

CARILLON



Ringing out the good news of St. Coletta's of Illinois



Mission: ACCOMPLISHED

Now that the 2013 Caritas Benefit is Mission: Accomplished, we'd like to thank the Caritas Society, the Foundation and all the supporters for making this event a smashing success. Over 300 people attended the Mission: Possible event at Hotel Arista in Naperville on Saturday, October 26th.

Andy Avalos, NBC 5's Meteorologist, emceed the event for the fourth straight year. We honored the Payton family of Atlas Putty Products with the Humanitas Award. The Payton's have been involved with our vocational program for over 10 years and continue to send their products to our workshop for packaging.

The National Anthem sung by Jim Cornelison from the Chicago Blackhawks opened the live auction. It featured Bulls and Blackhawks tickets and jerseys, trips to Rome and Colorado and tickets to Windy City Live. The silent auction had a variety of unique experiences and items as well. Al Sofia Orchestra, the evening's entertainment, had the dance floor full until the end of the night.

It an exciting evening that we look forward to every year. Thank you to our donors, family members and friends for continuing to help us make our mission possible at St. Coletta's of Illinois.

Pictured above left: The Payon Family, L-R Jack, Nancy, Dave, Jackie & Matt. Above Right: Jim Cornelison

MISSION STATEMENT

St. Coletta's of Illinois was created by the Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi for the specific purpose of providing services in a Christian environment for all children and adults with developmental disabilities, and other persons with short-term needs. This care is provided regardless of race, creed, or economic background.

Through training, residential and educational programs designed to enhance physical, mental, social and spiritual well being, St. Coletta's encourages each individual to achieve his or her greatest potential within society. Each individual is given the opportunity to grow in the least restrictive setting, which meets his or her needs and abilities.

The Corporate Ministries sponsored by the Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi are committed to the mission of promoting Franciscan values in all their programs and services. Each Corporation demonstrates a caring community, which supports and respects the spiritual academic, vocational and social potential of each person. These Corporate Ministries include:

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www.stcolettas.com

A letter from the CEO:



My Dear Friends of St. Coletta's of Illinois,

Soon the holidays will be upon us. It is a time for friends and family to gather and reminisce.

At St. Coletta's, we are family to so many of our residents. They have little or no family support and they look to us to always be there for them. We will be at their side through the holidays and beyond.

The Mission of St. Coletta's is to serve God's most vulnerable population in the least restrictive environment. This means, not only to provide a good home, but to promote and encourage outside activities and new experiences.

This edition of the Carillon gives you a sampling of the kinds of activities our residents enjoy. We are proud of our new janitorial program. Soon, our St. Coletta's Culinary Program will be operational. Everyone is excited about the new additions to our programs. It gives our workers a sense of pride and accomplishment as they reach new goals and learn the skills necessary to be successful.

Within a few weeks, we will open another new program for our workers; our fitness center. Staff will be trained on the equipment prior to introducing it to the individuals who will be using the equipment.

Our doors are always open to visitors because we are proud of the programs and services we can offer to "our family".

On behalf of the Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi, our Boards of Directors, and everyone at St. Coletta's, from our family to yours, we wish you a very happy holiday season.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kathleen Prunty". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Kathleen Prunty
Chief Executive Officer



THE ANDREW DRAMA CLUB PRESENTS
Breakfast with Santa

In appreciation for the over 20 years of dedication Andrew High School has shown us with the Kennedy School's Prom, we will be opening our doors to host this very special holiday fundraiser event for their Drama Club. Proceeds will go toward the Drama Club's trip to New York City in March 2014.

\$10 for Adults \$5 for Kids
Children under 3 are Free

Two days with two seating times are available.

Saturday, December 7th

8:00am - 10:00am
or
10:30am - 12:30pm

Sunday, December 8th

8:00am - 10:00am
or
10:30am - 12:30pm

18350 Crossing Drive
Tinley Park, IL 60487

Pancakes • Sausage • Ham • Potato Wedges • Pastries
Photos with Santa available.
50/50 Raffle

Tickets must be purchased in advance.
You can purchase tickets by contacting
Deanna Wetzel at 708-342-5236.

WE'RE MAKING A COMMOTION ABOUT A PROMOTION!

Jesse McMorris was featured in the Spring Carillon for being chosen as Employee of the Month at Jewel. Recently, he was promoted from Bagger to Stocker. As a Stocker, Jesse faces the products, stocks the shelves and the frozen food as well as handles phone calls regarding products in the store. Sue, a regular customer at the Jewel where Jesse works says, "He is very helpful when I'm having trouble finding an item in the store. He knows where everything is located."

Jesse has worked at Jewel for 12 years. He says, "The new job is going very well. My favorite part is the stocking and the frozen food section." Congratulations on your promotion Jesse!

The Kennedy School Needs Your Help Collecting Box Tops for Education & Labels for Education



Please help our students, by cutting out the labels from cereal & snack boxes, office supplies, baking goods, paper & plastic products & more. You can drop them off or mail them to:

The Kennedy School
c/o Kelly Moore
18350 Crossing Drive
Tinley Park, IL 60487

Thank you for your support!

New Janitorial Program Shines

Nine individuals trained from April until the end of August to become workers in the new Janitorial Program. Through their training, they have acquired many new skills which include proper cleaning and sanitizing techniques as well as learning how to use equipment to buff the floors.

As of September 1st, the team has worked on a daily basis cleaning the bathrooms, hallways, lunchrooms and classrooms at our administrative offices and the Kennedy School. They take care of everything from the garbage to vacuuming. Eric, a worker says, "I like keeping things in good shape." The team takes pride in keeping our building clean.

New workers are already entering the training process, so the program is beginning to grown in size. Eventually, the team will be in charge of cleaning some of the group homes on a monthly basis.

We do offer commercial and office cleaning services to the public. If you would like to learn more about having members of our Janitorial Program come and clean your office space, please contact Jim Kompik at 708-342-5205. They are fully equipped to handle any job and are reliable, flexible and thorough.

Pictured above top: Jermaine changes the garbage.
Bottom: Shareen cleaning in the bathroom.



New Culinary Education Program Gets Cooking

Last October, the on Campus Training Kitchen closed for remodeling and during the year of reconstruction a new kitchen and Culinary Program emerged. Chef Fred Ferrara, Culinary Instructor at Joliet Junior College, has been visiting weekly to teach and train our kitchen staff.

Workers have been learning a variety of recipes for the kitchen's new menu. Fresh foods will be prepared daily including sandwiches, wraps, Panini's, salads and soup. The menu will feature specialty items such as pizzas, smoothies and a great breakfast selection.

The new kitchen is scheduled to open on Monday, December 2nd. The kitchen staff is excited to show off their newly acquired skills and commented on how working with Chef Ferrara has helped them gain confidence in the kitchen. They have been



Jermaine and some of his kitchen staff, Sue, Selena & Ruth pose behind the new kitchen's serving counter.

practicing by preparing some of the recipes for their group homes and family members.

Chef Ferrara has been an integral part of the new program. To thank him for the work he has done the kitchen staff presented him with a plaque.

Christmas is right around the corner...

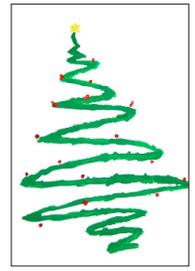
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Order online at www.stcolettail.org or call Barb at 708-342-5246.



Holiday Candy Sale

\$9.99 for a 1lb box

Chocolate Covered Raisins
Chocolate Covered Almonds
Dark Chocolate Covered Raisins
Dark Chocolate Covered Almonds



Christmas Cards

10-5x7 cards with envelopes
\$10 per pack

St. Coletta's Bridge to Eternal Life

Honor someone special, a special occasion, or the memory of a loved one or friend by making a donation to St. Coletta's in their name. A St. Coletta's memorial donation offers you a caring way to honor a loved one while contributing to making life better for an individual with special needs.

TO REQUEST A MEMORIAL PACKET

The Bridge To Eternal Life Packet includes cards, envelopes and donation envelopes that can be used "In Memory of" or "In Honor of" a loved one. Please contact Barb Siwinski at 708.342.5246 or e-mail bsiwinski@stcolettail.org.

MEMORIALS

The families and friends of the following respectfully ask that you remember them in your thoughts and prayers:

Mary Ann Burian

Robert Griegel

Margo Ham

Dolores Hanon

John H. Kester

Charles Montgomery

Irene Mueller

Richard Mundo

Joan Padden

**Sister & Brother-in-Law
Of Terri Rimkus**

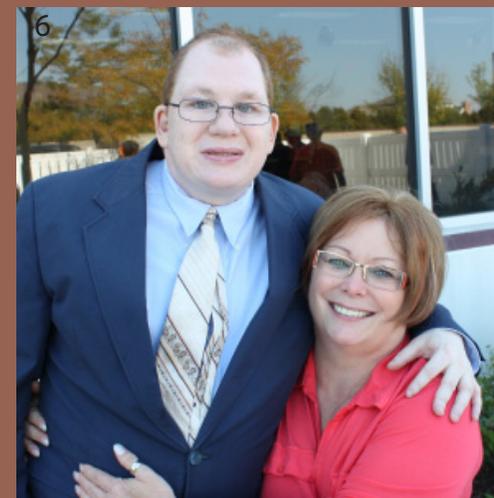
Anita B. Smith

Joe Spears

FRANCISCAN FALL FESTIVAL



On Friday, September 27th, everyone at St. Coletta's spent the day sharing in some of the festivities of fall. Family and friends stopped by the campus to visit their loved ones and to spend the day together. Fresh, delicious ears of corn were roasted on the grill for lunch and for dessert everyone enjoyed scrumptious cupcakes iced in an array of fall colors. The weather couldn't have been any better for an afternoon of outdoor activities and games including bean bags, volleyball, basketball and face painting. And the choir sang a few songs to close out the celebration.



1. Ronna holding up her ear of corn. 2. Alene with her grilled corn still in the husk. 3. A student, Nick, watches as Heather paints a Shamrock on his arm. 4. Students Mercedes and Carmella pose for a picture before starting a game of volleyball. 5. Jeff enjoying his ear of corn. 6. Dennis' Aunt Vicky came to spend the afternoon with him.

HAPPY HALLOWEEN

Southwest Suburban Special Rec sponsored a Halloween Party for members of the Workshop on the Monday before Halloween. The DJ had everyone out on the dance floor singing and dancing. There were all kinds of crafts, cookies and punch and assortment of costumes from funny to scary. We had a costume contest and a pumpkin contest where winners received a gift card. The party ended with pizza and candy treat bags.



1. Costume Contest Winners L-R: Megan as a Clown, Michael as Woody from Toy Story, David won for scariest costume.

2. Mrs. Leslie's Class won 1st Place in the Pumpkin Contest with the Kennedy's Finer Diner.

3. Mr. Tony's Class won 2nd Place in the Pumpkin Contest with 3rd Rock From the Sun.

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Upcoming Events

Friday, December 13th - Staff Appreciation Day, Sponsored by the Parent Association

Friday, December 6th & Saturday, December 7th - Breakfast with Santa

Friday, December 6th - Workshop Christmas Party

To find out more, please visit our website: www.stcolettail.org

