

November 2024

With Thanksgiving right around the corner, I wanted to share a poem I just discovered by Robert Louis Stevenson. While it's entitled "Wedding Prayer" I think it makes a perfect Thanksgiving prayer.

Lord, behold our family here assembled.

We thank you for this place in which we dwell,
for the love that unites us,
for the peace accorded us this day,
for the hope with which we expect the morrow,
for the health, the work, the food,
and the bright skies that make our lives delightful;
for our friends in all parts of the earth.

Amen

The gift of Catholic education, which for me began at Mother Seton, has been one of the many blessings in my life. I'm happy for this opportunity to share the good news of all that our alums have been up to, as well as to remember those who have gone before us.

Happy and Blessed Thanksgiving to you and your families!

Kate Marshall, MSS 1969

Emma & Sarah Simmons- MSS Class of 2023

The faculty and staff at Mother Seton work hard to provide an outstanding education, and it's so nice to hear about alums who have benefitted from that hard work! The Gettysburg Times recently interviewed twins Emma and Sarah Simmons (MSS 2023), who have been garnering top honors everywhere for their Respitronics breathing measurement device, including the Pennsylvania Governor's STEM competition, the York-Adams Science Fair, and the eCybermission (sponsored by the U.S. Army), where they won at the state, regional

and national levels for their age group. In the Times interview, the girls gave a shout out to Mother Seton STEM educators for the support and education they received here.



'Angels Above' Alumni Golf Tournament



The annual Angels Above Alumni Golf Tournament, held this year on October 4th at Gettysburg National Golf Club, raised over \$34,000 to benefit the Jack and Shirley Little Scholarship Fund. The tournament is organized and hosted by the Little family, including Tony Little (MSS 1978), Pam Little Bolin (MSS 1977), Marylou Little (MSS 1976), Tim (MSS 1974) and Ed Little. Since its inception 17 years ago, a total of over \$300,000 has been raised to provide scholarships to Mother Seton School students. Sister Regina Hlavac, D.C. (shown above with the Little Family) enjoyed spending the day with the many MSS alumni that she taught when she was at MSS.

The Antolin Family- MSS 1967-1982

The Viktor and Ivanka Antolin Family sent all 13 of their children to Mother Seton School, with graduation years spanning 1967 to 1982. Mrs. Antolin passed away on June 2, 2024, just a few days shy of her 100th birthday. All the surviving children gathered from the far reaches of this country and Canada to memorialize and celebrate their mother's remarkable life.



The Antolins (I-r) Tom (MSS 1972), Vida (MSS 1969), Michael (MSS 1973), Meta (MSS 1978), Helena (MSS 1975), Pavel (MSS 1970), Stan (MSS 1974), Kristina (slightly behind) (MSS 1982), Katherine (MSS 1979), and Jozef (MSS 1976). (Deceased siblings: Robert MSS 1978, d.1985), Ana (MSS 1969, d. 2011) and Ivanka (MSS 1967, d. 2020)

Toys for Tommy- MSS 2014

Throughout the month of November, the National Junior Honor Society will sponsor the "Toys for Tommy" drive. Named in honor of Tommy Laudani (MSS 2014), who died in 2018 from a rare form of cancer, this drive collects new toys to be donated to the Johns Hopkins "Snowflake Station." The Snowflake Station provides a place where the families of pediatric patients can "shop" for free for their children undergoing treatment at Hopkins. What a great way to honor Tommy's memory! If you would like to participate, you can drop off a new toy or have it delivered directly to MSS.



TOYS FOR TOMMY

NOVEMBER 1-29, 2024

The National Junior Honor Society is collecting new and unwrapped toys & books to benefit Johns Hopkins free Snowflake Station, where families can "shop" for gifts for their children who are pediatric patients.

A bin is in the atrium to collect donations. Thank you for your generosity!





Memorial Mass for Dearly Departed

The students, faculty and staff of Mother Seton will remember our dearly departed alumni during a Mass on Monday, Nov 25th at 9:30 a.m. Please send in the names of any alumni you would like to be remembered, and all are welcome to attend this special service. https://www.mothersetonschool.org/legacy/plaques/rollcall

We prayerfully remember the following



Andrew Adelsberger (MSS 1990)

Andrew Adelsberger (MSS 1990) died from injuries sustained in a motorcycle accident on June 12, 2024. Andrew was the son of David Roy Adelsberger (MSS 1969) and Luretta (Retsy Norris) Adelsberger (MSS 1968). He is survived by his brothers Adam (MSS 1993), Aaron (MSS 1996), and Alex (MSS 1998).



Tom Ashwell (MSS 1982)

Tom Ashwell (MSS 1982), passed away at age 56 on September 22, 2024. He is predeceased by his brother, Christopher Ashwell (MSS 1984).

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. ~ Amen ~

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