



***St. Peter's College/Mt. Carmel Academy/Catholic High School  
Alumni Association  
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**SPRING HAS SPRUNG**...and it is alumni newsletter time again! This past year has been a great one in that we have increased the number of you with whom we have contact and moved into the age of technology by establishing over 1500 e-mail contacts with our alumni! With our ability to have contact with more of you, we have been able to find out from you the types of alumni activities you enjoy. We value your input more than you realize and attempt to honor your requests for alumni events and activities. We have established a calendar of events for next school year which we hope will have at least one activity of interest to each one of you!

Before we look ahead to next year, I'd like to give you a quick recap of this year's alumni activities:

- The **Mt. Carmel Alumnae Banquet** was well-attended and everyone seemed to enjoy themselves- as they always do.
- The first "**Panther Hall of Fame Classic**" golf tournament saw high alumni participation. Following the tournament the first class of athletes was inducted into the **Catholic High Athletic Hall of Fame**.
- **Homecoming** and "**Turn Back the Clock**" events were great successes
- The Alumni Association once again sponsored **Speech Night** and fifteen of our eighteen judges were alumni.
- The spring gala, **Retro Prom**, was made possible by a steering committee of parents and alumni and saw a great "blast from the past" with many alumni attendees dressed in the prom attire of various eras. Mark your calendars now for next year's **Retro Prom, April 24, 2010**, and think about holding your class reunions on this weekend and including Retro Prom as one of your functions.
- The spring "**Panther Pause**" received many compliments. You seemed to enjoy the new features and content of the publication. We rely on your notifying us of births, deaths, and marriages so please drop us a line at [alumni@chspanthers.com](mailto:alumni@chspanthers.com) with your submissions and suggestions for other items you would like to see included.

We are excitedly looking forward to the upcoming year's alumni events:

- This year's Mt. Carmel Alumnae Banquet will once again be held at the Ramada Inn (formerly the Holiday Inn) on Center Street. We hope all of our MCA grads will join us for this special day as we honor the classes of 1949, 1959, and 1984.
  - We are excited to be able to recognize Mayor Hilda Daigre Curry, member of the Class of 1969, as this year's honored guest. It is a special year for Mayor Curry and her classmates as they celebrate their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary! Be ready for entertainment that "Turns the Clock Back on MCA Fashions from the Past!"

- Homecoming 2009 will have an alumni focus as we kick the week off with the **Panther Hall of Fame Classic Golf Tournament**. This year we are proud to recognize past baseball players and induct the 2001 State Championship team into the Panther Athletic Hall of Fame.
- **Catholic Schools Week**, the last week of January 2010, will provide a great opportunity for alumni involvement...a schedule of events will be published in the fall edition of "Panther Pause."
- **Spring 2010** will see three major alumni events as we "**Turn Back the Clock on Track**" on March 5, 2010 during our annual STREVA Relays. During that weekend, we will recognize and honor all former Catholic High track and field athletes!
- **Speech Night** will follow in April and all local alumni are invited to offer their services as judges!
- We will hold the inaugural St. Peter's College Social on **May 15, 2010**, the **Feast of St. John Baptiste deLaSalle**.

You will receive details about all of these events closer to the time for which they are scheduled. If you are a member of past baseball or volleyball teams, or a former Catholic High track and field athlete, we would greatly appreciate your dropping us a line to [alumni@chspanthers.com](mailto:alumni@chspanthers.com) so that we may start our planning. We would also appreciate copies of any pictures you have, or any memories of your years involved with these teams.

In closing, know that I look forward to continuing to serve you in the capacity of alumni relations officer. Contact me anytime you have questions, want to learn more about your alma mater and the education we provide our students today, need assistance with class contacts for reunions, etc. Also-please let us know of any features you would enjoy seeing in "Panther Pause" and be sure to let us know of any marriages, births, or deaths in our extended alumni family. All input is valued...we can only get better with **your** help! May God bless and keep you all.

St. John Baptiste DeLaSalle...*Pray for us.*  
 Our Lady of Mt. Carmel...*Pray for us.*  
 Live Jesus in Our Hearts...*Forever.*

With highest regards,

Sharon Hebert LeBlanc (MCA 68')  
 Alumni Relations Officer  
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P.S. Attached you will find an alumni registration form. Please complete it and send it back to us as an attachment OR print, complete and send it back by mail. We sincerely hope that you will consider becoming a dues-paying member of the St. Peter's College/Mt. Carmel Academy/Catholic High School Alumni Association. Dues have been \$25.00 per year for as long as we have kept records and we hope to keep them at that price. Your dues fund all alumni publications and alumni activities and events. We thank the Development Department for assisting in the funding of alumni activity since dues alone do not cover alumni expenses.

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