



SHRINE NEWS



JULY, 2019

SHRINE OF THE LITTLE FLOWER ALUMNI ASSOCIATION NEWS

BULL ROAST

It is almost time! Do you have your tickets for The Shrine of the Little Flower Alumni 15th Annual **BULL & OYSTER ROAST??**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 13 from 1:00 to 5:00 PM at Columbus Gardens on Klosterman Ave. Tickets \$50.00 per person.

Be assured that the food will be just as good and plentiful as in the past and, naturally, the bar will be open. (Please be advised that anyone requiring a special diet is advised to contact Columbus Gardens directly to ascertain availability)

The Ravens play the Bengals at home at 1:00 P.M. and on TV so you can go check on the game at your leisure.

MENU: For starters there will be a full, fresh salad & taco bar, Maryland Crab Soup, raw and padded oysters and oyster stew. From the pit: Choice Top Round of Beef, Virginia Baked Honey Ham and/or Seasoned Turkey Breast. Hot Buffet will consist of Shrimp Creole with rice, hot & mild sausage, breaded chicken, string beans in onion gravy, mashed potatoes with gravy and penne pasta and meatballs, Virginia Baked Ham and Genoa Salami and cheeses, creamy cole slaw, potato and macaroni salads, breads and French dinner rolls. For dessert there will be assorted sheet cakes to tempt your sweet tooth.

To help enjoy the meal, the drinks are (as always) free and the bar is open!

What is there to do you ask? Besides renewing old friendships? Well, there is the **Plant/Cake Wheel with great cakes, cookies and gigantic, beautiful mums.**

Oh, and the **50/50 raffles along with the Annual Association Raffle** (with prizes of \$1,000, \$500 and \$250.)

The highly recommended DJ will be Sean Parks of DJ Lightning playing the Music you like to hear and dance to.

*****IMPORTANT NOTE RE: BULLROAST TICKETS*****

After September 29th, we will try to accommodate specific requests for tickets and for specific seating, however, we may not be able to do so.

Please try to place your order for tickets as early as possible. Please use the registration form in this newsletter to order your tickets, and be sure to list any special seating requests. We are sorry but there are NO tickets sold at the door.

DONATIONS- Attending the Roast? We would greatly appreciate your donations. The SLF food pantry needs whatever non-expired dry or canned goods you would care to donate. (Cash donations are also greatly appreciated).

And, without your donations of cakes and other baked goods, the Plant and Cake Wheel will be just the Plant Wheel. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

CLASS REUNIONS are encouraged. If you have reunion you want to schedule, why not have it at the bull roast? As always, your contacts are Susan Scheerer (littlefloweralum@comcast.net) phone (410) 488-7169 or Chuck Snyder phone (410) 254-8005. See you there!

CLASS of '54 REUNION- The Little Flower Class of 1954 will be celebrating our 65th Reunion at this year's Alumni Bull and Oyster Roast on Sunday, October 13, 2019. If there is enough interest we may also plan other events over that weekend. If you are interested in joining us or possibly making plans for other events, please contact Jim Durkin at 410-248-9156, or jrdurkin@verizon.net. Looking forward to seeing you in October.

If you are interested in planning a reunion for your class, and would like to obtain information on your class members, please contact the Alumni for assistance at littlefloweralumni@comcast.net

FIFTH SUNDAY MASSES

The Little Flower Alumni Association encourages Alumni and Friends of the Shrine to help support our Church by attending the 11:00 a.m. Mass on these 5th Sundays. Your attendance is most appreciated and gives you an opportunity to meet old friends and to say hello to Father Mike, who has been pastor for over 27 years.

September 29th December 29th

If you cannot attend on one of these dates, please consider attending any weekend.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Once again you have come through with a tremendous outpouring of support for the Shrine. In less than 30 days, we exceeded the goal for the roof repair by 33%!

This has enabled us to not only cover the cost of that repair, but also pay for plumbing problems, power washing of the exterior statues and entrances, and much needed grounds maintenance.

As the most recognized one of the Alumni Committee, I frequently get compliments on the great work that is being accomplished on behalf of the Little Flower. Let me state here that my job is so much easier because of the dedicated committee members. My sincere thanks to Sue Scheerer, Betty Piotrkowski, Helen Campbell, Tim Pugh, Jim Durkin, Mike Urban, Mary Frances Pipkin, Chuck and Ann Snyder, Garry & Regina Brown and Kathy Goldsmith Benisch. They make it all happen.

In addition to the current members, Frank Lynch, Rosemarie Durkin, Denny Meadowcroft and Fred Fickert made significant contributions to our efforts.

Thank-you,
Bob Campbell, Class of 1953
SLF Alum Association President

SCHOOL LIBRARIAN

Mary Hartman Ayers who died on January 31, 2019 was the librarian at SLF from the library's inception in the late 1960's and through the 1970's. She established and organized the library with the help of many volunteers. She was a member of the Diocesan Book Review and Selection Group. Mrs. Ayers is remembered as a helpful and understanding librarian who encouraged an interest in reading in the students and in her children.

IN MEMORIAM- Please pray for the deceased & those in mourning:

Joan Burtscher-Moritz '49, passed 1/23/19.

Robert Carney Jr., husband of Mary Lou Santorum Carney '53, passed 3/31/19. Mary Lou passed away on 4/22/19.

Jeanne Cora, passed 2/16/19. Sister of Charles Bennett '53.

Mary Hartman-Ayers- school librarian & mother of Robert '65, Beth Ayers-Pollack '67, David '70 and Joseph '73. (See additional paragraph above.)

Eileen Hoffman-Riedal, '55 passed away 4/2019.

Theresa Jasinski-Zerhusen'45- sister of Mary Frances Pipkin '54, Sr. Rose Marie Jasinski, C.B.S. '56 and John, passed on 4/10/19.

Sister Francesca Krolczyk, O.S.F. passed away 3/24/19. She taught at the Shrine and Catholic High as well as several schools in the area - she was 91.

Madeline Krueger, mother of Wade Edward '52, C. Norman '55 and Frank, passed away 12/19/18.

Ronald Lipppa' 52.

Mary O'Connor Kappel '43, passed 10/4/18, sister of Frances '49 & of Helen O'Connor Iardella '52.

Raymond O'Donnell '45, brother of Bernard '50, passed 2/1/19.

Raymond J. Piechocki, '54, passed 2/23/19. He was a member of the Class of '54 for a few years before moving from the parish.

Eileen Pitt-Clarke '50, passed 7/2019.

Gregory Pitta, brother of Joseph '52 on 5/23/19.

Eleanor Romadka, wife of Robert '44 on 5/28/19.

Dr. G. Lee Russo '47, passed 1/12/2019.

Janet Salemi '42.

Andrew Siarkowski, son of Rita and the late Deacon Henry on 5/29/19.

IN MEMORIAM (continued)

Daniel Spedden '47, passed 3/7/18.

Paul Swartz, husband of Pat Kerns-Swartz '55.

MAINTENANCE REPORT- As previously stated in the President's message, we have been able to cover the costs of various projects at the Little Flower facility. Since the Shrine buildings are nearly 70 years old, there will always be upkeep and repairs that arise. Please continue your generosity so those costs can be covered.

PEW DEDICATIONS- This fund raiser has been our most successful ever. All of the pews in the center aisle have been assigned to the various donors. No FULL pews remain, although there are still HALF pews available. On the Brendan and Kentucky Ave sides, both full and half pews are still available. If you are considering recognizing loved ones with a dedication, please contact Bob Campbell 410-933-3666, HSINN2@COMCAST.NET or Garry Brown, 410-931-2436, GARRY.BROWN@EXXONMOBIL.COM

ELECTRONIC NEWSLETTER

If you are interested in receiving the newsletter by e-mail, please send your e-mail address to us at littlefloweralumni@comcast.net . You will receive your issue a week before those who have it mailed to them.

E-MAIL ADDRESS

The Committee can be reached by e-mail. Questions, comments, etc. can be sent to: littlefloweralumni@comcast.net

SHRINE WEBSITE

We encourage everyone to log on to the Shrine's website:

www.shrineofthelittleflower.org

There is information on the website about the church and an Alumni Section that is in the early stages of being developed. You can view a Guestbook with some interesting comments that may bring back memories from your days at the Little Flower. Please sign the Guestbook and remember to include some comments about your recollections of the Shrine and growing up in the area. If you attended the Little Flower School, please remember to include your graduation year

DUES

Invoices for the 2019 year were mailed. Dues are \$15 for a year, or \$150 for a lifetime membership. Your dues help support the Alumni Association, and the work we do for the parish.

If you would like to pay your dues at this time, please use the form on the last page of the newsletter. Any organization that wants to continue needs to grow! Remind your friends and family to join! Please try to promote the Alumni Association whenever you can.

CHANGE OF INFORMATION

Please be sure to notify us when you have a change of address, phone number or e-mail address. Changes may be sent to the Alumni Association in care of the Rectory, or, e-mailed to: **littlefloweralumni@comcast.net**.

Keeping us advised of changes to your address helps us to keep mailing costs down, as we have to pay a fee for each letter returned by the post office. Use of e-mail also helps us to cut expenses.

SCHOOL RECORDS

Did you know that you can obtain a copy of your school records for just a \$10 donation? There is a space on the enclosed form to order your records. Ladies, please remember to include your maiden name.

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