spending time with her son

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Nathaniel. **Danielle (Zelasko) Krozek** is an IT Director for Credit Acceptance. She lives in Oxford with her husband Patrick and their daughter Madilyn Eve. **Donna (Van Maele) Kelly** is a Human Resources Consultant for American Electric Power. She lives in Kendallville, Indiana with her husband Paul and enjoys volunteering at Black Pine Animal Park. **Kimberly (LeBeau) Rastall** lives in Clinton Township with her husband John and her children Ashley and Zachary. She is an Administrative Assistant at Tartar Express and enjoys volunteering for her Church, the Boy Scouts, and the Thanksgiving Day Parade. **Amy (Mroz) Germain** lives in Clinton Township with her husband Andrew, her daughter Caitlin, and her son AJ. She enjoys traveling, golfing, Tiger games, going to her son's baseball games, and seeing her daughter perform in choir concerts.

**1993 Kelly LaBudde** is a Resource/Project Manager for Organic, Inc. She enjoys bowling, painting, dancing, music, home projects, interior decorating, sports/entertainment, yoga, and cycling, and she is proud of obtaining her Bachelors Degree and successfully owning and maintaining her own home.

**1994 Dana (Ervin) Berry** is a Financial Specialist for Detroit Public Schools. **Tamika Bates** is a Registered Nurse for Doctors Hospital, Baptist Health South Florida. She enjoys traveling, bike-riding, reading, and relaxing on the beach with family. She is glad she looked online to see how the school was going or she never would have known Regina had moved! She looks forward to visiting again and catching up with old classmates from class 1991 - 1997.

**1995 Susan (Lewinski) Cortes** is a Teacher's Assistant at Walnut Hill Early Education Center. She lives in Goshen, Indiana with her children

Susan, Dominic, Gabriella, and Giovanni.

**1996 Suzanne (Garipey) Hatzigeorgiou** lives in Holly with her husband Steve and her daughters Alexis and Chloe. She enjoys scrapbooking and is proud of her two beautiful and healthy daughters. **Louise Allen** received her Doctoral degree from Boston University and will start a position at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C. as a post-doctoral research associate.

**2000 Heather (DeAmit) Weinrauch** lives with her husband Curt in St. Clair Shores. They just had their first baby, Andrew Thomas, this past November. **Jennifer (Stevenson) Davis** is an office assistant for St. John North Shores. She and her husband Jack live in Eastpointe and enjoy camping, scrapbooking, gardening, and spending time with their one-year-old girl Jessica. **Leanne Dietz** lives in Clinton Township with her baby daughter Carleigh Jean. She recently bought her first home and is pursuing her teaching degree.

**2001 Erin Gendernalik** is a landscape designer in Chicago. She enjoys volunteering at Ronald McDonald House, mountainbiking, and skiing. She is proud of her education and the empowerment that Regina gave her to stand out in a field dominated by males. **Stephanie Lieder** is a teacher at De La Salle Collegiate High School. She has earned a BA in Political Science, Master of Arts in Teaching, and is working on another certification as a Reading Specialist. She will be marrying Eric Howay this June. **Venessa (Sauerberg) Herford** was recently married to her husband Kris. She is graduating from Wayne State Medical School and plans to practice family medicine. She will be doing her residency at St. John Hospital.

**2003 Dana Atkins** is a student in Virginia. She has completed her 4 year enlistment in the United States Navy, during which she traveled

to Augusta Bay, Gibraltar, Dubai, Jebel Ali, Seyechelles, Mombasa, Bahrain, and Rota. **Elizabeth Ossy** lives in Warren and is pursuing her MPA. She is proud of finishing her undergraduate degree in four years and hopes to continue her education by earning her JD in the near future. **Kristen Berndt** is an Industrial Engineer for General Motors. She enjoys community theatre. **Rachel Wanagat** is a Team Leader for Target Corporation. She is engaged to Justin Sobczynski and is planning a wedding for September 2009. **Sarah Zarowny** is an engineer for Exxon-Mobile Global. She has recently moved to the Washington D.C. area, where she enjoys her new job and has begun volunteering at her local church.

**2004 Angeline Biggert** is a student at Wayne State University. She has just graduated with an Honors Bachelor of Science Degree in Nutrition and Food Science and has recently started Medical School. **Meghan Eileen Sweeney** is a first-year law student at the University of Notre Dame. She is most proud of being a part of the RHS Softball team, winning the Softball State Championship in 2004, being co-validatorian, graduating from Notre Dame, and now attending Law School there.

**2006 Karen Zarowny** is a full time student who also works at Borders Books. She is a Junior at Wayne State University and enjoys baking, reading, and being a student.

**2007 Jody Wycech** is a student at Grand Valley State University where she represents the Residence Housing Association on a state, regional, and national level as a communications coordinator. She is also Vice President of Grand Valley's Chemistry Club.

**2008 Kera Perzyk** lives in Roseville. She enjoys dance and shopping and is proud of moving out on her own and beginning her adult life.

## Class Reunion Information

### 1960

**BIG 50 YEAR REUNION!** The Class of 1960 will be Celebrating in May 2010! Stay tuned for more details!

### 1968

A 40 Year Reunion is in the planning stages. For more information or to help in these planning efforts, please contact Shirley Walkowski at 313-577-3883 and [ac4950@wayne.edu](mailto:ac4950@wayne.edu).

### 1989

The 20-year reunion for the class of 1989 is in the works. Mark your calendars for Friday, August 7, 2009. If you have any questions, please contact Jen Perrino at [jenperrino@aol.com](mailto:jenperrino@aol.com) or 313-882-6123.

## Make Way for Ducklings!

It's easy to see when spring has sprung at Regina High School. When the ground has thawed and the first blossoms have appeared, we find ourselves saying hello to an old friend. Our annual visitor, Mrs. Duck, who made her Warren debut last spring, first appeared in April. She set to work building a home, and before we knew it, we were holding our breath waiting for her tiny eggs to hatch. In mid-May, nine healthy baby ducklings were hatched. Congratulations to our little mother and the newest members of the Regina Family!





## Detroit Tiger Foundation Awards Regina High School Grant



*Sister Leanne accepts matching grant from the Detroit Tigers Foundation at Comerica Park on May 17*

One of the greatest honors of being an all-girls high school is our mission to instill in young women a sense of confidence and empowerment. At Regina, we are able to recognize our students for their intelligence, talents, and unique abilities. We are rewarded for this investment of time and care by seeing how a young girl can face a challenge and dig deep inside to find the strength, perseverance, and conviction to be her best and to bring out the best in her peers. Regina High School's Softball Program is a perfect example of young women being fostered by healthy competition and the spirit of teamwork. Since the Softball Program was founded in 1975, more than 2,000 girls have been Saddlelite Softball team members. 25 of these athletes have been awarded college softball scholarships since 1984. The Varsity Softball Team has competed in 19 Catholic League Championship games and earned five MHSAA State Championships.

Through the generosity of the Detroit Tigers Foundation, Regina High School's Softball Program will be able to reach the community in a whole new way. On May 17, 2009, the Tigers awarded 15 grants to organizations in the community. Regina High School was awarded a \$20,000 matching gift grant to be used to upgrade, renovate, and enhance Regina's existing Varsity Softball Field. Regina High School plans to bring the existing softball field to a

level commensurate with championship caliber play, provide for softball field maintenance, grading and drainage, and install new dugouts, batting cage, bleachers, and scoreboard.

Headed by Michigan Hall of Fame Coach Diane Laffey, Regina High School's Softball Teams are dedicated to instilling a spirit of teamwork, excellence, leadership, self-confidence, sportsmanship, baseball knowledge, community service and physical fitness in the school's team members and the student body, providing an opportunity for girls in the school's surrounding community to share in the program benefits by participation in summer sports camps, and continuing our existing relationship with Detroit inner city youth in accomplishing this goal.

The Detroit Tiger Foundation shares in this vision. "The Detroit Tigers organization believes in the need to invest in our community's future," said Jordan Field, Director of the Detroit Tigers Foundation. "We are thrilled to touch the lives of so many children and are honored to support youth baseball programs not only in the city of Detroit, but in all of Michigan." The Detroit Tigers Foundation believes in what the Softball Program at Regina High School is able to provide, not only for the school, itself, but for the community at large. Together, the Softball Teams and Summer Softball Camp reach over 350 girls per year, both students at the school and young women in the community. No athlete is ever turned away due to inability to pay.

**Now it is time for the Regina Family's challenge.** "Thanks to the Detroit Tiger Foundation, we have a once-in-a-life-time opportunity to build the best softball facility in the area," says Coach Laffey. "We need your help. I would like to appeal to the generosity of all Regina Alumnae, especially those who have been involved in softball, to help make this dream a reality."

Regina High School has a deadline of December 1, 2009 to raise \$20,000 in matching funds for the Softball Field Project. If you would like to donate to this project and have your donation matched dollar for dollar by the Detroit Tiger Foundation please call 586-585-0500 ext. 288 for Diane Laffey or ext. 285 for MaryAnn Goll.



*Regina's Softball players enjoy watching a Tiger game at Comerica Park*

### CALLING ALL ST. ISAAC JOGUES ALUMNI

Send us an email at [sijalumni@gmail.com](mailto:sijalumni@gmail.com)

or call **586-771-3525** ext. 267

Please include the following: Name, Graduation

Year, Current Address, Phone Number

*We look forward to hearing from you!*

**Thank You!!!**  
*Parishioners of  
St. Therese of Liseux  
for your generous pledge to  
our Capital Campaign.*



All faculty, alumnae, moms, dads, and friends are invited to enjoy a day on the links!



### Event Highlights

Welcome Package  
Long Drive Contest  
Closest to the Pin  
Vegas Hole  
Raffles  
Skins  
Prizes



Visit [www.reginahs.com](http://www.reginahs.com)

Saturday, July 11, 2009

## Saddlelite Scramble Golf Classic

at Cedar Glen Golf Club in  
New Baltimore, MI

**Hosted by The Regina Dads' Club**

- 1:00 Check-in
- 2:30 Shotgun Start
- Dinner and Prizes
- \$100.00 per person

**includes:**

18 holes of golf with cart, hotdog and chips at the turn, 2 beverage tickets on the course, and dinner & 2 hours of open bar in the clubhouse.

A portion of the proceeds from this event to benefit the

*Capital Campaign  
Building Our Future*

*Cut Here and Mail*

### Registration Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Info: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 2: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 3: \_\_\_\_\_

Player 4: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

We accept Mastercard and Visa

Card Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

### Dinner only \$45.00

Send Remittance to:

**Advancement Office, Regina High School  
Golf Classic**

13900 Masonic Boulevard • Warren MI 48088

For more info, call:

**Brian Souva**

Home: 586-228-1377 • Work: 586-421-5457

[eabbrian@comcast.net](mailto:eabbrian@comcast.net)

For course information and reviews go to  
[www.michigan.twoguyswhogolf.com/alpha/cedarglen.html](http://www.michigan.twoguyswhogolf.com/alpha/cedarglen.html)

# I want to give...but how do I choose where to donate my money?

## Capital Campaign

Regina has spent the past 18 months highlighting the advantages of giving to our Capital Campaign – Building Our Future. The campaign is necessary to fund an endowment for the future of our mission. Endowment funds are savings accounts which can create interest income for special projects, tuition assistance, and much more. You've received countless invitations to our Inaugural Events, Dinners, Galas, Information Sessions, and Dedications, not to mention the phone calls, letters, brochures, and articles in the Saddle News telling you of the wondrous things we can accomplish if you pledge to the campaign. We've asked you to give up a cup of coffee a day and pledge your savings so Regina will benefit. We've set up a system of automatic pay directly from your bank, five year payment plans, and naming rights to rooms, statuary, and trees to make your gift easy and appealing.

We moved to Warren in 2007 to remain viable because closing our doors like Dominican, Rosary, and Star of the Sea, was not an option. We renovated our new campus to offer safe, ergonomic, and efficient surroundings where girls can grow spiritually, intellectually, and physically. One very generous donor provided the funding for our new chapel so the neighborhood would see that our Catholic identity is our top priority, and we would have the sacred space to practice our faith. The SSJ-TOSF still remain dedicated to our mission as they were in 1956. As our teachers face the challenges of rapidly evolving learning environments we ask you to help us grow our endowment to keep RHS on the competitive edge. Regina's success means more girls will go to college, more girls will enter their community confident and well prepared, and more girls will give back and help others in the Franciscan tradition.

## Annual Fund

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Each October you receive an appeal letter from Regina bringing attention to our current need and goals and asking you to send a gift. So where does your donation go? It provides tuition assistance for students with need making it easier for them to focus on what's important - classes and involvement. It provides funding for special projects, ongoing improvements, and equipment to enhance the student's experience at RHS. It provides funding for faculty and staff development so our students can continue to receive the best instruction and service possible. It funds community projects allowing our students to actively participate, lead and serve in the Franciscan tradition of giving back to the community. The difference between tuition and actual cost to educate a RHS student is about \$1500. Charging the full tuition would exclude many girls who seek a faith based education. The Annual Fund provides a break for parents with financial need, a tax break for our donors, and we get... well, we get the joy of knowing you care. In a typical fiscal year we will contact you numerous times Christmas, Easter, and our "last chance" note which reaches you just before our fiscal year comes to a close on June 30th.

From time to time you're invited to auctions, wine tastings, fashion shows, and golf classics. The proceeds from events, (fundraisers and friend raisers), are usually earmarked by the principal for special projects. Events can be run by the school or support organizations like the Mothers' Guild, Alumnae Association, Dads' Club and Sports Club. Donations to these events are not considered an Annual Fund gift.

I hope this article clarifies the difference between the two funds. Now for the question we started with "how do I decide where to donate my money"? The answer is: give to both. Consider the Annual Fund gift to be the fuel that you put in a car, and a capital campaign pledge the new tires, the oil changes, and the tune-ups that come down the road. A campaign pledge is a "stretch gift", a call to go above and beyond what you have done for Regina High School in the past. It is a call to make Regina your philanthropic priority and champion our cause. It may be beneficial to discuss your donation with the Principal or Development Director because they can help you choose a gift to fit your budget and allow you to reach your giving goals and personal satisfaction.



## SADDLE NEWS...Women of faith & vision

*I am the Resurrection and the Life...*  
*John 11, 25*

**Luchio Tomenello**, Father of Maria Tomenello Hart '76 and grandfather of Deanna Hart '06 passed away in January. He loved Regina and all it stood for, cherished the beautiful friendship s Maria and Deanna had with other Reginites, and enjoyed speaking with Sr. Leanne and praising the work she did.

**Mr. Robert Goodman**, father of Sally Goodman Misplon '68 and Roxanne Goodman Anson '60 passed away in March.

**Beatrice Walkowski**, mother of Shirley Walkowski Kaczorowski '68, passed away in March.

**Greg Pelgus**, father of Megan Pelgus '04 passed away in March.

**Theodore Orban**, father of Teresa Orban '75, Martha Jane Orban Herringshaw '78, and Monica Orban Trost '80, passed away in May.

### *Prayer Before Travel*

Lord Jesus Christ my God, be my Companion, guide and protector during my journey. Keep me from all danger, misfortune and temptation. By Your divine power grant me a peaceful and successful journey and safe arrival. In You I place my hope and trust and You I praise, honor and glorify.

Lord Jesus, You traveled with the two disciples after the resurrection and set their hearts on fire with Your grace. Travel also with me and gladden my heart with Your presence. During my journey surround me with Your holy angels and keep me safe from seen and unseen dangers. Grant that I may carry out my plans and fulfill my expectations according to Your will. Help me to see the beauty of creation and to comprehend the wonder of Your truth in all things. For You are the way, the truth and the life, and to You I give thanks, praise and glory forever. Amen



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