



The Subiaco Monthly

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Alumni News

Over 400 alumni and wives enjoyed Reunion 2015 the last 3 days of May. A Camp Subiaco Volunteer Appreciation Dinner on May 28 preceded the Reunion. Featured activities on Friday were the annual golf tournament, Vespers with the monks, the Abbot's Reception in the PAC, and visiting under the tent. On Saturday the Ladies Auxiliary brunched while the men met for the General Assembly. A wine and cheese pairing for the ladies took place at the Headmaster's home. At the 4:00 p.m. Mass, the families of Al and Joe Nolte received Distinguished Alumni Awards from Abbot Leonard. The annual banquet and live auction then were enjoyed by all in the Round House. Secretary Dale Schumacher, President David Sharum, and President-elect Dr. Ken Seiter, Jr. at Sunday brunch.



Johnathan Rhodes '10 graduated from St. John's University (MN) in December with a Bachelor of Art in Vocal Performance and in History. He has been accepted by The LaMont School of Music, U. of Denver for a 2-year Masters program in Vocal Performance. He also received the Dean's Scholarship. This summer he will join Fr. Rousseau from Lafayette on a tour to Turin, Lourdes, Barcelona and other places.



Stan Pace '77 and David Flake '79 recently started gigging a new band called Steam Loco. It's a classic rock party band with Stan on bass and David on drums. The photo was taken Saturday night, 5/16/2015, at a venue called Reno's in North Little Rock. Here we are pictured with a couple of fans: L-R Kevin Ehemann '77, Tom Vogler '77, Stan Pace '77, David Flake '79, and Gary Flake '80. To everyone on the hill our best!

Bob Limbird '67 retired from the Ark. Game and Fish Commission on July 18, 2014 after working 42 years with the agency: 1 ½ years on a Hatchery, 1 ½ years as a Creel Clerk on Beaver Lake, ½ year in Real Estate Division in main Office, 5 years as an Assistant District Biologist in Western Arkansas (9 county district that included counties on both sides of the Arkansas River from Atkins to the Oklahoma line and Scott and Newton Counties) then as the District Biologist in Western Arkansas from 1980 until 2014.

Melissa and Paul Frederick '86 hosted a graduation party for Gregory Frederick '11, J.P. Thomas '11, Derek Pagel '11, Zach Boyer '11 and our daughter, Cassidy, on Sunday, May 19th at our farm in McLouth, KS. Greg, Derek, J.P. and Zach all graduated from Benedictine College on May 16. Derek received his commission from Lt. Colonel (Ret.) Paul Frederick, as a second lieutenant in the Kansas National Guard on Sunday. Melissa noted: "Because of Subiaco Academy, we have become one big, wonderful, extended family."

Kevin Herr '02 completed his Masters in International Studies from the American Military University, and is employed by Lockheed, writing and teaching intelligence courses for the Army at Ft. Bragg in Fayetteville, NC. He did one tour of duty in Iraq with the Army Reserves and two tours as a contract intelligence analyst in Afghanistan.



Seventy-two alumni (including 30+ members of the class of 2015) gathered in the KC Hall in Paris for the annual senior banquet. Joe Spivey '77 spoke to the seniors about gratitude owed by all alumni for their Subiaco experience. Each senior received gifts from the Alumni Association.

Erik Jakobs '05 was married May 23 to Iris Mayes.

Gayle Mangum '64 died May 9, 2015 * Wilfred Seiter '55 died May 12, 2015 * Dante Tomasini '63 died May 23, 2015

Reunion 2015



Twenty-nine prizes in the live auction netted \$37,450 for the Alumni Association tuition assistance program. The silent auction conducted by the Ladies Auxiliary netted \$1,800.



For Reunion 2015, Hilton '60 and Ken Osborn '61 traveled from California to Austin, TX to Subiaco to Crystal Bridges (Bentonville, AR).



Joe Bezner '36 will be celebrating his 80th anniversary of his graduation from Subiaco Academy at Reunion 2016. Linda Freeman (Abbey Development) will be there to welcome him.



Gilkers and Sokoras appreciated the Saturday evening cuisine.



Ed Franz (Honorary alumnus and Bettye Franz (Honorary Ladies Auxiliary member) with Abbot Leonard



Alumni served as acolytes and as deacon at the 4:00 p.m. Saturday Mass in the Abbey Church



Champion golfers Flake and Quick showed their prowess.



Hatwig father and son under the tent on Friday evening



Pat Franz received marble plaque for Camp Subiaco Volunteers



Ladies Auxiliary news

Kristen Gehrig is the new President-Elect. New Board members are Kristin Fredrich, Maria Constantino, Karen Yandell, and Bernadette Post.

Alumni Board news

Tom Strobel - President-Elect
Pat Franz, Brian Weisenfels,
Henry Moore, Scott Jones,
Bubba Galvan

To view more Reunion photos click [HERE](#).

Reunion 2015 (continued)

On Saturday, May 30 the **Subiaco Alumni Association Ladies Auxiliary** (SAALA) held their annual Champagne Brunch during Alumni Reunion Weekend. There were 39 ladies in attendance. A brief meeting was held with election of new officers and board members. Kristen Gehrig was elected as President Elect. New board members are Maria Constantino, Karen Yandell and Katherine Frederick. Returning officers are Cathy Willems President, Alicia Minden Secretary, and Sherry Costello Treasurer. Returning Board Members are Kerri Franz, DeDe Lux, Judy Brooks, Betty Loia, and Beverly Nehus. Kristen Gehrig, scholarship chairmen announced that they will be awarding two \$2,000 scholarships for the 2015-2016 school year. The recipients will be named later in June. Special thanks to Mary Lynn Holland and Charlie Kremers for food preparation. At 2:00 the ladies hosted a wine pairing at the Headmaster's house with 35 in attendance. Peter Post served as the sommelier. Wines served were from the Post Winery. There was Seyval paired with Brie, Chambourcin paired with venison sausage, Ives paired with Gouda, Blue Parachute paired with bread and Boursin cheese, and Altus Port paired with dark chocolate. Special thanks to Matthew and Mary Stengel for hosting and to Peter and Bernadette Post for organizing this event. In addition to these activities, the ladies also held their silent auction which made over \$1,800 which will be used to award scholarships for the 2016-2017 school year.

Live Auction Items

Cedar Chest	Br. Adrian Strobel '62	\$700
Painting	Dean's Furniture	\$100
Six 1/2 gallons Woodbridge wine	David Sharum '83	\$250
Dinner for 6 Headmaster House	Matt & Mary Stengel '99	\$1,000
Homemade whiskey	North TX Distillery	\$1,000
Trojan fire ring 2' for patio	Dale Schumacher '71	\$2,500
Br. Jude bowl	Br. Jude Schmitt '62	\$600
Remington shotgun, case shells	Ralph Bock '56	\$1,100
Trojan stained glass	Don Berend '57	\$500
Whiskey package	Joe Zeiler '70	\$550
Abbey Cemetery pen & ink	Perry Trachier '87	\$5,100
Hand turned Chess Board	Novice Clifford Heyer	\$2,100
Diamond Ring	Brenda VanGaasbeek	\$2,200
2015 Team signed basketball	Tim Tencleve '76	\$2,000
Whiskey barrel package	Pete & Jan Ransom '63	\$800
George Dombeck painting	Steve Schmitz '00	\$1,500
Flat screen TV	Nino Ardemagni '91	\$400
Artist enhanced Subiaco Abbey print	Tom & Kathy Sanders '58	\$5,100
Whiskey package	Alumni Day Dogs	\$600
Fr. Jerome bowl	Fr. Jerome Kodell	\$1,000
Gourmet dinner 8-10 people	Charlie Kremers '78	\$2,000
Trojan Quilt	Alumni Association	\$1,000
Santiago Humidor End Table	Jesson George '99	\$600
Subiaco Abbey John Bell print	Seiter family	\$2,000
iRobot vacuum	John Zimpel '73	\$500
18 bottles Post wine	Joseph Post '08	\$500
2 Cardinals tickets, \$200 gift card, jersey	Ladies Auxiliary	\$550
Wheelbarrow of whiskey	Dan Eckelhoff '65	\$1,500

Potpourri



At the 80th birthday celebration of Donald Plugge in Oklahoma City: Cecil Soerries '58, Zachary Plugge '20, Richard Plugge '51, Matt Soerries '54, Donald Plugge '52, Fr. Jerome '57.



Jason Pierce sent along the attached picture of himself, Brendan Kopacka, John Rotert, and Ben Davis, all of the Class of '96. They got together for the first time with their families in Fort Worth in May.



Class of 2014 members (Malcolm Mitchell, Austin Beck, and Austin Schluterman) posed during the 2015 Commencement.



The men of '81 (Foster, Brooks, Scarbrough) and Br. Ephrem '60 braved an early morning May 23 rain at Beaver Lake to catch stripers (3 of which were deemed keepers).



John Casey and Brian Gilker enjoyed the Jazz Ensemble at La Huerta in Ft. Smith.



Isaac Combs, '97, attorney, and author of a geopolitical spy novel addressed members of the class of 2015 at the 128th Subiaco Academy graduation on May 16.



Perry Trachier '87 proudly posed with son Nicholas '15 after graduation.



AETN's Chuck Dovish and photographer marveled at numerous Subiaco sites and activities, including Br. Jude's work in the Abbey carpenter shop.

Alumni Scholarships for Academic Year 2015-2016

Father Christopher Paladino Scholarship - \$500.00

To qualify for this Scholarship a student must meet [but not limited to] the following criteria: The recipient must possess and exhibit high Christian principles as determined by the Academy Administration. The recipient should be recommended by his Christian Doctrine teachers. The recipient must have exhibited above average grades in Christian Doctrine, conduct, and application. The recipient for the 2015-16 school year is [Hayden Criswell](#), of Fort Smith, Arkansas.

Father Clement Scholarship - \$500.00

The Father Clement Scholarship is awarded to assist a senior who is proficient in Math and Science, with the hope that this will encourage Math and Science excellence in the Academy. The recipient for the 2015-16 school year is [Kangkyu \(James\) Kim](#), of Seoul, South Korea.

Coach Maus Scholarship - \$500.00

The Coach Maus Scholarship is awarded to help an upperclassman who has shown some of the qualities and loyalty to the school exhibited by Coach Maus during his 49 years of active association with the Academy as a student, athlete, teacher, coach, and administrator. The recipient for the 2015-2016 school year is [James Wells](#), of Paris, Arkansas.

Jason Cleveland Scholarship - \$500.00

This scholarship is given to a current junior day student who has achieved above average grades and who has exhibited good conduct and character. It was established by the Cleveland Family in memory of Jason Cleveland, Valedictorian of the Subiaco Academy Class of 1987, who was killed in a car accident in July after his graduation.

The recipient for the 2015-2016 school year is [Joseph Blaschke](#), of Subiaco, Arkansas.

The Herman Schwartz Day Dog Scholarship - \$2,000.00

This scholarship was established in 1997 by the family and friends of Herman Schwartz. Mr. Schwartz, a local businessman, was a strong supporter of Subiaco Abbey and Academy. He was a cousin of Abbot Michael Lensing, 4th Abbot of Subiaco Abbey. Mr. Schwartz was the proud father of six children including three Subiaco Alumni, Bill '63, Gene '56 and Bob '53. This scholarship is awarded to a day student of good character selected by the Administration of Subiaco Academy. The recipient for the 2015-2016 school year is [Toby Schluterman](#), of Subiaco, Arkansas.

Eugene Henry Weisenfels Memorial Scholarship - \$500.00

On behalf of Chris & Blair Weisenfels, the Eugene H. Weisenfels Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$500.00 is awarded to each of the following students with [who have exhibited] outstanding character, faith and leadership, who have a determination for pursuing their passion in life. The recipients this year are [Isaiah Kury](#) and [Logan Weisenfels](#).

Dick Hartz Scholarship - \$1,000

The Dick Hartz scholarship is awarded to a student who is deserving and has met all the criteria set up by the Hartz family. It is given to a student who has attended the Academy for at least a year and has the desire to return to the Academy. The recipient for the 2015-2016 school year is [Eric Boltuc](#), of Fort Smith, Arkansas.

In addition to these scholarships, there is a Father Harold Heiman Scholarship and a Father Herbert Vogelpohl Scholarship that provide tuition assistant that many of you are receiving.

The Fr. Harold Scholarship memorializes a man who dedicated himself to God and to the service of those around him. With a teaching career that began in 1940, Fr. Harold holds the record in Subiaco's history of being the only monk to have served in the classroom for 52 consecutive years. A gifted artist, Fr. Harold had thousands of friends who were drawn to him especially because of his positive outlook on life. This scholarship was established in 2006

and has provided over \$86,000 since then to help students attend Subiaco Academy.

The Fr. Herbert Scholarship. Born in Subiaco, Fr. Herbert was a great example of how to live a Christ-centered life. A graduate of 1931, he never lost interest in the mission of Subiaco, having served as a teacher at both Subiaco Academy and Laneri High School in Fort Worth, TX. In later years, he became director at Coury House and the Abbey's retreat program. This scholarship was endowed in 2012 and has provided over \$11,300 to assist qualifying day students from Subiaco and the surrounding areas.

The Pat and Vicki Wardlaw Scholarship. is given to a graduating student who displays citizenship, leadership, sportsmanship, scholarship, ambition, and integrity. The \$10,000 will be paid in four annual installments of \$2,500 each year directly to the college or university of the recipient's choice. The recipient this year is [Mario Juarez](#), of Ft. Smith, Arkansas.

Building progress

Fuhrmann Hall

Stone masons continue to work on the north side. Interior metal framing has been completed at both levels. Dry-wall is being delivered and ceilings are scheduled to start next week. HVAC, plumbing and electrical continue to be installed throughout. Details for layout of the new street, street lighting and storm drainage continues.

Main Entry/Stair

The metal roof has been installed on the exterior structure. The contractor has removed the first floor bathroom fixtures and plumbing lines. The hole cutting for the stair was postponed until after reunion. Maintenance is in the process of relocating the HVAC system, electrical panel etc.

Tennis Courts

The contractor has removed all of the old fencing and the cement at the north east corner to allow for additional underground drain lines. Maintenance is in the process of removing 4 massive pine trees at the east end of the site. The logs are being taken to the abbey sawmill.

--May 28 updates provided by Sam Little, Director of Maintenance for Subiaco Abbey and Academy

Alumni – It's Camp time!

Summer Camp at Subiaco Abbey. Sign-up now! Applications are still being accepted for either week.

Camp Subiaco, for boys 9 - 13, is an active all boys camp with fishing, archery, riflery, go-carts, boating & tubing, climbing wall and more. Camp Subiaco is operated by the Subiaco Alumni Association and the Benedictine Monks of Subiaco. Camp is June 14 - 20 and June 21 - 27, 2015.

You may sign up at www.campsubiaco.org or call 479-934-1001 for more info or email Pat Franz at pfranz@subi.org
Come join us! It's a blast!

Subiaco's Swiss Beginnings

Join Fr. Jerome Kodell, OSB, on a journey to Switzerland to explore the Swiss roots of Subiaco Abbey. Trace the history, influence and huge contributions of Benedictine monasticism to Western civilization while enjoying the incredible Alpine vistas of the snow-capped mountains and glacier-fed lakes! October 5-12, 2015

For further details, itinerary and to make a reservation please contact:

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