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Summer 2022

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Fundraiser  
was a success  
because of **YOU!**

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# The Difference You Make



School is out for summer and you helped make it a great year. Our sesquicentennial Paradise Island fundraiser was a great success because so many people came together with generous hearts – parents, grandparents, faculty and staff, students, alumni, local businesses, foundations, universities and friends of IWA.

Together, we are all part of the Sisters' incredible legacy in Corpus Christi and appreciate the contributions of our entire IWA family to 150 amazing years of Incarnate Word Academy.

The proceeds from Paradise Island combined with Annual Fund dollars transformed the 2021-2022 school year by providing critical tuition assistance; strengthening programs like STEM, athletics, and fine arts; enhancing facilities and campus security; and providing professional development opportunities for dedicated faculty and staff.

Thank you again for honoring Incarnate Word Academy's incredible 150-year legacy.



# 2022 Paradise Island Honorees



In 1871, the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament forged a path in the rugged land of South Texas. With determination and vision, they brought Jesus, the Incarnate Word, to the children of the Coastal Bend through their ministry of Catholic Education.

It was with great pleasure that we celebrated Incarnate Word Academy's 150th Anniversary by honoring the Sisters of the Incarnate Word and Blessed Sacrament at our 2022 Paradise Island Gala.

## 2022 Jubilarians



Sr. Dorothy Anhaizer, IWBS  
75 years



Sr. Martha O'Gara, IWBS  
70 years



Sr. Lou Ella Hickman, IWBS '51  
50 years



Sr. Marilyn Springs, IWBS  
25 years



# Living Stones Building the Mission Recognition Society

Incarnate Word Academy has established the Living Stones Building the Mission Recognition Society in gratitude of loyal and generous major donors who have contributed significant financial support for the advancement of the school's mission. Based on the scripture from 1 Peter 2:5 "Like living stones let ourselves be built into a spiritual house," the society acknowledges those who have contributed cumulative gifts of \$50,000 or more and those who have remembered IWA in a bequest.

## Jeanne de Matel Heritage Circle

This award recognizes those Partners-in-Mission who have included Incarnate Word Academy in their estate plans.

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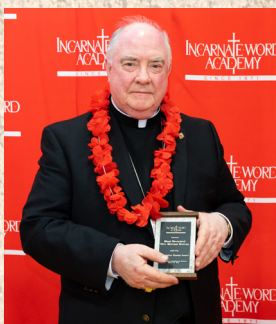
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# IWA Announces 6 Man Football

The crowd roared as our Athletic Director, Kevin Steen, announced for the very first time that IWA will be adding 6-man football to the IWA High School Level.

Gala guests had the unique opportunity to be the first to support the new football program and help IWA gear-up to put Angels in the Endzone with a special donation of \$1,000. Each of the donors received an official IWA game ball to commemorate their contribution. With enthusiasm, \$22,000 was raised for the new football program that evening.

The High School Football Program will begin next school year with training, coach additions, field improvements and modifications, and scrimmages as we build the program to be ready for our first official season in TAPPS in the 2023-2024 school year. As with all sports programs at IWA, health and safety will be our first priority and we are grateful for the experience, expertise, and athletic training certification that Coach Steen brings to IWA athletics. With it's positive impact on enrollment, the addition of 6-man football is also expected to help strengthen other sports and school programs.

**Go Angels!**

# ANGELS



## IN THE

# ENDZONE





**IWA  
150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary  
Pep Rally**





# Our Volunteers are Priceless



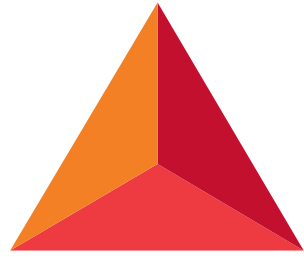
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# 2022 Raffle Results

**Thank you to our  
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**HAND THERAPY SERVICES**

It takes a village to coordinate and execute our annual Paradise Island raffle. Thankfully, we are blessed with an incredible village. We would like to extend a huge thank you to the PTO's, administrators and volunteers for coordinating sales efforts. Proceeds benefited the PTO at each level as well as the Educational Initiatives Fund.

## **AND THE WINNERS ARE...**

### **GRAND PRIZE: TEN \$1,000 VISA GIFT CARDS**

**Winner - Sr. Eileen Dougherty (sold by 7th grader Raylen Doherty)**

### **1ST PRIZE: \$1,000 VISA GIFT CARD**

**Winner - Megan Zuniga (sold by IWA 4th grade student, Aiden Hernandez)**

### **2ND PRIZE: \$500 VISA GIFT CARD**

**Winner - Katelyn Boyce (sold by IWA MP1 student, Harper Boyce)**

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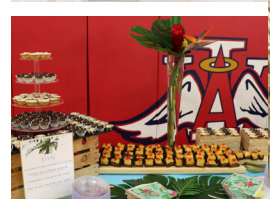
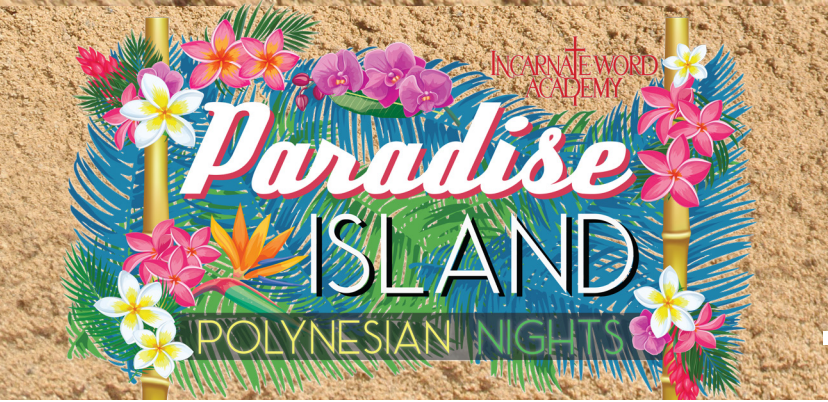
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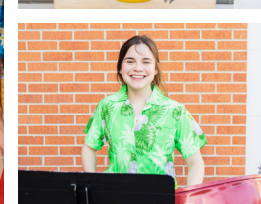
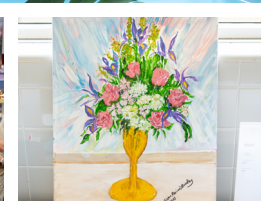
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